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## Junior shooter electrocuted in Delhi OYO hotel room

**JIGNASA SINHA**  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

IN TOWN for a shooting competition, a 15-year-old boy died at an OYO hotel room after being electrocuted while taking a bath Sunday. According to police, Priyanshu Kumar was staying at a Collection O hotel, a 'mid-market brand' of hospitality start-up OYO Rooms, in South East Delhi's Pul Prahladpur.

The boy's roommate Yash Gupta told *The Indian Express*: "Around noon, we found there was no water in the bathroom. We called the staff and they fixed the issue. Priyanshu then went to take a bath." He said that a few minutes later, he heard a scream and then a loud thud. Hotel staff were called to take the boy out.

DCP (South East) Chinmoy Biswal said, "We suspect the boy died due to an electric shock from appliances in the bathroom. We have registered an FIR under IPC section 304A (death due to negligence)."

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## Couple Abhijit Banerjee and Esther Duflo share Nobel for Economics

Together with Michael Kremer, Nobel committee recognises their experimental approach to alleviating global poverty; Modi to Rahul to Mamata, India applauds

**PVAIDYANATHAN IYER**  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

IT MUST have been around sunrise Monday in Boston, home to Abhijit Banerjee, Esther Duflo and Michael Kremer, when The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences announced the Nobel Prize for Economic Sciences for 2019 to the three economists "for their experimental approach to alleviating poverty". Their research has, over the last two decades, helped obtain reliable answers about the best ways to fight global poverty.

While the couple, Banerjee and Duflo, are professors at the department of economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), Kremer is a professor in the department of economics in Harvard University. Their work has revolved around identifying "low-hanging fruits", which are often the most effective interventions in improving outcomes in health and education for the poor.

Banerjee, born in Mumbai in 1961, studied at the University of Calcutta and the Jawaharlal Nehru University before receiving his Ph.D from Harvard University in 1988. Kremer, too, obtained his Ph.D from Harvard University in 1992, while Duflo received her doctorate from

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Abhijit Banerjee and Esther Duflo in Cambridge on Monday. ANI

## Imprint in Punjab: Cash incentive scheme to save power and water

**ANJU AGNIHOTRI CHABA**  
JALANDHAR, OCTOBER 14

ON MONDAY, The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences described the Nobel-winning work of Abhijit Banerjee, Esther Duflo and Michael Kremer as a "new experiment-based approach" that has "transformed development economics". Nothing better illustrates this description than the fields of Punjab, where Mumbai-born Banerjee and his wife Duflo have left their imprint on a popular incentive scheme to save power and water.

Designed in collaboration with the Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL), a Massachusetts Institute of Technology-affiliated research

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### Solution lies in breaking it down

THE SOLUTION to the big problem of global poverty lies in breaking it down to smaller and more precise questions about individual and group behaviour. Be in education or health, such research, with concrete results flowing out now, has redefined research in development economics.

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### AFTER 70 DAYS

## Mobile phones back in Valley, SMS stopped after terror attack

**NAVEED IQBAL & ADIL AKHZER**  
SRINAGAR, OCTOBER 14

JUST BEFORE the Jammu and Kashmir administration restored mobile telephone services for post-paid connections in the Valley, Monday morning traffic in Srinagar slowed down. After more than two months of the communication lockdown, people walking, driving and even rowing shikaras in the Dal lake took a moment to acquire the network on their phones — the signal was back.

But hours later, the government re-imposed curbs on SMS services. Around the same time, J&K police said two militants shot dead the driver of a truck from Rajasthan transporting apples in Sindhoo Sermal village of Shopian district.

Shopian deputy commission Yasin Choudhary told *The Indian Express* that the militants fired shots in the air to disperse locals and labourers loading the truck and took the vehicle a short distance away before killing the driver and setting the truck on fire.

SSP Shopian Sandeep Chaudhary said on Twitter: "The

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Mobile phones back in the Valley, Monday. Shuaib Masoodi

## Omar and Mehbooba detained under PSA... had to take precautions: Shah

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE**  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

THERE IS a question mark on the continuing detention of former J&K Chief Ministers Omar Abdullah and Mehbooba Mufti with Union Home Minister Amit Shah saying they have been detained under the Public Safety Act (PSA), while officials in Srinagar said they are unaware of the PSA being invoked against

the two leaders.

Responding to a query on the detention of Omar and Mehbooba, Shah, in an interview to India Today TV channel Monday, said: "Unko Public Safety Act ke tehat abhi detention mei rakha hi hai (they are still in detention under the Public Safety Act)." This remark with a video of the interview was also tweeted by the BJP Live handle.

Omar and Mehbooba were

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## To bridge trust deficit, J&K will try engage mainstream parties

**DEEPTIMAN TIWARY**  
SRINAGAR, OCTOBER 14

AFTER RESTORING mobile phone connectivity in the Valley Monday, the Jammu and Kashmir administration is now working on a mechanism to initiate political engagement which is likely to involve mainstream political parties.

The move is expected to lead

to the release of more political leaders from detention though a decision releasing former chief ministers Farooq Abdullah, Omar Abdullah and Mehbooba Mufti is not on the table yet.

Sources said the Centre is keen on beginning political dialogue with the Valley to bridge the trust deficit between the state administration and Kashmiris following the August 5 decision to scrap the state's special status

and bifurcate J&K into two Union Territories.

The political mechanism currently under discussion is likely to involve second-rung leaders from regional parties in the Valley to form a political council that can initiate dialogue with people and assuage their fears in the wake of the August 5 decisions.

Part of this council's mandate

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## Subodh case: Google says HC order to have chilling effect on free speech

**PRITAM PAL SINGH**  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

SAYING IT will have a "chilling effect on freedom of speech and expression and be against public interest", Google Inc. moved the Delhi High Court Monday, seeking to vacate an order that directed them to take down

anonymous posts containing sexual harassment accusations against artist Subodh Gupta that emerged during last year's #MeToo movement.

The application came up for hearing before Justice Rajiv Sahai Endlaw who sought the response of the parties involved in the case.

Facebook apprised the court

that they have removed the post about Gupta from the 'Herdsceaneand' Instagram account, which can no longer be viewed by users in India, although users outside India can view the posts.

Meanwhile, Google Inc. has removed the URLs to a few articles and three Instagram URLs.

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## After night of drama, Ganguly emerges as new cricket chief



Jay Shah, N Srinivasan, Sourav Ganguly in Mumbai. Express

**DEVENDRA PANDEY**  
MUMBAI, OCTOBER 14

INDIA'S MOST influential captain and Cricket Association of Bengal chief Sourav Ganguly emerged as the lone contender Monday in the race to be BCCI president, confirming his phenomenal rise to the top of Indian cricket.

However, Ganguly's march to world cricket's most coveted seat was anything but a cakewalk.

His nomination came after a

dramatic 24 hours of intriguing negotiations, phone calls from Delhi and an informal meeting at a Mumbai five-star hotel Sunday night when Indian cricket's most powerful faces came together to firm up strategy for the board elections on October 23.

With former BCCI president N Srinivasan throwing his weight behind another former player, Karnataka association's Brijesh Patel, the house was

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## Probing Dawood aide Mirchi's case, ED claims link to Praful firm, NCP denies it

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE**  
MUMBAI, NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

PROBING A case of alleged money laundering, the Enforcement Directorate (ED) plans to attach at least 35 properties belonging to the family of Iqbal Mohammed Memon aka Iqbal Mirchi, a close aide of gang-



Patel has denied link, ED likely to call him for questioning

ster Dawood Ibrahim, in India and abroad including two floors of Mumbai's Ceejay House, developed by a firm run by NCP

leader and former Civil Aviation Minister Praful Patel.

According to the ED, Patel's Millennium Developers Pvt Ltd constructed Ceejay House in 2006-07 and its third and fourth floors were transferred to Mirchi's wife Hajira Iqbal in 2007 "towards beneficial interest of Mirchi in the land" on which it was built. The sale of land to

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## Granaries overflowing, Food dept's SOS to MEA: Send wheat, rice as aid to deserving countries

**PAGE 1 ANCHOR**

**HARIKISHAN SHARMA**  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

WITH FOOD Corporation of India granaries overflowing, the government is looking to liquidate its grain stocks to prevent damage and minimise the carrying cost in the country beyond the requirement. In fact, the Food Ministry wants the Ministry of External Affairs to look at the option of presenting the surplus grain stocks as "humanitarian

aid to deserving countries". Sources told *The Indian Express*: "The Department of Food and Public Distribution has requested the Ministry of External Affairs to explore the possibility of export of wheat and rice from the surplus stock available with FCI, through G2G (government-to-government) basis in the form of humanitarian aid to deserving countries."

Earlier this year, a committee of secretaries too recommended that the possibility of offering surplus stocks of wheat in the form of aid to deserving countries be explored in coordination with the MEA. The Ministry of



Central pool procurement has been on the rise. File

Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution had made similar request to the MEA at least twice in the last two years.

"Despite repeated requests,

there has been no positive outcome," sources said.

Procurement of wheat and rice in the central pool has been increasing over the years, leading

to accumulation of surplus stock of wheat and rice with FCI. As a result, stocks of food grain in the central pool continue to remain much in excess of stocking norms.

As per stocking norms, the total requirement of food grain in the central pool as of July 1 was 411.20 lakh tonnes, and as of October 1 307.70 lakh tonnes. However, as of September 1, the stock available in the central pool was 669.15 lakh tonnes (254.25 lakh tonnes of rice and 414.90 lakh tonnes of wheat).

"The present procurement and lifting pattern of wheat and

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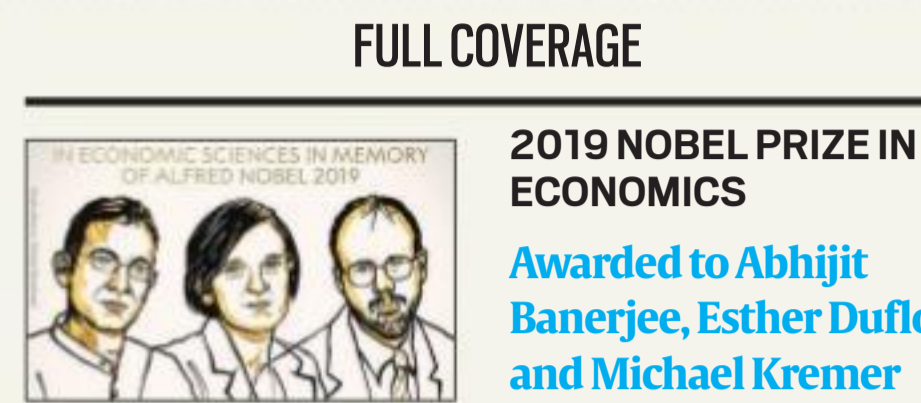
Dushyant Chautala is contesting the elections from Uchana Kalan against sitting BJP MLA Prem Lata who is the wife of former union minister Birendra Singh



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#### 2019 NOBEL PRIZE IN ECONOMICS

Awarded to Abhijit Banerjee, Esther Duflo and Michael Kremer

**EXPRESS AUDIO**

### Xi Jinping's visit and what India got out of it

NEW EPISODE EVERYDAY

In this episode, we will look at Xi Jinping's visit to India and understand what we got out of it and how it will impact our relations with China

## FROM PAGE ONE

### Nobel Prize

MIT in 1999. Banerjee and Duflo are also on the board of directors of the 2003-founded Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab, which works to reduce poverty by ensuring policies are informed by scientific evidence. In fact, Duflo is only the second woman in 50 years to be awarded a Nobel in Economic Sciences after Elinor Ostrom in 2009.

In an interview to NobelPrize.org, Duflo said that to devise effective policies to help people get out of poverty, it was important to understand them a little more deeply. "And without spending some time understanding... the intricacy of the lives of the poor and why they make the choice that they make, and why something that might seem at first surprising makes a lot of sense in a particular logic, it is impossible to design the right approach," she said.

The trio's work — breaking down the problem of global poverty into a number of smaller and more precise questions at individual and group level — has redefined research in development economics over the last 20 years. "This new research is now delivering a steady flow of concrete results," stated the popular science background paper made available by the Academy.

Addressing a press conference Monday afternoon at MIT after the announcement, Banerjee said, "It is particularly wonderful because the prize is not for us, but for the entire movement — 400-plus professors associated with J-PAL work." After the Nobel prize, he said, he hoped to do more of the same. "It is fun, learning new things. We are looking for results from the latest intervention," he said.

Banerjee was one of the few faces that the Congress tapped ahead of the Lok Sabha elections this year. For the NYAY or minimum guaranteed income scheme, he had suggested a monthly income of about Rs 2,500 to Rs 3,000 to those below the poverty line. This, he said, was keeping in mind the fiscal space available with the government.

The programme could always be scaled up in the coming years, he had said. The party had, in its manifesto, announced a monthly income of Rs 6,000 to every BPL family.

Banerjee had also come down heavily on the NDA government's demonetisation decision and said it would adversely impact the informal sector which undertakes most of its transactions in cash. In a joint paper authored with Harvard University's Namrata Kala, he said, "Demonetisation seemed more like a one-off penalty on those who were holding large quantities of cash at the time without affecting the future incentives for corruption."

In May, he signed a letter along with over 100 economists, raising concerns over "political interference" in statistical data. Referring to revisions in base year for GDP growth estimates, the letter said: "In fact, any statistics that cast an iota of doubt on the achievement of the government seem to get revised or suppressed on the basis of some questionable methodology."

To a question on the Indian economy at the press conference at MIT, Banerjee said, "Doing very badly." Quoting the National Sample Survey, he said, "The average consumption in urban and rural areas has slightly gone down. This is a glaring warning sign."

Recently, responding to a talk by former RBI Governor Raghuram Rajan at the OP Jindal Lecture Series at Brown University, Banerjee said, "We (India) are in a crisis."

Pointing out that that people, on average, are poorer, he said, average consumption expenditure at

current prices fell from Rs 1,587 per person per month in 2014 to Rs 1,524 ppm in 2017-18 in rural areas. In urban areas, it has dropped from Rs 2,926 ppm in 2014 to Rs 2,902 in 2017-18. "Over a four-year period, average consumption going down — this hasn't happened in many years, maybe since the seventies," he said, adding this was "extremely serious".

The three Laureates worked mostly with local NGOs in countries such as India and Kenya, home to a large number of poor, to perform field experiments to study how individuals behave in their everyday environment. For instance, Kremer studied learning outcomes in two groups, one which received more textbooks and the other which got free school meals. Their objective seemed to be to figure out which interventions increased school outcomes at the lowest cost.

During 2001 to 2004, Banerjee and Duflo along with two other researchers evaluated the BALSAKHI Program, a remedial education intervention implemented in 122 public primary schools in Vadodara and 77 schools in Mumbai, in conjunction with NGO Pratham.

In the 2001 school year in Vadodara, approximately half of the schools were given a tutor for grade 3, and the other half for grade 4, while in Mumbai during that same year, approximately half of the schools received a tutor for grade 3, and the other half received a tutor for grade 2 in both cities.

In both Vadodara and Mumbai, the BALSAKHI program significantly improved overall test scores. In contrast, there was no measurable impact for their classroom peers, who did not receive remedial tutoring but were treated with smaller class sizes and a more homogenous classroom.

"As a direct result of one of their studies, more than 5 million Indian children have benefitted from effective programmes of remedial tutoring in schools," the Academy noted in its statement announcing the Nobel.

**Punjab imprint**

The centre co-founded by Banerjee and Duflo, the scheme virtually pays farmers for using less power — and hence, water — to irrigate their paddy and wheat crops.

'Pani Bachao Paisa Kamao' was launched last year as a pilot project by the Punjab State Power Corporation Limited (PSPCL) on six of the state's 5,900 rural power feeders that cater to 14.16 lakh tube wells.

Official figures show that during last year's kharif season, 173 farmers enrolled for the direct transfer payment scheme, saved around 1.75 lakh units of power and received about Rs 7 lakh. From October 21 last year to June 20 this year, farmers saved 2.17 lakh units and earned Rs 8.69 lakh. Then, in just two months, from June 21 to August 20, they saved 2.06 lakh units and earned incentives totalling Rs 8.24 lakh.

Today, the state government has extended the number of feeders for the scheme to 250, with the number of farmers more than tripling to 593 — with a long waiting list.

A case in point is that of Karamjit Singh Rai, a 75-year-old farmer from Khusrupur village in Jalandhar who was approached by PSPCL last year to avail the scheme. "I was suspicious at first, but they persuaded me to install an electricity meter on my 10-horsepower (HP) motor tube well," says Rai.

Under the scheme, Rai was entitled to a monthly consumption of 2,000 kilowatt-hours (200 units per HP) for four months from June 20 to October 20 last year, covering the period between transplanting and harvesting of paddy. That, at Rs 4 per unit, worked out to a cash payment of

## Mobile phones back in Valley

civilian killed by terrorists was a truck driver named Sharif Khan. He was there for transportation of apples, to earn his livelihood.

In the morning, when the nearly forgotten ring tones rang again after 70 days of the unprecedented lockdown following the scrapping of the state's special status, people pulled over to the side of the road to congratulate each other. "Assalamualaikum, mubarak" they said, detaching themselves from the cords of the landlines. Pre-paid mobile phones, however, continue to remain suspended.

At 12:10, Ilaahm Lateef dialled his daughter's number. "We are all good. I will go home and make your mother call you too but I just wanted to make sure that this is working," he said. Until now, they had been speaking to each other via occasional landline calls.

Iram Nazir, on her way to work, also stopped to make a call to her father and check on her parents' health.

But the signs of relief were soon followed by a frantic dash to pay bills, which in the absence of Internet, meant queuing up at telecom offices and stores of mobile operators in Srinagar. Some turned to friends and relatives in other parts of the country to pay bills and restore phones that had been non-functional since August 5.

"We have three mobiles at home and all of them are pre-paid connections. My son is studying outside and unless I get a postpaid connection no one in my family would be able to talk to him," said Ali Mohammad, a resident of Srinagar's Sonwar. "I am here to get a new postpaid connection today."

J&K Police sources told The Indian Express that over 18-20 lakh postpaid connections of

different operators were restored in the Valley. Around 11:30 am, state-run BSNL was the first to restore mobile services and the operators soon followed.

In downtown Srinagar, amid new slogans painted on old shutters, people were bent over their cell phones outside shop fronts. Though the restoration of landlines in September had eased the pressure, it was the restoration of mobile connectivity that people eagerly awaited.

For ten weeks, mobile phones had been reduced to alarm clocks or music players and some struggled to even locate them. "I was not sure that phones will actually be restored so I did not carry my phone to work and now everyone's talking or texting around me," said Ishfaq, a contractual lecturer at a Srinagar college. "I'm not even sure where my

phone is."

As pre-paid Internet services still remain suspended, people gathered around those with post-paid connections to reach out to distant family. On a shikara floating in the Dal lake, close to the Centaur hotel where more than 30 political detainees are being held by the state, cups of nun-chai brewed on a kerosene stove, while a family of six discussed the events of the day.

"There is an ease among the people today. The more the government holds people hostage, the more they become restless," said Jaana Begum, the matriarch of the family.

Next to them, Mohammad Siddique, an employee of the state's tourism department and in charge of a houseboat called "Four Seasons" echoes her concern. "They could have done this before and people would not be this anxious," he said.

then, it was believed that Patel was favourite to be president.

In the hotel lobby, Srinivasan's men waited for the arrival of Assam Finance Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma, who had been part of the state association earlier and now heads the Badminton Association of India. The meeting was further pushed back as Sarma and Thakur attended an engagement ceremony in the hotel. Other top BJP politicians were, meanwhile, seen in the lobby.

As he headed to join his BCCI colleagues, Thakur cryptically remarked that a cricketer running the body would be best suited.

Around 10.30 pm, when Ganguly spoke briefly with reporters, he seemed to have conceded defeat. But then, things changed dramatically post-dinner, when Srinivasan was asked to join Jay Shah along with Anurag and Sarma in a closed-door huddle, with a few powerful voices joining by phone.

After about 30 minutes, sources said, Srinivasan was asked to announce Ganguly's nomination. Even as he was being summoned to this meeting, Ganguly told reporters before taking the elevator that Brijesh would be president. Later, he revealed, he got to know only close to midnight that he had become the consensus candidate.

"I didn't know I would be the president. You (reporters) asked me and I told you it's (former India middle-order batsman) Brijesh (Patel) and when I went up and I came to know it has changed. I have never been in a BCCI election and I never knew it worked like this," Ganguly said.

The former captain then went down to the lobby at 12.45 am to get a printout of his ID and photo proof, the documents needed to file his nomination.

According to those who had been tracking the developments, the ball was set rolling for the final decision in a series of meetings with BJP president Amit Shah over the last few weeks. While Srinivasan was told that Brijesh would lead the board, Ganguly had met Shah at his residence.

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## Omar, Mehbooba detained under PSA: Shah

among mainstream party leaders placed under detention ahead of the August 5 announcement that ended the special status of the state under Article 370.

The PSA was later invoked against Omar's father Farooq Abdullah, a three-term Chief Minister and the current Srinagar MP, and his house in Srinagar declared a subsidiary jail. The stringent PSA allows

the government to detain a person without trial for a period ranging from six months to two years.

Asked about the detention of leaders, Shah said: "When the incident is fresh... immediately after the removal of Article 370, that there will be shock among people is natural... if someone tries to instigate, obviously there will be a problem in controlling the situation."

He said of the 4,000 people taken into preventive custody, "fewer than 1,000 are still in jail, 800 of whom are stone-pelters."

Article 370, he said, was responsible for the killing of 40,000 people over the years. "What message went out?... I believe they were killed because of Article 370. We have removed Article 370, we need time to send word down the

line. If someone keeps scratching the wounds, people may get instigated. As a precaution, we have kept them under detention. It is better to take precaution than allow loss of life," he said.

Rejecting there was curfew in Jammu and Kashmir, Shah said there had been no firing by security forces in the last two months. "Kashmir is moving towards normalcy," he said.

2017-18, India donated more than 3.5 lakh metric tonne quantity of wheat to Afghanistan. In 2012-13, a quantity of 2,447 metric tonne of rice was given to Yemen as humanitarian aid. Similarly, a small quantity of rice was also donated to each one of five countries — Myanmar, Sri Lanka, Zimbabwe, Lesotho and Namibia — between 2014-15 and 2017-18. But the same has not happened in the last two years.

"Earlier, the quantity of food grain donated was too small, this time we want MEA to do this in a big way," sources said.

The FCI has tried to sell the surplus stock through the Open Market Sales Scheme (OMSS) but the results have not been encouraging so far. According to data available on its website, during 2019-20, FCI offered 22.92 lakh tonnes of wheat but the actual quantity sold till the third tender of September was 5.13 lakh tonnes only. Similarly, FCI offered a quantity of 8.77 lakh tonnes of rice for sale through e-auctions but barely 4.12 lakh tonnes sold till the third tender in September.

**Praful Patel firm**

Millennium Developers, the ED claimed, was "through dubious means" and the sale proceeds were "laundered" by Mirchi.

The ED is likely to summon Patel and his wife Varsha Patel, co-owners of Millennium Developers, for questioning in the case.

In a statement, the NCP denied any link between Patel and Iqbal Mirchi. "Praful Patel's family bought the property on which Ceejay House has been constructed from the Maharaja of Gwalior in year 1963. This property was with Court Receiver from 1978 to 2005 due to dispute among co-owners. During this period, there was an illegal occupant in the premises behind the then building. They were relocated by an order of the High Court on the third floor when the building was re-developed by the Patel family. Ceejay House is not owned by any individual being mentioned in the news report. All documents and Court orders are available on record," it said.

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Rs 32,000.

But instead of 8,000 units, he consumed only 4,774 units of power during these four months for watering his seven-acre holding. On his power "savings" of 3,226 units, he "earned" Rs 12,904.

Hardip Singh (45) of Dhanoya village in Hoshiarpur, who was among the first to enroll for the scheme, earned Rs 5,000 from last year's kharif season. Now, he is waiting for the incentive for this kharif season which is about to wind up.

Officials said the monthly quota for rabi crop was fixed lower — at 50 units per HP — because wheat is 4-5 times less of a water-guzzler than paddy.

"This is a big irrigation reform in a state like Punjab where the water level is going down at a rapid pace between 50 cm to 60 cm. We already have 82 outreach camps to educate farmers about the scheme," said Baldev Singh Srani, chairman and managing director, PSPCL.

Back in the fields, Rai and Singh haven't heard of Banerjee or Duflo, but their verdict on the scheme the duo pioneered is clear. "In my six decades of farming, I haven't seen a scheme that pays us for something good," Rai said.

**J&K parties**

is alleviating the sense of alienation and anger in the Valley. Also on the table are certain special provisions that will protect local jobs and the settlement of outsiders in the Valley in order to protect its demographic character and culture.

"Delhi is keen on initiating political engagement. The contours of it are still under discussion. Among the ideas is involvement of the existing political class which as of now does not include the Mufitis and the Abdullahs," said a senior official privy to the developments.

"Gradual release of significant political actors will be taken in the weeks to come. The Home Minister has already said that

statehood will be returned. A decision on who these political actors will be is yet to be taken."

Sources said these political actors may include leaders like Sajjad Lone, who earlier had called Prime Minister Narendra Modi his elder brother but has been under detention since August 5. Another young leader Shah Faesal, the IAS topper from Kashmir, who floated a political party after quitting government service, is, however, not in the reckoning.

Sources said with his attempt to fly to Turkey, Faesal had irked Delhi. Faesal was detained at the Delhi International Airport in August last year while on his way to Istanbul and has since been booked under the Public Safety Act (PSA).

The change in J&K's demography and the possibility of losing jobs to outsiders are issues of concern across the Valley, even among those who do not harbour secessionist sentiments. The idea of statehood too remains strong. That the state and its people were not consulted in what permanently alters their future is seen in the Valley as humiliation and the erosion of their democratic rights.

It is these sentiments that Delhi hopes to address through this political engagement where a "new solution" to the Kashmir problem will be on offer, said sources.

"While the larger idea has been to support the emergence of a new political class in the Valley, it may take some time. The emergence of new leaders and parties has its own socio-political process which can be very gradual. In the meantime, a political void does not augur well for the rebuilding process that Delhi has planned for the Valley," said the official.

Over the past few weeks, the J&K administration has released eight mid-level politicians from the People's Democratic Party (PDP), the National Conference (NC), Congress and Lone's People's Conference.

They include former PDP MLAs and leaders Noor

Mohammed, Abid Ansari, Yawar Mir and Khursheed Alam. Maulvi Imran Ansari from the People's conference, Syed Mohammed Akhnoor from the National Conference and Congress's Mohammed Amin and Shoaib Lone. All were released after signing a bond that they will maintain peace and not engage in any activity that may disrupt public order.

**Subodh case**

Urging that modification of the High Court's order is needed, Google Inc. said that it "owns and operates an online search engine — Google Search Engine — which merely performs the task of indexing information, in response to a search query, that is already available on independent third party websites that are beyond their control and supervision and they do not create, own or control any content on third party websites."

"Hence, the Applicant (Google Inc.) is neither the host nor the publishers of the third party content displayed on the Google Search Engine," the High Court was told.

Highlighting that none of the media/news reporting agencies have been added as a party to the defamation suit, in which an interim order was passed in Gupta's favour, Google Inc., now known as Google LLC, said in its application that "the present proceedings have been clearly initiated with a view to put an unreasonable restraint on the freedom of speech and expression on the internet as well as the freedom of the press".

"It is settled law that in a case of alleged defamation, the threshold for considering the prima facie strength of granting an injunction, especially at the interim stage, has to be necessarily of a very high order. A publication may not be restrained if the defendant says that it intends to justify it or to make a fair comment on a matter of public interest," it said.

"This is in order to keep a fair balance between the constitu-

national right of free speech and individual rights. In the case such as the present one, where the plaintiff has failed to even implead the authors/publishers of the alleged defamatory articles, the court is deprived of a counter view or justification of the said articles, which goes directly contrary to due caution that must be exercised before grant of such injunction," the application stated.

The High Court will now hear the matter on November 18 when it is scheduled to hear Gupta's defamation suit against Instagram handle — Herdsceneand — and others, seeking Rs 5 crore damage caused to him and his family due to the alleged defamatory posts.

Senior advocate Kailash Vasdev and advocate Neoma Vasdev, appearing for Gupta, had contended that the "defamatory posts have been made behind a veil of anonymity, causing irretrievable and incalculable damage to the plaintiff, his family, his right to livelihood and reputation".

At this, the High Court on September 18 had restrained Herdsceneand from posting on its account any content pertaining to Gupta. It also directed Herdsceneand, Instagram LLC, Facebook Incorporated, Facebook Ireland Limited, Google Incorporated and Google India Pvt Ltd to "forthwith" take down the alleged defamatory posts/articles/all content pertaining to, Gupta and block around 18 URLs.

**Ganguly**

divided initially over who would head the board. In contrast, it was smooth sailing for Union Home Minister Amit Shah's son Jay Shah for the secretary's post, and former Board president and MoS Arun Dhumal for that of treasurer.

On Sunday, the power meeting that was to start at 4 pm was delayed as the Thakur brothers and Jay Shah visited the Siddhivinayak temple. By 7.30 pm, the state association representatives started to assemble. Till

In India, Mirchi's family continues to own six acres of land with a bungalow in Khandalia, a bungalow at Panchgani, two floors totalling 14,000 sq ft at Ceejay House in Worli in Mumbai, another bungalow at Worli, three shops at Crawford market in South Mumbai, a cinema theatre at Byculla, Meenaz Hotel at Juhu and a flat at Samandar Mahal in Worli.

Apart from this, the agency is also looking into the sale of three properties in London — Rabia Mansion, Marium Lodge and Sea View — in 2010 to a Mumbai-based real estate firm, Sunblink Real Estate Pvt Ltd, for Rs 225 crore. Out of this, at least Rs 127 crore was paid to Mirchi, the ED alleged.

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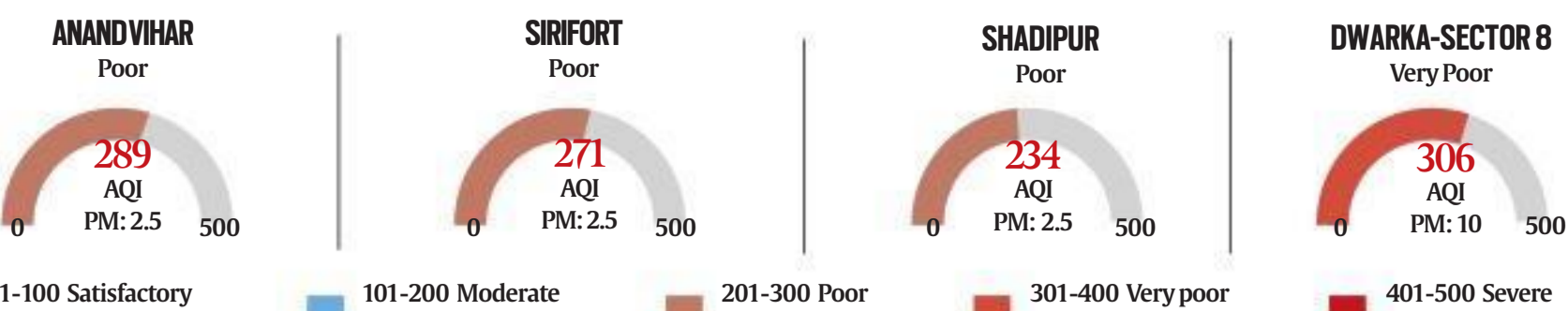
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# Missing law student found buried in landlord's basement

AMIL BHATNAGAR  
GHAZIABAD, OCTOBER 14

THE BODY of a 27-year-old law student, who had been missing for almost a week, was found buried inside the basement of his ex-landlord's house in Ghaziabad Monday. The victim, Pankaj Kumar Singh, had briefly rented the first floor at the residence of Munna Yadav in Sahibabad's Girdhar Enclave last month. He moved out earlier this month, and went missing soon afterwards.

Saturday, after his disappearance on October 8. "We started investigating the area where he was last spotted. We found that his previous landlord and his family had left home the day after the complaint was filed, which seemed suspicious. We scanned the house and found fresh plaster in the basement. We dug it up and Singh's body was inside," said Maneesh Mishra, SP City Ghaziabad, and added that the motive is unclear so far.

According to police, officers found it odd that while every other room seemed to have no new construction or repairs, just one patch of the basement had a fresh coat

of plaster. A small stick was used and it penetrated the surface. Other teams were called and the area was dug up. After digging almost six feet, the body was found in a semi-decomposed state.

Pankaj, a fourth-year law student from IME Ghaziabad, had shifted to the first floor of Yadav's four-storey residence a month ago. Yadav lived with his wife Sulekha and four children on the second floor. According to police, Pankaj stayed for 15 days but shifted to another accommodation in Girdhar Enclave.

Hailing from UP's Balia, Pankaj also ran a cyber cafe in the colony. He had opened it in



Pankaj's body was found buried six-feet-deep in the basement of the Ghaziabad house



February and soon shifted to a bigger space in the same colony, where he paid approximately Rs 7,000 as shop rent.

His family alleged he disappeared on October 8. "He would teach Munna's children, and after some time, Munna insisted that he stay with them on the same floor, to which he objected. Perhaps an argument took place and he shifted to another place," claimed Manish, Pankaj's brother.

Two days after Dussehra, Pankaj was neither seen in the colony nor at the cyber cafe. On Saturday, after Pankaj's parents filed the missing persons complaint, Munna allegedly ap-

proached one of the tenants and inquired about him. "On Saturday night, both Munna and his wife came to me and asked what had happened to Pankaj. I told them everyone was worried since he was missing. They didn't say anything; the next morning, the entire family left. Munna claimed he had some work in his hometown in Bihar and that they had to rush," said the tenant.

SP Mishra said: "We are awaiting the post-mortem report. No wounds are present to indicate a gunshot or stabbing. It appears there must have been a personal reason behind the murder. We are looking for the landlord."

## Gambling racket busted at MG Road hotel, 58 arrested

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

TWO WEEKS before Diwali, police raided a hotel in South West Delhi Sunday night and arrested 58 men who were found gambling at the time. Apart from gambling chips worth Rs 84 lakh, police recovered over Rs 11 lakh in cash from the hotel on MG Road.

"At 10.30 pm Sunday, we received inputs that a big gambling event was being organised at D Imperia hotel on MG Road. Teams were formed and 22-25 police personnel and officers reached the venue," said an officer.

A case under sections 3 (penalty for owning or keeping or having charge of a gaming house) and 4 (penalty for being found in gaming house) of the Delhi Public Gambling Act has been registered at Vasant Kunj South police station.



Chips worth Rs 84 lakh were recovered, said police

Among the arrested are the two kingpins of the racket — Mehrauli resident Sajid (35) and Vasant Kunj resident Dinesh Kumar (40). Another key accused, Jagjeet, who police claimed wasn't at the hotel during the raid, is absconding. Police have also arrested the hotel's two managers.

"The men had a WhatsApp group with at least 40 members and every few days, they would

update where the next big event was. They never shared the name of the hotel where the event would take place. They would share a nearby location and escort the players to the hotel from there," said DCP (South West) Devender Arya.

He added that the three men organised gambling events around Diwali. Police said that while Dinesh runs a liquor business in Haryana and owns many liquor shops in Gurgaon, Sajid is a gym owner in Mehrauli. Jagjeet, police said, is a Delhi-based realtor. "They avoided repeating the same venue. Seven flavoured hookahs have been recovered," said Arya.

Police said, "We have recovered 6,000 gambling chips and over 50 decks of cards. The players are all aged between 30-35 years and are businessmen from Delhi-NCR. They are out on bail."

Police said action will be taken against the hotel.

## SC: Auction attached Amrapali properties

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

OVER TWO months after it cancelled the registration of Amrapali Group of Companies under the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016, the Supreme Court Monday asked state-owned Metals Scrap Trading Corporation (MSTC) Ltd to auction the attached properties of the group and its directors.

A bench of Justice Arun Mishra and Justice U U Lalit directed the Debt Recovery Tribunal, which has the papers of the attached assets, to hand them over to MSTC. It also directed the corporation to deposit the money raised from the auction with the court registry.

The SC on July 23 had cancelled the group's registration after allegations of diversion of over Rs 5,000 crore of homebuyers' money by the group.

It had asked the Centre and state governments "to ensure that projects are completed in a time-bound manner under the Real Estate Act, (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016, and homebuyers are not defrauded".

Senior Advocate R Venkataramani, who had been appointed receiver by the court, had suggested that it would be better to auction the properties.

To which, the bench said this will help speed up the completion of the lagging projects.

The court also gave the directors of the Sureka Group six weeks time to deposit Rs 167 crore with its registry, failing which the group's directors will have to be present before it on December 2.

The court remarked that the forensic audit had found a transaction of Rs 167 crore, which it said was the homebuyers' money.

## Appointment of over 4,000 MCD school teachers stalled

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

A DAY before over 4,000 teachers were supposed to join the city's municipal corporation schools, their appointments has been put on hold. The move comes after a Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) judgment order challenged the results of the Delhi Subordinate Services Selection Board (DSSSB) exam.

Last month, The Indian Express had reported that the MCDs were in the process of confirming more than 4,000 teachers after receiving clearance from the DSSSB. The teachers were appointed after they cleared the DSSSB examination last year. The posts are currently held by contract teachers.

Around 2000,989, and 1,200 posts are lying vacant in schools



The Indian Express report dated September 28

in the East Delhi Municipal Corporation (EDMC), South Delhi Municipal Corporation (SDMC) and North Delhi Municipal Corporation (NDMC) respectively. The new appointments would have helped improve student-teacher ratio, and contract teachers were to be phased out gradually.

The DSSSB had sent dossiers of the teachers to the corporations, who sent the letters of ap-

pointment to the candidates asking for confirmation. The deadline for sending the letters of appointment was October 15.

Education committee head of South MCD Nandini Sharma said it was shocking that a day before the teachers were to join, their appointment has been stalled. "We are just an implementing agency, it is for the DSSSB to say why the appointments were cancelled. People would have left their old jobs on getting jobs here. This is shocking."

Varsha Joshi, Commissioner of North MCD, tweeted, "All #prt of @NorthDMC the list has been uploaded today afternoon. We have come to know informally that some legal proceedings took place today but do not have details. Further course of action will depend on receipt of court orders if any and/or information if any from DSSSB."

**NATIONAL SCHOOL OF DRAMA**  
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**NOTICE INVITING TENDER**

File No. NSD/Tender/T&F/2019-20 Dated: October 14, 2019

National School of Drama invites tenders in sealed covers from experienced contractors/agencies/service providers for hiring of Tent and Flex material etc. for Bal Sangam Festival, 2019 and 21st Bharat Rang Mahotsav (BRM), 2020 to be held in New Delhi from 9th to 12th Nov' 2019 and from 1st to 22nd February, 2020 respectively in two bid systems, technical and financial bids. Separate sealed envelopes for Tent and Flex Material (as the case may be) should be used for technical and financial bid and put them in another bigger envelope separately.

Interested and experienced contractors /agencies/ service providers fulfilling necessary eligibility criteria are requested to submit their bid for Tent and Flex Material (as the case may be) in separate envelopes as per the relevant tender documents to be downloaded from NSD Website ([www.nsd.nic.in](http://www.nsd.nic.in)). Full details are available on NSD Website.

Director, NSD reserves the right to accept/reject any or all the tenders at any stage without assigning any reason.

**Director**

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**NORTHERN RAILWAY**  
**1st Corrigendum**

Tender No.: 30-Elect-40-T-2019-20-E3. Name of work: Electrical work in connection with provision of Facade lighting at HN2M & ANVT Railway station

Name of work	Earlier Published	Amended
Electrical work in connection with provision of Facade lighting at HN2M & ANVT Railway Station	Cancelled on Administrative ground till further order.	

Date of Opening: 15.10.2019, 15:00 hrs.  
Sale Upto: 15.10.2019, 15:00 hrs.  
Approx. Cost: Rs. 2,05,61,799.00  
Earnest Money: Rs. 2,52,800.00  
Cost of Tender Document: Rs. 11,800/-

The tender document of above mentioned tender has been modified kindly go through the amended documents available on [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in) and submit your offer accordingly. 3293/2019

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**GOVERNMENT OF JHARKHAND**  
**OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER**  
**IRRIGATION DIVISION, SIKATIA (DEOGHAR)**  
e-Procurement Very Short Tender Notice  
**Re-Tender**

Tender Reference No. :- WRD/Irr. Div. SIKATIA, Deoghar/SBD/01/2019-20 Dated:12.10.2019

1. Name of the work	Construction of 12 nos E -Type Quarter (JE & 3rd Grade) at Irrigation colony Nawada, Burhai, Deoghar
2. Estimated Cost (Rs.)	Rs.2,82,92,911.41 (Rupees two crore eighty two lakh ninety two thousand nine hundred eleven and paise forty one) only
3. Time of Completion	548 days
4. Last date & Time for receipt of bids	23.10.2019 Up to 5:00 P.M.
5. Date of Publication of Tender on website	16.10.2019 11:00 A.M.
6. Name & address of office Inviting tender	Executive Engineer Irrigation Division, SIKATIA (Deoghar)
7. Contact no. of Procurement officer	09162968480
8. Helpline number of e-Procurement cell	06432-232477

Note :- Only E-Tender will be accepted  
Further details can be seen on website <http://jharkhandtenders.gov.in>

PR 219544 Water Resource (19-20)\_D  
Sd/-  
Executive Engineer  
Irrigation Division, SIKATIA (Deoghar)

**GOVT. OF ODISHA**  
**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES**  
**OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,**  
**DRAINAGE, GANDARPUR,**  
**CUTTACK-753003**  
E-PROCUREMENT NOTICE NO.-CE-DR-CTC-01/2019-20  
email Id:- [cedranage@gmail.com](mailto:cedranage@gmail.com)

1. Name of Work	Improvement of Eleven Nos of Nallah Drainage system of Jaleswar Block in Balasore District- DOAB No.-IX. Rs 434.60 Lakhs (Approx)
2. Total Number of Packages	1 No Individual package.
3. Period of completion	Eleven Calendar months (Excluding rainy season from 15th June to 15th November)
4. Other details as follows	

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of Tender On-Line	
		From	To
1	2	3	4
Chief Engineer, Drainage, Gandarpur, Cuttack- 753003	CE-DR-CTC/DD-BLS-01/2019-20	16.10.2019 16.00 Hours	06.11.2019 17.00 Hours

Further details can be seen from the Govt. web site  
[www.tendersorissa.gov.in](http://www.tendersorissa.gov.in)

Sd/-  
Chief Engineer,  
Drainage, Cuttack

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**कार्यालय कार्यपालक अभियंता,**  
**सिंचाई प्रमंडल गोड्डा, शिविर-महागामा**  
शुद्धि-पत्र दिनांक 12.10.19

इस कार्यालय द्वारा आमंत्रित निविदा संदर्भ सं०-WRD/Irr.Div.Mahagama/SBD-IFB-03/19-20 दिनांक 30.08.19 जिसका पी0आर0 सं०-215759 (सिंचाई)/19-20(सुन्दर नदी के बायां तटबंध में ग्राम-मोकलचक, प्रखण्ड-बसंतराय,जिला-गोड्डा के पास कटाव निरोधक कार्य) को अपरिहार्य कारण से अगले आदेश तक के लिए स्थगित किया जाता है।

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PR219582 (Irrigation)19-20'D

**NORTHERN RAILWAY**  
**TENDER NOTICE**

The Dy. Chief Engineer/Const/SERD-II, Northern Railway, 2nd floor, NDCR Building, State Entry Road, New Delhi for and on behalf of the President of India invites e-tender under Single Packet System for the under noted work:-

1. Name of work and location	Hiring of 02 (Two) no. Vehicle i.e., (Jeep, Gypsy, Tata Sumo or equivalent type) on monthly basis, one for a period of 36 (Thirty Six) months for the use of Dy. Chief Engineer/Construction, and another vehicle for a period of 24 (Twenty Four) months for the use of AXEN/Construction, under Dy.CE/C/SERD-II, Northern Railway, State Entry Road, New Delhi-55.
2. Completion period of the work	36 (Thirty Six) months
3. Approx. Cost of work	Rs. 26.76 lakhs
4. Earnest Money to be deposited	Rs. 53500.00 only
5. Date & Time for submission of E-tender and opening of tender	Tenders may be uploaded upto 11.30 hrs on 05.11.2019 on IREPS web site i.e. <a href="http://www.ireps.gov.in">www.ireps.gov.in</a> The bidders can participate in the e-tender, the Technical cum Commercial cum financial Bids of which will be opened at 11.30 hrs on 05.11.2019.
6. Detailed Tender Notice & Tender Document	The detailed e-tender document is available on <a href="http://www.ireps.gov.in">www.ireps.gov.in</a> from 15.10.2019 to 05.11.2019. All other terms and conditions in respect of above tenders are given in tender document. The detailed tender notice also can be seen on the Notice Board of the above office.

Tender Notice No. 49-Acs/HV/03Y/02Y/Dy.SERD-II Dated: 14.10.2019 3286/19  
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अति अत्यकालीन ई-निविदा सूचना सं० - RCD/GODDA/1096/2019-20 दिनांक -12/10/2019

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Enterprise Integration Services Department, State Bank Global IT Centre,  
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**CORRIGENDUM**

Please refer to RFP No. SBI/GITC/EIS/2019-20/650, Dated: 20/09/2019 for Supply, Installation, Commissioning and maintenance of Additional ZFS Storage, Exadata storage and Database backup solution. **Corrigendum** has been published. Please see 'Procurement News' at Bank's website [www.sbi.co.in](http://www.sbi.co.in)

Place: Navi Mumbai Sd/-  
Date: 15.10.2019 Deputy General Manager (EIS)

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**E-TENDER NOTICE**

Tender No. : JNPT/ITM(CT)/RS/19/101  
JNPT invites e-tenders in two cover system (Technical & Price Bid) for "Hiring the Services of 3 Nos. Reach Stacker (with a provision to hire additional 01 No. Reach Stacker) at JNPT" for a period of Three years. For details visit our website <https://www.jnport.gov.in> or <https://www.eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app> e-Tenders can be downloaded from 14/10/2019 to 13/11/2019.

**Chief Manager (Traffic)**

**GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH**  
**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**  
**NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER**

The Executive Engineer, Bameng Division, PWD, Arunachal Pradesh, Bameng invites on behalf of Governor of Arunachal Pradesh online item rate bids on two bid system for following work:-  
**NIT No. BMGD/DRG-40/CRF/2018-19/02, Name of work:** Construction of Inter District Road Connectivity from Sekong (East Kameng District) to Janachan (West Kameng District) in Arunachal Pradesh under CRF.  
**Estimated Cost** Rs. 44,16,80,000.10, **Earnest Money** ₹ 44,16,800.00 for APST contractor & Rs. 54,16,800.00 for Non-APST Contractor), **Period of completion:** 24 months & **Last date & time for submission of bid:** 27/10/2019, 1300 Hrs.  
The tender forms and other details can be obtained from the website [www.arunachaltenders.gov.in](http://www.arunachaltenders.gov.in) The Press Notice is also available at the same website.

**Executive Engineer,**  
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**BitSindri/1/2019-20/OE-MS/Cons**  
Reference Number: BitSindri/1/2019-20/OE-MS/Cons  
Dated :- 12/10/19  
Tender ID: 2019\_DHTE\_42830\_1

1. Name & address of office Inviting tender	Director, B.I.T., Sindri, P.O. Sindri Institute, Sindri, Dhanbad, Jharkhand - 828123
2. Name of work	Supply of Consumables/ Chemicals/ Hardwares/Sanitary items for office and laboratories at B.I.T. Sindri.
3. Publish date	15.10.2019
4. Document download start date	15.10.2019
5. Document download end date	05.11.2019
6. Bid submission end date	05.11.2019
7. Bid opening date	06.11.2019

B.I.T. Sindri wishes to purchase Consumables/ Chemicals/ Hardwares/Sanitary items/stationary items for its office and laboratories.  
Only e-Tenders will be accepted.  
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B.I.T., Sindri  
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# 'Upcoming skills university to help students get jobs'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
 NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

THE DELHI government has decided to set up a Skills and Entrepreneurship University dedicated to securing employment for its students. Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal announced Monday. The decision was made in a Cabinet meeting held Monday. The CM announced that once the university is set up, all existing industrial training institutes and Delhi government-run polytechnics will be brought under its ambit.



CM Arvind Kejriwal and Deputy CM Manish Sisodia at the press conference Monday. *Abhinav Saha*

"In our formal education system, after securing a BA, B.Sc or B.Tech, students search for employment in the market...the performance of the skills university will be measured by the kind of employment students get after leaving it... it will be completely job-oriented," said Kejriwal.

The proposal suggests that students at all levels — those who have completed class X or class XII, undergraduate, or are pursuing MPhil or PhD — can join the university. They can opt for a variety of programmes, including six-month certificate courses, one- and two-year-long diplomas, and part-time courses.

Kejriwal said the university's primary aim would be to provide flexibility in courses. "Market requirements are constantly changing. In our government institutes, the same course continues for 25-30 years regardless of its market utility. This university will be lib-

eral in redesigning, dropping and introducing courses."

Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia said the university will seek to fill the lacunae in research in skill education. "There is no research on the jobs which will be available in the future or what market needs are. This will be the focus area of the university; courses will be designed based on the research. The university will also give school students an opportunity to opt for skill and vocational subjects. Such subjects are offered in school, but they are hesitant to take it up because it doesn't get them admitted into universities," he said.

On the timeline for setting up the university, Kejriwal said the government would try to pass a bill in the winter session of the Assembly after seeking permission from L-G Anil Bajaj, following which it will need to be cleared by the L-G again. "We hope the university will be running within a year of this process," he said.

## IN TOWN FOR SHOOTING COMPETITION, 15-YEAR-OLD ELECTROCUTED

# Before teen's death, he changed rooms, complained of no water in bathroom

Hotel sealed, OYO says cooperating with police officers, internal probe ordered

JIGNASA SINHA  
 NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

AFTER A call from their son at 6 am Sunday about his new shoes and how the hotel he was staying in was bad, parents of Priyanshu Kumar (15), who was in the cap for a shooting competition, received another call from his coach at 1 pm informing them about the sudden death of their child.

A national-level shooter who had won more than 30 gold medals, Kumar was found dead in the bathroom of Collection O hotel, a brand of hospitality start-up OYO Rooms, in South East Delhi's Pul Prahladpur. DCP (South East) Chinmoy Biswal said, "We suspect the boy died due to an electric shock from appliances in the bathroom. We have registered an FIR under section 304A (death due to negligence)." Police sources said they believe the geyser switch may have caused the electrocution.

Kumar had come to Delhi with his coach Amar Singh and students from his school in Dehradun on October 9. The boys were practising for a North-Zone shooting competition at Dr Karni Singh Shooting Range, scheduled for October 17. Kumar, who hailed from Bihar's Nawada, was a student of Tula's International



Kumar's family at the AIIMS mortuary Monday; the Collection O hotel.



He was sharing the room with another boy, Yash Gupta (14), from the same school. Gupta told The

school. Then I heard a loud bang on the door. I ran downstairs and called the hotel staff," said Gupta. Police said one of the staffers entered the bathroom through the ventilation window and found Kumar on the floor.

"They opened the door from the inside and I saw Priyanshu on the floor, holding a hand shower. We picked him up and shifted him to the bed and called the ambulance and police. We tried to resuscitate him but couldn't. After 10 minutes, the ambulance took him to the hospital," said Gupta.

The boy's coach was at Tughlakabad stadium at the time of the incident. The coach said they picked the hotel since it was close to the shooting range. "They gave us a heavy discount and a room cost us Rs 1,350," he said.

An OYO spokesperson said, "We are helping police and internally investigating the matter. As part of the procedure, the hotel has been sealed to help police with the probe." In an announcement earlier this year on the launch of Collection O hotels, OYO wrote on its website that "safety and guest experience" were "a priority going forward".

Biswal said the hotel has been sealed. "We are waiting for the post-mortem reports and questioning hotel staff and the roommate."

# From a young age, he wanted to be a shooter, says father

JIGNASA SINHA  
 NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

ON MONDAY morning, 15-year-old Priyanshu Kumar's parents, Rajendra Prasad Kumar (38) and Vimla Kumar (36), reached Delhi and headed for the AIIMS mortuary. Inside, a post-mortem was being held on their son's body, after he died of suspected electrocution at an OYO hotel.

"We had sent Priyanshu to study at Dehradun's Lucent school in Class V. After a year, he told us he was interested in shooting. He won several competitions in Chennai, Bengaluru and Thiruvananthapuram. Later, he shifted to Tula's International School," said Rajendra, a high school teacher who lives with his wife and their younger son Himanshu (10) in Jharkhand.

At 6 am Sunday, hours before his death, Priyanshu had made an excited call to his father to tell him about new shoes he bought a day earlier. "He was very happy and sent us photos as well. He told us about his practice and the



15-year-old Priyanshu Kumar

hotel. He said the rooms weren't clean and there was limited water supply. At 1 pm, we received a call from his coach saying Priyanshu had died of electrocution in the bathroom. We demanded justice," he said.

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**DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY**

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**DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY**

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**DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY**

ALL THAT PART AND PARCEL OF MIG FLAT NO. S-1, SECOND FLOOR, WITH ROOF RIGHTS, PLOT NO. A-100, SITUATED AT SHALIMAR GARDEN, MAIN SAHIBABAD, GHAZIABAD, UTTAR PRADESH-201005

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**DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY**

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**DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY**

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	Interventional Radiology	DM
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**DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY**

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**APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to rule 8 (6)]  
 SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES**

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of erstwhile Capital First Home Finance Limited now **IDFC FIRST Bank Limited**, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 19.11.2019, for recovery of INR 35,48,690.19/- as on 28-Jan-19 due to **IDFC FIRST Bank Limited** (erstwhile Capital First Home Finance Limited) from **Naval Kishore Gupta, SHWETA VARSHNEY**. The Reserve Price will be INR 56,00,000/- and the Earnest Money Deposit will be INR 5,60,000/-

**DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY**

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**IDFC FIRST Bank Limited**  
 Date : 14.10.2019 (Formerly known as Capital First Home Finance Limited)

BRIEFLY

Girl injured in accident dies

New Delhi: One of four girls who were hit by a speeding vehicle while crossing the road to go to school in Mayur Vihar died Sunday. Sapna (8) had suffered a brain haemorrhage and was on life support. "She was clever, brave. She was the one who saw the speeding car and pushed the other girls out of the way," said her father Omkar.

Fleeing from cops, man falls and dies

New Delhi: A 41-year-old man died after he fell and sustained head injuries while fleeing from a raid on a gambling racket Sunday. Police claimed Ashish Rathod, a businessman, was part of a group of men who were allegedly gambling at a house in North East Delhi. "We arrested five men and found Rathod lying unconscious in the lane outside. He was declared dead at a hospital," said police.

Jamia student found hanging

New Delhi: A 22-year-old Jamia Millia Islamia student from Kerala allegedly committed suicide at his rented house in Okhla Vihar Monday. DCP (South East) Chinmoy Biswal said no suicide note was found. "Irfan BK was doing his Masters in psychology from Jamia. His flatmates were not at home when he hanged himself from the fan," said Biswal, adding that no foul play is suspected.

9 children rescued from bonded labour

New Delhi: Police rescued nine children forced into bonded labour from South Delhi's Mehrauli Monday. A raid was conducted by officials from the Labour department, police and NGO Bachpan Bachao Andolan. Police said the children were from Bihar, Haryana and UP and worked in garages in Mehrauli. ENS

LOCATIONS UPLOADED ON APP TO MAKE PEOPLE AWARE

60% of road accidents at 110 danger spots in capital, police survey finds

MAHENDER SINGH MANRAL NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

TO PREVENT road accidents, the Delhi Police has conducted a survey and identified 110 accident-prone spots in the capital — where roughly 60% of the road accidents took place last year.

Police have now uploaded the list on their newly launched one-touch mobile app, 'Tatpar', to make people aware of these spots, which include Akshardham, AIIMS, Ashram Chowk, Chirag Dilli flyover, Delhi Gate, Dhauula Kuan, DND Flyway, Gurdwara Bangla Sahib, Kalindi Kunj, Kalkaji Mandir and Lado Sarai crossing.

A senior police officer said that in their survey, they also identified 10 elevated Metro stations which saw the highest number of fatal accidents in the past year. "The survey conducted by the traffic unit has found that four people died in road accidents every day in the capital. The incidents, however, have dropped after the amended Motor Vehicles Act came into force on September 1. We have also identified 10 elevated Metro stations where people died while crossing roads. One major problem

that came to light was that e-rickshaws parked outside the Metro stations create traffic chaos and drive rashly," said the officer.

A comparative analysis done by Delhi Traffic Police shows that 92 people died in accidents in September as compared to 236 such deaths during the same month in 2018. Data shows a 66% drop in challans (3.50 lakh) recorded this September as compared to the same month last year.

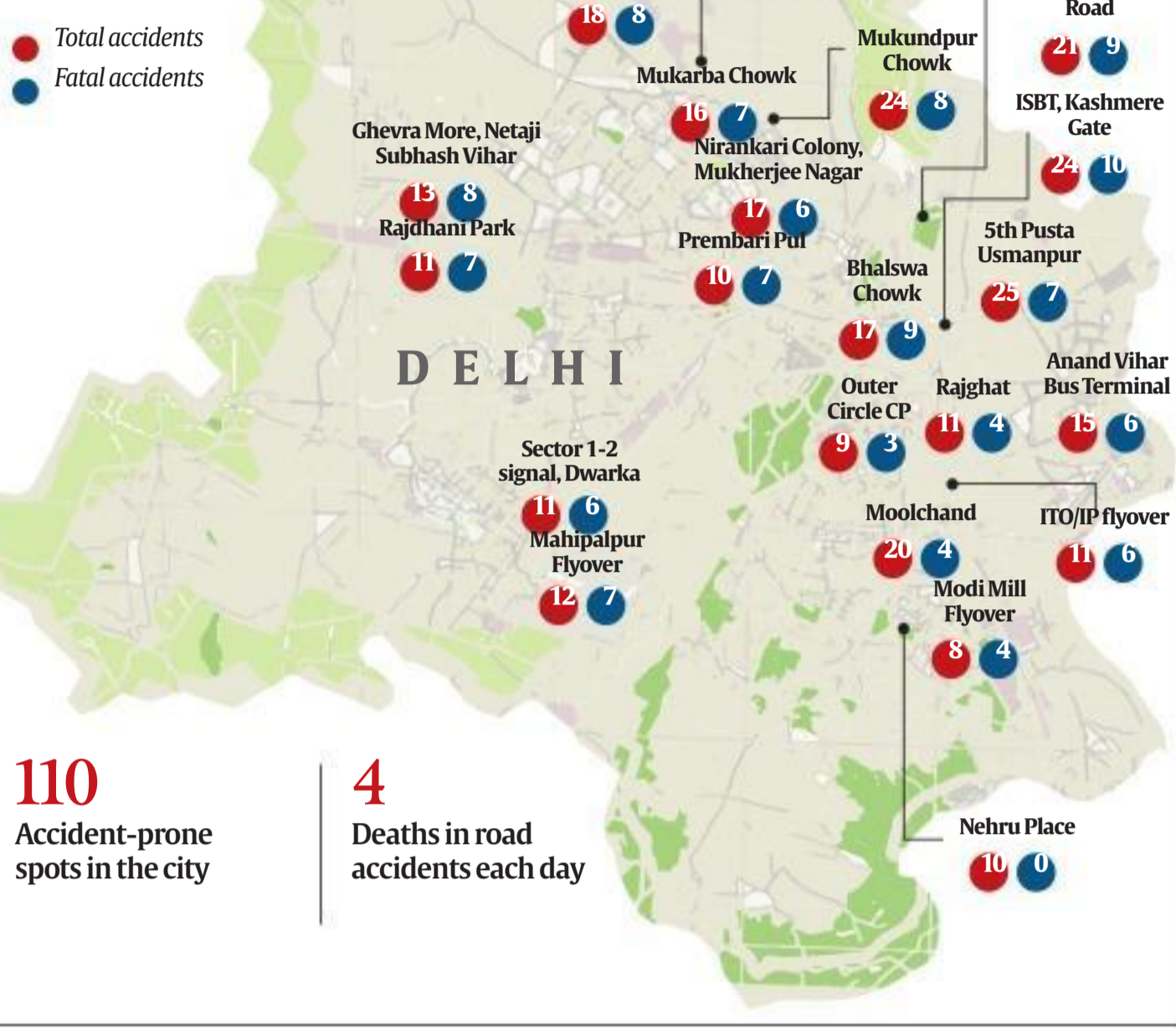
Delhi Police PRO Mandeep Singh Randhawa said the purpose of putting up the list is to make people aware of accident-prone areas: "We believe that if people know about these spots, they will drive carefully and avoid untoward incidents."

Traffic police are also installing speed detector cameras at these 110 spots, as the survey showed that rash driving or speeding was a key reason behind the accidents.

Launched by L-G Governor Anil Bajjal on September 18, the 'Tatpar' app has integrated over 50 services of Delhi Police, including the Himmat Plus and electronic FIR facility. "Through this app, people can navigate to their nearest police station, traffic spot... Users can access contact details of the SHO of a police station via the app," said Randhawa.

Top 20 danger spots in 2018

Locations that saw an unusually high number of fatal accidents



110 Accident-prone spots in the city

4 Deaths in road accidents each day

UP RERA stays cost escalation by builder

ANANYA TIWARI GREATER NOIDA, OCTOBER 14

THE UP RERA chairperson has passed an order staying the escalation of development costs by the firm responsible for building Wave HiTech city, which is part of Ghaziabad's Hi-Tech Smart City project from 2009. The extra charges demanded amounted to more than Rs 5,000 crore.

Uppal Chaddha Hitech Developers Pvt Ltd was to build the township project under a public-private partnership inked in 2009. Over the years, the peripheral development charges rose from Rs 350 per sq yard to Rs 850 per sq yard, which was contested by buyers.

At a hearing on August 8, UP RERA chairperson Rajeev Kumar had observed: "The builders could not produce the

chargesheet explaining the rise... nor for the Rs 350 per sq yard charge for that matter."

On October 10, the chairperson stayed the escalation of charges, allowing only an addition of inflation charges to the external development charges, raising it to Rs 418 per sq yard from Rs 350 per sq yard. The order said the firm's demand was unreasonable.

The builder had also asked for Rs 1,430 per sq yard as external electrification charges from buyers, which was also denied.

A spokesperson of Wave HiTech city said, "By judgment dated October 10, 2019, the honourable RERA authority has upheld the terms of allotment arrangement. Other charges like water conservation, telephone, etc should be charged... after disclosing same to the purchaser who are entitled to pay... when changed by the builder on pro-rata basis."



STEEP CLIMB

Workers clean the windows of an office complex near Rajnigandha Chowk in Noida's Sector 16, Monday. Tashi Tobgyal

Last-mile connectivity takes hit: 100 Metro e-buses instead of 422

SOURAVROY BARMAN NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

THE DELHI Metro's major push to improve last-mile connectivity by inducting 422 AC electric buses will now be scaled back to 100 as it was thought to be financially unfeasible. Documents show that DMRC had floated five tenders for procurement of the 422 low-floor buses with 16-22 seats to augment its feeder fleet. The tenders have now been "discharged", as per DMRC officials. The tussle between the Centre and the Delhi

government over the funding put a spanner in the DMRC's plan, documents suggest.

In June, Union Housing and Urban Affairs Secretary Durga Shanker Mishra had written to Delhi Chief Secretary Vijay Dev urging his intervention for funding, saying the tenders were "held up" in its absence.

However, the corporation has now shelved the plan altogether, citing the high funding gap. It also attributed the decision to the need to adhere to guidelines of the Department of Heavy Industry (DHI), states an internal

document. The document adds that on August 20, the DHI told Metro that the Centre will extend financial support for induction of 100 e-buses under the FAME scheme. On October 9, DMRC floated two tenders — for 50 e-buses each for the corporation's east and north clusters.

A transport department official said, "The amount required was too high. The present course of action is better. Moreover, one should go for more autos, e-rickshaws and bikes to boost last-mile connectivity as they are better suited to cover short distances."

Cleaner at Gandhi museum found hanging from tree

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

A 35-YEAR-OLD man, employed as a cleaner at the Gandhi museum, allegedly committed suicide by hanging himself from a tree inside the premises in Central Delhi's IP Estate Sunday.

Police said the matter came to light when a child who studies at a nearby school for the hearing and speech impaired looked out the window saw a body hanging from a tree in the museum premises.

"The child then signed to the guard who rushed to the spot. A PCR call was made. No foul play is suspected," said an officer.

The victim, Raju lived in the premises, said police. "The incident took place around 1.30 pm Sunday. Raju used a chunni to hang himself. No suicide note has been recovered. Inquest proceedings have been initiated in the matter," said DCP (Central) Mandeep Singh Randhawa.

Police said Raju's family claimed he was an alcoholic and often got into fights with friends and family.

Car stopped, man robbed of Rs 4 lakh

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

A BUSINESSMAN was allegedly robbed of Rs 4 lakh cash by four masked men near the Majlis Park Metro station Sunday night. The man, Anil Arora, and one of his employees were in a car when the men allegedly broke the window and threatened them with guns and hammers.

Police said Arora, a wholesale distributor of mobile phones who operates from Karol Bagh, was on his way to Panipat when the incident took place around 8.30 pm.

In his complaint, Arora claimed, "We stopped the car at the intersection when the four men came from behind. They broke the window with a hammer, took the key and threatened us with their pistols. There were many people on the road but nobody helped us. The men asked us to give them cash and we gave them our bags. They searched the bags and fled with the one which had money."

DCP (North West) Vijayanta Arya said, "A case of robbery has been registered. We are scanning the CCTVs." ENS

Advertisement for Uttar Pradesh Power Transmission Corporation Limited (UPPTCL) regarding tender for construction of power lines.

Advertisement for Maharashtra Small Scale Industries Development Corporation Limited (MSSIDC) regarding tender for construction of a pavilion at IITF 2019.

Advertisement for Linking of Data Logger with COA at Lumding & Dimapur Station regarding tender for automated arrival/departure time capture.

Advertisement for OMSIDC (Maharashtra Small Scale Industries Development Corporation Limited) regarding tender for construction of a pavilion at IITF 2019.

Advertisement for Executive Engineer C.D. P.W.D. Khurja regarding tender notice for interlocking tiles work.

Table listing various procurement items for Khara Power House, including lighting arresters, fire extinguishers, and consumables.

Advertisement for Jharkhand Urja Sancharan Nigam Limited regarding tender notice for procurement of mechanical, electrical & test section.

Advertisement for Jharkhand Urja Sancharan Nigam Limited regarding tender notice for procurement of consumables for mechanical, electrical & test section.

Advertisement for Uttar Pradesh Power Transmission Corporation Limited regarding tender notice for construction of power lines.

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**ABHIJIT BANERJEE WINS NOBEL PRIZE FOR ECONOMICS**

## Days before Nobel, Abhijit advice to Govt: Cut red tape

LIZ MATHEW  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

DAYS BEFORE he was awarded the Nobel, Abhijit Banerjee blamed "recentralisation" as among the reasons compounding India's economic slowdown. Suggesting a slew of measures, including raising MREGA wages, he advised the government to strengthen institutions, removing interference by the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) and withdraw cases "that look obviously politically motivated".

On Monday, Prime Minister Narendra Modi congratulated Banerjee. "Congratulations to Abhijit Banerjee on being conferred the 2019 Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Sciences in Memory of Alfred Nobel. He has made notable contributions in the field of poverty alleviation," Modi tweeted.

On October 9, Banerjee, while speaking in response to former RBI Governor Raghuram Rajan as part of the OP Jindal Lectures at Brown University in the US, targeted the BJP-led NDA government for the "recentralisation" of decisions, policy moves that had adversely affected the rural demand and for crippling institutions.

Appreciating the previous Congress-led UPA government for its initiatives like the National Green Tribunal and the Right to Information Act, Banerjee, who works at MIT, said: "This government felt that the government has given away too much power so they started recentralising all decisions. Institutions exist. But you put people at the top who do not have any real authority to punish people who stick out

their neck and put the PMO in every possible decision. That's how you do it. You don't actually destroy the institutions, you kind of take away their rights."

He said that "institutions went from hyperactive to zombies" as there is an extra bureaucratic check on the system". Banerjee said that decisions were delayed citing that the PMO would have to take a final stand on them. Painting a dismal picture of the Indian economy, with those in rural areas becoming poorer, Banerjee said investment was collapsing, public borrowing growing, real estate sector freezing and demands plunging to very low in the rural sector.

He blamed demonetisation, GST and policy decisions taken to "pin down the inflation pretty low and removed UPA's spigot that was funding the economy" — such as the low MSP — for the demand deficit among the lower-income group.

The economist, who suggested an increase in the MNRREGA wages, rise in prices for farmers, monetary policy relaxation and "pray" as alternatives for short-run, urged the Modi government to "be grateful and act fast" if the short-term measures bought some room.

He advised it to strengthen institutions "by signalling that PMO will not interfere with decisions made by professionals and will not reward currying favours and trying to double-guess what the PMO would want... by withdrawing cases that look obviously politically motivated (you should demonstrate that they were doing wrong before you act), by encouraging the media to pursue transparency and by accepting criticism.

## Today he is not only my son but of the whole country, says proud mother

SANTANU CHOWDHURY  
KOLKATA, OCTOBER 14

"TODAY HE is not only my son but the son of the entire country," Nirmala Banerjee said on Monday, hours after the Nobel committee announced the 2019 prize in Economic Sciences for her son Abhijit, along with wife Esther Duflo, and Michael Kremer.

"I was reading a book in the afternoon when I got the news from my younger son... He is likely to visit India this month for his book launch, and is scheduled to come to Kolkata for a day. We cannot wait to meet him and share his happiness," Nirmala, who was a professor of Economics at the Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta, told *The Indian Express* at her residence in South Kolkata's Ballygunge area.

Banerjee is the third Bengali after Rabindranath Tagore and Amartya Sen to win the Nobel, and the second after Sen to receive the recognition in Economic Sciences. Like Sen, Banerjee, too, is an alumnus of Presidency College, now Presidency University.

Talking about Banerjee's research work, Nirmala said, "It is based on how the poor manage their lives. He writes in a simple language that is easy for everyone to understand. Economics is about people, relating to their actions. It is about society. It is not about the physical world. There may be relations between the two, but essen-



Abhijit Banerjee's mother, Nirmala Banerjee, in Kolkata on Monday. PVI

tially it is about human beings." She added, "We meet three or four times every year, and we often talk about his work."

Banerjee's father Dipak Banerjee was a professor and head of the Economics Department at the then Presidency College. After his death in 2007, Presidency University organises Dipak Kumar Memorial Lecture in his honour. In 2018, Duflo had delivered the 10th lecture in the series.

Dipali Sengupta, his teacher at Kolkata's South Point School, recalled Banerjee as an introvert but

an excellent student. "It's difficult imagining the kind of recognition he has received today. He has impressed us beyond words," Sengupta, who taught at South Point from 1969 to 2014, said. "I taught him in classes VI and VIII. He had poor handwriting, for which his mother was called in, but he was an excellent student who always respected teachers."

Abhijit Pathak, a classmate at Presidency, said Banerjee wore long kurtas with trousers in his college days, which was then different from the attire of other classmates. "He loves western

music—in fact, I learnt about Bob Dylan from him. He is also a good cook," he reminisced.

Besides Economics, Pathak said, Banerjee was very good in Mathematics, English and History as well. "He stood first in both Economics and Mathematics entrance tests in Presidency but chose Economics as his Honours subject," he said.

Sharmila De Sarkar, Banerjee's classmate at South Point, said, "If he comes to the school, I may not be able to hold back tears...there are so many memories. I cannot express how happy we are."

**LAUDING THE NOBEL WINNER**

"It gives me immense pleasure and pride to know that you are now the second Indian to receive a Nobel Prize in Economics, after my dear friend Professor Amartya Sen. I am delighted to know that your wife Esther Duflo is also a winner jointly of this Nobel Prize for Economics..."

MANMOHAN SINGH  
FORMER PRIME MINISTER

"Congratulations to Abhijit Banerjee, Esther Duflo and Michael Kremer on winning the Nobel prize in economic Science... Their research has helped economists better understand how to fight poverty in India & the world"

RAM NATH KOVID  
PRESIDENT

"Congratulations to Abhijit Banerjee on winning the Nobel Prize in Economics. Abhijit helped

conceptualise NYAY that had the power to destroy poverty and boost the Indian economy..."

RAHUL GANDHI  
CONGRESS LEADER

## In Delhi, from improving learning levels to setting Outcome Budget

UMA VISHNU & MALLICA JOSHI  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

IT WAS in the early 2000s, around the time they founded the Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL) at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), that Abhijit Banerjee and Esther Duflo did their path-breaking research in India on "Teaching at the Right Level".

The research, done over a period of more than 10 years, showed that the approach developed by NGO Pratham — where children were grouped and taught on the basis of their learning levels and not according to age or grade — consistently improved learning outcomes.

Another recent work has been Duflo's research on early child education, especially the impact of math games among preschoolers. As part of the research, Duflo has been collaborating with psychologists at Harvard University, who work on the cognitive development of young children, to study if the innate math ability of 4 to 5-year-olds can be developed so that they are not left behind when it comes to formal math at a later stage.

For this, the researchers did three randomised control trials in Delhi, the third in Delhi government schools, and found that game-based curricula might work better when they are integrated with age-appropriate lessons in primary schools.

For the "Teaching at the Right Level" programme, Banerjee, Duflo and other researchers at J-PAL did at least six randomised



At the Economics department in Presidency University, Kolkata. Express

evaluations in seven states that demonstrated the effectiveness of the teaching approach that has since been adopted by several state governments in India. Drawing on the success in India, African countries such as Zambia and Nigeria have used the method in their schools.

"In India, lots of education interventions have been tried, mostly around infrastructure and learning inputs, but outcomes were not increasing. The hypothesis that was given was that in India, with large classrooms and overworked teachers, there was very little that was happening by way of learning. Abhijit and Esther's research showed that by grouping children according to their learning levels and giving them targeted

instruction, you could get them to their right level," said Megha Pradhan, Senior Policy and Training Manager, J-PAL, South Asia.

"The team at J-PAL studied the different interventions in learning levels for around 10 years. They worked not only on studying the methods and interventions but also on the most effective way to build foundational skills," said Jasmine Shah, Dialogue and Development Commission, Delhi government, who was earlier Deputy Director, J-PAL, South Asia.

After a series of iterative versions, in 2012-13, J-PAL evaluated the programme in Haryana government schools to see if it could be made more scalable.

While the attempt to im-

prove learning levels is a flagship scheme of the Delhi government's education push, Banerjee and Duflo are also behind its "Outcome Budget", where Budget grants and promises are linked to deadlines — the AAP leadership sees this as its biggest exercise in accountability.

"Abhijit Banerjee's path-breaking work has also benefited lakhs of children studying in Delhi government schools. One of Delhi government's most important education reform, 'Chunauti', has transformed government school classroom teaching. It is based on the model developed by him," tweeted Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal.

In 2015, Banerjee and Duflo met Delhi Education Minister Manish Sisodia, after an assess-

ment showed that nearly 74% children in Delhi government schools were lagging behind in reading levels.

"The number in the government school assessment established that there were problems in basic skills... In the interaction with the government, the research done at J-PAL was presented. Discussions were held on adaptation of the methods being used to remove learning deficit. They not only studied the programmes but also identified the best model based on similar interventions in Uttar Pradesh and Haryana by Pratham," Shah said.

Under the "Chunauti" programme, children are divided into readers and non-readers, based on an assessment. Special classes, using material specifically designed for them, are held for the non-readers for an hour every day. Similar classes are held for those who are not performing in math.

"The Delhi government was convinced this was the best model for the intervention. It also has the component of teacher resources that ensures the set pedagogy is being followed in all schools," Shah said.

"It is a matter of pride, not just as an Indian but also as an education and finance minister. We implemented Chunauti scheme and Outcome Budget with help from, and inspiration from, Dr Banerjee and Dr Duflo's research," Sisodia tweeted.

Besides Pratham, J-PAL affiliated researchers have partnered with multiple other NGOs in education in India, including Akshara Foundation, Gyan Shala and Room to Read, among others.

## Brilliant, say JNU friends, teachers

ARANYA SHANKAR  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

ABHIJIT BANERJEE'S friends, peers and teachers from Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) had one adjective for him — brilliant. Banerjee did his MA at JNU's Centre for Economic Studies and Planning from 1981-83.

Sanjay Sharma, professor of history at Ambedkar University Delhi and his friend from JNU, said, "He was interested in cinema and music, very well read in Bangla literature, and also interested in philosophy."

He said that though Banerjee wasn't aligned to any student group, he felt for various causes and had "heated discussions on many topics". It was his activism that led him to write a letter to the editor of *Economic and Political Weekly* in 1982 on the JNU admission policy, and, in 1983, spend 10 days in jail with 300 students for gheraoing the V-C's residence.

Anjan Mukherjee, who taught Banerjee at CESP, said he was among his best students. "When his book came out in 2008, that is when we thought he would get the Nobel," he said.

JNU Vice-Chancellor M Jagadeesh Kumar tweeted, "This is an indication of not only his intellectual capabilities but also the quality of education imparted at JNU."

## In Gujarat, Emission Trading Scheme

AVINASH NAIR  
AHMEDABAD, OCTOBER 14

J-PAL, founded by Abhijit Banerjee and Esther Duflo, is one of the primary agencies working on a novel Emission Trading Scheme (ETS) launched in Surat last month, aimed at reducing pollution while minimising the cost of compliance for industries.

The ETS is a market in which traded commodity is particulate matter emissions. The Gujarat Pollution Control Board (GPCB) sets a cap on the total emission load from all industries. Industries can buy and sell the ability to emit particulate matter, by trading permits under this

cap. For this reason, ETS is also called a cap-and-trade markets.

At the beginning of every one-month compliance period (during which one emission permit is valid), 80% of the total cap for that period is distributed free to all participant units. These permits are allocated based on an industry's emission sources (boilers, heaters, generators). GPCB will offer the remaining 20% permits during the first auction of the compliance period, at a floor price of Rs 5 per kg.

Participating units can trade in permits, among each other, during the period. The price is not allowed to cross Rs 100 per kg or fall below Rs 5 per kg, both may be adjusted after a review.

## Health Ministry finalises 19 NMC part-time members through draw of lots

ABANTIKA GHOSH  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

THE UNION Health Ministry on Monday finalised the names of 19 part-time members of the National Medical Commission (NMC) through a draw of lots in the presence of ministers, senior officials and the media.

The NMC will replace the Medical Council of India (MCI) as the apex regulatory authority of medical education in the country.

Four boards — dealing with undergraduate, postgraduate medical education, medical assessment and rating board and the ethics and medical registration board — will regulate the sector. The structure has been made as per the recommendations of a group of experts headed by Ranjit Roy Chaudhury, set up by the Health Ministry to study the norms for the establishment of medical colleges.

Health Minister Dr Harsh Vardhan termed the selection

process a huge and visionary reform in the medical education sector. "We had 9 months to select the members of the NMC, and within a short span of two months, we have framed the rules, notified them and also carried out the process of selection of the part-time members of the NMC today. To ensure probity and integrity of the highest order, a compact body is being selected through a transparent mechanism and representation of States and State Councils in rotation. This

**EXPLAINED**

### New commission to clean up system

THE NATIONAL Medical Commission (NMC) is the culmination of a very long and contentious process of replacing the Medical Council of India, and signals a complete overhaul of the medical education regulatory system that many feel had been long overdue. The NMC, which will have representation from the states and also experts on it, is expected to clean up the system which has often been described as a "mess".

will facilitate for faster decision making also," he said.

The NMC is a 33-member body with a chairperson, ten ex officio members, and twenty-two part-time members. The chairperson has to be a "medical professional of outstanding ability, proven administrative capacity and integrity, possessing a postgraduate degree in any discipline of medical sciences from any University and having experience of not less than twenty years in the field of medical sciences, out of

which at least ten years shall be as a leader in the area of medical education".

Ten vice-chancellors of various universities across India were chosen through a first round of lots. Nine more members were selected to the NMC through the same process from amongst the nominees of the state medical councils (SMCs) in the Medical Advisory Council.

Among the ten ex-officio members are the Indian Council of Medical Research director gen-

eral, a director of any of the All India Institutes of Medical Sciences — to be nominated by the Central Government — and two persons from amongst the directors of Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh; along with one person to represent the Health Ministry not below the rank of Additional Secretary, to be nominated by the ministry.

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DHANANJAY MUNDE  
NCP, PARLI

₹23.05 cr

TOTAL ASSETS (self, spouse)

IMMOVABLE ₹17.17 cr

MOVABLE ₹5.88 cr

CASH (self, HUF) ₹15,81,000

Income in 2018-19 (self, spouse) ₹75.40 lakh

Income in 2017-18 (self, spouse) ₹1.59 cr

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ASSETS IN LAST AFFIDAVIT FILED FOR 2014 ASSEMBLY POLLS (self, spouse)

₹16.59 cr

PANKAJA MUNDE  
BJP, PARLI

₹35.12 cr

TOTAL ASSETS (self, spouse)

IMMOVABLE ₹17.17 cr

MOVABLE ₹17.95 cr

CASH (self) ₹9,26,000

Income in 2018-19 (self) ₹2.08 cr

Income in 2017-18 (self) ₹1.96 cr

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ASSETS IN LAST AFFIDAVIT FILED FOR 2014 ASSEMBLY POLLS (self, spouse)

₹13.74 cr

# In battle of cousins, an attempt to claim Gopinath Munde's legacy

## Pankaja plays minister card, BJP pulls out all the stops

KAVITHA IYER  
PARLI, OCTOBER 14

BETWEEN her own campaign in Parli, where she is pitted against cousin Dhananjay Munde of the NCP for the second consecutive Assembly election, and requests from candidates across the state to address rallies in their constituencies, Maharashtra Minister Pankaja Munde (40) has her hands full.

In addition, Prime Minister Narendra Modi is to address a rally in Parli on October 19, where all BJP candidates in the Marathwada region will be present, and Pankaja is busy fine-tuning the plans for security, buses, helicopter, etc.

In the 2014 polls, Pankaja won comfortably with 96,904 votes to Dhananjay's 71,009. While the Shiv Sena did not field a candidate against her, the Congress candidate finished with 14,946 votes.

This time, the BJP camp has decided to take ample precaution to counter Dhananjay's popularity among a section of Parli's voters — while the losing Congress candidate of 2014, T P Munde, was welcomed into the BJP earlier this month, the party has also successfully wooed Uttam Mane, the CPM candidate in the 2014 contest. Mane had polled 3,053 votes.

Mane belongs to Moha, a village in Parli constituency that has had a large Communist

party presence for years, perhaps the only such village in Beed district. Moha was also home to former MP Gangadharappa Burande of the CPM, a leader of the CPM's All India Kisan Sabha, who was among those who set up a nascent Communist movement in Marathwada.

On Monday, between campaign meetings and planning for the PM's rally, Pankaja addressed BJP workers from Moha at her residence in Parli, and said they should feel strengthened with Mane's supporters joining them. Moha, incidentally, registered a lead for the NCP candidate in the recent Lok Sabha polls.

"The NCP's attitude is that they would be okay with 10 of their candidates in Western Maharashtra losing, but Pankaja must lose. Why such rage? I have been looking after this constituency like a mother," she told them. At public meetings, she has said Dhananjay is in the fray only to defeat her.

Telling the workers that there is development in Parli because their legislator is a minister, she said, "Do you want to vote for a minister or for a candidate who's going to lose?"

For Pankaja, who was earlier president of the BJP youth wing and is now seen by some as harbouring chief ministerial ambitions, as well as for her cousin and challenger Dhananjay, who faces higher stakes now as Leader of the Opposition in the Upper House, it is again a fight to claim Gopinath Munde's legacy.



Pankaja with villagers. Amit Chakravarty



Dhananjay at a poll rally. Amit Chakravarty

## She has failed to fulfil her father's dream: Dhananjay

KAVITHA IYER  
PARLI, OCTOBER 14

ON SOCIAL media in Parli, and among the dusty little town's youngsters, a new slogan has caught on. "No PM, no CM. Only DM." Nobody needs to be told who DM is — Dhananjay Munde (44), NCP leader and Leader of the Opposition in the Maharashtra Legislative Council.

As the campaign enters its last mile, the DM camp is pulling no punches. From emotional speeches about Pankaja having cases filed against him while he maintains an elder brother's *maryada* to an oratorial style that reminds Parli's voters of his uncle, the late Gopinath Munde; from videos with a James Bond tune played on an LED screen to declaring that he will not return to the hustings if he, as legislator, fails to double people's incomes — Dhananjay is playing every card.

"I lost by 25,000-odd votes in 2014, even though there was also a Congress candidate, a huge Modi wave, and a sympathy wave for Pankaja in the immediate aftermath of her father's death... This time, none of those factors will be at play," Dhananjay tells *The Indian Express*.

Dhananjay, whose politics Gopinath Munde had nurtured until he handed the Parli baton to daughter Pankaja, says that Pankaja does not even know her father's dream, "the one she is again promising to fulfil after fail-

ing to do so for five years as minister".

In Pettiwadgaon village on Sunday, people waited since noon for Dhananjay, who showed up at 3 pm to welcome a group of local BJP workers into the NCP fold. "I was the first to raise slogans for Pankaja's first campaign in 2009. But now I am contesting for the development of the people of my soil. Our *taisaheb* has not been able to bring water from Jayakwadi dam to our constituency even after five years as minister. Wasn't that Baba's dream," he says.

The political mood in the semi-rural constituency is inflamed, and street corner sabhas and slightly larger public meetings by both candidates are seeing healthy turnouts. At the Pettiwadgaon meeting, there are cat-calls and whistles at Dhananjay's jokes, the front rows filled by young boys in awe of Dhananjay, who keeps the one-liners coming. "Let Modi show that *bina naukri, chhokri* (a wife for a jobless man) is possible. Then I will also say *Modi hai toh mumkin hai*," he says. He's playing to the gallery but it touches a raw nerve — one of the silent side-effects of Marathwada's long agrarian crisis is that families do not want to give their daughters in marriage to unemployed youths.

Dhananjay says the Parli thermal power station can be restarted to maximum capacity, and cement factories are waiting to set up units alongside. Distress migration, unemployment, absence of alternative sources of income can be resolved, he adds.

## Raising Art 370, PM dares Opposition again

SAKSHI DAYAL  
BALLABHGARH, OCTOBER 14

IN THE aftermath of the revocation of special status, Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh have ventured onto a "new path" of "development and trust". Prime Minister Narendra Modi said at a rally in Haryana's Ballabgarh on Monday.

Addressing his first rally for the Haryana Assembly polls, Modi said parties opposing the government's move in Jammu and Kashmir should explain the benefits of Article 370 to "mothers and widows of martyrs in Haryana". Like in Maharashtra a day ago, the Prime Minister challenged Opposition parties to declare in their poll manifestos that they would "bring back Article 370 and 35A".

"Today, India is making decisions that could



At Ballabgarh on Monday. Amit Mehra

not have been imagined by anyone earlier... the decision of Article 370. It was the sentiment in Haryana and across the country that Jammu and Kashmir should be brought out of violence

and taken towards harmony. Today, Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh have started walking on a new path of development and trust."

Targeting those who opposed the move, he said, "These people are raising questions over this decision, going abroad and asking for help. I challenge them to go to the people of Haryana and tell them that if you win, you will bring (Article) 370 back. By the time Lok Sabha elections come, write in your manifesto that if we come, we will bring (Article) 370 back, go from village to village in Haryana and explain its benefit to people, to mothers who lost their sons in Kashmir, ask them how many sons have been killed due to your affection for (Article) 370."

He dared the Opposition to explain benefits of Article 370 to members of Dalit community, who he alleged "were not given rightful jobs" and Article 370 was cited as the reason.

## Modi destroying the economy, says Rahul

ABHINAV RAJPUT  
NUH, OCTOBER 14

CALLING PRIME Minister Narendra Modi a "loudspeaker" of big businesses, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Monday said unemployment will rise and the economy will deteriorate further over the next six months given Modi's economic policies. He also accused the BJP and the RSS of dividing the country and its people on the basis of caste, religion, and region — "like the British" did — and said the Congress, in contrast, unites people.

Addressing an election rally in Haryana's Nuh district, Rahul said, "Factories are getting closed, farmers are committing suicide... I was recently in Gujarat, where diamond and cloth merchants met me and said that Narendra



At Nuh on Monday. Premnath Pandey

Modi has destroyed them (their livelihood)." Modi, the Congress leader maintained, is the "loudspeaker of Ambani and Adani, as he only talks about them all day."

He took a dig at the media for "not showing the condition of the economy, (prevailing) unemployment and corruption, and instead focusing on moon (mission), the Prime Minister's visit to Corbett (National Park), and the Defence Minister's visits to France for Rafale fighter jets".

He said, "Have you ever seen on TV that there is unemployment everywhere? No you haven't, because their owners don't want the youth to know that Narendra Modi... stole your money, got businesses closed and brought unemployment."

Rahul accused Modi of taking money from the poor and giving it away to rich businessmen. "Small traders are finished because Narendra Modi wants to give their businesses to 15 to 20 richest businessmen of the country," he asserted.

## At epicentre of Maratha protests, caste undertone a key poll factor

SANDEEP ASHAR  
JAMKHEDE, OCTOBER 14

FOR THE past couple of years, Akash Sudrik (25) follows a morning ritual: visiting a memorial constructed in the memory of a minor who was raped and murdered at Kopardi village in Maharashtra's Ahmednagar district in 2016. "I will keep coming here till I die. I just cannot forget what happened," said Sudrik. He is among several others from the Maratha community who frequent the memorial.

The victim hailed from the Maratha community and the three accused in the rape-murder case were from the Mahar caste, a Dalit community. The heinous crime had triggered unrest in the Maratha community. Days after the incident, Maharashtra witnessed its first Maratha Kranti Morcha, silent rallies that saw lakhs take to the streets demanding justice for the victim, reservation for Marathas in education and government jobs and amendments to the SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act.

On November 29, 2017, a local court found the accused guilty and sentenced them to death. The ruling has been challenged by the family of the accused. A year later, the state government extended reservations to the Maratha community.

Three years later, an undertone of caste tension still runs through Kopardi.

At the memorial, saffron flags of Maratha empire are installed. The victim's father says members from other communities too visit the memorial, but her mother says the incident "drove a wedge between the two castes". Villager Laxman Pawar recounts how



The saffron flags at the memorial in Kopardi. Deepak Joshi

Mahar caste members would participate in social functions of the Maratha community earlier. "That's not the case now," he says. He, however, adds that the "tension has eased in the past year-and-a-half".

Ahmednagar, the largest district in Maharashtra, has a history of caste strife. Ahead of the polls, even as major political parties avoided an overly casteist campaign, local residents admit that caste will play a role in the results.

The Karjat-Jamkhed assembly seat, un-

der which Kopardi village falls, is witnessing one of the fiercest battles in this election. Maharashtra's most politically powerful Maratha clan member Rohit Pawar, grand-nephew of NCP chief Sharad Pawar, is up against sitting MLA and state Water Resources Minister Ram Shinde, who hails from Dhargar community — a nomadic tribe currently demanding Scheduled Tribe status.

Even as Pawar and Shinde claim that their poll plank is development of the backward region, sources said the backroom campaigns of both candidates have a caste undertone. While voters rank water, irrigation and roads as main issues, many admit that "who they are voting for" matters too.

In Jamkhed's Kharda village, Rajiv Aage (55), a Dalit, says, "We may not like to admit it, but caste discrimination prevails in the region." In 2014, Aage's son Nitin's body was found hanging from a tree in the village. Police charged nine people from the Maratha community with killing him over the suspicion that he was in a relationship with a girl from the community. On November 23, 2017, a local court acquitted them for want of evidence. "I lost my son to violence. But did not get justice as witnesses turned hostile owing to pressure by members of the upper caste," he alleged. He also alleged lack of support from the government and the prosecution to pursue the case.

His daughter was given a government job on compassionate grounds a few months ago, but Aage complains that "his own community too let him down". His wife Rekha says has tears in her eyes. "Who killed my son?," she asks.

## 'How does Art 370 make any difference in Nanded?'

Former Maharashtra CM and Congress candidate from Bhokar, ASHOK CHAVAN, tells KAVITHA IYER that the electorate is ready to vote on issues such as agrarian crisis and debt relief. Excerpts:

**Have you been hemmed in by circumstances so that you cannot leave your constituency to campaign for other candidates?**

This is just systematic propaganda by the BJP... There is a week of campaign left and now is when the heat picks up... the campaign is progressing smoothly. Candidates have been selected judiciously, at least in Marathwada...

**Will the departure of senior leaders from the Congress and NCP seriously damage the alliance's chances?**

At least in Nanded, we have nurtured party workers... In some areas, there are problems, I don't deny that... I see the situation as an opportunity to cultivate a new rung of leadership.

**But that still means you will be hit by the**

**rebels this election?**

Sena-BJP has more rebels, this is affecting the ruling party more than us because of false assurances given to those who joined.

**The Lok Sabha polls saw the electorate voting on issues of nationalism and a muscular foreign policy while issues such as the agrarian distress did not seem to sway them. Will you try to counter it this time?**

The Lok Sabha election was different. This time, people are saying these issues do not concern us. How does Article 370 in Kashmir make any difference to voters in Nanded or in Maharashtra? The real issues are agrarian crisis, debt relief that has not reached a very large percentage of farmers, economic crisis.

**Top leaders of the BJP and Sena have been roped in to defeat you in Bhokar. How does it affect your campaign?**

BJP (working) president JP Nadra was in town. If the party president has to come to Bhokar to campaign, it means the selection of your candidate is wrong.



**HARYANA TEEN A SOCIAL MEDIA SENSATION WITH HIS INTERVIEWS WITH POLITICAL BIGWIGS**

## 14-yr-old 'reporter' in spotlight this poll season

VARINDER BHATIA  
CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 14

A 14-YEAR-OLD boy from Haryana has taken the social media by storm this election season. The internet is abuzz with videos of Gurmeet Goyat aka Goldy Goyat interviewing political stalwarts and asking them pointed questions.

Goldy, who hails from Kunger Bhani village in Bhiwani district and currently lives in Jind city, has already interviewed Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal, Jannayak Janata Party (JJP) leaders Dushyant Chautala and Digvijay Chautala, among others.

Whether it is about party infighting or the ruling BJP's target of winning 75 seats, Goldy does not shy away from asking tough questions to any of the leaders he interviews. Rapidly gaining fame as "Junior Reporter", Goldy runs a YouTube channel, "Goldy Goyat", on which he has posted over 200 videos of him interviewing politicians over the last few months.

According to the Class IX student of Harsh International School in Jind, it all began in January when he witnessed the hectic political campaign for the Jind Assembly bypoll. "I saw how politicians campaigned and jour-



Gurmeet Goyat with JJP leader Dushyant Chautala.

ists pursued and interview them. It was during the Jind bypoll when I developed an interest in journalism," Goldy told *The Indian Express*.

The first politician he interviewed was JJP chief and former MP Dushyant Chautala. "I interviewed him in his office. I sought an appointment and he agreed to answer all my questions," Goldy said.

Recalling the teenager, Dushyant said, "I

was impressed. He asked all kinds of political questions. I asked him if he goes to school. He then told me he was a topper in his class."

Asked how he gets information about the movement of politicians, Goldy replied, "I keep a track of their movement through newspapers and TV channels. I have a number of friends who act as my sources. I use my contacts to reach out to the politician, fix an appoint-

ment and then reach there and ask questions."

"When he told us that he wants to do journalism, we did not understand initially but then we always knew that he will do something different. He scored 85 per cent marks in Class VIII. He has a sharp memory and if he reads one question, he never forgets," said Goldy's father Jitender Kumar, who runs a wholesale footwear business in Delhi.

His mother Rani Devi is a primary school teacher. Goldy has a younger brother Himmat, who is in Class VI.

"Goldy can speak several languages, including Hindi, English, French, Punjabi and Haryanai. Once he completes 10+2, I am going to put him into a mass communication course so that he can pursue his passion," Jitender said.

Goldy said he generally schedules interviews after school. "But if there is an important assignment, I take leave from school."

Jitender said there are times when Goldy has to travel outside Jind. "Sometimes I accompany him. At times, he goes with his friends."

Goldy said he has a "busy schedule". Asked if he was available for another chat, he replied, "No, no. Whatever you want to ask, please ask now because I shall not be available in the evening. I have interviews lined up."



# Demolition won't take away mosque character: Waqf to SC

'Even if something found in digging, will you delegitimise mosque after 450 yrs?'

**ANANTHAKRISHNAN G.**  
 NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14



THE SUPREME Court examining the historic rule and legitimacy of action of emperors such as Babur and Aurangzeb will "open a Pandora's box", the Uttar Pradesh Sunni Central Waqf Board said on Monday. The Board questioned whether the Babri Masjid would be delegitimised merely by "something" was found under it during digging by archeologists. "If Babur gets involved, Ashoka's actions will also be judged," senior advocate Rajeev Dhavan, appearing for the Muslim parties, told a five-judge Constitution bench headed by CJI Ranjan Gogoi, adding "please don't rewrite history."

The bench, also comprising Justices J A Bobde, D Y Chandrachud, Ashok Bhushan and S A Nazeer, is hearing appeals against the 2010 verdict of Allahabad High Court, which ordered a three-way division of the disputed 2.77 acres.

Dhavan was responding to arguments by the Hindu side that Babri Masjid was not a valid mosque, as it did not comply with requirements of Sharia law.

Questioning this, Dhavan said the court getting into the exercise "will be like history being re-

ten every time a new government comes to power".

Dhavan said while courts in India have discerned personal law of Muslims in matters of marriage, property, inheritance, waqfs, etc, it has never gone into legitimacy of rulers, conquests and matters of rule of Islamic states. "If it decides to go into the matters of Rulers and States, it needs a much more comprehensive analysis of the sources of Islamic history, law and faith over 15 centuries," he said.

Dhavan contended that history books will be written based on what the court concludes in the case. Aurangzeb, he added, was "one of the most liberal rulers".

On the Archeological Survey of India finding remains of a massive structure underneath the mosque, Dhavan said, "Even if you find something during digging, will you delegitimise a mosque after 450 years?" He added, "My ti-

## SC GIVES SECURITY TO WAQF BOARD CHIEF

**New Delhi:** The Supreme Court directed the Uttar Pradesh government to provide security to UP Sunni Central Waqf Board chairman Zulfar Ahmad Faruqui who had expressed threats to life in a communication to the mediation panel. CJI Ranjan Gogoi said the court had received a communication from senior advocate Sriram Panchu, about fears expressed by Faruqui. **ENS**

tle cannot be decided like this."

The senior counsel said it was "preeminently dangerous for India and the world" to say that all mosques where land is obtained by conquest are liable to be held void or voidable by courts even where the conquest took place centuries ago. "The only safe proposition of law is that any destruction of a religious site after 1947-50 is illegitimate, and any benefit therefrom cannot be treated as valid or just and fundamentally unjust benefit or enrichment," he submitted.

The Babri Masjid, he said, was mosque by user, and it was Sharia-complaint in build and architecture. "Even demolition would not

take away the character of a mosque, as even an open space can be masjid and therefore the site of Babri Masjid remains a mosque even today," he told the bench. "Once a mosque, always a mosque," Dhavan said, adding that the property does not lose its character even if it has been abandoned and proper prayers are no longer offered.

Dhavan contended that counsels for Hindu parties have been "unable to establish that Ram was born in the area under the central dome (Babri Masjid), and yet the entire campaign is based on this. We are entrusted to restoration of the building as it stood on December 5, 1992."

Dhavan repeated that Hindus never had any title to the place but were only given the right to pray. Justice Bobde pointed out, "If they can enter and pray, that dilutes your possession."

"No," replied Dhavan, likening it to someone with a well in his property allowing certain others to draw water from it. The counsel said this does not give possession of the well to users.

Justice Chandrachud said the purpose of putting iron grilles to separate the mosque from the outer courtyard following Hindu-Muslim clashes of 1855 appeared not to be for any division of property but for security reasons.



## GEARING UP FOR THE LIGHTS

Preparations in Ayodhya on Monday for Deepotsav celebrations from October 24-26. PTI

## SALE, PURCHASE OF WAQF PROPERTIES

# Preparing list of corruption cases, says Shia Waqf Board chairman

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE LUCKNOW, OCTOBER 14**

TWO DAYS after the state government recommended a CBI probe into alleged irregularities in sale, purchase and transfer of waqf properties in the state, Uttar Pradesh Shia Waqf Board chairman Wasim Rizvi claimed Sunday that "to help CBI", he was preparing a list of such cases of corruption, which "includes big

names in the government as well as clerics."

Rizvi is facing two such cases. An FIR was registered against him in both cases. In one case registered in Lucknow in 2017, the FIR was filed at Hazratganj police station against five persons including Rizvi under IPC sections 420, 409 and 506. In another case, registered in Prayagraj in 2016, the case was filed against Rizvi at Kotwali police station under IPC sections 441 and 447.

Rizvi claimed, "In the Lucknow case, CB-CID probe was ordered two times but nothing came out. As far as the Prayagraj cases concerned, I am not directly linked. However, I can give proof of corruption like in the case of minority welfare minister Mohsin Raza, where he along with his kin sold his family's Waqf property in Safipur area of Unnao." While Raza could not be contacted Monday evening, he had earlier in the day denied the allegations.

## Scindia to CM: Give Rs 50 lakh, land to kin of Shivpuri victims

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE BHOPAL, OCTOBER 14**

IN ANOTHER letter to Chief Minister Kamal Nath, former Union minister Jyotiraditya Scindia on Monday said that Rs 50 lakh and 10-highland each should be given to fathers of two Dalit children, who were allegedly beaten to death in Bhavkhedi village of Shivpuri district over open defecation.

A 10-year-old boy and a 12-year-old girl were allegedly killed on September 25, by two brothers Hakim and Rameshwari Yadav from the OBC community, after they saw them defecating near the boundary of their agriculture land. On Sunday, Scindia visited the family who told him they were feeling unsafe in the village and requested that they be provided accommodation in Shivpuri town, 20 km away.

The Congress leader's intervention led to guardian minister Pradyuman Singh Tomar and the local administration to provide a temporary accommodation to the family in Shivpuri on Monday.

Scindia, who lost the last general election from Guna-Shivpuri constituency, announced that he will bear the expenses of new houses for both the families. He also directed the local administration to provide government jobs to members of the family.

## INX MEDIA CASE

# Court reserves order on ED plea seeking Chidambaram arrest

**ANAND MOHAN J**  
 NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

A DELHI court on Monday reserved its order on the Enforcement Directorate's plea seeking to arrest and question former Union minister P Chidambaram in the INX Media money-laundering case.

The ED, represented by Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, moved two applications before Special Judge Ajay Kumar Kuhar seeking to arrest Chidambaram and his custodial interrogation.

Mehta told the court, "There is a finding by the Supreme Court that custodial interrogation (of Chidambaram) is necessary." He had argued that money-laundering was a separate offence and it was ED's statutory right to investigate the allegations against Chidambaram.

Chidambaram's counsel, senior advocate Kapil Sibal, strongly protested the plea. He argued that the CBI had already got Chidambaram's custodial interrogation, and the offence may be different but it was part of the same transaction. "There cannot be a remand after the 15-day period is over. The occurrence is not different, it is the same. Here the case is exactly the same."

As Sibal was arguing, Chidambaram told his lawyers, "If the predicate offence falls, then this offence falls." This was reiterated by Sibal.

In May 2017, the CBI had registered an FIR alleging irregularities in the Foreign Investment Promotion Board clearance granted to INX Media group for receiving overseas funds of Rs 305 crore in 2007 when Chidambaram was finance minister. The ED later lodged a money-laundering case in the matter. Under the statute that governs the agency, the ED cannot initiate a money-laundering probe against anyone unless an FIR has been registered by another agency or state police on charges with financial implications.

Sibal also brought to the judge's notice his previous order in which he did not allow Chidambaram's plea to surrender in the ED case noting "the applicant has not been arrested nor this court has taken cognizance of any offence or any complaint or chargesheet".

Sibal then told the court that Chidambaram cannot be brought to court for arrest. "I can't bring him from JC in another case and seek arrest in another case." Sibal then moved an application requesting the court to recall its order by which Tihar authorities were directed to produce Chidambaram before it.

"When you pass that order for producing him here, that affects my right under Article 21. You should have issued notice to us. We could have argued that day," Sibal said.

Mehta said that Sibal's arguments were "fallacious and untenable". He submitted that the material collected by the ED was different from that collected by the CBI, and after having formed an opinion based on material in their possession, they sought Chidambaram's custody.

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It is notified for the information of all concerned that Railways have decided to revise the timings of following trains passing through Ratlam Division from 09.01.2020. The details of the same is as under :-

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Train No. & Name	Station	Existing Timings		Revised Timings	
		ARR.	DEP.	ARR.	DEP.
12248 H. Nizamuddin - Bandra (T) Yuva Exp.	Ratlam	23:20	23:25	23:15	23:20
12264 H. Nizamuddin - Pune Duronto Express	Ratlam	18:40	18:45	18:35	18:40
12284 H. Nizamuddin - Ernakulam Duronto Exp.	Ratlam	07:10	07:15	07:05	07:10
12472/74/76/78 Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra - Mumbai Central / Gandhidham/Hapa/ Jamnagar Express	Nagda	07:20	07:25	07:15	07:20
	Ratlam	08:00	08:10	07:55	08:05
	Meghnagar	09:13	09:15	09:08	09:10
	Dahod	09:43	09:45	09:38	09:40
12494 H. Nizamuddin - Pune Express	Ratlam	07:05	07:15	07:00	07:10
12904 Amritsar - Mumbai Central Golden Temple Express	Nagda	17:55	17:57	17:50	17:52
12910 H. Nizamuddin - Bandra (T) Garib Rath Express	Ratlam	23:20	23:25	23:15	23:20
	Dahod	00:49	00:50	00:44	00:45
12912 Haridwar - Valsad Express	Ratlam	10:45	10:55	10:40	10:50
	Dahod	12:22	12:24	12:17	12:19
12918 H. Nizamuddin - Ahmedabad Sampark Kranti Express	Ratlam	23:45	23:50	23:40	23:45
	Dahod	01:17	01:19	01:12	01:14
12926 Amritsar - Bandra (T) Paschim Express	Nagda	03:18	03:20	03:13	03:15
	Ratlam	04:20	04:30	04:15	04:25
	Meghnagar	05:33	05:35	05:28	05:30
	Dahod	06:02	06:04	05:57	05:59
15636 Guwahati - Okha Express	Nagda	10:00	10:02	09:55	09:57
	Ratlam	10:45	10:55	10:40	10:50
	Dahod	12:22	12:24	12:17	12:19
15668 Kamakhya - Gandhidham Express	Ratlam	11:40	11:50	11:35	11:45
	Dahod	13:17	13:19	13:12	13:14
19022 Lucknow - Bandra (T) Express	Ratlam	21:05	21:25	21:00	21:20
	Dahod	23:08	23:10	23:03	23:05
19024 Firozpur - Mumbai Central Express	Nagda	04:30	04:35	04:25	04:30
	Khachrod	04:46	04:48	04:41	04:43
	Ratlam	05:30	05:40	05:25	05:35
	Bamnia	06:18	06:19	06:13	06:14
	Thandia Road	06:43	06:44	06:38	06:39
	Meghnagar	06:51	06:53	06:46	06:48
	Dahod	07:20	07:22	07:15	07:17
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19062 Ramnagar - Bandra (T) Express	Nagda	10:53	10:55	10:48	10:50
	Ratlam	11:30	11:50	11:25	11:45
	Dahod	13:17	13:19	13:12	13:14
22210 New Delhi - Mumbai Central Duronto Ex.	Ratlam	07:35	07:40	07:30	07:35
22634 H. Nizamuddin - Thiruvananthapuram Ex.	Ratlam	10:45	10:55	10:40	10:50
22654/22656 H. Nizamuddin - Thiruvananthapuram Exp.	Ratlam	20:20	20:30	20:15	20:25
22918 Haridwar - Bandra (T) Express	Ratlam	10:45	10:55	10:40	10:50
22922 Gorakhpur - Bandra (T) Express	Nagda	05:13	05:15	05:08	05:10
	Ratlam	05:55	06:15	05:50	06:10

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## APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of male **Namely: Unknown R/o: Unknown Age: 21 Years, Height: 168 Cms, Complexion: Shallow, Wearing: Black colour shirt & Blue colour jeans** has been found at H. No. R-15, 1st Floor, Balconi side, Roop Pratap Market, Jungpura, Hazrat Nizamuddin, New Delhi on 03.10.2019. In this regard a case vide DD No. 007A dated 03.10.2019 has been lodged at P.S. Hazrat Nizamuddin, Delhi.

Any person having any information or clue about this dead found person may kindly inform to the following:- **SHO P.S. Hazrat Nizamuddin, Delhi Tel. No. 011-24355758, 24359989**

## NOTICE INVITING APPLICATION FOR ALLOTMENT OF SHOPS AT SANTUSHTI SHOPPING COMPLEX, NEW DELHI

1. Air Officer Commanding, Air Force Station New Delhi, invites sealed application from resident Indian Nationals for allotment of shops at Santushti Shopping Complex, New Willingdon Camp, Lok Kalyan Marg New Delhi-110003.

Shop No	Size	Shop No	Size	Shop No	Size
02	413 sqft	07	262 sqft	15	425 sqft
23	378 sqft	36	413 sqft		

2. The period of allotment will be three years wef 01 Dec 2019. The shops will be allotted as per provision of **Defence Shopping Complex (Maintenance & Administration) Rules, 2006.**

3. The rates for allotment of the shop are fixed and will be charged as License Fee 160/- per sqft, Maintenance charges 60/- per sqft and GST @18%. In addition water & electricity charges will be charged as per consumption. **The maintenance charge will be increased by 5% every year.**

4. The application form can be collected from Santushti Shopping Complex Office, on all working days starting from 16 Oct 19 from 1000 hrs to 1630 hrs @ Rs 500/- each (non-refundable). Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) equivalent to one month License fee i.e. (Area of shop X Rs 160/-/sqft) in the form of Demand Draft/ Bankers Cheque issued by any nationalized bank or ICICI, HDFC and AXIS Bank is to be drawn in favour of "Santushti 412 Air Force Station New Delhi". Application form duly completed in all respect along with EMD, is to be submitted to SSC office on or before 1500 hrs by 01 Nov 19. Applications form without EMD will be summarily rejected.

5. Any clarification regarding allotment of Shops or any other issues for prospective allottees will be addressed at the office of Santushti Shopping Complex between 1100 hours to 1600 Hrs on all working days (Monday to Saturday) till 30 Oct 19. The allotment of Shops by draw of lot, if applicable, will be held at 1500 Hrs on 15 Nov 2019 at Santushti Shopping Complex.

6. For further details please contact Tele no. 011-24679220, Mobile no. 8130973799, or email on [santushtishoppingcomplex123@gmail.com](mailto:santushtishoppingcomplex123@gmail.com)

7. Air Officer Commanding, Air Force Station New Delhi, reserves the right to withdraw any shop and / or accept or reject any tender or application without assigning any reason.

## उत्तराखण्ड लोक सेवा आयोग

संख्या : 67/08/E-3/APS(DR)/2014-15 दिनांक : 14 अक्टूबर, 2019

**विज्ञापित**

(उत्तराखण्ड सचिवालय / उत्तराखण्ड लोक सेवा आयोग, अपर निजी सचिव परीक्षा-2017)

उत्तराखण्ड सचिवालय / उत्तराखण्ड लोक सेवा आयोग, अपर निजी सचिव परीक्षा-2017 हेतु प्रकाशित विज्ञापन संख्या-01/विज्ञापन/ई-3/2017-18 दिनांक 31 जुलाई, 2017 के क्रम में दिनांक 11 नवम्बर, 2017 को सम्पन्न प्रारम्भिक / स्क्रीनिंग परीक्षा के परिणाम दिनांक 11 अप्रैल, 2018 में कुल 2138 अभ्यर्थियों को औपबन्धिक रूप से मुख्य परीक्षा हेतु सफल घोषित किया गया था। विज्ञापित संख्या 06/08/E-3/APS(DR)/2014-15 दिनांक 27 अप्रैल, 2018 हेतु विस्तृत विज्ञापित संख्या 05/08/E-3/APS(DR)/2014-15 दिनांक 27 अप्रैल, 2018 द्वारा अभ्यर्थियों को मुख्य परीक्षा हेतु आवेदन करने तथा परीक्षा शुल्क जमा करते हुये, ऑनलाइन आवेदन पत्र में किये गये दावों के समर्थन में शैक्षिक अर्हता/आरक्षण से संबंधित प्रमाण पत्रों की छायाप्रतियां निर्धारित दिनांक 25 मई, 2018 तक आयोग कार्यालय में जमा कराये जाने हेतु निर्देशित किया गया था।

2. उक्त विज्ञापित के क्रम में अभ्यर्थियों द्वारा मुख्य परीक्षा हेतु किये गये ऑनलाइन आवेदन व परीक्षा शुल्क जमा करते हुए उपलब्ध कराए गये अभ्यर्थियों के आधार पर, सम्यक् विचारोपरान्त माओ आयोग द्वारा विज्ञापन की शर्तानुसार कतिपय अभ्यर्थियों को अर्ह घोषित किया गया है, तथा कतिपय अभ्यर्थियों के अभिलेखों में कमियां पायी गयी है। उक्तानुसार अर्ह सूची एवं अभिलेखों में विद्यमान कमियां हेतु सूची, आयोग की वेबसाइट [www.ukpsc.gov.in](http://www.ukpsc.gov.in) पर प्रकाशित की जा रही है।

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-Sd- (राजेन्द्र कुमार) सचिव।

## APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



General public is hereby informed that this person **Name: Ram Avtar, S/o: Unknown, R/o: Unknown, Age: 57 Years, Sex: Male, Height: 170 cms, Complexion: Shallow, Wearing: Unknown** was found dead under Lodhi Flyover, Hazrat Nizamuddin, New Delhi on 20.09.2019 at 13:29 hrs.

In this regard a FIR/DD No. 26A, dated 20.09.2019 has been registered at P.S. Hazrat Nizamuddin, New Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out information about this person but no clue has come to light so far.

Any person having any information or clue about this person may kindly inform to the following. **SHO P.S. Hazrat Nizamuddin, New Delhi Ph. : 011-24355758, 8750870929**

## Govt. of Jharkhand Energy Department

Project Bhawan, Dhurwa, Ranchi-834004 Ph.: 0651-2446645, Fax: 0651-2446650, E-mail: [psec.energy@gmail.com](mailto:psec.energy@gmail.com)

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Tender reference no.: 01/Energy/EoI/TA/E-8/19-20/2589 Ranchi, Dated: 14/10/2019

No	Name of the work	Expression of interest for transaction Advisory services for implementing PPPs in electricity distribution in state of Jharkhand
2	Tenure of Consultancy Services	18 Months
3	Date of publication of EoI on website: <a href="http://jarkhandtenders.gov.in">http://jarkhandtenders.gov.in</a>	16.10.2019
4	Last date & time for receipt of online EoI	07.11.2019upto 05:00 PM
5	Technical Opening Date of EoI	08.11.2019 at 03:30 PM
6	Name & address of office inviting EoI	Under Secretary, Energy Department, Project Bhawan, Dhurwa, Ranchi -834004 (Jharkhand) 0651-2446645
7	Contact no. of procurement officer	0651-2446645
8	Helpline no. of e-procurement	0651-2446645

Further details can be seen on website: <http://jarkhandtenders.gov.in> Sd/ (Arun Prakash Singh) Under Secretary, Energy Department, Ranchi Government of Jharkhand

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# 10 GOVT & POLITICS

## After dig at Sonia, Khattar's jibe at Cong: Just proverbs

### Remarks an insult to women, CM must apologise, says Cong



VARINDER BHATIA CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 14



Haryana CM Manohar Lal Khattar at a rally in Hisar on Monday. PTI

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

THE CONGRESS on Monday demanded an "unconditional apology" from Haryana CM Manohar Lal Khattar for "disgraceful remarks" made while referring to party chief Sonia Gandhi.

Haryana Congress president and former Union minister Kumari Selja said people would never forgive Khattar for the language he used for the Congress president.

"By making indecent remarks against Sonia Gandhi, you have not just insulted her, but women in general. Haryana is now called the crime capital because of the mindset of people like you... Atrocities are on the rise against women... People will never forgive you (Khattar) for the indecent language you have used for the Congress president," Selja said.

Mahila Congress chief Sushmita Dev said Khattar's remarks against the Congress president were "deplorable and unparliamentary", adding that it was a clear reflection of the CM and the BJP's disrespectful attitude towards women.

"We in the Congress are committed to upholding dignity in public life, but as a woman, I take offence to the disgraceful remark made and demand an unconditional apology," she said in a statement.

"Lowering the discourse is an attempt to divert attention from the real issues that are being evaded, like joblessness and acute economic slowdown. Can anyone deny that Haryana has become the rape capital of India. Kidnappings and abductions are also on the rise. The Chief Minister has no answers to the real issues that are adversely impacting the people of Haryana especially the women," Dev said, adding: "M L Khattar of the Beti Bachao gang has failed as Haryana has the 4th highest crime rate in the country, there is a shocking shortfall in police manpower. At 27 per cent, the shortfall is highest among the northern states..." she said.

In a tweet, Congress leader Asha Kumari also condemned Khattar, saying, "A serial offender, CM M L Khattar has no qualms about putting women respect on line to satiate political ambitions! My heart goes out to women in Haryana who had to put up with this regressive leadership for five years..."

say a few things in proverbs. Now, sometimes they even take offence at these proverbs... I used a proverb the other day, and that has created an uproar..."

He added, "I said other things in proverbs as well. I also said that — 'Neither will there be nine maund oil, nor will Radha dance'. So does that mean that I called Selja as Radha. Proverbs are just proverbs."

Khattar said that the proverbs used by him were not coined by him, but in use for generations and that they help people understand things better.

Attacking those gunning for him over his remarks, he added: "Attaching other meanings to these proverbs is a work of their idle minds. They can apply these proverbs on us too. What's the problem in that! Proverbs can be used for anyone. People use *khadi boli* in Haryana. People from outside the state say that it seems that people in Haryana are fighting... Now this is our culture, our language and our way of speaking... We even joke with one another like that."



Union Minister Ram Vilas Paswan at an event to celebrate World Standards Day in New Delhi on Monday. The Bureau of Indian Standards will rank state capitals and 100 smart cities in the next three months for quality tap water and is working on setting up standards for video quality, the minister said at the event. Tashi Tobgyal

### SETTING STANDARDS

## 'Pak under pressure at FATF meet'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

PAKISTAN IS under a lot of pressure at the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) meeting — currently under way in Paris — to rein in terror groups operating from its soil, National Security Advisor (NSA) Ajit Doval said on Monday. "One of the biggest pressures that is coming on Pakistan today is because of the procedure of the FATF, I guess. The FATF has put so much pressure on them that no other action could have been so,"



Ajit Doval

Doval said, addressing a meeting of the chiefs of Anti Terrorism Squads. The FATF is an inter-governmental body established in 1989 to combat money-laundering, terror financing and other related threats to the integrity of the international financial system.

Pakistan was placed on the grey list by the Paris-based watchdog in June last year and given a plan of action to complete by October 2019, or face the risk of being placed on the black list with Iran and North Korea. Doval said that if investigating agencies collect correct, sustainable and quotable information, which could be put before the international forums effectively, on how Pakistan is sponsoring terrorism, it would expose the country.

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### UTTARAKHAND

## BJP warns MLAs: Speak carefully, or face action

LALMANI VERMA DEHRADUN, OCTOBER 14



(Left) Rudrapur MLA Rajkumar Thukral, issued with a showcase notice by BJP, and (right) Uttarakhand CM Trivendra Singh Rawat

UTTARAKHAND BJP on Monday asked all party MLAs and other leaders to exercise "control" while making statements and follow the party's ideologies, or else face disciplinary action. The warning, which comes after multiple recent incidents of party leaders making controversial remarks, were issued during a meeting at the BJP state headquarters in Dehradun.

Chief Minister Trivendra Singh Rawat, BJP national vice-president and Uttarakhand in-charge Shyam Jaju and senior leaders from across the state took part in the meeting. Rawat is learnt to have said that certain "inappropriate" remarks by some leaders could be damaging for the party, and asked all leaders to take care of dignity.

Jaju, sources said, asked everyone to follow party policies and ideologies to avoid any adverse action.

While the meeting was convened to review BJP's work in ongoing panchayat polls, party's organisational elections and other programmes, sources said all senior leaders expressed concern over incidences of "indiscipline" and asked MLAs to exercise restraint.

Recently, BJP's Rudrapur MLA Rajkumar Thukral had sparked a controversy after a video emerged on social media, purportedly showing him making objectionable remarks against Muslims and saying that he does not need votes of Muslims. On Saturday, the BJP had is-

sued a notice to Thukral, who submitted his reply to state unit president Ajay Bhatt on Monday. A BJP leader said Thukral had also used objectionable words for Sita while enacting the role of Ravan during a Ramlila in his constituency earlier this month.

After the meeting, Bhatt said, "We have clearly said that if any public representative or (BJP) worker makes any statement against the party line, they will be responsible for that and disciplinary action will be taken against them."

Referring to Thukral, he said, "If any MLA has made any remark against the party's ideology of *sabka saath, sabka vikas and sabka vishwas* (taking everyone together), the party has issued a showcase notice to him. The party will take action after receiving his reply."

Bhatt said strict action, including expulsion from the party, could be taken in such cases. As of Monday, the state BJP has expelled 97 party leaders over the last 15 days on disciplinary grounds following reports that they are contesting against BJP-supported candidates in the panchayat polls.

## Army commanders' meet kicks off: J&K, retirement age issues on agenda

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

AS A conference of Army commanders kicked off on Monday, sources said the situation in Kashmir, how its reorganisation will affect the Army, increasing the retirement age of soldiers, financial powers of Army commanders and the threat of drones from Pakistan are some of the topics that will be discussed.

The Army Commanders' Conference, where the Army leadership discusses pending issues and plans for the future, is a biannual event that takes place in April and October.

This time, the conference is being held from October 14-19.

Sources in the Army said the first day was spent discussing military operations. The next four days will see discussions on its plans in J&K, they added. Although the bifurcation of the state into two UTs will not directly impact the Army, the commanders will discuss how the re-

organisation will affect its systems, considering changes in the civil administration.

Amid reports of drones being used to smuggle arms and ammunition from across the border, sources said this issue is also part of the agenda for discussion.

Integrated Battle Groups (IBG), which are brigade-sized units, will come up for talks, the sources said. The IBGs, which are more agile, include artillery, armour, mechanised and traditional infantry and air power, and are part of the Army's reorganisation plans. It is part of the larger reorganisation of the Army including a leaner headquarters.

Another idea the commanders will brainstorm about is raising the retirement age of soldiers, especially those who are skilled and educated, sources said. The Army has conducted a study on enhancement of retirement age for skilled manpower. While officers start retiring at age 54, other rank personnel start retiring at 35-37 years of age.

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### LEGAL CONCERNS

THE GOVERNMENT, it is said, is a major litigant. Why not explore alternate methods of resolving disputes involving the government to lessen the huge pendency of cases? This was the question posed by Bhupender Yadav, chairman of the Department Related Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice, to the Legal Affairs Secretary of the Government of India at the third meeting of the committee on Monday. Yadav said the committee was keen to know the number of cases in which the government is the litigant and sought detailed response from the Department of Legal Affairs to a questionnaire to be sent to it in the matter.

### PROTEST ON BACK-BURNER

WHILE RAHUL Gandhi hit out at PM Narendra Modi's economic policies, which he said were destroying the economy and boosting poverty, there was no buzz in the Congress on a nationwide agitation it had planned a month ago to highlight the "grim economic situation". The party had planned to hold a "massive nationwide" agitation between October 15 and 25. It was decided at a meet chaired by Congress president Sonia Gandhi on September 12. But, with party leaders busy campaigning in Haryana and Maharashtra and a string of by-elections coming up, there is no word on the agitation as of now.

### BOOSTING NUMBERS

THE SMOOTH passage of crucial Bills on J&K and triple talaq in the Rajya Sabha had given the ruling BJP confidence in the Upper House. However, the party is not content, it seems. With the party continuing its attempts to get a clear majority in the Rajya Sabha, the Congress, which had used its dominance in the House to stall a number of Bills, appears to be losing more of its numbers to the ruling party. BJP sources said at least two more MPs, who have terms till 2022, are set to join the party. The two MPs — one from a Northeastern state and another from southern Karnataka — have already met BJP chief Amit Shah.

### PATNA FLOOD

## Showcause notices to 11 officials, six suspended

SANTOSH SINGH PATNA, OCTOBER 14

A FORTNIGHT after Patna reeled under the worst-ever waterlogging since 1975, Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar on Monday conducted a review meeting with officials of the urban development ministry and town planning agency Bihar Infrastructure Development Corporation (BUIDCO), which is responsible for operation and maintenance of sump houses and the Patna Municipal Corporation (PMC).

Heavy rain had caused widespread flooding and a breakdown of basic services in the state capital last week. At the meeting, the government decided to issue show-cause notices to 11 people including a chief engineer of BUIDCO and two executive engineers of the PMC and suspended six sanitary inspectors, according to sources who attended the meeting. He also asked the chief secretary to set up a committee for a more detailed probe.

The CM expressed his displeasure at the "complete lack of coordination". "The Chief Minister recommended immediate demolition of houses built illegally over nalas... He also sought to know how several colonies have been coming without a drainage system in place," said a source.

## 5 Punjab cops jailed since militancy period to be released

New Delhi: Accepting the Punjab government's request, the Centre has granted special remission of sentence and cleared the release of five state police personnel serving sentences in different jails for crimes committed during the period of militancy, a Home Ministry statement said on Monday.

"The decision has been approved by the government of India on humanitarian and compassionate considerations. A communication to this effect was sent to Punjab for taking necessary action," it said.

These prisoners were convicted under the Terrorist and Disruptive Activities (Prevention) Act. Earlier, the Centre had decided to grant special dispensation to nine Sikh prisoners in various jails.

The Punjab government has decided to release 550 prisoners from its jails on humanitarian grounds to mark the ensuing 550 birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev. ENS

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अति अल्पकालीन निविदा सूचना संख्या- DWS/J&K/TAMEGEKALA WSS/08/2019-20 दिनांक- 11.10.2019

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2	अग्रघन की राशि (लाख में)	11.12000
3	परिमाण विपन्न का मूल्य	10,000/-
4	कार्य पूर्ण करने की अवधि	24 (चौबीस) महीना + 3 (तीन) महीना Trial & Run
5	वेबसाइट पर निविदा प्रकाशन की तिथि एवं समय	14/10/2019/ 12:30 बजे अपराह्न तक।
6	प्री ब्रीड मीटिंग की तिथि एवं समय	18/10/2019/ 12:30 बजे अपराह्न से अभियंता प्रमुख के कार्यालय, पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता विभाग, झारखण्ड, राँची, नेपाल हाउस।
7	ब्रीड प्राप्ति की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय	24/10/2019/ 05:00 बजे अपराह्न तक।
8	अग्रघन की राशि एवं परिमाण विपन्न का मूल्य जमा करने की तिथि एवं समय	25/10/2019/ 03:00 बजे अपराह्न तक, क्षेत्रीय मुख्य अभियंता, राँची, अधीक्षण अभियंता, पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता अंचल, मेदिनीनगर एवं कार्यपालक अभियंता, पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमण्डल कार्यालय, गढ़वा।
9	निविदा खोलने की तिथि एवं समय	26/10/2019/ 04:00 बजे अपराह्न में।
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### SBI

State Bank Global IT Centre, CBD Belapur, Navi Mumbai

#### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR PROCUREMENT, SUPPLY AND WARRANTY SUPPORT OF L2 MANAGED SWITCHES FOR STATE BANK GROUP

State Bank of India invites "Request for Proposal" for procurement, supply and warranty support of L2 managed switches. Details of the requirement may be viewed under the 'Procurement News' tab of the home page of <https://bank.sbi>

Date: 15/10/2019

Deputy General Manager, Networking & Communication Department

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#### MODIFICATION OF SIEMENS ELECTRONIC INTERLOCKING SYSTEM

E-Tender No.: SNT-28-LMG-2019-20, Dated: 11-10-2019. Open E-Tender are invited by the Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer, Lumding for the following work. Name of work & its location: Modification of Siemens Electronic Interlocking System (Westrace VLM6) at Langling station of Lumding Division. Tender Value: ₹12,50,800/- Earnest Money: ₹25,000/-. Date & Time of closing of E-tender on 04-11-2019 at 15:00 hrs. Date & Time of opening of E-tender on 04-11-2019 at 15:30 hrs. Detailed of above e-tender will be available in website [www.reps.gov.in](http://www.reps.gov.in)

Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer, Lumding

NORTHEAST FRONTIER RAILWAY

### RAJASTHAN

## Pension to Emergency detainees to stop

HAMZA KHAN JAIPUR, OCTOBER 14

THE RAJASTHAN government has decided to discontinue the pension provided to those who were detained during the Emergency under the Maintenance of Internal Security Act (MISA) and the Defence of India (DIR) rules, Cabinet minister Shanti Dhariwal said Monday.

Addressing journalists after a Cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot, Dhariwal, the Minister for Local Self Government as well as Urban Development and Housing, said, "We don't consider them as freedom fighters or as sentinels of democracy."

The Gehlot government has claimed that its decision will save the exchequer about Rs 40

### EXPLAINED

## Pension policy changes depending on party in power

THE PENSION to detainees under Maintenance of Internal Security Act (MISA) and the Defence of India (DIR) rules, who were detained during the 1975-77 National Emergency, is continued or discontinued in Rajasthan depending on the party ruling the state - the pension makes Congress uneasy since Emergency was imposed during its rule at the Centre, while for the BJP, it is a means to corner the Congress. The pension was last suspended in 2009, under the then Congress regime, but was reinstated by the Vasundhara Raje government in 2014.

crore annually. Madhya Pradesh too had suspended the MISA pension in early January, arguing that there were many fake and ineligible beneficiaries. When the decision lead to an uproar,

the state government said the pension had not been discontinued but physical verification of beneficiaries had been ordered. Beneficiaries in MP started receiving pension — along with

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NORTH

## Baby found buried in UP, responding to treatment

**Lucknow:** Four days after an underweight infant was found buried in a graveyard, she was responding well to treatment at a private hospital in Bareilly, sources said Monday. The girl was found on October 10 by a couple who had gone to a burial ground after their daughter died after birth. "At the burial ground, when they

started digging, at around two feet the shovel hit something. It was a clay pot with an infant in it. She was crying. The police were informed and she was taken to the district hospital," said a police officer. Bareilly CMO Vineet Shukla said the girl was taken to the district women hospital child specialist. **ENS**



A fire broke out in a commercial high-rise in Mumbai on Monday, forcing evacuation of 50 to 60 people. No casualty was reported. **PTI**

EAST

## Maoist operative injured in Oct 12 encounter arrested

**Rajnandgaon:** A maoist operative injured during an encounter with security forces on Saturday was arrested in Chhattisgarh's Rajnandgaon district a day later, police said Monday. Kamla alias Mate (20), a native of Jagargunda area in Sukma district, was carrying a reward of Rs 1 lakh on her head, an official said. "... We had information some

operatives were injured in the encounter and were undergoing treatment in nearby villages," he said. "Acting on a tip-off, we arrested Kamla... from a village on Sunday evening... She can provide details about Maoist activities along the Chhattisgarh-Maharashtra border," said the officer while speaking to reporters. **PTI**

WEST

## Chargesheet in Dabholkar murder in a month: CBI to HC

**Mumbai:** The CBI told the Bombay High Court on Monday that it will file the chargesheet in the killing of Narendra Dabholkar before a competent court within a month. A division bench of Justice S C Dharmadhikari and Justice Gautam Patel was hearing petitions filed by the family members of Dabholkar and Govind Pansare, seeking the

court's supervision in the probes conducted by the central and state agencies. Additional Solicitor General Anil Singh told the court that the search for the weapons that may have been used in Dabholkar's killing will be concluded within four weeks and the chargesheet will be filed before the extended date. **ENS**

SOUTH

## Teen addicted to PUBG fakes abduction for new phone

**Hyderabad:** A 16-year-old boy, addicted to the online PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds game, faked his own kidnapping and sought ransom from his parents after they took away his mobile phone, police said here on Monday. The teenager, undergoing coaching for IIT, went missing on October 11, after informing his parents

that he was on his way to visit his friend, they said, adding the parents later filed a police complaint. However, the boy left for Mumbai. Police said the boy, who secured very good marks in class 10 exams, was not performing well in his studies and got addicted to the game after which his parents took his mobile phone. **PTI**

## Ratul Puri's judicial custody extended

**New Delhi:** A Delhi court on Monday extended the judicial custody of Ratul Puri, nephew of Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Kamal Nath, till October 25 in a money-laundering case related to the alleged AgustaWestland chopper scam.

Special Judge Arvind Kumar sent Puri to jail after the Enforcement Directorate moved

an application seeking his judicial custody. "Accused is remanded in judicial custody till October 25, 2019," the judge said.

The court also said that the counsel for Puri has moved an application to allow him to carry with him documents related to the proceedings to Tihar Jail in order to efficiently present his defence. **ENS**

## Andhra raises farm investment support by Rs 1,000 a year

**SREENIVAS JANYALA HYDERABAD, OCTOBER 14**

THE ANDHRA Pradesh government has merged the YSR Rythu Bharosa scheme with the Prime Minister Kisan Scheme and increased farm investment support amount by Rs 1,000 — from Rs 12,500 per farmer per annum to Rs 13,500.

Chief Minister Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy had originally promised to provide farm investment support for those owning 5 acres or less at Rs 12,500 per farmer annually for

four years, totalling Rs 50,000. After Monday's review meeting, Jagan announced that the amount has been raised to Rs 13,500, to be paid over five years. This means each farmer will receive Rs 67,500 over five years.

Jagan also decided to rename it as YSR Rythu Bharosa-PM Kisan Scheme so that farmers who are eligible under the PM Kisan scheme and YSR Rythu Bharosa scheme will receive Rs 6,000 from the Centre and remaining Rs 7,500 from the state government.

In neighbouring Telangana, officials said, the TRS govern-



Rescue work following the blast in Mau district of Uttar Pradesh on Monday. **PTI**

## Cylinder blast brings building down in Mau, leaves 13 dead

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE LUCKNOW, OCTOBER 14**

AT LEAST 13 people, including seven minors and four women, were killed and 15 seriously injured when an LPG cylinder blast led to the collapse of a dilapidated building in Mohammadabad police station area of UP's Mau district on Monday, police said.

A National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) team was called in and rescue operations were on till late in the evening. Local residents said two other houses in the neighbourhood were also damaged due to the blast. Officials suspect that while a few people were killed in the explosion, others died after being trapped under the debris.

Those killed have been identified as Imtiyaz (22), Jeeshan (16), his brother Yasir (10), Simpi (19), her sister Sarika (22), Sujet (8), his

mother Sunita (30), Shivam (10), Surendra (48) and his daughter Nidhi (8), Murati (45) and her sons Abhishek (10) and Anshu (15).

It is learnt that the house belonged to one 'Chhotu' Vishwakarma and women in the house were preparing breakfast when the blast took place. According to local residents, a woman and her five daughters were in the kitchen when the blast took place.

District administration officials said 10 of the injured were taken to Azamgarh district hospital and the others were referred to BHU in Varanasi.

A statement by Mau SP Anurag Arya said, "Around 7.15 am, we were informed that several persons died in a house due to a gas cylinder blast in Walidpur area. All officials concerned, including Mohammadabad SHO, the circle officer, the District Magistrate and I reached the spot

to start rescue operations. As of now, 13 people have died and those injured are undergoing treatment." NDRF and State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) teams from Gorakhpur are carrying out rescue work.

"The blast was so intense... Within minutes, the whole house collapsed. Several local residents who were having tea in an adjacent restaurant heard the noise and rushed inside. It collapsed soon after and several of them were trapped under the debris," said a villager. Local residents alleged unavailability of adequate ambulances that led to delay in the treatment of the injured.

Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has directed the DM and the SP to visit the spot and provide all possible relief and medical help to those injured. Earlier in the day, UP minister Anil Rajbhar also visited the spot.

## Dalit girl 'abused, assaulted' in UP, teacher faces investigation

**Lucknow:** A government primary school teacher in Bareilly is facing two inquiries by police and the state education department for allegedly beating up a Dalit student and using casteist remarks on Saturday.

Bareilly's Basic Education Adhikari (BSA) has handed over the inquiry to the assistant BSA, while police are verifying allegations made in a complaint filed by the father of the Class 4 student.

The father complained that his daughter was allegedly being targeted by teacher Sandhya Sharma due to her Dalit identity. "She also beat my daughter up without any reason," he claimed. Sharma refused to comment on the matter. **ENS**

## Dalit student tied to tree, beaten up

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE LUCKNOW, OCTOBER 14**

EIGHT PEOPLE were arrested on Sunday after a video showed that an 18-year-old Dalit student was tied to a tree, beaten up and his head partially shaved by a mob at a village in Sidharth Nagar district.

The incident is said to have occurred on Friday when the BSc student, a resident of Sagar Raja village, went to one Internet cafe in the neighbouring Bayarra village to check the status of a scholarship he had applied for, police said.

The teenager was caught by a 42-year-old shopkeeper, who alleged that the youth had been stalking his daughter for months, police said.

In the video, a mob can be seen assaulting the teenager,

questioning him about a letter he allegedly wrote to the girl. He was repeatedly asked to reveal his mobile phone's password, and when he refused, the shopkeeper shaved his head.

The victim's family did not file any complaint until the Sidharth Nagar SP and the DM visited the two villages on Sunday. The family then got an FIR registered against seven people, including the shopkeeper, under IPC Sections 147 (rioting), 342 (wrongful confinement), 308 (attempt to commit culpable homicide), 323 (voluntarily causing hurt), 504 (intentional insult with intent to provoke breach of peace) and 506 (criminal intimidation) along with relevant sections of the SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act. All seven have been arrested along with a youth whose name was later added to the FIR.

## Malda: Mob sets police outpost on fire after man held for gambling dies in lock-up

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE KOLKATA, OCTOBER 14**

THE DEATH of a man allegedly in a police lock-up at Milki in Malda district triggered violence in the area late Sunday night, leaving four policemen injured. Angry residents also ransacked a police outpost before setting it on fire.

Police said that 55-year-old Ainul Khan, a resident of Puratan Bhagabanpur in Malda, was picked up from a gambling den along with seven others during a raid on Sunday evening. "After

he was brought to the police station, Khan felt unwell and was taken to primary health centre for a check-up. He was referred to Malda Medical College and Hospital but the local residents kept accusing the police of torture and didn't allow him to be taken to the hospital," said Malda Superintendent of Police Alok Rajoria.

Sources said that as the news spread that Khan has died in the lock-up, people gathered outside the police station and started protesting, accusing the police of beating him to death.

Police, on the other hand, said that Khan died during mob violence as protesters did not allow him to be taken to the hospital.

According to police, the mob damaged one police vehicle and assaulted the officers, before setting the outpost on fire, resulting in damage of important documents. "During the violence, four policemen were injured... Khan died before he could be taken to Malda Medical College and Hospital. The body has been sent for a post-mortem. The actual cause of death will be ascer-

## KERALA RSS MAN'S KILLING

# 25 years after murder, 'real' accused nabbed

**SHAJU PHILIP THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, OCTOBER 14**

TWENTY-FIVE years after an RSS worker was murdered in Kerala, and the police arrested another set of people and claimed closure of the case, an activist of an extremist Muslim outfit has been arrested for alleged involvement in the case.

In the last quarter of a century, it had been a tale of miscarriage of justice, as the police charge-sheeted nine CPM workers and a trial court convicted four of them for life term. In 1997, the High Court set them free and ordered for fresh investigations to nab the real culprits.

According to the police, Kurupam Veetil Moinudheen, alias Moidu, 49, a native of Chavakkad in Thrissur district, who was arrested on Saturday, murdered RSS worker Manamkulam Veetil Sunil, 19, as part of a contract killing.

The police said Moinudheen has been a member Jam-Iyyathul-Ishhaniya, an extremist outfit. The police have identified seven others for their alleged involvement in Sunil's murder — nine people were reportedly involved, of whom one person has died and Moinudheen arrested.

Crime Branch DSP K A Suresh Babu, who investigated the case afresh, said the contract for killing Sunil came from a person "who



Moinudheen, arrested in connection with the murder of RSS worker Sunil, being taken to court. **Express**

had dispute with RSS and BJP workers in the region". He said more details would be revealed once the others are arrested. Sunil was hacked to death on December 4, 1994.

Soon after the murder, the police had arrested 11 CPM workers. Nine of them were remanded in judicial custody for two months. They were named in the charge-sheet, and a trial court in Thrissur sentenced four of them with life imprisonment.

Pleading innocence, the convicted foursome moved an appeal in High Court. They brought to the court's notice a police report on another murder case and extremist operations in the coastal area of Thrissur in the aftermath of Babri Masjid demolition, which indicated involvement of Muslim extremists in the murder of an RSS

worker. After obtaining a fresh report from the police, the High Court acquitted the four CPM workers in 1997.

According to Crime Branch officer K A Suresh Babu, Moinudheen's arrest may throw light on a few other murder cases in the region. He said information about involvement of the extremist outfit in Sunil's murder had been buried in police records. "Two years ago we restarted the investigation from an input received during a police probe into two other murder cases. We even found the weapon used for the attack (on Sunil). We have got statements of 20 witnesses in the case recorded before a magistrate court," Suresh Babu said.

He said one accused, identified as Saidalavi Anwari, had left the country earlier with a forged passport, and that Anwari is suspected to have been involved in the 1993 murder of Islamic reformer and scholar Chekannur Moulavi.

Moinudheen's arrest has brought relief to the CPM workers who had been wrongly implicated. Of the four, one person, Haridasan, died a few years ago. The others are V G Biji, Marakkur Veetil Rafeek and Thaikattu Baburaj.

Baburaj said the arrest of the real accused person cannot take away the trauma and torture they had undergone. "The police concluded that we were culprits even without a proper probe. We were subjected to brutal torture in custody," he maintained.

## SONBHADRA KILLINGS

# Village head, three brothers fired at tribals: Chargesheet

**MANISH SAHU LUCKNOW, OCTOBER 14**

IN THE chargesheet filed on Monday in connection with the killing of 11 tribals in Umbha village of UP's Sonbhadra district over a land dispute, police have said village head Yagyadutt, his brothers Nidhidutt, Devdutt and Dharmendra, and one Vijay fired at the tribals. The chargesheet also says that a railway employee contacted Yagyadutt 16 times and Dharmendra 17 times on the day of the July 17 incident.

According to the chargesheet, another Nidhidutt was injured, another accused Neeraj Rai fired from his double-barrel gun.

The chargesheet states that Komal Singh, who was suspended as the station superintendent of Bhadoli railway station, was the key conspirator in the case. He spoke to Yagyadutt and Dharmendra five times each at the time of the crime, it states.

Police have filed the chargesheet against 51 people. They have

arrested a total of 65 people who are currently in Sonbhadra district jail. They found no evidence against 10 of the accused and an application has been moved in a court in this regard. Four others are yet to be chargesheeted.

The chargesheet has been prepared on the basis of scientific evidence and statements of 123 people, said Sonbhadra SP Prabhakar Chaudhary.

"The role of 59 people has come to light. Fifty-five of them have been arrested and four others are on the run. On Monday, we filed the chargesheet against 51 of in a local court of Sonbhadra. The court has fixed October 24 for taking cognizance of the chargesheet," said Chaudhary.

Most of the accused are Yagyadutt's relatives.

Police have filed the chargesheet under IPC sections 147 (rioting), 148 (rioting, armed with deadly weapon) 149 (every member of unlawful assembly guilty of offence committed in prosecution of common object), 302 (murder), 307 (attempt to

murder), 34 (acts done by several persons in furtherance of common intention) and 120-B (criminal conspiracy). They have also invoked the SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act and Arms Act.

The incident occurred on July 17 when villagers belonging to the Gond community were farming the disputed land. A group of people led by Yagyadutt allegedly went to take possession of the land, claiming that it was purchased by him and his relatives two years ago. They allegedly fired at the villagers, killing 11 of them and injuring 21 others.

Police seized five firearms, including three double-barrel and a single-barrel gun, 19 tractors and 12 sticks from the spot.

Meanwhile, Sonbhadra police have clubbed an FIR recently registered against Gond tribals on the basis of a complaint by Yagyadutt's sister-in-law following a court directive. The FIR was lodged against 55 named and 30 unidentified people last week. It alleges that the accused attacked her family members on July 17.

## A K Mendiratta appointed Union law secretary

**KAUNAIN SHERIFF M NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14**

DISTRICT AND sessions judge and former Delhi Principal Secretary (Law) Anoop Kumar Mendiratta was on Monday appointed Union law secretary by the central government.

Mendiratta had locked horns with the Delhi government and cleared the sanction to prosecute JNU students in an alleged sedition case.

The Indian Express had first reported, on July 16, that the Narendra Modi-led central government had shortlisted Mendiratta — the District and Sessions Judge, North-East District, Karkarduma Courts, Delhi — for the post of Union law secretary at the Ministry of Law and Justice. The appointment, approved by the Appointments Committee of Cabinet, comes in the backdrop of the Department of Legal Affairs, under the Union Law Ministry, which advises ministries on legal matters including interpretation of the Constitution and the laws, functioning without a full-time law secretary for more than nine months now.

"The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved the appointment of Shri Anoop Kumar Mendiratta,

presently District and Sessions Judge... to the post of Secretary, Department of Legal Affairs, on contract basis, as per usual terms and conditions..." the order states.

The Indian Express had first reported that a committee headed by the Union cabinet secretary had shortlisted at least eight applicants who were interviewed on June 26. One of them, sources had said, was Mendiratta, who belongs to the Delhi Higher Judicial Service.

Mendiratta had earlier been repatriated to his parent judicial service cadre by the Delhi government. The transfer had come in the backdrop of Mendiratta informing Delhi Law Minister Kailash Gahlot that only the Lieutenant Governor was the competent authority to undertake an independent assessment of the alleged sedition case to grant prosecution sanction; this was the case in which former JNU students Kanhaiya Kumar and Umar Khalid were named in a chargesheet by Delhi Police.

As reported by The Indian Express, the Centre has moved away from the convention of appointing a law secretary from the Indian Legal Services cadre. This is the second time the Centre invited applications for the post, besides shortlisting senior officers from the ILS.



Actor Chiranjeevi meets Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister YS Jaganmohan Reddy at his residence in Amravati Monday. **PTI**

ment is also planning to merge its flagship Rythu Bandhu scheme with PM Kisan.

Andhra Pradesh Agriculture Minister Kanna Babu said the flagship scheme would be

launched from Nellore on Tuesday. "So far, 51 lakh landowners/farmers have been identified, of whom verification of 40 lakh has been done as of October 14. The state government has set aside approximately Rs 9,000 crore for YSR Rythu Bharosa. About 3 lakh tenant farmers have been cleared to receive the monetary benefit. The deadline to verify and include farmers has been extended from October 15 to November 15," he said.

He said that more farmers are likely to be added to the scheme and to help farmers

utilise the money better, it has been decided to pay the annual amount in staggered instalments. "The first instalment of the scheme would be credited directly in the farmers' bank accounts from Tuesday," he said.

The Rythu Bharosa scheme was to be implemented from May 2020 but the government advanced the implementation date by eight months, Babu said.

Three lakh landless tenant farmers who are beneficiaries belong to Schedules Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Backward Classes and minorities communities, it was announced.

## Classifieds

### PERSONAL

It is for general information that I, Zaheer Ahmed S/o Jamil Ahmed R/O J-3/126 Krishan Kunj, Laxmi Nagar, Shakarpur Delhi-110029, inform that name of mine & my minor daughter Sofiya Ahmed (15-Years) has been wrongly written as Zahir Ahmed, Sofiya Ahmed in Passport & other Documents. The actual name of mine & my minor daughter are Zaheer Ahmed, Sofiya Ahmed respectively which may be amended accordingly. 0040515960-5

**Shameer W/O Lt. Sh. Hava Singh R/O H.No.133, Village-Mohammadpur, New Delhi-110036**, also known as Sunita both names pertains to one and same person. 0040515943-1

**Vipin Makol S/o Ram Lal Makol R/O I-17, Sai-Apartment, Sector-13, Rohini, Delhi-110085**, have changed my name to Vipin Kumar Makol for all purposes. 0040515940-3

**Uzma Kamran W/O Mohammad Kamran R/O 1335/C Ameer Baksh Street, Phatak Bahash Khan, Tilak Bazar, Delhi-110006** have changed my name from Uzma Anis, Uzma to Uzma Kamran for all future purposes. 0040515924-1

**Usha Devi W/O Shri Krishan Chandra R/O H. NO- 889/22, Near-Jhajjar Chungi, Vijay-Nagar, Rohtak**, have changed my name to Usha Rani. 0040515940-5

**Sushama Rani W/O Om Prakash Garg R/O H.No.44, East-Block, Friends Enclave, Sultanpur, Delhi-110086**. Changed My Name to Sushama Garg. 0040515960-3

**Suresh Kumar S/O Bajjnath Gupta R/O D-10, Ashoka Road, Adarsh Nagar, Delhi-110033**. Changed My Name to Suresh Gupta. 0040515944-8

**Shubham R/O Vinod Kumar Rathore R/O-115, Block-E-2, Shastri-Nagar, Delhi-110052** have changed my name to Shubham Rathore. 0040515975-1

**Shazia Rizvi wife of Husain Haider, Resident of N 77 3RD Floor, Batla House, New Delhi-110025** have changed my name to Shazia Haider for all future purposes. 0040515914-1

**Shanno@Shabnam Malik, D/o Mohd. Rafeeq Ahmed, W/o Imran Malik R/O T-17/B, M.B.Road, Pul-Prahadpur, Badarpur, South-Delhi, Delhi-110044**, have changed my name to Shabnam Malik, for all future purposes. 0040515960-8

**Shajid Shadab S/O Salim Quasmi R/O H-35-A/1, Block-H, Naveen Vihar Begumpur, Delhi-110086** have changed my name from Shajid Shadab to Mohammad Sajid Shadab for all future purposes. 0040515936-1

**Sayyad Mohd Nadeem S/O Sayyad Mohd Fayyaz, R/O L-14-235a, Gali No-8, Sangam-Vihar, New Delhi-110080**, changed My Name to Sayyad Mohd Nadeem. 0040515975-5

**Satinder Kaur Hunjan W/o Jagjit Singh R/O-82/1, Nanak-Piazo Colony G.T.Karnal-Road N.Delhi-110009**, changed my name to Satender Pal Kaur permanently. 0040515944-2

**Rita Devi W/O Karun Singh Thakur, R/O RZ-H-20a, Gali.No-2, Near-Gupta Nursing-Home, West-Sagarpur, N.Delhi-110046**, changed My Name to Rita Rani. 0040515975-7

**Rakesh Chauha S/O Late Wg Cdr V V Chauha (8334) R/O 51/1 Jagdish Niwas, Mahamana Puri Colony, Varanasi-221005** have changed my name from Rakesh Chauha to Rakesh Chaubey for all future purposes. Rakesh Chauha and Rakesh Chaubey are same person. 0040515917-1

**Rajiv Goel S/O Samaldas R/O H.No-260/2, Sector-16B, Vasundhara, Ghaziabad, U.P-201012**, have changed my name to Ravejv Kumar Goel. 0040515893-1

**Pushkal R/O-Rajeev Kumar Katara R/O-14-C, Block-R, Dilshad Garden, Delhi**. Have changed my name to Pushkal Katara S/O-Rajeev Katara for all future purposes. 0040515899-1

**Praveen Kumari W/O Sunil Jain H.No-D-9 Gali.No-25B, Molarband-Extension Badarpur-Delhi-110044**. Have changed My Name To Praveen Jain. 0040515945-6

**Pinki w/o Vinay Kumar, R/O 8/23A, Double Storey, Moti Nagar, New Delhi-110015**, have changed my name to Pinki Rani. 0040515926-1

**Paramjeet Kaur w/O Ajit Pal Singh residing at M-229, Guru Harkishan Nagar, Paschim Vihar, Delhi** also known as Parmjit Kaur but in future I shall be known as Paramjeet Kaur only. 0040515886-1

**Pankaj S/O Suresh Gupta R/O-D-10, Ashoka Road, Adarsh Nagar, Delhi-110033**. Changed My Name To Pankaj Gupta. 0040515944-7

**Om Parkash S/O Samman Lal Garg R/O-44, East-Block, Friends Enclave, SULTANPURI, DELHI-110086**. CHANGED MY Name to Om Prakash Garg. 0040515944-9

**Nitin Aggarwal S/O Aswani Kumar R/O-101, Pooth Kala Delhi-110086**, changed my name to NITIN GARG for all purposes. 0040515960-1

**Nisha Kumari Agarwal W/o Mukesh Kumar Agarwal R/O-F-24/87, Sector-3, Rohini, Delhi-110085**, have changed my name to Nisha Agarwal. 0040515940-4

**Navin Kumar Jha S/o Kishori Jha R/O L-1/66, Mohan Garden, Delhi-110059**, have changed my name to Naveen Kumar Jha. 0040515888-1

**Nareesh Kumar Yadav S/O Late Sh. Umrao Singh Yadav R/O C-8, Block-C, Badli Extn. Delhi-42**, have changed my name to Nareesh Kumar for all purposes. 0040515931-1

**Muthu Cettu S/O Muthu Swamy R/O S-126/Cn-2, Kanak Durga-Colony, Sec-12, R.K. Puram, New Delhi-110022**, changed My Name To Sethu. 0040515975-6

**Mukul S/O Ravi Kumar Verma R/O H.No-95, Sector 37, Faridabad-121003, Haryana**, have changed my name to Mukul Verma for all purposes. 0040515933-1

**Satpal S/O Ram Singh R/O-276/6 Rameshwar Nagar Azadpur Delhi-110033**, changed my name to Satpal Yadav for all purposes. 0040515940-10

**Mukesh Chand S/O Dalip Singh, R/O RZp-256, Gali No-5, Raj-Nagar-2, Palm-Colony, New-Delhi-110077**, Changed My Name To Mukesh Chand Yadav. 0040515975-4

**Mohd Farukh S/O Naeemuddin R/O 3809, Gali Megzine Wall Churiwalan Chawri Bazar, Delhi-110006** have changed my name to Mohammad Farjaz. 0040515905-1

**Mohd Ashiqeen S/O-Mohd Sultan R/O-2967 Kucha-Mai Dass Bazar Sita-Ram Delhi-110006**, have changed my name to Mohd Ashiqeen. 0040515995-1

**Md. Abdulla Malik S/O Nijamuddin Malik, Residing At-H-111, New-Seelampur, Delhi-110053**, Have Changed The Name Of My Kutub Aged 34-Years And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Md. Abdulla Malik. 0040515975-2

**Madhuri Kumari D/O-Mr. Rambilas R/O A-21, Aali Vihar, Sarita Vihar, New Delhi-110076**, have changed my name to Madhuri for all future purposes. 0040515914-2

**MOHD SHAMIM, S/O Mohd Ramzan R/O-118 ekta-vihar Gyan-Mandir-Road jaitpur-extrn. part-1, Badarpur Delhi-110044**. Inform that name of my and my minor son has been wrongly-mentioned as mohammad shamim and mohammad abusaad shaikh in her passport documents. The correct-name is mohd shamim and muhammad Saad, for all the future purposes. 0040515960-9

**Khusbhu Singh Spouse of Chandan Kumar R/O VPO Rampur District Saharsa Bihar**. Have changed my name from Khusboo to Khusbhu Singh. Vide Affidavit dated 12.10.19 before Delhi court. 0040515927-1

**Karmvir Alias Karambir S/O Jai Pal Singh R/O Mata Chowk, Sec-52, Wazirabad Gurgaon**, have changed my name from Karambir S/O Jai Pal Singh to Karmvir S/O Jaipal for future purposes. 0040515966-1

**Kamal Kumar Malik S/O Anand Suroop Malik R/O B-10/47, Sector-3, Rohini, Delhi-110085**, have changed my name to Kamal Malik. 0040515940-2

**Imran@Imran Malik, S/o Shakeel Ahmed, R/O T-17/B, M.B.Road, Pul-Prahadpur, Badarpur, South-Delhi, Delhi-110044**, have changed my name to Imran Malik, for all future purposes. 0040515960-7

**Ganesh Aggarwal S/O Ram Krishan Aggarwal R/O H No-17/19, Shakti Nagar, Delhi-110007** have changed my name from Ganesh Agrawal to Ganesh Aggarwal for all purposes. 0040515934-1

**Dishi Aggarwal W/O Deepak Aggarwal R/O H.No.18, Ashoka-Park Extension, East Punjabi Bagh, Delhi-110026**. Changed My Name to Cheena Aggarwal. 0040515960-2

**Devender S/O Rajiv Singh H.No-41, Dwarka Sector-8, Village Bagdola, New-Delhi-110077**. Changed My Name To Devender Yadav. 0040515975-3

**Deepak Aggarwal S/O Pradeep Kumar Agarwal R/O H.No.18, Ashoka Park Extension, East Punjabi Bagh, Delhi-110026**. Changed my Name to Deepak Aggarwal. 0040515944-10

**Davesh PS Chauhan S/O Sh. Padam Singh Chauhan R/O A-160, Preet Vihar, Delhi-110091**, have changed my name from Davesh PS Chauhan to Davesh Chauhan for all future purposes. 0040515891-1

**Anshika Agarwal W/O Sandeep Sharma, R/O-Flat.No.1109, Gaur Heights, Sector 4, Vaishali, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh-201010**, Hanged My Name To Anshika Sharma. 0040515944-4

**Babu Thomas S/O Shri Thomas P/R/O-B-8/1-D, Mayor-Vihar, Phase-III, Delhi-110096**, inform that my son's name is wrongly entered in the school record as Febin. P. Babu, but correct name is Febin Babu. 0040515944-1

**Asma Iqbal W/O Mohd Ash Anansi R/O C-12/181, Yamuna Vihar Delhi-110053** Changed My Name To Asma Praveen. 0040515960-4

**Ashok Kumar Bhardwaj, S/O Sh. Anand Bhardwaj, R/O-AE-152, Shalimar-Bagh, Delhi-110088**. Have changed my minor daughter name, from Adya Bhardwaj to Aadya Bhardwaj. 0040515960-6

**Asha Chowdhary w/o Dipesh Gill R/O-4/41, First-Floor, Jangpura Extension, New-Delhi-110014**, have changed my name to Asha Chowdhary. 0040515940-7

**Archana Vishal Tuljipure Spouse of Tuljipure Vishal Suresh VPO Hiwara (BK) District Washim Maharashtra**. Have changed my name from Archana Madhav Wankhede to Archana Vishal Tuljipure. Vide Affidavit dated 12.10.19 before Delhi court. 0040515928-1

**Archana Gupta R/O 100, SFS Hauz Khas Apartments, Hauz Khas New Delhi 110016** have changed my minor child's name from Aditya Singla to Aditya Kumar Date Of Birth 02/09/2005. 0070678645-1

**Ameena Begum W/O-Mohd Ashiqeen R/O-2967 Kucha-Mai Dass Bazar Sita Ram Delhi-110006**, have changed my name to Amina Begum. 0040515995-2

**Amarjit Kaur W/O Gurcharan Singh R/O 288-B, Model Town Extn., Ludhiana, Punjab-141002**, have changed my name to AMANDEEP KAUR. 0040515887-1

**Amareesh Chaube S/O Late Wg Cdr V V Chaube (8334) R/O 51/1 Jagdish Niwas, Mahamana Puri Colony, Varanasi-221005** have changed my name from Amareesh Chaube to Amareesh Chaturvedi for all future purposes. Amareesh Chaube and Amareesh Chaturvedi are same person. 0040515917-2

**Nabeezeth Beevi Koladattapadinjattahil W/O Abubakhar Kunju R/O JA 44 D LIG Flat, Hari Nagar N-D-110064**, have change my name to Nabeesath Beevi. 0040515930-2

**Karandeep Singh Mediratta S/o Varinder Pal Singh R/O E-3 Ashok-Vihar Phase-1 Delhi-110052**, have changed name Karandeep Singh for future purposes. 0040515940-6

**Hari Kala Sharma W/O Padam Prasad Sharma R/O D-9 Anand-Vihar Delhi-110092** Have Change My Name To Harimaya Sharma. 0040515975-8

**Harcharan Kaur alias Harcharan Kaur Brar D/o Bhupinder Singh and W/o Shambinder Singh Brar R/O New Harindara Nagar, Near Baba Farid School, Faridkot, Punjab-151203**, have changed my name to Harcharan Kaur Brar. 0070678653-1

**Gaurav Kumar, S/O sh. Kishan Chand R/O-House.No-B-110, 3rd-Floor, KH.No-27/14, Uday-Vihar, Nilothi-Extn, New-Delhi-110041**. Have changed my name to Gaurav Tyagi permanently 0040515940-8

**Dheeraj S/o Mahiender Saini Res.G-10 Princess-Park Copernicus-Marg New-Delhi-110001** have changed my name to Dheeraj to Dheeraj Saini, for all future Purpose. 0040515944-3

**Dheeraj Singh Rawat S/O Govind Singh Rawat R/O C-62, Janta-Garden, Pandav-Nagar, Patparganj, Delhi-110092**, have changed my name to Dhirraj Singh Rawat. 0040515940-9

**Amit Kumar Maheshwari, S/O Jagdish Prasad Maheshwari R/O-D-176 Khasra.No.101/11 Rajeev-Nagar Begumpur Delhi-1100086**, Have Changed My Name To Amit Kumar Maheshwari. 0040515944-5

**Avinash Kumar Gupta S/O Mathura Saw R/O-2/17, JAC-Road, Shipra-Suncity, Indrapuram, Ghaziabad-haive changed my name to Avinash Gupta. 0040515940-1**

**Sushma Rastogi W/O Sh. Vineet Kumar R/O F-441, Galaxy North Avenue, GC-3, Gaur Cty-1, Noida Extension, Gautam Budh Nagar, U.P.** has changed my name to Shushma Rastogi for all future purposes. 0040515948-1

**Abubakhar Kunju Mohammad Kunju S/O Mohammad Kunju R/O JA 44 D LIG Flat, Hari Nagar N-D-110064**, have change my name to Abubakhar Kunju. 0040515930-1

**Rajiv Bhasin S/O Late Sh. Sunil Bhasin previously R/O D-37, South Extension Part-I, New Delhi-110049**, presently residing at C-41, Oakwood Estate, DLF Phase-2, Sector-25, Gurgaon, Haryana-122002, that inadvertently in the class 10th records my name has been wrongly written as Rajeev and in Class 12th records as Rajeev Bhasin and also in my college records my name has been written as Rajeev instead of Rajiv Bhasin which may be amended accordingly. 0040515152-2

**Deepak Chauhan S/O Hardeep Raj Singh R/O HP-127 (FF), Pitampura, Delhi-110034** have changed my name to Deepak Raj Singh. 0040515935-2

### LOST & FOUND

**Samiksha Solanki, D/o Mukesh Singh Solanki, R/O-H-33/3, Sector-3, Rohini, Delhi-110085**, have lost-Original CBSE-Certificates of Class-10th Roll.no.8678077(2012-14) and in Class 12th records as Rajeev Bhasin and also in my college records my name has been written as Rajeev instead of Rajiv Bhasin which may be amended accordingly. 0040515152-2

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**I, lost following Original Receipts of Flat No. CGE202 issued by DLF (1) CLG/CRB/00281/0911 (2) CLG/CRB/00169/0112 (3) CLG/CRB/00173/0912 (4) CLG/CRB/00174/0912 (5) CLG/CRB/00175/0912(6) CLG/CRB/000251/0912 (7) CLG/CRB/00053/0413 (8) CLG/CRB/000150/1016 (9) CLG/CRB/00151/1016 (10) CLG/CRB17/000555.Finder may inform to Ms. Jyoti Pal, B-949, Sector-1, Avantika, Raja Purkalan, Rohini, Delhi-110085. 0040515892-1**

**Amrita Rangasami, have lost my Share Certificate, Allotment & Possession Letters of Flat No. XA-5, SAHVIKAS, 63, I.P. Ext. Patparganj, Delhi** while going for photocopying at Madhu Vihar Market, Delhi 110092 at noon on 18/01/2018. If found, Please inform my brother, Shri Vijay Raghavan at 9445561790. 0130012945-1

**It is to inform that my original degree certificate of Bachelor's of Physiotherapy batch 2010-14 Roll No.-8353020 and Enrollment No.-M1013546 pass out from CCS University, Meerut has been actually lost. Name of the Candidate: Rubeneena, Mobile No. 8802253391. Full Address: A-5, Street No-9, Shastri Park, Seelampur, Bhajan Pura, Delhi-110053. 0070678691-1**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
It is to be known to the public at large that my clients Mukesh Nath Tiwari S/O Sh. Gyaneshwar Nath Tiwari and his wife Laxmi, both R/O 481 Ground Floor, Pocket-1, Paschimpur, New Delhi-63, have purchased property at 481 Ground Floor, Pocket-1, Paschimpur, New Delhi vide a registered sale deed dated 25/10/2016, Registration No. 5.263 Book No.1 Volume No. 2925 at page No. 22 to 27. The entire chain of property documents except sale deed has been lost somewhere, anybody among the public if found please return to my clients at the above address. Sd/- K. B. HINA (ADVOCATE) 130, LIG FLATS, PCKET-3, PASCIMPURI NEW DELHI-63

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
To be known to all that I, Raj Paul Kapoor S/o Shri D.R. Kapoor R/O DDA Flat No. 349, Pocket-F, SFS Flats, Sarita Vihar, New Delhi-110076, Owner of above said Flat, the Original Documents i.e. Original Letter & NOC of Water and Electricity of the above said flat vide file no. 127[469]18335/SV/II, have been lost. An NCR to this effect has been lodged in Police Station.  
If anyone has any information supported with documents pl. e-mail me on 8131013111 or 8700597238 within 15 days after which my claims regarding the above said flat evidence shall be considered as null and void or waived. Sd/- Hemlata Sharma (Advocate) Ch. No. 15, Saket Court, New Delhi.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Be it known to all that my Clients SH. RAJESH KUMAR SHARMA S/O LATE SH. B.R. SHARMA & SMT. SUNITA SHARMA W/O SH. R.K. SHARMA BOTH R/O WZ-196-C (F-32), GALI NO. 3, VIRENDER NAGAR, NEW DELHI-110092, have severed all their relations and connections with their son Mr. Ankit Sharma, have declared and disowned him from all their moveable & immovable properties with immediate effect, due to acting uncontrolled, disobedient and irresponsible attitude towards my clients. Whoever deals with them in monetary form or in any other nature shall be at their/her own cost, risk and responsibility. Sd/- MANISH K.SINGH (ADVOCATE) DISSE/2017

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Public in general is hereby informed that my client Mr. Manish Sharma S/o Late Sh. B.R. Sharma aged about 55 years, R/o House No. 1145, Madanpur Khadar, J.J. Colony, Phase-3, Sarita Vihar, New Delhi-110076 has dis-owned their son, daughter in law and grandchild namely Raj Sharma aged about 24 yrs, Neetu W/O Raj Sharma aged about 26 years respectively who are residing separately from my client since 15 years ago. If anyone deals with them in monetary form or in any other nature shall be at their/their own cost, risk and responsibility. Sd/- BHAWNA JAKHRA (ADVOCATE) M 911120627

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
I am generally informed to public at large on behalf of my client Sh. Deepak Jain S/O Late Sh. Parmod Kumar Jain R/O 1281, Vaidyapura, Gali Gulian, Jams Masjid, Delhi-110006, have severed/ disconnected his relationship with Sh. Mohit Jain S/O Late Sh. Parmod Kumar Jain and Smt. Manisha W/O Sh. Mohit Jain & D/o Sh. Shyam Sunder Sharma and their children R/O 2323, 2324, 2325, 2326, 2327, 2328, 2329, 2330, 2331, 2332, 2333, 2334, 2335, 2336, 2337, 2338, 2339, 2340, 2341, 2342, 2343, 2344, 2345, 2346, 2347, 2348, 2349, 2350, 2351, 2352, 2353, 2354, 2355, 2356, 2357, 2358, 2359, 2360, 2361, 2362, 2363, 2364, 2365, 2366, 2367, 2368, 2369, 2370, 2371, 2372, 2373, 2374, 2375, 2376, 2377, 2378, 2379, 2380, 2381, 2382, 2383, 2384, 2385, 2386, 2387, 2388, 2389, 2390, 2391, 2392, 2393, 2394, 2395, 2396, 2397, 2398, 2399, 2400, 2401, 2402, 2403, 2404, 2405, 2406, 2407, 2408, 2409, 2410, 2411, 2412, 2413, 2414, 2415, 2416, 2417, 2418, 2419, 2420, 2421, 2422, 2423, 2424, 2425, 2426, 2427, 2428, 2429, 2430, 2431, 2432, 2433, 2434, 2435, 2436, 2437, 2438, 2439, 2440, 2441, 2442, 2443, 2444, 2445, 2446, 2447, 2448, 2449, 2450, 2451, 2452, 2453, 2454, 2455, 2456, 2457, 2458, 2459, 2460, 2461, 2462, 2463, 2464, 2465, 2466, 2467, 2468, 2469, 2470, 2471, 2472, 2473, 2474, 2475, 2476, 2477, 2478, 2479, 2480, 2481, 2482, 2483, 2484, 2485, 2486, 2487, 2488, 2489, 2490, 2491, 2492, 2493, 2494, 2495, 2496, 2497, 2498, 2499, 2500, 2501, 2502, 2503, 2504, 2505, 2506, 2507, 2508, 2509, 2510, 2511, 2512, 2513, 2514, 2515, 2516, 2517, 2518, 2519, 2520, 2521, 2522, 2523, 2524, 2525, 2526, 2527, 2528, 2529, 2530, 2531, 2532, 2533, 2534, 2535, 2536, 2537, 2538, 2539, 2540, 2541, 2542, 2543, 2544, 2545, 2546, 2547, 2548, 2549, 2550, 2551, 2552, 2553, 2554, 2555, 2556, 2557, 2558, 2559, 2560, 2561, 2562, 2563, 2564, 2565, 2566, 2567, 2568, 2569, 2570, 2571, 2572, 2573, 2574, 2575, 2576, 2577, 2578, 2579, 2580, 2581, 2582, 2583, 2584, 2585, 2586, 2587, 2588, 2589, 2590, 2591, 2592, 2593, 2594, 2595, 2596, 2597, 2598, 2599, 2600, 2601, 2602, 2603, 2604, 2605, 2606, 2607, 2608, 2609, 2610, 2611, 2612, 2613, 2614, 2615, 2616, 2617, 2618, 2619, 2620, 2621, 2622, 2623, 2624, 2625, 2626, 2627, 2628, 2629, 2630, 2631, 2632, 2633, 2634, 2635, 2636, 2637, 2638, 2639, 2640, 2641, 2642, 2643, 2644, 2645, 2646, 2647, 2648, 2649, 2650, 2651, 2652, 2653, 2654, 2655, 2656, 2657, 2658, 2659, 2660, 2661, 2662, 2663, 2664, 2665, 2666, 2667, 2668, 2669, 2670, 2671, 2672, 2673, 2674, 2675, 2676, 2677, 2678, 2679, 2680, 2681, 2682, 2683, 2684, 2685, 2686, 2687, 2688, 2689, 2690, 2691, 2692, 2693, 2694, 2695, 2696, 2697, 2698, 2699, 2700, 2701, 2702, 2703, 2704, 2705, 2706, 2707, 2708, 2709, 2710, 2711, 2712, 2713, 2714, 2715, 2716, 2717, 2718, 2719, 2720, 2721, 2722, 2723, 2724, 2725, 2726, 2727, 2728, 2729, 2730, 2731, 2732, 2733, 2734, 2735, 2736, 2737, 2738, 2739, 2740, 2741, 2742, 2743, 2744, 2745, 2746, 2747, 2748, 2749, 2750, 2751, 2752, 2753, 2754, 2755, 2756, 2757, 2758, 2759, 2760, 2761, 2762, 2763, 2764, 2765, 2766, 2767, 2768, 2769, 2770, 2771, 2772, 2773, 2774, 2775, 2776, 2777, 2778, 2779, 2780, 2781, 2782, 2783, 2784, 2785, 2786, 2787, 2788, 2789, 2790, 2791, 2792, 2793, 2794, 2795, 2796, 2797, 2798, 2799, 2800, 2801, 2802, 2803, 2804, 2805, 2806, 2807, 2808, 2809, 2810, 2811, 2812, 2813, 2814, 2815, 2816, 2817, 2818, 2819, 2820, 2821, 2822, 2823, 2824, 2825, 2826, 2827, 2828, 2829, 2830, 2831, 2832, 2833, 2834, 2835, 2836, 2837, 2838, 2839, 2840, 2841, 2842, 2843, 2844, 2845, 2846, 2847, 2848, 2849, 2850, 2851, 2852, 2853, 2854, 2855, 2856, 2857, 2858, 2859, 2860, 2861, 2862, 2863, 2864, 2865, 2866, 2867, 2868, 2869, 2870, 2871, 2872, 2873, 2874, 2875, 2876, 2877, 2878, 2879, 2880, 2881, 2882, 2883, 2884, 2885, 2886, 2887, 2888, 2889, 2890, 2891, 2892, 2893, 2894, 2895, 2896, 2897, 2898, 2899, 2900, 2901, 2902, 2903, 2904, 2905, 2906, 2907, 2908, 2909, 2910, 2911, 2912, 2913, 2914, 2915, 2916, 2917, 2918, 2919, 2920, 2921, 2922, 2923, 2924, 2925, 2926, 2927, 2928, 2929, 2930, 2931, 2932, 2933, 2934, 2935, 2936, 2937, 2938, 2939, 2940, 2941, 2942, 2943, 2944, 2945, 2946, 2947, 2948, 2949, 2950, 2951, 2952, 2953, 2954, 2955, 2956, 2957, 2958, 2959, 2960, 2961, 2962, 2963, 2964, 2965, 2966, 2967, 2968, 2969, 2970, 2971, 2972, 2973, 2974, 2975, 2976, 2977, 2978, 2979, 2980, 2981, 2982, 2983, 2984, 2985, 2986, 2987, 2988, 2989, 2990, 2991, 2992, 2993, 2994, 2995, 2996, 2997, 2998, 2999, 3000, 3001, 3002, 3003, 3004, 3005, 3006, 3007, 3008, 3009, 3010, 3011, 3012, 3013, 3014, 3015, 3016, 3017, 3018,

**MAHARAJGANJ**

# DM, SDM, suspended for 'negligence' in cow upkeep

**MAULSHREE SETH**  
LUCKNOW, OCTOBER 14

THE UTTAR Pradesh government Monday suspended the District Magistrate (DM) of Maharajganj, a sub-divisional magistrate (SDM), a former SDM, a chief veterinary officer and a veterinary officer for "negligence in cow protection", an official statement said.

The statement said UP Chief Secretary RK Tiwari said "continuous complaints" were received about negligence in the upkeep of stray cows at Madhvaliya cow shelter in Nichloul tehsil, Maharajganj district.

The statement added that it was found that on the pretext of fodder and maintenance of cattle, the number of cattle was deliberately increased on paper to misuse government funds, which also amounts to financial irregularities.

An inquiry found that a cow shelter home, which had claimed to have 2,500 cows, had only 954 cows. It also found that 328 acres of the animal hus-

bandry department meant for the cow shelter was instead leased out to private individuals illegally.

The suspended officers are (DM) Amar Nath Upadhyaya, the then SDM of Nichloul area, Devendra Kumar, present SDM, Nichloul, Satyama Mishra, chief veterinary officer, Rajiv Upadhyaya, deputy veterinary officer Dr V K Maurya. The DM was also the chairman of the working committee of the cow shelter concerned and the other officers were its members.

The government has also directed that an FIR be registered in the matter and that further audit be done into "anomalies" in the operations of the cow shelter.

"The District Magistrate is chairman of the working committee of the cow shelter, of which SDM of Nichloul area and deputy chief veterinary officer were members, while the chief veterinary officer of the district was member-secretary of the committee. Thus, it was the responsibility of these officers to stop such anomalies from hap-

pening," said UP Chief Secretary R K Tiwari. Tiwari added, "The government has top priority towards cow and its progeny and clean administration is also a top priority. Thus, these officers have been suspended with immediate effect after they were found prima-facie guilty in the inquiry."

Ujjwal Kumar, who was serving as Municipal Commissioner, Prayagraj, was appointed as new District Magistrate of Maharajganj with immediate effect.

Tiwari said that on paper, 2,500 cows and its progeny were listed at the cow shelter in Madhvaliya area of Nichloul tehsil in Maharajganj district of eastern Uttar Pradesh. However, during ongoing inspections and later in a detailed inquiry conducted by the Commissioner, administration, Maharajganj, it was found that there were just 954 cows at the cow shelter home.

"There was a huge difference in the numbers but none of the local officials were able to give a clear clarification or explanation in this regard..." said Tiwari.



A protest by Telangana State Road Transport Corporation staff in Hyderabad on Monday. PTI

**TRANSPORT STRIKE**

## TRS leader appeals to TSRTC union to initiate dialogue with govt

**SREENIVAS JANAYALA**  
HYDERABAD, OCTOBER 14

TELANGANA RASHTRA Samiti (TRS) leader K Keshava Rao on Monday appealed to the Telangana State Road Transport Corporation (TSRTC) employees who are on strike to not take any drastic steps, and asked them to initiate a dialogue with the state government.

This is the first time since the

strike started on October 4 that a senior TRS leader has proposed talks with the TSRTC union.

Keshava Rao, a Rajya Sabha MP who is a close confidante of Chief Minister K Chandrababtu Naidu, is learnt to have been advised by the CM to appeal to the union leaders as the two suicides has not only dented the image of the government, but has also charged up the atmosphere in the state. His appeal is being seen as an effort

to break the ice after the CM took a very strong stand against the striking employees.

However, there has been no reaction from the government.

Keshava Rao urged the employees to not be rigid in their demands and immediately start negotiations with the government. In a letter released Monday afternoon, he urged the CM to consider some of the demands of the TSRTC, barring the merger with the government.

## HC drops contempt case against Tamil magazine editor

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE**  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

THE DELHI High Court Monday dropped a contempt case against Swaminathan Gurumurthy, the editor of Tamil magazine *Thuglak*, for having retweeted an article alleging bias by a judge of the court.

The proceedings were closed after Gurumurthy agreed before a bench of Justices Manmohan and Sangita Dhingra Sehgal to retweet the apology of the author, who had earlier written the offensive article.

The bench was informed by senior advocate Mahesh Jethmalani, representing Gurumurthy, that his client will

mention on his Twitter handle that the author has also tendered an unconditional apology to the court. He will also mention that the author has withdrawn the article against Justice S Muralidhar and will share the hyperlink of the apology tendered by the author, Jethmalani said.

Jethmalani contended that Gurumurthy had merely shared the article without making any comments and so he could not be held guilty under the Contempt of Court Act.

The court issued fresh notices to several respondents, including film maker Vivek Agnihotri and Anand Ranganathan, to respond as to why contempt action be not initiated against them in the matter.

## DMK alleges illegal shifting of EVMs ahead of Nanguneri bypoll

Chennai: The DMK wrote to the Election Commission on Sunday alleging that 30 electronic voting machines (EVMs) were shifted from Nanguneri Assembly constituency to Tirunelveli collectorate on Saturday night without intimating the Congress candidate. An Assembly bypoll will be held in the constituency on October 21.

The complaint was filed by DMK's organisational secretary RS Bharathi to the Election Commission of India and the State Election Commissioner. According to Avudaiappan, chief election agent for Congress candidate R Manoharan, 30 EVMs were shifted from Nanguneri taluk office to Tirunelveli collectorate on the night of October 12. ENS

## District health officer suspended under Odisha's Mo Sarkar

**SAMPAD PATNAIK**  
BHUBANESWAR, OCTOBER 14

IN WHAT is being seen as the first action taken against any senior officer under the Odisha government's public feedback programme Mo Sarkar, Dr Pankaj Patel, Senior Consultant (Medicine), who is serving as Chief District Medical and Public Health Officer in-charge of Sundergarh district, was suspended on Sunday.

Maintaining that there has been "some misunderstanding", Dr Patel told *The Indian Express* on Monday, "I would have explained the situation to the committee. But I was not present when they collected feedback."

Manas Mangaraj, media adviser to the state government, however, disputed this. He said, "The doctor concerned was given adequate opportunity to explain, but he could not submit a satisfactory reply."

The notice from the Health and Family Welfare Department reached Dr Patel late on Sunday.

On Monday, the Odisha Medical Service Association, which represents government doctors, other than those serving in medical colleges, criticised the move, calling it "clear-cut injustice".

Both the main opposition parties, the BJP and the Congress, also opposed the government's action. While the BJP called a six-hour bandh in Sundergarh dis-

trict, state Congress president Niranjana Patnaik told the media, "What the BJP is saying (is correct). Should you not even ask for a showcause notice?"

Mo Sarkar, a project of Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik's 5T vision, is aimed at bringing a shift in government services by proactively seeking feedback from people. As part of the programme, a team led by 5T Secretary V K Pandian is visiting state government hospitals unannounced to seek prompt public feedback.

On Sunday, Pandian and Development Commissioner Suresh Mohapatra visited the district headquarters hospital (DHH) in Sundergarh.

Sources said they allegedly received two adverse reports. "Some patients said they were going to private clinics to conduct tests before dialysis even though the facilities are available at the hospital. Another patient and attendant said they were served only breakfast while the hospital provides three meals," a hospital staff member said.

Citing clause (a) of sub-rule 1 of Rule 12 of Odisha Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules 1962, Patel was placed "under suspension with immediate effect".

Dr Patel said, "Some patients prefer private clinics to get test results on serum, creatine and electrolytes because the process is faster than at DHH. No one forced them to go there."

## HC seeks Centre's stand on plea to extend Sec 377 provisions to third gender

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE**  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 14

THE DELHI High Court Monday sought to know the stand of the Centre on a PIL demanding that the application of Section 377 of the IPC, which prescribes punishment for unnatural sex with any man, woman and animal, should extend to those accused of sexually assaulting transgender/third gender persons.

A bench of Chief Justice D N Patel and Justice C Hari Shankar issued a notice to the Ministry of Law and Justice on the petition filed by assistant public prosecutor Jamshed Ansari.

The plea states that due to loopholes in Section 377, those accused of sexually assaulting transgender persons are being let off as the section has no mention of the third gender.

The court asked the Centre to file its reply by the next date of hearing - January 17, 2020.

Ansari, in his public interest litigation (PIL), filed through advocate Gaurav Kohli, said, "Such discrimination against an individual on the basis of gender identity is deeply offensive to the dignity and self-worth of the individual, which is against the mandate of...the

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Constitution of India and the law laid down by the Supreme Court..."

The Supreme Court had recognized transgender persons as the third gender in a landmark ruling, saying it was addressing a "human rights issue".

The plea stated that, after the apex court judgment, the transgender/third gender persons are entitled to fundamental rights enshrined under the Constitution of India and are also entitled to the protection of all laws within the territory of India.

On September 6, 2018, the Supreme Court had ruled that the application of Section 377 to consensual homosexual sex between adults was unconstitutional, "irrational, indefensible and manifestly arbitrary". It remains in force in cases related to sex with minors, non-consensual sexual acts, and bestiality.

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