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Terror plot foiled in Jammu, 3 held

15 kg 'explosive' handed over by couple to conductor seized from bus

RANJIT THAKUR

JAMMU, OCTOBER 1 Security agencies today claimed to have foiled a major terror plot by recovering around 15 kg of suspected 'explosive' material a few metres from the Jammu bus stand.



MULTI-TIER SECURITY ALONG 20 INFILTRATION ROUTES IN J&K

A team of military intelligence (MI) and Special Operations Group (SOG) of the Jammu and Kashmir Police reportedly intercepted a bus (JK02AU-7167) near MLAs' hostel, located close to the Civil Secretariat, and seized the 'explosive' material.

Sources said the bus was on its way to Jammu from the Billawar area of Kathua

BIANNUAL DARBAR MOVE ON OCT 25-26

Jammu: As part of the biannual 'darbar move', under which the J&K Government functions for six months each in Jammu and Srinagar, offices, including civil secretariat and Raj Bhavan, will close in Srinagar on October 25-26 and reopen in Jammu on November 4. PTI

The impounded bus on which the 'explosive' substance was found in Jammu on Tuesday. INDERJEET SINGH

The couple gave the conductor Rs 200 for carrying the bag to Jammu. Following a tip-off, MI and SOG personnel searched the bus and seized the material," sources said. The police detained three persons, including the driver and

Balance between liberty, national security must: SC

NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 1 There has to be a balance between personal liberty of an individual and national security, the Supreme Court said on Tuesday while hearing pleas on the issue of restrictions in Kashmir after the abrogation of Article 370.

The top court's remarks came after the Jammu and Kashmir administration said that cent per cent landlines were working in the Valley and there was no restriction on the movement of people during the day. Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, CONTINUED ON PAGE 11

Curbs on J&K Oppn leaders go

JAMMU, OCTOBER 1 The Jammu and Kashmir Government has set in motion the process to set free political leaders in the state with restrictions on the movement of leaders of the National Conference, Congress and other parties lifted on Tuesday evening at a time when the authorities are gearing up for the first-ever Block Development Council elections.

Ex-CMs Farooq, Omar, Mufti, Cong's Raman Bhalla still in detention

Rana, were told that restrictions on their movement outside their homes had been lifted. The same was for National Panthers Party leader Harshdev Singh and senior Congress leader Vakar Rasool. These leaders were under

house arrest since August 4 midnight. Rana told *The Tribune* over the phone that he and his colleagues — former minister Surjit Singh Salathia and Javed Rana — had been told they could move about freely as "all restrictions have been lifted." The timing suggests an intrinsic link with the holding of BDC polls, scheduled for October 24, which are being held on party basis, CONTINUED ON PAGE 7

Beant's kin may move SC over relief to Rajoana

SHIMLA, OCTOBER 1 Gurkirat Kotli, grandson of Punjab ex-CM Beant Singh, today said his family was seeking legal opinion on the Centre's decision to commute Balwant Singh Rajoana's death term in the assassination of the Congress leader.

STF cop shot by peddlers; 3 held in 2nd op in 24 hrs

CHARANJIT SINGH TEJA

AMRITSAR, OCTOBER 1 A cop with the Special Task Force (STF) was shot dead by drug peddlers during an operation in Jandiala village of Amritsar district even as three gangsters carrying arms and ammunition were nabbed in the same village in a second operation in 24 hours. Sources claimed STF Additional DGP Harpreet Sidhu had a narrow escape as a gangster opened fire at him.



POLICE, BSF MUM ON QUERIES ON DRONES

A senior BSF officer accompanying STF officers during a press meet refused to respond to queries on use of drones from across border.

Abandoning the bike, the three fled in the car. In the second operation, the STF arrested three gangsters and recovered two pistols, three magazines and 64 live cartridges. AIG Snehdeep Sharma said on September 24, the

In Ferozpur, 2.13 kg heroin seized by BSF

ANIRUDH GUPTA

FEROZPUR, OCTOBER 1 Pakistan-based drug operatives continue to push drugs through riverine gaps along the India-Pakistan border in the Ferozpur sector; Alert Border Security Force jawans recovered two packets of heroin weighing 2.13 kg near the Old Mohammadi Wala border outpost on Monday being smuggled through the water channel.



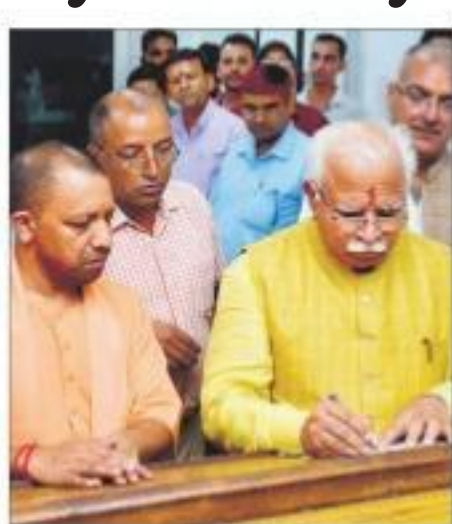
PM: AYUSHMAN BHARAT TO CREATE 11 LAKH JOBS

Around 11 lakh jobs are estimated to be generated due to Ayushman Bharat in the next five to seven years which will make it the second largest employment creator after Railways, PM Modi said on Tuesday. MORE ON PAGE 7

Denied ticket, eight BJP 'rebels' in Haryana fray

PRADEEP SHARMA

CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 1 A day after the BJP announced its first list of 78 candidates for the October 21 Haryana Assembly elections, rebellion stared the saffron party in the face with at least eight ticket aspirants announcing their candidature against the party nominees.



went into damage-control mode, assuring sulking leaders that their interests would

Ahead of poll, SC quashes clean chit to M'rashtra CM

NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 1 In a setback to Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis, the Supreme Court on Tuesday set aside a Bombay High Court verdict giving a clean chit to him on alleged non-disclosure of certain criminal cases pending against him at the time of his election to the state Assembly.

Paves way for his trial, but may not face any immediate hurdle

tion for not disclosing two pending criminal cases in his 2014 affidavit. However, there is no immediate problem for Fadnavis as the top court's verdict only revives the complaint against the CM, which will be decided in due course and the verdict may not come before the Assembly polls scheduled to be held on October 21.

"We unhesitatingly arrive at the conclusion that the order of the trial court upheld by the High Court by the impugned judgment and order dated May 3, 2018, is legally not tenable and the same deserves to be set aside, which we hereby do," said the Bench. — TNS

REMEMBERING BAPU 150TH BIRTH ANNIV

- Shah to flag off BJP's 'Gandhi Sankalp Yatra' on Wednesday
- CBSE asks schools to observe khadi-wearing day once a month
- Pranab Mukherjee to attend Harijan Sewak Sangh event
- Congress to organise padyatras to 'redeem Gandhism'
- Palestine issues commemorative stamp to honour Mahatma

Cherry-picking Gandhi OPINION

Gandhi's chappals & Smuts' sandals No film buff, yet Mahatma influenced cinema OPED



528 bank frauds in Punjab, HC told

SAURABH MALIK

CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 1 A total of 528 cases of fraud have rattled public sector banks in Punjab. A general manager of the country's largest lender, the State Bank of India, has told the Punjab and Haryana High Court that 528 cases regarding fraud committed against the banks were pending, including 306 FIRs and 216 complaint cases.

Info comes amid reports that a sum of more than ₹71,500 cr was involved in bank frauds across country in 2018-19

to scams, comes amid reports that more than Rs 71,500 crore was involved in bank frauds across the country in 2018-19. Justice Mahabir Singh, Sindhu was also told that FIRs were yet to be registered

in no less than six cases. The details, provided through bank counsel Abhinav Gupta, prompted Justice Sindhu to observe "the situation seems to be quite serious".

As the case came up for hearing, Gupta placed before the Bench affidavit of Chief General Manager, State Bank of India, Chandigarh, Rana Ashutosh Kumar Singh. Taking cognisance of the gravity of the issue involved after going through the affidavit, Justice Sindhu also directed

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Arhtiyas' protest mars Day 1 of procurement

Won't collect Aadhaar and bank account details from farmers

PARVESH SHARMA
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SANGRUR, OCTOBER 1
In protest against the directions of the Food and Civil Supplies Department to collect and upload the bank account and Aadhaar numbers of farmers on Public Financial Management System portal, around 23,900 arhtiyas of the state boycotted paddy purchase, which officially began today.

They alleged that farmers were opposed to the demand for bank account and Aadhaar details. They said various unions had announced to launch an agitation if anyone tried to forcibly get the details from farmers.

"We will continue to boycott the paddy purchase till the department withdraws its September 16 order that states it will not release our commission if we fail to upload the bank details of farmers on PFMS portal. Since the bank account number is personal information, how can we com-



Closed shops of arhtiyas during a strike in Patiala. RAJESH SACHAR

pel the farmers? Moreover, the matter is already in the Punjab and Haryana High Court," said Ravinder Singh Cheema, president of the arhtiya association.

Members of association gave memorandums to deputy commissioners across different districts today.

"Our commission cannot be related to uploading of the bank account details of farmers on PFMS. The department wants to arm-twist us. The authorities must understand that the farmers have already

announced not to share their personal details," said Harnam Singh, senior vice president of the association.

Sukhdev Singh Kokri Kalan, BKU Ugrahan's general secretary, said: "The farmers and arhtiyas are already at loggerheads due to various issues. If the government wants to help the farmers, it must form teams to collect the details directly from them rather than asking arhtiyas to do so."

Anindita Mitra, Director,

'DATA MUST BY OCT 15'

The Centre had stopped the release of ₹768 crore as we have failed to implement the Public Financial Management System. We have got the amount after promising to implement the PFMS by October 15. There will be no issue in procurement.

Anindita Mitra, DIRECTOR, FOOD & CIVIL SUPPLIES

Food and Civil Supplies Department, said there were two groups of arhtiyas in Punjab. While the government had the support of one group, the other has boycotted the procurement, she said.

"The Centre had stopped the release of Rs 768 crore as we failed to implement the PFMS. We got the amount by promising to implement it by October 15. There will not be any problem in the purchase as one group is supporting us," she claimed.

No hike in cane SAP despite pricey sugar

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CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 1

There will be no change in state advised price (SAP) of sugarcane in the state for the 2019-20 crushing season. The three different varieties of sugarcane grown in the state will fetch Rs 295, Rs 300 and Rs 310 per quintal.

This is the second year in a row that prices of cane are not being revised by the state. The sugar prices in the wholesale market have increased by Rs 700 per quintal to Rs 3,600 per quintal. Even the fixed and remunerative price (FRP) of cane, fixed by the Centre, has remained unchanged at Rs 275 per quintal.

Last year, sugar prices hovered at Rs 2,900 per quintal, resulting in losses to sugar mills which were unable to clear the dues of cane growers. It is after the Centre start-

ed allocating sugar quota for sale to each mill in the country that prices started looking up since earlier this year. The price of sugar to be bought from most private sugar mills now varies between Rs 3,500 and Rs 3,700 per quintal.

The prices of molasses (sheera), too, have gone up.

Top agriculture officials say they are not recommending any upward revision of SAP on cane. "This is because the state does not want to incur a liability of paying a part of SAP to cane growers selling their produce to private sugar mills," an official said.

Last year, seven private sugar mills in Punjab, owned by politicians from different political parties, having 70 per cent of the state's cane crushing capacity, refused to give SAP, claiming sugar prices were down to Rs 2,900 per quintal.

Don't implement seniority list of master cadre: HC

SAURABH MALIK
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 1

Just about 10 days after the Punjab and Haryana High Court (HC) ordered that seniority list of the master/mistress cadre would not be implemented in the case of about seven lecturers in the Punjab Education Department, Justice Arun Monga today extended the restrain order to the entire list.

The restrain order would remain in force till further directions. Estimates suggest over 50,000 employees will be affected eventually. The order came on a bunch of petitions argued by senior counsel Rajiv Atma Ram and Saurabh Arora.

Justice Monga asserted the Bench on a previous date of hearing had directed that an impugned order and the seniority list would not be given effect to regarding the petitioners till the next date of hearing. The order was passed on another petition filed against the state and other respondents by Naresh Kumar and other petitioners through Arora.

Justice Monga added the Bench, in another subsequent petition, observed it was expected of the respondents not to implement the

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seniority list impugned till the next date of hearing. But it was brought to the court's notice that the official respondents were in the process of forthwith implementation of impugned seniority list.

Arora had contended that impugned seniority list was finalised on June 19. Aggrieved, the petitioners filed objections and also issued a legal notice through their counsel, but to no avail.

Arora also told the Bench that petitioners were appointed as masters in 1994 and 1996. In compliance of a judgment passed by the High Court, the seniority list was re-cast. Arora added there were specific directions that the representation of the aggrieved persons would be first decided before finalising the seniority list. But the direction was not complied with.

Arora added a legal notice dated July 12 was issued to underscore that their objections had not been dealt with before passing of the impugned order. But the respondents turned a blind eye to the legal notice.

18 nomination papers rejected

ASSEMBLY
BYPOLL

No letter, BSP man to fight as Independent

Jalandhar: Dakha SDM-cum-Retiring Officer Amrinder Singh Malhi has accepted the papers of BSP candidate Baldev Singh, but as an Independent. Malhi said Baldev's nomination papers were sans BSP authority letter, but he had put up details of 10 proposers as mandated for an Independent candidate. "So, we have now accepted his papers but not as BSP candidate. He can contest independently," he said. Baldev will not be able to get BSP's poll symbol. The move of the BSP to field a worker in Dakha as an Independent is clearly aimed at ensuring that its cadre does not help LIP candidate on the seat. TNS

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CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 1

A total of 18 nomination papers have been rejected during the scrutiny of nomination papers for the by-elections for four Assembly constituencies. The voting will be held on October 21.

A spokesperson of the office of the Chief Electoral Officer, Punjab, said 16 candidates had filed nomination papers for the Phagwara Assembly constituency, out of which 10 papers were found valid while six were rejected.

Similarly, 11 candidates had filed papers for the Mukerian Assembly seat. Of them, five nomination papers have been rejected. Likewise, 16 candidates had filed documents for the Dakha Assembly segment of which four faced rejection.

He said 11 candidates had applied for the Jalalabad seat for which the papers of eight were found correct.

According to the chief electoral office, 36 nomination papers were found correct out of 54 for four Assembly constituencies after today's scrutiny process.

October 3 is the last date to withdraw nomination. After that, the election symbols will be allotted to the candidates.

Sena accuses BJP of doublespeak

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SAD FLAYS BITTU

LUDHIANA, OCTOBER 1

The Shiv Sena Hindustan has expressed a strong resentment over the Centre's decision to commute the death sentence of terrorist Balwant Singh Rajoana, the killer of Chief Minister Beant Singh.

Stressing on the need to roll-back the decision, party's state spokesperson Chandrakant Chadha and other leaders said the Shiv Sena would launch a nationwide protest for "playing with the emotions of Punjabis." They said the BJP had displayed double character on terrorism.

To register their protest, the leaders said the Shiv Sena Hindustan would give memorandums to the deputy commissioners of all districts for the President, PM and the

SAD national spokesman Manjinder Singh Sirsa on Tuesday asked Congress MP Ravneet Bittu to stop 'malignment the image of the Sikhs.' Bittu recently slammed the Centre for commuting the death sentence of Balwant Singh Rajoana, convicted for ex-CM Beant Singh's assassination. Sirsa said it was shocking that the Congress leadership was hell-bent on portraying the Sikhs as terrorists.

Ministry of Home Affairs. Strongly criticising the decision to commute Rajoana's death sentence to life imprisonment, Chadha said the Centre's decision had stained the martyrdom of hundreds of Punjabis who were killed by terrorists.



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Ensure speedy approval for pilgrims: CM to Central team

CORRIDOR Seeks passport office at Dera Baba Nanak, against Pak fee

GURU'S 550TH BIRTH ANNIVERSARY

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CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 1 Chief Minister Captain Amarinder Singh has asked the Centre to cut down on the 30-day notice period for pilgrims to apply online for visiting Kartarpur Sahib Gurdwara during the 550th Parkash Purb celebrations. He was chairing a high-level review meeting to review the progress of the corridor project with a team of officers from the Centre.

Capt Amarinder asked the team to examine the feasibility of issuing e-permits to devotees and setting up a dedicated passport sewa kendra at Dera Baba Nanak to facilitate lakhs of pilgrims who are expected to apply for Kartarpur darshan. He reiterated his request to the Centre to prevail upon Pakistan to remove the \$20 visiting fee on the pilgrims.

The Chief Minister asked the RPO, Chandigarh, to ensure a fast-track and accessible mechanism to deliver passports to pilgrims on priority. He also asked the RPO to start organising camps across the state to help devotees.

The CM asked the Centre to allow a minimum of Rs 10,000 per person. The Centre should ensure that enough money exchange booths are set up by Pakistan at the site, he said.



A view of the under-construction Integrated Check Post at Dera Baba Nanak. TRIBUNE PHOTO

Opening sans Pak bridge

RAVI DHALIWAL
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

DERA BABA NANAK, OCTOBER 1 The Kartarpur corridor, comprising a 4.6-km stretch of road on both sides of the border and a state-of-the-art Integrated Check Post (ICP) on the Indian side, will be operationalised by October 30 despite the fact that the Pakistan government may not be able to complete the construction of a 300-metre bridge.

Pakistan has agreed to build a service road instead, which will be used till the bridge is constructed. This road is being laid to ensure the corridor is opened to the general public on time.

Jeetendra Singh, vice president, Ceigal India Ltd, the firm building the corridor on the Indian side, said the 100-m bridge coming up on the Indian side was 80 per cent complete.

Pakistan has agreed to build a service road instead, which will be used till the bridge is constructed

"We will be handing over the bridge and the road to the National Highways Authority of India well before the October 30 deadline," he said.

Cabinet Minister Sukhjinder Singh Randhawa said the supply of gravel and sand had picked up after the intervention of CM Capt Amarinder Singh.

"Ceigal India Ltd increased the workforce from 1,200 to 2,200 labourers after the supply of mining material improved. Work is now going on even during the night under the glare of temporary floodlights," said Randhawa.

The ICP, which is being built by the Land Ports Authority of India through a Mumbai-based firm, is coming up on 15 acres of land.

"The first phase of the ICP will be air-conditioned and disabled-friendly. The complex will include kiosks, cloakrooms, immigration and customs clearance facilities. In the second phase, which will come up on 35 acres, a hospital and a visitor's gallery are being planned," said an official.

Randhawa added that the design of the ICP had been inspired by Guru Nanak's teachings of 'Oneness of God' and 'Truthful Living'. "The two important elements of the ICP are the 'Wall of Pride' and the 'Wall of Unity', both of which will be depicting the Guru's journeys (Udasis) in India, Pakistan and many other countries of the world," he said.

45 prisoners to be freed today

GANDHI JAYANTI
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 1 Under a special remission policy for specific categories of convicts, formulated to celebrate the 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, the Punjab Government will be releasing 45 such prisoners on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti tomorrow. Punjab Governor VP Badnore has granted his approval for the release of the prisoners. The convicts have been clas-

The state is also working out details of certain categories of convicts, who can be granted remittance as part of the 550th Parkash Purb celebrations of Guru Nanak.

Sukhjinder Randhawa, COOPERATION AND JAIL MINISTER



sified into three categories. The first being the male convicts of 60 years of age and above, who have completed 50 per cent of their actual sentence period. This does not include the period of general remissions earned by the convicts. A total of six convicts are being released under this category.

The second category is of those who have completed two-third (66 per cent) of their actual sentence period, without counting the period of general remission earned by them. Thirty eight convicts under this category are being released. The third category is of women convicts of 55 years

of age and above, who have completed 50 per cent of their actual sentence. The sole convict lodged in Central Jail, Bathinda, Lakhwinder Kaur is being released under this category.

Cooperation and Jail Minister Sukhjinder Randhawa said the state was working out details of certain categories of convicts who could be granted remittance as part of the 550th Parkash Purb celebrations of Guru Nanak.

The state has announced to release 550 prisoners on the occasion.

Four killed after drinking hooch

OUR CORRESPONDENT

MANDIAHMEDGARH, OCTOBER 1 Four persons were killed on Tuesday after consuming spurious liquor at Mandi Ahmedgarh.

Five persons fell sick on Monday after consuming hooch at Rania village. They were then shifted to different hospitals in Ludhiana. While four of them died later, one is undergoing treatment.

Investigation revealed that Bakhtaur Singh of Jaspal Bangar village, one of the deceased, allegedly had arranged the cheap illicit liquor for villagers recently.

After consuming the liquor, five persons fell sick and were shifted to hospitals for gastroenteritis-like problems. The deceased have been identified as Sukhwinder Singh (28), Baldev Singh (52), Jagdev Singh (57), all residents of Rania, and Bakhtaur Singh of Jaspal Bangar village.

BODIES CREMATED WITHOUT TELLING COPS

The police came to know about the incident after they received information about the death of Sukhwinder Singh at a hospital in Ludhiana. The bodies of other deceased were reportedly cremated without telling the police.

The Dehlon police came to know about the incident after they received information about the death of Sukhwinder Singh at a hospital in Ludhiana. The bodies of other deceased were reportedly cremated without providing information to the police.

Investigating Officer Mohammad Rashid said prima facie it seemed that deaths were due to consumption of inferior quality of liquor. "It is too early to arrive at any conclusion as we are yet to record statements of members of families of victims," he said.

Can't merge Urdu dept, Capt tells PU

AMARJOT KAUR
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 1 In a recent turn of events over the issue of Panjab University's proposal to merge the Department of Urdu and Persian with the School of Foreign Languages, in view of the NAAC recommendations, Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh has written to the university's Vice-Chancellor Prof Raj Kumar.

Capt Amarinder's tweet posted on Tuesday stated: "I have written to @OfficialPU to reconsider their decision of include Urdu as a part of 'School of Foreign Languages'. Classifying it as a foreign language with German, Chinese or Russia is not desirable. At a personal level, I regret that I did not have the chance to learn Urdu." He has also posted a picture of the letter addressed to Prof Kumar.

The CM's tweet comes a day after PU cancelled the meeting of a 15-member committee that was to take

Urdu possesses a rich corpus of literature and forms the lingua franca for millions of people and is also an embodiment of the rich composite cultural tradition of the country. Classifying it as a foreign language, ostensibly for administrative reasons, will not be desirable.

Amarinder Singh, CHIEF MINISTER

a call on the proposal regarding the merger of departments.

Also, Capt Amarinder had on Sunday posted a tweet, expressing concern over Panjab University's proposal.

On September 17, a 15-member committee constituted by the university under PU (DUI) Prof Shankarji Jha had proposed to merge small departments to form bigger centres in the view of an NAAC directive.

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POLL BUZZ

120 companies of security men for poll



Chandigarh: Haryana Director General of Police Manoj Yadava said the Union Ministry of Home Affairs had allocated a total of 120 companies of security forces, including the Central Armed Police Force, state armed police, Indian reserve battalions and Border Wing Home Guards to ensure peaceful conduct of elections. **TNS**

Be polite, Cong tells its social media wing

Rohtak: The functionaries of the Congress social media wing have been advised to exercise restraint and use polite language while making their point on various online platforms. Rohtak MLA Bharat Bhushan Batra on Tuesday told them to talk of rampant corruption during the BJP rule, but in a dignified manner. **TNS**

Report on BJP govt inauthentic: Yadav

Chandigarh: Terming the performance certificates issued to the Khattar government by a so-called NGO conducting pre-poll surveys as a bundle of lies, Swaraj India national president Yogendra Yadav criticised the state government for its "desperation in disseminating propaganda" via an "inauthentic report". He said such baseless surveys were an insult to the feelings of the public which had been betrayed by the BJP. **TNS**

THE DAY AHEAD

Expect 2nd LSP list of nominees

Kurukshetra: The Loktantra Suraksha Party (LSP) will release its second list of election candidates on Wednesday in Kurukshetra. The party is likely to name 25 more candidates.

Khattar files papers from Karnal

Yogi praises him for abolishing nepotism | CM denies ill will among cadre over tickets

PARVEEN ARORA
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

KARNAL, OCTOBER 1

Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar, accompanied by his Uttar Pradesh counterpart Yogi Adityanath, filed his nomination papers from the Karnal Assembly segment on Tuesday.

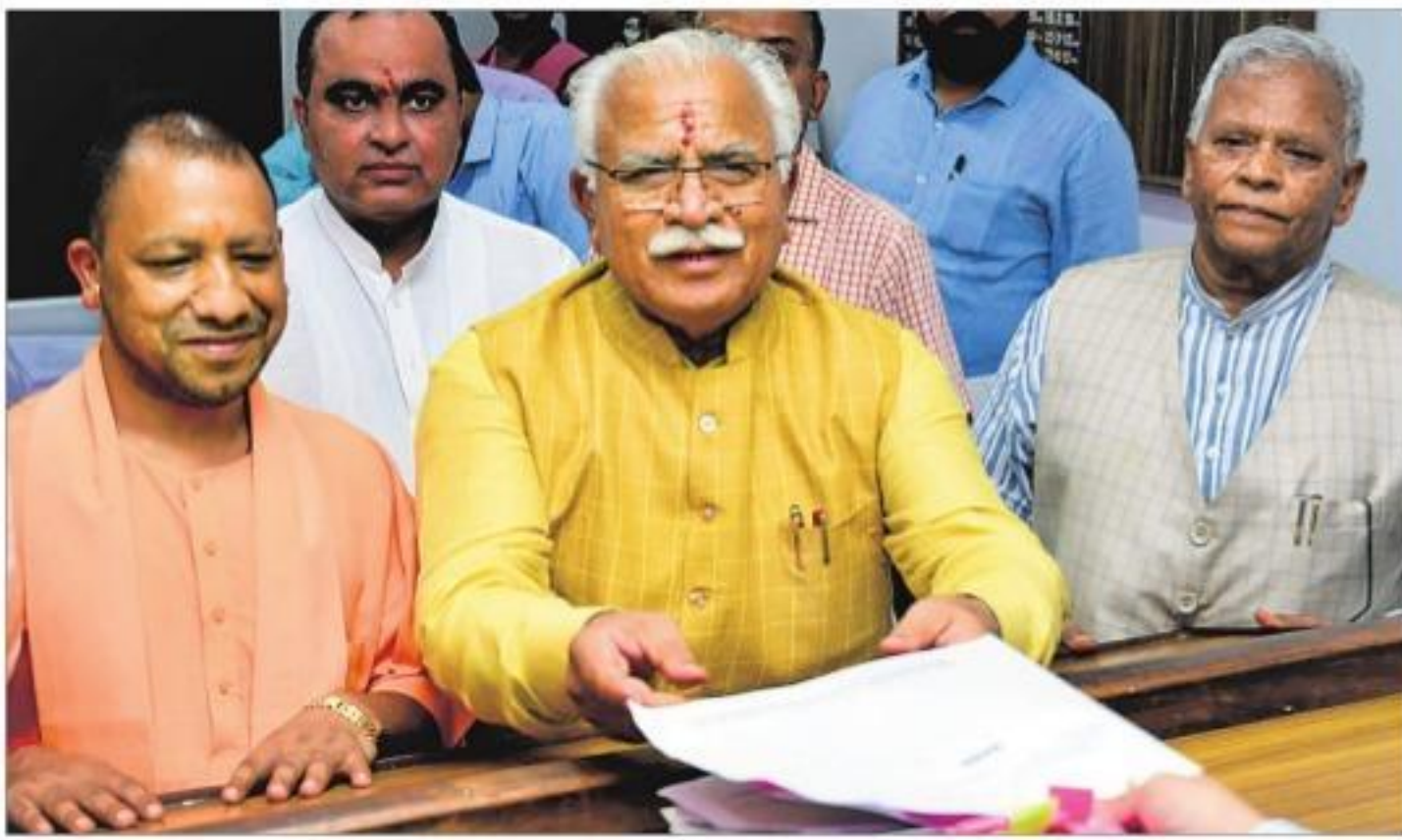
BJP leader Brij Gupta filed the nomination as a covering candidate for Khattar.

In the 2014 elections, Khattar had defeated two-time legislator Jai Parkash Gupta by a massive margin of 63,773 votes. This time, BJP workers have resolved to surpass one lakh votes in the victory margin.

After filing the papers, Khattar told the media that he was confident of winning by a bigger margin from last time.

While talking with media persons, Khattar showed confidence on his party workers and leaders and gave them the responsibility to look after his elections as he has to campaign across the state.

"People of Karnal showered me with blessings in the last elections. I am hopeful that this time too, they will ensure my victory with a thumping margin — more than the one recorded in



Manohar Lal Khattar files nominations from Karnal as Yogi Adityanath looks on. **PTI**

SAD chooses ex-BJP candidate for Kalanwali

The Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) on Tuesday announced the name of Rajinder Singh Desujodha as party candidate from the Kalanwali (SC) seat for the state Assembly elections. Desujodha had contested from Kalanwali as the BJP candidate in the 2014 Assembly polls and had received 17,005 votes. He stood third. **TNS**

2014," Khattar said.

To a query, Khattar denied resentment among party workers following the release of BJP's first list of nominees. "This time, the demand for BJP tickets was high. But par-

ty workers are disciplined and they know that only one person can be fielded from one seat. The leadership has talked to them," he said.

Adityanath, while addressing a gathering in

Sector 12 here, appreciated Khattar's working style and described him as an "honest" and "dedicated" Chief Minister who provided people of Haryana with corruption-free and transparent governance.

"Khattar has given a new direction to Haryana by abolishing nepotism and dynastic politics in the past five years," the UP Chief Minister said.

He and Khattar exhorted party workers to ensure BJP's victory on more than 75 seats.

MONEY METER

CM's assets up by 107%

₹1.27 crore TOTAL ASSETS

In 2014, his assets totalled to ₹61.29 lakh

He is unmarried and has no liability

The 65-year-old candidate graduated from Delhi University in 1975

₹94 lakh MOVEABLE ASSETS

This includes assets of ₹15,000 cash in hand and ₹93.86-lakh bank deposits

He neither owns a vehicle and nor gold jewellery

₹33 lakh IMMOVABLE ASSETS

He has inherited a 12-kanal property worth ₹30 lakh and a residential property of 1,350 square foot worth ₹3 lakh



Dushyant flanked by Satpal and Ishwar (R). **MUKESH AGGARWAL**

Congress ex-minister, former MP join JJP

RAVI S SINGH
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 1

Two senior Congress leaders, including former Cabinet Minister Satpal Singh Sangwan and former Rajya Sabha member Ishwar Singh, on Tuesday joined the Jananayak Janta Party (JJP) along with their supporters.

They joined the JJP in presence of its de facto head and former MP from Hisar Dushyant Singh Chautala

and other top party leaders. "The presence of two leaders will strengthen the JJP," Dushyant said.

Sangwan, a two-time MLA (elected in 1996 and 2009 elections) from Dadri in Bhiwani district and who has been a Cabinet Minister, said: "I have joined the JJP as I am impressed by Dushyantji."

Ishwar Singh joined the JJP along with his son Randhir Singh.

Capt Yadav clears field for son

Six-time Congress MLA decides not to contest poll

RAVINDER SAINI
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

REWARI, OCTOBER 1

After state Congress chief Kumari Selja and her predecessor Ashok Tanwar, another senior Congress leader and six-time MLA from Rewari Capt Ajay Singh Yadav has announced that he will not contest the Assembly elections this time.

His son and former president of the Haryana Youth Congress Chiranjeev Rao would be the Congress candidate from the Rewari segment in place of him. Yadav announced his son's candida-



Chiranjeev Rao

ture while interacting with the media here today.

"It's a transfer of responsibility and challenge. Chiranjeev possesses leadership skills. I hope he gets success and works for farmers and people from the deprived

sections," said Yadav, who is also the chairperson of the state Congress Election Campaign Committee. He said Chiranjeev would file his nomination on October 3 and former Bihar Deputy Chief Minister Tejasvi Yadav would be present on the occasion. Chiranjeev is son-in-law of former Bihar Chief Minister Lalu Prasad Yadav.

Yadav had contested the Lok Sabha elections from Gurugram and lost to Union Minister Rao Inderjit. Ever since, speculations were rife that he would field his son from Rewari.

Opium, smack new freebies, suspect Gurugram police

350% hike in seizures this year

SANJAY YADAV

7-kg opium seized

According to police records, over 7 kg of opium was seized this year in comparison to only 20 gm last year, registering a 350 per cent hike in seizures.

With the majority of seizures being done in the last two months, the police suspect that free drugs and free liquor are being used to woo voters.

1.79 kg this year. The smuggling of marijuana, which is conventionally the highest used drug in Gurugram owing to its party drug status, has reduced considerably. Compared to 619.95 kg last year, only 307.41 kg was seized this year.

"The drugs that have seen a hike in seizures are not the ones conventionally used in Gurugram, as they are not party drugs. Users of these drugs are primarily migrants or people from rural backgrounds. They form the major voter base in elections. The transit and trade of these drugs have increased, especially in the last three months. We have launched a special crackdown in the city and on borders to curtail smuggling," said a senior Gurugram police officer.

In what has set alarm bells ringing for the police, drugs, especially opium, seems to be the new "freebie" to woo voters. According to police records, over 7 kg of opium was seized this year in comparison to only 20 gm last year, registering a 350 per cent hike in seizures. With the majority of seizures being done in the last two months, the police suspect that free drugs and free liquor are being used to woo voters. A special crackdown has been planned and vulnerable areas, especially urban slums like Nathupur, Chakkarpur, Sector 9A, Rajiv Chowk, Naharpur Rupa, Firoz Gandhi colony and areas near the Dwarka expressway, Rajendra park, Surat nagar, and ghettos of Sohna, Manesar, Bilaspur, and Farrukhnagar have been put on vigil. According to the police records, there has been a massive hike in the haul of all drugs except marijuana. Only 1.13-kg charas/sulfa was recovered last year against 6.36 kg seized in the last two months. Smack seizure, which stood at only 31 gm last year, is 987 gm this year. Last year, the recovery of poppy husk was zero, but the figure stands at

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BJP names 125 in first M'ashtra list

Sena lists 124 seats it will contest | Sidelined, Khadse files papers from Muktainagar

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

MUMBAI/NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 1 Departing from their original plan to hold a joint press conference to announce the seats being contested by them in the Maharashtra Assembly elections, the BJP and the Shiv Sena today released their partial lists even as negotiations over several seats were still continuing. Sources said leaders of both parties were worried about disgruntled leaders flocking to the Congress and the Nationalist Congress Party should the announcement of

candidates be delayed further. While the BJP announced the names of 125 candidates, the Shiv Sena put out the names for 124 seats it would be contesting. The BJP and the Shiv Sena are still holding talks on carving up the remaining 39 seats which they will have to leave for several smaller parties such as the Republican Party of India (Athawale), Shiv Sangram, Rashtriya Samaj Paksh and the Rayat Kranti Sena. Fadnavis, the first BJP Chief Minister of the state, is seeking fifth consecutive term from Nagpur South

ON THE LIST...	
12 women candidates	
12 MLAs dropped	
52 legislators repeated	
NUMBER GAME	
288 House strength	
122 BJP 63 Shiv Sena	
Oct 21 voting Oct 24 results	

West, while Patil, a two-time Maharashtra Legislative Council member, will make his Assembly debut from Kothrud in Pune. The BJP has dropped 12 sitting MLAs and repeated 52. BJP general secretary Arun Singh the

BJP-Sena alliance is set to "return to power" with a "thumping majority". Both parties have accommodated defectors who switched over from the Congress and the NCP even as the names of several veterans were absent from their first lists. The BJP has given tickets to several prominent turncoats like former Leader of the Opposition Radhakrishna Vikhe Patil, Jaykumar Gore, Kalidas Kolambkar and Harshwardhan Patil who switched over from the Congress. Others like Shivendra Bhosale, Vaibhav Pichad,

Sandeep Naik and Ranajagitsinh Patil had moved to the BJP from the NCP. Dissent in the two parties is already coming to the fore soon after the announcement of the names of candidates. Former Maharashtra minister Eknath Khadse, who was sidelined by Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis, filed his nomination from Muktainagar after not finding his name in the list of candidates. At many places, Shiv Sena workers quit the party in large numbers after defectors and 'outsiders' were given tickets.

Kolkata ex-top cop gets bail

KOLKATA, OCTOBER 1

A Division Bench of the Kolkata High Court today granted anticipatory bail to former Kolkata (City) Police Commissioner Rajeev Kumar who is wanted by the CBI in connection with the Saradha chit fund scam case. The court said this was not an appropriate case for custodial interrogation. The court directed the former top cop to appear before the CBI whenever he was summoned and instructed the investigation agency to provide a prior notice of 48 hours to him. On Monday, CBI counsel YJ Dastoor had concluded his submissions opposing Kumar's pre-arrest bail plea



Rajeev Kumar

before the Bench comprising Justices Sahidullah Munshi and Subhashish Dasgupta. The Bench, which heard the proceedings 'in-camera', adjourned the matter for the day after the CBI lawyer concluded his submissions. Kumar's lawyers had concluded their arguments in favour of his pre-arrest bail plea on Thursday before the Division Bench.

A pre-arrest bail plea by Kumar was earlier rejected by the Alipore District and Sessions Court. The CBI has given multiple notices to Kumar, currently Additional Director General in the West Bengal Crime Investigation Department (CID), to appear before it for questioning as a witness in the scam. Kumar ignored most of these notices. On September 13, the HC vacated its order granting Kumar protection from arrest. The CID boss has been on the run ever since. With the today's ruling in his favour, Kumar, who is facing accusation of tampering with proof, may now re-surface from his place of hiding. — TNS

No in-camera trial in Malegaon blast case: Mumbai court

MUMBAI, OCTOBER 1 A special court in Mumbai on Tuesday refused to conduct an in-camera trial in the 2008 Malegaon blast case, in which BJP MP Pragya Singh Thakur is one of the accused. The court rejected an application filed by the National Investigation Agency (NIA) seeking for the trial to be held in-camera. Special NIA Judge VS Padalkar said conducting the trial in a "transparent manner" was among the reasons for rejecting the NIA's plea. He allowed media to cover the case with "certain restrictions". There should not be use of any electronic device and the matter be reported as per the factual position, the court said. — PTI

NRC must for nation's security: Shah

At a Kolkata rally, Home Minister warns no 'infiltrator' will be spared

SHUBHADEEP CHOUDHURY
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE
KOLKATA, OCTOBER 1 In a message that may allay fears of the Hindus, but rattle members of the West Bengal's Muslim community, Union Home Minister Amit Shah today said non-Muslim "refugees" from Bangladesh need not fear the National Register of Citizens (NRC). He said the NRC was "a must" for national security and would be implemented, but Hindu, Sikh, Buddhist, Jain and Christian refugees would be accorded Indian citizenship beforehand with the passage of the Citizenship Amendment Bill. "However, not a single infiltrator will be spared," he thundered. Though Shah did not utter the word "Muslims", it was obvious that by infiltrators he meant those among Muslims who might not have proper documents to prove their antecedents. Although there has been no official order regarding updating the NRC in West Bengal,



UPPING THE ANTE: Union Home Minister Amit Shah at a rally in Kolkata on Tuesday. PTI

DANGLES CITIZENSHIP BILL CARROT
Hindus, Sikhs, Buddhists, Christians and Jains, who came to India as refugees, would be accorded the status of citizens by getting passed the Citizenship Bill before the NRC exercise was undertaken, Shah said

DIVISIVE POLITICS WON'T WORK: DIDI
CM Mamata Banerjee said, "Everyone is welcome to our state and enjoy the hospitality of our people. But please don't profess any divisive politics... Don't create rift among people. It will not work in Bengal"

the omission of a large number of Bengalis from the final NRC list in Assam has created fear among the people here. There have been at least eight cases of suicide by people in panic. Shah, who announced that he had come to Kolkata to

clarify the party's stand on the NRC, said, "Mamataji has been telling people if the NRC is updated, millions of Bengali Hindus will have to leave West Bengal. No lie can be bigger than this. People of Bengal are being misled."

UP police chief orders drive to detect B'deshis

LUCKNOW, OCTOBER 1 Uttar Pradesh police chief OP Singh has asked all district units to run a campaign to detect illegal Bangladeshi migrants, in instructions issued amid the political row over the National Register of Citizens update in Assam. The police should then inform the state's home department, beginning the process of their deportation, a letter sent by the DGP to district police chiefs said. The letter said it had come to the notice that Bangladeshis were living illegally in the state and many of them have gone "missing". "In the present scenario, to strengthen the state's internal security, it is necessary to identify and verify Bangladeshis and other foreigners residing in the state," the DGP said. The DGP, however, told the media that the exercise is "routine", similar to the ones carried out in previous years. "It has nothing to do with the NRC," he said. — PTI

SC to hear Art 370 petitions on Nov 14

SATYA PRAKASH
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 1 The Supreme Court will take up on November 14 petitions challenging change in constitutional status of Jammu and Kashmir and its bifurcation, two weeks after the state gets divided into two Union Territories on October 31. While refusing to stay the bifurcation, a five-judge Constitution Bench headed by Justice NV Ramana today told the petitioners if it decided the case in their favour, it will turn the clock back and restore the original constitutional status of the state. The Bench, which also includes Justice Sanjay Kishan Kaul, Justice R Subhash Reddy, Justice BR Gavai and Justice Surya Kant, asked the Centre to respond in four weeks to the petitions challenging dilution of Article 370, abrogation of Article 35A and bifurcation of the state. It gave one week to the petitioners for filing of rejoinders. While posting the matter for further hearing on November 14, the Bench made it clear it would not accept any other petitions on the issue. "We can't have an unending process of filing of writ petitions in the matter. Whatever has been filed, has already been filed. It (filing of fresh pleas) must stop. sc Bench

Centre to reply in 4 weeks over challenge to J&K spl status change



'NO MORE PLEAS'

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'WON'T STAY BIFURCATION, MAY TURN BACK CLOCK'
SC refuses to stay bifurcation of J&K into UTs on October 31
But says it can turn clock back if decision in favour of petitioners
If needed, will ask govt to produce papers on scrapping spl status

DK Shivakumar's judicial custody extended till Oct 15

NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 1 A Delhi court on Tuesday extended till October 15 the judicial custody of Congress leader DK Shivakumar; arrested in a money laundering case by the Enforcement Directorate, and allowed the probe agency to quiz him in jail. Special Judge Ajay Kumar Kuhar sent Shivakumar to further 14-day judicial custody after the ED sought extension of his judicial custody. The court also granted permission to the ED to quiz him in Tihar Jail, where he is lodged, on October 4 and 5 after ED's Special Public Prosecutors said Shivakumar could not be quizzed properly since he had to be admitted to the hospital due to various ailments. — PTI

SC recalls 2018 order Summioned for murder that wasn't

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Bench headed by Justice Arun Mishra also did away with the requirement of preliminary enquiry for arrest, saying courts should not venture into sphere reserved for the Legislature. The Bench, which also included Justice MR Shah and Justice BR Gavai, however, chose not to recall the two-judge Bench's direction that said, "There is no absolute bar against grant of anticipatory bail in cases

under the Atrocities Act if no prima facie case is made out or where on judicial scrutiny the complaint is found to be prima facie mala fide." "Permission of the appointing authority to arrest a public servant is not at all statutorily envisaged; it is encroaching on a field which is reserved for the legislature. The direction amounts to a mandate having legislative colour which is a field not earmarked for the Courts," it said.

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was submitted, resulting in the summoning of Amarjit Singh and other petitioner-police officers. Justice Sangwan, during the course of hearing, was told that Hardeep, declared proclaimed offender in August 2010, was eventually arrested by Jagraon CIA staff and taken into custody. Justice Sangwan was also told that the impugned summoning order was passed on a complaint given by Nagin-

der Singh that his son was murdered by the accused-petitioners, though he was alive and arrested in connection with an FIR registered at Dehlon police station. Taking a note of the contentions, Justice Sangwan directed Ludhiana Commissioner of Police to file an affidavit after verifying whether Hardeep was the same person stated to be murdered by the petitioner-police officials. The commissioner confirmed that he was Hardeep

8 BJP 'rebels' in Hry fray

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be kept in mind once the elections are over. "We will ensure their 'maan-sammaan' (honour) after the elections," Khattar asserted. Sports stars Sandeep Singh and Babita Phogat faced the first banner of revolt with BJP leaders losing out on ticket announcing their candidature against them. While Swami Sandeep Onkar decided to file papers against Sandeep from Pehowa, another claimant Somvir Sangwan decided to take on Babita from Dadri. Party leader from Sirsa Gokul Setia held a meeting with supporters and expressed desire to contest as an Independent candidate. Pundri candidate Vedpal is also facing protest from party leader Ranbir Golan and sit-

ting MLA Dinesh Kaushik, who recently joined the BJP. Similarly, Nayan Pal Rawat said he would take on party candidate from Prithla Sohan Pal Chhokar. Sitting BSP MLA Tek Chand Sharma had recently joined the BJP in anticipation of party ticket. Trouble is also brewing in the party stronghold along the GT Road, with senior leader Sanjay Mehta deciding to take on Bakhshish Singh Virk (Assandh). SAD MLA from Kallianwali Balkaur Singh's entry into the party and allotment of ticket to him saw local leader Rajinder Desujoda announcing his candidature. Dejected at the party denying her the ticket and nominating Ramavatar Balmiki, Pooja Khatak, a ticket aspirant from Kalanaur, left the party today.

Curbs on J&K Oppn leaders go

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Raman Bhalla, under house arrest in Jammu, said he had not received any such communication from the authorities. "The security is still outside my house. The government does not want us to raise issues concerning privatisation of the power development department and additional toll tax plazas."

On the Birth Anniversary of Former Prime Minister Late Sh. Lal Bahadur Shastri Punjab Government Remembers and Vows to Emulate his Ideology of 'Jai Jawan Jai Kisan'

Balance between liberty...

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appearing for J&K administration, told a Bench headed by Justice NV Ramana that if mobile and internet facilities were restored, then fake WhatsApp messages would be circulated from "across the border", which might incite violence there.

Several petitioners, including Executive Editor of Kashmir Times Anuradha Bhasin, activist Tehseen Poonawala and Foundation of Media Professionals, through its president Paranjot Guha Thakurta, claimed that there was complete lockdown of communication networks and restrictions on movement of journalists. "There has to be a balance between personal liberty of a person and the national security," the bench said while dealing with a batch of nine petitions pertaining to restrictions in the Valley. —PTI

2.13 kg heroin seized by BSF

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Sources say post Article 370 abrogation, Pakistani agencies have once again shifted focus on the Punjab border. Not only attempts to push drugs through the river route have been stepped up, but efforts are also being made to drop arms in border pockets via drones.

As per information, the GPS-fitted drones are capable of lifting up to 10 kg load which can be air-

Cop shot by peddlers

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STF in a joint operation with the BSF, had seized five Kalashnikov (AK series) rifles, 10 magazines, 200 live 7.62 mm cartridges, an Australia-made pistol and 20 cartridges from the Mamdot sector of Ferozepur. The arms and ammo were wrapped in Urdu papers published in Pakistan.

Sharma said they received information that the gangsters were meeting at a dhaba near Jandiala. As a team

Terror plot...

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conductor of the bus, for questioning. Later, they were taken to Billawar to gather more information, sources said.

"We are trying to ascertain if it is explosive or not. I don't have much information as I was out on a tour. Only the officers concerned can give you a clear picture," said J&K Director General of Police Dilbag Singh. Jammu SSP Tajinder Singh said, "We are not in a position to say anything as yet as the matter is still under investigation."

CHANDIGARH RENEWABLE ENERGY AND SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY PROMOTION SOCIETY (CREST), CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION
(Under the Aegis of Department of Science & Technology & Renewable Energy)

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S.N./Tender No.	Details of Tender	Advertised Value	Tender Cost	Earnest Money	Validity of Offer	Period of Completion
1	124/2019-20 DRM-FZR Name of Work :- TWR (Through Weld Renewal) 45.00 Km, by using Road cum Rail Mobile Flash Butt Welding plant of old AT Welds from SL Km 305.00 to 322.00 and 336 to 364 on BTI-FZR section. Similar Nature of Work :- Welding of Rails with Mobile Flash Butt Welding plant	6,51,98,684.96/-	10,000/-	4,76,000.00/-	45 days	9 Months
2	125/2019-20 DRM-FZR Name of Work :- Various miscellaneous works associated with the maintenance of Track in the section of SSE/P/Way/BG/DHW under ADEN-I/PTK and provision of Land Boundary Posts in the section of DEN/HQ/FZR. Similar Nature of Work :- Any manual or mechanized track work involving CTR/TRR/TSR/deep screening/shallow screening/overhauling/de-stressing/raising/ending cropping of track etc, pre & post works/Track maintenance machines & TTR by T-28.	1,24,60,856.86/-	5,000/-	2,12,300.00/-	45 days	6 Months
3	126/2019-20 DRM-FZR Name of Work :- Supply, Installation and Maintenance of Hydraulic Type Track based Rail Lubricators over Firozpur Division. Similar Nature of Work :- NIL	22,83,969.00/-	3,000/-	45,700.00/-	45 days	03 Months

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Following amendment is issued in NIT No. 67 of 2019 dated 31.08.2019 floated by Police Hqrs J&K to procure BR Jackets:-

- QRs and TDs (Tender Specifications) mentioned in the above tender are replaced by BIS Standard IS - 17051 : 2018 (circulated by BPR&D, New Delhi vide letter No. 52/04/2018 Mod(w) Pt-1 dated 14.06.2019.
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- The BIS Standard - IS - 17051 : 2018 shall be collected from Provisioning Branch, Police Hqrs, Pirbagh Srinagar, J&K or J&K CID Cell, Harish Chander Mathur Lane, New Delhi by or before 07.10.2019 up to 1800 Hrs. After 07.10.2019 request for BIS Standard IS 17051 : 2018 will not be entertained.
- Earnest Money Deposition = **Rs. 16 Lakh** instead of Rs. 02 Lakh

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For Director General of Police, J&K Srinagar.
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Notice Inviting e-Tender No. DSWC-PTA-01/2019-20

Earthwork for Excavation of trenches for laying of Underground pipeline, Lowering and Jointing of 300 MM diameter RCC pipes, fixing of Air vent pipes, Risers, Pump Stand & Construction of Houli's at Village Bolar Kalan: (Outlet No.: 16000/R), Rorgarh: (Outlet No.: 210/R) & Kheri Mandla/Chamarheri: (Outlet No.: 14600/R) District: Patiala with estimated amount of Rs. 11.00 Lakh.

Last Date of Bid Submission: **16.10.2019**.

Corrigendum, if any shall be published on tendering portal itself.
For participation, please visit: <http://eproc.punjab.gov.in>

DPR/Pb/D6783 Sd/- Jasbir Singh, DSCO, Patiala.

HIMACHAL PRADESH I&PH DEPARTMENT
CORRIGENDUM

The Notice Inviting Quotation (NIQ) for Job No. 1 i.e. Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning and Maintenance of Digital Water Level Recorder (DWLRs) with Telemetry System, training to departmental staff along with all Software required for Operation, Data Retrieval, Data Storage and Warranty etc. complete in all respect under National Hydrology Project in Himachal Pradesh invited vide this office NIQ No. IPH-National Hydrology Project-CB-tender/NIQ-1340-1420 dated 09.08.2019 through press and further endorsed to various offices and contractors/firms which is schedule to be opened on 04.10.2019 at 11.30 a.m. is hereby postpone due to administrative reasons and now will be opened on 04.11.2019 at 11.30 a.m. All other terms and conditions will remain the same.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Hydrology Const. & Maintenance
Division, Shimla-4.

DPR/HP/398

HIMACHAL PRADESH PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
ADVERTISEMENT No. 15/2019
Dated: 2nd Oct. 2019

Online Recruitment Applications (ORA) are invited from desirous and eligible candidates for recruitment to various posts in different Medical Colleges of Himachal Pradesh Government. Online Recruitment Applications (ORA) can be filled up to 22nd Oct., 2019 till 11:59 p.m. (IST), thereafter link will be disabled. The detail of posts is as under:-

Sr. No.	Name(s) of post(s)/specialty	No. of Posts
1	Assistant Professor (Forensic Medicine)	01(UR)
2	Assistant Professor (Pathology)	01(UR)
3	Assistant Professor (Neurology)	01(UR)
4	Assistant Professor (Radiology)	01(UR)

Item No. (II) : Department of Health and Family Welfare, H.P.

Sr. No.	Name of the Post	No. of Posts
1	Deputy Government Analyst, Class-II (Gazetted) on contract basis at Drug Testing Laboratory Baddi, Distt. Solan, H.P.	No. of Posts = 02 (UR)

Note:- The candidates who have applied against advertisement No. 12/2018 dated 8th Dec. 2018 for the post of Deputy Govt. Analyst need not to apply again.

Item No. (III): Department of Ayurveda, H.P.

Sr. No.	Name of the Post	No. of Posts
1	Principal in College of Pharmaceutical Science, Joginder Nagar, Distt. Mandi, H.P.	No. of Posts = 01 (UR)

Item No. (IV): Department of Health Safety & Regulation under the Department of Health and Family Welfare, H.P.

Sr. No.	Name of the Post	No. of Posts
1	Drug Inspector in the department of Health Safety & Regulation, H.P. (on contract basis) Class-II Gazetted.	No. of Posts = 08 (UR=03, UR Ex-SM=02, Ward of UR Ex-SM=01, UR (EWS)=01 & ST=01).

The desirous/eligible candidates can apply online through Commission's website www.hp.gov.in/hppsc. Applications received through any other mode will not be accepted and will be rejected straightway. Essential qualification(s), eligibility conditions and examination fees etc., have been mentioned in the detailed advertisement and instructions for filling up online recruitment applications are available on the above referred website.

Note:

- The desirous/eligible candidates are advised to apply well in time without waiting for the closing date for submission of online recruitment applications (ORA) in order to avoid any inconvenience due to congestion on the above referred website on the last date.
- Provisionally admitted candidates will have to submit a printout/hard copy of online recruitment application(s) (ORA) along with self attested/attested copies of required certificates/documents in support of their eligibility as per essential qualifications for the concerned post(s) either by hand or by post within 07 days from the last date for closure of online application.

For more details, please visit website of H.P. Public Service Commission www.hp.gov.in/hppsc.

(Rakhi Kahlon) IAS,
Secretary,
H.P. Public Service Commission.
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Government of India

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Double whammy for basmati growers, exporters

Area under cultivation up, but exports fall sharply

Vijay C Roy

CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 1 It's a double whammy for basmati growers across the country. On the one hand, there is over 30% increase in area under cultivation, resulting in problem of plenty, on the other hand, blockage of consignments to Iran, a major importer of Indian basmati, has resulted in sharp decline in its prices.



ILLUSTRATION: SANDEEP JOSHI

STATE-WISE AREA UNDER CROP (IN '000 HECTARES)

Table with columns: State, 2018, 2019. Rows include Punjab, Haryana, HP, Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, J&K, Delhi, Grand total.

19, Iran accounted for 34% of India's basmati exports. "This year, basmati exporters to Iran are at the receiving end as their huge money is blocked in Iran, rendering them liable to heavy interest burden and stoppage of further shipments due to the uncertainty," said Kaul.

He said, "During the first four months of the current year, the exports to Iran were 4,96,908 MT, but in August the exports dropped drastically to 13,034 tonnes. The major cause for the fall in exports is not releasing of currency allocation to Iranian rice importers by the Central Bank of Iran since June 5, 2019. This has led to a large number of consignments exceeding 1,25,000 tonnes getting stuck at Iranian ports since early June this year."

The root cause of the problem is the US sanctions on imports of oil from Iran, which came to a halt from May 2 this year. "The exporters have to really work hard as the exports are already on the declining trend and their payments are stuck," said Vijay Setia, president, All India Rice Exporters Association. During April-July, exports to different countries were down by 9% i.e. by 1.42 lakh tonnes.

M&M to drive Ford's India biz

Acquires 51% stake in US firm's subsidiary for ₹657 crore

NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 1

Homegrown auto major Mahindra & Mahindra (M&M) today announced acquisition of majority stake in wholly-owned arm of Ford Motor Co (FMC) that will take over the automotive business of the US auto major in India.

The new entity will develop, market and distribute Ford brand vehicles in India. The JV will also sell both — Mahindra and Ford — cars in the high-growth emerging markets.

As part of the agreement, M&M will acquire 51% stake in a wholly-owned arm of the US auto major — Ardour Automotive Private Ltd — currently a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ford Motor Company

DEAL DYNAMICS

- The new entity will develop, market and distribute Ford brand vehicles in India. The JV will also sell both Mahindra and Ford cars in the high-growth emerging markets. The new venture will acquire the automotive business of Ford India Pvt Ltd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ford Motor Company, and has been engaged in the automotive business in India since 1995.



Our combined strengths — Mahindra's expertise in value-focused engineering and its successful operating model, and Ford's technical expertise, global reach and access to future technology — are a potent recipe for success. — Anand Mahindra, Chairman, Mahindra Group

Inc, USA, for around Rs 657 crore, the Indian firm said in a regulatory filing. The balance 49% equity shareholding in Ardour will be held by FMC and/or any of its affiliates, it added. M&M said it is committed to fund in the aggregate, for acquiring 51% stake and for

the future operations of the company, an amount not exceeding Rs 1,400 crore — which includes the likely investment of around Rs 657 crore for 51% in the JV. The new venture will acquire the automotive business of Ford India Pvt Ltd (FIPL), a wholly-owned

subsidiary of FMC, and has been engaged in the automotive business in India since 1995. The automotive business to be acquired includes vehicle manufacturing plants of Ford India at Chennai and Sanand. — PTI

GST mop-up declines to 19-mth low

NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 1

The GST collections dropped sharply to a 19-month low of Rs 91,916 crore in September, mirroring a widening slowdown in economy triggered by shrinking consumer demand.

This is the second straight month of decline in the GST collections. The tax collections at Rs 91,916 crore in September was lower than Rs 98,202 crore collected in August. — PTI

No need to panic, Indian banking system safe: RBI

MUMBAI, OCTOBER 1

The RBI today assured the general public that the Indian banking system is safe and stable and there is no need for panic based on rumours.

The RBI statement came on a day when the Nifty Bank index tanked by 1.30% in intra-day trade amid a barrage of negative news from the sector, including a deepening crisis at the PMC Bank.

"There are rumours in some locations about certain banks, resulting in anxiety among the

WTO slashes global trade growth forecast

The WTO on Tuesday sharply cut global trade growth forecasts for 2019 to 1.2% from the earlier 2.6%, mainly due to trade tensions and sluggish global economy

depositors. RBI would like to assure the general public that Indian banking system is safe and stable and there is no need to panic," the RBI said. — PTI

Auto sales continue to slide

NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 1

Major automobile makers, including Maruti Suzuki, Hyundai, M&M, Tata Motors, Toyota and Honda, today reported double-digit declines in domestic passenger vehicle sales in September as onset of the festive season failed to lift the ongoing slump in the auto industry.

Maruti Suzuki India said its domestic sales declined by 26.7% as compared to September 2018. — PTI

Government of Punjab NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS (B&R Works) The department of Municipal Corporation Ludhiana (B&R) invites online Double bids for 130 No. work as per schedule given below:-

ਦਫਤਰ ਨਗਰ ਕੌਲ, ਸੁਜਾਨਪੁਰ ਈ-ਨਿਵਿਟਿੰਗ ਸੱਦਾ ਸੁਚਨਾ E-tender No.: MC Sujapur/1/2019-20 ਈ-ਨਿਵਿਟਿੰਗ ਸੁਚਨਾ ਨਗਰ ਕੌਲ, ਸੁਜਾਨਪੁਰ ਵੱਲੋਂ 87.13 ਲੱਖ ਰੁਪਏ ਦੇ ਲੋੜ ਦੀ ਸਪਲਾਈ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਨਿਵਿਟਿੰਗ ਮਹੀਮਾ ਗਈਆਂ ਹਨ।

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NATIONAL FERTILIZERS LIMITED (An ISO-9001, ISO-14001 & OHSAS-18001 Unit) NOTICE INVITING TENDER Tenders are invited in Two Part Bid System, through e-tendering for following:-

Divisional Manager H.P. STATE FOREST DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED Forest Working Division Nigam Vihar, Shimla 171002 e-mail: dm-shimla@hpfdestco.in, Ph: 0177-2623806

PUNJAB MUNICIPAL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY (PMIDC), Punjab Municipal Bhawan (Department of Local Govt) Plot No.-3, Sector 35-A, Dakshin Marg, Chandigarh-160022 Punjab, India INVITATION OF BIDS

HIMACHAL PRADESH IRRIGATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT *NOTICE INVITING TENDER* The Executive Engineer, I&PH Division, Anni District Kullu (H.P.) invites tenders on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh from approved eligible contractors for the following work through offline process:-

NORTHERN RAILWAY OPEN TENDER NOTICE NO. 12/2019-20 Open Tenders through E-tendering are invited by Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer/G, Northern Railway, Ambala from the willing contractors for following work upto 15.00 hrs. on the date of closing shown against the work and will be opened thereafter.

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, ZIRAKPUR BRANCH NOTICE INVITING TENDER Tender Reference No..... The Department of Local Government of Punjab invite online bids for <Civil & other works>

National Highways Authority of India (Ministry of Road Transport & Highways) Pre-Qualification of Contractors for User Fee Collection for the period from 01.10.2019 to 30.09.2020 National Highways Authority of India invites applications from the interested bidders/ contractors for getting pre-qualified for user fee collection at approx. 230 number of fee plazas under NHAI.

CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT (ELECTRICITY WING) CORRIGENDUM Sub- Tender No. OP-1/18/2019-20 for Appointment of consultant for preparation of comprehensive Re-structuring of Electricity wing of Engineering Department including preparation of strategy transfer schemes etc along with overseeing its implementation as per scope of work defined in the bid document and to the entire satisfaction to the Engineer-in-Charge and defending the same before regulatory commission appropriate ministry department for its approval.

NORTHERN RAILWAY TENDER NOTICE Deputy Chief Material Manager's office Northern Railway, Jagadhri Workshop invites Tender for the supply & Fitment of Seats of II AC chair car against Tender No. 61195214D. Tender Closing date 30.10.2019 time 11:00 (A.M.) Details are available on www.reps.gov.in 3170/19 SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE

WANTED CASH REWARD RS. 25,000/- The General Public is hereby informed that persons shown in above photographs namely Ms. Amrita Sharma and Ms. Mahi Sharma are wanted in case FIR No. 253, dated 16.09.2018, U/S 364A, 324, 34 IPC added 307 IPC registered in Police Station IT Park, Chandigarh. Sincere efforts were done to arrest alleged Ms. Amrita Sharma and Ms. Mahi Sharma but said persons are avoiding their arrest knowingly.

NORTHERN RAILWAY E-TENDERING OPEN TENDER NOTICE NO. NT-22/UMB-2019-20 DATED 27.09.2019 Open tenders through E-tendering are invited by Sr. Divisional Engineer/Coordination, Northern Railway, Ambala from the willing contractors for following work upto 15.00 hrs. on the date of closing shown against the work and will be opened thereafter.

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Warholm wins 400m hurdles gold, Lasitskene wins 3rd high jump title

Avinash qualifies for steeplechase final

Gunners, United share spoils



A golden run

Norway's Karsten Warholm celebrates after winning the men's 400m hurdles final recording a timing of 47.42 on Monday. AFP

DOHA, OCTOBER 1 Norway's Karsten Warholm completed a perfect season by blazing to World Championships gold in the 400m hurdles on Monday while Abderrahman Samba finally gave the hosts something to cheer by claiming a bronze to secure Qatar's first medal.

The silky smooth Warholm, the second fastest ever over the distance, did not come close to Kevin Young's world record that many thought might fall but his time of 47.42 was good enough to ensure a successful defence of his title.

The Norwegian's great rival American Rai Benjamin, who was on crutches just two weeks ago suffering from a bruised heel, took silver in 47.66 while Samba delighted the home fans by grabbing bronze. Young's world mark is 46.78 seconds.

"It's easy to say afterwards that this was going to happen but I wasn't too sure to be honest," said Warholm.



Uganda's Halimah Nakaayi won the women's 800m final by clocking one minute and 58.04 seconds, a national record. AFP

Edris retains 5,000m title

Doha: Ethiopia's Muktar Edris won a thrilling battle over the last 200m to retain his title in the 5,000m at the World Championships on Monday. He outsprinted compatriot Selemo Barega in 12 minutes and 58.85 seconds and the Ethiopians were rewarded with gold and silver. Mo Ahmed took the bronze to win Canada's first-ever Worlds medal. REUTERS

"This was a very hard race, I had a pain in my chest, I thought I was going to die but here I am world champion. Norway is only a small country so to be showing up on the world stage is amazing." For the final event of the night the athletes were introduced with a spectacular light show worthy of a race expected to produce fireworks.

Nakaayi wins women's 800m

Ugandan Halimah Nakaayi pulled off an upset to win the women's 800m title at on Monday while favourite Aje Wilson was left with another bronze as she ran out of steam with 100m left.

Wilson, hoping to become the first American to win the

world title over the distance, led for most of the race but was overtaken by Nakaayi down the final straight as the Ugandan won in a national record of one minute and 58.04 seconds. Raevyn Rogers, another American, also sped past to take silver, leaving Wilson with the bronze she also won two years ago. — Reuters

Doha: India's Avinash Sable qualified for the finals of the men's 3,000m steeplechase under dramatic circumstances after he initially failed to make the cut despite bettering his own national record in an eventful race here today. Avinash clocked 8 minute 25.23 seconds, bettering his national record of 8:28.94, to finish seventh in the first round heat No. 3 and 20th overall out of 44 athletes who completed the race. But he was involved in two incidents during the race. The AFI later filed an appeal, saying that Sable was blocked twice and got a favourable decision. The incidents were triggered by reigning junior world champ Takele Nigate of Ethiopia. PTI

KEY RESULTS

- MEN'S 400M HURDLES:** Karsten Warholm 47.42sec (Norway)
- WOMEN'S 800M:** Halimah Nakaayi (Uganda) 1:58sec
- MEN'S 5,000M:** Muktar Edris (Ethiopia) 12:58:85
- WOMEN'S HIGH JUMP:** Mariya Lasitskene (Russia) 2.04m
- MEN'S DISCUS THROW:** Daniel Stahl (Sweden) 67.59m
- WOMEN'S 3,000M STEEPLCHASE:** Beatrice Chepkoech (Kenya) 8:57:84

Triple treat for Russia's Lasitskene

Doha: Mariya Lasitskene completed a superb hat-trick of high jump titles. The 26-year-old, one of only 30 Russian athletes allowed to compete under the authorised neutral athlete banner, took gold ahead of Ukrainian Yaroslava Mahuchikh on Monday. Lasitskene, the 2015 and 2017 champion, claimed the victory after clearing a height of 2.04m ahead of Mahuchikh. Vashti Cunningham of USA won the bronze. REUTERS

MANCHESTER, OCTOBER 1 Gabonese Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang's second-half strike, awarded by VAR, denied Manchester United a much-needed win to kickstart their season as Arsenal emerged from Old Trafford with a 1-1 draw.

Scott McTominay's stunning strike to give United the lead was a rare moment of quality in a poor first-half on Monday.

However, Ole Gunnar Solskjaer's men could not hold out for all three points as Aubameyang's goal just before the hour mark was allowed to stand despite the Gabon international being initially flagged offside.

United have now won just two of their last 12 Premier League games dating back to last season and sit 12 points adrift of leaders Liverpool just seven games into the campaign.

A point is enough to edge Arsenal back into the top-4 on goal difference and maintain their three-point advantage over United, who



Arsenal captain Granit Xhaka (C) gets a yellow card from the referee for a foul on Manchester United's Ashley Young. AFP

move up to 10th.

For many years the clashes between these sides were the Premier League's marquee fixtures. United and Arsenal were the champions of England for nine consecutive seasons between 1996 and 2004. However, the fact the were facing off a Monday night because neither are in Champions League action later this week was reflected in a first 45 minutes devoid of quality.

It took 28 minutes for either goalkeeper to be tested as Arsenal's Bernd Leno saved well low to his left to deny Andreas Pereira after a solo run. United have not scored more than one goal in any match since the opening day of the season and, even against an Arsenal defence that had conceded nine goals in their last four league games, looked toothless when not afforded space to counter-attack into. — AFP

Inter get ready for Barcelona

MILAN, OCTOBER 1 Antonio Conte has returned to Italian football in style with Inter Milan flying high under his back-to-basics guidance, ahead of a Champions League trip to Barcelona that will test the Serie A leaders' continental credentials.

Conte's side stretched their perfect league start to six wins from six for the first time in 53 years at the weekend with a 3-1 win at Sampdoria that came despite having to play most of the second half a man down.

They are two points ahead of fierce rivals Juventus as they await a top-of-the-table

clash at the San Siro on Sunday. Meanwhile, Inter head for Catalonia on Wednesday off the back of a shaky start in Group F, a 1-1 draw against Slavia Prague salvaged late after a below-par performance that contrasted sharply with their domestic form.

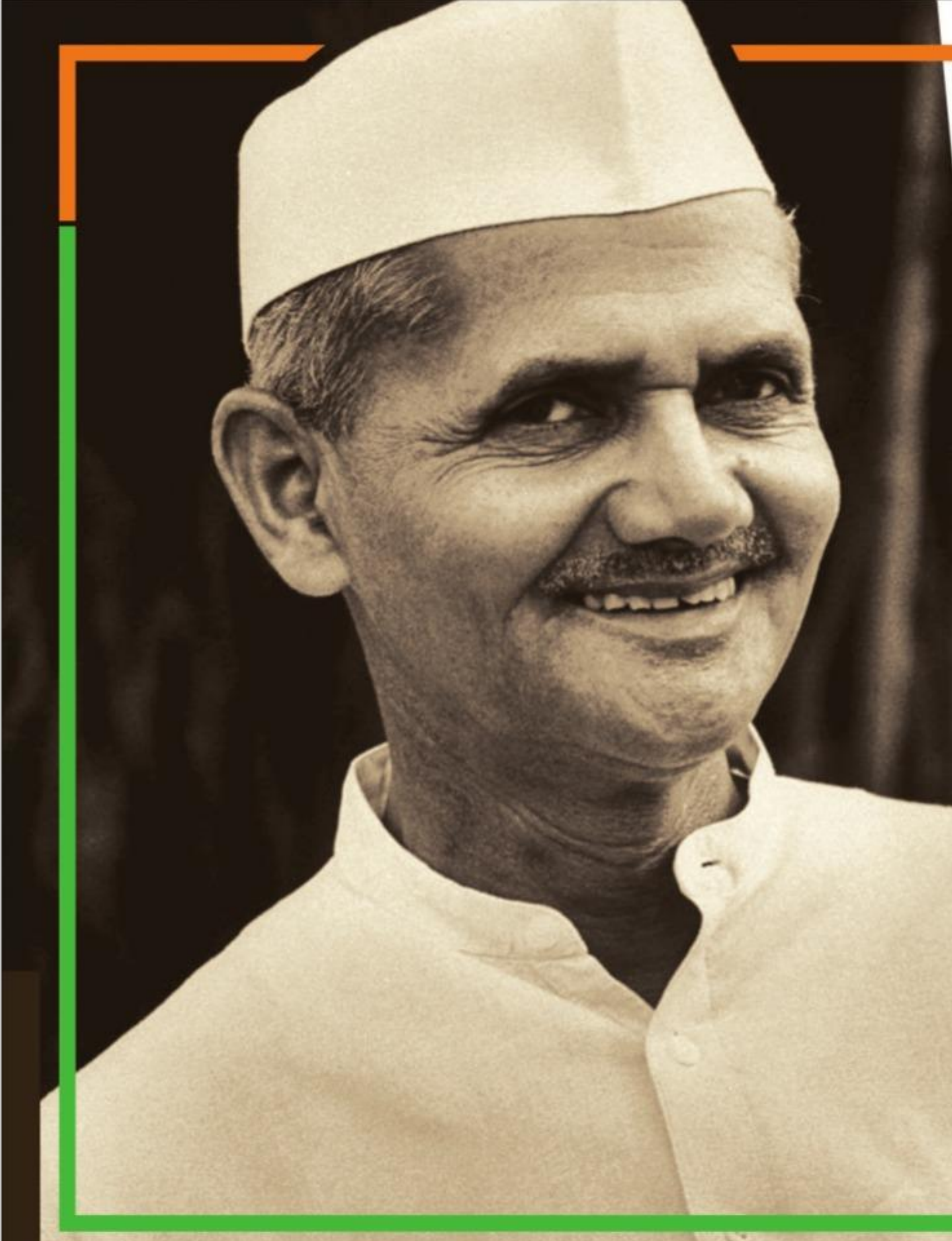
Conte — reportedly the highest-paid coach in Italy with a salary of €10 million a year — believes his side are flourishing because he simplifies the game.

"I am a coach who always gives a precise idea of football to his team. I seem to set the trend in tactics," said the former Chelsea and Juventus coach.

"My football has always been organised, we have an idea and work hard on a range of scenarios. Helenio Herrera was the last man to lead Inter to win six straight matches from the start of a league season back in 1966-1967, the three-time Serie A winner having also established them as a continental force with European Cup wins in 1964 and 1965.

Conte is bidding to claim the club's first league title since 2010, the year they won an historic treble under rival coach Jose Mourinho.

"We must now press the reset button, focus on Barcelona — AFP



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India pays obeisance to its former Prime Minister

Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Ji

(2 October 1904- 11 January 1966)

on his birth anniversary

“ We believe in peace and peaceful development, not only for ourselves but for people all over the world. ”

- Lal Bahadur Shastri

Ministry of Information and Broadcasting Government of India



Modi didn't endorse Trump candidacy: Minister

WASHINGTON, OCTOBER 1

Asserting that India has a non-partisan approach to domestic US politics, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar said Prime Minister Narendra Modi during his "Howdy, Modi" rally was merely referring to the phrase "Abki baar Trump sarkar" used by the US President's supporters during his 2016 campaign.

"No, he did not say that," the minister said on Monday when asked during a news conference with Indian journalists that Modi in his Houston address used the phrase

"Trump Sarkaar Again".

Currently on a three-day visit to Washington DC, Jaishankar strongly refuted the notion that the PM used the phrase to endorse Trump's candidature for his 2020 re-election campaign.

"I think, please, look very carefully at what the PM said. My recollection of what the PM said was that candidate Trump had used this (Abki baar Trump sarkar). So the PM is talking about the past. I don't think we should, honestly, misinterpret what was said. I don't think you're doing a good serv-

'PM WAS TALKING ABOUT PAST'

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S Jaishankar, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER

TEACH HIM DIPLOMACY, SAYS RAHUL

Thank you Mr Jaishankar for covering up our PM's incompetence. His fawning endorsement caused serious problems with Democrats for India. I hope it gets ironed out with your intervention. While you're at it, do teach him a little bit about diplomacy



Rahul Gandhi on Twitter

ice to anybody," he said in response to the question.

Addressing Indian-Americans in Houston on September 22, Modi said "we in India

have connected well" with Trump. "The words of candidate Trump, 'Abki baar Trump sarkar', rang loud and clear. And his celebration of Diwali

in the House—White House—lit up millions of faces with joy and appreciation," Modi had said amidst thunderous applause from the audience.

Chinook, Apache to debut on Air Force Day

October 8



CHINOOK Inducted in March, the CH-47F Chinook helicopter is made by US aerospace giant Boeing

- It enhances all-weather round-the-clock logistic capability, especially in mountains
- With a payload capacity of 11 tonne or 45 troops, it provides fillip to the IAF heavy-lift segment

APACHE It is the first attack helicopter from the US and by 2020, IAF will operate 22 of them; Army will get another six

- Customised to suit IAF's future requirements, it will have significant capability in mountainous terrain up to an altitude of 21,000 ft
- Capability to carry out precision attacks at standoff ranges & operate in hostile airspace. ms



Shift in Pak game plan as heads roll

SANDEEP DIKSHIT
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 1

Pakistan's reshuffle of its diplomats in crucial positions suggests its clash with India over the Kashmir lockdown will be relocated to world capitals after the curtain came down in the UN General Assembly's high-level segment in New York on Monday.

Constantly seen by Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan's elbow during the time he spent at the UN headquarters, Maleeha Lodhi was suddenly put out to pasture on Monday night. A Pakistan Foreign Office announced the

Diplomatic clash with India over J&K may shift to world capitals

replacement of its most high-profile diplomat this past week as part of several changes in the world capitals.

There is no official word over whether Lodhi's replacement happened because it was overdue or because of displeasure by the Pakistan PM. But there are two other equally intriguing changes — one is of the Pakistan Counsel General in Houston, the site of the hugely successful Howdy Modi rally,

and the second of the Permanent Representative in Geneva where Pakistan was unable to muster support for its resolution against India at the UN Human Rights Council.

Sources here said so far two threads have emerged after the frenzied diplomacy at the UNHRC and UNGA failed to meet Islamabad's expectations. The first: far from internationalising the dispute, India has simply been asked to take care of the human rights aspect while handling Kashmir. Second is the world community unanimous in asking Pakistan to keep cross-border terrorism in check.

By the way...



Google honours psychiatrist Herbert Kleber

New Delhi: Google Doodle on Tuesday honoured noted American psychiatrist Herbert Kleber on the 23rd anniversary of his election to the National Academy of Medicine, earlier known as the Institute of Medicine. Born on June 19, 1934, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in the USA, Kleber was a psychiatrist and substance abuse researcher. In 1996, Kleber was elected to the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Science. He passed away on October 5, 2018, at the age of 84. PTI

Now, e-visa for St Petersburg, Leningrad region

New Delhi: Russia will give e-visas to Indians visiting its cultural capital Saint Petersburg and the Leningrad Region and extend the facility for the rest of the country by 2021, official said on Tuesday. The facility starts from October 1 and can be availed by filling an e-application form and uploading a digital photo at least four days before the expected date of arrival in the Russian Federation. PTI

India's oldest chimpanzee dies in Delhi zoo

New Delhi: India's oldest chimpanzee, Rita, which had been battling old age-related health problems and was on a liquid diet, died at the Delhi zoo on Tuesday, officials said. "The 59-year-old chimpanzee had not been keeping well since July 27. She was not eating properly and had become frail," a Delhi zoo official said. Born on December 12, 1960, in an Amsterdam zoo and acquired by the Delhi zoo in 1990, Rita was the oldest chimp in India and probably the "oldest in Asia", according to the Limca Book of Records. PTI

Military commanders meet along LAC ahead of Modi-Xi summit

AJAY BANERJEE
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 1

Ten days ahead of the planned informal summit between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chinese President Xi Jinping, military commanders of both sides met at formal ceremonial border personnel meetings at five different locations across the Himalayas today.

The meetings were part of the "Chinese national day". Two such meeting points are in eastern Ladakh, two in Arunachal Pradesh and one in Sikkim. Modi, Xi will meet at

Militaries have been tasked to maintain peace along disputed frontiers in Himalayas

Mamallapuram, near Chennai, on October 11 and 12.

The tone and tenor of the militaries stationed along the Line of Actual Control (LAC), the de facto boundary running all along the Himalayan ridgeline, has been given new "directions" following the Wuhan summit (April 2018).

The militaries have been tasked to maintain peace along the disputed frontiers

in the Himalayas. It has been made clear that issues should be resolved at the local level and not allowed to fester.

Today's meetings were more of cultural exchange rather than the ones to resolve issues. India will host cultural meetings on Republic Day.

Since Wuhan, the two sides have discussed additional measures for peace along the 3,488-km LAC. This includes the need to keep interacting at unit level, commander level and have a standard protocol for meetings and interacting. The meetings along the LAC address multiplicity of issues all along the disputed frontier.

FATF can anytime blacklist Pak, says Rajnath

NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 1

The Financial Action Task Force (FATF) can anytime blacklist Pakistan for terror financing, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh said on Tuesday.

In August, the Asia Pacific Group of the FATF had put Pakistan in a terror 'blacklist' for its failure to curb funneling of funds to groups responsible for scores of attacks in India. The minister said excessive militarisation and focus on wrong policies without financial progress had resulted in a situation that Pakistan PM Imran Khan was not able to make arrangements for a flight to attend a global event. — PTI

Monsoon to continue till Oct 10: Met Dept

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Today is the first day of October and the four-month monsoon season that starts on June 1 officially ended yesterday. However, if the IMD's forecast and prevailing weather conditions in various parts of the country are any indication, the seasonal rain is not yet over.

The 2019 southwest monsoon is yet to complete its run for the year, says the IMD. The withdrawal, which officially starts from the northwest around September 1, is now expected around October 10.

The 2019 season is set to be counted among the most unusual and most uneven with several records and with many firsts. The most delayed withdrawal in the past years was recorded around 60 years ago (October 1, 1961) and more lately 12 years ago when the monsoon started retreating on September 30 in 2007.

As per the IMD, the 2019 southwest monsoon season ended with "above normal seasonal rain". Quantitatively, the rainfall was 110 per cent of its long period average, which is 88 cm. However the variation in 36 meteorological subdivisions is vast.

Passengers to be compensated for delay in Tejas

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Passengers of IRCTC's Delhi-Lucknow Tejas Express will be compensated in case of delays, the Railway subsidiary said on Tuesday, announcing a first-of-its-kind offer from any national carrier.

An amount of Rs 100 will be paid in case the delay is for over an hour and Rs 250 for delay of over two hours, the IRCTC said ahead of the launch of its first train. This latest offer is in addition to the Rs 25-lakh free insurance that will be given to passengers. This travel insurance also includes a Rs 1-lakh cover against theft and robbery during travel period of the passengers, again a first for those travelling on board trains.

The train will be flagged off on October 4.

Many countries over the globe compensate passengers for delays - some do so as monetary compensation and some in kind.

In countries like Japan and cities like Paris, a delay certificate is issued to passengers by railway companies as proof that a train arrived at a station later than stated in the company's scheduled timetable which can be shown in schools or offices for late admission at university exams. The certificate is issued when delays as little as five minutes occur. In the UK, rail passengers are entitled to get automatic compensation for delayed journeys. It is, however, not clear how IRCTC will calculate the compensation amount or disburse it. — PTI

Himachal Pradesh Panchayati Raj

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