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For FB post on Uddhav, man beaten, tonsured by Sena workers

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE MUMBAI, DECEMBER 23

SHIV SENA workers assaulted a man in Wadala and shaved his head after he called Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray bald in a Facebook post.

The incident took place Sunday, two days after 33-yearold Hiramani Tiwari, who works for a pharmaceutical firm, commented on Thackeray over his remark that the Delhi Police lathicharge on students of Jamia Millia Islamia University seemed to be a throwback to the days of Jallianwala Bagh.

Tiwari told police that soon after his post on December 20, his friend Prakash Hasbe, a Shiv Sena shakha pramukh in Wadala, asked him why he had posted such a remark. Tiwari said he immediately apologised to Hasbe, and called his post a mistake.

At 12.30 pm Sunday, two Shiv Sena workers showed up at Tiwari's home and told him that Samadhan Jugdar, a shakha pramukh in Wadala's Shanti Nagar locality, wanted to meet him. Police said the men took Tiwari to Jugdar who waiting outside a temple with an electric shaver.

A video of the incident shows a group of men assaulting Tiwari CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

JMM'S HEMANT SOREN TIPPED TO BE NEW CHIEF MINISTER

Jharkhand fifth state to slip out of BJP control in one year

Opp alliance storms to power; CM Raghubar Das loses to rebel Saryu Roy

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MANOJCG & ABHISHEK ANGAD NEW DELHI, RANCHI. DECEMBER 23

LESS THAN seven months after it stormed back to power at the Centre with its highest tally in the Lok Sabha elections, the ruling BJP was swept out of power Monday in Jharkhand by the coalition of the JMM, Congress and RJD led by their chief ministerial candidate and JMM leader Hemant Soren.

For the BIP, the defeat in Iharkhand is the loss of power in the fifth state in a year following the fall of its governments in Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Rajasthan and Maharashtra.

Chief Minister Raghubar Das, who was defeated by BJP rebel Saryu Roy in Jamshedpur East, submitted his resignation letter to Governor Draupadi Murmu as the JMM-Congress-RJD alliance won 47 seats in the House of 81. The BJP managed only 25 seats.

Of the 81 seats, JMM won 30, Congress 16, RJD 1, NCP 1, Independents 2, JVM (P) 3, CPI(M-L)(L) 1, BJP 25 and AJSU 2.

As the results came in, Hemant Soren said all alliance partners will meet to "strategise the future course of action". He thanked Congress leaders Sonia Gandhi, Rahul Gandhi, Priyanka Gandhi, RJD chief Lalu Prasad and his father Shibu Soren. The people of Jharkhand, Soren told reporters, had given a clear majority to the alliance, signalling

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IMM leader Hemant Soren with his father Shibu Soren in Ranchi on Monday. ANI

Voices within: No one heard feedback, 303 was a .303 rifle

LIZ MATHEW & RAVISH TIWARI NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

THE COMPREHENSIVE defeat of the incumbent BJP in Jharkhand Monday by the regional alliance of JMM-Congress-RJD comes amid an economic slowdown and a nationwide ferment over the new citizesnhip law and the NRC. It also follows a belowexpectation electoral performance in Maharashtra and Haryana — the party had to stitch up postpoll alliances to retain power in Haryana, and, in Maharashtra, it lost its ally Shiv Sena to the rival alliance after a failed bid at power.

One comfort for the BIP is the narrow difference in vote share while the JMM-Congress-RJD got 35.25 per cent of the vote, the BJP, fighting alone, got 33.5 per cent. CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

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Jagan latest CM to say no NRC, Opp pressure on Congress CMs

MANOJCG & SREENIVAS JANYALA NEW DELHI, HYDERABAD, DECEMBER 23

JOINING THE growing list of Chief Ministers opposed to a nationwide National Register of Citizens (NRC), Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy said Monday that NRC would not be implemented in the state. Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot and the Congress government in Chhattisgarh, too, declared that the new citizenship law and the proposed NRC would not be implemented in their respective states.

Hemant Soren, who is set to take over as the next Chief Minister of Jharkhand, too expressed reservations over the

The CMs of Opposition-ruled states West Bengal's Mamata

Political weight to

pushback

THE GROWING number of CMs against NRC adds significant political weight to the pushback. More so, since many of their parties voted for CAA. YS Jagan Mohan Reddy's rejection comes after the PM's dialling down the rhetoric on Sunday. The signal is clear: Opposition isn't convinced.

Banerjee, Punjab's Amarinder Singh, Chhattisgarh's Bhupesh Baghel and Kerala's Pinarayi Vijayan have already opposed both the CAB and NRC. The declaration by Gehlot came even as **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2** **CAA-NRC**



Lindenthal was scheduled to fly out late Monday night

Told to exit India for protesting: German student at IIT Madras

ARUN JANARDHANAN CHENNAI. DECEMBER 23

A GERMAN student in the Master's course in the Department of Physics at IIT Madras, part of a one-year exchange programme, has said that he was asked to leave the country "immediately" days after he attended protests against the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) and the proposed National Register of Citizens (NRC) in the campus.

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First official admission in UP: Bijnor man killed when police fired in self-defence

MANISH SAHU & KRISHN KAUSHIK LUCKNOW, BIJNOR,

DECEMBER 23

IN WHAT is the first admission of firing by Uttar Pradesh Police during the protests against the Citizenship Amendment Act in the state, senior police officers in Bijnor confirmed that a civilian Mohammad Suleman, 20, died after he was shot by constable Mohit Kumar in "self-defence".

"One cartridge was retrieved from Suleman's body. The ballistic report confirms that this was shot from the service pistol of



Akbari Khatoon, mother of Mohammad Suleman who was killed in Bijnor. Abhinav Saha

Mohit Kumar. Mohit Kumar also suffered a bullet injury. The bullet taken from Mohit Kumar's

stomach was found to be shot from a country-made weapon, **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

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In the widespread protests against the Citizenship Amendment Act, many outside the Northeast are looking at it in combination with a proposed nationwide NRC. Why does that worry so many people, particularly Muslims? How will Indians prove citizenship?

VIDEO OF THE DAY



JHARKHAND ELECTION **RESULTS**

Hemant Soren comes out of father Shibu Soren's shadow

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NEW CHAPTER FOR JHARKHAND: SOREN

Congress-JMM-RJD alliance has pulled ahead of the ruling BJP

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In today's episode of the 3 Things podcast, we unpack the results, discuss what led to BJP's loss and what it means for the party

decision to take part in protests,

said I was uninformed, that I should not have attended protests

when I didn't know what I was

protesting about. I disagreed. I

replied that it was all about basic

human rights of people...The con-

versation was not aggressive, l

was moderate in my answers and

Bar said it "extends solidarity and

gratitude to Jakob for being part

of struggle to protect the rights of

people in this country and his

love India but I am concerned

about illiberal extremes in the

country...In Germany, nobody is

ever evicted for participating in a

legal demonstration," Lindenthal

Bhaskar Ramamurthy said he

was out of station and did not

know about the incident. When

contacted by *The Indian Express*.

both K Sethupathi, head of the

Department of Physics, and S

Sivakumar, Dean of Students, said

they were unaware of the "inci-

dent" involving Lindenthal

Sources said an ITT official had sent

a report about Lindenthal's par-

ticipation in the protests to

"higher-ups." Asked about this,

Sivakumar said he wasn't aware

he was unaware of Lindenthal's

case, told The Indian Express that

if the German student had at-

tended a protest, it was a "clear case" of violating visa rules for for-

A senior FRRO official, saying

of such a report.

When contacted, IIT Director

"I do love the IIT-M campus, I

concern for humanity."

said.

In a statement tonight, Chinta

explained my views," he said.

Cong pulls back invite for event to Kerala Governor over remarks on CAA

SHAJU PHILIP THIRUVANANTHAPURAM,

DECEMBER 23

THE KERALA Congress Monday pulled back the invitation extended to Governor Arif Mohammed Khan for a commemoration event in the memory of former chief minister K Karunakaran. The party said it took the stand against Khan because of his stand on the new citizenship law.

Backing the amended Act, the Governor had stated that the new Act fulfilled a promise made by Gandhi and Nehru to the non-Muslims who were left in Pakistan after partition.

On Monday, Khan tweeted the communication from the office of Leader of the Opposition Ramesh Chennithala asking him keep away from the event. "Our democracy allows freedom of speech and right to dissent and protest peacefully. But democracy requires room for debate as well. We may firmly adhere to our views, but need not shut the door to opinions different from ours,' Khan added in another tweet.

"However, I have respect for all who differ with me and I again extend an invitation to them to Raj Bhavan for discussion...," he said in the third tweet. Earlier in the day, senior

Congress leader Karunakaran's son Muraleedharan had taken strong exception to the governor's remarks. Muraleedharan said the governor was implementing the RSS's agenda and his party would be forced to boycott the Governor, if he continued to adopt that stand.

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Jagan on NRC

there was pressure on the Congress leadership to askits CMs to take a position on the new citizenship law and the NRC. Addressing a Congress protest

in the national capital, Gehlot declared that his government will not implement the new citizenship law and the NRC. His Madhya Pradesh counterpart Kamal Nath, however, was silent on the NRC even as he said that his government would not implement CAA. "The Madhya Pradesh govern-

ment rejects this law...we will not abide by it," he said. Chhattisgarh minister TS Singh Deo, on behalf of Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel, said the CAA and NRC will not be implemented in his state either. Senior JD(U) leader Prashant

Kishor, who nudged Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar to take a position against the NRC, urged other Opposition chief ministers especially those from the Congress to take a clear position on the NRC. Talking to The Indian Express, he said: "It is important for the Congress leadership to announce that Congress-ruled states will not implement CAA-NRC under any circumstances." "Having called CAA-NRC un-

constitutional, the Congress can't let its state governments implement CAA-NRC especially when it is clear that the only effective way to stop the implementation of CAA-NRC is to ensure that most of the non BIP Chief Ministers say no to CAA-NRC in their states. More than six non-BJP Chief Ministers have said no to NRC in their respective states. However, while many of the Congress Chief Ministers have spoken against CAA-NRC, except for Amrinder Singh of Punjab, no other Congress Chief Ministers has officially declared that they will not implement CAA-NRC in their states," he said.

Gehlot said the BJP had no role in making of the Constitution. "On

one hand, the Prime Minister is misleading the entire country on NRC by saying that there was no discussion....on the other hand his Home Minister had been shouting for four months that NRC will be implemented in every state...they want to divide the country in the name of religion..their agenda is that of the RSS...their agenda is to turn the country into a Hindu rashtra....in

Rajasthan...we will neither imple-

ment the new citizenship law nor

the NRC...they are against the ba-

sic principles of our Constitution,"

In Ranchi, Soren said he will decide on implementing CAA and NRC after studying the issue in detail. "But prima facie it seems that like during demonetisation people will be forced to stand in queues....will people work or stand in queues for documents to prove their citizenship," Soren told

News18 after the elections results.

The statement by Reddy and Gehlot came a day after Prime Minister Narendra Modi sought to allay concerns amid continuing protests across the country against the new citizenship law. Contradicting his ministers and party leaders, Modi said on Sunday that his government had not held any discussions on a pan-India NRC yet.

Speaking at a function to lay the foundation stone for Kadapa Steel Plant at Sunnapuralla Palli, Jagan said: "My minority brothers are asking me to make a statement on NRC. I am making it clear that we will oppose the NRC in our state. We will not support it... **Deputy Chief Minister Azmath** Basha has already stated earlier that any move that is against the interests of Muslims will not be supported. We will stand by the minorities."

The YSR Congress Party (YS-RCP), which has 22 members in Lok Sabha and two in Rajya Sabha, voted for the Citizenship (Amendment) Bill in Parliament.

Last week, Nitish and Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik said the NRC would not be implemented in their states. Both the JD(U) and BJD had supported the CAB in Parliament. Earlier, senior ID(U) leaders Pawan Verma and Kishor had criticised their party for supporting CAA.

Lok Janshakti Party president Chirag Paswan — also an ally of the BJP — spoke out against the NRC last week. Some ruling parties in states — like the Telangana Rasthra Samithi (TRS) in Telangana and AAP in Delhi have also criticised a nationwide NRC. The TRS and AAP also opposed the CAB in Parliament.

So far, eight ruling parties the Congress, Trinamool Congress, BJD, JD(U), CPI(M), AAP, TRS and YSRCP — have opposed a nationwide NRC. Together, they are in power in 12 states — Punjab, Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Puducherry, West Bengal, Odisha, Bihar, Kerala, Delhi, Telangana and Andhra Pradesh. Prime Minister Modi, meanwhile, came under fire from several opposition parties over his remarks on the NRC at his speech at the Ramlila ground Sunday.

The CPM called Modi's speech a "bundle of untruths." NCP chief Sharad Pawar expressed surprise at Modi's comment and said President Ram Nath Kovind had talked about the government's plan to implement the NRC across the country in his joint address to Parliament. And that Home Minister Amit Shah had also spoken on the NRC in the Rajya Sabha.

"Now to say there was no discussion on this (NRC in the Cabinet) is not right...I think the government has failed on every front. To divert attention of the public at large from such a situation, they are raising such issues and giving such speeches. Beyond that, there is nothing in it," he said

Bijnor

Sanjeev Tyagi, Superintendent of Police, Bijnor, told *The Indian*

Fifth state to slip out of BJP control the victory in Iharkhand, com-

the "start of a new chapter" which will be "a milestone". "I promise people of every community that their hopes will not be broken," he said.

Congress president Sonia Gandhi, in a statement, said: "The victory is special and of extreme contemporary importance, and the people of Iharkhand deserve special gratitude and congratulations for summarily defeating the BJP and its divisive agenda. With this mandate, the people have defeated BJP's attempts to divide the society on caste and religious lines."

Prime Minister Narendra Modi greeted Soren on the victory of the alliance. "Congratulations @HemantSorenJMM Ji and the JMM-led alliance for the vicBest wishes to them in serving the state. I thank the people of Jharkhand for having given @BJP4India the opportunity to serve the state for many years. I also applaud the hardworking Party Karyakartas for their efforts. We will continue serving the state and raising people-centric issues in the times to come," he said on Twitter.

tory in the Iharkhand polls.

BJP president Amit Shah, in a Twitter post, said he respected the mandate of the people of Jharkhand. He too thanked his party workers. Chief Minister Raghubar Das took the blame for the loss

Union Home Minister and

of Jharkhand. "It is not BJP's defeat, it is my defeat," he told reporters.

For the Opposition phalanx,

ing as it does after the improved Congress showing in Haryana and the unexpected turn of events in Maharashtra where the BJP eventually lost power, has come as a big boost. The verdict sends out a signal, again, that the image of Prime Minister Modi, despite his popularity, has limitations as a mascot when it comes to state elections.

The BJP has not won a single big state conclusively in the last one year. While the Congress had routed it in Chhattisgarh and defeated it narrowly in Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh in December 2018, the BIP could not cross the half-way mark in Haryana where it was in power and failed to form the government again in Maharashtra. It suffered humiliating defeats in Odisha and Andhra Pradesh which went to polls with Lok Sabha earlier this year. The big signal — the BJP, as an incumbent in states, struggles to return to power. The BJP now governs just

35 per cent of the country's landmass as against over 71 per cent during its peak in 2017 when it was in power in all the heartland states.

The Jharkhand verdict is particularly infuriating for the BJP central leadership because Modi and Shah, like in Haryana and Maharashtra, had campaigned extensively, raising national issues like the Ram temple, abrogation of J&K's special status and even the new citizenship law and the proposed nationwide NRC.

Voices within: No one heard feedback

However, adding insult to the party's injury was the loss of its stars: CM Raghubar Das lost Jamshedpur East to Saryu Roy who had walked out of the party on the eve of elections; state party chief Laxman Gilua lost in Chakradharpur and outgoing Speaker Dinesh Oraon lost his Sisai seat.

BIP leaders were quick to distance Prime Minister Narendra Modi from the verdict — they admitted the debacle was a setback but quickly added that had it not been for the Prime Minister, the BJP's tally would have been lower.

Said R Balashankar, member of BJP Central Committee on Training and Committee on Publications: "There is no indication that Modi's popularity is on the wane. The defeat is because of local issues...It's not enough to have a popular Prime Minister but we also need regional leaders who can pull in votes." Pointing out that area under BJP rule has shrunk in half, Balashankar said: "Before and after these elections, BIP won with a clear majority in the Lok Sabha. This means regional leaders are not complementing PM's popularity, they are not able to convince voters that local issues can be addressed better under their leadership."

At the same time, there is a section in the party that faults the central leadership for its "adamant stance" on ticket distribution and its reliance on Chief Minister Raghubar Das, who, they argue, had become deeply unpopular. The leadership, these leaders said, discounted this feedback as "resentment" against the Chief Minister.

"After winning 303 seats in Lok Sabha, we have started walking and staring down everyone and anyone with our 'three naught three' (rifle). Flaunting Article 370, Ayodhya, CAA, as ideological successes, my way or the highway has been the approach of the leadership," said another ruling establishment functionary as he explained why feedback within isn't as honest as it should be. "That the CM was a liability was made obvious directly or indirectly by the state unit but this was never taken seriously by the leadership."

At least three senior BJP leaders said the leadership was

prospects" of the party in Iharkhand where it could never win a simple majority on its own. "There were internal re-

aware of the "not-so-bright

ports about the Chief Minister's (Raghubar Das) unpopularity. But the leadership felt that changing the CM in the last lap would have signalled admitting failure to voters,' said a senior party leader. If the CM's chemistry was a

problem, so was the arithmetic, say leaders.

Balashankar said the party did not fight in a coalition while it was in government for five years in alliance with the AJSU. "If they had fought together they would have won. It was perhaps foolishness from our side not having the alliance," he said.

Agreed Sanjay Seth, party MP from Ranchi. "It's a setback. But we have worked hard. While we did not have allies, leading to a split in our votes, the Opposition was united, Seth told The Indian Express.

BIP sources recalled how the party's political tactics and ideological push both have been counter-productive. The and cow-related issues, party leaders said, also alarmed Christian tribal communities.

below par performance in Maharashtra and Haryana, the party leadership would wake up to the risks of pitchforking Raghubar Das. But it did not happen," said a party functionary who was closely involved with election spadework.

Delhi can't put all the blame on Das's door.

choice of a non-dominant community CM in Raghubar Das, party leaders said, doesn't seem to have worked as his policy decision on reform in land tenancy laws was seen as favouring non-tribal communities that antagonised tribals who constitute over 26 per cent of the population. Das's ideological push on conversion

eigners staying in India. "If there is a violation, the institution is "We thought that after the bound to report the matter to authorities...FRRO comes much later in issuing a letter to leave the country with immediate effect...This isn't the same as deportation. His visa may be cancelled soon," the official said. "A security official accompanied me to the security gate at the airport as they knew about my

"The party leadership kept its eyes and ears shut after choosing the CM. They believed the CM knows all. With this support, the CM was out to finish the local leadership of the party. Saryu Roy is just one example," said a BJP Lok Sabha member from the state suggesting that the leadership in

Sena workers

said.

before Jugdar shaves off much of his hair. Jugdar warns Tiwari against writing anything defaming the Shiv Sena on social media. He can be heard saying that Tiwari has been taught a lesson and anyone insulting Thackeray will be dealt with similarly by the Shiv Sena.

trip," Lindenthal said. "I will be in

Europe Tuesday morning," he

Within minutes, police reached the spot and took Tiwari and Jugdar to Wadala TT police station. Neither man pressed charges on Sunday.

On Monday morning, Tiwari realised that the video of his humiliation had been uploaded on Facebook. He then lodged a complaint of assault and defamation against Jugdar with police. Jugdar also lodged a complaint against Tiwari for defaming Thackeray,

police said. Tiwari told The Indian Express that he wanted to put the episode behind him after tendering the apology. "I told the men that I had made a mistake. There was a lot of pressure on me to do so. The Shiv Sena can behave this way because it is in power and controls the police department. I do not understand why they have not registered an FIR. Police have given me protection because I am still facing a lot of pressure from

He said he had been assured Sunday by Jugdar and his colleagues that they had deleted the video of his head being shaved. "But once they posted the video online, I had to to something," he said.

While police said Jugdar was

the party," he said.

a shakha pramukh, the Shiv Sena distanced itself from the incident. A Sena functionary said "We have identified the people involved in the incident. They are not office-bearers of the party. There seems to be a conspiracy to malign the party."

Suleman was in his final year of graduation and was preparing for UPSC exams at his maternal uncle Anwar Usmani's place in Noida. He had come to Nehtaur since he was down with high

Mohit Kumar is attached with Bijnor Police's Special Operation Group (SOG). On Friday, he was deployed in Nehtaur police station area for security arrangement.

He is currently undergoing treatment at a private hospital in Bijnor. Doctors said his condition was critical.

As many as 26 persons including 20 policemen were injured in the violence last Friday. While Suleman and another person Anas, 21, died, Mohit Kumar and three other policemen including Rajesh Singh Solanki, Station House Officer, Nehtaur police station, suffered bullet injuries. The Nehtaur police station has lodged three FIRs based on Friday's incidents, naming 35 persons and several others who remain

According to Bijnor police's initial report, the mob snatched one Sub-Inspector Ashish's service pistol during the protest. Seeing this, a few policemen including constable Mohit Kumar chased the mob. "When Mohit got close to Suleman, the latter opened fire with his country-made pistol. A bullet hit Mohit's stomach. In reply, Mohit also fired from his service pistol and the bullet hit Suleman's stomach," said Tyagi.

unidentified.

The police, however, did not find any weapon on Suleman. Neither have the police been able to locate Ashish's service pistol.

The police recorded statements of other policemen, then present at the spot, and local residents to verify the information. "Preliminary investigation revealed that Mohit shot Suleman in 'self defence.' The investigation of the case is still on," said Tyagi.

Suleman's family, however, said he was returning from a mosque after offering namaz when the police picked him up. They took him into a lane near a madrasa and shot him. When the family reached the spot, Usmani claimed, they were not allowed to take the body. The police took it straight to Bijnor for the post mortem. "When the family reached Bijnor, they were sent back and called again at 11 the next morning," he said.

Suleman's elder brother Shoaib Malik said he faxed a complaint on Monday to SP SanjeevTyagi, and Ramit Sharma, Inspector General, Moradabad Range, requesting an FIR be lodged into his brother's murder. The police said they were yet to receive a complaint. "If Suleman's family files a complaint, we will look into the matter legally," said

The family of Anas, 20, who also died in the violence, said he had stepped out to get milk for his seven-month old son when the police shot him from more than hundred meters away. He was the eldest son of Arshad Hussain, a tailor, and worked as coffee and juice maker with caterers at local

According to Risalat Hussain (brother of Arshad Hussain), his nephew Anas was shot in front of his house around 3:30. "There were no protests in these lanes where Anas was shot," he said, and claimed that the police was forcing them to write that Anas was part of the protests.

Both Anas and Suleman have been buried on Saturday in villages 20 kilometers from Nehtaur.

German student

Speaking to The Indian Express from the Chennai airport shortly before his scheduled flight home Monday night, Jakob Lindenthal said he received "oral directions" to leave India from the Foreigners Regional Registration Office in (FRRO) in Chennai around noon.

Lindenthal was in Bangalore for the past few days participating in a "sports tournament" when, he says, he received the first email from FRRO.

During a protest in Chennai against the CAA and NRC, he had carried a poster that said: "1933 to 1945; We Have Been There" (a reference to the Nazi regime in Germany).

"After I reached Chennai this morning, my course coordinator advised me to meet immigration officials immediately. When I reached there, they cited some administrative issues related to

my residential permit in India. After I resolved their queries and it was clear that there were no issues regarding my residential permit, they started asking me about my politics and hobbies. It was an extensive casual conversation. They asked about CAA and my participation in anti-CAA protests. We discussed the demonstration culture. There were three officers including one who asked me all questions. All of them were unnamed. Towards the end of the conversation, they said I may have to leave the country immediately for violating my student visa rules. When I asked for a written letter, they returned my passport and said that I may leave. They said I will get the written letter but I did not receive one. Soon, I rushed back to IIT campus, booked my ticket, packed everything and left for the airport," he said. "I received a call from an offi-

cial in the Dean's office. She suggested that I may leave tomorrow. Since it is going to be Christmas eve tomorrow, I chose to leave immediately," said Lindenthal, adding that he was yet to inform his parents.

Hailing from southern Germany, Lindenthal, halfway in the IIT programme, said that questions about his participation in protests also included his proximity to a Marxist group, Chinta Bar, which organised the protest in IIT-M.

"I distanced myself from all such groups, I explained. At one point, the officer, referring to my

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FIRE STARTED IN GODOWN BELOW RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

3 children among 9 dead in Rohini blaze

DFS officials not told building had godown, led to delay in rescue

JIGNASA SINHA NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

NINE PERSONS, including three children, died Monday after a fire broke out inside a three-storey building in Rohini, which housed a cloth godown on the ground floor. The building is located in an unauthorised colony, and the blaze is believed to have begun from the godown.

The Delhi Fire Services (DFS) deployed nine fire tenders and pulled out 12 persons from the building, of whom only three survived.

DFS director Atul Garg said, "We received a call about a fire inside a house around 12.30 am. When we reached the spot, we found a godown that was gutted. Firemen along with the locals rescued three persons from the rooftop. The deceased were on the first and second floors."

A DFS officer said, "We were told the fire was in a house. After we saw the godown, extra fire tenders were called in. This delayed rescue. The building had a single entrance. Due to the explosion of a cylinder on the second floor, half of the staircase was damaged and couldn't be accessed. We entered the building through the neighbour's house. The raw material in the godown created a lot of smoke and it was difficult to control the fire. The fire was doused at 3.50 am."

The building is owned by an accountant named Amarnath Jha, who lived on the second floor with his family but was reportedly in Haridwar at the time of the incident.

"Prima facie, the fire started due to a short-circuit on the ground floor and spread upwards. A cylinder exploded on the sec-



Firemen rescued three people from the terrace

ond floor and a portion of the wall collapsed," an officer said.

A family had been staying on the first floor on rent. The victims on the first floor were identified as Udaykant Chaudhary (33), his wife Muskan (26) and children Anjali (10), Adarsh (7), and a sixmonth-old baby, Tulsi. The family died due to burn injuries and asphyxiation, said doctors.

Chaudhary, Pankaj Udaykant's uncle, said, "He had attended the Prime Minister's rally at Ramlila Ground on Sunday. I received messages from him until midnight. Everything was fine. I am in

There were seven people on the second floor when the fire broke out. Three of them managed to survive after rushing to the roof. Amarnath's parents Ram Chander Jha (65), Sudaraya Devi (55), and his sister-in-law Saniu Iha (36) were found dead in one room, while Sanju's mother Guddan (52) was found dead in another.

Amarnath's wife Pooja (24) their daughter Aradhya (3), and Sanju's daughter Somya (10) managed to reach the terrace.



A case was registered against unknown persons under various sections. Photos: Praveen Khanna

Last words: Scared, save us, we'll die

JIGNASA SINHA NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

"WE ARE trapped because of smoke inside the house and fire on the ground floor. I'm scared and can't open the door... Please come and save me and my family or else we will die." These were the last words 33-year-old Udaykant Chaudhary told his brother before he and his family died Sunday.

Udaykant and his family lived as tenants on the first floor. Initial probe by police has revealed the main door to Udaykant's house was locked from the inside. "The family on the first floor died due to asphyxiation. Three charred bodies were found and two other persons were pulled out, who were later declared dead at Sanjay Gandhi Hospital," an officer said.

On the second floor, the victims were building owner Amarnath Iha's parents, his sister-in-law and her mother.

Amarnath's wife Pooja (24), daughter Aradhya (3), and his niece Somya (10) survived and are undergoing treatment at Tomar Hospital in Kirari. According to relatives, Somya

lost her father last year. Her mother, Sanju, worked as a management staff at Maharaja Agrasen Hospital in Rohini. "She was trying to earn for

her daughter after her husband's death last year. Our mother would often go to help her with chores and take care of Somya," said Shikha, Sanju's elder sister. Police said they are looking

into claims of foul play levelled by some relatives.

Why it's hard to fix accountability: 2006 Act may be to blame

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

FIXING RESPONSIBILITY for Monday's fire is going to be an uphill task, with officials at the North Delhi Municipal Corporation maintaining they do not have the power to seal illegal activity in unauthorised colonies since they lack jurisdiction and these areas are protected under the Delhi Laws (Special Provisions) Act, 2006.

When contacted, North MCD commissioner Varsha Joshi said the incident took place in an unauthorised colony, protected under the Act, and that SDMs (under Delhi government's revenue department) have the statutory power over the area.

But Aam Aadmi Party spokesperson Saurabh Bharadwaj hit out at corporation officials, saying the BJP-led North MCD "extorts money when a person tries to construct buildings in unauthorised colonies, but when a tragedy takes place they pass the buck... The Delhi government has no control over building bylaws."

Earlier this month, 44 men and children were killed in a fire

illegally from Anaj Mandi area in the Walled City. The factory was under the jurisdiction of the North corporation.

The Delhi Laws (Special Provisions) Act, 2006 was passed after public outrage against a sealing drive in Delhi. Since then, the Act, supposed to grant onetime relief, has been extended five times, most recently till December 31, 2020.

According to the Act, sealing has to be kept in "abeyance" unti norms are finalised and "orderly arrangements to deal with the problem of encroachment or unauthorised development" are made. It also prohibits action against "farmhouses involving construction beyond permissible building limits, and schools, dispensaries, religious institutions, cultural institutions, storages, warehouses and godowns..."

The Rohini building that caught fire had a godown on the ground floor. A BJP councillor said though provisions stop them from sealing premises, corporations can send notices and take action in case of illegal activity. He said officials can take action against any building that violates laws such as height restrictions and structural safety, despite the in a factory which was running existence of special provisions.



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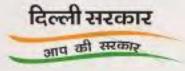
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Jail warden arrested for smuggling

New Delhi: A 30-year-old warden from Mandoli Jail was arrested for allegedly smuggling drugs inside the jail Saturday. Police said the warden was carrying contraband weighing 25 grams inside his car while entering the jail on Friday night. "We received information from the Indo-Tibetan Border Police that a jail warden was caught with a black contraband substance. He was caught at the gate," said a senior police officer.

Man booked for fraud in **DSSSB test**

New Delhi: A 23-year-old man was booked for allegedly impersonating his younger brother and cheating in a DSSSB exam at Indira Gandhi Delhi Technical University on Sunday. Police said the accused was caught by the system analyst after he mistakenly wrote his name instead of his brother's, who had registered for the exam, on the online exam form.

Encroachment on forest area: HC seeks reply

New Delhi: The Delhi High Court Monday sought to know from the government whether it was going to regularise encroachments on forest land in the capital. A senior officer from the Delhi government's forest department replied that encroachment on forest land will not be regularised and that the forest area cannot be regularised either. **ENS**

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Kejriwal makes schoolboys across city take oath: Will respect women

SUKRITA BARUAH NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

CHIEF MINISTER Arvind Kejriwal urged students to look inwards — at themselves and their own families — to combat sexual violence, in an interactive session Monday which was telecast to students in Delhi government, government-aided and private schools.

In the session, held at a government school in Shakti Nagar and telecast live to other schools from there, Kejriwal made all boys stand up and take the following oath: "Main shapath leta hoon ki main hamesha sabhi mahilaaon ki izzat karunga. Kabhi kisi ladki se durvyavahar ya durachar nahi karunga. Agar kabhi koi mahila musibat mein hoti hai, toh apni poori kshamta se unki madad karoonga (I take an oath that I will always respect all women. I will never misbehave with or mistreat any girl. If any woman is ever in trouble, I will help her to the



The session, held at a government school in Shakti Nagar, was telecast live to other schools

best of my ability)."

He also asked all girls to speak to their brothers in the presence of their parents after going home, and to make them take the oath as well.

The students themselves had several answers to a question by Kejriwal on why they think crimes against women

take place regularly.

"There's a gap between us teenagers, and our parents and elders. We can't share our queries and thoughts with them. These things have to be taught and discussed with us when we are at this age. We see that there are grown up men who hold important positions

and do wrong things. They are educated but still do such things, and it's too late to change their views," said Anushka, a class XI student of Sarvodaya Kanya Vidyalaya No. 1 Shakti Nagar.

"If we need to change mindsets, we need to start with our families. Many families think their sons are better than their daughters and treat the children as such. They must give equal opportunities," said Shailja, her classmate.

Another student, a boy, pointed at the reluctance of women to approach the police for help fearing lack of support, while several students spoke of a lack of fear of the law.

Kejriwal used the platform to talk about initiatives by his government to address women safety concerns. "We have installed 1,40,000 CCTV cameras in the streets and localities, and starting tomorrow, we are installing another 1,40,000 cameras... our aim is to install CCTV cameras in every corner of the traced and arrested... Starting tomorrow or day after, we are also installing 2,10,000 streetlights across Delhi to make sure there are no dark spots in the city," he

are not changed, stringent laws or police or government action can do very little."

wards the culpability of families in perpetuating rape culture. "When someone does something bad, their family goes out to support them in this country. If there is a fear of being disowned by their families, they will think several times before doing any such thing," he said, encouraging girls to tell their brothers that they would dissociate from them if they committed a crime against a woman.

Kejriwal also announced that he would conduct such interactive sessions every three or four months in schools to keep the conversation on sexual violence alive.

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Surender Kumar and Ravinder, "But till people's mindsets guilty of raping a minor girl, a bench of Justice Siddharth Mridul and Justice IS Mehta observed that the "trial court mis-In this, he also pointed todirected and misapplied itself in extrapolating the minor's contradictions and insignificant discrepancies in the deposition of

> had failed to establish its case against the accused persons". The trial court had acquitted the two in February 2006 on the ground that there were contradictions and discrepancies in the deposition of the girl and her parents. The Delhi government then approached the High Court

the minor victim and her par-

ents", in order to "arrive at the

conclusion that the prosecution

PRITAM PAL SINGH

Court Monday.

NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

TWO MEN acquitted by a trial

court of rape charges 13 years

ago were ordered to be taken

into custody by the Delhi High

Holding the two accused,

against the trial court's verdict. As per court records, the accused raped the minor in March 1997 when she, along with her

minor brother, had to gone to relieve themselves near their house. The court added the victim had given "a vivid and indubitable recount of what she had been subjected to by the accused at the time". "...whether the prosecution had established the guilt of the accused for the commission of the rape of the minor victim beyond reasonable doubt is a concern; it would be relevant at the outset to reiterate the settled position of law... the sole testimony of the prosecutrix, if it inspires confidence and is found creditworthy and reliable, is by itself legally sufficient to return a verdict of guilt for the commission of rape.

Justice Mridul was of the view that "...the minor victim was consistent, clear and credible right from the time of recording her initial statement".

It said that not only was the testimony of the minor victim "creditworthy and reliable" but the same is "corroborated on all material aspects and particulars by the medical evidence on record, appreciated in conjunction with the uncontroverted testimony" of the victim's par-

To cut vehicular pollution by 2024, govt shifts focus to e-vehicles

SOURAV ROY BARMAN NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

A QUICK rollout of 5,000 e-autos and getting online commerce companies to press more battery-operated bikes into service are the immediate objectives that the Delhi government seeks to achieve through its electric vehicle policy, which was cleared Monday.

The policy also makes it mandatory for all new private households and business establishments to keep 20% of their parking charging infrastructure for e-vehicles. Announcing the Cabinet de-

cision, Chief Minister Arvind

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Kejriwal said the policy will be a major intervention towards tackling vehicular emissions, which has the "biggest share" in terms of sources of pollution.

Vehicular contribution makes up 40% of PM2.5 in Delhi's air and 80% of nitrogen oxides and carbon monoxide, The policy will come into

force following a gazette notification and stay in effect for a period of three years, during which incentives offered under it can be availed.

The objective of the policy, a draft of which was made public in November last year, is to ensure that electric vehicles comprise 25% — 5 lakh in absolute

BETTING ON THE FUTURE

Currently, electric two-wheelers constitute 0.2% of annual 2-wheeler



- ₹5,000 per kWh of battery capacity. For e-2-wheeler, it would amount to ₹10,000
- Purchase incentive of ₹ 30,000 per e-auto

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■ 5 lakh e-vehicles, if inducted in the city's vehicular fleet, will lead to savings of approx ₹6,000 crore in oil and liquid natural gas imports and 4.8 million tonnes of carbon dioxide emissions, which is equivalent to avoiding CO2 emissions from nearly 1 lakh petrol cars over their lifetime

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registrations by 2024, the CM deliveries will be expected to drawn. The Delhi government said, adding that in the next one year, Delhi may see at least 35,000 e-vehicles, of all categories, hitting the roads.

Delhi Dialogue and Development Commission (DDC) vice-chairman Iasmine Shah, an advisor in the Kejriwal government, said the policy will prove to be a milestone in the country's transition to electric mobility. He said it was by far the biggest initiative of the Delhi government in tackling pollution.

"For the first time in Delhi, ride hailing service providers will be allowed to operate electric two-wheeler taxis. All twotransition 50% of their fleet to electric by March 2023 and 100% by March 2025. A purchase incentive of Rs 30,000 per e-rickshaw will be given," an official statement said.

Shah said that since the cap on autorickshaws in Delhi has been fixed by the Supreme Court at 1 lakh, there is a likelihood of at least 5,000 e-autos hitting the roads in the immediate future with the number of operational CNG autos standing at around 95,000.

"However, the Environment Pollution (Prevention and Control) Authority (EPCA) has already moved the court re-

numbers — of all new vehicle wheelers engaged in last-mile questing that the cap be withhas supported the EPCA application," Shah said.

> The Delhi Metro is also looking at inducting 15,000 e-autos in the city, Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) chief Mangu Singh told *The Indian* Express recently.

The owners of e-vehicles will also be exempted from paying road tax and registration fees, the statement said.

"At least 20% of the parking capacity of all new homes and workplaces will need to be EV ready... 250 charging/swapping stations to come up in Delhi," the state-

ment added.

JNU evicts 2 students from hostel for 'ruckus in varsity'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI. DECEMBER 23

TWO STUDENTS of Jawaharlal Nehru University were evicted from their hostel rooms on Monday, while four more are due to be evicted in the coming week. In the meantime, the administration has said it is in the process of constituting proctorial enquiries against all protesting students who it claims "have been creating a ruckus in the university".

The six students were academically suspended from the university on December 16 after vice-chancellor Jagadesh Kumar alleged that a group of students had abused and tried to attack him on the campus on December 14. "There is prima facie evidence that you... were found to have surrounded the Vice-Chancellor and other officials of the University. You abused, heckled and scuffled with them in the presence of the JNU security guards and officers and Delhi Police personnel. The official vehicle of the Vice-Chancellor was hit with a sharp object, breaking the front and rear glasses. Thereafter, you entered the administrative building using abusive language, and banged the doors of the officials. You broke open the door of the Vice-Chancellor's office and vandalised and ransacked it," the letters ad-



Six students were suspended on December 16 following an alleged attack on the V-C. Archive

dressed to them by the Chief Proctor on December 16 read.

Students have denied an attack of that nature. One of them, a Ph.D. scholar, even denied being in the vicinity when the incident took place. The proctorial enquiry against the students has not been completed. The letter from the proctor said they will be kept under academic suspension, be evicted from the hostel and have the entire campus declared as out of bounds "pending outcome of Proctorial enquiry into the incident".

The next day, they received notices stating that they would have to evacuate their hostel rooms on Monday. The eviction order also came with the warning that "Any one giving shelter to (the students) in any

hostel/residence on campus shall invite disciplinary action". However, students said they will continue staying on campus, in friends' rooms, despite the order.

In the meantime, student activists claimed the administration has been sending out to notices of proctorial enquiries "en masse". Registrar Dr Pramod Kumar said the notices would be sent out to "all students who are creating a ruckus in the university". "We don't know vet how many students will receive these notices but it will be done on the basis of our security reports. It will go out to all those students who have been blocking the way of teachers, not allowing exams to take place and disrupting university life over the last month,' he said.

Conduct survey of households in unauthorised colonies: NGT panel

SHIVAM PATEL NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

THE NATIONAL Green Tribunalappointed monitoring committee on the cleaning of the Yamuna has directed for a survey of Delhi's unauthorised colonies to ascertain the number of houses dependent on septage tanks and those releasing waste directly to open drains leading into the river.

According to details shared with the committee, 436 out of Delhi's 1,798 unauthorised colonies have sewer network, leaving out nearly 6 million peoof septage per day.

The direction was issued in a meeting held by the committee last week. The committee noted that the NGT had also directed in a September 11 order this year for a survey to be done, but the Delhi Jal Board and the Delhi Urban Development Department have not been forthcoming with the details. "The committee had over several months underscored the importance of collecting the disaggregated data, without which no strategies can be planned," the

document read. The overall responsibility for the survey has been given to the Delhi Urban Development

Department, which has to work with the DJB and municipal corporations for the task. The survey would focus on a

sample of colonies that are not connected to a sewer network and cover data on the number of houses, the population and the amount of septage released into drains or collected in tanks. Even in the 436 colonies con-

nected to a network, a number of houses have either not taken connections or have made unofficial ones, the monitoring committee was told. "The committee members regretted that (the survey) has been delayed for several months..," the minutes read.

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(www.etender.up.nic.in) पर दो भागों में आमंत्रित की जाती है। भाग-1 में ई-निविदाओं के प्रपत्र निर्धारित शुल्क आर.टी.जी.एस./ एन.ई.एफ.टी. एवं निर्धारित धरोहर राशि आर.टी.जी.एस./ एन.ई. एफ.टी./ बैंक गारन्टी (अलग-अलग) के माध्यम से अधीक्षण अभियंता, विद्युत पारेषण मण्डल, मेरठ के पक्ष में State Bank of India, Cantt Branch, Meerut Account No. 11047201099, **IFSC** SBIN0000680 में जमा करायी जायेंगी। बैंक जमा की साक्ष्य यथा योज्य यू.टी.आर. संख्या, पे-इन स्लिप मूल की प्रति निविदा के प्रथम भाग के साथ संलग्न किये जाये। ई-निविदा के प्रथम भाग (यु.टी.आर. संख्या, पे-इन स्लिप प्रति, निविदा प्रपत्र पैन कार्ड, इन्कम टैक्स रिटर्न, जी.एस.टी. प्रपत्र की स्वयं प्रमाणित छायाप्रति एवं तकनीकी अनुभव आदि) ई-पोर्टल पर स्कैन्ड प्रतियाँ (PDF format) तथा ई-निविदा के द्वितीय भाग (प्राइजबिड) में दरे एवं वाणिज्यक नियम व शर्ते ई-पोर्टल (www.etender. up.nic.in) पर निम्नलिखित तालिका के अनुसार अपलोड की जायेगी। निविदा शुल्क, धरोहर राशि एवं अन्य व्यवसायिक प्रपत्र हार्ड कॉपी में अथवा व्यक्तिगत संवाहक के माध्यम से इस कार्यालय में प्राप्त नहीं किये जायेंगे। ई-निविदा भाग द्वितीय (प्राइजबिड) खुलने की तिथि हेत् तदोनुसार वेबसाइट पर सुचित की जाएगी। ई-निविदा का प्रथम भाग, तालिका में अंकित दिनांक एवं समय अनुसार सार्वजनिक रूप से खोला जायेगा। ई-निविदा खुलने की तिथि पर अवकाश होने की स्थिति में ई-निविदा अगले कार्य दिवस पर निर्धारित समय तक स्वीकार की जाएगी एवं निर्धारित समय पर खोली जाएगी। ई-निविदाओं को बिना कोई कारण बताए ई-निविदा/ ई-निविदाओं को अस्वीकार/ विभाजित करने का अधिकार अधोहस्ताक्षरकर्ता कि पास सुरक्षित रहेगा। धरोहर/ ई-निविदा राशि रिहत व सशर्त ई-निविदाएं स्वीकार नहीं की जायेगी। कृपया विस्तृत जानकारी, डाउन लोड, अन्य संशोधनों एवं ई-निविदा प्रस्तृत करने के दिनांक तक विस्तार आदि के संबंध में कृपया www.etender.up.nic.in पर लॉग आन करें। निविदाओं का विवरण निम्न प्रकार है:-क्रिम सं. 1 निविदा संख्या एवं कार्य का विवरण टी- 124/19-20 (अल्पकालिक):-विद्युत पारेषण खण्ड मेरठ के अन्तर्गत 132 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र कंकरखेडा पर 02 नग 33 के.वी. 'बे' के निर्माण हेतु 02 नग 33 के.वी. हाइब्रिड मोड्यूल, 02 नग लाइन आइसोलेटर एवं 01 नग ट्रिपल फीडर पैनल की आपूर्ति, इरैक्शन एवं कमिशानिंग से सम्बन्धित कार्य।

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पर निविदा अपलोड करने की अन्तिम तिथि

एवं समय 06.01.2020 सायं 05 बजे तक, **ई**-

पोर्टल पर निविदा का प्रथम भाग खोलने की

तिथि एवं समय 07.01.2020 प्रातः 12 बजे

तक, ई-पोर्टल पर निविदा का द्वितीय भाग

बेवसाइट पर सूचित की जायेगीं। क्रम सं. 2 निविदा संख्या एवं कार्य का विवरण टी-125/19-20 (अल्पकालिक):- विद्युत पारेषण खण्ड बड़ौत के अन्तर्गत 132 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र निरपुडा एवं बडौत पर स्थापित 40 एम.वी.ए. परिवर्तकों के तेल का रिसाव रोकने से सम्बन्धित कार्य। धरोहर राशि 2000.00 निविदा प्रपत्र का मुल्य 590.00 जी.एस.टी. सहित, ई-पोर्टल पर निविदा अपलोड करने की अन्तिम तिथि एवं समय 06.01.2020 सायं 05 बजे तक, ई-पोर्टल पर निविदा का प्रथम भाग खोलने की तिथि एवं समय 07.01.2020 प्रातः 12 बजे तक, **ई-पोर्टल पर निविदा का** द्वितीय भाग खोलने की तिथि एवं समय तदनुसार बेवसाइट पर सुचित की जायेगीं। क्रम सं. 3 निविदा संख्या एवं कार्य का विवरण टी-126/19-20 (अल्पकालिक):- विद्युत पारेषण खण्ड बडौत के अन्तर्गत 220 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र शताब्दीनगर पर स्थापित 40 एम.वी.ए. (कनोहर मेक) परिवर्तक के तेल का रिसाव रोकने से सम्बन्धित कार्य। धरोहर राशि 2000.00 निविदा प्रपत्र का मूल्य 590.00 जी.एस.टी. सहित. **ई-पोर्टल पर निविदा** अपलोड करने की अन्तिम तिथि एवं समय 06.01.2020 सायं 05 बजे तक, **ई-पोर्टल पर** निविदा का प्रथम भाग खोलने की तिथि एवं समय 07.01.2020 प्रातः 12 बजे तक, ई-पोर्टल पर निविदा का द्वितीय भाग खोलने की तिथि एवं समय तदनुसार बेवसाइट पर सचित की जायेगीं। क्रम सं. 4 निविदा संख्या एवं कार्य का विवरण टी-127/19-20:-विद्यत पारेषण खण्ड बडौत के अन्तर्गत 132 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र किरथल के वार्षिक आधार पर **एवं कार्य का विवरण टी**- 132/19-20 अनुरक्षण का कार्य। धरोहर राशि 13000.00 निविदा प्रपत्र का मुल्य 1770.00 जी.एस.टी. सहित, ई-पोर्टल पर निविदा अपलोड करने की अन्तिम तिथि एवं समय 24.01.2020 सायं 05 बजे तक, ई-पोर्टल पर निविदा का प्रथम भाग खोलने की तिथि एवं समय 25.01.2020 प्रातः 12 बजे तक, **ई-पोर्टल पर** निविदा का द्वितीय भाग खोलने की तिथि एवं समय तदनुसार बेवसाइट पर सुचित की जायेगीं। क्रम सं. 5 निविदा संख्या एवं कार्य का विवरण टी-128/19-20:- विद्यत पारेषण खण्ड बडौत के अन्तर्गत 220 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र बडौत के वार्षिक आधार पर अनुरक्षण का कार्य। धरोहर राशि 18000.00 निविदा प्रपत्र का **मल्य** 1770.00 जी.एस.टी. सहित, **ई-पोर्टल पर** निविदा अपलोड करने की अन्तिम तिथि एवं समय 24.01.2020 सायं 05 बजे तक, **ई-पोर्टल** पर निविदा का प्रथम भाग खोलने की तिथि **एवं समय** 25.01.2020 प्रातः 12 बजे तक, **ई**-पोर्टल पर निविदा का द्वितीय भाग खोलने की तिथि एवं समय तदनुसार बेवसाइट पर सूचित की जायेगीं। क्रम सं. 6 निविदा संख्या एवं कार्य का विवरण टी-129/19-20:-विद्युत पारेषण खण्ड बडौत के अन्तर्गत 220 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र बागपत पर स्थापित 160 एम.वी.ए. परिवर्तक-प्रथम के ऑयल की सेन्ट्रीफ्युजिंग से सम्बन्धित कार्य। धरोहर राशि

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जी.एस.टी. सहित, **ई-पोर्टल पर निविदा**

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Compensation to student: AAP MLA named in FIR in Ghaziabad

NOIDA, DECEMBER 23

booked AAP MLA Amanatullah Khan for allegedly inciting violence through social media.

"The complainant has submitted a copy of Khan's tweet offering compensation to a victim of violence. He has alleged that Khan incited a particular community to indulge in violence for which he would duly reward them. We are investigating the evidence submitted by the complainant. It is a sensitive issue and once the facts check out, arrests will be made accordingly," Manish Mishra, SP City, Ghaziabad, said.

Khan had last week announced Rs 5 lakh and a job at the Delhi Waqf Board for a Jamia student who lost sight in one eye during a protest against the amended Citizenship Act.

The FIR states: "There is already a sentiment in the country that the Act will harm a particular community. On December 18, Khan promised a

job and financial aid to a protester, which made it appear that those who create religious disturbance would be duly rewarded."

Even though the incident relates to a student of Jamia Millia Islamia in Delhi, the FIR claims the compensation offered by Khan "incited passions within a particular community and violence was caused in Ghaziabad as well".

to allegations made in the FIR.

GHAZIABAD

Police seek public help to arrest 'violent' protesters

AMIL BHATNAGAR NOIDA, DECEMBER 23

RECEIVING MORE than 10 calls per day, the Ghaziabad Police is relying on a "public feedback system" to help identify people who allegedly indulged in violence on Friday during a protest against the new citizenship law. In the last three days, Ghaziabad Police has arrested more than 90 people, including 47 in rural parts of the city, for their alleged role in violence. Police have also put up posters on busy junctions and are circulat-

ing them on social media to iden-

"On Friday, in the Kotwali police station jurisdiction, protests against the citizenship Act had turned violent after certain protesters began stone pelting and created a law and order situation. After studying footage and evidence, we have released screenshots of videos. Those screenshots have faces of people who were allegedly rioting. The public is helping us identify them and arrests are being made," said Neeraj Iadaun. SP Rural. Ghaziabad.

One such poster, put up on a crossing in Loni, had 30 small photos of people's faces, gathered via CCTV footage and social media. According to the police, the general public has been making calls to alert them about the identity of those on the poster.

"Apart from calls, we are also getting messages on WhatsApp. In some cases, they are neighbors

Police then independently verify information provided by the public, with teams cross checking information to "ensure an innocent person is not arrested". Following police investigation and feedback from people, 26 people were arrested on

Ghaziabad was one of the six western UP districts where violence broke out during anti-CAA protests. Seven FIRs — three in Muradnagar and one each in Loni Border, Loni, Sahibabad and Kotwali police stations — have been filed under sections 307 (attempt to murder), 147 (rioting) and other sections against hundreds of

Court rejects bail pleas of 15 held for Old Delhi violence

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

A DELHI court on Monday dismissed bail pleas of 15 people arrested in connection with the violence in Old Delhi's Darya Ganj area and extended their judicial custody by two weeks.

MM Kapil Kumar dismissed the bail applications, noting that the allegations were serious in nature and the investigation was still pending. The court also observed that "violence for any reason is not justified".

The court passed the order after the men were produced before it on expiry of their two-day judicial custody. When the court asked on what basis the accused were arrested, police said they had pelted stones and a deputy commissioner of police, among others, was injured. The public prosecutor argued that the accused were at the forefront of stone pelting incident.

While seeking bail, senior advocate Rebecca John said the accused should not be kept behind bars since police did not have CCTV footage or other evidence against them. She told the court that police do not know that the Constitution allows people to protest, and that the men were picked up randomly by Delhi Police after they had offered Friday prayers at Jama Masjid. "Why are they charged with criminal conspiracy and common intention, these men don't even know each other," John told

John also told the court that there were videos showing police violence but no one had enquired into that. She also argued that police never asked for their custodial interrogation but rather for judicial custody, and submitted that the detainees were never required for interrogation. "IPC Section 436 (mischief by fire or explosive substance with intent to destroy house, etc) does not apply. Do they have any proof, CCTV footage, etc against them," John asked.

John asked how the police narrowed down their list to 15 persons: "The complaint itself says there was a raging crowd. Police selectively arrested some people... If the situation was so severe, why were these people not arrested immediately? Why were they kept in police station overnight without arrest?" She added that police were not able to establish the offence mentioned in the FIR, and after perusing the arrest memo, added that their "entire case has been falsified".

One of the arrested had claimed he was a juvenile. However, police said he told them he was 23.

Police detain 139 from outside Uttar Pradesh, Assam Bhawans

ANANYA TIWARI NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

IN ORDER to quell protests against the new citizenship law in the capital, the Delhi Police Monday detained 139 people from outside the Uttar Pradesh and Assam Bhawans, including some who said they were not protesting.

Student groups had planned protests against alleged police atrocities in the two states, especially in Uttar Pradesh, where several people have died in violent clashes.

A woman from the Democratic Youth Federation of India (DYFI), who was stationed as a medical volunteer at the Assam Bhawan along with an ambulance, claimed she was manhandled by policewomen while she was being detained.

"We wanted to provide medical assistance to anyone who might get injured if there were any violence... We would have helped the police as well. We arrived early. I had gone to take a call when suddenly police surrounded us and dragged us to a bus. We were 50-70 metres away from the Bhawan. We told them we weren't protesting, but



139 people were detained and later released, the Delhi Police **said.** Tashi Tobgyal

they didn't listen," alleged Anusha Paul, DYFI's State Committee Member.

Pallavi Rebbapragada (32), a policy fellow at the Delhi Vidhan Sabha, who claimed she was supposed to attend a meeting at UP Bhawan and was not part of the protest, was also detained.

"I was there with a camera for a meeting. I was not carrying a banner or anything and still they detained me," she claimed.

Protesters included students from JNU, DU, Ashoka University, lawyers, and some young working professionals.

Many were picked up as soon

as they reached. Kawalpreet Kaur, Delhi president of the All India Student's Association, claimed: "I had just gotten out of the autorickshaw and had not even paid the driver when they came and shoved me into the bus."

The protesters were taken to Mandir Marg police station, where they continued singing and sloganeering.

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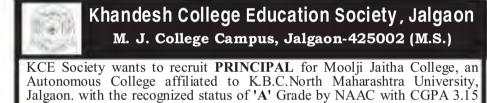
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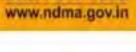
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Funds pooled, aides pulled in from saffron ranks, Roy downs CM

ABHISHEK ANGAD RANCHI, DECEMBER 23

IN ONE of the most bitter electoral fights in the Jharkhand Assembly elections, rebel BJP candidate and former state minister Saryu Roy, who ran as an Independent, defeated incumbent chief minister Raghubar Das in Jamshedpur East, a constituency that had elected Das on five occasions earlier.

What came as a surprise for even Roy's supporters was the margin of victory — 15,833 votes — in an election that many considered would be a neck and neck contest, after a gruelling campaign that was funded and volun-

teered by many from within the saffron ranks. For the BJP, problems began after the fourth list of candidates — Roy's name did not figure in any of those. Humiliated, Roy announced that he would not beg for a ticket and asked the leadership to not consider his name.

Roy has been credited with sending two former chief ministers — Lalu Prasad and Madhu Koda — to jail and had been critical of Das on various occasions. His social media posts often discussed corruption, and this is seen as having irked Das. Roy had earlier said, "I was told the CM had opposed my candidature since I speak against the government. But the comments should be checked on merit whether I made any anti-government or antiparty comments. I highlighted certain issues." But filing nomination was only the first

step, Roy's supporters recalled. Once that was out of the way, help came even from many RSS volunteers and members of the Swadeshi lagran Manch. After he got the poll symbol on November 21, a close aide said, Roy held a meeting the following day and "senior BJP" leaders came forward to help. They started printing flags, banners and other material, and the real work started from December 23."

At one meeting, volunteers from both constituencies in Jamshedpur held a meeting and people started taking responsibilities. While some came forward to take charge of campaigning on social media, many others, "inspired" by Roy's work, rose to volunteer. People called for donations, and Roy said nearly Rs 15 lakh was collected for the campaigning.

During campaigning, Roy began each day with morning walk where he would connect with people in the city's parks. At 9 am he would go to the slums, stay there until after-



Saryu Roy talks to the media in **Jamshedpur.** PTI



CM's unpopularity led to defeat in seat he won 5 times

A BIG reason for Raghubar Das's defeat was his unpopularity in a constituency that had sent him to the Assembly on five occasions earlier. The BJP's negligence of the constituency — under both the Das-led government and during the campaigning phase — is also a factor, according to residents, who say healthcare, among other works, is in bad shape.

noon and campaign on key issues that affected the people there. An aide said, "I would get some time only for lunch. In evenings, we would go out again on padyatras. People knew about his work and it connected. He spoke about corruption; the humiliation that he

faced. We knew we had an advantage." Roy said booth management was "crucial for us — we knew if we were able to organise it well, we would be in a contest".

Sticking to jal, jungle & zameen, Soren turns tables on BJP after LS debacle

ABHISHEK ANGAD

RANCHI, DECEMBER 23

THE MAN seen as a reluctant politician, and the youngest chief minister of Jharkhand when he took oath in 2013, has helped turn the tide on the BJP and Raghubar Das, the first chief minister to complete a full five-year term in the state's nearly two-decade existence. And Hemant Soren appears to have done it on his own terms, refusing to take the bait and take on national issues the BJP leadership brought up in the campaign phase.

So while BJP president Amit Shah referred, at a rally, to the work on a grand, "sky-high" Ram temple that is to begin in four months, and Prime Minister, towards the fag end of the five-phase polling brought up the citizenship law, calling it a "thousand per cent correct", the Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM) chief stuck to the tried and tested jal, jungle and zameen (water, forests, land) issues.

At one of many small public meetings (called sabha), Soren countered the BJP's Ram temple narrative, saying, "Merey liye har bhookha Ram hai, uska pet mandir hai, aur us bhookhey ko khilana hi mere liye Ram Mandir banana jaisa hoga (for me, each hungry person is Ram, her/his empty stomach a temple, and to feed him will be akin to making a Ram temple for me)."

"The BJP," Soren had told *The Indian Express* towards the end of the elections, "is talking about Ram temple, Citizenship Amendment Act and Article 370. What have these got to do with Jharkhand? There are a lot of issues, unemployment being the core problem."

Soren, it seems, learnt his lessons after

burning his fingers in this summer's General Election, when he, even though appearing reluctant, countered BJP on the national narrative, and attempted to take on Modi. The party failed to cut across caste and gender lines, and lost even its tribal stronghold of Dumka. A few months on, he aggressively cam-

paigned on local issues to counter the national narrative set by the BJP in the state elections. The results appear to prove him right: the JMM-Congress-RJD alliance won 47 seats in the 81-member House.

Soren made his electoral debut in 2005, contesting unsuccessfully against party rebel Stephen Marandi. An engineering student who dropped out before finishing his degree, he took the centrestage after his brother



IMM leader Hemant Soren with his son after the results, at his residence in Ranchi. ANI

Durga Soren's death in 2009 — Durga was seen as the heir of IMM chief, and their father, Shibu Soren.

He became a member of Rajya Sabha the same year, and in 2013 the Chief Minister of Jharkhand, at the age of 38. In 2014, when the BJP formed the government, making Raghubar Das Jharkhand's first non-tribal chief minister, Soren became the Leader of Opposition in the state Assembly.

JMM insiders say Soren maintained a firm hold over the party despite a debacle in this year's Lok Sabha elections, and his efforts to connect with the people "gave us dividend".

Led by Soren, JMM started work for the Assembly elections — dubbed "Sangharsh Yatra" — in September 2018, which sought to achieve two things. First, although many people knew Soren's name, party workers said people could not identify him in many areas. Second, to connect with the people as a dominant tribal leader in the state.

"Soren toured across 81 constituencies, connected with the youths, met people riding motorbikes. He tried not to come across as a major leader, which helped him understand the problems," another party leader said.

One of the biggest problems that emerged from these yatras was the issue of unemployment, and Yuva Sangharsh Yatra was conducted in each district to address this.

Another crucial decision for the JMM was to lend support to anganwadi workers and para teachers (appointed on annual contract), who had protested for an increase in honorarium and pension, and for regularisation of their jobs, respectively.

As anti-incumbency against the BIP government increased, party leaders said, Soren conducted a state-wide "Jan Samvad Yatra", meant to give solutions to the problems that had emerged during the Sangharsh Yatra. "He conducted sabhas in various constituencies this year and gave solutions to problems such as free education to each girl child until she gets a job. Instead of one-room houses under the Prime Minister Awaas Yojna, Soren promised to give three-room houses. People returned home from these sabhas talking about the solutions," a party leader said.

The JMM's poll manifesto, released subsequently, also promised Rs 5,000 and Rs 7,000 as unemployment benefit to graduates and post-graduates, respectively, and 67 per cent reservation to STs, OBCs and SCs in government jobs. A key promise in the manifesto is the introduction of Bhoomi Adhikar Kanoon, or the right to land law, which aims to give land to the landless. If the JMM formed a government, the manifesto stated, it would not acquire agricultural land for private companies, among others.

'People rejected PM's narrative, they need jobs, social security'

JMM CHIEF **HEMANT SOREN**, who led the Opposition alliance that looks set to sweep the BJP out of power in Jharkhand, speaks to **ABHISHEK ANGAD** about the priorities of the new government.

Do you think people rejected the PM's narrative? For example, he said in Jharkhand that those "spreading the fire" could be "identified by their clothes".

As you can see, the people of Jharkhand voted for the gathbandhan government and the PM's narrative was rejected. The people of Jharkhand need jobs and social security. Narendra Modi spoke on Article 370, but what does Jharkhand have to do with it? Can the Chota Nagpur Tenancy Act and Santhal Pargana Tenancy Act be invoked in Kashmir? The BJP regularly uses such language to confuse people, but will you create jobs for people or will you see their clothes?

What are your views on the new citizenship law and NRC?

Lathi danda se kaam nahi chalta (Force and pressure will not work any more). Many don't have documents, what will they show? However, we will discuss after the government is formed...

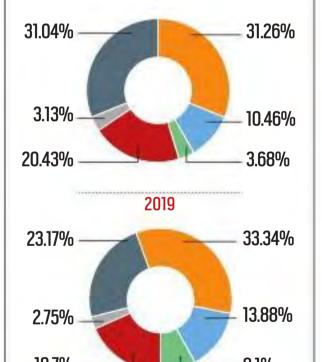
What worked on the ground for you?

There are serious issues that need to be redressed, such as jobs and education. People felt that the BJP government did not pay heed to their problems, and we have been elected to cater to those problems. We spoke on local issues and gave solutions. Jharkhand's problem cannot be raised in the J&K Assembly.

What are the priorities of the new

The first priority is to live up to the expectations of the people. It cannot be pinpointed as matters will be taken up once the government is formed..

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New Chapter

JMM and Congress workers and supporters celebrate the alliance's victory, in Ranchi on Monday. PTI

Failure to maintain alliance a reason for loss: Raghubar Das

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA RANCHI, DECEMBER 23

JHARKHAND'S OUTGOING Chief Minister Raghubar Das on Monday said the BIP's failure to maintain the alliance with AJSU Party and the Opposition parties' ability to keep their coalition intact are the reasons for its loss in the Assembly election. However, he said, it was his defeat and

not that of the BIP.

"Our alliance could not happen while the Opposition coalition remained intact. The party will review all the points (that led to the defeat) and try to plug the loopholes," Das told reporters after submitting his resignation letter to Governor Droupadi Murmu.

The BJP and AJSU Party, which had been in alliance since the creation of the state 19 years ago, failed to reach a seat-sharing formula and poached each other's leaders to field them in the Assembly elections.

Das, whose government was the first one to complete five years in the state, said, "I have honestly worked for the development of Jharkhand, providing electricity, roads and



Outgoing CM Raghubar Das in Ranchi on Monday. PTI

other schemes, covering every section of the society. In future also, I will serve as a BJP worker as the party has always been working for the building of the nation."

About the party's target of winning 65 seats in the 81-member Assembly, he said

one should always set a big goal. "Win and loss is a part of democracy. I don't go ga ga over wins and get upset at losses. I assure the people of providing a constructive role in the development of the state and the nation as an Opposition party," he said.

'BJP made the poll a referendum on Centre, got befitting reply from Jharkhand'

THE EXPRESS

RPN SINGH

IN-CHARGE

AS THE JMM-Congress-RJD alliance dealt a blow to the BJP in Jharkhand, Congress incharge **RPN SINGH** spoke to **MANOJ C G** on the victory of the combine.

What is the message of this verdict?

The message is very loud and clear. This election was fought on unemployment, farmer distress, corruption, price rise, economy in the doldrums, and all social parameters of the poor neglected... by the BJP. And this is the problem not in

Jharkhand but in the whole country. It is unfortunate that the Prime Minister and his government have not even acknowledged these problems.

Many in the Congress had said the party did not fight with all its might in the Haryana and Maharashtra elections. So what are the kev takeaways of the Iharkhand victory for the party?

I cannot comment on those two states. What I can say is that the Congress workers here put in their blood, sweat and toil... We were in direct contest with the BJP in the urban and semi-urban space. And we defeated them in seats which the Congress has not won in 40 years. So it is very satisfying... While the JMM has done well in tribal areas... even our bastions in rural areas went to the IMM because of the alliance.

The Congress-JMM alliance took shape without many hiccups. You decided on the tie-up much in advance. Do you think the Congress in other states should replicate this model?

We have always tried to forge alliances... where we can fight independently like in Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Chhattisgarh... we have fought alone. In states where the Congress has never won an election... like in Jharkhand... it is the first time in 19 years that the Congress is going to form the government... we have entered into alliances.

How different was the Congress campaign this time?

I cannot say of other campaigns. This campaign was completely focused on Jharkhand. We were off the blocks just after ticket distribution. Our campaign started much before the nomination process for the first phase be-

gan. Our manifesto was up, our banners, hoardings... our songs... we were prepared for the election even before nomination started. And we continued with that. There was some strategic play also... we needed to stop the BJP in areas... for instance... seats that went to elections in the fourth phase... the BJP had won 12 of the 15 seats last time. We wanted to stop them there. So we focused heavily on the third and fourth

The last two phases of polling were held amid protests over the new citizenship

law. How did it play out? The Prime Minister and Home Minister had campaigned extensively in the last two

Your campaign was totally local. Did it

phases, took polarisation to a different level...

but it still did not work...

make a difference? It was on issues that touched people. Those are issues the BJP does not even acknowledge. These issues are the same in Jharkhand as in the rest of the country. The sinking of the economy, unemployment, price rise, corruption, agrarian distress, which are affecting the people of this country, we kept raising it.

Is this a verdict against Raghubar Das or

the BJP? The BJP unleashed practically its whole central leadership. Many central ministers camped here. Right from the Prime Minister, Home Minister, their chief ministers, central ministers... they all campaigned. They made the election a referendum on the central government. And they got a befitting reply from the people of Jharkhand.

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DID BJP working president J P Nadda have prior inkling of the party's electoral prospects in Jharkhand? Although the date for Jharkhand Assembly election counting was known much in advance, Nadda had scheduled a programme for Kolkata on Monday. This is slightly unusual, as the BJP usually organises a programme at party headquarters on the day of election results to celebrate electoral gains. As working president, Nadda should, thus, have been in the national capital on the results day. But given the shape of Jharkhand results, many in the BJP are wondering whether the working president had got a sense of things to come in Jharkhand, and consequently scheduled a programme outside the national capital.

SWEET DEFEATS

THE DEFEAT of two former state Congress presidents in Iharkhand who had switched sides came as icing on the cake for the grand old party. While former state unit chief Pradeep Kumar Balmuchu, who contested on an AJSU ticket, finished third in Ghatsila, Sukhdeo Bhagat, who had joined the BJP before the polls, came second in Lohardaga. Bhagat's defeat was sweeter for the party, as he was trounced by present state Congress chief Rameshwar Oraon. Sarfraz Ahmed, another former PCC chief, won. He was the JMM candidate from Gandey, a seat which the Congress was demanding from its ally - for Ahmed. The IMM did not part with the seat but sprang a surprise on the Congress by fielding Ahmed.

REFORMS ON TRACK

EVEN AS the Railways attempts structural reforms by proposing to do away with all separate services and merging them into one Railway Service, it is being said by many that someone from outside the Railways may come as chairman, Railway Board, soon. The current chairman's term is due to end this month, but the rumour is that the government might give him an extension to handhold the organisation as it undergoes the proposed reform process with minimum disruptions.

Chouhan: Pan-India NRC after detailed discussion

DEEP MUKHERJEE

JAIPUR. DECEMBER 23

A DAY after Prime Minister Narendra Modi said his government has not held any discussions on a pan-India NRC, BJP national vice president Shivraj Singh Chouhan on Monday said discussions over the exercise are on, and it will be implemented but only after "detailed discussions and simplification".

"NRC will be implemented but after detailed discussions it will be so simplified that be it anyone from any religion or path, they won't be face difficulties. We are saying this clearly. The honourable Prime Minister, the honourable Home Minister has made this clear)," Chouhan told reporters at the BJP headquarters in Jaipur.

Modi on Sunday had said that since his government first came into power in 2014, there has been no discussion or talk on NRC. However, Chouhan on Monday said that discussions were on.

"Discussions are going on about NRC. Suggestions have been sought but there is an effort to spread myths... Even the draft of NRC hasn't come yet," said Chouhan, adding that the new citizenship law and the NRC are two different things.

"I want to ask Rahul Gandhi ji and Sonia Gandhi ji why they are opposing the citizenship law. If they had to oppose, why didn't Sonia Gandhi ji present her side during the discussion for this Bill? Discussions were held on the Bill our Home Minister replied to every question but madam (Sonia) remained silent," said Chouhan.

BJP RALLY IN SUPPORT OF NEW CITIZENSHIP LAW IN KOLKATA

Mamata puts politics over national interest, says Nadda

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE KOLKATA, DECEMBER 23

BJP WORKING president J P Nadda on Monday led a rally in Kolkata in support of the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) and slammed West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee saying she was misleading people on the new law. Addressing party workers, Nadda said Banerjee always prioritised politics over national interests. The BJP leader did not refer to NRC during his 35-minute speech.

"Mamata Banerjee has always given priority to her politics over national interests. Modi ji abrogated Article 370 but our Mamata didi says, 'Hobe na, Hobe na, Hobe na' (won't happen). But why won't you let it happen? There are a large number of Matuas, Rajbanshis and Namasudras in West Bengal who are Dalits. We are giving citizenship to these people who have come from Bangaldesh. Now, Mamata didi is trying to stop them from getting citizenship. Now tell me who is anti-Dalit? To her, votes are more important than the interest of this country," said Nadda.

Targeting the Trinamool Congress supremo further, Nadda said, "I want to ask Mamata ji what was her government doing when violence erupted in West Bengal for the

ABHISHEK SAHA

GUWAHATI, DECEMBER 23

A DAY after Prime Minister

Narendra Modi appeared to dis-

tance his government from a pan-

India NRC, saying that there has

been no discussion on it yet,

Assam's Finance Minister and

senior BJP leader Himanta Biswa

Sarma on Monday announced

that if a nationwide NRC does not

take place, the state will move the

Supreme Court for revisions and

said, will the state government ac-

cept the NRC in its current form.

Guwahati, Sarma said, "If there is

no national NRC, we [Assam]

need to have a fresh NRC, or revi-

sion of [the present] NRC. But for

that we have to wait for the Sup-

reme Court's verdict. The issue of

Assam NRC is distinct and differ-

ent from national NRC because

we are implementing it under the

supervision of the SC. We are not

satisfied [with the present NRC]."

Under no circumstances, he

Addressing the media in

corrections to the final NRC.

DAY AFTER PM'S REMARKS



BJP working president JP Nadda with national general secretary Kailash Vijayvargiya at a rally in Kolkata on Monday. Partha Paul

last 15 days. She said the Centre is responsible. She is the chief minister and the home minister of this state. She runs the government here and yet, she said the Centre is doing this. And she did not condemn the violence even once. She is now seen making appeals to the people (to stop the violence). Is it the duty of a chief minister to only appeal and not take action? You have all the power and yet she only appeals."

The BIP leader added, "She has only indulged in appeasement politics. She misled the people on CAA. The law will provide citizenship to the people

If no pan-India NRC, Assam needs

Himanta

He said many organisations

are not satisfied with the NRC and

have moved the apex court. "If we

get justice from the Supreme

Court, then it is different. If we do

not get justice from SC, then we

have to pursue the matter in some

ment's plea for re-verification of

names included in the NRC is still

with the top court, as are different

petitions filed by organisations

such as All Assam Students Union

(AASU) and the NGO Assam Pub-

lic Works (APW), who were also

cluded 19 lakh applicants, and the

state government, the state unit

of BJP, the main petitioner —APW

and important stakeholder

AASU have all expressed dissatis-

faction at the number of people

excluded, pointing out that it

The final NRC in Assam ex-

dissatisfied with the final NRC.

Sarma said the state govern-

Biswa Sarma

fresh one or revision: Himanta

and will not strip anyone of his citizenship. She is only bothered about securing her vote bank."

"Muslims have flourished in our country, but Hindus have suffered torture in Pakistan. Pakistan is among the three countries from where non-Muslim minorities would be granted citizenship, if they meet the criteria..." he said.

The BJP working president said, "On 26th December 1947, Mahatma Gandhi had said Sikhs and Hindus living in Pakistan can always come back to India and it is the responsibility of Indian government to take care of them

should have been higher.

Sarma said: "If there was a na-

tional NRC, we should have joined

in the national NRC. If there is no

national NRC, then our Assam

NRC has to be foolproof. The literal

meaning is that we do not accept

the NRC which has been pub-

lished. Our main idea is to see 20

per cent re-verification in border

districts. Without a 20 per cent re-

verification in border districts, we

for a 20-per cent re-verification in

border districts of Assam, then the

state will do that and give the re-

port to the court. "If in the 20 per

cent re-verification we detect lar-

ge-scale anomalies, then of course

our next plan will be to seek a

complete re-verification," he said.

Ten people were arrested for

allegedly posting provocative

and offensive content on social

media during the violence in

Assam earlier this week, minis-

ter Sarma said on Monday.

10 held for social

media posts

He said if the apex court orders

do not accept the present NRC."

if they come back. Prime Minister Modi completed that promise."

Taking a dig at the Congress leadership, Nadda said, "Rahul Gandhi and Sonia Gandhi have forgotten what their forefathers have said. How can they talk about leading a nation? Their information is so limited. It is clear. They are not listening to what Jawaharlal Nehru and Gandhi Ji had said."

Nadda was accompanied by senior BJP leaders, including West Bengal BJP president Dilip Ghosh and national general secretary Kailash Vijayvargiya.

Chalk out plan to save country: Mamata writes to Oppn leaders

Kolkata: Hours after the Jharkhand Assembly poll results Monday West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee wrote to Chief Ministers of all non-BIP ruled states and senior leaders of Opposition parties urging to them to "unite" and chalk out a plan to "save the country".

TMC sources said the letter was sent to Congress president Sonia Gandhi, NCP chief Sharad Pawar, National Conference leader Farooq Abdullah, among others.

"Today, I write this letter to you with grave worries in my mind. The citizens of this country, irrespective of caste and creed... are in the grip of fear and panic for the Citizenship Amendment Act and the proposed nationwide NRC," Banerjee's letter said.

"Today, more than ever, we need to rise against this draconian regime... I sincerely and honestly request senior leaders and all political outfits to stand up against this... let us create peaceful and meaningful opposition to these unholy efforts of the Centre and save India's democratic soul," she added.

voice of "Bharat mata". Rahul's remarks came as the

satyagraha at Raj Ghat.

killed in the protests. "In the name of Bijnor's 22-

Priyanka said. Targeting the Prime Minister, Rahul in his concluding address said Modi was trying hard to stall India's progress, destroy the economy and suppress its voice, which the country's enemies always tried their best to achieve. "Narendra Modi... when you put pressure on the judiciary, you are

Congress president Sonia Gandhi, party leaders Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi Vadra with other senior leaders during the satyagraha at Rajghat in New Delhi on **Monday.** Anil Sharma

Country will not let you attack Constitution: Rahul to PM

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

SENIOR CONGRESS leader Rahul Gandhi on Monday alleged that Prime Minister Narendra Modi was "number one" in breaking the country and spreading hatred, but warned that people of the country would not let him attack the Constitution and suppress the

Congress joined the protests against the new citizenship law and the NRC in a big way, with its entire top leadership holding a

Top leaders of the Congress, led by party chief Sonia Gandhi and former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh, read out the preamble and parts of the Constitution in different languages while vowing to protect the Constitution at the nearly fivehour satyagraha. AICC general secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra vowed in the names of those

year-old boy Anas, who used to support his family by operating a coffee vending machine and who had recently gotten married. In the name of 21-year-old Suleiman, who was preparing for the UPSC and used to take tuition. With tears in her eyes, his mother told me yesterday that her son has been martyred for his country... In the name of all the children who have been martyred in this movement. In the name of Bijnor's Omraj Saini, whose family and his five children are still waiting for him... in all their names, we resolve today that we will protect the Constitution and not allow the Constitution to be destroyed,'

hurting the country's voice... you are trying to silence India's voice when you let the police beat up and fire upon students... when you threaten and suppress India's journalists... you are trying to silence India's voice... when you snatch away jobs for crores... implement demonetisation... you are trying to silence the voice of the youth and the small traders...," he said.

"Narendra Modi... you are not fighting the Congress... don't have such a misunderstanding... This is not the Congress party... this is the voice of the country. You are standing against the voice of the people... I want to tell you and your friend (Home Minister) Amit Shah that this is not the voice of the Congress... this is the voice of Bharat mata... and Bharat mata is giving you a tremendous reply."

Taking a dig at the PM over his remarks that those "spreading the fire" could be "identified by their clothes", Rahul said, "As far as clothes are concerned, the entire country recognises you because of your cloth... It was you who had worn the suit worth Rs 2 crore and not the people of the country."

He said the PM owes the country an explanation as to why was he suppressing the voice of students, why they were not get ting jobs and why he destroyed the country's economy.

"You are not able to provide jobs. You are not able to run the economy. That is why you are hiding behind hatred. That is why you are trying to divide the country... you can only do one thing which your organisation has taught you over the years... and I can say that no can do it better than you... how to divide the country, how to spread hatred and how to break the country... you have been taught that for years... and you are

"The entire country... has understood... the students have understood that Narendra Modi knows only one thing — to spread hatred and nothing else... The country will not let you attack the Constitution, suppress the voice of Bharat Mata," he said.

number one in that," he said.

'Several anti-Hindus among Muslims, but the worst anti-Hindus are among Hindus'

MEGHALAYA **GOVERNOR** TATHAGATA ROY speaks to RAVIK BHATTACHARYA & **SANTANU CHOWDHURY** about his tweet that courted controversy, and on his leave, which sparked rumours. Excerpts:

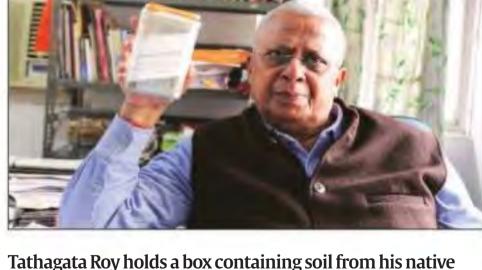
It is rumoured that you have been asked to go on leave after one of vour controversial tweets. Is it true?

Governors are entitled to take 20 days' leave per year. As I had not utilised all my leaves, I have taken leave at the end of this year. You are free to interpret (it)...

You tweeted, "Two things should never be lost sight of in the present atmosphere of controversy. 1. The country was once divided in the name of religion. 2. A democracy is NECESSARILY DIVISIVE. If you dont want it go to North Korea." Do you stand by that tweet?

Of course I stand by that tweet. What I said in the tweet is that a democracy is necessarily divisive. Those who don't like it may go to North Korea. Why did I say it?....

divisive in erstwhile USSR. North Korea is a country which is misinterpreted?



place in Bangladesh. Partha Paul

the polar opposite of divisive. But if you are living in a democracy like India, then you can have a different opinion from what the government is saying, or what the opposition is saying. Is this not days. divisiveness? It is divisive in US between Democrats and Republicans; (and) in the UK between the Conservatives and the Labour. It it not divisive in China.

Do you think your tweet was

and not in North Korea. It was not

Now, if this is not understood what can I do? But the point is that it is infantile to suggest that I was a victim of this tweet. The effect of a tweet lasts, at the most, two

There was some protest in Meghalaya regarding you (as Governor) delaying the amended Meghalaya **Residents Safety and Security**

That is true, and I am not going to discuss this. This is on the anvil and may be it will... subject to



further discussion with the state, and possibly with the Centre...

People say you are anti-Muslim and you are trying to spread hatred. How do you feel about it?

Iam not anti-Muslim, although I have reason to be anti-Muslim. My compatriots, that is the Hindus of East Bengal [present-day Bangladesh], have been driven out for the crime of not being Muslim. In spite of this, I am not anti-Muslim. My favourite Bengali prose writer is Syed Mujtaba Ali, and right now, my favourite singer is Rezwana Choudhury Bannya. But I am anti-anti-Hindus (opposed to anti-Hindus). There are several anti-Hindus among Muslims, but worst anti-Hindus are among Hindus.

There have been several runins between West Bengal Governor Jagdeep Dhankhar and the government. How do vou see this?

He (Dhankhar) has been severely wronged, insulted, not given due importance or respect by different parties. I do not appreciate what has been done to him... He is a fellow Governor and on merits he has been consistently right...

How do you see the unrest across the country on the **Citizenship Amendment Act?**

It is contrived, politically motivated, and it is dying down. CAA was duly introduced in both Houses of Parliament and duly passed. Now any political party... failed to block that Act [Bill] because it did not have the mandate of the people....

What about the deaths during such protests?

It is extremely unfortunate, but when people try to wage a war against the country, some casualties are inevitable.

FULL INTERVIEW ON www.indianexpress.com

HC to Bengal govt: Remove anti-CAA and anti-NRC ads

Kolkata: The Calcutta High Court, in an interim order on Monday, directed the West Bengal government to remove all anti-Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) and anti-National Register of Citizens (NRC) advertisements from public platforms.

Hearing petitions against the anti-CAA and anti-NRC campaigns and statewide protests against the two issues, a Division Bench, led by Chief Justice TBN Radhakrishnan and Justice Arijit Banerjee, directed the state government to suspend the campaigns till the court issues final orders. The advertisements claim that CAA and NRC will not

be implemented in Bengal. "The court has asked the government to stop all anti-CAA and anti-NRC campaigns, including those on web portals and (social networking site) Facebook," said lawyer Nilanjan Bhattacharya, one of the petitioners.

"The next hearing is on Ianuary 9," he added.

The court also sought a response from the state on the petitioners' claim that public money was being used for the campaign.

Baghel: BJP using CAA to divide people, divert

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE RAIPUR, DECEMBER 23

CHHATTISGARH CHIEF Minister Bhupesh Baghel Monday said that the BIP was using the Citizenship (Amendment) Act and NRC to "divide people" during a 'Samvidhan Bachao Rally' in Bhilai. The rally, organised by the 'Samvidhan Bachao Samiti', saw the presence of senior Congress leaders, including ministers Ravindra Choubey and Tamradhwaj Sahu. After the rally, a march was carried out.

Baghel reiterated that he "would not sign on the NRC" and raised questions on the dichotomy of the Central government. "Narendra Modi says NRC has not been brought to Cabinet or discussed, but Amit Shah says something else. Who should we believe," Baghel said. He said that the NRC took 10 years to complete in Assam, and first saw 30 lakh people excluded, which was whittled down to 19 lakh.

Baghel said that the government of India should use "its agencies" to tackle the issue of illegal immigration. "But they will make everyone in the country run from pillar-to-post to prove

their citizenship. What happens if someone is poor, or has changed places, or even if there is a clerical error? Do they want the entire country to be desperately running to courts? Some people have voter cards, others ration cards, some passports. But those are not enough," Baghel said at the event. The rally also saw the in-

volvement of social organisations and more than a 1,000 people in attendance.

Some placards read, 'We are children of India, why should be prove citizenship' and 'Asli muddon pe baat Karo, desh ko mat barbad Karo (Speak about real issues, don't destroy the country)' Baghel said that the country was also going through economic difficulties but the BJP was attempting to divert attention from these issues.

Meanwhile, a pro-CAA rally was also organised in Raipur on Monday with more than 200 people in attendance.

Amid a host of saffron flags with some Tricolour interspersed in between, those present at the rally raised their voices in favour of CAA, with slogans such as 'Bharat Maa ke naam pe, deshbhakt maidan mein.'

EXPRESS NETWORK

'Didn't take our son immediately to

hospital...we were terrified of police'

Three PFI members held for Lucknow violence

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE LUCKNOW, DECEMBER 23

preventive custody.

Thursday's violence".

Trans-Gomti, West and

Hazratgani areas of Lucknow, we

have arrested the masterminds. After investigation, we arrested

know that his associates

Nadeem and Ashfaq, planned

the gathering to disturb the peace on Thursday. Some other

organisations were definitely in-

volved but these were the masterminds..." said SSP (Lucknow)

Police said that they have ar-

rested "prominent members" of

other organisations. "They in-

clude Robin Verma and

Mohammad Shoaib... Six per-

sons from West Bengal have al-

ready been arrested. Similarly in

Shamli, one Maulana Shadab,

who is connected to the PFI, has

been arrested..." the SSP added.

Stalin: Will keep

CAA withdrawn

Chennai: Thousands participated

as the DMK and other Opposition

parties Monday took out a rally in

Chennai against the Citizenship

Egmore CMDA and ended at

Rajarathinam Stadium, was led by

DMK chief M K Stalin, senior

Congress leader P Chidambaram,

VCK leader Thol Thirumavalavan,

MDMK leader Vaiko and senior

gence, no less than 30,000 people

attended the rally and over 3,000

police personnel were deployed

to handle security arrangements.

speech by DMK chief Stalin, who

said the state Opposition will con-

tinue protests until the Centre

withdraw this Act. If they refuse

to do that, we will announce the

venue. Stalin said thev should

government for such publicity, re-

Madras HC on Sunday seeking an

order to prevent the rally. **ENS**

Taking a jibe at the deploy-

"We will wait for the Centre to

The rally ended with a brief

According to the state intelli-

The rally, which began from

(Amendment) Act.

leaders of Left parties.

withdraws the CAA.

next plan..." Stalin said.

up protests till

Kalanidhi Naithani.

ASAD REHMAN KANPUR, DECEMBER 23

UTTAR PRADESH Police on JUST AFTER the dusk fell on Friday, Monday said they arrested three Mohammad Shareef saw his 30members of Popular Front of year-old son, bleeding with a India (PFI) and its political organwound in his stomach, brought to isation, Social Democratic Party of India (SDPI), in connection their home in Kanpur's Begumpurwa area on a vegetable with Thursday's violence in Lucknow during the protest cart by a group of children from against the new citizenship law the neighbourhood. and proposed nationwide NRC. "He (Mohammad Raees) bled in which one person was killed

all night. We tied a shirt around and several others were injured. the wound. He kept telling us that Till date, police have registhe police shot him. He was shot in tered 33 cases and arrested 150 the stomach," said his 58-year-old people in connection with the mother Kismattun Nisha on violence, and another 200 peo-Monday, hours after he was laid ple have been detained under to rest in a nearby graveyard.

"Only the next morning, we At a press conference held in took him to a hospital in a private Lucknow, police said that the vehicle," she added. His parents three arrested — PFI's UP unit said that they did not take Raees to chief Waseem Ahmad and his the hospital immediately after he was brought home as they were associates Nadeem and Ashfaq were the "masterminds of afraid. "Hum dehshat mein thhe (We were terrified)," said his 61year-old father, who still works as "In connection with the violent protests on Thursday in a daily wage labourer.

> "People told us that if we take our son to the hospital, police will



Parents of Mohammad Raees in Kanpur. Asad Rehman

lodge cases against other members of the family for rioting," a shaken Shareef said.

"If he was taken to the hospital on Friday night itself, he could have survived," said Raees's brother-in-law Mohammad Arif (28), who also is a daily wager.

According to the family, Raees, who used to sell papads, had gone for Friday prayers at Eidgah mosque, which became the centre of the protest against the new

citizenship law in Kanpur. Raees is the third person to

protest at Eidgah mosque. "Since I was not there, I don't know what happened, but my son told me that he was killed by police... We were told it was a rub-

have succumbed to injuries in the

ber bullet. We did not know it was a real bullet. On Saturday, we took him to the hospital and he died there on Sunday... We can't fight the police. We have lost our son

and can't do much about it," his father said.

"My other sons don't live with me. He was the only one who would take care of his parents by giving us whatever money he could make..." Shareef, a father of seven — four sons and three daughters — added.

Police, meanwhile, said that Raees died as he had Hepatitis B. "Doctors said that Raees was Hepatitis B-positive. They told us that if he wasn't, he may have survived." SHO of Babupurwa police station, Amit Tomar, however, said he was yet to see the post-mortem report.

The parents, however, denied having any knowledge of Raees being Hepatitis B-positive. "I did not know about it. He had no disease as far as I know," Shareef said.

Meanwhile, outside the Eidgah mosque, there are several damaged cars. Several women residents of the area have accused police of beating them.

Thirty-five-year-old Ghazala Sabiha Hashmi, a student of law at Shaheed Bhagat Singh Law in Kanpur, said that she was pulled

from her house by policemen and taken outside to a spot outside the Eidgah mosque where they assaulted here. "I have some injuries which you can see," Hashmi said as she showed her injury marks on her hands and knees.

"They pulled me out of my house. I did not know what was happening outside. The others in the neighbourhood who knew had left their houses and gone to safer places," said Hashmi, adding that many women, who were beaten up by police that day, would not speak up "because they are scared".

Another woman, in her 30s, who did not wish to be identified. said, "I was assaulted. They wanted to scare us, and we are scared now. All the men were taken away and locked up at police stations... A few of them are still in custody," said the woman.

When asked about the allegations, SSP (Kanpur) Anant Deo said, "The allegations are not true. If women were beaten up, they can complain to me, the DM or any official... I have not received any such complaint till now."

Sadaf Jafar's bail plea rejected

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE LUCKNOW, DECEMBER 23

A LUCKNOW court on Monday rejected the bail application of activist and Congress leader Sadaf Jafar (44), who has been arrested in connection with the violence during a protest against the Citizenship Amendment Act in Lucknow on December 19. Jafar is currently lodged at the Lucknow district jail.

"A bail application of Jafar was moved today in the court of Chief Judicial Magistrate. The court rejected it. We would be filing a bail application in the sessions court," said Jafar's lawyer Harjot Singh.

He added that Jafar was among 35 people named in the FIR lodged at Hazratgani police station under various charges, including Section 332 (Voluntarily causing hurt to deter public servant from his duty), 353 (Assault or criminal force to deter public servant from discharge of his duty), 147 (rioting) and 120-B (criminal conspiracy).

Lucknow police said they arrested Jafar from Parivartan Chowk, where violence took



Sadaf Jafar

place on Thursday. Police said she was arrested as per legal process and before being sent to jail, she underwent a medical test.

Members of a Congress delegation that met Jafar in jail said that Jafar had told them that the police beat her up.

Jafar's elder sister Nahid Verma said, "We came to know about her arrest after police sent her to jail. We were looking for her and contacting people to

know her whereabouts." A resident of Lucknow, Jafar is a teacher, poet, activist, actor, translator and a Congress spokeperson. Filmmakers Mira Nair, Hansal Mehta and 'Gully Boy' star Vijay Varma have demanded her release. Jafar is part of Nair's upcoming BBC series.

Waseem Ahmad, a resident of Indira Nagar. We also got to Gujarat: Two FIRs identify anti-CAA protesters as Muslims

SOHINI GHOSH. **AISHWARYA MOHANTY** & VAIBHAV JHA AHMEDABAD, VADODARA

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with protests against the new citizenship law and NRC identify protesters as belonging to a particular community, while a third FIR says that the accused entered a dargah to offer namaz in a planned manner and then came out to instigate violence.

TWO FIRS filed in connection

An FIR filed in Chhapi police station of Banaskantha district regarding a protest on December 19 says, "The accused applicants (for the permit) and the above mentioned named accused and approximately 3,000 unknown persons from the Muslim community sought permission to assemble for the reason of commemorating the martyrdom of Ashfagulla Khan and Bismillah (Ram Prasad Bismil)..."

It adds, "To ensure protests do not take place, there were police arrangements made from 8 am along with a videographer, Piyushbhai Manilal Parmar, who was video-recording when at that spot CAB bill protesters started assembling and Muslim persons from nearby started coming...."

A total of 42 people were arrested. When asked how the crowd was identified as belonging to one community, the complainant, Sub-inspector L P Rana, told *The Indian Express*, "Muslims and Hindus look different. Also. Hindus won't come to protest this, only Muslims can. But regardless, we are examining footage."

ment of massive police force at the Another FIR filed in City police thank police personnel for joining station, Vadodara, in connection the rally and the ruling AIADMK with a stone-pelting incident in Hathikhana area of the city on ferring to a petition moved in December 20 states: "A mob of around 80-90 Muslim people, protesting against the Citizenship

with weapons and with an intention to kill, got together at the government Kavi Sundaram primary school, armed with swords and stones and shouting, 'Kill them, Cut them', and started pelting stones injuring police officials."

The FIR lodged by D J Sosa, Police Inspector, City police station, adds, "We used the microphone to announce that stone pelting be stopped otherwise the police will be compelled to use force. Despite that 80-90 persons started pelting stones..."

When asked about the description, Joint Commissioner of Police Kesarisinh Bhati told *The Indian Express*, "This was planned to target police. We had conducted meetings with religious leaders to ask them to maintain peace. There has been misinformation about the new citizenship law and NRC among the minority community. It is a minority community-dominated area, that is why it is mentioned in the FIR."

Sixteen people were arrested

Another FIR, filed at Isanpur police station regarding a protest at Shah-e-Alam area of Ahmedabad on December 19, when protesters had called a Gujarat bandh, named 81 people. The FIR, filed by J M Solanki, incharge of Isanpur police station, states, "A mob entered the Shahe-Alam dargah to offer namaz in a pre-planned manner and then came out on the street outside the Dargah to instigate violence."

When asked about how the police identified the accused as those who instigated the violence, Solanki said, "The accused, Shahzad Pathan, had planned and brought his supporters inside the dargah in order to instigate violence. After he stepped out, the mob started attacking police." A total of 74 people were arrested and three minors detained.



A rally against the new citizenship law and the proposed NRC in Bengaluru on Monday. PTI

Only puncture-wallahs are anti-CAA: BJP MP draws flak over comments

RALPH ALEX ARAKAL BENGALURU. DECEMBER 23

BANGALORE SOUTH BIP Lok Sabha MP Tejasvi Surya on Monday drew outrage a day after he referred to people opposing the Citizenship (Amendment) Act and the proposed NRC as illiterate and "puncture-wallahs" in a pro-CAA rally held in Bengaluru.

"People of Bengaluru's IT sector, those contributing to the nation's economy like lawyers, bank employees, and ordinary citizens including auto-rickshaw drivers

have gathered here today. Only the uneducated, illiterate, and puncture-wallahs are against it," he said, at the rally in the city on

Among the youngest elected parliamentarians in India, the 29year-old was seen making these remarks to loud cheers. However, as the video of the MP making the comment hit social media on Monday, many criticised him of exhibiting "crass elitism."

Indian Youth Congress leader Srivatsa Y B wrote on Twitter, "Want to know what privilege sounds like? MP@Tejasvi_Surva,

who hails from a rich political family, mocks CAA protestors as ILLITERATES and PUNCTURE WALAS. Are the poor not supposed to protest now? Such crass elitism is unbecoming of a parliamentarian," sharing a video of Surya's speech.

Reacting to the remark, for-Karnataka Siddaramaiah said, "He (Surya) is an RSS man, grown in ABVP. He represents the system that took away the rights of Dalits, Shudras and backward communities. This is what he represents," Siddaramaiah said

Uproar over CAA post forces Kerala doctor to quit job in Doha properties by fielding anti-social

SHAJU PHILIP

THIRUVANANTHAPURAM. DECEMBER 23

A DOCTOR from Kerala, who was working at a private hospital in Doha, has said that he had to guit his job and flew back home following an uproar over his comments on the social media in favour of the new citizenship law.

Dr Ajith Sreedharan, an orthopaedic specialist with Naseem Health Care Group in Doha, said he put in papers after several people threatened to boycott the hospital over his Facebook post.

The doctor, who had been in Doha for 11 years, had supported the new law in his Facebook post and denounced the protests against it. Dr Ajith wrote in the post in Malayalam, "The issue is not the citizenship amendment Bill. The demand is that Modi government should be brought down... Create riot by misleading a community which can be easily provoked and thus create a feeling that there is anarchy in the country. After burning the waste materials at one's land. telling that the country is burning. Damage maximum public elements and then glorify it as mass protest." The doctor said he had not in-

sulted anyone in his post. "I have every right to react and I had only demonstrated that right," he said The doctor said the uproar on

social media over his post assumed a fresh dimension last Friday. "There were calls in the social media to boycott the hospital. I was told that people from Kerala were behind the campaign. When I realised that a mob would target an institution, I conveyed my decision to quit and return," he said.

Dr Ajith said there was no pressure from the hospital management. "The threat was to boycott the hospital. I did not face any personal threat. But as things were getting worse, I deactivated my social media accounts and flew back to Kollam," he said.

Naseem Health Care Group has said in an internal circular that Dr Ajith had resigned with immediate effect following his controversial comments on political matters. The statements made by the doctor were personal and were not in the knowledge of the hospital management, it said.

2 killed in Mangaluru among 29 named in case over violence

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE BENGALURU. DECEMBER 23

TWO PEOPLE who were killed in police firing in Mangaluru are among 29 people accused in a police case for the violence that occurred in the city on December 19 during a protest against the new citizenship law. Abdul Jaleel (49) and

Naushin Kudroli (23) have been

named as accused number 3 and accused number 8 in an FIR registered by the Mangalore North police, based on a complaint filed by the city's Deputy Police Commissioner (law and order) Arunangshu Giri.

Family members of the two men said they were bystanders and were not involved in the protests. "They have named the per-

sons who died in the police fir-

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ing among the accused... Why have they done this?" former Karnataka chief minister and Congress leader Siddaramaiah said during a visit to Mangaluru on Monday.

However, Karnataka Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa has claimed that the two were named on the basis of credible information of their involvement. He claimed that two were among those who tried to damage a police station and take away firearms.

Incidentally, Yediyurappa had earlier announced compensation of Rs 10 lakh for the families of the two deceased and also asked Mangaluru authorities to consider building homes for the two families.

According to the FIR filed in the Mangalore North police station over the violence that occurred on December 19, a group

of 1,500-2,000 people violated prohibitory orders and gathered near the police station, threw stones and did not disperse despite instructions. Police resorted to firing after the crowd did not disperse even after shots were fired in the air, resulting in the death of two people and injuries to five, says the FIR.

announced a CID and a magisterial probe into the violence.

Meanwhile, the government

KEEPING HERITAGE VALUE INTACT

Mumbai's CSMT station set for makeover

AVISHEK G DASTIDAR NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

THE ICONIC Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus (CSMT) railway station in Mumbai is slated to be taken up under the station redevelopment plan, making it possibly the world's only UNESCO World Heritage Site station to accommodate a modern makeover while keeping its heritage value

undisturbed. The Empowered Group of Secretaries, headed by Amitabh Kant, has taken the decision to clear the decks for the redevelopment scheme and a plan is being formulated to get the project approved by the government's Public Private Partnership Appraisal Committee, it is learnt.



A user development fee may be charged after the makeover is complete. File

The idea, according to officials, is to take up the mammoth project in the next phase of India's station modernisation plan. Armed with infrastructure status — and not just a real estate monetisation venture — the plan proposes

charging an airport-like user development fee from the public after the redevelopment work is done. The scope and extent of the charges will be notified by the Railways Ministry, SK Lohia, managing director of India Railway Station Development Corporation (IRSDC), said.

"The charges could be linked to the wholesale price index. It has been decided that instead of relying only on land monetisation to fund the exercise, user development fee will also be weaved into the business model of the private developer," Lohia said.

Officials said the fee would be charged on passengers boarding and alighting at these stations and care will be taken to keep it at a level that suits the railway passenger profile, which is distinct from the user profile at airports. The idea is to set the ball rolling on redevelopment of 50 chosen stations through private participation by next October, officials said. The group of secretaries has been instrumental in fast-tracking this process, which was lagging for years. In this renewed PPP model, Indian Railways is envisaged to not spend any money and will instead get revenue share in the form of licence fee and income from monetisation of station premises, it was informed.

The redeveloped stations are planned to be hubs in the respective cities, and centre points of 24x7 economic activities in what is now being termed as "Railopolis" through transit-oriented development, Lohia told the media.

DIVYA A NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

VICE PRESIDENT Venkaiah Naidu on Monday morning presented the National Film Awards to the winners of 2018, with Bollywood actors Vicky Kaushal, Ayushmann Khurrana and Tamil actor Keerthy Suresh receiving top honours. Actor Amitabh Bachchan, who

was supposed to receive the Dadasaheb Phalke Award at the ceremony, skipped the event citing ill health. The 77-year-old will now be honoured by President Ram Nath Kovind on December 29 at Rashtrapati Bhavan, during a hightea hosted by the President for the winners, announced Union



Filmmakers must make effort to ensure

depictions reflect India's culture: V-P

Vice President Venkaiah Naidu greets winners of the 2018 National Film Awards in Delhi on Monday. Prem Nath Pandey

Information & Broadcasting minister Prakash Javadekar.

intelligence; we have films that "The feature films this year are break stereotypes and attack super-

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ing his address. He also praised non-feature films for dealing with a wide range of subjects such as female infanticide, human trafficking and ethics of adoption. "Filmmakers must make con-

stitions sensitively," Naidu said dur-

scious effort to ensure that dia logues, depiction of characters and costumes reflect India's culture, customs, practices and traditions. Cinema should also help in strengthening family systems," the Vice President added.

Speaking at the ceremony, Javadekar said, "I always believed that cinema is a soft power of a

strong India... The culture and art of a country is its power and we need to present this power to the whole world," he said.

US envoy Shringla to be next Foreign Secy

SHUBHAJIT ROY NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

INDIAN AMBASSADOR to the US Harsh Vardhan Shringla will be the next Foreign Secretary, and will take charge after current Foreign Secretary Vijay Keshav Gokhale's two-year term ends next month.

The appointment has been approved by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) headed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, according to the order by the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT).

"The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved the appointment of Harsh Vardhan Shringla, Ambassador in Washington DC as Foreign Secretary with effect from 29.01.2020 upon completion of two year of Vijay Keshav Gokhale as Foreign Secretary on 28.01.2020," the government statement said on Monday.

An Indian Foreign Service (IFS) officer of the 1984 batch, Shringla has held several important positions in his diplomatic career spanning 35 years. To his credit, he was one of the main negotiators for the India-Bangladesh land boundary agreement as Joint Secretary, in charge of Bangladesh, in the MEA. In his current stint as

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Harsh Vardhan Shringla to take charge next month

the Indian envoy in Washington, he is widely credited for the Prime Minister's Howdy Modi event in September, which was attended by US President Donald Trump.

He has served as India's High Commissioner to Bangladesh and Thailand, apart from serving in France, India's permanent mission to the United Nations in the US, Vietnam, Israel and South Africa.

Shringla has served in the Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi as Joint Secretary responsible for Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Mvanmar and Maldives. He has also headed the United Nations Political and SAARC Divisions in the Ministry. Earlier, he served as Director of the Northern Division dealing with Nepal and Bhutan and as Deputy Secretary of the Europe West Division.

Shringla graduated from St. Stephen's College, Delhi University and has worked in the corporate and public sectors in India prior to joining the Indian Foreign Service.

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KASHMIR PSA DETAINEE DIES IN UP JAIL

They took me to a room and removed cover from a body... it was my father'

BASHAARAT MASOOD

HANDWARA, DECEMBER 23

ON FRIDAY evening, Mohammed Haneef (32) was returning from Srinagar High Court when he got a call from the police. The policemen informed him that his jailed father Ghulam Mohammed Bhat is not well and the Public Security Act(PSA) charges against him had been quashed. He asked Haneef to leave for Prayagraj in Uttar Pradesh to bring back his father. The next day, when he reached the jail in Prayagraj, he was informed that his father was dead.

Bhat (62), a former member of the banned Jamaat-e-Islami Jammu and Kashmir, was arrested on July 17 and booked under PSA. The family had challenged the case and it came up for hearing on Friday. As Haneef was returning

from the court, he got the call. "On Friday evening, a police officer told me that my father is not well and the PSA charges have been quashed. He told me to go to Allahabad to bring him back," says

Haneef. "I said I cannot go. But on Saturday I got a call at 5.30 am. The officer told me they have arranged my air ticket and I should immediately go to Allahabad. I was driven to Srinagar (airport) in a police vehicle." Haneef says police asked a man to accompany him to Prayagraj. "I don't know if he was a policeman or a civilian."

When the two landed at Lucknow airport, he said, UP Police was waiting and they drove to Prayagraj. "I reached Allahabad at 9 pm. When I met the jailer, he informed me about my father's death. I was shocked. I called home and informed my uncle."

Haneef adds, "I was alone and no family member was accompanying me. I didn't dare to ask the policeman there how my father died. They took me to a room and removed the cover from a body. It was my father."

Haneef says he was asked to wait as police "conducted the postmortem". "At 2.30 at night, I was handed over the body. They also gave me an ambulance and some police escorts and we were

driven to airport."Bhat's body reached his village Saturday night and was buried in the village. The family has many unan-

swered questions. "He was healthy when he was

arrested. All his life, he did not take any medicine, not even a paracetamol. He only had a slight problem in his leg. He was arrested and tortured in 1993 and couldn't walk properly," says Bhat's brother-in-law Bashir Ahmad Khan. "His death is suspicious for us."

Bhat has two sons and as many daughters.

His wife Zarifa recalls the day he was called by the police. She says he told them that he would present himself as he hasn't committed any crime. "He asked us to remain steadfast," she says.

The family last saw him on July 17. "His son works as a labourer and barely manages to run the family. They couldn't afford to travel outside the state to meet him," says Khan. "After his arrest, they spoke to him a few times over phone before he was shifted to Allahabad."

After 4 months, PDP, NC hold meetings in Srinagar

ADIL AKHZER SRINAGAR, DECEMBER 23

AFTER suspension of political ac-

tivities for more than four months, the National Conference (NC) and Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) convened their first political meetings in Srinagar on Monday. These were the first meetings held by both parties since August

5, when the Centre scrapped the special status of J&K under Article 370. The top leaders of the parties are currently under detention. NC spokesperson Imran Nabi

Dar said, "Today's was a provincial-level meeting in which about 250 people were present. Prominent functionaries from different parts of the Valley were invited." The meeting was held at NC's

headquarters in Srinagar. At the meeting, a resolution demanding the release of detained leaders was passed. NC MP Hasnain Masoodi said that holding a "provincial level meeting is a mes-

sage to workers that they have to be alive to the problems faced by people and other party matters".

The PDP meeting was held at

the party office at the city centre. "It was primarily called to discuss the upcoming anniversary of Mufti Sahib [party founder Mufti Mohammed Sayeed]. The second rung leadership met for the first time and discussed several issues. Everyone demanded that the leadership be released and once they are released, the party will decide the future course of action," said a PDP leader.

Sources said it was decided that contact with office bearers and workers at the grassroots would be established again. "As a political party, we cannot remain a mute spectator," said a leader.

PDP spokesperson Tahir Sayeed confirmed that the party held the meeting. "The future strategy will be decided by the party leadership once they are out," he said, adding that about 50 party leaders were present at the meeting.

BJP MP, son booked over false info for **OBC** certificate

MILIND GHATWAI BHOPAL, DECEMBER 23

BJP'S GUNA MP K P Yadav and his son Sarthak have been booked for providing false information about the MP's income to procure an OBC certificate, given only to those with an annual income of less than Rs 8 lakh. Yadav defeated Congress leader Jyotiraditya Scindia in the Lok Sabha polls this year Last week, Ashok Nagar dis-

trict administration cancelled Yaday's certificate (procured in 2014) and his son's certificate (procured in July) after a probe found that he provided false information about his income to get the certificate. Girraj Yadav, a resident of Ashok Nagar, had lodged the complaint against Yadav. The MP could

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Candidates shortlisted for scrutiny of documents shall fill their Scrutiny form online from 25.12.2019 to 02.01.2020. Candidates have to bring the filled Scrutiny form along with all original documents and application form at the time of Scrutiny. It is mandatory for the shortlisted candidate to fill the scrutiny form online without which scrutiny of candidate will not be done.

Instructions for filling online Scrutiny form:

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- 3. Take a printout after final submission of form. Before uploading the documents. candidate shall number the documents and shall mention total number of pages and total number of documents uploaded in the scrutiny form.
- 4. Bring the signed scrutiny form with all original documents and application form at the time of document verification.
- 5. On the top of scrutiny from serial no, Time Slot, committee allotted to candidates will be mentioned and the candidates shall come accordingly.

Note: Annexures for socio-economic criteria and others are attached herewith.

Dated Panchkula Sd/- Under Secretary, For Secretary Haryana Staff Selection Commission The 20.12.2019

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It is hereby informed that the State Medical Register (SMR) of Delhi Medical Council is being updated for conduct of election of eight members to the Delhi Medical Council. The SMR of the Delhi Medical Council are available for inspection at the office of the Delhi Medical Council which may be inspected by registered practitioners of Delhi Medical Council between 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM from 26" December, 2019 to 02" January, 2020 excluding Saturday, Sunday and public holidays. In case there is a proposed change/amendment/correction in the SMR, the same may be intimated to the office of the Delhi Medical Council in writing on or before the date specified herein above. It is requested that all registered medical practitioners whose registration with the Delhi Medical Council has fallen due for renewal and has not applied for renewal of registration may kindly do so on or before 02nd January, 2020. Any request for renewal of registration received after 02" January, 2020 will not be considered for inclusion in the State Medical Register of Delhi Medical Council for the purpose of aforementioned election. Please note that only those medical practitioners whose names are borne on the State Medical Register of Delhi Medical Council as on 02rd January, 2020 shall be entitled to vote or contest for the aforementioned election.

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2	Series I	DDB0367057	SUBHASH JAGANNATH SONI	434496	434496	1	434496	434496
3	Series I	DDB0719333	VICKY GUPTA	865033	865033	1	865033	865033
4	Series I	DDB0751488	RAMBILAS SINGH	902012	902012	1	902012	902012
5	Series I	DDB0139733	S NANDINI LAKSHMI	167674	167674	1	167674	167674
6	Series I	DDB0896170	MADHUR KHULLAR	1078633	1078633	1	1078633	1078633
7	Series I	DDB0898516	SHAILLY GUPTA	1080979	1080979	31.	1080979	1080979
8	Series I	DDB0654459	MITHILA GADYAR	785315	785315	1.7	785315	785315
9	Series I	DDB0174646	S MANIMOZHI	210058	210060	3	210058	210060
10	Series I	DDB0857225	BRIJ BHUSHAN ARORA	1028763	1028763	1	1028763	1028763
11	Series I	DDB0028861	GANDHARAV SADASHIV POWAR	32607	32607	4	32607	32607
12	FL02	FDD004865	MADHAVI KISHOR SHAH	230832	230832	1	30004865	3000486
13	FL02	FDD123774	PRIYANKA AGGARWAL	1167974	1167974	1	30174356	3017435
14	FL03	FDB013110	ASHALATA MISRA	450228	450228	-1	2016833	201683
15	FL96	DDB0103970	JASVIR PAL	111671	111671	1	111671	111671
16	FL96	DDB8485838	MANGAL BALBHIM AMRUTE	2022058	2022058	4	517646	517646
17	FL96	DDB0205006	AMITA HEMENT MEHTA	227758	227758	1	227758	227758
18	FL96	EEB3343896	AMIT JHURANEY	3016118	3016118	- 1	3016118	3016118
19	Series (DDB0591166	SANKET	705177	705177	1	705177	705177
20	Series I	DDB0514466	SHASHIKANT VASANT JOSHI	612817	612817	litte.	612817	612817
21	FL96	DDB0787587	NAMDEO SAHEBRAO PINGALE	823321	823321	1	823321	823321
22	FL96	DDB0254581	AKASH DSPRAVIN PANDHARE	280993	280993	21	280993	280993
23	FL02	FDD106263	PRABHU SINGH	786628	786628	1	30124850	3012485
24	Series I	DDB0946899	SUDHIR SHARMA	1141854	1141854	1	1141854	1141854
25	Series I	DDB0411041	KAMLA KANT PANDEY	488702	488702	1.1	488702	488702
26	FL96	DDB3379963	ROHIT AGRAWAL	3356894	3356894	11-	3356894	3356894
27	Series I	DDB0666151	BIMLA SHARMA	800636	800636	1	800636	800636
28	FL96	DDB0882264	RUMA CHATTERJEE	922953	922955	3	922953	922955
29	FL96	DDB3097724	RUMA CHATTERJEE	3090624	3090625	2	3090624	3090625
30	FL96	DDB1413675	RAJESH DOKANIA	1469805	1469805	1.	1469805	146980
31	Senes I	DDB0395012	K SATTAIAH	467268	467268	1	467268	467268
32	Series I	DDB0684114	KETAN	820954	820954	1	820954	820954
33	Series I	DDB0658351	NILIMA VISHWAS VAIDYA	789207	789207	-1	789207	789207
34	Series I	DDB0349492	RAVINDRA CHINTAMANI MHATRE	414463	414463	1	414463	414463
35	FL96	DDB3400854	KAILASH PRASAD SONKER	3377230	3377230	1	3377230	337723
36	FL96	EEB3066828	ARUN DHATI M BABA	3003513	3003513	1	3003513	3003513

may has / have claim / objection in respect of the said Bonds should communicate to the Bank at the Registered office at the above address or to the Registrar's Office at the address given below, within fifteen days from the publication of this advertisement, failing which the bank will proceed to issue duplicate Bond Certificate(s). Copy of this notice is available in IDBI website 'idbibank.in' under the link Investor - Bondholders space - Fexi Bonds - Loss of bond Notices.

Important Notice for IDBI Bondholders

Place: Mumbai

Date: 24.12.2019

Panchkula.

IDBI had exercised early redemption (Call Option) in certain Bond issues whose prefix to Folio Nos, are shown in the brackets against the Series name, viz. Series I (DD), Flexibonds 1 (FRRB / PRRB, FEEB / PEEB, FDDB / PDDB, FRMB / PRMD), Flexibonds 2 (FDD), Flexibonds 3 (FDB) & Flexibonds 7 (DDB7), Despite repeated reminders and public notices, some of the bonds remain unclaimed by the holders, who may contact the respective Registrars for further details.

DATAMATICS BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LIMITED (For Flexi Bond 6)

Plot No. B-5, Part B Cross Lane, MIDC, Andheri (E), Mumbai - 400 093 • Tel.: 022-66712200/2206 Fax: 022-66712209 • Email: idolflexi@dfssl.com

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Karvy Selenium Tower B, Plot 31-32, Gachibowli, Financial District, Nanakramguda, Hyderabad - 500 032. Tel: 040 - 6716 1600 / 040 - 6716 1598 • Fax: 040 - 2300 1153

For IDBI Bank Limited

Authorised Signatory

Place: Hyderabad

and quantity of the property/ies before submitting their bid. No claim of what so ever nature regarding the property/ies put for sale will be entertained after submission of bid by the intending bidders. Further the intending bidders shall satisfy themselves about registrability of the property/ies as PARAS is not aware of any prohibition as regards registration of the property/ies at the SRO concerned; 8) Please note that before remitting the balance of bid amount the successful bidder should deduct 1% of the bid amount towards TDS as the purchase price of the asset sold exceeds Rs.50 Lakhs and remit the same to Income Tax Department and submi

us the proof of remittance of the TDS amount. 9) This is also a notice to the borrower/guarantors of M/s.Cyber Media (India) Ltd. about holding of the sale on the above mentioned date and other details.

10) In the event the auction scheduled herein above fails for any reason whatsoever PARAS has the rights to sell the secured asset under auction through this notice by way of PRIVATE TREATY under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act, 2002.

11) It is to be noted that the usage of the property shall be as per the terms and conditions of the Allotment Letter dated 28.06.1995 issued by HUDA.

Authorized Officer

10 Express Network

Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Ltd. (A Govt. of India Undertaking, Ministry of Defence)

Regd. Office: 43/46, Garden Reach Road, Kolkata 700 024 CIN: L35111WB1934GOI007891

E-TENDER NOTICE FOR ONLINE BIDDING NIT NO.CCS/HD/OT (Press)/FOJ Substation/E-0126B/N.ET-0951 Dated: 24.12.19

Sub: Statement of requirement for capacity enhancement of power house no. for future shipbuilding projects at Fitting Out Jetty, GRSE Ltd. Due Date: 30 Days from date of Publication Details will be available in e-tendering portal http://eprocuregrse.co.ir

and websites http://www.grse.in/tenderhome.php http://eprocure.gov.in/cppp/

Visit us at : www.grse.in

Any addendum/comgendum to this tender enquiry will be published in above

"In pursuit of Excellence and Quality in Shipbuilding"

THE H.P. STATE COOPERATIVE MILK PRODUCERS FEDERATION LIMITED TOTU, SHIMLA - 171011

No: 419/P&I-8/15-XXIII Dated: 24.12.2019 "SHORT TERMS TENDER NOTICE"

H.P Milkfed invites the online bids in electronic tendering system, in 2 cover system for the Purchase of 80-85 MT annually Bio Mass Fuel Briquets (Mustard) for MPP Duttnagar, MPP Kangra, MPP Nahan, MPP Mandi. The Bids document is available/published online on dt. 24.12.2019 up to 03:00 PM. Bidder would be required to register in the web-site which free of cost. For submission on bids, the bidder is required to have Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) from one of the authorised certifying Authorities (CA). Aspiring bidders should visit websites in https://hptenders.gov.in & https://hpmilided.org for complete details. Bidders should visit the website from time to time to note the corrigendum, if any.

NO. BED/DB/NIT/09/2019-20/1258-66

Managing Director

Cong seeks action against BJP MLA over remarks on 'Modi's Hindustan'

Chandigarh: BJP MLA from Haryana's Kaithal constituency, Lila Ram Gujjar allegedly said that today's country is not of Manmohan Singh, Jawaharlal Nehru and Gandhi but of Narendra Modi and Amit Shah.

"This is Narendra Modi's Hindustan, if there is a signal, cleaning would be done in an hour," he is purportedly heard saving in a video clip uploaded by local Congress leader Bhupinder Bhupi. The clip shows the MLA addressing a public meeting to spread awareness on CAA.

While the Congress sought action, Haryana BJP president Subhas Barala said he was not aware of the MLA's remarks.

Gujjar told The Indian Express that he was referring to intruders from Bangladesh or Nepal. "I wanted to say that in the era of Singh and Nehru, intruders were coming from all sides... that won't be tolerated today." ENS

उ०प्र० राजकीय निर्माण निगम लि० (राज्य सरकार का एक उपक्रम) विश्वेश्वरैया भवन, विभूति खण्ड, गोगती नगर, लखनऊ-226010 वेबसाइट https://www.uprnn.co.in, Fax- 0522-2720846 NIT न. व दिनांक 07/PM(E)/MKRSS EU/RNN/PROCUREMENT/Suchna Vibhag/19 Dated-18.12.2019

प्रवन्ध निदेशक, उ०प्र०रा०नि०नि०लि०, लखनक की ओर से परियोजना प्रवन्धक (वि०) माव्यंकआरावपुसावपुसाव विद्युत इकाई, लखनक द्वारा निम्नलिखित कार्यों की तकनीकी एव विर्ताय निविदा / ई- प्रोक्योरमेन्ट हेत् निर्माण नियम में कार्य कर रही लिपट निर्माता कम्पनियों अथया अधिकृत विक्रेताओं से आमंत्रित की जाती है, कार्यों का विवरण निम्नवन हैं कार्य का नाम- निर्माणाधीन "पेo दीनदराल उपाध्यारा सत्तना भवन" लखनऊ में 8 Stoc (B+G+6) Floor तक 11 च 16 पैसेंजर लिफ्टो की संस्थापना का कार्य मत सेन्टर ओपनिंग विच फ्रांट ग्लास और। कार्य की अनुमानित जागत (फ. लाख में) = 98 55, बरोहर बनराशि (फ. लाख में) = 01.97, कार्य पुण करने की अवधि = 03 माह, ई—प्राक्योरमन्ट, निविदा प्रपन्न का मुल्य समस्त कर सहित रु 2,360 00 ई-प्रोक्योरमेन्ट की तकनीकी निविदा खालन को लिए व समय दिनाक-31 12 2019 समय- 03:30 अपरान्ह। ई-प्राक्योरमेन्ट से सम्बन्धित सुचनायें नियम / शतै. निर्विदा प्रपन्न तथा विवरण नियम की वेयसाइट http://www.uprnn.co.in व

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DEPARTMENT OF POWER (ELECTRICAL) OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (E): BOMDILA ELECTRICAL DIVISION

WEST KAMENG DISTRICT: BOMDILA: ARUNACHAL PRADESH

E-mail:electdivn_bdl@yahoo.com

Dated Bomdila the 21/12/2019

परियोजना प्रयन्धक (वि०)

NOTICE INVITING TENDER On behalf of the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, the undersigned invites bids from eligible and reputed Contractors/Companies/Consortium of Joint Venture Companies for turnkey (Supply & Frection) execution of the following item of work

SI. No.	Name of work System Strengthening of 33	Tentaive Estimated cost of the work (Rs Lakhs)	Tentavie Bid	Date and time of sale	Last Date and time of receipt of application for purchase of Tender Documents	Last date	Time & date of opening of tender	Cost of Tender (Non refundable) (Rs.)	Completion time
	KV, 11 KV, LT Line and Distribution System in West Kameng. Tawang and Namsai District under DDUGJY Scheme								
а	33 KV Line Khuppi to Bana	1332.34	Rs. 13.33 Lakhs (APST) and Rs. 26.66 Lakhs (Non- APST) Firms	to 1500 Hrs. of	1500 Hrs. of 08/01/2020	1200 Hrs. of 10/01/2020	1300 Hrs. of 10/01/2020	25000/-	24 (Twenty Four) Months
b	Works under Bomdila Electrical Division	5325.10	Rs. 53.25 Lakhs (APST) and Rs. 106.50 Lakhs (Non- APST) Firms	to 1500 Hrs. of	1500 Hrs. of 08/01/2020	1200 Hrs. of 10/01/2020	1300 Hrs. of 10/01/2020	25000/-	24 (Twenty Four) Months
С	Works under Tawang Electrical Division	3808.58	Rs. 38.09 Lakhs (APST) and Rs. 76.17 Lakhs (Non- APST) Firms	10.30 AM from 26/12/2019 to 1500 Hrs. of 08/01/2020	1500 Hrs. of 08/01/2020	1200 Hrs. of 10/01/2020	1300 Hrs. of 10/01/2020	25000/-	24 (Twenty Four) Months
d	Works under Namsai Electrical Division	3736.91	Rs. 37.37 Lakhs (APST) and Rs. 74.74 Lakhs (Non- APST) Firms	to 1500 Hrs. of	1500 Hrs. of 08/01/2020	1200 Hrs. of 10/01/2020	1300 Hrs. of 10/01/2020	25000/-	24 (Twenty Four) Months
е	Procurement/Development of Software for Computerization of Electricity Bills in Power Department		Rs. 5.00 Lakhs (APST) and Rs. 10.00 Lakhs (Non- APST) Firms	to 1500 Hrs. of	1500 Hrs. of 08/01/2020	1200 Hrs. of 10/01/2020	1300 Hrs. of 10/01/2020	5000/-	3 (Three) Months

The non-transferable bid documents in three parts namely, Vol-I (Contract Conditions & Scope of Works), Vol- II (PMS Quality Assurance & Evaluation Mechanism, Bid Forms and Price Schedules) and Vol-III (Technical Specifications & Drawings) shall be available for sale in the Office of the Executive Engineer (E), Bomdila electrical Division, Department of Power, Bomdila, on above specified date & time on all working days on production of the requisite qualifying documents and payment of tender cost to be paid in cash or by Demand Draft in favour of the Executive Engineer (Electrical), Bomdila Electrical Division, Department of Power, Bomdila payable at SBI, Bomdila.

The Bid Guarantee (Earnest Money) tentatively shown above in the table should be deposited along with the tenders in the prescribed format & manner described in the bid documents.

The prospective bidder(s) shall have to apply for bid documents in writing on contractor's/company's printed official letter pad with detailed postal address, telephone, mobile & fax numbers and e-mail id etc, enclosing with the documents of qualification under the general information and basic terms & conditions. No tender paper shall be sold to any intending bidder(s) unless application for such is accompanied by these above documents.

The Arunachal Pradesh District Based Entrepreneurs and Professional (Incentives, Development and Promotional)

Act, 2015 shall be enforced.

Department of Power reserves all the rights to cancel/withdraw the bid in full or part without assigning any reason for such decision and to place order in full or in part. Such decision will not incur any liability whatsoever on the part of Department of

> Sd/-**Executive Engineer(E) Bomdila Electrical Division Department of Power**

STUDY PUBLISHED IN THE LANCET PSYCHIATRY

'One in 7 Indians affected by mental disorders in 2017'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE PUNE, NEW DELHI, DEC 23

ROUGHLY ONE in seven Indians, or 197 million people, suffered from mental disorders of varying severity in 2017. Of these, 45.7 million had depression and 44.9 million had anxiety disorders.

These are some of the findings of the first comprehensive estimates of disease burden due to mental disorders and their trends in every state of India from 1990, published in The Lancet Psychiatry by the India State-Level Disease Burden Initiative. According to the findings, de-

pression and anxiety disorders are the commonest mental disorders in India. Their prevalence is increasing and is relatively higher in the southern states and in females. In 2017, 7.6 million people had

bipolar disorder, with Goa, Kerala, Sikkim and Himachal Pradesh having the highest prevalence.

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Around 3.5 million had schizophrenia, with the highest prevalence observed in Goa, Kerala, Tamil Nadu and Delhi.

The contribution of mental disorders to the total disease burden in India in terms of disability adjusted life years (DALYs) increased from 2.5 per cent in 1990 to 4.7 per cent in 2017. One DALY is at least one lost year of 'healthy' life.

Depression accounted for 33.8 per cent of all mental disorder DALYs in India in 2017. followed by anxiety disorders (19%), idiopathic developmental intellectual disability (10.8%), and schizophrenia (9.8%). Prof Rajesh Sagar, Professor, Al-

IMS New Delhi and lead author of the paper, told *The Indian Express*, "Mental illnesses contribute significantly to the burden of disease in India as reported by this study. There is an urgent need to strengthen mental health services, integrate these with general healthcare, and remove barriers

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such as stigma and access to treatment. It is time to act at all levels with all stakeholders to bring mental health at the forefront to reduce the burden. An interesting finding is the slower improvement in the burden of childhood mental disorders such as developmental intellectual disability and conduct disorder in the less developed states which should be examined."

Prof Lalit Dandona, Director

of the India State-Level Disease Burden Initiative, Distinguished Scientist and National Chair of Population Health at ICMR, and Distinguished Research Professor Public Health Foundation of India, who is the senior author of the paper, said, "The high rate of depression among older adults is of concern, which needs attention, and the significant association of suicide with depression emphasises the need to identify and deal with depression through wider efforts in the community and health system."

'Healing touch': AMU appoints student injured in clashes as ad hoc teacher

AMIL BHATNAGAR NOIDA, DECEMBER 23

CALLING IT a "healing touch". Aligarh Muslim University (AMU) has appointed Mohammad Tariq, one of its students injured during the protest against the new citizenship law and NRC as a professor on ad hoc basis.

Tariq was injured in clashes with the police on December 15. An AMU official said: "Taking a humanitarian view, the AMUV C has appointed Mohd Tariq as assistant professor on ad hoc basis in the Department of Chemistry. Tarig is a PhD scholar and has qualified NET and JRF and is eligible for the post. On the day of violence. Tarig received a major injury on his hand. Keeping that in mind, his appointment was finalised after due consultation

with the Chemistry faculty." On December 15, a protest march in solidarity with students of Delhi's Jamia Millia Islamia was taken out from Bab-e-Syed gate of AMU. The protest turned into clashes and police used the baton and teargas shells. In what is suspected to be a teargas shell injury, four of Tariq's fingers had to be amputated, a medical official said.

According to officials, the university has noted that Tarig was the only earning member of his family and would require financial help for further treatment. "This is our way of providing help," a university official said.

Modern Coach Factory, Raebarell

Further details in this regard can be seen at https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in

Tender No.:-RE-CAMC-MIG-2019-20-17, Due on-17/01/2020 Dy. Chief Mechanical Engineer/M&P, Modern Coach Factory, Raebarell, for and on behalf of president of india, invites ONLINE open tender based on two packet system from reputed firms through Indian Railways portal www.ireps.gov.in for Tender notice no. RE-CAMC-MIG-2019-20-17, Due on- 17/01/2020 on prescribed format for the under mentioned work- Description of Work Comprehensive Annual Maintenance Contract (including spare parts) of 223 nos, of CO2 MIG Welding Plants for 02 years, Approx. Value (In 7) Rs. 1,36.60 123.88(Rs. One Grare Thirty Six Lakhs Shity Thousand One Hundred Twenty Three and Sixty Eight Paisa Only) Earnest Money rounded off to nearest multiple of 100. (Int) Rs. 2,18,300.00(Rs.Two Lakhs Eighteen Thousand Three Hundred Only) Cost of Tender document :1 5000,00 Completion period from the date of commencement of work: 24 Months (02 years) . Date and time of closing of tender-17.01,2020 at 15;30 Hrs. . Detailed Tender Notice, Eligibility Criteria, Terms & conditions are available in lender document at Indian Railways portal Dy. Chief Mechanical Engineer (M&P)

Open lander based on Singki packet system Tender Notice No.-MCF/RBL/ Tender abrication of Roof Complete on Robotic line/C-378-II/2019-20 dt. 25-12-2019 is rivited by Dy. Chief Machanical Engineer/Shell, MCF/RBL through IREPS portal www.mgs.gov.in for and on behalf of president of India for the following work-Description of Work: Fabrication of Roof complete on Robotic Roof line as per scope of work Approx. Value (f) 72.57,000.00 EMD (f) 1.45,100.00 Cost of Tender document - £ 5,000,00 only Quantity of Work-300 Roof Sei. Completion period of Work- 3 Months or earlier a Period of Submission of tender document. From 27.12.2019 to 10.01.2020 • Date & time of closing of Tender-10.01.2019 at 11.45 Date & time of opening of Tender- 10.01,2020 at 12,00 hrs. Datalled Tender-Notice, Eligibility criteria, Terms & conditions are available at IREPS website www.ireps.gov.in intender.document. Dy. Chief Mechanical Engineer/ Shelf.

E-Terrider Notice No. 28/2019-20 (Open) of DyCE/I/MCF/RBL Deputy Creen Engineer /UMCF/RBL. for and on behalf of The President of India invites "E-Tenders" for following works. SN. 1 Name of work Provision of barbed wire fencing of ECO park priase-((Approx. length 2943 M) Tender No. 46(2019-20 Approx Cost in (Rs.) 39 54 298.72 Earnest Money (Rs.) 79 100.00 Cost of Tender document (Rs.) 3000/- Date of opening of Tender 20.01.2020 Completion Period of work 96 im . Tanderer's shall be able to submit their original / revised bids up to closely date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed for this tender and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. . Earmest Money Deposit. & Tonder Document Cost will be accepted separately only online payment through net banking in the FAACAO/MCF/ RBs, or Clate Way Payment through IREPS Portal. Manual payments though Demand Draft, Banker's Cheque, Deposit Receipts & FOR stc. are not allowed ●For detail seems log on Indian Railways IREPS website www.treps.gov.in Deputy Chief Engineer-

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HEOMA	Emergency Battery Charger (type-1 to SKED-350, on Board)	210 Nov	30.12.2019
190239A	Prevailing Torque type all metal Hea Nut M24	//9029 Nos	06.01.2020
10026BA	Punched Wester A14 Stainless Steel	573547 Nos	10,01,2020
190327	Roof Sheeting Complete for LWSCN Coaches (CRF)	450 Sat	10.01.2020
190049	Lettering outside for LHB GS Crash worthy (EDG) Coach	511 Sel	10.01.2020
19005112	Switch Plate Assembly for LHB EOG GS Coaches	426 Set	06.01.2020
190054A	Aluminium Square tube 20x20x2 MM	04685 Mp	13.01.2020
190540	Secondary Spring for LHB NAC Coaches (Curler)	1200 Nos.	D3.02.2020
190541	Secondary Spring for Generator Car Side-2 (Quier)	1200 Nos	27,01,2020
190531	Set of Coll Spring for Air Spring type flat Bogin for LWACCWA, LWACCNA AND LDSER LHB Coaches	500 Set	12 02 2020
190112	Nyloe Nut M10 Stainless Steel	691840 Nos	20.02.2020
190112	Nyloe Nut M12 Stainless Steel	151455 Nos	
1900338	Hex Head Bolf M16x130 High Tensile	36922 Nos	20.01.2020
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Executive Engineer (C) DR-III

Letter No. YEA/GM (PROJECT)/2019/361

यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे औद्योगिक विकास प्राधिकरण प्रथम तल कॉमर्शियल कॉम्पलेक्स पी-2 सेक्टर ओमेगा 1 ग्रेटर नीएडा 201308 जनपद-गौतमबुद्ध नगर (उ०प्र०) दुरभाष: 0120-2395153, फैक्स: 0120-2395150

ई-निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना उप महाप्रबन्धक (परियोजना), युमना एक्सप्रेसवे औद्योगिक विकास प्राधिकरण द्वारा

DATED: - 23.12.2019

मुख्य कार्यपालक अधिकारी, यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे प्राधिकारण की ओर से यु.पी.एल.सी से ई-बिंड हेत् पंजीकत ठेकंदारों / फर्मों से ई-निविदा आमंत्रण सुचना संख्या YEA/GM (PROJECT)/2019/360 दिनांक 23.12.2019 के माध्यम से उल्लेखित कं. सं. 01 से 17 तक के कार्यों की ई-निविदायें आमंत्रित की जाती है। क्र सं. 01 से 03 तक के कार्यों की निविदाओं को दिनांक 01.01.2020 से दिनांक 09.01.2020 को 5:00 बजे तक अपलोड किया जा सकता है तथा प्राप्त निविदायें दिनांक 10.01.2020 को 11:00 बजे खोली जाएगी। क्र सं. 04 से 09 तक के कार्यों की निविदाओं को दिनांक 02.01.2020 से दिनांक 10.01.2020 की 5:00 बर्जे तक अपलॉड किया जा सकता है तथा प्राप्त निविदायें दिनांक 13.01.2020 को 11:00 बजे खोली जाएगी। क्र सं. 10 से 13 तक के कार्यों की निविदाओं को दिनांक 03.01.2020 से दिनांक 15.01.2020 को 5:00 बजे तक अपलोड किया जा सकता है तथा प्राप्त निविदायें दिनांक 16.01.2020 को 11:00 बजे खोली जाएगी। क़ सं. 14 से 17 तक के कार्यों की निविदाओं को दिनाक 03.01.2020 से दिनांक 17.01.2020 को 5:00 बजे तक अपलोड किया जा सकता है तथा प्राप्त निविदायें दिनांक 20.01.2020 को 11:00 बजे खोली जाएगी निविदा सम्बंधी समस्त विवरण व शर्ते यमुना एक्सप्रेसवे प्राधिकरण की वेबसाइट www.yamunaexpresswayauthority.com एव U.P.E.C.L की वेबसाइट https://etender.up.nic.in पर उपलब्ध है। किसी परिवर्तन, संशोधन व अतिरिक्त सचनाओं के लिए जक्त वेबसाइटें देखते रहें। उप महाप्रबन्धक (परियोजना)

Government of Odisha **Department of Tourism**

No.11765/TSM, Bhubaneswar, TCT-COOD-MISC-0030-2019

Dated 23.12.19

Expression of Interest-cum-Request for Proposal for Leasing/ Construction / **Upgradation / Redevelopment / Operation** and Management of Wooden Restaurant at Chandrabhaga, Puri, District, Odisha on

PPP mode Department of Tourism (DoT) invites technical and financial proposals from prospective bidders for Leasing / Construction / Upgradation / Redevelopment / Operation and Management at Chandrabhaga Wooden Restaurant at Chandrabhaga, Puri District, Odisha on PPP mode in accordance with the conditions and manner prescribed in the RFP document. Detailed document can be downloaded from Odisha Tourism https://dot.odishatourism.gov.in/?g=tender. Prospective bidders may apply to The Director, Tourism

Department, Government of Odisha, Paryatan Bhawan, Bhubaneswar-751014. The last date for receipt of the

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NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

The following item rate e-tenders are invited through e-tendering on behalf of Secretary, APMC Keshopur

S. No.	Name of Work	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time of completion	Last Date & Time of receipt of tenders through e-procurement	Tender ID no/NIT No.
1	Hiring of Computer and its attachment as well as computer operators/data entry operators including development software for fruit and vegetable market keshopur.		Rs 20,500/-	One Year	02/01/2020 Up to 14:30 hrs	2019_DAMB _185972_1

To be opened online in the office of Secretary, APMC Keshopur, Keshopur New Delhi- 110018

(i) Technical Bid opening at 15:00 hrs on 02/01/2020

Terms and Conditions and details can be seen at website https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in Sd/

(Arvind Kumar) Secretary DIP/Shabdarth/1169/19-20

E - TENDERING PRESS NOTICE

Executive Engineer, Civil Division No. IV, Irrigation & Flood Control Department Govt. of NCT of Delhi, L.M. Bund Office Complex, Shastri Nagar, Delhi-31 invites on behalf of President of India online Percentage rate tender from approved and eligible contractors registered with of Irrigation & Flood Control Department upto 3.00PM dated on 26.12.2019 for the works:

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HO A.: 2711 NON PLAN (REVENUE) MAINTEANCE DRAINAGE

1. NIT No.170/EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_185831_1). Name of work: Protection of malba dumping in the Escape Drain No.1 (L/side) by Construction of wall between RD 30m to RD 980m. Estimated Cost of Rs 41,93,528/- Earnest Money Rs 83,871/- period of completion 90 days H.O.A.: 2711 NON PLAN (REVENUE) MAINTEANCE DRAINAGE

2. NIT No.171/EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_185821_1). Name of work: Improvement of existing road of Left bank of Escape Drain No.1 between RD 1500m to RD 2200m. Estimated Cost of Rs

35,02,804/- Earnest Money Rs 70,056/- period of completion 60 days H.O.A.: MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT.OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT 3. NIT No 172/ EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_185758_1) Name of work: - Development of 33 Feet Main Road Dayal Pur in Mustafabad Constituency (AC69).. Estimated Cost of Rs Rs 42,88,842/-

Earnest Money Rs 85,777/- period of completion 60days H.O.A.: improvement of SC Basties (SCSP)

4. NIT No 173/EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_185826_1) Name of work:- Development of damaged street pavement and side drains of main road Lok Vihar and its adjoining street in Mustafabad Constituency (AC-69). Estimated Cost of Rs 67,43,695/- Earnest Money Rs 1,34,874/- period of completion 120days.

H.O.A.: 2711 NON PLAN (REVENUE) MAINTEANCE DRAINAGE 5. NIT No.174/EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019 IFC 185835 1) Name of work Protection of malba dumping in the Karawal Nagar Drain by construction of wall between RD 0m to RD 700m (R/side). Estimated

Cost of Rs 21,04,877/- Earnest Money Rs 42,098/- period of completion 60 days Note: 1) The enlistment of the contractors should be valid on the last date of opening of tender. In case only the last date of opening of tender is extended, the enlistment of contractor should be valid on the original date of opening of tenders.

2) The following Scanned copies are required to be uploaded: - (i) Copy of GST Registration /upto date file returned proof (ii) Registration of enlistment in the appropriates class.(iii) Scanned Copy of EMD.(iv) Scanned copy of ESI and EPF registration.(v) Copy of Pan Number. (vi)Valid Mobile Number, WhatsApp Number and E-mail ID. (3) EMD's in the form of DD/FDR in favour of EE, CD-IV may be submitted in the O/o of EE, CD-IV physically upto 3.00 P.M. in the date of opening tender. If the same shall not be deposited physically, the tender shall be treated as cancelled. The Detail of above mentioned work can be seen and downloaded from website http://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in 4) No manual tender shall be accepted; only tender submitted through e-procurement portal shall be considered.

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EXECUTIVE ENGINEER

Vidyut Purvanchal Vitran Nigam Limited (PuVVNL) (A subsidiary of UP Power Corporation limited) Purvanchal Vidyut Bhavan, Vidyut Nagar, P.O.-D.L,W., Varanasi-221004 Website: http://www.etender.up.nic.in Tender Date Extension The date of submission & opening of e-tender no., EAV- 58/19-20 is here by extended up to 30.12.2019 (15:00 PM) & 31.12.2019 PM) (15:00 respectively. Further details can seen at website www.etender.up.nic.in. Other terms and conditions shall remain same. Other terms and conditions shall remain same. Sd/-(Rajesh Kumar) Superintending Engineer (MM-I) "SAVE ELECTRICITY IN THE INTEREST OF THE NATION" पत्रांक: 3586/प्.वि.वि.नि.लि.(वा.)/सा.प्र/

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Office of the Executive Engineer, XII" Division, U.P. Jal Nigam, Krishna Nagar, Mathura Ref. No. - 1810/NIVIDA/68 dated : 11.12.2019

(Short Term) E-Tender Notice U.P. Jal Nigam, E-tenders are invited on two bid system Installation of 500 LPH RO Water Plant (commercial) & S.S. body Chiller Plant 300 ltr and related works in Various Girls Inter College within Mathura -Vrindavan Nagar Nigam Area" under CSR fund. Tender document shall be available at e-procurement website http://etender.up.nic.in. Interested

contractors may view & download tender document and upload their tender, duly filled, online as per schedule given below - Date for- (i) Uploading bid document at website: 10.01.2020 at 17:00, (ii) Online Submission of e-blds : 16.01.2020 at 17:00, (iii) Opening of pre qualification bid: 17.01.2020 at 15:00.

THIS WORD MEANS

TOTOK

A messaging app could be an Emirati spying tool

TOTOK, A chat and voice calling app that became available earlier this year and has since been downloaded millions of times from the Apple and Google app stores, is actually a spying tool, according to a United States intelligence assessment, *The New York Times* reported on Sunday.

ToTok is used by the government of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) to try to track every conversation, movement, relationship, appointment, sound and image of those who install it on their phones, *The New York Times*, which investigated both the app and its developers, said.

The UAE has restricted popular messaging services like WhatsApp and Skype, and ToTok was billed as a "fast, free, and secure" way to chat by video or text message. While the majority of its users are in the Emirates, the app has been downloaded throughout the Middle East, and in Europe, Asia, Africa, and North America. In the US, ToTok surged to become one

of the most downloaded social apps last week, according to app rankings and App Annie, a research firm, *The NYT* report said. According to recent Google Play rankings quoted by the report, it was among the top 50 free apps in Saudi Arabia, the UK, India, Sweden, and other countries. However, not many people in India actually use ToTok.

HOW TOTOK WORKS: ToTok appears to be a copy of YeeCall, a Chinese messaging app offering free video calls, slightly customised for English and Arabic audiences, according to a forensic analysis commissioned by *The NYT*. It functions much like the myriad other Apple and Android apps that track users' location and contacts. Its name is an apparent play on the Chinese app TikTok, which is hugely popular in India. The Chinese tele-



ToTok has now been removed from Apple and Android app stores. NYT

com giant Huawei recently promoted ToTok in advertisements.

WHO'S BEHIND TOTOK: According to *The NYT*, the firm behind ToTok is Breej Holding, most likely a front company affiliated with DarkMatter, an Abu Dhabibased cyberintelligence and hacking firm where Emirati intelligence officials, former US National Security Agency employees, and former Israeli military intelligence operatives work. DarkMatter is under FBI investigation, according to former employees and law enforcement officials, for possible cybercrimes.

what happens now: The NYT report has been quoted extensively in media across the world. On Thursday, Google removed the app from its Play store after determining ToTok violated unspecified policies. Apple removed ToTok from its App Store on Friday and was still researching the app. Users who already downloaded the app will still be able to use it until they remove it from their phones.

TIP FOR READING LIST

THE ANCIENT ART OF WAR, REIMAGINED

AS BOOKS on war strategy go, the two most frequently mentioned works are the Prussian general Carl Philipp Gottfried von Clausewitz's unfinished On War (German, Vom Kriege) which was published by his wife in 1832, a year after his death; and The Art of War, credited to a Chinese philosopher and military strategist named Sun

Tzu, who is believed to have lived 2,500 years ago, between 544 BC and 496 BC.
The central tenet of Sun Tzu's philos-

ophy is well known: that the real mastery of the art of war is to achieve one's desired strategic goals without having to go to war. Over the last century or so, the book has been translated and interpreted by a large number of scholars writing in multiple languages; the latest of these efforts in English has been made by Michael Nylan, a professor of history at the University of California at Berkeley, specialising on Early China. Prof Nylan has written several scholarly books and innumerable papers

in her area of research, and the publisher's note describes her latest — out early next year — as being "the first time in any modern language (that) a female scholar and translator (has) reimagine(d) The Art of War".

The New York Times review of Nylan's translation describes it as being "marvellously pointy and plainspo-

lously pointy and plainspoken", in which "each sentence is a struck match". An example:

"Warfare is the art of deception. So when you can, feign incapacity,

And when deploying troops, appear to have no such plans.

When close, seem to them to be far

away, and when far away, seem near.

If the enemy commander is avid for advantage, use it to lure him in;

If he is volatile, seize upon that;

If he is solid, prepare well for battle;
If he is strong, evade him; if he is an-

gry, rile him; if he is unpresuming, feed his arrogance."



AN EXPERT EXPLAINS

'Principle of discrimination based on faith will be difficult to limit'

Understanding the context and philosophy of Indian citizenship, the situation in countries around the world, and why the implications of the Citizenship Amendment Act may extend to other realms as well



Niraja Gopal Jayal

What were the Indian ideas and rules of citizenship in the Constitution before the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA), 2019?

The Articles (5-11) on citizenship in the Constitution of India were formulated specifically for the immediate aftermath of the Partition, leaving it to Parliament to enact the law on citizenship, which it did in 1955.

The Constituent Assembly held the principle of *jus soli* (citizenship based on birth on the soil of a country) to be the more "enlightened modern civilised" principle, as compared to the "racial" principle of *jus sanguinis* (citizenship based on descent); although citizenship by descent, as well as registration and naturalisation, also found recognition in The Citizenship Act of 1955.

The law on Indian citizenship is located within a constitutional framework that confers equal rights on all citizens, and does not discriminate between them on grounds of caste, creed, tribe or gender.

But if the new citizenship law does not impact Indian Muslims, should the exclusion of Muslims from Pakistan, Bangladesh, and Afghanistan bother Indians?

It is true that the CAA per se does not impact Indian Muslims. When twinned with the National Register of Citizens (NRC), however, it could adversely impact not only Indian Muslims, but also poor Indians of all faiths.

Even if (given the conflicting signals from the government) the NRC is not implemented, and the differentiation is only in relation to illegal migrants in the CAA, the very introduction of the principle of religious discrimination is cause for concern. Once the principle is admitted, that discrimination on religious grounds is permissible in law, it may not be possible to limit or contain its application to other realms as well.

How has the switch to jus sanguinis been significant in the great citizenship debates of the world?

The direction of change varies. When Donald Trump became President of the United States, he did indeed signal a questioning of the idea of birthright citizenship. On the other hand, Germany has moved in a more inclusive direction, combining elements of both *jus soli* as well as *jus sanguinis*. So there are historical fluctuations and hybridisations.

The Indian law of citizenship recognizes both — but through an amendment enacted when Atal Bihari Vajpayee was Prime Minister, *jus soli* was undermined in favour of *jus sanguinis*, through the exclusion of people born in India, but with one parent who was an illegal migrant at the time of their birth.

The new amendment consolidates this shift, introducing an explicitly religious crite-

rion into a hitherto religion-neutral law.

Did the collapse of countries such as the USSR and Yugoslavia feed the idea of ethnicity/race and nudge India towards an exclusive idea of citizenship?

The disintegration of the Soviet Union and the break-up of Yugoslavia were a long time ago.

The hyper-nationalism and xenophobia in countries experiencing populist regimes have been attributed to the perceived excesses of globalisation. But the fact is that we have been in what is called a post-multicultural world since at least the mid-1990s.

The impetus for the decline of multiculturalism in Europe had different sources. From left to right, it ranged from the broadly left dissatisfaction with identity politics as a distraction from the project of equality to the concern that it had failed to improve the condition of minorities to the populist worry that being over-solicitous of minority cultures was threatening the majority's way of life.

The Indian case is, however, distinct from all of these. The great civilisational diversity of this country makes imperative an inclusive architecture of governance.

This found powerful expression in the freedom movement, in the deliberations of the Constituent Assembly, and in our Constitution. Even if the word 'secular' was a later addition, India's Constitution is a document that builds the imperatives of diversity and pluralism into the architectural design of how we are governed, from reservations for historically disadvantaged groups to cultural rights for religious minorities and even the federal arrangement initially based on language.

The questioning of this architecture has less to do with the outside world and more to

do with our own polity.

Large crowds have been protesting against the Citizenship Amendment Act in cities across the country. Praveen Khanna

world of countries asking all citizens to prove citizenship at government windows, in the way that some fear the NRC might do? Does that not mean assuming everyone is illegal unless proven otherwise?

What other examples are there in the

I am not aware of any example in the world in which an entire population has been asked to prove its citizenship.

Even national ID cards have been controversial. In 2006, the United Kingdom legislated National ID cards, to be linked to a National Identity Register, carrying 50 categories of information on every citizen. Among the significant objections were concerns about discrimination expressed by black and South Asian citizens. Significantly, the Commission for Racial Equality said that this could result in a two-tiered racial structure, in which British ethnic minorities may be obliged (by the state or by employers) to register while white British people may not. The Act was repealed in 2011, and the data on the National Identity Register was destroyed within a month.

Based on the experience in Assam, how much might a nationwide NRC exercise cost?

The cost of the Assam NRC was Rs 1,600 crore, and 50,000 officials were deployed to enrol 3.3 million applicants. We now know that it ended up excluding 1.9 million people, mostly genuine citizens of all religious affiliations. If we take this as the basis of a back-of-the-envelope calculation, counting only the Indian electorate of 879 million voters, an all-India NRC would entail an expenditure of Rs 4.26 lakh crore, and would re-

quire 1.33 crore officials to conduct it.

Can the NRC be "done again", as is being said in Assam's case? How does a repeat of the exercise impact the credibility of the state?

The huge margin of error — especially exclusion errors — obviously dents seriously the credibility of such an exercise.

But there can also be errors of inclusion. As Kamal Sadiq's book *Paper Citizens: How Illegal Immigrants Acquire Citizenship in Developing Countries* showed, there is a greater likelihood of poor illegal migrants holding proper documents than of poor nationals. Migrants, because that's the condition for their survival, have to organise papers on arrival, through what Sadiq calls "networks of kinship" and "networks of profit". This is what he describes as "documentary citizenship".

Essentially, it means that documented non-nationals (illegal migrants) may be able to prove their citizenship even as undocumented nationals are unable to do so. The dangers of stripping legitimate citizens of their citizenship should surely outweigh any advantage of 'detecting' illegal foreigners.

Credibility is also called into question when the authenticity of documents issued by the state is impugned. The courts have been known to cast doubts on the legitimacy of the citizenship of Indian passport holders, on the grounds that a passport could have been acquired by misrepresentation and fraud.

Prof Niraja Gopal Jayal is one of India's most well-known political scientists, with extensive work on the question of citizenship. She is the author of Citizenship and its Discontents: An Indian History. She spoke to **Seema Chishti**.

In citizenship debate, a related question — that of Sri Lankan Tamils

ARUN JANARDHANAN CHENNAI, DECEMBER 23

THE EXCLUSION of Sri Lankan Tamils figured prominently in the debate on the Citizenship Amendment Bill, and the crucial support extended by the AIADMK to the government in Parliament has handed the opposition in Tamil Nadu a stick to beat the

ruling party in the state.
About 1 lakh Tamils from Sri Lanka live in India, including some 60,000 in camps across Tamil Nadu. These refugees are mostly Hindu, and are of both Sri Lankan and Indian origin. The AIADMK claims Home Minister Amit Shah has promised Chief Minister Edappadi K Palaniswami that the question of the Tamil refugees would be considered soon.

When did the refugees from Sri Lanka arrive in India?

Tamils who came from Sri Lanka can be separated into those who came before 1983 and those who came after, when the separatist movement in the island nation took a violent turn followed by a series of anti-Tamil riots. Most of the 1 lakh documented Sri Lankan illegal immigrants who live in

Tamil Nadu today, fled this ethnic conflict.
Those who reached India before 1983

were mostly Indian-origin Tamils whose forefathers migrated to Sri Lanka a century previously, mainly to work in the tea plantations. In 1964, Prime Ministers Lal Bahadur Shastri and Sirimavo Bandaranaike signed an agreement to allow some 9,75,000 people of Indian origin in Sri Lanka, who had citizenship of neither country, to become citizens of the country of their choice. Many of those who arrived in India until 1982 got legal accommodation; however, the process was not comprehensive, and was ultimately not completed.

Some 4.6 lakh repatriations from Sri

Some 4.6 lakh repatriations from Sri Lanka have been officially recorded so far, besides thousands of Tamils of Sri Lankan origin who sought asylum in India. Some of those who arrived from Sri Lanka managed to travel onward to countries of Europe; some others married Indians and resolved their identity issues.

The arrivals from Sri Lanka dwarf the arrivals from Burma (about 1.4 lakh from 1963 to 1989, when it was stopped) and Vietnam (a total 2,055 repatriates between 1975 and 1980), government records show. Arrivals from Sri Lanka turned into a flood after 1983.

What are the conditions in the Tamil Nadu camps like?

About 19,000 Sri Lankan families, comprising 60,000 individuals, live in 107 camps



DMK's M K Stalin and leaders of other parties march against the CAA in Chennai Monday. Stalin has attacked AIADMK on the refugees' question. PTI

in Tamil Nadu. Some 10,000 of these inmates are children below the age of eight, according to latest available data from August 2019.

"Technically, those who arrived by boat and other informal, illegal channels during the war in Sri Lanka are considered illegal immigrants, not refugees," said S C Chandrahasan, head of the Organisation for Eelam Refugees Rehabilitation (OFERR), the only nongovernment agency that is allowed to work in the camps and have free access to the inmates.

Most of these "illegal immigrants" reached Tamil Nadu in the 1980s and 1990s. Thereafter, a few hundreds came over the

years — until arrivals spurted during the last leg of war, which ended with the final defeat of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) in 2009.

At least 20 per cent of these refugees claim an Indian origin on the basis of Sri Lankan birth certificates that identify them as "Indian Tamil", and documents issued by Indian authorities that trace their links to Indian grandparents or other ancestors.

Dwellings in the so-called refugee camps are in most cases a single room that was allotted to a family when it reached India in 1983 or later, and where they have continued to live ever since. Most of these camps are in a shambles. No rent is charged from the residents, and they get rice for 57 paise a kilo. Each member of a family aged eight and older is eligible for 12 kg of rice every month. The head of the family gets an allowance of Rs 1,000 every month, the spouse gets Rs 750, and children below the age of 12, Rs 400 each.

Besides the 60,000 in the camps, about 30,000 Sri Lankan Tamils live on their own, and are required to periodically report to the nearest police station. They do, however, have greater freedom of movement than those who live in the camps, which have a system of attendance — inmates of camps cannot go outside Tamil Nadu, and require permission to even travel out of the

district. A VIP visit in the vicinity of the camps almost always brings interrogation and inquiries from the Q-Branch of the police and central intelligence agencies. The relatively free atmosphere in the refugee camps changed permanently after the assassination of Rajiv Gandhi in 1991.

What do the refugees from Sri Lanka expect from the government?

They expect citizenship of India — because they fear persecution and violence at the hands of the Colombo government and the Sinhala Buddhist majority if they return to Sri Lanka, and because they are unable to go anywhere else (such as to an European country). Also, most of the Indian-origin Tamils have ancestral roots, relatives, and property in India. Many could have got Indian citizenship under the Shastri-Bandaranaike Pact if they had chosen to come to India before the ethnic riots broke out in Sri Lanka.

OFERR's Chandrahasan, who is himself of Sri Lankan origin, and the son of S J V Chelvanayakam, a prominent Sri Lankan Tamil leader and a torchbearer of the Tamil rights movement in that country, however, believes that those who live in the camps should return to Sri Lanka. It is better for them to "become one among the few millions in Sri Lanka, instead of being one

among over a billion population in India", Chandrahasan said.

"There is no process in India to give them citizenship, and these camps were built as a temporary arrangement for people in distress, to make them feel safe until such time as they could return to Sri Lanka after normalcy was restored. The European model of giving asylum and citizenship to refugees works on individual cases. That is impossible in India, as there are thousands of Tamil

refugees," he said.

A dozen-odd refugees whom *The Indian Express* met last week disagreed with Chandrahasan. Most of those in the camps have nothing left in Sri Lanka, no property

or community to go back to, they said.

The situation of the Tamil refugees has been a fairly emotive issue in Tamil Nadu. DMK chief M K Stalin has in recent statements and speeches repeatedly attacked the AIADMK for voting in favour of the citizenship Bill that did not include a provision for Sri Lankan Tamils, and recalled the efforts of DMK regimes to make them eligible for government schemes.

The AIADMK, which finds itself on the defensive, has tried to counter-question the DMK for its failure in get citizenship for the Sri Lankan Tamils despite having been part of the UPA government at the Centre for a decade.

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YOU'RE NOT TO BE SO BLIND WITH PATRIOTISM THAT YOU CAN'T FACE REALITY. WRONG IS WRONG,

NO MATTER WHO DOES IT. — MALCOLM X

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BECAUSE THE TRUTH INVOLVES US ALL

Us versus us

PM has distanced himself from NRC but he needs to go further. He could begin by acknowledging protesters' real anxieties

LL SPEECHES ARE made of what is said and what is not. On the day after, therefore, listen closely to both Prime Minister Narendra Modi's words, and his silences, at Ramlila Maidan in the national capital on Sunday. The seething ►backdrop, still unfolding, is the spiralling agitation and anger, expressed in university campuses and outside, by mostly young people, against the law fast-tracking citizenship for non-Muslim persecuted minorities from three Muslim-dominated neighbouring countries and the BJP government's oft-stated threat to extend nationwide the National Citizenship Register process in Assam. While PM Modi apparently distanced himself from his own home minister, and his party's manifesto, among others, when he denied that the NRC was being talked about by the ruling regime — a sign, perhaps, of retreat in the face of the protests — what he didn't say was even more significant and controversial: He did not say there would be no NRC. In other words, having passed a law that makes religion, for the very first time, the basis for giving citizenship to foreigners, the BJP government reserves the right to bring an NRC which would unsettle large swathes of the country's own minorities and poor at a moment of its choosing. It keeps with itself the power to pick out the "ghuspaithiya (infiltrator)" from the "sharanarthi (refugee)".

This central message was amplified by several other things that the PM said, and didn't say. From the podium on Sunday, he addressed "yeh log", "inki raajneeti", "inke iraade" (these people, their politics and motives), naming the Congress and its allies, and "Didi" or West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee. He did not speak to the agitators, denying them agency and suggesting they are mere puppets pulled by strings "parde ke peeche (in the dark)", or at the mercy of a "remote control". He exhorted his audience to demonstrate their respect for the policemen battling protesters on the street, and for elected MPs in Parliament who passed the CAB. He did not urge or express respect, or empathy, for the young people who are opposing the law by taking on the might of the state, and its brutality, mostly peacefully, and sometimes by holding aloft the Constitution and the Tricolour. In fact, PM Modi did make a mention of those who are waving the Tricolour as they oppose a discriminatory law — "yehi hai kasauti (this is the test)", he said, adding a new nationalism test to the old. If earlier, "They", those whom he had in an earlier speech identified on the basis of their clothes, and also "urban Naxals", were challenged to prove their patriotism by holding up the flag and, quite literally, by singing the national anthem, now they would also be asked, as the PM did on Sunday: Have you criticised terror, raised your voice against Pakistan, while holding the flag?

Finally, the PM employed a tactic he has used several times before. He personalised the issue, put himself at the centre. The furore over the citizenship law, he said, implicitly, explicitly, was a conspiracy to unseat him from power. The PM has said his piece. With more and more CMs standing up and saying no to the Centre on NRC, the pushback grows.

WAY FROM RANCHI

Jharkhand results offer a sobering moment for the BJP, and a reminder of the usefulness of coalitions

HE JHARKHAND RESULT should worry the BJP, not least because it has been losing assembly elections and allies since 2017-18. The loss of Jharkhand will rankle particularly, since the BJP had won 11 of the 14 Lok Sabha seats in the state in May and provided a stable government for the full five-year term, a first since the state was formed in 2000. The defeat may also have come at an inopportune time for the party — neighbouring Bihar, where the BJP is in office in alliance with the JD-U, is headed to polls next year. The gains in Jharkhand will be a boost for the Opposition, which, since the drubbing in the general election, has been lying low.

There are lessons for the BJP in the Jharkhand loss. One, the party's over-reliance on a single leader, Narendra Modi, for mobilising votes, is problematic in the states. Voters, clearly, make a distinction between national and state elections and national trends are not necessarily replicated in the states: Local issues can carry greater salience in the assembly election than so-called national issues. Modi and Amit Shah campaigned primarily on national security, including the CAA and NRC, whereas the gathbandhan — the IMM, Congress and RJD — focussed on local concerns, particularly unemployment, land alienation of tribals, failures in the delivery of public goods. The BJP projected Raghubar Das as its sole face in the state, but the move triggered dissent within the party. Two, the election may also be read as a reminder of the usefulness of alliances in a fragmented polity. The gathbandhan's success is largely the result of a well-crafted coalition whereas the BJP, once famed for its skill in building alliances, was handicapped by the absence of allies. It failed to reach a seat-sharing arrangement with the All Jharkhand Students Union Party (AJSUP), its partner in office, and that hurt both the parties: The AJSUP mopped up nearly 8 per cent of the vote.

States voting differently in the general election and in assembly polls is an indication of a powerful federal impulse that seems to have survived the BJP's push for the centralisation of politics and governance. The Maharashtra and Jharkhand outcomes suggest that ignoring regional factors, and parties, could prove costly.

LOST IN TRANSLATION

A new study shows that emotions do not always carry across languages. But there are ways to bridge the gap

HE HUMAN CONDITION, it appears, is not amenable to translation. A study published in *Science* last week found that words referring to emotions — love, anger, hate, surprise, fear — are understood in vastly different ways across language groups. "Love", for example, is closer to liking and fondness in Indo-European languages and akin to pity in Austronesian languages. Imagine, if you will, whispering sweet nothings to a paramour, and your words instead of being taken as an expression of joy are confused as being patronising.

But more than the immediate interpersonal concerns, the study challenges the notion that there can be universal values; that true communication is possible between people who come from vastly different contexts. So, while yelling "surprise!" at a party is meant to invoke a startled sense of joy, for many it only means anxiety, which in turn could be associated with either fear or regret, depending on the language group. If we can't understand what people feel, how they react to love, death, melancholy and danger, how can we have themes that resonate across the world? And have the millions who read Crime and Punishment in translation — and felt the despair of Raskolnikov — felt something somehow less real than the creators intended?

Not all is lost, though. Language, as many philosophers, linguists and anthropologists have shown, goes beyond merely labelling and describing an inner narrative. It is in communication — through context, metaphor, body language and empathy — that new worlds open up for people, and they realise how they really feel. Besides, in the age of techno-symbolism, a new more direct form of communication for emotional states is emerging. Perhaps, in time, the existential angst of Raskolnikov will have its own emoji.

Jharkhand portents

BJP loses another state, but continues to make its opponents become more like BJP to fight it



IF THE MIDDLE of the year saw the BJP at an all-time high, 2019 seems to be ending on a sombre note for the party. A midnight Midas-touch by some of its leaders might still help the BJP retain office in Jharkhand, but the state assembly results surely invite a less than flattering assessment of the party. Parties are assessed on several criteria electoral performance, governance records, popularity and the ability to set and pursue the agenda. It would be worthwhile to take stock of how the BJP is doing on these four fronts. However, electoral performance is bound to be the key to a party's performance in other arenas. That is why Jharkhand would hurt the BJP. The Jharkhand result falls into a pattern:

In its second honeymoon period, post-May, the BJP has faced three setbacks. The party can argue that these are not decisive. It has lost seats but gained vote-share, the BJP may have suffered a loss of face but retained power nevertheless (as in Haryana), it could still claim to be the single-largest party and also harp on statistical details like "strike rate" as in Maharashtra. This argument is specious, particularly in the backdrop of the party's convincing victory in May. The BJP has not found it easy to repeat its performance in the parliamentary elections in the states. This is in contrast to the post-May 2014 situation, when the BJP went on to win Haryana and emerged as the single-largest party in Maharashtra and Jharkhand, assuming office in all three states.

Surely, the party is not down — and far from being out yet. But the failure to translate its all-India victory into state victories indicates the BJP's limitations and alerts us to the splitting of electoral choices. And, the electoral outlook for the party does not appear bright — the AAP appears to have an upper hand in Delhi and the JDU is probably waiting to upset the BJP's applecart in

Can the BJP boast of an improved governance record? While opinions on governance in states where the party holds office are bound to be deeply divided, at least three things are clear. One, the states run by the BJP are not better governed than those run by non-BJP parties. This includes even the states where the BJP has been ruling without allies – Haryana before 2019, UP and

Politics, though, is never a straightforward enterprise and the BJP can still find comfort in the fact that it continues to be fairly popular — the public may be disappointed with government's performance but not disenchanted with the party. Retaining popular acceptability, however, is going to be a tough task because over the past two parliamentary elections, the BJP has added a large number of supporters to its core base — who are around 20 per cent at most. The new supporters of the party may look for alternatives and as state elections indicate, these

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Karnataka today. Two, if the economy is any indication, the abysmal failure on the governance front is apparent, particularly for a party that came to power originally promising better times. This failure is even more glaring if one takes into account the enormous trust the voters placed in Narendra Modi despite the economy not doing well in May 2019. The governance failure, thus, tantamounts to a breach of trust — and becomes colossal. Third, if governance is judged on its democratic dimension, the BJP government has gone from bad to worse in its second term. Subterfuge, sleight of hand and excessive propaganda are the techniques of non-performing governments. Having taken recourse to all these, this government is increasingly resorting to semirepressive and clearly repressive measures to hide its non-performance.

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Yet, it would be unrealistic to deny the diffused popularity enjoyed by the BJP. This popularity owes to various factors. One is the party's organisational reservoir of support. The other reason for the party's popularity is Modi himself. Much of the addition to the BJP's popularity has been Modi's contribution. So long as the PM's personal popularity remains relatively high, the party can bask in reflected glory. This source of popularity is crucial as much as it is risky. The moment Modi flounders, this chunk of popularity could diminish. The BJP's efforts to gain acceptability by building a Hindutva political identity has also been successful. It has managed to convince a large section of Hindu society to understand politics through the prism of imaginary Hindu interests.

This takes us to the fourth yardstick to assess the party: How far has it been successful in setting an agenda and pushing it towards a direction desired by it? Here, we confront a complex picture. The party has gone down from being in office in twothirds of India two years ago to just a little over a third of the country today. But a cursory look at today's public debates would show how successful the BJP has been in setting the agenda. During the campaign for the Lok Sabha elections and after that, unemployment, the slowdown in the economy and issues related to livelihood could barely make their presence felt.

In its first term, through issues of cowprotection and instances of mob vigilantism, the party was able to keep its agenda on the front burner. More recently, it has successfully managed to legislate its agenda into public policies. In the past six months, the BJP has effectively steered the agenda of public decision-making. When we look back at the past six months, bringing a fundamental change to India's identity will emerge as the single most effective thing the BJP did in this period. It has rewritten the Constitution without having to make any amendment to it. This is something not even Indira Gandhi could do during the heyday of her authoritarian rule. And this achievement means that non-BJP parties will have to play by the new rules set by the BJP. They will have to acquiesce into the new normal of violence, hatred and illiberal law-enforcement — they will have to be more like the BJP in order to fight it. But the moment they show willingness to engage the BJP in an authentic manner, the party's achievement will shrink.

Success brings arrogance and insensitivity. The BJP exemplifies this maxim. But the BJP's problem — and the problem caused by it — goes much beyond this. It sees electoral ascendance as a licence to alter the nature of India and the character of the Constitution. With two-thirds of India keeping its distance from the BJP in state elections, it will be of immense interest how far the party can continue to push its agenda.

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BOARDROOM BASICS

Minority shareholders must be protected but not at the cost of the majority

Janmejaya Sinha

I READ YOUR edit, 'Reset the boardroom' (IE, December 20) with some concern. You talk about the distinction between "decisiveness and arbitrariness" and "the growing distrust of corporates" to perhaps suggest that the actions taken by majority shareholders need to be contained. I am not a student of law and certainly don't want to go into the merits of any specific judgment. However, I do want to express my confusion around the rights of a majority shareholder and orders which grant what is not sought by a plaintiff.

In an era, when there is a lot of talk of good corporate governance and about the rights of minority shareholders, I want to ask what the rights of majority shareholders are. What is the point of owning 51 per cent of a company if you cannot decide on who the chairman of the company is? Should corporate democracy not offer clear rights to the majority shareholder (contained of course in not doing things that may be prejudicial or oppressive to the minority shareholders)? Can the majority shareholders not remove a director? Do they need to discuss who a chairman of a company is with every minority shareholder in the name of corporate governance before tak-

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ing a decision? How would the mechanics of such consultation work?

Further, can a board not appoint or remove a CEO? Around the world we see swift action. Most recently, the GE board suddenly removed its CEO without comment. In hindsight, we may even wonder whether the decision taken was a good one for the company. But the power to do so rests with the board. We can't criticise the decision but it is not wrong. Rules allow for predictability in decision making. In fact, any business leader can tell you that every business decision that a company management takes will not be good ones, but in my view, that should not be taken as being prejudicial or oppressive to minority shareholders. What is oppressive and prejudicial to a minority shareholder is where, say, the management diverts funds out of the company. But a bad business decision cannot be seen as oppressive to minority shareholders, it happens in the course of business, all the time. Minority shareholders rights need to be protected from prejudicial actions of the majority for sure but we should be careful not to disturb the basic tenets of corporate democracy.

The other issue that to a layman is sur-

prising is when relief that is not sought is given. If a plaintiff appeals wrongful termination by a company and goes to court seeking compensation for wrongful dismissal, is it ok for a court to order that the plaintiff is reinstated or should it order on the compensation sought? The plaintiff may not have sought reinstatement because he may believe the working conditions that he will get on return, may be inimical. He wants to be compensated and have nothing to do with the company. Why should we believe the plaintiff does not know his or her own selfinterest best? Does that not appear pater-

Investors, domestic and foreign alike, seek predictability of law and a clear understanding of the rights of majority shareholders. Predictability in law is important in creating a business environment in which unforeseen and inefficient transaction costs to governance are not added Otherwise there is too much uncertainty in conducting business. I truly hope this gets cleared very soon.

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DECEMBER 24, 1979, FORTY YEARS AGO

URS ON JANATA

DEVRAJ URS, CONGRESS president, hinted that his party might, if necessary, form a coalition government at the Centre with the Janata after the elections. Talking to newsmen after a hectic tour of West Bengal and Orissa, Urs ruled out his party joining hands with the Congress (I). Urs, for the first time, admitted that it was a "mistake in a way" to join the Lok Dal-headed central ministry. He also refrained from making any assessment of Lok Dal-prospect in the forthcoming election. But he kept the option of supporting or forming a coalition with other parties after the election open saying that, "I would not like to make any predictions."

INDIA'S OIL BILLS

INDIA'S BILL FOR import of crude oil and petroleum products will go up by at least Rs 1,200 crore during 1980 as a result of the latest hike in prices by the oil exporting countries. The total import bill for crude and petroleum products would cross Rs 4,500 crore next year as compared to the estimated total import bill of about Rs 3,300 crore in the current year. The increase in outgo of foreign exchange for the projected import of 18 million tonnes of crude oil is estimated at Rs 960 crore. India is hit hard by the recent price hike because all her traditional oil suppliers, including Iraq, Iran, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates and Libya have pushed their oil prices ranging from \$4 to \$6 per barrel.

MORARJI ON POLLS

MORARJI DESAI SAID in Hyderabad that he was opposed to the presidential form of government because it would lead to more dictatorship. It suited the US because the people there were "more alive and conscious of their rights" and a president had to leave office with just one Watergate scandal. Desai admitted that the Janata's poll prospects were not the same as they were in 1977. Though he was personally not in favour of coalition governments, coalition by itself was no evil and such governments were successfully functioning in many countries, Desai said.



THE IDEAS PAGE

WHAT THE OTHERS SAY

"Modi should be in no doubt: the world is watching him now. His reputation and India's are in the balance. The hateful victimisation of Muslims must stop. A good start would be the immediate scrapping of the noxious citizenship bill."

— THE GUARDIAN

A deluded dissent

The notion that CAA is anti-minority is based on conspiracy theories. It is, in fact, a fulfilment of India's moral and constitutional obligation to minorities in its neighbourhood



IN A DEMOCRATIC society, the formulation of a law — apart from constitutional compatibility — is expected to address two subjective issues. The first is its social utility and the second, the moral consciousness of the people. It is in this context that the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) should be examined. Its critics assert that it betrays our commitment to secularism, the very foundation of the Constitution. Is this objection valid?

The idea of the CAA was mooted and finally given shape in law to protect people from religious persecution in three neighbouring countries - Pakistan, Bangladesh and Afghanistan. All of them are Islamic states and the increasing radicalisation of society in these countries led to brute religious majoritarianism against minorities - Hindus, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains, Parsis and Christians. There has been consensus in India that such victims should be given dignity and protection. In fact, it constitutes a core ingredient of our social philosophy from time immemorial. Even before we framed our secular democratic Constitution, India provided shelter to people facing religious persecution. When Parsis and Jews faced threats to their right to worship and religious identity, they found dignity and space on our soil. According to the 1931 census, there were 1,09,752 Parsis and 24,000 Jews in India. Moreover, both these communities have shown little inclination to return to their respective nations. The CAA is consistent with this secular tradition of India.

The Indian state has never been antithetical to the cause of minorities in our neighbourhood, irrespective of the political party in power. Such victims have been accommodated during the Congress government in the past as well. Even the Left parties supported India's active intervention to protect "refugees" from Bangladesh. The 20th party congress of the CPM in 2012 passed a resolution demanding an amendment in the Citizenship Act 2003 to give citizenship to Bengali refugees who were, according to the party, victims of "historical circumstances". The unchecked atrocities on minorities in these states by fundamentalists, and the failure of the states to defeat such elements, gave rise to an abnormal situation.

There were over two lakh Hindus and Sikhs in Afghanistan before the 1990s. Their number has dwindled to a few hundred in the last three decades. Further, out of 64 temples and gurudwaras in the country, only three are functional.

The situation in Bangladesh is no less grim. The work of Abul Barkat of Dhaka University and statistics released by the Bangladesh Statistical Bureau revealed a situation beyond our imagination. Barkat, based on decades of research, establishes that 632 Hindus have gone missing everyday in Bangladesh since 1964 (East Pakistan till 1971). Both the sources confirm that no less than 11.1 million Hindus have gone missing in Bangladesh between 1964 and 2013. The Enemy Property Act was renamed as the Vested Property Act after the formation of Bangladesh. It affected more than 1.3 million Hindu households — more than two lakh acres of land possessed by the Hindus was forcibly grabbed. The efforts of the state to safeguard Hindus remained abysmally ineffectual. In 2002, Bangladesh enacted the Vested Property (Return) Act and subse-



quently the Vested Property (Return) Amendment Act, 2011 with the intention to give back possession of their land to Hindus. But this was in vain.

The Jinnah Institute in Pakistan and other sources, including news reports in the international and national media, present a gloomy picture of the condition of Hindus and other religious minorities in that country. Attacks on the dignity of women, forcible conversions, grabbing of land and other properties of the Hindus and Christians have been a part of daily life.

It is thus urgent to address the existential threat to religious minorities in these three countries. And it is with this aim that the Narendra Modi government formulated the CAA. Contending that this humanitarian action is a betrayal of our commitment to secularism is a classic example of the peculiar absurdity of double think. The CAA is, rather, an extension of and commitment to the idea of secularism.

The Act also corrects the historical mistake committed in the Nehru-Liaquat pact. Then Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru had not engaged his cabinet colleagues and senior party leaders before signing the pact on February 8, 1950. The secular pretensions of Nehru, emanating from the Western variety of flawed modernity, led him to backtrack from the promises to the Hindus who lived in Pakistan. The Congress leadership had promised during Partition that their life and religion would not be in peril. The pact was a great retreat from that promise. Syama Prasad Mookerjee resigned from the Union cabinet on February 19, 1950, in protest against the Nehru-Liaquat Pact. A few months later, the world witnessed the protest by the Law Minister of Pakistan, J N Mandal, whose close friendship with M A Jinnah was well known. The undiminished atrocities on Hindus, particularly Scheduled Caste women, led him to resign from the government on April 29, 1950 and return to India. He wrote: "I cannot bear the load of untruth and pretensions that Hindus live with honour and security of their

life, religion and property in Pakistan." On December 4, 1947, Mahatma Gandhi demanded that the Nehru government bring back Scheduled Castes from Pakistan due to the inhuman treatment meted out to them and their forced conversion. The CAA is a fulfilment of the historical responsibility to those people whom Partition made state-

less. India's secular democracy has historically been invested with moral force and this has been exhibited by the CAA. Earlier, governments used gradualism to provide protection to the Hindus and other minorities of these states. The Modi government has formalised the process to end the uncertainties and odds faced by these stateless and persecuted people.

In a democracy, dissent and doubts are important and logical dialogue is the only way to yield a constructive consensus. But the protests that emerged abruptly against the CAA seem to be explicitly driven by a prejudice against the government — that it is pursuing Hindutva majoritarianism to exclude Muslims. This is based on an over-active imagination and conspiracy theories. How does giving humanitarian shelter to the victims affect Indian Muslims or any other citizen of India?

Importantly, Muslims in these countries do not face any crisis in pursuing their right to worship. India cannot meddle in the internal disputes among various sects of Islam, whether Ahmadiya or Shia or Sunni, who have been competing with each other for hegemony and over interpretations of the historical evolution of Islam. Religious persecution and aspiration for hegemony are two different things.

The concept of citizenship is not static or stagnant. It is a dynamic process and is intertwined with the nation state. It progressively expands and sometimes, unwillingly, shrinks according to circumstances.

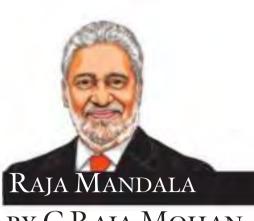
There are two examples from our own historical experiences. Millions of Indians ceased to be citizens with the formation of Pakistan as fraternity mutated into unfriendliness between communities. The second example is reflected in a correspondence between two great Parsi leaders. Dadabhai Naoroji wrote the following to Dinshaw Wacha on December 20, 1888: "We are India's and India is our mother country... and we can only sink and swim as Indians. If we break with it our

fate will be that of a peacock feather's." The CAA fulfils both the constitutional morality and civilisational ethos historically endowed to us. It is time for the Muslims to be part of this Indian tradition rather than being fed the delusion that the Modi government is anti-minority.

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When politics hurts diplomacy

Delhi needs to remove growing negative perceptions of its domestic policies in the Muslim world



BY C RAJA MOHAN

THE ISLAMIC SUMMIT in Kuala Lumpur last week raised many familiar questions about the role of religion in promoting solidarity between nations; it also reminded us of the well-known answer that national interest often tends to trump shared faith. The gathering in Kuala Lumpur did bring some key Islamic nations together, but it also revealed the deepening schisms in the Muslim world today that are of considerable importance for the Subcontinent.

While Malaysia, Turkey and Qatar were the moving forces behind the summit, Saudi Arabia, Egypt and the United Arab Emirates were among the notable absentees. Indonesia, the world's largest Islamic nation, kept a low profile at the summit, while Pakistan's Imran Khan was a surprising dropout at the last minute.

For Mahathir Mohamad, the summit, and the diplomacy surrounding it are means to increase his domestic room for manoeuvering and win a leadership role in the Muslim world. Many in the Middle East, however, see the claims for Islamic leadership from outside the region with either bemusement or condescension.

The real contestation for leading the Islamic world remains within the Middle East. Turkey and Iran have a long tradition of challenging the Saudi leadership of the Islamic world. Qatar, which punches way above its weight, has now joined their ranks.

The Saudis expressed displeasure at convening the Islamic nations outside the Organisation of the Islamic Cooperation. Mahathir, of course, claimed that the summit was not about undermining the OIC and its Saudi leadership. But, he said enough to suggest that the OIC has not been an effective instrument in addressing the contemporary challenges facing the Islamic world.

The idea that religion can bind people together has an enduring appeal. In practice though, religion has not been enough to sustain unity within and among nations that profess a common faith. Many countries in the Islamic world struggle to respect the rights of minorities, Muslim or non-Muslim, and cope with the problems of religious sectarianism and ethnic separatism.

If keeping the faithful together within a nation is hard enough, it is a lot harder to promote supra-national solidarity in the name of Islam. The origins of pan Islamism date back to the late 19th century, but its record in binding nations has not been impressive.

The same is true of ethnicity-based solidarity in the world. For example, the pan-Arab and pan-Asian movements that stirred the world in the 20th century, are today, pale shadows of themselves. While the decline of pan-Arabism has been evident, the idea of Asian solidarity endures. But, just look beneath the rhetoric on "Asian solidarity", and you will find deep contradictions between, for example, China and India, and China and Japan.

Solidarity based on other ideologies, class or political values, too has been difficult to sustain for long periods. The communist solidarity that seemed so powerful in the middle of the 20th century crashed quickly against the rocks of nationalism in Central Europe, Russia and China. On the face of it, shared values — politi-

cal and economic liberalism — have been far more successful in holding together the socalled political and economic "West". After the collapse of the Soviet Union, it became ever harder to sustain harmony within the western world. US president Donald Trump appears determined to restructure the political-economic institutions built after the World War II. Intra-Western contradictions shaped the world before the middle of the 20th century, and are becoming an important factor in the 21st century. In all these cases, the tension between transcendental ideologies and narrow national interests has often been resolved in favour of the latter.

The splits in the Islamic world exposed by the Malaysian summit should be of great interest to the Subcontinent. The main differences are about political Islam and its role in shaping the domestic structures in Muslim nations. Turkey and Qatar have championed the Muslim Brotherhood that seeks to overthrow the current political order in Saudi Arabia, the UAE, as well as in Egypt. Iran has its own variant of political Islam for export.

Saudi Arabia, Egypt and the UAE seek to protect their own societies and state structures from external onslaught, and are pushing back. Beyond the nature and role of Islam, there is also the growing competition among the major Middle Eastern states for strategic influence in the region and beyond.

The South-Asian political discourse tends to see the Muslim world as a monolith. That has become increasingly difficult to maintain amidst the current conflicts in the Middle East.

Imran Khan has showcased his special relationships with Turkey's President Recep Tayyip Erdogan and Malaysia's Mahathir. He was supposed to play a leading role at the Kuala Lumpur summit. But, apparently under pressure from the Saudis and the Emiratis, his main economic benefactors, he chose to stay home.

For Delhi too, the divisions in the Islamic world are of significance. If Malaysia and Turkey have become increasingly critical of the NDA government's policies, the UAE and the Saudis have given India the benefit of doubt, until now. The Qatar-owned Al Jazeera channel has run a far more damaging campaign against Delhi in recent months than the much-maligned New York Times.

Delhi has an urgent need to remove the growing negative perceptions of its domestic policies in the Middle East and more broadly the Muslim world. In his speech at a rally in Delhi on Sunday, Prime Minister Narendra Modi referred to India's expanding friendships in the Middle East during the last few years. The PM, however, might be in the danger of squandering a major diplomatic achievement, if he miscalculates the external costs of the government's domestic politics. Worse still, Delhi might be giving an opportunity to an otherwise divided world, Muslim and non-Muslim alike. to agree in their disapproval of India's domestic politics.

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While the court fiddles

Apex court has not acted with urgency to protect citizens from executive excesses

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DUSHYANT DAVE

THE SUPREME COURT of India enjoys an extraordinary status in the hearts and minds of Indians. They look up to it when it comes to keeping the essence of the nation intact and insulated from attacks by the executive of the day. The Court has created for itself an exalted position over the last seven decades by assuming the role of a sentinel on the Qui Vive ("on the alert" or "vigilant").

Part III of the Constitution of India contains Fundamental Rights and Article 13(2) thereof mandates that, "The State shall not make any Law which takes away or abridges the rights conferred by this part and any Law made in contravention of this Clause shall to the extent of contravention be void." Thus, there is a twofold provision — prohibiting the state from making an unconstitutional law, and simultaneously declaring that such a law would be void. Article 14 contains a positive injunction against the state: "The State shall not deny to any person equality before the Law or the Equal Protection of the Laws within the territory of India".

Affirmative action on the part of the state in favour of disadvantaged sections of society is within the framework of liberal democracv. Socio-economic justice is part of the equality clause. Equal protection also means right to

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equal treatment of citizens: This is the essence of Article 14, a basic feature of the Constitution, which obliges the courts, especially the Supreme Court, to review state-made laws and declare them as unconstitutional, if found to be so. The Court cannot desert its duty to determine the constitutionality of an impugned statute. And so, the decision of the SC, led by the chief justice himself, to defer the examination of the challenge to the much talked about Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 2019 is, to say the least, disappointing.

The Court should have put aside other matters and heard the group of writ petitions challenging the validity of this ex-facie unjust law. Its vacation is hardly an excuse to defer such a challenge. Even if the judges wanted to enjoy their much deserved winter vacation, their refusal to stay the law is even more disturbing. Such an order would have immediately defused the tempers running high across the nation, and, "We, the People" could have breathed a sigh of relief. Instead, the judges have left us to fend for ourselves in the streets of our cities. The cost of this decision by the Court will only become clear with time.

The granting of a stay order against the operation of this citizenship law would not have caused any prejudice to public interest

whatsoever. On the contrary, it is my belief, that it would have served the public interest well. It is true, there is, generally, a presumption in favour of constitutionality of law. But that is not an absolute rule. If the Act ex-facie violates the fundamental rights of citizens, a mere presumption which decides the burden cannot serve that law.

The Delhi High Court's order to defer the writs in the Jamia violence cases is a shocking abdication of its constitutional duty. It appears that judges across the spectrum are unwilling to test the executive's actions, however unconstitutional they may be.

We must beware that the popular saying, "Nero fiddled while Rome burned", does not come true for this great nation. The Supreme Court, in recent years, has shown its leanings in favour of the executive. In a series of decisions, the Court has, surprisingly, justified many of the state's actions, which either needed a deeper probe or simply to be declared unlawful. In fact, the Court is almost proving that it stays in ivory towers. After the appointment of the current chief justice, those of us who admire the Court had expected a departure from such a course.

One can only hope that the Court introspects and intervenes forthwith to stop any bloodshed in the country, and assuage the sentiments of a large section of the society, which feels they are no longer wanted.

The Preamble is an irreversible contract between the state and its people to keep India a "Sovereign, Socialist, Secular, Democratic Republic", and, "to secure to all its citizens" justice, equality, fraternity and liberty of thought, expression, belief, faith and worship.

The great judge, HR Khanna, in the celebrated Kesavananda Bharati case declared that the "State shall not discriminate against any citizen on the ground of religion only", and, interpreted Articles 15(1) and 16(2), even before the "secular" word was added to the Preamble.

All citizens, including judges, must remember the words of B R Ambedkar: "It is quite possible for this new born democracy to retain its form but give place to dictatorship in fact. If there is a landslide, the danger of the second possibility becoming actuality is much greater." These words appear too relevant today. Will the judiciary's conscience awaken soon?

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

PM's posturing

THIS REFERS TO the reports, 'PM: No talk of NRC at all' and 'Reality check: Before PM's distancing, there was Shah's underlining' (IE, December 23). Prima facie both are contradictory. Statements made on the floor of the House and public statements from BJP leaders like Rajnath Singh and J P Nadda were not referred to by the PM while criticising the Opposition. His was a selective public posturing that may not allay anxieties.

LR Murmu, Delhi

CHANGING TASTES

THIS REFERS to the article. 'Some onion lessons' (IE, December 23). The solutions the authors offer to curb onion prices are valid. Yet, it is beyond belief that people will adopt dehydrated onions to replace fresh onions. Changing the food preferences of the people will require strong political will and the appetite to digest a backlash. The most appropriate solution is to shift towards reliable contract farming and farm-to-fork supply chains. Kabir Singh Brar, Chandigarh

HUGS NOT ENOUGH

THIS REFERS to the editorial, 'Delhi

LETTER OF THE WEEK AWARD

To encourage quality reader intervention, The Indian **Express offers the Letter of** the Week award. The letter adjudged the best for the week is published every Saturday. Letters may be e-mailed to

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can't duck'(IE, December 23). The controversy over External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar's cancelling his meeting with a US Congressional Committee over India's controversial track record on human rights has not erupted out of the blue. It is the Indian diplomatic establishment and government that thought that our bear hugs and occasional anti-China postures will keep America in a good humour. For obvious reasons, Jaishankar cannot dare to be his own master in such matters.

Tarsem Singh, Mahilpur

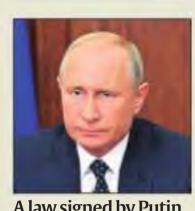
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MEANWHILE

PUTIN TAKES 1ST TRAIN OVER CRIMEA BRIDGE

President Vladimir Putin on Monday stood in the driver's cabin of a train for the official opening of a railway bridge that links annexed Crimea to southern Russia, with the launch drawing sharp criticism from Ukraine and the EU. During his ride, from Kerch in Crimea, Putin also spent time drinking tea with engineers on the \$3.6-billion project.



A law signed by Putin in May requires internet providers to install equipment to enable centralised control of traffic

RUSSIA

Moscow tests 'sovereign' Net amid fears of online isolation

Moscow: Russia carried out tests Monday to ensure the "security" of its internet infrastructure in case of a foreign cyberattack, measures that rights activists worry could also tighten censorship and lead to online isolation. A controversial law that allows the country to cut internet traffic from international servers came into force in November, but the communications ministry has denied the government is gearing up to isolate the Russian segment of the internet and said ordinary users wouldn't notice tests.

HONDURAS

Prison clashes leave 36 dead

Tegucigalpa: At least 36 people were killed in weekend clashes in Honduran prisons as the military and police try to regain control after a spate of murders linked to the criminal gangs plaguing the country. On Sunday afternoon, 18 gang members died in a clash between inmates at El Porvenir prison, 60 kilometers (40 miles) north of the capital Tegucigalpa. "Firearms, knives and machetes" were used in the brawl, which also left 10 wounded, Lieutenant Jose Coello, a spokesman for the National Inter-Institutional Security Force (Fusina), told local media. On Friday night, 18 prisoners died and 16 were wounded in a shooting at the prison in the port town of Tela,

USA

Maryam Nawaz denied permission to travel abroad

northwest of the capital.

Islamabad: The Pakistan government has denied permission to PML-N vice president Maryam Nawaz to travel abroad, saying those involved in any economic crime and institutional fraud could not be allowed to leave the country, according to a media report on Monday. Maryam, the daughter of Pakistan's former PM Nawaz Sharif, was placed on the no-fly list in August 2018. Maryam had sought permission for flying to London to look after her ailing father.

Saudi court sentences five to death in Khashoggi murder

BEN HUBBARD

BEIRUT, DECEMBER 23

A COURT in Saudi Arabia sentenced five men to death and three to prison terms over the killing of Saudi dissident writer Jamal Khashoggi in Istanbul last year, the kingdom's public prosecutor's office said Monday.

The killing of Khashoggi, 59, a veteran Saudi media figure and columnist for The Washington Post, brought international outrage and battered the reputation of Saudi Arabia's Crown Prince and de facto ruler, Mohammed bin Salman.

The kingdom's handling of the case has also raised concerns. Turkey has accused Saudi Arabia of failing to cooperate in investigating the killing, which a United Nations investigator said could amount to obstruction of justice.

Khashoggi, who lived in Virginia, entered the Saudi consulate in Istanbul on October 2, 2018, to obtain paperwork he needed to marry his Turkish fiancee. Inside, he was confronted

Nepal arrests 97

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KATHMANDU, DECEMBER 23

IN A massive operation in mul-

tiple locations around

Kathmandu on Monday, Nepal

police arrested 97 Chinese

about the activities of the ar-

rested, but said, "We have defi-

nite information that they were

preparing to commit major fi-

months after four Chinese na-

tionals were arrested for hack-

ing ATM machines in

Kathmandu where the arrested

persons had rented multi-storey

houses, which they were pur-

portedly using as offices and as

rested may have committee

crimes in several countries, in-

cluding China, but came to Nepal

to conducted organised crimes.

antecedents of the suspects, as

well as scrutinising around 400

computers that they seized

following Monday afternoon's

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FRANKFURT AM MAIN. DEC 23

THE CASE of a missing 15-year-

old boy found in a closet at the flat

of a suspected paedophile has

gripped Germany, but his mother

says she just wants to celebrate

over two years when he was found

hiding in a cupboard last Friday as

police searched the home of a 44-

year-old man suspected of distrib-

Marvin had been missing for

Christmas with her son.

coordinated raids.

Police are investigating the

Police said some of those ar-

Police raided three places in

The arrests come four

Police declined to give details

Chinese nationals

The public prosecutor's office

At a protest against the killing of Saudi dissident journalist Jamal Khashoggi. Khashoggi was killed inside the Saudi consulate in Istanbul on October 2, 2018. Reuters

by Saudi agents, who killed him and dismembered his body. His remains have yet to be found.

The kingdom never announced the suspects' names, and foreign diplomats who attended sessions of the trial were sworn to secrecy.

LAMINE CHIKHI

ALGIERS, DECEMBER 23

ALGERIA'S POWERFUL Army

Chief, who masterminded the

state's response to mass protests

this year, died suddenly of a heart

attack on Monday, and a likely

successor quickly emerged from

the same old guard the demon-

Gaed Salah had become the most

visible figure in Le Pouvoir — the

"power", as Algerians describe

their secretive ruling elite, helping

to bring down long-time presi-

dent Abdelaziz Bouteflika in April.

strategy was to replace Bouteflika

and his allies while keeping the

essential structure of power un-

changed and allowing the

protests to continue, hoping to

Gaed Salah was seen as Algeria's de facto strongman after

Marvin had been missing for over two years when

he was found hiding in a cupboard last Friday

president Abdelaziz Bouteflika quit in April

As military Chief of Staff, his

Lieutenant General Ahmed

strators want swept away.

said Monday it had examined 31 suspects and arrested 21 of them. Of those, 11 were put on trial.

Five men were sentenced to death for their direct involvement in Khashoggi's killing. Three others were given a total of 24 years in prison for covering up the crime and violating

Algeria's powerful Army Chief

Ahmed Gaed Salah dies at 79

wait out the demonstrators.

Huge crowds continued to

flood the streets through much of

2019 to demand wholesale

change to the leadership, unap-

peased by Bouteflika's resignation

and the arrest of many of his aides

and allies on corruption charges.

formal leaders or organisation.

But among its main demands

throughout the weekly rallies has

been that the Army step away

from its central political role since

Algeria's 1962 independence

from France, with marchers often

chanting: "A civilian state, not a

military state". As the year wore

on, protesters also increasingly

called for Gaed Salah himself to

resign, especially after he pushed

hard for an election to replace

Bouteflika that they regarded as

illegitimate while the old guard

still held sway. **REUTERS**

Mystery of missing boy found in closet grips Germany

kept in a cellar and repeatedly

raped by her father Josef in an

ter saying goodbye to his carers at

a youth shelter on June 11, 2017, is

Christmas, to celebrate a little

with him." his mother Manuela

Marvin, who disappeared af-

"I want to visit him for

ordeal that lasted 24 years.

currently in psychiatric care.

The protest movement has no

'FAR FROM MEETING EXPECTATIONS'

The handling of the case has been widely criticised for leaving out top Saudi officials. Here's some reactions.

TURKEY

Turkey, where the crime took place, said the verdict failed to deliver justice. The decision 'is far from meeting the expectations of both our country and the international community to shed light on the murder with all its dimensions and deliver justice,' the foreign

ministry said in a statement. UN SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR

The kingdom did not provide

the names of those sentenced

but named three suspects who

were not among them.

Mohammed al-Otaibi, the Saudi

consul in Istanbul, and Ahmed

Asiri, deputy head of Saudi intel-

ligence, were found not guilty,

Critical moment

in political crisis

THE DEATH of the Gaed Salah

has come at a crucial time in

ery's response to the political

Following mass demonstra-

Abdelaziz Bouteflika, he quit

after Gaed Salah, as Army

Chief, called for his resigna-

Army's refusal to use force

against the protesters, had

figure among the protest

made him a highly regarded

movement. However, once he

took control of the country's

government, he refused to ac-

cept the protesters' demands

for major reforms. He called

an election that protesters de-

scribe as illegitimate. The new

president has sought talks to

end the crisis, but the protest-

ers want the Army to move

away entirely from politics

est critical moment in the

country's political crisis.

and don't recognise the new

president. This marks the lat-

B., 53, told Germany's best-sell-

Monday said the decision on

when Marvin can go home "is up

swered in the case that German

media have dubbed an "Advent

miracle" — including how the

boy ended up at the flat and if he

that the officers who discovered

him "did not see any indications

Police said in a statement

could have left at any time.

to the doctors, not the police".

A police spokesman on

Many questions remain an-

ing tabloid *Bild*.

tion. This, combined with the

the Algerian state machin-

crisis in the country.

tions against president

Agnes Callamard, the UN

other laws.

EXPLAINED

but justice'. **AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL Amnesty International** criticised the verdict as a

special rapporteur on

has previously directly

to the killing, said the

sentence 'is anything

summary executions who

linked Prince Mohammed

'whitewash which brings

neither justice nor the truth for Jamal Khashoggi and his loved ones'.

the prosecutor said.

Saud al-Qahtani, a top aide to Crown Prince Mohammed on whom the United States imposed sanctions over the killing, had not been tried.

The sentences announced Monday were preliminary and subject to appeal. **NYT**



Ahsan Iqbal

Pakistan's anti-graft body arrests former interior minister

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA ISLAMABAD, DECEMBER 23

PAKISTAN'S FORMER interior minister and senior PML-N leader Ahsan Iqbal was arrested on Monday for alleged corruption in a sports complex construction project, according to a report.

Igbal, 60, was arrested from the National Accountability Bureau's (NAB) Rawalpindi office, where he had appeared to record his statement in the alleged corruption in the Narowal Sports City Project, Dawn reported.

The NAB will produce him before an accountability court on Tuesday for his physical remand. He served as interior minister from August 2017 to May 2018.

Igbal, who also served as planning and development minister and the deputy chairman of the planning commission, is charged with illegally using funds meant for a sports city in Narowal.

at that point that he was being

was briefly reunited with her son

on Friday, doubted he was there

entirely out of free will. "The

man whose place they found

him at must have manipulated

about what's been done to him."

wearing the same clothes as on

the day he vanished, and said he

looked like "a broken old man".

"I could go crazy thinking

She said Marvin was found

But Marvin's mother, who

held against his will".

him," she told *Bild*.

there is a "strong possibility" Deen Mohammad Azimi,

DAY AFTER INITIAL RESULTS RELEASED



Afghanistan's incumbent President Ashraf Ghani arrives to speak after he won a slim majority of votes in preliminary results of presidential election, in Kabul on Sunday. Reuters

Afghan election runoff likely amid thousands of complaints: officials

OROOJ HAKIMI KABUL, DECEMBER 23

AFGHANISTAN'S ELECTORAL **Complaints Commission said** on Monday the election might go to a second round as it begins reviewing thousands of complaints a day after the preliminary result handed incumbent president Ashraf Ghani a narrow victory.

The Independent Election Commission (IEC) announced on Sunday a much delayed preliminary result of the Sept. 28 presidential vote which was marred by allegations of massive fraud, technical problems with biometric devices used for voting, attacks and irregularities.

IEC said the total turnout was over 1.8 million with Ghani securing 50.64 percent to win the first round of voting, beating his main rival Abdullah Abdullah who currently shares power with him in a unity government. However, if a review by the

complaints commission reduces Ghani's vote share to below 50 percent and no other candidate has a majority, a second round will be held between the two top contenders.

deputy head of the Electoral Complaints Commission, said

OF INITIAL RESULTS New Delhi: India on Monday welcomed the announcement of preliminary results

INDIA WELCOMES

ANNOUNCEMENT

of Afghan presidential election which showed incumbent Ashraf Ghani on course for a second five-year term. At the same time, India said it expected that the complaints related to the election process would be addressed through the prescribed legal procedure so that final results are declared in a timely manner. "We hope that the

Afghan leaders and other stakeholders will work together to further strengthen the democratic polity and to fight the serious challenges of terrorism facing the country," said Raveesh Kumar, spokesperson of the Ministry of External Affairs. ENS

the election would go to the second round. "Looking at the scope of complaints and objections that needs a thorough review, there could be a run-off,' Azimi told *Reuters*. **REUTERS**

Japan govt proposes release of Fukushima water to sea or air

ASSOCIATED PRESS

TOKYO, DECEMBER 23

JAPAN'S ECONOMY and industry ministry proposed on Monday the gradual release or evaporation of massive amounts of treated but still radioactive water being stored at the tsunami-wrecked Fukushima nuclear plant.

The proposal to a group of experts is the first time the ministry has narrowed down the various options available to those choices. It is meant to solve a growing problem for the plant's operator as storage space for the water runs out, despite fears of a backlash from the public. The draft proposal will be discussed further.

Nearly nine years after the 2011 meltdowns of three reactor cores at the Fukushima Dai-ichi Nuclear Plant, radioactive water continues to accumulate as water used to keep the cores cool leaks from the damaged reactors and is stored in tanks so it won't escape into the ocean or elsewhere.

For years, a government panel has been discussing ways to handle the crisis and to reassure fish-



Fukushima suffered a meltdown in 2011

ermen and residents who fear possible health effects from releasing the radioactive water as well as harm to the region's image and fishing industry.

The water has been treated and the plant operator, Tokyo Electric Power Co., says all 62 radioactive elements it contains can be removed to levels not harmful to humans except for tritium.

There is no established method to fully separate tritium from water, but scientists say it is not a problem in small amounts. Most of the water stored at the plant still contains other radioactive elements including cancercausing cesium and strontium and needs further treatment.

BORN RICHARD ALPERT, HE RETURNED HOME AS A WHITE-ROBED GURU AFTER A TRIP TO INDIA, AND WROTE OVER A DOZEN BOOKS

Baba Ram Dass, proponent of LSD and new age enlightenment, dies at 88

DOUGLAS MARTIN DECEMBER 23

BABA RAM Dass, who epitomised the 1960s of legend by popularising psychedelic drugs with Timothy Leary, a fellow Harvard academic, before finding spiritual inspiration in India, died on Sunday at his home on Maui. He was 88.

The death of Ram Dass, who was born Richard Alpert, was an-

nounced on his official Instagram account. Having returned from India

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as a bushy-bearded, barefoot. white-robed guru, Ram Dass became a peripatetic lecturer on New Age possibilities and a popular author of more than a dozen inspirational books.

The first of his books, Be Here *Now* (1971), sold more than two million copies, and established him as an exuberant exponent of finding salvation through helping others.

He started a foundation to combat blindness in India and Nepal, and supported reforesta-

tion in Latin America. He was particularly inter-

ested in the dying. He started a foundation to help people use death as a journey of spiritual awakening and spoke of establishing a self-help line, "Dial-a-Death", for this purpose.

uting child pornography.

The stunning discovery in

Recklinghausen has drawn

comparisons to two shocking

cases in Austria — of Natascha

Kampusch, who was held by her

kidnapper for eight years before

she managed to escape in 2006;

and of Elisabeth Fritzl, who was

western town of

In the late 1990s, Ram Dass suffered a cerebral hemorrhage that left him partly paralysed, unable to speak and needing a wheelchair. From his home in Maui, Hawaii, he learned to "surf the silence" at first, he said, but over time and painstakingly he reacquired a halting form of speech and was able to lecture



His first book, Be Here Now, sold over 2 million copies

Richard Alpert was born in Boston on April 6, 1931. His father, George, a lawyer, was a

and president of the New Haven Railroad, Richard had a bar mitzvah, but said he had no religious

He graduated from Tufts University as a psychology major in 1952 and studied for a master's degree in the subject at Wesleyan, only to flunk the oral exam.

convictions as a youth.

Nevertheless, Alpert, as he was known then, was accepted as a PhD candidate at Stanford and earned his doctorate, staying on afterward to teach. That was followed by twin appointments, in psychology and education, at he crossed paths with Leary.

Leary was researching on psilocybin, the main psychoactive ingredient in some species of mushrooms.

After taking a dose of psilocybin with Leary, Alpert recalled, he felt supreme calm, then panic, then exaltation. He believed he had met his own soul. "It was OK to be me," he said he had realised.

The Harvard work led to many news articles, but it also provoked criticism.

In May 1963, both Leary and Alpert were fired — Alpert for givLeary for abandoning his classes.

Alpert went to India in 1967. Events led him to Neem Karoli Baba, who was called Maharajji by his followers. Maharajji appeared to read Alpert's mind by telling him that his mother had recently died of spleen disease — information he had told no one in India, he said. The experience sparked a spiritual upheaval in Alpert, who forever after considered Maharajji his guru. It was Maharajji who gave Alpert the name Ram Dass, and

added the prefix. Baba. In 1968, Maharajji told Ram

When he got off the plane in Boston – barefoot, robed and bearded — his father, he said, told him to get in the car quick "before anyone sees you." He moved into a cabin on his father's estate in New Hampshire. Soon, as many as 200 people were showing up to chant with him. Ram Dass's biggest public success came in 1971, when the

Lama Foundation published Be Here Now, originally issuing it as loose pages in a box. It has had more than three dozen printings, with total sales exceeding two million. **NYT**

on the internet and make tapes. founder of Brandeis University Harvard. It was at Harvard where ing drugs to an undergraduate, and Dass to return to the United States.

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WESTERN RAILWAY - RAJKOT DIVISION **VARIOUS ENGINEERING WORKS** E-Tender Notice No. 38 OF 2019-20 Date: 20-12-2019 Approximate EMD e-Tender Name of work No. NIT Cost (₹) Cost (?) No. DRM.RJT. Welding of 52/60 Kg (90 UTS) rail 43,40,000.00 86,600,00 19-E-52R1 In various locations under Divisiona Engineer (West) Rajkot's Jurisdiction. Date & Time of Opening of Tender: 17-01-2020. 15:00 Hrs. DRM-R.IT- Taking water supply under Senior 18.15,098.50 36.300.00 19-E-88 Section Engineer (Works) Jamnagar in connection with cooking and other domestic purpose at Sikka, Moti Khavdi, Wind Mill and Level Crossing No. 202 for a period of 24 months. Date & Time of Opening of Tender: 17-01-2020, 15:00 His-DRM-RJT- Flash Butt Welding of 52 Kg/60 Kg 3,08,98,857.50 3,04,500,00 19-E-89 rails by using contractor's own Mobile Flash Butt Welding plant under Divisional Engineer (West) Rajkot's Jurisdiction. Date & Time of Opening of Tender; 17-01-2020, 15:00 Hrs. Address of the Office & Website particulars: Divisional Railway Manager (Engineering), Western Railway, Kolhi Compound, Rajkot-360 001, Website: Like us on: If facebook.com/WesternRly - Follow us on: twitter.com/WesternRly

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U.P. Jal Nigam, E-tenders are invited on two hid system Rebore of Tubwell in Mathura District in various programmes intending tenderers must be registered with U.P. Jal Nigam in Class- "B" in the Category- 1(c) only". Tender document shall be available at e-progurement website http://etender.up.nic.in. Interested contractors may view & download tender document and upload their tender, duly filled, online as per schedule given below :-(i) Uploading bid document at website Dated- 04.01.2020 at 17:00, (ii) Online Submission of e-bids :Dated- 09.01.2020 at 12:00. (iii) Opening of pre qualification bid/ Technical bid :Dated- 10.01.2020 at 15:00.

WESTERN RAILWAY - AHMEDABAD DIVISION

VARIOUS WORKS IN CONNECTION WITH REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF OUTDOOR SIGNALING GEARS DRM/S & T acting for and behalf of the President of India Invites E-Tender against Tender No. DRM-SnT-ADI-Sig 1 (Re-invite-2) of 2019-20 closing date 17 01-2020, 15:00. Bidders will be able submit their original/revised bids upto closing date and time only, Manual offers are not allowed against this tender and any such manual offer received shall be ignored, Tender No. DRM-SnT-ADI-Sig 15 (Re-invite-2) of 2019-20 (1) Name of Work: Provision of autsourcing of the Part supply of signaling material, installation testing and commissioning in connection with work for repair and maintenance of outdoor signaling gears in ADSTE/Will Ahmedabad section of Ahmedabad Division: (Re-Invite-2) (2) Estimated Cost of Work: ₹ 60.81,610.00/- (Rupees Sixty Lakh Eighty One Thousand Six Hundred Ten Rupees only) (3) EMD: ₹ 1,21,600/ (Rupees One Lakh Twenty One Thousand Six Hundred only) (4) Date & Time of closing of tender and opening of tender: Not later than 15:00 hrs. of 17-01 2020 and Opening on 17-01-2020 at 15:30 hrs. (5) Website of E-Tendering: www.ireps.gov.in Follow us on: twitter.com/WesternRly



For and on behalf of President of India, the undersigned invites etender for the given below work up to

15.00 hours on 20.01.2020. Si. No. : 1 e-Tender No. : G.159 Hiring/Veh/NDLS/19-20 dated 20.12.2019 (e-tender No. G.159-

VEH-NDLS-19-20. Name of work Hiring of AC / Non-AC Vehicles on day to day call duty basis for Officers of South Central Railway visiting New Delhi on Official Work for a period of Two Years (24 Months). Tender Value (Rs) : 23,52,000. EMD (Rs) 47.040 CTF [Rs] : 3000.00 Completion period: 24Months.

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2. All the prospective tenderers are requested to remit Cost of tender form & EMD through online payments only.

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3. The Railway reserves the right to cancel the tender without assigning any reason thereto.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

declare that my clients namely

Mr. Raj Kumar S/o Late Charan

Singh and Mrs. Geeta W/o Shri

Raj Kumar both R/o J-3/161

J.J. Colony Wazirpur, Delhi

110052, wants to disown his/her

son namely Mr. Rohit Kumar

and his wife namely Mrs

Komai from self acquired

movable & immovable property

for future all actions, and above

said statements are true & correct

in the best of my knowledge &

Shama Rani (Advocate)

Enrolment No. D-843/1992

PUBLIC NOTICE

To be known to all that my client POONA GUPTA WIFE OF SH. MOHAN LAL GUPT RESIDENT OF B-5/333, SECTOR-8, ROHII

DELHI 110085 owner of ENTIRE GROUNI

PROPERTY BEARING NO. 3535-1/B, ARE, MEASURING 160 SQ. YDS., PLOT NO. 51, OU OF KILLA NO. 25, MUSTATIL NO. 28 SITUATEI

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peed dated 30.06.2008 executed by SMT. TULS BALODI W/O SH. PREM BALODI in favour o my client SMT. POONAM GUPTA W/O SH MOHAN LAL GUPTA. An FIR vide LR No

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named person at above address/phone 9717292002 or or Email

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General Public is hereby informed that

my clients St Ramesh Rumar Sharma Sie Sh. Harbans Lal Sharma and Sint

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his son Pawan Kumar Sharma and h wife Smt. Ritesh Any one dealing with

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Sanjay Kumar Adv. on behalf of n

client Shri Ram Narayan R/o F-559

Dakshinpuri, N.D. 62, caused this

notice to the general public that my

client has debarred and disowned (1

Amit Kumar (son), (2) Archana

(grandson), from all his properties

assets and benefits (movable an

immovable) because of their bad and

wrong acts and conducts, as their

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My clients (1) Deep Chandra S/

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KAMAL SINGH (Advocat Regn. No. D-748/

Place: New Delhi

Date: 23.12.2019

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PERSONAL

I,hithertho known as ABHINAV AGGARWAL,S/o Rakesh Aggarwal, R/o-F-3/11, Ground Floor, Model Town-2, Northwest, Delhi-110009, have changed my name and shall hareafter be known as ABBHINAV AGGARWALL for all future purposes. 0040525215-11

I,have change my name,from R.Vadivelan, Vadivelan.R, Rengasamy Vaadivelan and Vadivelan to Vadivelan Rengasamy for all, purposes. Vadivelan Rengasamy S/o Rengasamy R/o-X-832, Jalyahu Vihar, Greater Noida, U.P. 0040525215-2

I,Vivek Kumar,S/O-Shri Gyan Singh, R/O-C-40, J. J. Colony, Shakur Pur, Delhiminor daughter name from 0040525215-6

I,Sandeep,S/O-Chandra Shekhar.R/O-A-154. Street no-11/1,block-A,Kamal

LAL GOEL, R/O D-4, VEENA **ENCLAVE, NANGLOI, NEW** DELHI-110041,That I hereby declare that SRI KISAN GOYAL and SHRI KRISHAN GOEL are same and one person, and in my correct name SHRI KRISHAN GOEL for all future, purpose and records. 0040525215-4

KRISHAN GOEL, R/O-D-4, VEENA **ENCLAVE, NANGLOI, NEW** DELHI-110041, That I hereby declare that SANTOSH GOYAL and SANTOSH GOEL are same and, one person, and in future, I shall be known as with my correct name SANTOSH GOEL, for all, future purpose 0040525215-5 and records.

I, Vijay Laxmi W/o Avtar Singh R/o KP-344 Maurya Enclave Pitampura Delhi-110034 changed my name to Vijay Laxmi Rajput. 040525218-2

KANNAN, unit 310FD, WKSP-COY-EME(7017 EME BN)resident of 80, Pottipuram, Madurai.Tamil Nadu-625708, declares that name of my minor son K **GURUSETHIRAN** has been recorded wrongly as K **GURUKSHETHRAN** in my service record whereas, correct name is K GURUSETHIRAN, amended accordingly vide-affidavit No.IN-DL99426128551263R Kishore Singh, Regd. No-

It is for general information that I, Mohd. Shahid S/o Mr. Ziauddin, Residing at H.No.2729, 2nd Floor, Gali Masjid Kale Khan, Kucha 110002, inform that name of my wife has been wrongly written as Fatima in my minor son's (Amaan Ahmed) **Educational Documents** Marksheet of Class IXth. The actual name of my wife is Fatima Parveen, which my be amended accordingly. 0040525180-1

I**.No.14622847X** (HAV)R KANNAN.unit 310FD.WKSP-COY-EME(7017 EME BN)resident of 80,Pottipuram, Madurai, Tamil Nadu-625708.declares that date of birth of my wife Smt.R SUDHA has been recorded wrongly on 26.04.1980 in my service record but correct date of birth is 01.07.1980,amended accordingly vide-affidavit No.IN-DL99428065844367R dated:21.12.2019,before Ram Kishore Singh, Regd. No-2548, New Delhi. 040525215-8

I,No-14607149X,Ex Lone S/O- Ab. Gaffar Lone ,R/O-Gushi, Tehsil/District-Kupwara. In my service records the name and (D o B) of my wife, daughter and son 22.07.1971) instead of Nisara Begum (D o B-05-02-1975), B-07-10-1995) instead of Neelofar Akbar (D o B-15-10-Lone (D o B-05-08-1997) instead of Shahbaaz Ahmad Lone (D o B- 15-04-2001). It needs correction. Objections be filed to Zila Sainik Welfare Officer Kupwara within seven

0020399010-1 I, Muzafar Ahmad Kochey S/O-Nazir Ahmad Kochey, R/O-Amirapora Mattan, Tehsil-Mattan, District-Anantnag. In my army service record's the name and caste of my son has been wrongly mentioned as Junaid Muzaffar, S/O-Muzaffar Ahmad Kachey instead of Junaid Muzafar, S/O-Muzarar Ahmad Kochey. It needs correction. Objections be filed to concerned authorities within

0020399008-1 seven days. **I,Mona** Kumari Singh D/o Chander Shekhar Singh R/o Flat No.91, Plot-21, Pocket-6, DDA Janta Flats, Nasirpur, New Delhi-110045, state that my actual name is Mona Singh for all future purposes. Mona Kumari Singh and Mona Singh is one and same person. 0040525178-1 **I.Ranjit** Singh S/o Balwant Singh R/o 14/27 A,Tilak Nagar, New Delhi-110018, have changed my name from Ranjit Singh to Ranjeet Singh for all future purposes. 040525185-1

I.Hem Chandra Pande S/o Shri Bhairav Dutt Pandey R/o-I-1702, A.V.J-Hights, Jeeta-I, Greater Noida, G.B. Nagar, have changed, my name Hem Chandra Pande to Hem Chandra Pandey for,all purpose in future, and both are same,person. 0040525215-1

I, Aalima Rifat w/o Rashid Manzoor R/O-H.No.2595, Gali.Takhat Wali Choori Walan, Jama Masjid, Delhi-110006, have changed to my name Aaleema Rashid for, all purpose. 0040525215-7 I, hitherto known as Shveta

Arora W/o Sh.Vijay Kumar Arora divorcee residing at Flat.No.-C-33, Plot.No.B-15 Leiah-Apartment, CGHS, Vasundhara-Enclave, Delhi-110096.have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Shveta Ahuja. 040525231-3

I, hitherto known as Noshey Khan S/o Bundu Khan residing at, H.No.-786, Gali No-14/1, Nehru-Vihar, Delhi-110094. have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as 0040525231-2 Naushad.

, Vinod Kumar S/O Ram Kumar Solanki R/O-Z-19, Shyam Enclave, Gopal Nagar, Najafgarh, Delhi-110043. Changed my Name to Vinod Kumar Solanki. 0040525231-6

I, Vinod Kalra alias Vinod Kumar Kalra alias Vinod Kumar S/o Late Tek Chand Kalra R/o B-198. Derawal Nagar, Model Town, Delhi-110009 have changed my name to Vinod Kalra for all 0040525175-3 purposes.

Prakash R/O H-232, II-Floor, Ashok Vihar Phase-1, Delhi-110052. Have Changed My Name To Vanshika. 0040525231-12

I. Vanshika Chhikara D/O Anil

I, Vanita Chopra w/o Jawahai Lal Chopra R/o H.No.50B, QU-Block, Pltampura, Delhi-110088, have changed my name to Radha Chopra. 040525218-5

I, Tamna W/o Sh.Nikhil R/o D-215-C. Gali No.8. Bhaianpura. Garhi Mandu, Delhi-110053 have changed my name to Tammana Rani for all purposes. 0040525175-2

I, Swati Bansal D/o Sham Sunder Bajaj W/o Nitin Bansal R/o-S.C.F.90, Grain Market, Sector-26, Chandigarh-160019, have changed my name to Swati Bajaj Bansal. 0040525186-1

l, Surender S/o Bhajan Lal, H.No.70, Gali No.3, Gohana-Bypass, Indian Colony, Sonipat, Haryana-131001 have changed my name to Surender Kumar. 0040525227-7

I, Subash Chander s/o Sh.Barkat Ram R/o 20A/2A, Tilak Nagar, New Delhi-110018 have changed my name to Subhash Chander permanently. 0040525197-5

I, Simple Puri/Sangeeta Gandhi/Sangeeta Kumar/Sangeeta/Ritu Kumar D/o Inder Puri now W/o Mr.Tanuj Kumar presently residing at 704, Tower-14, Orchid Petals, Sector-49, Gurgaon (Haryana)-122018, state that my actual name is Sangeeta Kumar for all record and future purposes. Simple Puri/Sangeeta Gandhi/ Sangeeta Kumar/Sangeeta/ Ritu Kumar and Sangeeta Kumar is one and same person.

I, Shobho Takwani W/o Jagdish Shahdadpuri R/o-4/2A, Sector-2, DIZ Area, Peshwa Road, New Delhi-110001 have changed my name to Shobha Shahdadpuri. 040525227-5

0040525178-2

Seema Raiput R/o B 142/3 Street no. 7 and 8 main market Bhajanpura Delhi 110053 have changed my name to Priya 0070689562-1 Verma.

I, Santosh Kumar Singh s/o Rajbahadur Singh R/o-RZ-2052, Gali No.27, Tughlakabad-Extn. Delhi-110019, have changed my name to Santosh Singh

0040525197-6 permanently. I, Sanjeev Kumar S/o-Subhash Chand Malhotra R/o-J-8/71, Rajouri Garden, New Delhi-

110027, have changed my name to Sanjeev Malhotra for all 0040525193-1 purposes. Sandeep S/o Sh.Nafe Singh R/o

33, B-Block, Vinoba Enclave, Jharoda Kalan Road, Najafgarh, New Delhi-110072 have changed my name to Sandeep Singh for all purposes. 0040525175-1

I, Rizwan Khan S/o Jung Mohd R/o H.No.53, Muhiddinpur Dabarsi, Jindal-Nagar, Ghaziabad have changed my name to Mohd Rizwan. 0040525201-7

, Rakesh Kumar S/o Ram Kishan Goel R/o-A-103-104 Resettlement-Colony Khayala Delhi-110018, have changed my name to Rakesh Kumar Goel Permanently. 0040525197-

I, Rakesh Behari S/O Rati Ram Golawala R/O Bd-7. Pitampura. Delhi-110034. Changed My Name To Rakesh Bihari Gupta.

0040525218-7 I, Raju S/o Rampal R/o R3/205, Mohan Garden, Uttam Nagar, West Delhi-110059, have changed my name from Raju to Raj Kumar for all future

purposes. 0040525203-1 I, Prabh Keerat S/o Kawaljeet Kaur R/o 4/186 Second-Floor Back-Side Subhash-Nagar N.Delhi-110027, have changed my name to Prabh Keerat 0040525243-1 Singh.

I. Raien Suguna D/o Sunder Rajen R/o:A-7, First-Floor, Gurdwara Singh Sabah Lane, Near-PaliFactory, UttamNagar, N.Delhi-59 Have Changed My Name to Suguna Rajen. 0040525227-8

I, Priyanka Gupta D/o Ashok Gupta W/o Rohit Sharma permanent address, 27, Shubh-Niketan, A-4, Paschim-Vihar, New Delhi-110063, have changed my name from Privanka Gupta to Privanka 0040525201-8 Sharma. I, Pratibha Devi W/O Akhilesh

Chandra Pandey, Add-E-318, Irwo-Classic Apartment, Rail-Vihar, Sector-57, Gurgaon Haryana-122003. Changed My Name To Pratibha Pandey. 0040525197-1 I, Palak Gupta D/o Naveen

Kumar Gupta R/o-F-104, Prateek Wisteria, Sector-77, Noida, UP-201301. have changed my name to Palak Goyal. 0040525201-6 I, Nitika W/o Harsh Joshi R/o 1077, S.F., RaniBagh, Shakur-

Basti Delhi-110034, have

changed my name to Nitika 0040525201-2 I. Nagendra Pal Singh Rana S/O Shri Jugendra Singh, Add-D-210A Gali no.4, Ashoknagar Mandoli, Delhi-110093.

changed my name to Nagendra

0040525218-6

Pal Singh. I, Mustakim S/O Abdul Hakim R/O-72/A, Basantkunj Colony, Sanjay Nagar, Sector-23, Guldhar-2, Ghaziabad, U.P-201002, Changed My Name To Mustakim Saifi. 0040525227-9

I. Mohan Kumar S/o-Late Sh. Bhisham Chand Sood R/o-B-6/167-168, Second Floor, Sector-7, Rohini, Delhi-86, have changed my name to Mohan Sood for all purposes. 0040525190-1

I, Mirza Halako Beg s/o Mirza Asgar Beg R/o-C-396, Gali No-13, Shri Ram-Colony, Delhi-110094, Have Changed my name to Mirza Tanieem Beg permanently. 0040525201-9

I, Malka Parveen W/o Mohammad Subhan R/o D-97, Gali No.9. Wazirabad Village. Delhi-110084 have changed my name to Malka Subhan. 0040525227-3

I. Mahinder Pal Singh S/o Hukam Chand, H.No.100, Madangir Village, Pushpa-Bhawan, Delhi-110062 have changed my name to Mahender Pal Singh. 0040525227-6

I. Leshlie Gibson S/O Dominik Gibson, H.No-J-972 Vijay Nagar, Sector-9 Samrat Chowk Ghaziabad-201001. Changed My Name To Leslie Gibson. 0040525227-10

I, Krishnan Kalamani W/o Sunder Rajen R/o:A-7, First-Floor, Gurdwara Singh Sabah Lane, Near Pali-Factory, Uttamnagar, New Delhi-59 Have Changed My Name to Kalamani Rajen. 040525218-10

I, Kanchan Mala Kumar W/o Ripunjay Kumar R/o-18/1 OWC Race Course New Delhi-03 have changed my name from Kanchan Mala Kumar to Kanchan Mala vide-Affidavit dated-23-12-19 at New Delhi. 0040525231-9

I, Kamlesh Bajaj W/o Ashok Kumar R/o E-503, Signature View Apartments Mukherjee Nagar Delhi-110009, changed my name to Kamlesh Kumari. 0040525227-1

I, Kailash Chandra S/o Om Prakash Agarwal R/o-3724, 3rd-Floor Gali No.1 Kanhaiya-Nagar Tri-Nagar Delhi-110035. have changed my name to Kailash Chander Agarwal.

0040525231-8 I, Jalaludin S/o Alimuddin R/o 2225, Shankar Gali, Turkman Gate, Delhi-110006 have changed my name to Jalaluddin, for all future

0040525187-1 purposes. I, Jaideep S/O Sh.Chander Shekhar, Resident Of-C5a/310c, Janakpuri, Changed My Name From

West/Delhi, Delhi-110058. Have Jaideep To Jaideep Shekhar For All Purposes. 0040525197-4 I, Parambir Singh S/o Avtar

Singh Bhandari R/o 40B Pocket-D1 Kondli-Gharoli Delhi-110096. changed my name to Parambir Singh Bhandari. 0040525218-9

I, Harsh Kumar S/o Inderjeet Singh R/o 1077, S.F., RaniBagh. Shakur-Basti Delhi-110034, have changed my name to Harsh Joshi. 0040525201-3

I, Harsh Joshi S/o Inderjeet Singh R/o-1077, S.F., RaniBagh, Shakur-Basti Delhi-110034, have changed my son's name Gaurav to Gaurav Joshi.

I, Dippika w/o Shankar Lal Meena R/o-3A/804, DDA-HIG-Flats, Motia-Khan, Paharganj, Swami Ram Tirathnagar, Delhi-110055, have changed my name to Raj Deepika, permanently. 0040525197-8

0040525201-4

I, Deepak S/O Anil Kaushik R/O Plot no.H-227a, Kunwar Singh Nagar, Nangloi, Delhi-110041. Changed My Name To Deepak 0040525218-8 Kaushik.

I, Chudasama Vijay Krishnaben, W/O Mr.Chudasama Vijay Babubhai, No.14864060n, Rank: Sep/Mt R/O-B'COY, Iha Of Mod(Army)Tpt Unit Asc, New Delhi-110021 And Permanent Address At Vill:Sheriyaj, P.O.Sardagram, Distt: Junagadh, Gujrat-362235, Have Changed My Name Chudasama Vijay Krishnaben To Chudasama Krishnaben Vijaybhai. 0040525197-10

I, Anu Gupta W/o Prem Kumar Gupta R/o-LU-37, 3rd-Floor Pitampura Delhi-110034, changed my name to Anuradha Gupta for all purposes. 0040525218-3 I, Arjun Yadhav, Son of Chander Bhan Yadav, Residing at Flat No.705, T-5, RPS Savanna, Faridabad, have changed the name of my Minor Son Tejas Yadav aged 8 yr and he shall hereafter be known as Teejas Yadhav. 0070689523-1

I. Amrinder Sidhu S/o I. Amrinder Sidhu S/o Raman Singh Sidhu Passport.no.(J 8137646) R/o-H.No.60B, Aralias-Appts., DLF-Golf-Links, DLF-Phase-V, Gurgaon, Haryana inform you that my father's name mentioned in my passport and other relevant documents as Kanwaljit Singh is not valid. The correct name of my father is Mr.Raman Singh Sidhu and should be henceforth, reflected as so. 0040525218-1

I. Amit s/o Ganesh Dass R/o 30a block bk-1 Shalimar bagh, DELHI-110088, have changed my name to Amit Choudhary. 0070689560-1

I, Mohd. Subhan S/o Mohd. Mukhtar Ahmad R/o-D-97, Gali No.9, Wazirabad Village, Delhi-110084 have changed my name to Mohammad Subhan. 0040525227-4

Ihitherto known as Sitara W/o Nafis Ahamad D/o Meharban Ali at H.No.C-86, Gali No-2, Laxmi-Garden, Loni-Ghaziabad U.P.-201102. have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Sitara Kulsum. 0040525231-4

I hitherto known as Santosh, Wife of-Raj Paul residing at C-140, Minto-Road Complex, Minto Road, Delhi-110002 have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Santosh 0040525197-9 Paul.

I Vasheem Ahamad S/o Gayur Ahmed R/o-H.No.42C Balbir-Nagar, Kirari Suleman-Nagar, North-West Delhi-110086, have changed my name to Waseem Ahmed. 0040525231-1

ISmita Maan, H.N.4204, Sector-B-5&6, Pocket-A, Vasantkunj, New Delhi-110070. Have Changed My Minor Son Name Vedant Singh To Vedant Singh 0040525197-3 Maan.

Sheeba/Sheeba Sayeed Khan

D/O Mohd Sayeed R/O-C-82, Radhey-Shyam Park Extension, Krishan-nagar, Delhi-110051, Have Changed My Name To Sheeba Sayeed. 0040525197-2 I, Hemant Verma S/o Babu Lal

Verma R/o-Y-2, Naveen Shahdara, Delhi-110052 have changed my name to Hemant 0040525227-2

I Shalini Sharma W/o Sanjay Bhardwaj R/o WZ-25D/2, Krishna Park, TilakNagar, Delhi-110018 have changed my name to Shalini Bhardwaj.

I Praveen Gupta S/o Ram Niwas Gupta R/o F-469, Karampura Delhi-15, have changed my name to Parveen Aggarwal. 0040525201-1

I Mamta Devi Agrawal W/o Sushil Agrawal R/o House No. 219, Sector-4, Ballabgarh Dist. Faridabad-121004 (Haryana) have changed my name to Mamta Agrawal for all future 0070689563-1 purpose.

Keshav Datt Sharma S/o Late Shri.Bhairav Dutt R/o-84, Pocket-14, sector-22, Rohini, Delhi-86. have changed my name from Keshav Datt Sharma to Keshav Dutt, for all future purposes. 0040525201-5

I Ekta Sehgal W/o Deepak Rastogi R/o-B-9/7, Krishna Nagar, Delhi-110051 have changed my name to Ekta Rastogi. 0040525231-5

I Chaman Iqbal W/O Zahid Akhtar R/O 134, Bandook Wali Street, Ajmeri Gate, Delhi-6, Have Changed My Name To "Chaman Fouzia" Vide Affidavit In-

DL99653269816633R At Delhi 0050160145-1

I Ashima D/o Rajesh Goel, H.No-133 Ugf Block-C Gali No-7 Majlis-Park Adarsh-Nagar Delhi-110033. Changed my Name to Ashima Goel. 0040525231-7

I. Subhash Chander R/o B-194. Gali No.-1, Guru Nanak Dev Colony, Bhalswa Dairy, Delhi-110042 have changed my name to Subhash Chand Saini.

0070689565-1 I, Kusum Kumari W/O Pramod Kharwar R/O B-78, Campno.4, Jwala Puri, Sunder Vihar, Delhi-110087. Changed My Name To Kusum Kharwar. 0040525231-11

LOST & FOUND

It is notified for the information that my original examination certificate of main, secondary examination of the year 2004 with Roll no.5181686 issued by CBSE has been actually lost. Candidate Name TANVI ADARSH B-1334 Gaur Green Avenue Abhay khand II Indirapuram Ghaziabad. 0050160142-1

It is notified for the information that my original examination certificate of main, Senior Secondary examination of the year 2006 with Roll no.5665722 issued by CBSE has been

TANVI ADARSH B-1334 Gaur Green Avenue Abhay khand II Indirapuram 0050160147-1 I, Manan Gupta S/o Rajesh Gupta R/o-R-647, 1st-floor, New Rajinder Nagar, N.Delhi. have lost my original

certificate/marksheet Class-

10th year-2015 Rollno-8216129

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CBSE-Delhi.

actually lost. Candidate Name

Ahmad Wani 161 Bn(INF) TR H&H,JAKLI. I have done (PLi) insurance Policy through Army Postal service Circle O/O Addl. DTE General of APS,1 CBPO Complex RAO Tula Ram Marg, New Delhi, under Policy no:-APS 1283901-L, Policy type=EA,sum assured Rs-2,00,000/.I have not received the policy bond of my above PLi policy till date. Where as I am in possession of acceptance letter of PLi Proposal, dated 20-01-2012.That I intend to seek duplicate Policy bond of my above pLi policy from the above mentioned Pli Agency. Objection may be filed to concerned authorities.

I, No- 12964762, Rfn Naseer

SITUATION VACANT

0020399014-1

Wanted MBA marketing on contract. Contact-9828402438 0050160144-1

> PUBLIC NOTICE Shri Bhogendra Jha and Smt. Ratna Jha wife of Shri Sanjeev Kumar Jha, both resident of House No. I-597, Hari Naga Extension, Part-II, Badarpur, New Delh 110044 have debarred and disowned the son namely Ashish Jha resident of Hou No. I-597, Hari Nagar Extension, Part-Badarpur, New Delhi- 110044 & daught

n-law Mrs. Pooja Yadav, daughter of Sh Om Prakash yadav, wife of Shri Ashish Jharesident of House No. C-97, Hari Naga Extension, Part-II, Badarpur, New Delh 110044, from their all movable/ immovab pehavior towards my clients, my clie them. If anybody deals with them, they wi do so at their own risk, cost any consequences. My clients, their other fan members and relatives shall not b esponsible/ liable for any act of ab MONIKA KAMBOJ (Advocate

Ch. No. 821, Dwarka Cour

Bhupinder Chopra R/o Apartment No. TNC Trinity Towers, DLF 5, Club Drive Road, Gurugram-122009, Haryana, have lost Original General Power of Attorney (GPA) executed by Mrs. Deepa Vig Wife of Mr. Sanjay Vig and Mr. Sanjay Vig son of Mr. Surinder Kumar Vig in favour of Mr. Sachin Gupta son of

Shri K.K. Gupta for the Sale, execution and registration of sale deed of the apartment no. TNC 192, 19th Floor, DLF Trinity Towers, DLF 5, Club Drive Road, Gurugram-122009, Haryana Which was attested by Anil Kumar S, Assistant Consular Officer, High Commission of India, Singapore Vide Endorsement No. 27806 Dated 20th December, 2010 and duly stamped by Collector of Stamp Vasant Vihar, New Delhi on 06th January, 2011 has been lost, finder may pls cont at address above.

PUBLIC NOTICE 1) SH. VARUN JUNEJA S/O LATE SI JAGDISH JUNEJA & (2) SMT. SHILPI JUNES W/O SH. VARUN JUNEJA BOTH R/O HOUS NO 31 A G C B ENCLAVE DELHI ARE T BLOCK - D. POCKET-1, AREA MEASURING SQ. MTRS., SITUATED AT SECTOR - ROHINI, DELHI AND THEY HAVE M ALLOTMENT LETTER, POSSESSION SLI HANDING OVER POSSESSION SLIP, ISSUE ERTY & THEY HAVE LODGED A FIR/NO 19.12.2019, WITH POLICE STATION, CRI BRANCH, DELHI, IF ANY BODY FIND TH SAID DOCUMENT, PLEASE INFORM HIM A THE ABOVESAID ADDRESS OR PH. NO IF ANY OTHER CLAIMENT HAS ANY RIGI SHOULD FILE AN FIR & GIVE INTIMATION T SADAN, INA, NEW DELHI WITH IN 15 DAY

FROM THE DATE OF ISSUE OF THIS NOTICE

said property which are

registered documents

duly registered vide

registration no. 1647 in

Additional Book No. 1

Vol. No.701 on Pages

No. 117 to 122 dated

21/02/1962 with office of

Sub-Registrar, Delhi

executed in favour of

previous owner Shri

Girdhari Lal Sharma S/o

Pt. Kishan Chand by

Refugee Co-Operative

Housing Society Ltd.

Delhi, another previous

original sale deed of said

property duly registered

vide Registration No.

13332 in Additional Book

No. 1, Volume No. 1558

Pages 43 to 47 dated

10/11/1971 with office of

Sub-Registrar, Delhi

executed in favour of

previous owner Shri

Lalpat Rai, Subhash

Chander, Vinod Kumar

and Om Prakash by

Shri Malava Ram

Mediratta S/o Shri Mana

Ram and Original

Special Power of

Attorney, duly registered

vide document no. 1372

in Additional Book no. 4.

Vol. No. 178 on Page

No. 70 Dated

28/06/1966 executed by

Shri Girdhan Lal Sharma

in favour of Mr. Malava

Ram Mediratta.

However these original

registered documents

have been lost by my

client on 17/12/2019 and

my client has already

reported the same to

police vide LR No.

2008884 dated

18/12/2019. That in case

any one finds the same

he/she may kindly return

the same to my above

named client and any

one dealing with the said

property on the basis of

these lost documents

shall be doing it at

his/her/their own risks,

consequences, perils

and cost and my client

shall not be held liable in

any manner whatsoever.

AJAY KUMAR (Advocate)

Ch. No. 149, Western Wing,

Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi

Mobile No.: 9015787273

Sanjay K. Jha (Advocate Enrol No. D-4533/20 Ch.No.C-5, C.L. Joseph Block Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi-11005 PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICE Public at large is hereby through this Public Notice that my informed that my client linni Rajesh Saxena S/o Dinest Saxona, R/o House No. 135, Por Shri Mahinder Kumar Batra S/o Late Shri South West Demi-110043, has Girdhari Lal Batra, R/o namely Kapil Saxona and House No. 01, Road No. daughliri-in-law Sakshi Saxena Wid Kan I Saxena from his anlite movable 44, Punjabi Bagh West and immovable property and severed New Delhi-110026 is the daughter in-law as the son and daughter-in-law of my client are not sole and exclusive coording to the temperaments of my owner of the property ent and used to misbehaved bearing House No. 01. disobeyed and harass, my client. My tient shall not be held responsible for Road No. 44, Punjabi my of their acts dead and things in Bagh West, New Delhianyone deels with them shell be deel 110026 having as per his/ber own risk, cost and purchased the same MAMTA PATEL (Advocate) from its previous owners. That Original Previous Sale Deeds of

PUBLIC NOTICE I declare that my clients namely

Mrs. Muresha W/o Late Shakil Ahmad R/o L-259, J.J. Colony Wazirpur, Delhi -110052, wants to disown his/her son namely Mr. Irshad All and his wife namely Mrs. Ruby from self acquired all movable and immovable properly for future all actions, and above said statements are true & correct in the best of my knowledge & belief Place: New Delhi

Date: 19.12.2019 Shama Rani (Advocate)

Enrolment No. D-843/1992 PUBLIC NOTICE This Notice is hereby given to general public that Sh. Arya Bhushan, Sh. An Kashyap & Smt. Poonam Chaturved who claimed to be owner and ir possession of Residential Propert Category-II, Pocket-GH-13, situated at Paschim Vihar, New Delhi, whose owner Sharma by virtue of Sale Deed dated-28.07.2001, after their Mother Death this property goes to their favour as per Hindu Succession Law and as per the ownership right Sh. Arya Bhushan, Sh. Anil Kashyap & Smt. Poonam Chaturvedi agree to Sell aforesaid property to Smt. Ritu Kapoor and now Smt. Ritu Kapoor has/have approached to Axis Bank Ltd. for financial assistance and therefore shall be mortgaged with the said Bank. All person's having any claim regarding in respect of the said property or any part. are hereby requested to notify the same in writing to undersigned with supporting documentary evidence at the addres mention below within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which claim, if any, of such persons will b consider to have been waived and/or abandoned and our client shall proceed with the disbursement of loan against th said property and subsequent creation of Mortgage in respect thereof. Sunil Parsad (Advocate) Juris NextGen Law Offices E-56, Greater Kailash Enclave Part-1 New Delhi-110048

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING ATTENDANCE OF **DEFENDANT** (Order 5 Rule 20 of the Code

of Civil Procedure) In the Court of Ms. Kiran Gupta, Addl. District Judge, North Delhi CS NO. 1034/18 **Bank of Baroda**

Surender Bansal Mr. Surender Bansal S/o M

Daya Kumar Bansal D-166/34 Sector 50 Noida U.P. Whereas you are intentionally evading service of summons it is hereby notified that if you shall not defend the case on the 12.03.2020 at 10.00 am fixed for the final disposal, it will be heard and determined ex-party. Given under my hand and the

seal of the Court this 16.12.2019

SEAL **Additional District** Judge-03(North) District Courts Rohini, Delh

GOVERNEMENT OF ODISHA OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING **ENGINEER, SOUTHERN (R&B)** CIRCLE, BERHAMPUR

Phone: 0680-2281582, FAX: 0680-2281582, e-mail: sescpwd@yahoo.co.in

INVITATIONS FOR BIDS (IFB) [e-Procurement] Bid Identification No. S.E, S.C (R&B)-BAM-03/2019-20

No. 3814 // Dated : 18.12.2019

1 The Superintending Engineer, Southern (R&B) Circle, Berhampur on behalf of Governor of Odisha invites percentage rate bid in double cover system in ONLINE MODE from eligible contractors for construction of

2 Nature of work : Road work

Road work as detailed in the table below.

34103/11/0006/1920

3 No. of work : 01 No. 4 Tender Cost : Rs.10,000/- (online)

5 Class of Contractor : "A" & Special Class 6 Availability of Bid document in the: From 01.01.2020 10.00 AM to website 16.01.2020 4.00 PM

7 Date of Opening of Bid : 17.01.2020 at 11.30 A.M.

8 The Bidders have to participate in ONLINE bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website https://tendersorissa.gov.in. 9 Any addendum / corrigendum / cancellation of tender can also be seen

in the said website only.

Superintending Engineer

Southern (R&B) Circle, Berhampur

GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA

Meghalaya Infrastructure Development Finance Corporation (M.I.D.F.C) Meghalaya, Shillong

NOTICE INVITING REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS(RFP)

No: MIDFC-IPL-2019-16-265 Dated Shillong, the 23rd December, 2019

Meghalaya Infrastructure Development & Finance Corporation Ltd. (MIDFC) (on behalf of Government of Meghalaya) intends to appoint an agency for preparation of feasibility report for Carbon Sequestration Opportunity in Forestry sector in the state of Meghalaya. Interested Parties are requested to download the Request for Proposal document from http://mbda.gov.in/tenders and submit their RFP in prescribed format complete in all respect to the office of Officer on Special Duty (MIDFC) House No. L/A-56, Lower Nongrim Hills, Shillong East Khasi Hills Meghalaya-793003 by 17:00 PM on 17/01/2020

Phone: +919436102314/+917085401314. For details please visit http://www.mbda.gov.in

MIPR No. 1287 dt. 23/12/2019

Meghalaya, Shillong

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O.S.D, MIDFC

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION BATHINDA. LOCAL GOVT. PUNJAB, DEPTT, PUNJAB **NOTICE INVITING E-TENDERS (Civil Works) Tender Notice** eproc.punjab.gov.in

No. 845 Date: 23.12.19 E-Tender No. MCB/2019-20/020 The Corporation Engineer, Municipal Corporation, Bathinda invites item rate E-ten ders on double bid system, for the following works:-

Date and Time Schedule, Sr. No. 1 Sr. Last date of online Sale/ Opening of Technical Opening of Bidding Bid Documents Submission Documents of Bidding Document 08.01.2020 11.00 A.M. 08.01.2020 12.30 P.M. 08.01.2020 15.00 P.M.

A List of Works for Suppliers and Manufactures Sr. Name of Work Estimate Farnest Tender Time Amount Money (In Lacs) Contractor Societies 60,500/-1,000/-Supply 30.10 Installation of Rotary Trammel Discharge Conveyor, Feeding Conveyor, Rejection Belt Conveyor, #1 Rejection

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SECTOR WATCH **PHARMACEUTICALS**

TB antibiotic, acid reflux drug among 37 batches flagged for failing quality tests

PRABHARAGHAVAN NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

INDIA'S TOP drug regulatory authority has flagged 37 batches of medicines, including tuberculosis antibiotic brand Coxerin and heartburn medicine Rabium-DSR, for failing quality tests last month. The Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO)

has also found samples it tested of certain crucial medicines manufactured by two public sector enterprises to be 'not of standard quality'.

The regulator this month labelled specific batches of Coxerin as well as Rabium-DSR to be "not of standard quality". According to its findings, samples of these products failed tests conducted in November to determine the identity of their ingredients and the rate at which the product would release the active ingredients to treat the body.

Samples of at least one batch (ECB5836A) of Coxerin, an antibiotic used for treating drug-resistant tuberculosis, failed due to tests related to "assay" — meaning there were fewer quantities of the therapeuticingredient, cycloserine, than required in the approved dose of the drug.

The samples also failed tests related to "condensation", which means that the moisture from the capsule has transferred to the product inside, degrading its quality in the process, according to a quality expert who requested anonymity.

"The potency and purity of the product is in question ... The patient would need 100 per cent of the dosage to get better, but when the product is degrading, there may be less quantity of the dosage and the formation of some impurity in the process," said the person.

"This means that it will take longer for the patient to get cured using capsules from this specific batch compared with a batch that is not substandard. It is also not clear whether the kind of impurity that is getting generated during degradation is safe for the patient to consume," the per-

son added. CDSCO also failed samples belonging to one batch (NY1180) of Rabium-DSR, which is used in treatment of acid reflux and peptic ulcer disease, according to e-pharmacy platform 1mg. This batch was found to be substandard for failing tests related to dissolution, which measures how soluble the

drug is in the body. The regulator further flagged batches of two drugs manufactured by Bengal Chemicals and Pharmaceuticals Limited (BCPL) as well as one manufactured by Karnataka

CDSCO LABELS

DRUG BATCHES

■ The CDSCO labelled specific batches of Coxerin, used to treat drug-resistant TB, as well as heartburn medicine Rabium-DSR to be "not of standard

quality" ■ It also flagged samples of certain

crucial medicines

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Antibiotics and Pharmaceuticals Ltd (KAPL).

While samples of one batch (CHT-9124) of BCPL's high blood pressure drug amlodipine failed assay tests. samples belonging to a batch (7596027) of the PSU's antibiotic for various bacterial and parasitic infections, metronidazole, failed dissolution tests.

A batch (8605318) of KAPL's albendazole tablets, used for treating parasitic worm infections, was declared not of standard quality as its samples failed dissolution tests as well.

Manufacturing of BCPL's amlodipine is outsourced under a loan licence, while the enterprise manufactures metronidazole on its own.

"Today itself we have started re-testing of the batches from our control samples and findings will be ready within 4-5 days. As per Drug Rules, the concerned drug inspector who had sent the samples to the laboratories under CDSCO will send detail report along with a sealed portion of the samples to us. After testing those samples from drug inspector, BCPL will take further necessary action," said a BCPL spokesperson.

The person added that BCPL's standard operating procedure for dealing with such complaints also includes in-house re-testing of the control sample from the batch, retesting them through an independent external laboratory and a "detailed" in-house investigation.

In the event that the product is found to fail these additional tests. BCPL will recall the product from the market and take corrective and preventive action to resolve the issue.

"If all our findings contradict the report sent by the drug inspector, we will apply for retesting as per drug rules," said the spokesperson.

Emailed queries to MacLeods Pharmaceuticals, which markets Coxerin. Intas Pharmaceuticals, which markets Rabium-DSR, and KAPL remained unanswered by press time.

PROPOSAL BEING DISCUSSED BY IBBI, CORPORATE AFFAIRS MIN Insolvent individuals may face ban

on holding, running for public office

AASHISHARYAN NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

INSOLVENCY and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI), as well as the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA), is in favour of disallowing individuals who have been declared insolvent, from holding any public office or being the personal guarantor to any company, government sources close to the development said.

"We have discussed that they (individuals declared insolvent) should not be allowed to hold or run for any public office. The repayment plan and schedules also have to be thought of. Because unlike corporate insolvency, here no one is taking over," a top executive from the IBBI said.

The Central government had on December 1 notified amendments to the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC), 2016, in which it had brought a corporate debtor's personal guarantor under the purview of the Code.

Lenders to a company can

EXPLAINED Aimed at reining in those trying to escape culpability

THE PERSONAL insolvency norms could prove to be a test for the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board in India. While the corporate insolvency process seems to have achieved a semblance of stability after three years in operation, it would be interesting to see how the government handles personal insolvency. The fear of fraud by individuals looking to escape culpability cannot be ruled out.

'Profitability of hospital sector to rise in FY20, FY21'

Profitability of the domestic hospital sector would continue to improve in the current as well as next fiscal, driven

by enhanced coverage under Ayushman Bharat and deeper expansion in smaller towns, said Crisil Ratings

FACTORS THAT

PROFITABILITY

OF HOSPITALS:

Automation

optimisation of

and

clinical

procedures

■ Efficient

■ Continuing

recalibration of

sourcing

pricing of

services

WILL BOOST

now, thus, approach the National Company Law Tribunal seeking to initiate insolvency proceedings against the personal guarantor of a corporate debtor, apart from the company itself.

Though IBC provides for the initiation of insolvency proceedings against individuals, it has until now been silent on the process for the same.

It could take the government up to three years to come up with the final rules for

ment sources indicated.

"Unlike corporate insolvency, you cannot kill an individual if they fail to repay. That is a tricky part. And if individuals themselves approach the courts for initiation of insolvency against them, we will also have to ensure that there is no fraud there," an MCA official said, adding that the learnings from the corporate insolvency resolution process (CIRP) would be relevant.

Corporate Affairs Secretary personal insolvency, govern- Injeti Srinivas had in October

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facilities are clustered

Chennai, New Delhi,

Bengaluru, Kolkata,

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said that the personal insolvency regime was a very large subject and once commenced, it would bring all types of borrowers under its ambit. He had then also indicated

that the Centre could look at a "non-adjudicatory process" for small borrowers with small exposures to lenders. "It would be based on verification ... whether it is about as-

sets they (such borrowers) have

or their monthly income.

Accordingly, insolvency would be determined and relief would be extended," Srinivas had said. For personal insolvency to be fully functional and operate smoothly, the government is also looking to augment its capacity for training of "evaluation pro-

fessionals" who would be responsible to determine whether the small borrowers have genuine cases of not being able to repay, the sources said. "We want these evaluation professionals to come from the

already existing framework of lawyers, insolvency professionals, and chartered accountants." the officials said.

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from current

60-65 %

come up in next 2-3 fiscals

14-15%: Expected

hospital firms over fiscals

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operating

Expected rise in

profitability of

hospital firms

over fiscals 2020

Source: Crisil/PTI

2020 and 2021

and 2021

Expected investment

by 41 hospital firms

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RoC seeks modification in NCLAT judgment

Mistry reinstatement:

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

THE REGISTRAR of Companies (RoC) on Monday moved the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) with a plea that the appellate tribunal delete from its judgment — on reinstating Cyrus Mistry as chairman of Tata Sons — the part which casts aspersions "made regarding any hurried help" to Tata Sons.

The RoC has in its plea also said that as the NCLAT had not stayed the operative part of the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) order, the department acted in a "bonafide manner based on due application of mind". It has further contended that since the RoC, Mumbai was not impleaded as a party before the NCLT Mumbai or the NCLAT, it was not given a chance to defend itself.

In a strongly worded 172page judgment, the NCLAT had on December 18 restored Cyrus Pallonji Mistry as the executive chairman of Tata Sons and director in the Tata Group for the rest of his tenure. Mistry was removed by the Tata Sons board on October 24, 2016.

In the judgment, the NCLAT had also censured the RoC and said that its action allowing the

SOME PART 'CAST ASPERSIONS

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Tata Group to convert itself back as a private concern from a public limited company was done "with the help of the Registrar of Companies just before filing of the appeal". Defending its action to allow Tata Sons to convert back to a private concern, the RoC has said that its actions were based on an interpretation of sub-section 2A of the section 43 (A) of the Companies Act.

Tata Sons, founded as a private company on November 8 1917, had been forced to convert itself into a public concern after the insertion of a provision in the Companies Act, which asked firms with a considerable turnover to turn public. According to the company,

however, it continued to function as a private company, retaining the articles of association laid down during the incorporation in 1917.

Minutes after take-off, snag forces GoAir plane to turn back to Guwahati

ENSECONOMIC BUREAU NEW DELHI/GUWAHATI, DEC 23

A KOLKATA-BOUND GoAir aircraft Monday returned to Guwahati airport a little over 10 minutes after take-off as it suffered a technical snag, an official said. This is the second incident involving a GoAir plane in as many days, after a flight towards Chandigarh from Mumbai turned back on Sunday due to a technical snag.

On Monday, the Airbus-made A320 plane, carrying 132 passengers and seven crew members, sought an air turn back from the air traffic controller citing a minor technical snag, an Airports Auth-

GoAir confirmed the incident and said the glitch-hit aircraft is

ority of India (AAI) official said.

being inspected and rectified by its team of engineers. "The pilot of GoAir flight G8 546, operating or Guwahati-Kolkata route, soon after getting airborne at 11:17 am requested ... for a turn back, saying there was a minor technical problem in the aircraft," the AAI official said, adding the plane has been grounded and a decision over its flying would be taken by Directorate General of Civil Aviation.

"GoAir flight G8 546 from Guwahati to Kolkata did an air turn back due to a technical glitch After turn back, the flight landed safely ...," GoAir said. WITHPTI

Tata Power wins distribution licence for 5 circles in Odisha

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

TATA POWER Monday said it won the bid for the licence to distribute and supply electricity in five circles constituting the Central Electricity Supply Utility of Odisha (CESU).

The development comes around four years after licences of three privately-owned distribution companies (discoms) in the state were cancelled due to their inability to improve their financial health.

"The proposed sale of CESU to the company will be through the formation of a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) entity in which the Government of Odisha will own 49 per cent in the equity share capital and the Company will hold balance 51 per cent with their management," stated Tata Power in a filing to the BSE on Monday.

"Expected annual revenue of the proposed SPV will be in excess of Rs 3,000 crore," it stated.

The license is being offered for 25 years initially, said the filing. The electrical circles constituting CESU are Bhubaneswar (Electrical Circle - I and II),

Cuttack, Paradip and Dhenkanal. The licence is expected to double the consumer base of the company to approximately five million from around 2.5 million currently.

Tata Power's current consumer base spans Mumbai, Delhi and Ajmer.

CESU, spread over 30,000 sq km, caters to an average demand

of around 1,300 MW with the an-

companies in the state were cancelled due to their inability to improve their financial health

nual input energy of 8,400 MUs

Development comes around four years after

licences of three privately-owned distribution

(FY2018). "Recently, our focus has been on increasing the company's existing footprint in distribution of electricity through public-private-partnerships (PPP) with discoms. This tie up with CESU is the latest such partnership in the dis-

tribution business," Tata Power

"We hope to transform Odisha distribution system with 24x7 reliable power and unmatched customer services with extensive social engagement us-

CEO-MD Praveer Sinha said.

ing our existing experience in distribution of electricity in Delhi, Mumbai and Ajmer," Tata Power president-T&D Sanjay Banga

added. Odisha was the first state to privatise distribution in 1999. It unbundled its loss-making state electricity board, previously in charge of generation, transmission and distribution of power.

The state had then privatised its four distribution companies — NESCO, WESCO, SOUTHCO and CESCO (now CESU) — by bringing in US-based AES Transpower

and Reliance Infrastructure Ltd (formerly BSES) after international bidding. The discoms were to transact

with the Grid Corporation of Odisha (GRIDCO), buying power from it to distribute, collecting tariffs from consumers and paying the state-owned electric power transmission company. GRIDCO would then pay power generating companies.

However, unable to pay dues to GRIDCO, AES Transpower in 2001 left CESCO, where it held majority shares. In 2015, the state's electricity regulatory commission revoked the distribution licences of Reliance Infrastructure, stating that even after 15 years of operation, the firm had "consistently failed to run the enterprise in a commercially sustainable manner."

China set to lower tariffs on over 850 items from Jan

REUTERS BEIJING, DECEMBER 23

CHINA WILL lower tariffs on products ranging from frozen pork and avocado to some types of semiconductors next year as Beijing looks to boost imports amid a slowing economy and a trade war with the United States.

Next year, China will implement temporary import tariffs, which are lower than the mostfavoured-nation tariffs, on more than 850 products, the finance ministry said on Monday. That compared with 706 products that were taxed at temporary rates in 2019. The tariff changes were made to "increase imports of products facing a relative domestic shortage, or foreign speciality goods for everyday consumption," the ministry said in a statement on its website. China and the United States

cooled their drawn-out trade war earlier this month, announcing a Phase 1 agreement that would reduce some US tariffs in exchange for more Chinese purchases of American farm products and other goods.

The Finance Ministry said the tariff rate for frozen pork will be cut to 8 per cent from the mostfavoured-nation duty of 12 per cent, as China copes to plug a huge supply gap after a severe pig disease decimated its hog herd. An outbreak of African swine fever that started in August last year has nearly halved China's pig herd, official data showed, sending pork

measures to boost pig production, while increasing imports of various meats to meet domestic demand.

COMPANY LAST WEEK ANNOUNCED TEMPORARY SHUTDOWN OF MAX PRODUCTION

737 MAX fallout: Boeing ousts Muilenburg, names chair Calhoun as CEO

REUTERS SEATTLE, DECEMBER 23

BOEING CO ousted chief executive Dennis Muilenburg as the world's biggest planemaker sought to control an escalating crisis that has seen it halt production of its best-selling 737 MAX jetliner following two fa-

tal crashes. The sacking comes as Boeing struggles to mend strained relations with the regulators it needs to win over to get the grounded 737 back in the air, and seeks to regain trust with passengers and airline

customers around the world. Chairman David Calhoun will take over as CEO and president, effective from January 13, the company said, adding that a

change in leadership was necessary to restore confidence.

The company's shares, which have dropped more than 20 per cent over the past nine months, rose nearly 4 per cent in early trading.

The decision capped a week of dramatic setbacks for Boeing, from a decision to halt production of the 737, a public slapdown from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), a ratings downgrade and an embarrassing space launch glitch on Friday.

One source close to Boeing said the company needed to turn the corner and regain its stride as it faces what is widely seen as the worst crisis in its more than 100-year history

The 737 MAX has been grounded since March after

two crashes in Indonesia and Ethiopia killed 346 people within five months. It has been by far the biggest

crisis of Muilenburg's tenure at Boeing, where he started as an intern in 1985, rising through the company's defense and services ranks to the top job in

Boeing said this month it would stop production of the jets in January, and the crisis also threatens to hit the US economy with House representative Rick Larsen calling the decision "a body blow to its workers and the region's economy."

A senior industry source called the sparse wording of Boeing's statement on the 34year veteran "brutal".

Speculation that



Muilenburg would be fired had been circulating in the industry

October when the board stripped him of his chairman title - although he had also twice won expressions of confidence from Calhoun.

for months, intensifying in

A Boeing official said the board deliberated over the weekend and decided to fire Muilenburg in a phone call on Sunday. Aerospace analyst Richard

Aboulafia of Teal Group said the appointment of Calhoun, who previously served as head of Blackstone Group's private equity portfolio operation, would provide short-term stability, but not the long-term "emphasis on engineering" the company needs.

"Calhoun is respected in the industry," Aboulafia said. "But long-term, does he bring the

and should improve from right tool kit? Private equity leans companies out. That's not Boeing's problem right now." Board member and former

airline boss Lawrence Kellner will become non-executive chairman of the board effective immediately, the company said. Chief Financial Officer Greg Smith will serve as interim CEO during the brief transition period.

Boeing - which has taken flak from the FAA for appearing to pressure the regulator by predicting when the planes would return to the air pledged full transparency, including "effective and proactive communication" with regulators. Analysts at British-based Redburn said the CEO sacking suggested Boeing's relationship with the FAA was "at its nadir

here".

Muilenburg is a lifelong Boeing engineer who fought a rising tide of public and regulatory scrutiny to try to steady the company during the crisis, but who failed to overcome a stilted public image.

In keeping Muilenburg in the job as long as Boeing has, the company was ignoring elements of the classic crisis communications playbook used by other companies, said Paul Argenti, a professor at Dartmouth's Tuck School of Business.

"You want to bring somebody from the outside to bring fresh perspective to 'save the day," Argenti said. "He should have been gone a long time ago. He is part of the problem."

prices soaring to record levels. Beijing has issued a series of

ArcelorMittal to sell 50% stake in shipping biz to DryLog

PRESSTRUSTOFINDIA NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

ARCELORMITTAL WILL sell a 50 per cent stake in its shipping arm Global Chartering Ltd to DryLog Ltd to form a joint venture and pare its debt, the company announced on Monday. The transaction is expected to complete before the 2019-end, it said.

"The stake sale and IV formation will ultimately impact ArcelorMittal's net debt by \$530 million, with \$400 million on completion and a further \$130 million due in early 2020," a statement by the steelmaker said.

"ArcelorMittal has signed a share purchase agreement with DryLogLtd(DryLog)for the sale of a 50 per cent stake in Global Chartering Limited (GCL), its wholly-owned shipping business, and will subsequently form a 50:50 shipping joint venture with DryLog. The transaction is expected to close before the end of 2019," it added.

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

THE INDIAN Commercial Pilots Association (ICPA) has written to Civil Aviation Minister Hardeep Singh Puri, asking him to clear the pending dues of pilots and commanders of Air India who, the association alleges, have not been paid salaries and flying allowances on time "in the recent past 2-3 years". "Flying allowance constitutes of 70 per cent of pilots' pay package and we are facing severe financial constrains due to delay in flying allowance," the association said in its letter.

Puri had earlier said that the pilots of Air India were very well looked after and that their salaries, in relation to what other air carriers were offering, was very good.

The association has, in its letter on Monday, however, claimed that Air India pilots were being "paid only half of what other air carriers are offering". Responding to another state-

past 2-3 yrs, claim Air India pilots ICPA urges Civil Aviation Minister to clear pending amount "With this uncertainty over the survival of our national carrier and with no Plan B, we request you to ensure that we are not treated like bonded labour and allow us to quit

Air India without serving our notice period and clear all

INDIAN COMMERCIAL PILOTS ASSOCIATION

ment made by the minister that he had not heard of any resignations from Air India pilots, the ICPA has said that as of Monday, 65 pilots had tendered their resignations and were serving the six month notice period.

our dues immediately"

Not paid salaries regularly for

"Most of these pilots are experienced CAT3B qualified co-pilots and are potential commanders. We are losing these experienced co-pilots to other carriers who value them and have understood their importance of their experience," the IPCA said in its letter.

The letter by the association comes in response to Puri's reply to questions asked to him in the Rajya Sabha on November 27. In a written reply to the questions, Puri had said that Air India would have to shut down and stop operations if the airline was not privatised.

He had also said that the national carrier, which has a debt of nearly Rs 54,000 crore, will not be given "any further financial support" as that would "not be the best use of scarce financial resources" of the central government. The IPCA, in its letter, has said that this statement by Puri was "a matter of concern".

"With this uncertainty over the survival of our national carrier and with no Plan B, we request you to ensure that we are not treated like bonded labour and allow us to quit Air India without serving our notice period and clear all our dues immediately," the association said.

161 BIDS RECEIVED FOR 6.45% GS 2029

RBI purchases ₹10,000-cr G-Secs,

sells ₹6,825 cr securities via OMOs

■ In the open market operations (OMO) purchase of 6.45 per cent GS 2029, which is a benchmark security, the Reserve Bank of India received Rs 20,826 crore worth of bids from the participants but accepted Rs 10,000 crore of bids

■ The RBI received 161 bids

and 8.12 per cent GS 2020

through OMO sale.

It accepted only Rs 6,825 crore worth of bids for the four securities as against Rs 20,330 crore bids it received in the OMO sale auction. In terms of number of bids, the central bank received 30 bids for 6.65 per cent GS 2020; 26 for 7.80 per cent GS 2020, 13 for 8.27 per cent GS 2020 and 47 for 8.12 per cent GS 2020 but accepted 6, 13, 3 and 13

for purchasing 6.45 per cent-2029 bonds whereas it accepted 145 bids. The cut-off yield to accept the bid was 6.546 per cent

■ The yield on the benchmark bonds had traded at an intraday low of 6.553 per cent on Monday before closing the day's session at 6.568 per cent

bids, respectively.

The completion of the purchase of the benchmark bonds worth at better than market rates implies its strong intent of bringing down the term premia,

Ananth Narayan, professorfinance at SPJIMR said the "operation twist" OMO cut-off announced by the RBI was positive for government bonds on multiple counts. "For one, the RBI pur-

chased Rs 10,000 crore of the 10year bonds at a cut-off of 6.546 per cent, a lower yield than seen in the secondary market during the day. Second, it sold only Rs 6,825 crore of 1-year bonds, indicating that it did not want shortterm bond yields to go up significantly. In effect, it ended up net buying Rs 3,125 crore of bonds. All this will signal its strong intent to bring down term premium in government bonds, while at the same time ensuring that short-end bond yields do not move up," he said.

A dealer also pointed out to the fact that the central bank's intention to buy the long-tenor bonds was successfully executed and that too at better than market levels. "From that perspective, it is a very good cut-off that has come. The sale of short-dated securities did not happen fully but believe that the market may not be perturbed by this. The RBI may not want the short-tend yields to shoot up beyond a certain level, the dealer said. **FE&PTI**

BRIEFLY

White paper soon

sector tax burden

New Delhi: The Centre will

soon come out with a white

paper on steel industry that

will focus on ways to cut tax-

related expenditure in the

sector and make it competi-

tive, Union Steel Minister

Dharmendra Pradhan said

on Monday.

to reduce steel

RBI allowed minorities from Bangladesh, Pakistan to open NRO bank accounts in 2018

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU MUMBAI. DECEMBER 23

MORE THAN a year before

Parliament amended the citizen-(Citizenship law Amendment Act), the Reserve Bank of India amended the Foreign Exchange Management (Deposit) Regulations, 2016, enabling persons belonging to mi-

nority communities — Hindus, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains, Parsis and Christians – from Bangladesh and Pakistan, and residing in India, to open an NRO account (Non-Resident Ordinary Rupee Account Scheme). Such NRO accounts can be converted into a regular bank accounts once they become citi-

However, as in the case of CAA, Muslims from these two countries are excluded from the list of religious communities who can apply for such accounts.

zens of India.

An NRO account is a savings or current account held in India that helps non-resident Indians manage income earned in India such as rent, dividends, interest or pension. An NRI can open a joint NRO account with one or more NRIs or Indian citizens. According to the

Such Non-Resident Ordinary Rupee Account Scheme accounts can be converted into regular accounts once they become citizens

Foreign Exchange Management (Amendment) (Deposit) Regulations, 2018, issued by the RBI on November 9, 2018, "a person being a citizen of Bangladesh or Pakistan belonging to minority communities in those countries, namely Hindus, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains, Parsis and Christians, who is residing in India and has been granted a Long Term Visa (LTV) by the Central Government is permitted to open with an authorized dealer only one NRO Account."

"The said NRO account shall be converted to a resident account once the person becomes a citizen of India within the meaning of the Citizenship Act, 1955. Such accounts can be opened by Authorised Dealers only," the RBI notification said. The notification allowed even those who have applied for LTV to open the NRO account subject to a review every six months. "A person being a citizen of Bangladesh or Pakistan belonging to minority communities in those countries, namely Hindus,

Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains, Parsis and Christians, who is residing in India and has applied for a Long Term Visa (LTV) which is under consideration of the Central Government is permitted to open with an authorised dealer only one NRO account which will be opened for a period of six months and may be renewed at six monthly intervals subject to the condition that the individual holds a valid visa and valid residential permit issued by Foreigner Registration Office (FRO)/ Foreigner Regional Registration Office (FRRO) concerned. Such accounts can be

only," the notification said. Can a Bangladeshi or Pakistani national or an entity owned or controlled from Bangladesh or Pakistan have an account in India? "Opening of accounts by individuals or entities of Pakistan nationality or ownership and entities of Bangladesh ownership requires prior approval of the Reserve Bank," the RBI said in its FAQ (fre-

opened by authorised dealers

quently asked questions).

The opening of such NRO accounts will be subject to reporting the details of the accounts opened by the concerned authorised bank to "the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) on a quarterly basis as instructed vide AP (DIR Series) Circular No. 28 dated March 28, 2019", the RBI says.

"However, individuals of Bangladesh nationality can open an NRO account subject to the individual(s) holding a valid visa and valid residential permit issued by Foreigner Registration Office (FRO)/ Foreigner Regional Registration Office (FRRO) concerned," it says.

The central bank clarification in its comments on FAQ doesn't mention about Pakistani nationals getting permission to open NRO accounts. The RBI did not reply to an email on the subject sent by The Indian Express.

Bankers refused to go on record saying that these are matters decided by the regulator and the government. However, a banker said the RBI decision a year ago might be a precursor to the CAA and part of the groundwork to grant citizenship to minorities in Pakistan and Bangladesh.

Lending limit on peer-to-peer platforms fixed at ₹50 lakh

investments of the lenders on P2P

platforms are consistent with

PRESSTRUSTOFINDIA MUMBAI, DECEMBER 23

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THE RESERVE Bank on Monday

purchased Rs 10,000 crore

worth of long-term government

securities and sold Rs 6,825 crore

of four short-term securities

through the special open market

operations (OMOs). Last week,

the RBI had announced simulta-

neous purchase and sale of gov-

ernment securities under OMOs

per cent GS 2029, which is a

benchmark security, the RBI re-

ceived Rs 20,826 crore worth of

bids from the participants but

accepted Rs 10,000 crore of bids.

161 bids to purchase 6.45 per

cent-2029 bonds whereas it ac-

cepted 145 bids. The cut-off yield

to accept the bid was 6.546 per

cent. The RBI offered to sell four

government securities -- 6.65

per cent GS 2020; 7.80 per cent

GS 2020; 8.27 per cent GS 2020

The central bank received

In the OMO purchase of 6.45

for Rs 10,000 crore each.

MUMBAI, DECEMBER 23

TO PROTECT consumers interest, the Reserve Bank on Monday said that on a peer-to-peer lending (P2P) platform the permissible exposure of a lender to all borrowers should not exceed Rs 50 lakh at any given point of time.

"On a review, it has been decided that the aggregate exposure of a lender to all borrowers at any point of time, across all P2P platforms, shall be subject to a cap of Rs 50,00,000 provided that such

PRESSTRUSTOFINDIA

THE RBI on Monday said IFSC

Banking Units can open foreign

currency current accounts of enti-

ties operating in IFSC and of non-

MUMBAI, DECEMBER 23

their net-worth," the RBI said in a notification. The lender investing more than Rs 10 lakh across P2P platforms will produce a certificate to P2P platforms from a practising Chartered Accountant certifying minimum net-worth of Rs 50 lakh. "Further, all the lenders shall

submit declaration to P2P platforms that they have understood all the risks associated with lending transactions and that P2P platform does not assure return of principal/payment of interest,

IFSC banking units can open foreign

currency current accounts, says RBI

actions. However, IBUs are not al-

lowed to open savings accounts.

RBI further said it will not pre-

scribe any limit for raising short-

term liabilities from banks.

Issuing instructions regarding permissible activities of IBUs, the

"However, the IBUs must

transfer mechanism, it said, "Escrow accounts to be operated by bank promoted trustee for transfer of funds need not be mandatorily maintained with the bank which has promoted the trustee". As per the guidelines, the

the notification said. On fund

transfer of funds under P2P lending happens through an escrow account mechanism, which is operated by a bank promoted trustee. It requires at least two escrow accounts, one for funds received from lenders and pending disbursal, and the other for collections from borrowers, be maintained.

banks on a stand-alone basis and

strictly follow the liquidity risk

management guidelines issued

rency current accounts (including

escrow accounts) of their corpo-

rate borrowers subject to the pro-

IBUs can also open foreign cur-

by RBI to banks," it said.

New presidents for Assocham and Ficci

New Delhi: Hiranandani Group managing director Niranjan Hiranandani has taken over as the president of Assocham. He succeeds Welspun Group chairman Balkrishan Goenka. Meanwhile, Sangita Reddy, joint managing director, Apollo Hospitals Group, has taken over as president of Ficci for FY20. She succeeds Sandip Somany, vice chairman and managing director, HSIL.

Management rejig at M&M's AFS division

New Delhi: Mahindra & Mahindra (M&M) Monday announced a rejig of its top management in the automotive and farm equipment (AFS) sectors with its president for auto vertical Rajan Wadhera set to retire and step down from executive role. Veejay Nakra will be appointed CEO of the auto division from April 1, 2020, while Hemant Sikka will head the farm equipment sector.

Indiabulls RE to sell assets to Blackstone

New Delhi: Realty firm Indiabulls Real Estate Ltd (Indiabulls RE) has agreed to sell commercial projects in Mumbai and Gurugram to global investment firm Blackstone for an enterprise value of Rs 810.7 crore.

Power Ministry cancels auction for 2.5GW

New Delhi: The Power Ministry has scrapped the auction to procure 2,500MW electricity for medium term (three years) under a scheme to provide relief to thermal power plants plagued by short coal supplies, state-run NHPC said on Monday. **PTI**

Rivian scores \$1.3 billion investment

Detroit: Electric vehicle startup Rivian said Monday it closed a \$1.3 billion investment round, led by fund manager T. Rowe Price and including existing investors online retailer Amazon.com Inc and 2 US carmaker Ford Motor Co. **REUTERS**

visions of FEMA 1999 and other resident institutional investors to maintain LCR (Liquidity Coverage facilitate their investment trans-Ratio) as applicable to Indian applicable regulations.

CIL, OCPL to tie up for sale of coal from captive block in Odisha The partnership is a **ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU**

KOLKATA, DECEMBER 23

COAL INDIA Ltd (CIL) and Odisha government-owned Odisha Coal and Power Ltd (OCPL) have joined hands for sale of coal produced from OCPL's captive block at Manoharpur in Jharsuguda as a part of initiatives of the central government to produce more indigenous coal available to country beyond CIL's production and cut imports.

While the government has aimed to curb imports of thermal coal, India's thermal coal imports stood at 183.4 million tonne (MT) in FY19 and are likely to cross 200 MT in 2020, according to estimates made by ICRA.

The coal produced by OCPL, instead of going for captive use only, will come into the entire system which even — if little —

part of initiatives of the government to produce more indigenous coal available to country beyond Coal India's production and cut imports

will add to the demand-supply

The OCPL-produced coal is supposed to feed the (2x600 MW) IB thermal power plant of the Odisha Power Generation Corporation (OPGC), but in this case, though OCPL is producing just the required amount of coal OPGC needs for power generation, the coal cannot reach plant for lack of evacuation facilities.

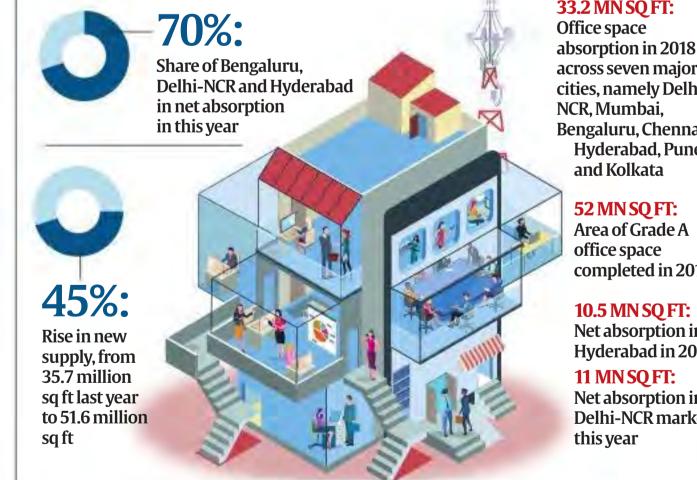
So, the Coal Ministry has asked CIL to make such arrangements so that the required coal for power generation is made available to OPGC from nearby mines and CIL lift the coal from OPCL's captive mines at Monaharpur.

In the wake of such a decision from the Ministry, the CIL board has worked out a modality wherein its subsidiary, Mahanadi Coalfields Ltd (MCL), has entered into an agreement with OCPL for creating a provision of lifting coal mined from Monaharpur and MCL in turn would supply to OPGC.

Manoharpur coal block has a capacity to produce 8 MT per annum, but as long as it is under development phase and does not produce, MCL through bridge linkage would supply OPGC 4.8 MT per annum for power generation.

'Office space leasing up to record 46.5 mn sq ft in 2019' Net office space leasing rose by 40 per this year across seven cities to an all-time high of 46.5 million sq ft, mainly

driven by higher demand from IT/ITeS firms and co-working operators, property consultant JLL India said



across seven major cities, namely Delhi-NCR, Mumbai, Bengaluru, Chennai, Hyderabad, Pune and Kolkata

52 MN SQ FT: Area of Grade A office space completed in 2019

10.5 MN SQ FT: Net absorption in Hyderabad in 2019 11 MN SQ FT: Net absorption in **Delhi-NCR** market this year

Reduction in vacancy in office space this year 42% Share of IT/ITeS companies in overall

14%. Share of co-working operators in overall office space leasing

office space leasing

Year-on-year fall in net office space absorption in Mumbai, on back of limited relevant supply despite strong latent demand from large occupiers

Source: JLL India/PTI

Jet Airways' creditors decide to seek fresh bids

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

THE CREDITORS of shuttered let Airways have decided to seek fresh initial bids for the airline.

The Committee of Creditors (CoC) would seek fresh Expression of Interest (EoI), according to a regulatory filing on Monday.

Earlier this month, the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) had directed the CoC to expedite their decision on seeking fresh EoIs in view of new interest being shown for the grounded airline.

Once a storied full service carrier, Jet Airways stopped flying in April after it ran out of money for daily operations. The airline is undergoing resolution process under the Insolvency

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and Bankruptcy Code (IBC).

"... the CoC passed the resolution to issue fresh invitation of Expression of Interest for the corporate debtor in the e-voting concluded on December 22, 2019," the filing said on Monday.

Synergy Group, the sole potential bidder for Jet Airways, had sought more time to take a decision on investing in the grounded airline.

The tribunal had also approved extension of Jet Airways insolvency resolution period by 90 days.

PRESSTRUST OF INDIA BENGALURU. DECEMBER 23

THE GST Council is verifying the 66.79 lakh new registrations by taxpayers, which could be fake or pertain to shell companies, Bihar Deputy Chief Minister Sushil Kumar Modi, also the convenor of Group of Ministers (GoM) on integrated GST, said Monday.

"The new taxpayers, who are 66.7 lakh in number, hardly pay 15 per cent of tax. So, whatever taxes we are getting from them is only 15 per cent of taxes, which is about Rs 10,000 crore. Hence, we are strictly monitoring the new taxpayers to ensure they are not fake," he told reporters after the

his meeting with the GoM. Modi said the number of active taxpayers has gone up to 1.21

66.79 LAKH NEW GST REGISTRANTS

being verified by GST council'

New registrations by taxpayers

Bihar Deputy CM Sushil Kumar Modi said the number of active taxpayers has gone up to 1.21 crore since the launch of the GST, of which 66.79 lakh are new registrations

■ He said many states have started physically verifying these firms

crore since the launch of the goods and services tax (GST), of which 66.79 lakh are new registrations. According to him, many states have started physically verifying

these companies by visiting the premises, geo-tagging the location and uploading the photographs on the system from mobile phones.

The GST Council has also introduced 3B, a simple return, which has to be filed every month, said the Bihar Deputy Chief Minister. "We have decided in one of our GST council meetings that if the firms don't file 3B returns for two consecutive months, their e-way bill will be blocked," said Modi.

He said till date, about 3.47 lakh dealers' e-way bill has been blocked by the system and as soon as the 3B return is filed, the system would automatically open and the e-bill is generated. Another decision taken at the meeting was that late fee of Rs 100 per day under GSTR-1 or the outward

supply has been waived, he said.

spying case, clears CEO "grave concern" that those re-**REUTERS**

Credit Suisse confirms 2nd

ZURICH. DECEMBER 23

CREDIT SUISSE on Monday admitted it was behind instructions to carry out surveillance on a second executive, after dismissing a previous similar incident as an "isolated event".

Switzerland's second-largest bank pinned the blame on former chief operating officer Pierre-Olivier Bouee, who it said hired detectives to track former HR head Peter Goerke in February.

The bank earlier blamed Bouee for a similar incident involving former wealth manager Iqbal Khan.

"The observation of Peter Goerke, which has now been confirmed, is inexcusable," Credit Suisse Chairman Urs Rohner said in a statement, adding there was

sponsible for ordering the surveillance had not mentioned it during an earlier probe regarding Khan. "We are aware that the observation of Igbal Khan and Peter Goerke have damaged the reputation of our bank," Rohner said. Credit Suisse has been in the spotlight since September when Khan filed a criminal complaint in Zurich after being followed by private detectives.

The bank launched an investigation and found it had bankrolled the surveillance. Rohner at the time called the conduct "wrong" and CEO Tidjane Thiam told employees the debacle was "strictly an isolated event". Thiam said he had no knowledge of the order given by long-term associate Bouee, who followed him over to Credit Suisse from Prudential.

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LEXINGTON

Fahrenheit Wisconsin

A state once known for stolid German virtues is now the main battleground in America's political war



Wisconsin is especially likely to determine whether Donald Trump is re-elected. This is because, all else remaining equal, he needs to win only one of the three rust-belt states he took from the Democrats in 2016. Reuters

IT IS sobering to enter a school in middle America and find students and teachers frightened for their lives. It was also understandable that those at Wauwatosa East high school should feel this way when Lexington accompanied the local state representative, Robyn Vining, there. Eight high schools in Wisconsin had just experienced a real or suspected shooter incident in a three-day period. One in another school in Wauwatosa, a suburban area on the edge of Milwaukee, had led to its school cop shooting a pupil.

"It happened there, it can happen here," said one 16-year-old, at a meeting of Wauwatosa East's Democratic Society. Several of the 25 students present said they avoided going to the bathroom in class time for fear of the school corridors. When asked who was scared to come to school, all raised their hands. So did their teacher. The blame the students attached to the conservative gun lobby for this catastrophe is one reason their society has 75 members and is growing. The school's conservative club is defunct.

The violence America's gun fetish has wrought is polarising everywhere. Democrats consider unconscionable Republicans' refusal to recognise that gun

control makes schools safer; Republicans fear Democrats' harping on the subject presages a wider assault on liberty. But in Wisconsin such partisan issues have become especially bitter. When the state's Democratic governor, Tony Evers, called a special session of its Republican-led legislature in November to debate two gun controls-including a "redflag" bill to help relatives report unhinged gun owners—the Republicans quashed it. The mutual suspicions such rows are giving rise to, seeping through the communities of a state once known for good governance and neighbourliness, make Wisconsin acutely illustrative of America's broader political

That makes the state look like an augury of the political year ahead. So does the related fact that Wisconsin is especially likely to determine whether Donald Trump is reelected. This is because, all else remaining equal, he needs to win only one of the three rust-belt states he took from the Democrats in 2016. And with Michigan and Pennsylvania looking fairly Democratic, he and his opponents have made Wisconsin, the whitest and most conservative of the trio, their priority. Last month the Democratswho will hold their national convention in Milwaukee in July—knocked on 54,000 doors in the state in a weekend. Mr Trump's campaign, which has fewer volunteers but more money, is meanwhile bombarding Wisconsinites with ads, including many lambasting his impeachment. Both parties say their activities in the state are eight months ahead of where they would normally be at

this point in the cycle. Wisconsin's rancorous politics are in part due to the tightness of its political contest— Mr Trump won the state by 0.7% of the vote. Democrats were shocked by that. But though Wisconsin had voted for their presidential candidates since 1984, in recent times only Barack Obama won convincingly. John Kerry and Al Gore both won Wisconsin by less than 1% of the vote. As elsewhere in the Midwest, the rightward shift this denoted was driven

by working-class whites and flagging union membership. In 2011, Governor Scott Walker therefore pushed through legislation to smash collective bargaining. In the process he destroyed the Democrats' main source of campaign finance and, his opponents believed, interparty fair play. That is another reason for the rancour.

Republican voter-registration laws aimed at depressing Democratic turnout have caused more bad blood, on both sides. Wisconsin Democrats decry their opponents' tactics; Wisconsin Republicans, without proof but with no less certainty, accuse the Democrats of what they themselves stand accused of. Encouraged by the state's 81 talk-radio stations, many believe Mr Walker was beaten by Mr Evers last year because of electoral fraud by black voters in Milwaukee (for which there is no evidence).

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Meanwhile, following a court ruling this week, conservative activists appear to have succeeded in an effort to scrub 230,000 names from the electoral roll, mostly in Democratic areas. The fact that Democrats have more ground for complaint is at once provable and practicably immaterial, given how equally wronged both sides feel.

There are three strands to the 2020 augury this offers. First, the state—and therefore the country—is likely to be close-run. With only 10% of Wisconsinites considered persuadable, there is no reason to expect a breakthrough for either party. And their base-rallying tactics make that even less likely. The Democrats are focusing on registering and turning out non-whites in Milwaukee, while eroding the Republicans' grip on suburban areas such as Waukesha, where Mr Trump is not loved. The president's campaign is trying to boost his support further among working-class whites. Wisconsin will be an election for partisansand therefore nasty.

The early campaigning is already raising tensions in the state. At the weekly gathering of an anti-Trump group known as the PerSisters—a stone's throw from Wauwatosa

East—its middle-aged activists said they no longer shared Thanksgiving and Christmas with pro-Trump relatives: politics was too fraught. "In their violent hatred of the president, the Democrats have raised the bar in terms of potential violence and nervousness in the state," claimed Terry Dittrich, the Republican chairman in nearby Waukesha county.

Wisconsin not so nice

The third warning from Wisconsin is that the social damage done by such partisan enmity may be long-lasting. Almost worse than their fear was the desperation the kids at Wauwatosa East expressed at the mess their elders were making of their state and country. "You deserve not to be terrified, lamented Ms Vining, who narrowly won Mr Walker's old Wauwatosa seat last year in one of the Democrats' standout successes of the mid-terms. But she will do well to retain it. Although both parties dream of Wisconsin moving towards them, America's most contested state looks stuck, between their respective anger and fears, for some time yet.

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JUSTICE IN SUDAN

Mercy for the mighty

Two years in a rest home for Sudan's former tyrant

FOR NEARLY three decades Omar al-Bashir's regime butchered and plundered. Since 2010 the former Sudanese president has evaded an arrest warrant from the International Criminal Court (ICC) for war crimes and genocide in the Darfur region. In Khartoum his Islamist government would flog women for wearing trousers and kill protesters in the streets. After he was ousted in a coup in April, leaving behind an economy in crisis and a country awash with armed groups, many hoped he would spend the rest of his life be-

On December 14th a Sudanese court convicted Mr Bashir, aged 75, of money-laundering and corruption after \$130m was found in suitcases in his home. But he was sentenced only to two years in a "reform facility" after the court said he was too old to go to prison. One commentator in Sudan said it had, in effect, put him in a nursing home. Residents of Darfur dismissed the verdict as the work of a "political court", says Mohamed Haggar of the region's human-rights commission. The Sudanese Professionals Association (SPA), a civil-society coalition that spearheaded the protest movement leading to Mr Bashir's fall, welcomed the ruling but said it was "certainly not the end of the day".

In Sudan the task of bringing powerful

people to justice is an especially fraught part of a delicate democratic transition. For now, says Jonas Horner of the International Crisis Group, a think-tank, the interim government appears to be "trying to avoid rocking the boat". In his verdict the judge noted that Mr Bashir's regime had in the past executed someone for the same crime. By contrast, institutions including the judiciary have acted with restraint since Mr Bashir's overthrow, notes Harry Verhoeven, the author of a book on Sudan. Respecting a law that prohibits jailing people over 70 is one sign of this. So is the government's decision to put Mr Bashir on trial for corruption before dealing with graver charges, such as crimes against humanity. The former president will soon find him-

The disagreement reflects a tug-of-war between generals and civilians in the transitional government. The civilians think that Sudan's judiciary is ill equipped for such a complex and expensive case

self in the dock again. He has been charged with ordering the killing of protesters and recently appeared in court over his role in the coup that brought him to power in 1989. Sudan is also pondering whether to hand him over to the ICC in The Hague, as survivors of the genocide in Darfur demand. Abdalla Hamdok, an economist who now leads the government, has signalled that he would like to do so. But Lieutenant-General Abdel Fattah al-Burhan, who heads the 11-member Sovereign Council which oversees the largely civilian administration, has refused.

The disagreement reflects a tug-of-war between generals and civilians in the transitional government. The civilians think that Sudan's judiciary is ill equipped for such a complex and expensive case. They also want to mend Sudan's relations with the wider world, which would be helped by its co-operation with the ICC. But many of the generals would prefer to keep control of the judicial process for fear that, abroad, their former boss might reveal information that would damage them. General Burhan, for instance, is accused of co-ordinating army and militia attacks in Darfur at the height of the conflict in the early 2000s.

Equally hard will be holding anyone accountable for the slaughter of more than 100





Bashir during the hearing of the verdict that convicted him of corruption charges in a court in Khartoum, on December 14. Reuters

protesters in Khartoum in June by the Rapid Support Forces (RSF), a paramilitary group. An inquiry set up in September is due to report its findings this month. The RSF's leader, Muhammad Hamdan Dagalo (known as Hemedti), is General Burhan's deputy on the council and is widely believed to be responsible for the bloodshed. "Everybody knows

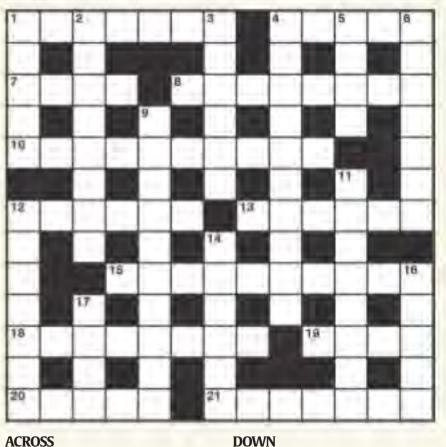
Hemedti was in it with all his ten fingers," says a foreign diplomat. But many question the independence of the committee leading the inquiry and expect it will stop short of blaming Mr Dagalo.

That may be because Mr Dagalo commands about 40,000 armed men and could derail the transition if threatened. "In government there is a preference for stability over divisive, if just, verdicts," says Mr Horner. For now the old regime's many victims may have to put up with Mr Bashir spending a few months in a rest home. They will not be sat isfied.

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20 CALENDAR

CROSSWORD 3996



1 Call for a doctor, perhaps

land(8)

building

jeopardy (10)

6 Rusty looking locks

(4-2)

(4)

(3,4)

2 Not easy to grasp by sailors on

Incline towards a simple

Finished full of wrath and in

Animal quarters, perhaps

Brilliant winner of the

angling contest? (10)

Mean the opposite (8)

14 Enough to prevent parting

16 A common flower I'd say

without meeting

17 Perhaps every church

includes one (4)

12 Unmasks once one asks

auestions

perhaps (5)

- **ACROSS** 1 It can be boring if a
- In the operating theatre, the

commercial interrupts a fight

- routine anaesthetic
- It's not difficult to name a novel midshipman (4) Put out of one's mind? (8)
- 10 Prettiness in a constantly recurring form (10) 12 Get out the cane, for example, or put into confinement
- 13 Remote sort of space-
- traveller (6) 15 One without real authority
- led the way at sea (10) 18 Perhaps I am disposed to
- produce an object of worth
- 19 Withdrawal of 101 meeting
- points (4) 20 Simple but revealing (5)

21 May accept a joke with dignity(7)

Solutions Crossword 3995: Across: 1 Nearsighted, 9 Enlaced, 10 Moira, 11 Eons, 12 Corn laws, 14 Loathe, 16 Stream, 18 Gunboats, 19 Oslo, 22 Swift, 23 Plumage, 24 Typesetters. Down: 2 Ellen, 3 Rice, 4 Indoor, 5 Humanity, 6 Emirate, 7 Genealogist, 8 Ransom money, 13 Throttle, 15 Annuity, 17 Staple, 20 Stair, 21 Duet.

OVER THE HEDGE by Michael Fry & T Lewis







CALVIN & HOBBES by Bill Watterson



AS AN ECTOTHERM, HIS BODY RELIES ON THE ENVIRONMENT TO WARM OR COOL ITS TEMPERATURE NOW THAT IT'S COLDER OUTSIDE, CALVINS BODY TEMPERATURE FALLS AND HE BECOMES SLUGGISH! HE'LL GO INTO TORPOR IF HE CAN'T FIND A WARM PLACE TO LIE!



LEAVE THE THERMOSTAT

MARVIN by Tom Armstrong



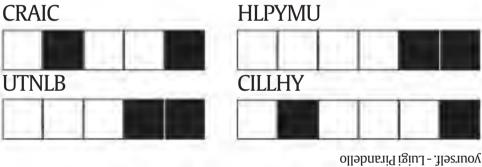




JUMBLED WORDS

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

When you say you are in love with ___, you are well satisfied with yourself. - Luigi Pirandello (8)



Answer: When you say you are in love with humanity, you are well satisfied with SOLUTION: CIRCA, BLUNT, PHYLUM, CHILLY

Difficulty Level 2s Instructions To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from 1 to 9 must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in

> rows and in each of the nine boxes. Difficulty Level 1s = Very easy; 2s = Easy;

3s = Medium: 4s = Hard:

5s = Very Hard; 6s =

Genius

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DAY TODAY

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urge you to sail through life

TAURUS (Apr 21 - May 21)

Jupiter, ruler of expansion,

should lift your morale and

sentimental about places as

about people, and a nostalgic

iourney could be just the thing

expand your romantic horizons. Please remember

to restore your morale.

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with a smile?

and beneficially

The continuing relationship

between Venus,

planet of love, and

BY PETER VIDAL

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20) It is pleasant to find not one, not two but

three planets, totally prognostication for personal affairs can therefore only be good. But to help yourself, may l

enjoy yourself?

with rivals.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)

You are in an extremely strong position to air your grievances - as long as you are diplomatic. What's more, you can also do something about them. Other people may object but, if they're honest with themselves, they'll realise the truth about the situation. And not before time, you might think.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23) This is hardly a

convenient time in many respects, but then you're used to juggling different arrangements and contradictory pressures. The trouble is that you could run up large bills without noticing. So, keep an eye on potential social costs. LEO (July 24 - Aug 23)

You may keep your

attention on longterm ambitions, but vary your strategy. Perhaps you can forget about making the grade for a while and concentrate on offering other people a helping hand. Your future is assured, but theirs is not. Realise that, while partners' difficulties may seem small to you, to them they will soon seem insuperable.

VIRGO (Aug 24 - Sep 23)

Extroverted, outgoing influences combine in equal measure with introverted, inward-looking ones. Perhaps this means that you'll take control in secret. It could also mean that this is an ideal day for spiritual reflection or just for spending time by yourself.

LIBRA (Sep 24 - Oct 23)

Your social stars are supreme, encompassing the entire range of human contacts under their beneficial glow, from casual meetings with strangers to passionate encounters of the most intimate kind. Why not let your barriers down and

SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 23) Make an early

start and set your sights high, as high, in fact, as you possibly can. If professional schemes are afoot, today's prospects are as near perfect as you can expect this week. It's important to cultivate friendly relationships, even SAGITTARIUS (Nov 24 - Dec 22)

You should be able to move one step closer to

your aims at home, which means that you should now level with loved ones and explain your intentions. Rather than try and fill in all the facts, give people a general picture, and let them share your vision of a better future.

CAPRICORN (Dec 23 - Jan 20) You should find it

much easier to improve any ties which have held you back at work. You could also find that there are just not enough hours in the day! Over-commit yourself if necessary: take on more than you can cope with now and you'll learn a million vital lessons for the future.

AQUARIUS (Jan 21- Feb 19) You will need all the charm you can

muster if you are to save yourself from a financial hole, or maximise the impact of a brilliant bargain. I don't need to remind you that it's appearances that count when you're deciding between different people and when they're judging you.

PISCES (Feb 20 - Mar 20) Bearing in mind that the truth is

relative, and means different things to different people. you must decide how much of what you know to give

away. I suspect that there is little harm in dispensing the facts, but I should imagine you'll be far more cagey with your feelings.

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Tender ID No. : 2019_DTIDC_185893_1 Name of work : Electrical works for 11 Driving Test Track Project, Transport Department, GNCTD : Internal Electrification and Installations at Lado

Sarai **Estimated Cost** : Rs. 60,38,688/-Earnest Money : Rs. 1.20.774/-Time Allowed : 120 Days

Last date of receipt: 02.01.2020

The Tender forms and other details can be obtained from the website https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in/

Executive Engineer, DTIDC Ltd., ISBT

Sarai Kale Khan, Delhi

Authorised Officer

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SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED



General Public is hereby informed that one girl Namely: Soniya, D/o: Krishan, R/o: House of Charan Singh, Gali No. 08-A, Swatantra Nagar, Narela, Delhi has been missing / kidnapped since 29.11.2019 from the area of P.S. Narela, Delhi. In this regard a case vide

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BID DOCUMENT

Invitation of Bids/Offers for selection of Insurance Companies as Implementing Agencies (IA) for Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) in respect of J&K UT for a period of Three Years (03) i.e.

Kharif 2020 to Rabi 2022-23.

Bids/Offers are invited from all Insurance Companies empanelled by DAC&FW, Government of India for submission of their District-wise/Crop-wise actuarial premium rate in percentage of sum Insured (financial bid) as per the prescribed format enclosed as Annexure-I, for carrying out implementation of "Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (FMFBY)" in respect of J&K for the period of Three Years (03) i.e. Kharif 2020

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i.	Availability of Tender Document	20.12.2019	Directorate of	
ii.	Submission of Final Bid Document	11th of Jan, 2020 upto 11.00 am	Directorate of Agriculture Lalmandi Kashmir/Talab Tiloo, Jammu.	
iii.	*Technical Bid Opening (in presence of bidders)	13th of Jan, 2020 at 12.00 noon by the Bid opening & evaluation committee		
V.	*Financial Bid Opening (in presence of bidders)	13th of Jan, 2020 at 2.00 PM by the Bid opening & evaluation committee		
vi.	*Finalization of Bid (in presence of bidders)	14th of Jan, 2020 at 11.00 a.m. by the Bid opening & evaluation committee and recommendation to UT Govt. for holding of SLCCCI		
vii.	*Submission of consent for contract of work	23rd Jan, 2020 as approved by SLCCCI.		

03. For more details Insurance companies can contact the Mission Director/Dy. Mission Director for Crop Insurance and for any clarification. Moreover, detail of overall district-wise long term weather data can be accessed/downloaded from our departmental website www.diragrikmr.nic.in, www.diragrijmu.nic.in , www.hortikashmir.gov.in. www.hortijmu.jk.gov.in, under heading, "Climate of J&K" for general information of the Agriculture Insurance com

104 The bid document along with enclosures is also available on the following websites for convenience/information or www.diragrijmu.nic.in, www.diragrikmr.nic.in, www.jkapd.nic.in and www.pmfby.gov.in Sd/- (Altaf Aijaz Andrabi)

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E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial

[See proviso to rule 8(6)] Notice for sale of immovable assets

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(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
1	Mr. Panna Lal Yadav (Borrower), Mrs. Poonam Yadav (Co Borrower/ LBKAP00003872259	Khata No 290, Khasra No 640/1 min situated at Mouza Meheshpura, Udhamsingh Nagar, Kashipur 244713. Plot Area- 499.87 Sq Feet, Built up area- 675 Sq Feet. Property Type- Residential House	(as on Dec 17, 2019)	Rs 16,50,000/- Rs 1,65,000/-	January 17, 2020, from- 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM	January 31, 2020 from- 11:30 AM To 12:30 PM

agency Shriram Automall India Ltd. The Mortgagors/ noticee are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest till Jan 31, 2020 before 10:30 AM else these secured assets will be sold as per schedule. The Prospective Bidder(s) must submit their offer along with the earnest money deposit (refer column E) in a sealed envelope that mentions "Offer for purchase of property" to ICICI Bank Ltd, Pagia Electricals, Katoratal Road, Kashipur, Udhamsingh Nagar Dist., Uttarakhand-244713 or to our marketing agent Shriram Automall India Ltd at 1st Floor, 34/1/1 Old Punjab Rice Mill, Bhurarani road, Near TVS Agency, Rudrapur, Udham Singh Nagar, Uttrakhand- 263153 on or before Jan 29, 2020 before 3:00 PM. The marketing agency has also been engaged as auctioneer for proper conduct of auction. Earnest Money Deposit DD/PO should be from a Nationalised/Scheduled Bank in favour of "ICICI Bank Limited" payable at Kashipur. For any further clarifications with regards to inspection, terms and conditions of the auction or submission of

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Place: Kashipur ICICI Bank Limited,

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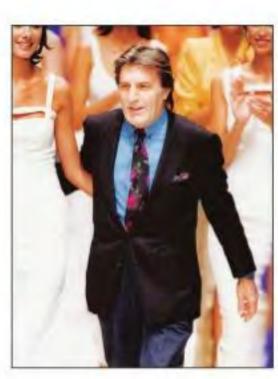
Actor-model Milind Soman's memoir Made in India (Penguin Random House), co-authored with Roopa Pai, will release next month. It will have Soman write about his life's controversies, relationships and breaking bad habits.

SNAP SHOTS



Dark Christmas

RENOWNED BRITISH street artist Banksy has unveiled his latest politically charged installation titled Scar of Bethlehem, at the Walled Off Hotel in Bethlehem, right ahead of Christmas. It depicts the nativity scene, with Joseph, Mary and baby Jesus in front of a grey wall hit by a bullet, positioned in place of the guiding star. The wall depicts the separation barrier between Israeli and Palestinian territories. The words "love" and "peace" have been sprayed over it. A popular tourist attraction, Walled Off Hotel overlooks the controversial separation barrier in the West Bank. Inaugurated in 2017, the hotel has several of Banksy's artworks.



In Memoriam

FRENCH FASHION designer Emanuel Ungaro passed away at the age of 86 in Paris. Having designed for prominent names, from the former First Lady of the United States Jacqueline Kennedy to actor Gena Rowlands, Ungaro was famous for his use of peppy colours and prints. Born to Italian immigrants in Aix-en-Province in southern France in 1933, the designer learned the art of sewing from his tailor father and founded his namesake fashion label in 1965. Trained by Spanish couturier Cristóbal Balenciaga, Ungaro worked with the motto that "one should not wear a dress, one should live in it". Having sold his luxury label to the Italian group Ferragamo in 1996, he took retirement in 2004. The fashion house took to Instagram to confirm his death, writing how he "will remain in our memories as the master of sensuality, of colour and flamboyance." Ungaro is survived by his wife and daughter.



Dress Circle

LATE BRITISH singer-songwriter Amy Winehouse's fashion choices will be the focus of one of the sections at the retrospective titled "Beyond Black — The Style of Amy Winehouse", that will open at Grammy Museum in Los Angeles next month. Featuring the dress the singer wore during her last performance in 2011 at Belgrade, along with outfits associated with some of her most iconic fashion moments, the exhibition will also comprise handwritten lyrics that have never been seen before, home videos and diary entries. Some dresses put together by Winehouse's stylist Naomi Parry for her 2011 summer festival tour, which was cancelled, will also be part of the show, alongside the outfit she wore to the 2008 Grammy Awards, designed by Dolce & Gabbana, and the yellow garment she wore for the BRIT Awards in 2007, where she won the British Female Solo Artist award. The exhibition will head to Chile and London after April 13. Some of the items from the exhibition will be auctioned at Julien's Auction in Beverly Hills in November 2021.

2020€ LOOKING AHEAD

Blue is the Warmest Colour

Classic blue is the Pantone colour of the year 2020. Designers recommend how you could make the colour your own

EKTAA MALIK

SOME MIGHT associate serene blue with the white sand beaches of Boracay, for others it is the colour on the can of a popular cola. If classic blue was to be described in adjectives, then perhaps it would be termed dependable and resilient. For the Pantone Color Institute, it is the colour of the year 2020. "A timeless and enduring blue hue, Pantone 19-4052 Classic Blue is elegant in its simplicity. Suggestive of the sky at dusk, the reassuring qualities of the thought-provoking Pantone 19-4052 Classic Blue highlight our desire for a dependable and stable foundation on which to build as we cross the threshold into a new era," read a statement from Pantone, which in 2020 will mark 20 years of announcing its colour of the year. We spoke to experts on how the colour could be incorporated in your wardrobe.

RAGINI AHUJA,

DESIGNER

I call the colour 'non anxiety-blue', as it inspires a deep sense of calm and serenity. I use a lot of variants of blue in my work, and what stands out for me as a designer is its sheer versatility. In my latest collection, Ouwa, where I used indigo and navy blue as the base, I used this classic bright blue to embellish and highlight the outfits. The colour really makes things pop. It is a good way to break the monotony of winter, when we are otherwise only wearing greys and blacks. Classic blue is a good replacement for black. We can wear this for weddings and other celebrations, especially for occasions where black is not considered auspicious. This shade also blends really well with the Indian aesthetic, as we wear so

etable dyes. This classic blue is a variant of indigo, which can be traced to ancient civilisations across the world. Even our red is not the bright scarlet red, but brick warm red. Likewise, we had *syaah*, not jet black.

Classic blue has always been in my subconscious. When I think of it, I think of water, the world around us, and the looming climate change emergency. The monotony of the grey monsoon in Mumbai is broken by the bright blue tarpaulin used in most slums.

Recently, I created an Angoori navy blue saree, paired with a classic blue blouse with brocade inlay border and bootis. Similarly, I have paired a plain blue lehenga with heavy gold brocade blue kurta and a sheer dupatta — it will work well for any wedding function.

MUST-HAVE BLUE: Plain classic blue saree, with a simple zari border. It will work wonderfully well with a white or black blouse. To make the outfit more elegant and



DIY Blue

A CLASSIC BLUE **EYESHADOW:** In the winter months, when everything is dark and grey, a classic blue eyeshadow can probably make one's make-up pop. It could be paired with a black eyeliner, and will work well with dark trench coats and bulky sweaters.

A CLASSIC BLUE NAIL **POLISH:** If eyeshadows are too risky for you, then paint your nails in this vivid shade of blue.

A CLASSIC BLUE SCARF: A classic blue scarf could jazz up any outfit. A woollen one will keep you warm. Wrap it around your neck, or let it hang from your shoulders. It will work well with a



UJJWAL DUBEY,

MENSWEAR DESIGNER

red outfit.

The colour is vivid, western, and depending on how it is used, it can be feminine or masculine. In the west, classic blue is used for men's jackets and suits, as it lends itself well to sharp silhouettes. We have created this traditional Indian jacket, with an androgynous twist — it is perfect for men and women. The colour has an internal conflict, which works well for my label Antar Agni. The rich vibrant hue has an innate softness, but when made into a structured jacket it exudes a sense of strength. It's a dependable colour, which works well with raw fabrics — cotton, linen and other organic ones. I think, we should stay away from sheen and brighter fabrics while using this colour, but we should definitely use it more; we can never go wrong with it. **MUST-HAVE BLUE:** A classic blue suit.



'Those who have something to lose don't speak up'

At the finale of Loksatta Lokankika, Naseeruddin Shah spoke about the need for theatre to go beyond realism and why some celebrities don't take a stand

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Productions was the talent partner.

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THE MYSTERY surrounding theatre should be done away with," said director-actor Naseeruddin Shah, as he addressed the audience at the packed Yashwant Natya Mandir in Mumbai's Matunga West at the grand finale of Loksatta Lokankika on Saturday evening.

(From left) Angoori blue saree

Ahuja's ensemble; Riteish

designed by Ujjwal Dubey

designed by Sanjay Garg; Ragini

Deshmukh and Genelia D'Souza

twinning in classic blue suits

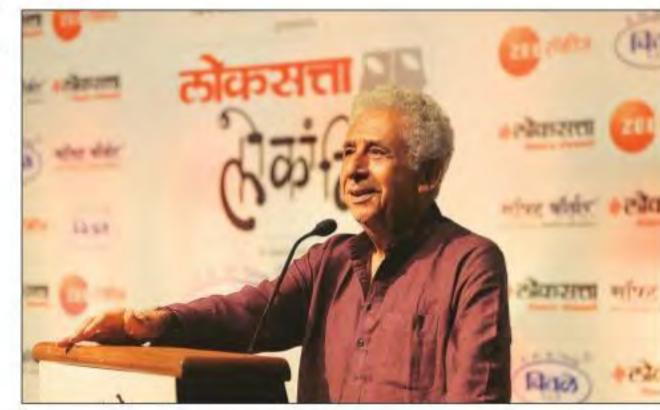
At a time when visual and performance art are constantly evolving, Shah noted, "The ice between the audience and actors needs to be broken". He added, "Since it is not a secret that we are staging a play, the actors should go beyond realism. There is no need to create a mystery. It is necessary to break the fourth wall. Trust me, no one is more conscious than the audience seated on the front row.'

Shah's talk was preceded by readings on Mahatma Gandhi. Among others, veteran actor Rohini Hattangadi read out excepts from Ramchandra Guha's piece about Gandhi in Kashmir and his views on Kashmir, which was translated into Marathi.

Talking about the influence of television on theatre, Shah said, "We had hope from television. The content, such as Kamleshwar's talk show, used to be very interesting. The reach of television is very wide. However, there might be some restrictions on progressive content now." He also spoke about how the popularity of television in the US in the '50s inspired some of the great actors of that period to better their craft. Addressing the youth at the finale, he advised them to follow their heart.

When asked about why celebrities in India don't speak up, Shah, an Aligarh Muslim University alumnus, said: "Increasingly, more and more people are speaking their mind today. Gradually, the fear of a backlash if they take a stand is going away. Maybe those, whose voices will be heard, are not opening up yet. Maybe they have something to lose. But more and more people will lose this fear in the coming days."

During the mega finale of Loksatta Lokankika, an annual one-act play competition, eight teams staged their plays. The title partner of the event was Soft Corner and associate partners were BG Chitale Dairy and Zee Talkies. The event was powered by Indian Oil Corporation Limited, Commander



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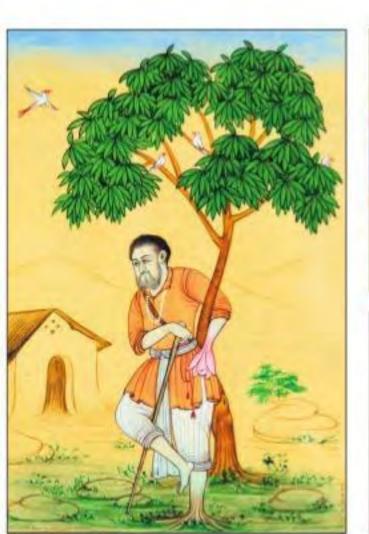
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Naseeruddin Shah (top); a still from **Tangent** Prashant Nadkar

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Ranjit Patil received the Best Director award for Budrukwadicha Maruti Batla, while Prajakt Deshmukh, from Konkan Gyanpeeth The top position in the the competition was secured by Ramnarain Ruia Autonomous Uran College of Commerce And Arts, got the College, Mumbai, for the play Budrukwadicha Best Scriptwriter award for Haminatsu. For Haminatsu, Gaurav Relekar received the Best *Maruti Batla.* The second position went to Saraswati Bhuvan College of Arts and Music award. Krishna Dikkar and Jagdish Kannam won the Best Actor award for Commerce, Aurangabad, for Kalokhacha Rang Konta?, and Shrimati Kashibai Navale College *Kalokhacha Rang Konta?*, along with Vaibhav Of Engineering, Pune, won the third position Kale, who acted in *Tangent*.







(Clockwise from above) Tarshito Strippoli's *The Tree and the Warrior*; Desmond Lazaro's Mapping the Heavens; Anandita Bhattacharya's Thick As Guilt

From Time to Time

Nine artists give form to the concept of time

VANDANA KALRA

WHEN GALLERIST Tunty Chauhan approached Desmond Lazaro to work on the concept of time, the Puducherry-based artist turned to the Dunhuang Star Atlas, the oldest star map discovered in 1906. Fascinated by how the heavens were perceived in ancient times, he decided to paint his own "mythological and empirical views of the heavens". Titled Mapping the *Heavens*, the work illustrated with "star constellations and cloud divination" is on display at Gallery Threshold. It accompanies another of Lazaro's works, *Dymaxion* map IV, based on Fuller's Dymaxion map, and the works of eight other artists — all of whom feature in the exhibition "Painted Almanac — Framing Time: Past, Present and Future".

The brief was simple yet complex: Chauhan wanted artists "to explore personal, historical, geological and cosmic time, investigate past traditions and beliefs, as well as old and new visual representations of the calendar as a measure of the passage of time". With freedom to interpret and draw references, each artist has explored a varied facet. If Ruby Ihunjhunwala looks at time as a "series of frozen moments" and "frozen in a contin-

uous moment", for Manisha Gera Baswani time is "a companion in our journey gathering memories". Gulammohammed Sheikh's watercolour Between Famine and Floods reflects on the vagaries of nature, and Anindita Bhattacharya's delicate work Thick as Guilt depicts the extinction of different species. Italian artist Tarshito Strippoli collaborates with miniature artists Raju and Mukesh Swami for his series that he describes as "Warriors of Love" inspired by Buddhist meditation master

Chogyam Trungpa. Baroda-based artist Roshan Chhabria turns to popular art, calendars and advertisements of the past. The satirical watercolours question norms and present the changing dynamics, throwing questions at the viewers. The yesteryear poster of a woman advertising surf is juxtaposed with a man washing clothes, and gifting a sewing machine is no assurance for a good marriage, as once advertised by Usha warns Chhabria. In the present times, "Hind devi" (reportedly on a packaging label for the Ahmedabad New Textile Mills in the 1920s) has innumerable questions that she needs to answer, including, "Should I wear saffron colour?" and "What is the colour for Indian saree?".

The exhibition is at Gallery Threshold till December 24



ISHANT, SHIKHAR TO PLAY FOR DELHI

Senior pacer Ishant Sharma and veteran opener Shikhar Dhawan will turn up for the beleaguered Delhi side in their next Ranji Trophy encounter against Hyderabad starting December 25.

Phew! Bumrah is back

Sorely missed by skipper Virat Kohli, India's Most Valuable Player returns for series against Sri Lanka and Australia

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NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

THREE MONTHS after his last international outing, Jasprit Bumrah re-emerged at the nets in Vizag ahead of the second ODI last week after a stress-fracture-induced layoff. Without looking remotely rusty, he sent down a searing bouncer that had Mayank Agarwal hustling for evasive action. Rishabh Pant dug out a yorker that curled into his toes. Nothing of his 20-minute burst was recorded, but word went around that Bumrah's comeback was imminent. The selection meeting for the T20Is against Sri Lanka and ODIs versus Australia here only confirmed it: Bumrah is back.

When an influential player returns, a wave of relief sweeps through the Indian cricket fraternity. In case of Bumrah, the delight is two-fold. A: Stress fractures can prove to be career-threatening, but in this case it wasn't. B: Bumrah was terribly missed, especially in the shorter versions during death overs. Victories in his absence have been less straightforward. Not that the West Indies fully capi-

talised his non-attendence, but they did give Kohli and Co a lot of agony. The Indian captain missed the new-ball wrecker, the middle-order enforcer and the death-over destroyer, whose services were indispensable in the World Cup earlier this year. Irrespective of the match-situation or opposition, Bumrah reciprocated Kohli's call. In India's World Cup opener against

South Africa, he ensnared Hashim Amla and Ouinto de Kock with the new ball and his last three overs leaked only 16 runs. He detonated the lower-order against Sri Lanka and stalled Afghanistan's stroll in the middle overs, when he removed the established Rahmat Khan and Hashmatullah Shahidi in the space of two balls.

Not to discount the penultimate over, wherein he conceded only five runs, leaving Afghanistan to scale the impossible in Mohammad Shami's last over.

Likewise, he nipped Bangladesh's chase from blossoming with a three-wicket spell. When he was not scything through the lower-order, he was busy limiting the damage. Like his 4-0-25-0 against New Zealand in the semifinal.

Even in the matches that his colleagues dimmed, Bumrah shone brightly. Like against England. India gave away 92 in the last 10, but Bumrah could be eked out for only 25 runs in five overs. He conceded just one boundary. After a point of futile swipes and heaves, England batsmen were happy smuggling singles and doubles.

World Cup dream

In the context, the numbers had the lustre of gold. Thus, as much as the dreamy spell of Rohit Sharma, it was Bumrah's gifts that fuelled the great World Cup dream. Forget freebies, like the yorker-gone-awry full toss or bouncer gone too short, Bumrah doesn't give length for leg-side heaves or width for slashes.

Fancy scoops and dabs are also ill-advised when facing the bowler with the unusual action.

It's an understatement to say that Kohli missed Bumrah. Not that his fast-bowling armoury is unskilled - Shami and Bhuvneshwar Kumar are canny purveyors themselves — but they don't have the Bumrah's variety or sharpness.

The two series against West Indies were a case in point. In the five Bumrahless games, the average opening partnership has been 60.

In the World Cup, it was 36.8 in 9, the average considerably lifted by the 160 England openers had allianced. And it was-



Jasprit Bumrah had sustained a stress fracture in his lower back which has ruled him out of action since September. PTI

No worthy replacement

Economy rates of bowlers in the death overs during WI series



KULDEEP YADAV 6.6 in three games

DEEPAK CHAHAR 7.3 in three games

NAVDEEP SAINI 12 in one game.

9.75 in two games **RAVINDRA JADEJA**

SHARDUL THAKUR

SHIVAM DUBE

in one game

8.6

5.5 in two games

JASPRIT BUMRAH AT DEATH IN THE 2019 WORLD CUP

ECONOMY: 6.1 IN NINE GAIMES

n't like the surfaces in England allied swing and seam like it used to in the olden days Bumrah has transcended pitch-conditions long ago. In fact, he could harness the dew on the surface to benefit him.

The extra skid that dew entails would have made him deadlier.

So, you would trust Bumrah to hurry the batsmen in Chepauk as much as he would in Cape Town.

The Chepauk ODI against the West Indies was when Bumrah's absence stuck out like a sore thumb.

After Sunil Ambris's exit, Shimron Hetmyer and Shai Hope soaked in the pressure and accelerated without embracing any risks whatsoever. It was plain maths and percentage cricket, choosing your bowlers and moments to attack. There was no Bumrah for early punches or to counter-punch.

When Hetmyer eventually got out, West Indies were still far from the shore of safety, requiring 58 off 11 overs. A tight over there, a wicket here, West Indies could have imploded.

Instead, they romped home with two overs to spare. The nine overs since his exit were shared by Kuldeep Yadav, Shivam Dube, Deepak Chahar and Shami. They conceded 4(2), 26(3), 16(2) and 15(2) respectively. That Kohli was forced to use four

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different bowlers in this span is a telling indication of his dilemma at the death.

With Bumrah bowling from one end, he could have bothered about his accomplice from the other end. Here, the Indian captain was worried about both ends. Dube is naive, Chahar inept (at the death) and Shami prone to be erratic.

The confusion continued to haunt him through the rest of the series. It didn't matter much after the Kuldeep Yadav hat-trick in the

one-sided Vizag encounter. But from 210/8, West Indies managed to reach 280. In the last 10 overs, India still bled 81 runs. Besides Kuldeep, Shardul Thakur, Shami, Ravindra Jadeja, Chahar and even Shreyas Iyer chimed in, but none could stem the flow of runs. The total was too steep to be expensive.

It nearly proved expensive in the Cuttack decider, wherein Kieron Pollard's turbo-charge enabled them to ransack 110 runs in the last 10. Again, Kohli was confused (more than unclear) about his deathover bowlers.

Kuldeep, Navdeep Saini, Shami and Thakur had a crack at the West Indies, but they all returned with hideous figures of 23 (2), 36 (3), 34 (3) and 25 (2) respectively. At the end of the innings, when Kohli walked back to the pavilion, he looked worried.

Looking ahead, will 2020 see Bumrah of 2019? To go by the word-of-mouth account of those that watched him at the nets in Vizag, or the responses of Agarwal and Pant, both batters in fine fettle, Bumrah is back.

INDIA SQUAD (T20IS AGAINST SRI **LANKA):** Virat Kohli (captain), Shikhar Dhawan, KL Rahul, Shreyas Iyer, Rishabh Pant (wk), Ravindra Jadeja, Shivam Dube, Yuzvendra Chahal, Kuldeep Yadav, Jasprit Bumrah, Navdeep Saini, Shardul Thakur, Manish Pandey, Washington Sundar, Sanju Samson.

INDIA SQUAD (ODI VS AUSTRALIA): Virat Kohli (captain), Shikhar Dhawan, Rohit Sharma, KL Rahul, Shreyas Iyer, Manish Pandey, Rishabh Pant (wk), Kedar Jadhav, Shivam Dube, Ravindra Jadeja, Kuldeep Yadav, Yuzvendra Chahal. Navdeep Saini, Shardul Thakur, Jasprit Bumrah.

Hardik and Prithvi in India A squad for NZ tour

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NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 23

THE IN-FORM Prithvi Shaw on Monday took another step towards an India comeback after being named in the A squad for the tour of New Zealand. The 20-year-old has been named in the squad for three one-day games as well two four-day games.

Shaw has been in sublime touch since returning from an eight-month doping ban last month. The youngster made a spectacular double hundred in Mumbai's Ranji Trophy-opener against Baroda. Though India have a settled opening pair in Rohit Sharma and Mayank Agawal, Shaw could make the Test squad for the New Zealand series as a reserve opener. After picking the India A squad for the tour of New Zealand, selection committee chairman MSK Prasad made it clear that they want Shaw to get as much "game time as possible".

He had made a memorable Test debut last year, scoring a hundred against the West Indies in Rajkot. Hanuma Vihari will captain India in the first-class games in New Zealand and Shubman Gill in the 50-over format.

Test specialists like R Ashwin, Ajinkya Rahane, Umesh Yadav and Ishant Sharma will get much needed match time in New Zealand ahead of the two-Test series, beginning in Wellington on February 21. The second Test will be played in

Christchurch from February 29. "As we have set the system, Ajinkya Rahane, Ravichandran Ashwin, Ishant Sharma, Umesh Yadav and Mayank Agarwal will play the second A game," said Prasad. Agarwal has been picked for both one-dayers as well the two four-day matches.

Dhawan, Samson returns

Shikhar Dhawan returns to the squad for the T20Is against Sri Lanka, while Sanju Samson will be the back-up opener. It's bad news for the fast-rising Deepak Chahar, who has aggravated his back injury and will be out till the start of next year's IPL.

Bhuvneshwar Kumar, who is nursing a sports hernia will also be out of action for the next four months. "Deepak was doing well as he played the Vijay Hazare Trophy and suddenly he aggravated his back in the second ODI in Visakhapatnam," chief selector MSK Prasad said. He opined that the team management was banking on Shardul Thakur to plug these holes. "We have created enough back up and we have a good talent pool of fast bowlers. We also have Khaleel (Ahmed), who is playing Ranji Trophy and Navdeep (Saini) will replace Shami in T20s," he added.

INDIAASQUADFORTWOTOURMATCHESAND THREEONE-DAYGAMES: Prithvi Shaw, Mayank Agarwal, Ruturaj Gaikwad, Shubman Gill (captain), Suryakumar Yadav, Sanju Samson, Ishan Kishan (wicket-keeper), Hardik Pandya, Krunal Pandya, Axar Patel, Rahul Chahar, Sandeep Warrier, Ishan Porel, Khaleel Ahmed, Mohd

INDIA A SQUAD FOR 1ST FOUR-DAY GAME: Prithvi Shaw, Mayank Agarwal, Priyank Panchal, Abhimanyu Easwaran, Shubman Gill Hanuma Vihari (captain), KS Bharat (wicketkeeper), Shivam Dube, Shahbaz Nadeem, Rahu Chahar, Sandeep Warrier, Avesh Khan, Mohd. Siraj, Ishan Porel, Ishan Kishan.

INDIA A SQUAD FOR 2ND FOUR-DAY GAME Prithvi Shaw, Mayank Agarwal, Shubman Gill, Cheteshwar Pujara, Ajinkya Rahane, Wriddhiman Saha (wicket-keeper), Hanuma Vihari (captain), KS Bharat (wicket-keeper) Shivam Dube, R Ashwin, Shahbaz Nadeem, Sandeep Warrier, Avesh Khan, Mohd. Siraj Ishan Porel.

Naseem leads Pak's series triumph against Lanka India pose a far greater security

ASSOCIATED PRESS KARACHI, DECEMBER 23

TEENAGER NASEEM Shah became the youngest fast bowler to take a five-wicket haul in Test cricket history as Pakistan completed a winning comeback on home soil with a 1-0 series victory over Sri Lanka on Monday. The 16-year-old Naseem took two of the last three wickets to fall in the final day's 15 minutes of play to end with 5-31 from 12.5 overs as Pakistan sealed a comprehensive 263-run win to complete the twotest series, the first in Pakistan in a decade.

At 16 years, 311 days, Naseem was only eight days older than the youngest bowler to take a 5-for, fellow Pakistani Nasim-ul-Ghani, a left-arm spinner, in 1958 against the West Indies. Naseem's effort punctuated a winning return for the home side. Following the deadly terrorist attack in 2009 on the Sri Lanka team bus in Lahore, Pakistan was deemed too unsafe by international cricket authorities. The team played 33 home Tests offshore, primarily in the United Arab Emirates, until this month.

The fifth day of the second and last test resumed with Sri Lanka reeling at 212-7, chasing a daunting victory target of 476. Sri Lanka didn't add any runs and it took less than three full overs for Pakistan to wrap up the visitors. Having dismissed Dilruwan Perera with the last ball bowled on Sunday, Naseem removed Lasith Embuldeniya for a

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duck with Monday's first ball, the tailender gloving a sharp rising delivery to the wicketkeeper. While Naseem missed a hat trick, century-maker Oshada Fernando fell in the next over, nicking a catch to first slip off legspinner Yasir Shah without having added

to his overnight score of 102. Naseem, playing in only his third test, trapped Vishwa Fernando lbw for a duck in the following over to wrap up the match. "We definitely needed that performance," said Pakistan's Azhar Ali, celebrating his first test win as captain. "Special thanks to Sri Lanka from the bottom of our hearts. They have given us immense happiness by playing in Pakistan. "It's a big advantage to be playing at home and now we can take the confidence from our performances overseas.

"It had been a tough year in test cricket for us but it was an emotional moment returning home to play. So much talent in these youngsters, experience will come with time. They are the best bowlers in Pakistan and we should back them.

Azhar said Pakistan still had deficiencies, and winning the series didn't solve all of their problems. "This team is yet to become a team," he said. "Winning home series is important but until we win away series we can't be relaxed. We have a long way to go."

Sri Lanka captain Dimuth Karunaratne rued the fact his side lost control in the second innings, after dominating for most of the first two days. Other than Oshada Fernando (102) and Niroshan Dickwella (65), no batsmen stood solid enough to try to keep the tourists' hopes alive.

"In the first two days we did work hard. After that, on day three, we lost our patience," Karunaratne said. "We were trying too many things. That's why we gave so many runs in that critical period. After that they kept going. They put runs on the board. We were trying to defend, but our bowlers have to be a bit more patient. We didn't do well in the last two days."

Pakistan returned with a phenomenal second innings of 555-3, with all of its top four batsmen making centuries, setting Sri Lanka a virtually impossible target. "This is of course a very emotional and happy moment for us," Pakistan pace great and bowling coach Wagar Younis said.

BRIEF SCORES: Pakistan 191 (Shafiq 63, Babar 60, Kumara 4-49, Embuldeniya 4-71) and 555 for 3 dec (Abid 174, Masood 135, Azhar 118, Babar 100*) beat **Sri Lanka** 271 (Chandimal 74, Afridi 5-77, Abbas 4-55) and 212 (Oshada 102, Naseem 5-31).

risk than Pakistan: PCB chief

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA KARACHI, DECEMBER 23

PAKISTAN CRICKET Board Chairman Ehsan Mani has called India a "far greater security risk" than his strife-torn country, where Test cricket returned for the first time after the 2009 terror attack in Lahore. Mani made the remarks after his team celebrated Test cricket's return to Pakistan with a 263-run

mauling of Sri Lanka. No major team has toured Pakistan since the terrorist attack on the Sri Lankan team bus near Gaddafi Stadium in Lahore in 2009, which left eight dead and six visiting cricketers injured. "We have proved that Pakistan is safe, if someone isn't coming then they should prove that it's unsafe. At this time, India is a far greater security risk than Pakistan," Mani was quoted as saying by 'cricketpakistan.com.pk'.

The former ICC chairman called the on-

going Sri Lanka a turning point. "No one should now doubt security arrangements in Pakistan after successful Sri Lanka Test series. This is a turning point for revival of test cricket in Pakistan. Media and fans played an important role in portraying positive image of Pakistan worldwide," he said. Pakistan were due to host Bangladesh in January for three T20 Internationals and two Tests but some BCB top officials have been quoted as say-

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ing that they will not be playing the five-day format in Pakistan due to security concerns. He saw no reason why Bangladesh can't play in Pakistan at the moment.

"I am in constant touch with them and I hope better sense prevails and they come. Because we have just hosted Sri Lanka which was a far greater security risk as they were the ones who were targeted 10 years back. But they came and we provided them state of the art security," he said.

Pakistan '200%' safe: Karunaratne

Sri Lanka might have lost the series but signed off satisfied with safety and security measures in Pakistan after the country's first home test series in 10 years. Captain Dimuth Karunaratne called the security for the two-Test series "200 percent" and promised to return. "The security was really good. They were like fathers for us. They kept talking to us and they were right behind us every time," Karunaratne said. AP

'Every cricketer waits for a day like this... a lot of hard work goes into this'



Shardul Thakur kept his poise to steer India home in a nervous chase. PTI

DEVENDRA PANDEY MUMBAI, DECEMBER 5

DURING THE final moments of India's seriessealing triumph at Cuttack, chants of 'Shardul, Shardul'echoed around the Barabati stadium. Not quite known for his batting skills, India's No.8 had managed to hold his nerve and had guided India home after Virat Kohli's dismissal had spread a pall of gloom at the venue. A day after the decisive 6-ball 17 featuring a six and couple of fours, Thakur spoke about the drama-filled night. EXCERPTS

What was the instruction from the dressing room when you were walking out to bat?

When I was going out to bat, Ravi (Shastri) sir told me to take the responsibility and finish the game. He said. 'I have the talent to do it'. When I was entering the ground, Virat said it would be better to take a single and give the strike to Jaddu (Ravindra Jadeja). But fortunately for me, I connected the first ball from the middle of the bat. laddu had told me that since the dew had

settled, the ball was coming on to the bat nicely. After I hit the first-ball four, the pressure on Jadeja also came down, since the asking rate reduced a bit.

Were you told in advance that you will be batting at eight?

It was clear that I would be batting at No.8. When Virat was batting, I thought that I wouldn't have to go bat and he would finish the game. The way he was batting was pleasing to see, the target which he achieved was remarkable.

Have you ever been in such a position before?

I have finished the game in IPL, Faf (du Plessis) was batting with me then. I had hit a four in that game too. The important thing in such situations is to stay on the crease and rotate the strike. I have been in such a situation before, so it helps, as I know what I have to do.

And then the whole stadium started to chant your name...

These things are expected in the stadium. People will cheer for you once you do well. It is

part of the game, it is important to celebrate the moment with the team. I don't believe in shouting and jumping. It's a team effort. This was the series-decider and we won the game from a difficult situation.

How do you keep calm in such tight situations?

It depends on your preparation. I do prepare in practice sessions. I do match simulation and imagine myself facing a bowler in the match. But to be honest, I have never imagined myself in such a position. In school cricket I have been part of such games. I feel things get easy once you are mentally prepared. It's a pressure game, I feel batsmen are always on top in pressure games. While batting, I realised that the bowlers would be in more pressure than me. There is dew and if the bowlers fail to execute their plans, they will pay the price. I was hoping that the bowler failed so that I could take my chance. There is no point in taking pressure on myself.

The six which you got while trying to pull, was it pre-planned ...

I just tried to connect to the ball. You don't

have time to react, you just go by the flow. I didn't plan that I will hit that one for six, I just reacted.

The four that you hit to mid-wicket was

a classic shot, the kind Virat Kohli plays... (Laughs) I think it was just awareness of the situation. There were four fielders on the leg side, I just wanted to find the middle of the bat and get it in the gap. The ball was traveling fast, so I knew if I middle the ball, it will sail. That shot just happened.

You got back-to-back games this time, almost after a year ...

I was part of the team before, somehow l couldn't fit into the playing eleven. I played a game in South Africa, later played two games in Sri Lanka. Asia Cup I played one game, I have got breaks between games. Positive thing is that I was part of the winning cause. Hopefully, I will get more chances in future. Every cricketer waits for a day like this. This doesn't happen overnight, a lot of hardwork goes into this. This time it was batting, I hope next time it is bowling.

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SHARDUL THAKUR

Are you pleased with the way you bowled?

Yes. The last over, I couldn't have done anything. I got hit for a six on a good ball. The wicket Igot was on a variation. Had Pooran not got out who knows he could have scored more and things would have been difficult for us.

You enjoying limelight...

(Laughs) It happens in India. We all came together from the airport. The night was normal, I had to pack the bags since we had an early morning flight to catch. I'm just hoping to cash in on the chances. I know India has plenty of talent, the competition will be there. The important thing is to do well and win games. I will be playing Ranji Trophy game, so let's see how things go.

Boult boost in New Zealand's comeback

REUTERS

MELBOURNE, DECEMBER 23

bid at MCG

NEW ZEALAND received a boost on Monday with Trent Boult appearing to be back to full fitness from a rib injury as he bowled against his own team mates in a warm-up match ahead of the second Test against Australia.

The left-arm pace spearhead missed the 296-run first test loss to Tim Paine's side in Perth after sustaining the injury in New Zealand's previous series against England.

However, the 30-year-old proved in a warm-up game on Sunday that he was ready to take the new ball again on Thursday when his side return to the MCG for their first test since 1987. Boult turned out for a Victoria XI against his team mates, bowling 11 overs for 23 runs and snaring the wicket of opening batsman Tom Latham. "I was a proud representative of Victoria yesterday. It was good fun and nice to get some overs under my belt, field for a bit, and get some time in my legs," Boult told reporters on Monday.

"It's all going well, I feel like I've ticked the right boxes in terms of my rehab and preparations, and I'm looking forward to getting out there. It was more about rhythm and loading from my point of view."

Latham said his team mate was back to his old self, welcome news for New Zealand as they look to level the three-match series. "Boulty is tracking pretty well and he was running in pretty hard. He was his usual self in the nets the other day, bouncing around, which is a good sign. It's great to have the quality of Trent come back into the side."

New Zealand's preparations for the Test were disrupted due to extreme heat in Melbourne with one day of their warm-up match against the Victoria XI abandoned before play began. The MCG pitch will be scrutinised heavily after a first-class game between Western Australia and Victoria was abandoned earlier this month because it was considered dangerous.

Groundsman Matt Page, however, told reporters on Monday the wicket for the Boxing Day Test would be a fair contest between bat and ball and Boult said he was looking forward to seeing how it played.

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The wait that keeps getting longer

Suryakumar talks of the night being the darkest before the break of dawn as he struggles to stay persistent awaiting India call-up

DEVENDRA PANDEY MUMBAI, DECEMBER 23

SURYAKUMAR YADAV dreads selection days. In the weeks before the national selection committee meetings he is a bundle of nerves. For someone who has been called a fringe player for close to five years, you'd think the Mumbai batsman would have made peace

with that frustrating feeling of being a step

away from Indian dressing room by now. Of

late, things have got worse. Earlier this month, during the opening round of the Ranji Trophy, as Mumbai played Baroda, Yadav spoke about the mentally draining anxiety of waiting for that all-important call. And in case you are sitting on a mountain of runs - Yadav scored 392 at a

further muddle the mind. Seated at a Vadodara restaurant after a hard day's play where he had scored yet another hundred, Surya looked pensive.

strike rate of 168 in Syed Mushtaq Ali and av-

eraged 113 from four innings in Vijay Hazare

tournament - hopes and dreams conspire to

"I have never gone through such a thing in life about the India selection thing. I have heard from team-mates who played for India, that the anxiety of being so near to playing for India is hard to explain. It's the first time I am dealing with it and I just want it to get over soon. Get back to my normal life," Mumbai captain Yadav had told *The* Indian Express.

There's not a bubble to escape into as Yadav says. "Other day I was seated in this same restaurant and finished my dinner, I was on my way out when an old man came running and asked, 'Are you, Suryakumar Yadav?' I said, yes. He said, 'I'm watching your batting; you will soon play for India'. It's a routine now. The waiter, the driver, watchman, milkman, liftwala, kids who play down in my building, are all telling me this. I just say thank you but it's tough now to get over it," he explained.

On Monday, Yadav went through another agonising selection day. He didn't get the call eventually as selectors continued with Kedar Jadhav for the ODIs against Australia but the Mumbai captain atleast got into India A for the New Zealand tour. He didn't wish to speak, for the pain was familiar. His days of spending sleepless nights, twisting and turning in the bed were not over.

At Vadodara, he had spoken about one such harrowing experience. Yadav shared how in the middle of night, he had messaged a friend asking advice on what to do in these times. He didn't get a concrete answer and was awake till 5 am for the game next day. His friends have advise him not to think too much but that's easier said than done.

"Sometimes I don't know whom to talk to. People say not to think too much. It's easy to say. But the mind goes there automatically. I can't help it. One day I couldn't sleep till 5 am. The anxiety is at its peak. Other day in Surat I was mobbed at the station."



Suryakumar Yadav had an upturn of fortunes, but the India call-up hasn't yet beckoned him. File

Just not in the real world, but his hopes have been triggered by the raves he gets in the virtual world too.

"Online world has been craziest; Instagram has been loaded with messages. I try not to see it but it's human behaviour to get attracted to praises. Sometimes I wanted to switch off my mobile data but there is a group of WhatsApp of my team. As a captain I need to send and share team meetings and other stuff," he says.

Things are fine when he is on the ground. Asked whether the hype hampers his shot selection, he says: "It did hit me during few innings. It made me pre-decide my strokes. Ke ab use aisa maaroonga, waise maroonga. (How I will hit a bowler in a particular way). The kind of thought any player thinks in these situations."

Dream debut

With a tally of 754 runs, Yadav was the find of the season for Mumbai in his debut season. He played a crucial role in his Mumbai Indian's success in the Champions League in 2011, and having shown a pen-

chant in decimating attacks, he exploded on the IPL stage. He went on to lead India under-23 team which won the maiden Asian Cricket Council Emerging team tournament in Singapore. Back in IPL, he became a crucial member of Kolkata Knight Riders, however, back in Ranji Trophy, things didn't go as well. The big runs only trickled initially and in 2015 Yadav quit Mumbai captaincy after reports emerged of him involved in a verbal spat with his teammates. In the past two seasons Yadav had an average season in red-ball cricket.

I have never gone through such a thing in life about the India selection thing. I have heard from team-mates who played for India, that the anxiety of being so near to playing for India is hard to explain. It's the first time I am dealing with it and I just want it to get over soon. Get back to my normal life."

SURYAKUMAR YADAV

He scored 460 runs in 12 innings followed by 273 runs in nine innings. It made selectors drop him from Ranji Trophy team.

Back in white ball cricket, Yadav continued to blaze. Last year during T20 Syed Mushtag Ali tournament, he scored 360 runs in 10 games with a strike rate of 145 while this season too he flourished. His performance with Mumbai Indians became the talking point. When Rohit Sharma had asked Kuldeep Yadav, in a bcci.tv interview, who is the toughest batsman to bowl to, the chinaman had named Yadav.

His family too got into the act. His father, who works at BARC (Bhabha Atomic Research Centre), kept sending clippings of all newspaper reports on his batting to him. In the past, when Yadav wasn't getting the big break, his mother took the superstitious route, asking her son to paint his car yellow. Yadav would go on to follow his mother's suggestion.

Undeterred in struggles

Before the start of the domestic season, after IPL in fact, Yadav had decided to take the next step forward to push his cricket career. He wasn't content practising indoors during monsoon season in Mumbai and decided to head out to Bangalore, Indore and Dharmshala. He had identified these specific venues, since it wasn't raining there.

Yadav spent from his own pocket and traveled around India and says the effort was worth it. "When I went to bat this time, I was prepared for any situation. And when the ball hit the bat, I felt as if I had already faced it a lot of times before; I was ready before the season started. That confidence helped. I had told myself that practicing indoors was of no use. The ball comes straight. I wanted to train outside, in conditions I would be facing in matches. Things are very different outdoors, as compared to training inside, the difference between real and reel, you can say," he had explained.

The day after he spent a sleepless night Yadav slammed a breezy hundred in 70 balls with 12 fours and 5 sixes in the Ranji game against Baroda. When we met again next to talk about his innings, a scorer approached him for his autograph.

"Sir, you are batting really well, you will play for India, soon," he told Yadav. On Monday, it was clear, Yadav wasn't quite going to play for India soon.

After Steyn & Morkel, Philander set to retire

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SEASONED SOUTH Africa pacer Vernon Philander will retire from international cricket following the upcoming Test series against England, announced Cricket South Africa on Monday. Philander was an important part of the Proteas pace troika, comprising Dale Steyn and Morne Morkel, both of whom have retired from Tests.

Philander, 34, mainly represented South Africa in the longest format, and has played 60 Tests in comparison to 30 ODIs and seven T20 Internationals. He has taken 261 wickets at an impressive average of 22.16, including 13 five-wicket hauls. : Proteas all-rounder Vernon Philander has called time on an exemplary international career with the announcement of his retirement from all forms of international cricket at the end of the Test series against England in January 2020," read a tweet from the official handle of Cricket

South Africa. Philander himself said: "I want to give thanks to my Heavenly Father for blessing



Vernon Philander, a line and length metronome, has 216 Test wickets at 22.16 in 60 Tests.

me with the opportunity to represent my country for the last 12 years. It has been a honour and privilege to have played alongside the very best in the game. I would like to say a special thanks to my wife, family and

friends for your loyalty and support on this journey which has obviously had its ups and downs. And to my number one fan since day one – Mom, thank you so much," he said.

Philander did not have the pace of Morkel and Steyn but troubled the batsmen by swinging the ball both ways. He also took a record-breaking 51 wickets in his first seven Test matches which earned him the 2012 SA Cricketer of the Year accolade.

"One of the many things that have stood out for me with Vern is his character, his determination and the way that he has always been up for a fight and a challenge has shown the heart of the man," said CSA Director of Cricket and his former captain Graeme Smith. "He has really done himself and his family proud and I hope he can finish his final series for South Africa with the same character and flair that has become synonymous with him," Smith added.

Philander was part of the squad that toured India in October. Following the retirement of Steyn and Morkel, he has had to take up the additional role of mentoring the younger crop. For someone, who has been lethal in home conditions, Philander

finds it a tad unfair that he is termed as a "green track bully".

"If you look at my record away from home, it is not that bad. The role does differ from conditions to conditions. My role over here in India will still be to take wickets but the spinners play a bigger role here. And we have got to make sure we do our job by keeping it tight," he said.

The control and ability to swing the ball both ways has been Philander's biggest strength and he has achieved roaring success despite not having the pace and variations of Steyn and Morkel. "At the end of the day, you need control. These sort of wickets when you present pace you are presenting an opportunity to score as well. You have got to have that control and I have been fortunate to have that," he had told PTI in an interview during the tour of India.

"If you have the skill to nip and swing the ball around, it gives you a big advantage at the same time there is no substitute for genuine pace, the batters don't like it. So you need an all-round pace attack. I am pretty satisfied with that I have achieved," he had said.

Clijsters ready for another stint on the circuit; targets March 7 return

BRUSSELS: Kim Clijsters plans to make her delayed comeback to tennis at the Monterrey Open in March, more than seven years after her second retirement. Clijsters said on Monday she accepted wild cards into the Mexican hard-court event which begins on March 2, followed by Indian Wells from March 11, then the

Charleston clay tournament from April 6. The former No. 1 and four-time major champion, who already is a member of the International Tennis Hall of Fame, announced her comeback attempt in September. Her plans were delayed in November when she tore a ligament in her right knee.

"I am really pleased with my progress and it's been great to get back on the court and play tennis again," Clijsters said in a statement. "It's been a setback but has really shown me how determined I am to re-

turn to the game I love." WTA rules allow her, as a past Grand Slam champion, to receive unlimited wildcard invitations to tournaments and, as someone who is older than 30, to opt out



Kim Clijsters is set to come back seven vears after her second retirement.

of mandatory appearances at certain events. The 36-year-old Clijsters left the tour in 2007 and got married and had the first of her three children. She returned about two years later and won her second and third U.S. Opens and an Australian Open. She retired again in 2012 and was working in television.

Racism mars London Derby

Unruly spectators target Chelsea's Rudiger with monkey chants as Lampard's team beats Mourinho's Tottenham

ASSOCIATED PRESS LONDON, DECEMBER 23

CHELSEA DEFENDER Antonio Rudiger reported being targeted with monkey noises during a London derby at Tottenham on Sunday, forcing the stadium announcer to issue three warnings in an unprecedented move at a Premier League game.

The latest high-profile incident of racism at an English stadium led to calls from the players' union for a government inquiry to "accelerate solutions" along with the police and officials across soccer.

"We will not allow this to continue," the Professional Footballers' Association said in a statement. "Now more than ever we must unite and stand strong and together to confront, challenge and eradicate racist abuse in our stadiums and in our country."

The announcements at Tottenham Hotspur Stadium were made at 10-minute intervals, starting around the 63rd minute of the game with Chelsea leading 2-0.

"Racist behavior among spectators is interfering with the game, the announcer announced in a warning to the crowd of 61,104. Please remember that racism has no place in football."

The abuse reported by Rudiger came after he was kicked in the chest by Tottenham forward Son Heung-min, who was sent off as a result. Rudiger, who is black, was seen putting his hands under his armpits - seemingly mimicking a monkey gesture - in the

Rudiger later tweeted hashtags which stated "No to racism" and "Please get some basic education.'

Chelsea captain Cesar Azpilicueta had been informed of the racism by Rudiger. That led to referee Anthony Taylor ordering the stadium announcements, implementing a procedure initially formed by FIFA to deal with discrimination in games.

Chelsea manager Frank Lampard said he would support his players walking off the field in future.

"It would depend what the players were feeling and saying," Lampard said. "I'm sure it would be a group decision. But we're not there yet, so it's hypothetical to a degree."

Repeated announcements warning against racism in stadiums would typically indicate multiple incidents and require the players to be taken off. But Tottenham and the Premier League said there had been only one reported incident.

"I hate racism in society, I hate racism in football," Tottenham manager Jose Mourinho said. "I'm disappointed that things like that still can happen, but the referee stopped the game, he spoke with the players, spoke with the captains, spoke with the coaches. "I was losing, I don't want the game to be stopped, but immediately when I knew the reason why the game was stopped I ob-



Chelsea manager Frank Lampard celebrates his team's 2-0 victory against Tottenham on Sunday. Reuters

Tottenham said it had launched an investigation and would be liaising with Chelsea and its players.

"Any form of racism is completely unacceptable and will not be tolerated in our stadium," Tottenham said. "We take any such allegations extremely seriously and shall take the strongest possible action against any individual found to be behaving in such a way, including stadium bans."

If the English Football Association followed sanctions used by UEFA and FIFA, part of Tottenham's stadium could be ordered to be closed to fans as a punishment.

"Everyone is doing as much as they can to make a stop for it," Chelsea forward Tammy Abraham said. "But there are going to be one or two people who will always remain the same.

"For us it is about staying together. As you could see, the Spurs players came to comfort Toni as well."

The Manchester derby two weeks ago was also marred by a high-profile incident of racism when United players were targeted with abuse at City.

The England national team experienced a European Championship qualifier being stopped twice in Bulgaria in October when home fans made Nazi salutes and targeted monkey noises at the visiting black players

"Racist abuse in football is not just an issue for black and ethnic minority players, it is an issue for everyone who loves the game," the English players' union said.

Pep ready to back players who walk off if abused

players if they ever found themselves com- lot of actions happen." The Catalan added: "It pelled to walk off during a game in protest against racist abuse. The Manchester City manager was talking following the scenes that marred Chelsea's 1-0 win away to Tottenham Hotspur in the London derby on Sunday.

Chelsea defender Antonio Rudiger reported he was subjected to racist abuse by home supporters which resulted in the Premier League's anti-racist protocol being initiated for the first time. Those measures could have seen players leaving the field -- a stance Guardiola insisted Monday he would support should it happen in a game involving reign-

ing English champions City. "Of course. I support my players, I support the initiative," Guardiola told a news conference.

'Day-by-day battle'

"What happened, you have to battle day by day. It's not about one club or one person or anything specific that happened. I said many times, in the football world it is more in vision

PEP GUARDIOLA has said he would back his because every game, every week, every day, a is a battle we have to fight it every day, in schools especially, in the families at home to try to make a better society in the future for the next generation.

> "It is a battle day-by-day. Of course, all the initiatives, it happened for the players and the federation, we are going to support."

Guardiola has been an outspoken anti-racism advocate in his time in the English game but believes the issue extends far beyond football and may never be fully defeated. "I don't think it will be completely eradicated. We have to fight but we will need a lot of time to

eradicate it," he said. "It was a problem that's happened for decades, centuries. Now you can visualise it more because the media is closer and more up front about the problem.

"It has happened for a long time. We have to fight, again and again, especially for the little kids, in the schools. Of course, if it happens be strict to avoid these kinds of persons to avoid it happening."

IPL second-best paymasters

The IPL ranks as the second-best employers in sport, according to the 2019 survey by sportingintelligence.com. The 10th edition, compiled by the Global Sports Salaries study, placed Barcelona on top with an average basic salary of afirst-team player of \$12.8 m. But when it comes to leagues, IPL is only behind NBA.

LEAGUES

LEAGUE	TOTAL
NBA	\$3.6bn (₹26,089 cr)
IPL	\$90mn (₹ 647.6 cr)
MLB	\$3.4bn (₹24,586 cr)
EPL	\$1.9bn (₹14,016 cr)
NFL	\$5.5bn (₹39,359 cr)

ANNUAL AVG SALARY PER PLAYER \$8.3mn (₹59 cr) \$5.3mn (₹37cr*) \$4mn (₹28.7 cr) \$3.9mn (₹28.2 cr) \$3.2mn (₹23.2 cr)

*Weekly 72lakh, pro-rated for a year

THE INDIAN Premier League ranked no. 2 in terms of average salary paid. In 2019, IPL shelled out \$90,893,850 (₹647.6cr) in salaries, which makes the average salary of a player ₹ 72lakh per week. NBA tops the list at ₹ 1.14cr paid per player per week, while MLB is third at Rs55lakh.

THERE ARE caveats to the IPL numbers. Unlike other almost year-round leagues, IPL runs for seven weeks. And unlike players in other leagues, most IPL cricketers can ply their trade in other leagues around the world. The total and average salary amounts also have to be pro-rated for a year i.e. weekly numbers multiplied by 52 to get comparative numbers.

NBA AND MLB also feature 30 teams each, employing 440 and 856 players respectively. NFL (5th), has 1,696 players in 32 teams. IPL has 128 signed players across 8 teams. Fewer players mean fewer outliers to affect the average.

AVG WEEKLY PAY

\$236,241 (₹1.68cr)

\$214,513 (₹1.5cr)

\$194,359 (₹1.38cr)

\$193,074 (₹ 1.37cr)

\$190,806 (₹ 1.35cr)

\$105,187 (₹ 74 lakh)

TEAMS

RANK (LAST YEAR)	IEAM
1(1)	Barcelona
2(2)	Real Madrid
3(9)	Juventus
4(14)	Portland Trail Blazers
5(4)	Golden State Warriors
47 (56)	Mumbai Indians

franchises — Mumbai Indians, RCB, **INDIANS** come in at number 47, up from 56 in the last year, with an average weekly Tottenham. pay of \$5,469,739

(\$105,187). La Liga powerhouses Barcelona and Real Madrid continue to occupy the top two spots, while Cristiano Ronaldo's move to Juventus helped the Italian champions rank third.

RANK 47 to 52 are occupied by IPL

KXIP, CSK, SRH, KKR — who rank above last two MLB champions Washington Capitals, LA Dodgers, as well as UEFA Champions League runners-up

INTERESTINGLY, THERE's little difference in pay levels across IPL teams. Top-ranked Mumbai shell out Rs5.2cr annually, while eighth Delhi Capitals give Rs4.9cr. In NBA, conversely, number 1 Portland Trail Blazers' annual salary per player is Rs71cr, while 30th

New York Knicks come in at Rs50cr.

FANS, FOLLOWERS

ATTENDANCE-WISE, IPL matches are the eighth most attended, with 25,714 spectators present for each match, but it's only a 'guesstimate'. GSSS notes: "The IPL has been consistently poor in measuring and publishing accurate crowd levels." NFL is the mostattended, with a match drawing

IPL THOUGH ranks only behind EPL and La Liga when it comes to fan engagement on social media. India has the secondmost smartphone users behind China at 1.17bn. Cheap phones and cheaper data further means IPL ranks third in terms of average social media clout of each club in the league.

Ibrahimovic's statue in Malmo vandalised

viously understood and accepted it."

ASSOCIATED PRESS MALMO, DECEMBER 23

THE STATUE of Swedish soccer star Zlatan Ibrahimovic has been the target of more vandalism. This time, its nose has been chopped off. Ibrahimovic angered fans of his boyhood club, Malmo, last month when he bought a stake in one of its title rivals, Hammarby, and outlined his desire to make the Stockholm-based team "the best in Scandinavia."

Hours after that was announced, a statue of Ibrahimovic that is located outside Malmo's stadium was attacked, with vandals attempting to set it on fire and writing racist graffiti next to it.

On Dec. 12, there was an at-

tempt to saw off the statue's legs. Now, its nose has been cut off and the bronze statue has been sprayed silver.

A petition has been set up to remove the statue, with more than 8,000 people signing it.Ibrahimovic has said he will not play in Sweden again — he started his career at Malmo, where he was born, in 1999 — and

is still weighing up where to play next. He recently left the Los Angeles Galaxy in Major League Soccer, having previously played for Ajax, Barcelona, AC Milan, Inter Milan, Paris Saint-Germain and Manchester

United in a trophy-laden career. Carlo Ancelotti, who was hired as manager of English club Everton at the weekend, suggested Ibrahimovic could be one of his first signings.

Speaking at his presentation at Everton on Monday, Ancelotti said: "Zlatan Ibrahimovic is a good friend of mine. He was my player (at PSG). Fortunately I have trained a lot of fantastic players. But Ibrahimovic has finished his period in the United States and I don't know what is his idea. I have to call him."

Real enter winter break two points behind leaders Barca

ASSOCIATED PRESS BARCELONA, DECEMBER 23

REAL MADRID finished 2019 with growing concerns over its attack and trailing Barcelona by two points as the Spanish league starts its winter break. Zinedine Zidane will face questions about Madrid's scoring slump after it was held 0-0 at home by a tame Athletic Bilbao on Sunday. The slip at the Santiago Bernabeu came after drawing 1-1 at Valencia and 0-0 at Barcelona over the past week.

One goal in three matches is a paltry return for one of the richest clubs in the world.

"Having had so many chances, we are a bit angry at ourselves, but this is football," Zidane said. "In the last three games we have had many scoring chances but few goals. I don't think it is bad luck or a lack of killer instinct. The important thing is that we are creating chances. We will keep that up and the goals

The league resumes in the first week of January. Madrid dominated possession but the goalkeeping of Unai Simón, the woodwork, and the lack of a scoring touch saved Bilbao. Toni Kroos, Nacho Fernández, and Luka Jovic all sent shots off the goal-frame for the hosts.

Simón stopped Vinicius Junior in front of his goal after the young Brazilian had cut back around the final defender in the game's first scoring opportunity in the 12th minute. Vinicius squandered two more opportunities, not cleanly connecting with Luka Modric's cross before he failed to control a loose ball in the goalmouth.

Simón deflected Kroos' point-blank effort in the 19th onto the crossbar after Bilbao's passive back line had let him advance through the box. Simón also saved shots on goal from Karim Benzema. Bilbao's attack consisted in the rare long ball won by Iñaki Williams or a quick counterattack. Williams had Bilbao's only threat saved by Thibaut Courtois in the 20th.

Fernández smashed a header off the crossbar in the 59th shortly after replacing Eder Militao, who injured his right eye. Late substitute Iovic headed off the base of the post with four minutes remaining.

"It was a hard-earned point," Simón said. "We were helped by the woodwork, but we did a good job and I think we did enough to



Zinedine Zidane's Real were held **0-0 at home by Athletic Bilbao.** Reuters

deserve the draw."

Bilbao is in seventh place, immediately above Valencia. Ángel Correa again proved to be Atlético Madrid's ideal substitute when he went on in the second half to score one goal and set up another in a 2-1 win at Real Betis. Atlético's first victory in six league games on the road left it in fourth place and seven points behind Barcelona. Sevilla is third.

Correa's first touch of the ball intercepted a pass from Álex Moreno and left him alone to round Betis goalkeeper Joel Robles and net the 58th-minute opener.

The Argentina forward then passed for Álvaro Morata who used the inside of his right boot to redirect Correa's low cross past Robles with six minutes to play. Marc Bartra scored for Betis in injury time.

Atlético coach Diego Simeone praised Correa for his ability to come off the bench and revitalize the team. "I don't like the word 'supersub,' since he is an important player for us and has started matches, but when he comes off the bench he knows what to do. He has something special," Simeone said.

Staying close

Real Sociedad withstood an attempted comeback by 10-man Osasuna to earn a 4-3 away victory that kept it one point behind Atlético in fifth place. Sociedad led by three goals after Mikel Oyarzabal, Cristian "Portu" Portugués, and Martin Odegaard all scored in the opening half hour.

extend Leclerc's contract until 2024

Ferrari

REUTERS DECEMBER 23

FERRARI PUT their long-term faith in Charles Leclerc on Monday by extending the 22year-old's contract for five more years until the end of 2024.

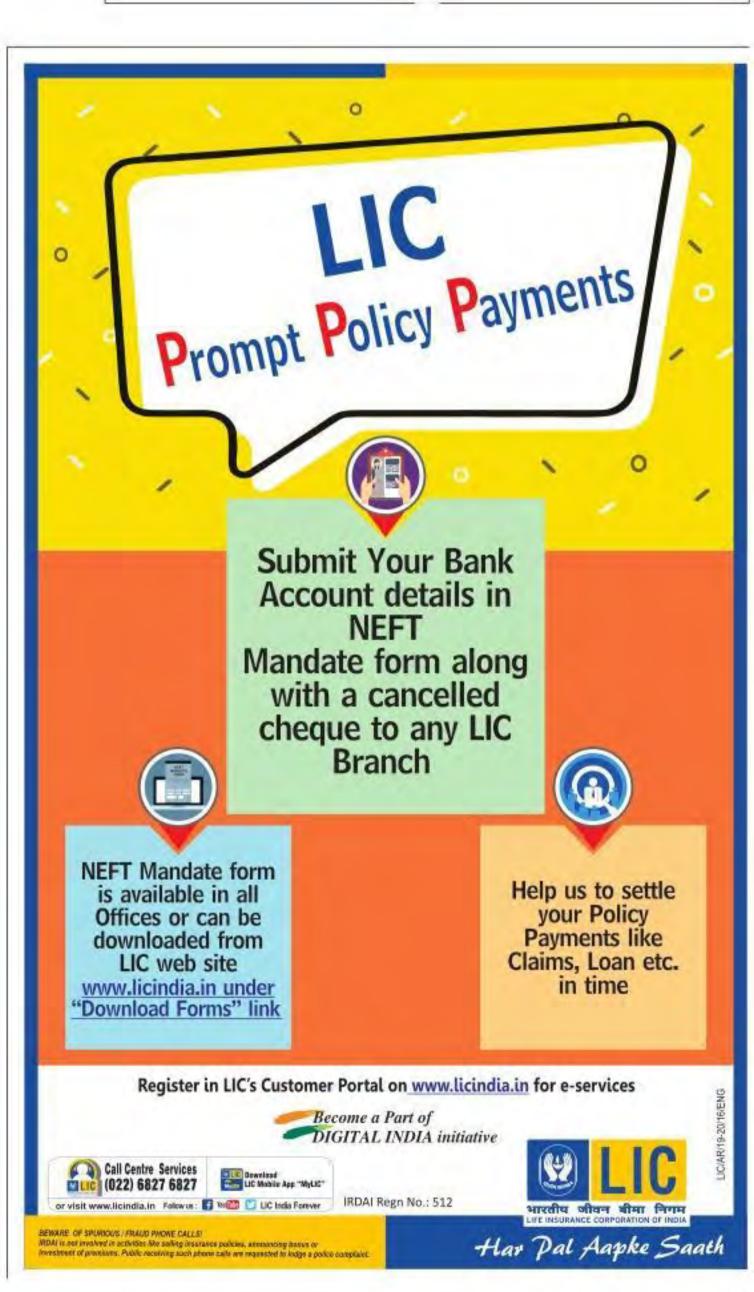
The Monaco-born Formula One driver won two of the 21 grands prix in 2019, making him the Italian team's youngest winner, while his seven pole positions were more than anyone else managed. He also ended the campaign

fourth overall and above his 32year-old team mate Sebastian Vettel, a four times world champion whose contract expires at the end of 2020, in the drivers' standings. "I am very happy to be stay-

ing on with Scuderia Ferrari. This past season, driving for the most illustrious team in Formula One has been a dream year for me," Leclerc said in a statement. "I cannot wait to enjoy an

even deeper relationship with the team after what has been an intense and exciting 2019. I'm keen to see what the future holds and I can't wait to get going again next season." The decision ensures

Leclerc will be with Ferrari when the sport enters a new era in 2021, with Vettel's future far from certain. It also means the youngster could be an eventual team mate to sixtimes world champion Lewis Hamilton, the subject of plenty of speculation about his plans after Mercedes.



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