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Counselling for NEET-UG to begin after July 3rd week: Govt

New Delhi: NEET-UG counselling, the process for allotment of seats to successful candidates based on their exam score, will start after the third week of July, govt said on Saturday, **reports Durgesh Nandan Jha**.

The clarification came in the wake of allegations that the govt had deferred the counselling process, which was expected to commence on Saturday. It said since no date has been fixed, the question of deferment of the process did not arise. As the opposition, including Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge, attacked the govt on the issue, govt said that even last year NEET-UG counselling began on July 20.

The NEET-UG has been mired in controversy this year due to an alleged paper leak. Several arrests have been made by CBI, which is probing the case.

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CCTV 'bribe': LG nod to probe against Jain

LG VK Saxena has given his approval to refer an alleged case of graft against incarcerated ex-AAP minister Satyendar Jain to the MHA regarding installation of CCTV cameras. According to officials, ACB of Delhi govt conducted a PE on a complaint from a BEL staffer that Jain got a bribe of Rs 7 crore for allegedly waiving a penalty of Rs 16 crore on the firm for delay in the project. AAP said the case was the "201st" against the party & claimed agencies failed to seize even a single rupee of corruption. P 2

Man beaten to death in Shamli

A 31-year-old man died in Jalalabad in UP's Shamli district after he was allegedly thrashed by some people Friday night for entering a house in a drunken state. The postmortem showed "no injury marks". This is the second such killing in the state in three weeks. P 13

VANISHING CAMELS

Rajasthan has 84% of India's camels but their population is down to half the 2007 number. Govt's decision to declare the camel a state animal to stem this fall hasn't just failed, it has created new problems | P 20



Balcony crashes in Fbd, 3 siblings die

Three siblings, aged between 7 and 10, were crushed to death after the balcony of their rented house gave way Friday evening in Faridabad's Sikri village. Their parents were away and they were playing outside when the balcony came crashing down on them. P 11

Dog death: IIT student held for stabbing 3

A first-year student of IIT-Madras and resident of Sonarpur on the outskirts of Kolkata was arrested Saturday on charges of stabbing and grievously wounding a family friend's neighbour, his wife and their son in retaliation for the killing of a stray dog. P 19

Nuh yatra this year too, say outfits

Hindu outfits have said they will hold the Brajmandal Shobha Yatra in Nuh this year too, leading to concern about law and order ahead of assembly elections later this year. Violence erupted during last year's yatra on July 31, triggering riots that claimed seven lives. P 9

Jul 23 Budget to focus on infra, targeted spending

Revenue Growth, RBI Dividend To Be Used On Sops

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New Delhi: The first Budget of Narendra Modi's third term will be presented on July 23 amid indications that finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman will use the revenue growth and record dividend from Reserve Bank of India to spend not just on capital expenditure for creating infrastructure but also use the resources at its disposal to focus on specific target groups such as the middle class, women and farm sector.

While the economy has so far been performing well, govt also wants to use the Budget to announce some reform measures that do not need legislative approval.

"Hon'ble President of India, on the recommendation of Govt of India, has approved the proposal for summoning of both the Houses of Parliament for the budget session, 2024 from 22nd July, 2024 to 12 August, 2024 (subject to exigencies of parliamentary business). Union Budget 2024-25 will be presented in Lok Sabha on 23 July, 2024," parliamentary affairs minister Kiren Rijiju said in a post on X.

The Economic Survey for the last financial year, which is also due, is likely to be tabled in Parliament on the opening day, outlining the Modi govt's achievements during the first two terms and identifying the focus areas. It remains to be seen if govt releases its much-talked-about 100 days' agenda before the Budget is tabled since the elements in the plan will feed into the announcements.

Sitharaman, who will present her seventh consecutive Budget, overtaking Morarji Desai's six, will seek to address critical concerns around inflation, jobs, income inequality and regional imbalances while announcing tax measures and other social security benefits for the middle class.

▶4.5% fiscal deficit, P 27

MAY ADDRESS INFLATION, JOBS

- Nirmala Sitharaman will present her **7th consecutive Budget** — a record that overtakes Morarji Desai's six
- Not yet known if govt will release its much-publicised 100 days' agenda before Budget
- Economic Survey likely to be tabled July 22, **outlining govt's achievements during previous 2 terms and identifying focus areas**
- FM may address concerns around inflation, jobs & income inequality, announce tax measures for middle class
- Govt **may speed up move towards 4.5% fiscal deficit.** Against revised estimates of 5.8% of GDP, Centre closed last year with a deficit of 5.6%. For current fiscal, govt set a target of 5.1%
- Indian economy **expected to grow 7%** this year

Two soldiers die in twin encounters in Kashmir, 4 terrorists gunned down

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Securitymen stand guard during an encounter in Kulgam on Saturday

Srinagar: Two soldiers died of bullet wounds and four terrorists were killed in twin gunfights in south Kashmir's Kulgam district Saturday. Lance Naik Pradeep Naik of Army's Para Commando unit was killed in Modergam village, while havildar Raj Kumar of 1 Rashtriya Rifles died in Frisal Chinnigam area, officials said. The two operations are ongoing, with some more terrorists believed to be trapped at both sites.

The terrorist death count touched nine from extensive security counter-offensives in J&K after four attacks in Jammu region on June 9, 11, and 12. These attacks resulted in the deaths of seven pilgrims, their bus driver and conductor, and a CRPF constable. In response, five suspected Pakistani terrorists were killed in Kathua and Doda districts of Jammu.

An official said a joint team of J&K police, 9 Rashtriya Rifles, and CRPF men launched a cordon and search operation in Modergam Saturday morning, following intelligence about the presence of terrorists. As the forces approached the suspected location, terrorists started shooting, triggering a gunfight.

▶ 'Will know exact toll', P 27

Police hunt on, Bhole Baba releases video

In his first detailed response to the Hathras stampede at his satsang in which 121 people were killed, Surajpal Singh, also known as Bhole Baba, on Saturday said the "mischief-makers" and "anti-social elements" behind the tragedy would not be spared and urged followers to have faith in the administration.

▶Cops probe Baba's political links, P 15

▶UP govt arresting innocents: Akhilesh, P 15

Singh has not been named in the FIR; seven organisers are already in custody. Even as police is searching for Singh, his lawyer confirmed cooperation with the investigation. The Narayan Sakar Hari trust would take care of the education, health and wedding expenses of the victims' families, the lawyer said. P 15

First call: Modi, Starmer agree to speed up FTA talks, strengthen ties

New Delhi: PM Modi spoke to his new UK counterpart Keir Starmer, a day after his election, with both agreeing to work towards early conclusion of a "mutually beneficial" free trade agreement (FTA) that has been in the works for years.

"Both leaders recalled the historic relations between the two countries and reaffirmed their commitment to further deepen and advance Comprehensive Strategic Partnership," a statement said. They also discussed cooperation in defence and security, critical and emerging technology, and climate change. TNN

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19 PIO MPs, only 1 min in Starmer's cabinet

Only one Indian-origin MP, Lisa Nandy, has made it onto the new British PM's cabinet despite there being 19 PIO MPs in Labour party. MP Shabana Mahmood, whose parents are from Pakistan Occupied Kashmir (POK), has been appointed justice secretary. P 21

PM congratulates Iran's new prez

PM Modi congratulated newly elected Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian Saturday and said he was eager to work closely with him to further strengthen bilateral ties. P 21

Court: Sunita can see CM's reports, meet his doctors

A Delhi court on Saturday allowed medical records of CM Arvind Kejriwal to be supplied to his wife Sunita. It also allowed her to independently consult the doctors of the medical board treating the CM in jail. However, noting the submissions of the counsel appearing for Tihar Jail, the court refused to allow Sunita Kejriwal's presence during the CM's consultation/meeting with doctors.

"This court sees no reason to carve out an exception for the applicant by going against prison rules, more particularly in view of the submission... that several other inmates are also undergoing treatment for the same ailment... who have also not been permitted to have an attendant," it said. P 3

'Had a long chat about our future, having kids. Next day, he died'

Saved Lives In Siachen Fire, Says Wife Of Kirti Chakra Awardee

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Army chief Gen Upendra Dwivedi & wife Sunita with Smriti, wife of Capt Anshuman Singh, on Saturday

New Delhi: "He is a hero. He gave up his life to save others," said an inconsolable Smriti Singh, wife of Captain Anshuman Singh, as she stood before President Droupadi Murmu with folded hands to accept the Kirti Chakra, India's second-highest gallantry honour, awarded posthumously to her husband on Friday for saving lives and trying to protect critical medical equipment during a fire at an Army dump on the world's highest battlefield, the Siachen Glacier.

Posted as a medical officer with the 26th Battalion of Punjab Regiment at Siachen, Capt Singh died on July 19, 2023. The day before, his wife recalled in a video posted by the defence ministry, "we had a long conversation about how our life was going to be in the next 50 years. We would build a house, have kids..." The next day, she got a call that he had died.

▶'Would not die an ordinary death', P 27



CCTV 'Graft': LG Nod To Probe Against Jain

File On 'Bribe' To Waive Penalty To Go To MHA

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Satyendar Jain

New Delhi: Spelling more trouble for the incarcerated former Delhi minister, Satyendar Jain, lieutenant governor VK Saxena has given his approval to refer an alleged case of corruption against him regarding the installation of CCTV cameras to Union Ministry of Home Affairs.

According to officials, the anti-corruption branch (ACB) of Delhi govt conducted a preliminary enquiry on a complaint from an employee of Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) that Jain had received a bribe of Rs 7 crore for allegedly waiving a penalty of Rs 16 crore imposed on the company for the delay in executing the project. BEL was installing 1.4 lakh closed-circuit television cameras in 70 Assembly constituencies in Delhi for Rs 571 crore.

On the basis of ACB's initial report, the directorate of vigilance of Delhi govt had sought Saxena's concurrence to refer the matter under Section 17A of Prevention of Corruption (PoC) Act 1998 to the Union home ministry for approving investigation against Jain.

The former minister is currently lodged in Tihar Jail in a money laundering case. LG had earlier this year given his approval for a CBI investigation against Jain for allegedly extorting Rs 10 crore from Sukesh Chandrasekhar, who was then lodged in Tihar Jail in another extortion case.

Officials said the case of corruption against Jain emerged in Sept 2019. Besides the complaint from the BEL employee, officials said, ACB also obtained information from "secret sources", which corroborated the case. Citing the case file, officials alleged that the bribe money was allegedly paid to Jain through vendors of BEL and "repeat orders" were issued to them, indicating the commission of offence.

"Considering the information provided by ACB and the gravity of allegations/ corruption involved in the matter, it was recommended that there was sufficient reasons and grounds to grant permission under Section 17A of PoC Act to allow ACB to conduct investigation in the matter to unearth the truth," said an official.

Officials said ACB had recorded the statement of the complainant, who faced a departmental enquiry (DE) in connection with the case. "The complainant also provided the copy of minutes of proceedings of DE against him in which he had mentioned about the incident of demand and payment of bribe amount of Rs 7 crore to Jain," said the official.

Officials said the directorate of vigilance had submitted to LG that a prima facie case under PoC Act was made out against Jain on the basis of the statements of the complainant and other evidence collected in the matter. It added that comments, along with supporting documents, had been sought from Public Works Department, prior to placing the case for approval before LG, but the department could not provide satisfactory reply against the allegations, saying that it was an internal matter of BEL.

NDMC to complete Palika terrace work soon

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New Delhi: New Delhi Municipal Council has made significant progress in the renovation of the terrace of Palika Bazar in Connaught Place. By the end of the month, NDMC hopes to have the terrace featuring a granite pathway for walking and jogging, seating decks, LED-lit footpaths and grassy expanses. Stainless steel railings have been installed and saplings planted to beautify the space.

NDMC vice-chairman Satish Upadhyay said on Saturday, "While the horticulture work is in progress, the laying of granite tiles on the pathway connecting gates number 4 and 5 is pending." Grass has already been planted and the monsoon period should help it take root and spread. Just a claimed 10% of the work remains, including constructing a pathway near the connecting gate.

Upadhyay added, "Once developed, the landscaped space will give an elegant look to the place. We have made provision for water hydrants for watering the grass and plants. We will allow entry from steps and ramps to the garden."

Rajesh Mehta



The renovation of the terrace of the underground shopping complex was undertaken after NDMC dismantled the green area when it carried out waterproofing of the Palika Bazar roof in 2020-21

The renovation of the terrace of the underground shopping complex was undertaken after NDMC dismantled the green area when it carried out waterproofing of the Palika Bazar roof following continuous seepage of water in 2020-21. The waterproofing was finished last year and the landscaping began soon after.

Besides the terrace, the renovation of the shopping complex is also under way, with repairing of the false ceiling and management of the hanging electricity wires. Baljit Kohli, chairman of the Palika Bazar Shopkeepers' Welfare Association, said, "On Saturday, we met the new chairman, Naresh Kumar, and MP Bansuri Swaraj and told them about the problems related to the market. We were assured that the pending 30-40% work would be completed soon."

Constructed in the late 1970s, Palika Bazar, the first underground air-conditioned market in the city, is located between the inner and outer circles of Connaught Place. The lack of repairs was exacerbated by waterlogging, an overabundance of shops and dampness in the walls due to seepage from the roof garden. After the Covid lockdown, NDMC undertook some repairs to address some problems, including seepage, non-functional toilet blocks and waterlogging.

NDMC OFFICIAL SAYS

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Traders complained about the damaged ducts in the fully air-conditioned market and the hanging wires. They also contended that the sanitation conditions are subpar and the recently constructed toilets lacked the staff to maintain them. Upadhyay and former chairman Amit Yadav visited the bazar in February .

A visit to the market on Saturday showed the work on the false ceiling was incomplete in some areas and wire could still be seen. An NDMC official claimed, "All wires belonging to NDMC have been taken care of by our electrical dept. Other agencies, including MTNL, have been approached to complete their portion of the task."

201st case against us, claims AAP, BJP says it was expected long ago

New Delhi: AAP on Saturday claimed that it was a staunchly honest party and accused BJP-led central govt of attempting to paralyse the administration in Delhi. The party stated that the case against former minister Satyendar Jain was the "201st" against AAP and claimed that the investigating agencies failed to recover even a single rupee of corruption.

The party, in a statement, alleged that BJP was relentlessly engaging in sinister conspiracies against Delhi govt to halt its works. "With over 200 cases filed against our ministers, MLAs, and our top leadership, including CM Arvind Kejriwal, already incarcerated by BJP, this case is yet another step towards suppressing AAP," it stated.

AAP further mentioned that the Centre earlier constituted the Shunglu committee and held 400 files of Delhi govt under the pretext of an investigation and were now investigating the liquor policy case for two years and had opened several others with "fabricated stories".

"BJP didn't stop there. They fabricated this so-called liquor scam, filed a 50,000-page chargesheet, examined 464 witnesses, and yet haven't unearthed a single rupee of corruption. Ever since AAP came to power, BJP and its govt at the Centre have tried everything possible to undermine and paralyse it. This includes enacting the GNCTD Act against the Supreme Court's verdict and disrupting public interest initiatives through its bureaucracy by withholding payments for mohalla clinics and medicines for govt hospitals," the party added.

Delhi BJP president Virendra Sachdeva claimed that the sanction for investigation into "kickbacks" received by former minister Satyendar Jain from the CCTV installation project was expected long back. He said it was "shocking" that Arvind Kejriwal govt indulged in "corruption" even in projects related to the security of women and children. TNN

18 MCD facilities to rein in illegal parking

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New Delhi: The Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) is preparing to open at least 18 new surface parking spaces at different locations across the city. The process of selecting agencies to manage and maintain these spaces commenced after the civic body received permission from Delhi Police to run these parking lots, said officials.

"In total, we have invited bids for e-allotment of 70 authorised surface parking spaces on a monthly licensing fee basis. The contract will be given for three years and can be further extended for a period of two years on satisfactory performance. The last date for submitting documents for getting a contract is July 10. These 70 parking lots included two clusters and 18 new parking spaces," said an official.

According to MCD officials, these 18 sites were already being used for illegal parking by the public. It was also recognised that there was an urgent need to establish organised parking spaces in these areas.

The authorized parking lots will be established in several areas, including Ramesh Nagar, Mayapuri Chowk, Shastri Marg, Mohammadpur Village, Naraina Part-II, near EDM Mall in Ghazipur, IP Extension, behind Cross River Mall, A-Block DDA Market in Surajmal Vihar, Durgapuri Market, Chetak Complex in Dilshad Garden, Patparganj Industrial Area, Laxmi Nagar, and Rohini.

After all the 32 facilities become fully operational, additional parking space will be created for at least 2,000 vehicles, said the official.

In a related development, the completion of three multi-level parking facilities at Nigam Bodh Ghat, Punjabi Bagh, and Church Mission Road is expected to take an additional one to two months. MCD officials attributed the delay in the progress of these projects to the extreme heat conditions experienced last month, which hindered construction activities.

Photo for representation



GETTING IT ORGANISED

"At Nigam Bodh parking, we have developed the facility on a 3,496 square metre plot, consisting of three blocks. Block one, with a capacity of 34 cars, and block two, with a capacity of 17 cars, are done and have become operational. The work on block three, which can have 44 cars, is in progress and we are expecting to complete the work by month end," stated the official.

The puzzle parking at Punjabi Bagh, located adjacent to the crematorium, is also awaiting completion. "We have completed work for the commissioning of various services," an official mentioned earlier. The parking will have an estimated capacity for 225 vehicles.

"The five-story parking lot is developed on a plot measuring 5150 sq metres in area. It is located next to the Bharat Darshan Park, and thus visitors coming to the place can also use the facility," said the official.

Moreover, the Church Mission Road parking will have space for 196 vehicles and is expected to take at least two months to complete.

Currently, MCD has over 420 parking lots with an estimated parking space for 51,000 vehicles, including 14 multi-level parking lots and the remaining surface parking spaces.

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Sunita Can Meet CM's Docs, Get Reports

But Can't Be Present During Checkup: Court

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New Delhi: A Delhi court on Saturday allowed medical records of chief minister Arvind Kejriwal to be supplied to his wife, Sunita Kejriwal. The court of special judge Kaveri Baweja also allowed his wife to independently consult the doctors of the medical board treating the Delhi CM in jail. The board, which comprises doctors from All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Delhi, was formed by the orders of the court in April this year for treatment of Kejriwal in jail.

However, noting the submissions of the counsel appearing for Tihar Jail, the court refused to allow the presence of Sunita Kejriwal during his consultation/meeting with doctors. "This court sees no reason to carve out an exception for the applicant by going against the prison rules, more particularly in view of the submission of the jail authorities that several other inmates are also undergoing treatment for the same ailment as the applicant and who have also not been permitted to have an attendant," the court stated.

Citing Rule 479 (C) of the Delhi Prison Rules, 2018, the law officer of Tihar Jail stated that the jail rules permit a family member of an inmate as an attendant only where the prisoner is admitted in a hospital outside the jail premises. The counsel for the prison also submitted that there are several patients suffering from Type II diabetes—the same ailment from which Kejriwal is also suffering, and it will not be equitable to give preferential treatment by permitting his family member as his attendant during medical consultations with the board.



CM Arvind Kejriwal

The court says it sees no reason to carve out an exception for the applicant by going against the prison rules, more particularly in view of the submission of the jail authorities that other inmates are also undergoing treatment for the same ailment as the applicant and who have also not been permitted to have an attendant

Kejriwal, in his plea, had requested the court to direct the jail authorities to allow his wife to be his attendant during the medical check-ups/follow-ups/consultation with the medical board/doctors. He said that his wife's presence was required to understand instructions of the doctors about his diet and medication.

On July 3, the court had reserved the order on his plea after he told the court that he was making the plea on "humanitarian grounds".

Rejecting the submissions of Kejriwal's counsels that the court had allowed a family member of MP Sanjay Singh to accompany him to his visits to a private hospital, the court said that the order cannot serve as a precedent in Kejriwal's case.

On the prayer of granting access to Kejriwal's medical record to his wife, the court said that the prison authorities did not object and Kejriwal told the court that his medical records were being duly shared.

Calling the submissions justified with regard to queries pertaining to the method of preparing the diet as per recommendation of the medical board, for which she may need to consult the doctors/medical board of AIIMS, the court allowed Sunita Kejriwal to "independently approach the concerned medical board/doctors, who may have a meeting/consultation with her to discuss the method of preparation of medically prescribed diet of the applicant, if so permitted under the hospital rules".

Wife: Kejriwal's arrest based on witness' 'false statement'

Times News Network

New Delhi: Chief minister Arvind Kejriwal's wife Sunita Kejriwal alleged on Saturday that her husband was a victim of a deep political conspiracy and was arrested by the Enforcement Directorate in the excise policy case based on a false statement by a witness.

In a video message, Sunita alleged that ED arrested Kejriwal based on the statement of TDP MP Magunta Srinivasulu Reddy, whose son was also arrested in the case but was denied bail. She added that within days of Reddy's statement, his son Raghava Magunta Reddy was released on bail.

The Telugu Desam Party is a constituent of the ruling National Democratic Alliance in the Centre. While MS Reddy said he didn't want to talk about "all those issues", Delhi BJP said it was shocking that "Sunita Kejriwal was casting aspersions on the judiciary".

Arvind Kejriwal was arrested by ED on March 21 in a money laundering case linked to the alleged irregularities in the now-rescinded excise policy 2021-22. He is currently in judicial custody after being arrested by CBI in the same case last month.

SUNITA SAYS

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Sunita alleged that MS Reddy changed his statement to ED about his meeting with Kejriwal after his son was arrested and denied bail. She claimed that MS Reddy had met the Delhi CM on March 16, 2021 for a piece of land on which he wanted to open a charitable trust in Delhi, but he changed his statement on July 17, 2023 following his son's arrest.

"CM Arvind Kejriwal told him that land-related matters in Delhi came under the lieutenant governor, but he should give his application and he will see... (But) in his statement to ED, MSR said Kejriwal asked him in the presence of nearly 10 people to enter the liquor business in Delhi and pay Rs 100 crore to AAP. Would anybody ask for money before so many people?" she asked. "It is apparent that his statement is false," she added.

Sunita alleged that PM Narendra Modi wanted to finish off Kejriwal and Aam Aadmi Party using ED and CBI and appealed to people to share the video. She also asked people to support her husband and the AAP national convener, saying he was an "honest, educated and patriotic" man. "If the public does not support him, no educated person would want to join politics given the treatment meted out to him," Sunita said.

Delhi BJP president Virendra Sachdeva alleged that Sunita Kejriwal had really turned into a star manipulator of AAP and had mastered the art of storytelling like her husband and other party colleagues.

"It's shocking to see Sunita Kejriwal casting aspersions on the judiciary. She has not only hurt the prestige of the judiciary but has also hurt the sentiments of law-abiding citizens. People should know that bail and pardon are granted by court and not ED or any other investigation agency. Courts are not influenced by political affiliations," he said.

Sachdeva added that the case against Arvind Kejriwal was based on multiple evidence and not just the statement of MS Reddy.



Help 'molested' by cook at Pak diplomat's house

Times News Network

New Delhi: Delhi Police is probing an allegation of molestation involving a cook employed by a Pakistani diplomat.

The alleged incident was reported on June 28 and involves a domestic help who worked at the diplomat's official residence on Tilak Marg in west Delhi.

According to police sources, the woman, who has been employed there for several years, alleged that the cook, also a Pakistani national, had subjected her to harassment and inappropriate behaviour over a period of time.

The specific details of the harassment and the date of the alleged molestation are still being determined by investigators, said police.

In response to the complaint, a first information report (FIR) has been filed at the Tilak Marg Police Station under Section 354 of Indian Penal Code (IPC), which addresses assault or criminal force against a woman with the intent to outrage her modesty.

The authorities are currently investigating whether the suspect arrived in India from Pakistan in Feb and are assessing his potential diplomatic immunity status.

A senior police officer confirmed that the allegation by the help was being thoroughly investigated.

Only probe against Kejriwal still on: CBI

Times News Network

New Delhi: The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) on Saturday informed a Delhi court that the probe into the alleged irregularities in the formulation and implementation of the now-scrapped Delhi Excise Policy 2021-22 is complete regarding the other accused in the case and only the investigation regarding the role of chief minister Arvind Kejriwal is pending

"The role of all the accused in the case has been investigated and only the role of Kejriwal is currently being probed," said special public prosecutor (SPP), DP Singh, appearing for CBI before the court of special judge Kaveri Baweja.

The court also extended the judicial custody of former Delhi deputy chief minister Manish Sisodia till July 15 in the case registered by the CBI.

Counsels appearing for Sisodia submitted before the court that in an earlier Supreme Court hearing in June, CBI had said that the investigation in the case would be completed by July 3.

Responding to this, CBI said that new facts had emerged after June and that they would update the top court regarding the same. The SPP submitted that CBI will apprise the Supreme Court regarding the development that took place after June 4 which concluded in the arrest of Kejriwal.

Earlier on June 4, Solicitor General of India Tushar Mehta told the SC that the investigation in the case would be concluded and a final chargesheet would be filed on or before July 3.

The court, after hearing the submissions of the counsels, extended the judicial custody of Sisodia and other accused till July 15.

The court also granted permission to Sisodia to release funds for the development works in his Patparganj assembly constituency.

Sisodia had sought permission from the court to release Rs 3 crore from the MLA fund for development works in Khichripur village, East Vinod Nagar, Resettlement Colony Khichripur, Railway Colony and Mandawali.

Meanwhile, the court also deferred the date for cognisance of third supplementary chargesheet filed by CBI to July 8. It said the pagination was not proper in the chargesheet and directed the investigation officer to fix the issue.

On Friday, the court had extended the custody of BRS functionary K Kavitha till July 18 in CBI case in the matter.

Sisodia allowed to release constituency funds: AAP

Times News Network

New Delhi: Aam Aadmi Party on Saturday said a Delhi court has given permission to former deputy chief minister Manish Sisodia to release funds for various development works in his assembly constituency of Patparganj.

The party stated that funds worth Rs 3 crore will now be released for various development works in Khichripur village, East Vinod Nagar, Resettlement Colony Khichripur, Railway Colony, and Mandawali. The projects that will be funded include the beautification of open spaces in East Delhi's Khichripur village, beautification of Swati Park in West Vinod Nagar, and the construction of entrance gates at Mayur Vihar Phase 2 and Firni Morh.

Sisodia is in judicial custody in the excise policy case and has been lodged in Tihar jail since Feb 2023. The former deputy chief minister had filed a petition in the court for permission to sanction money for development works in his assembly constituency.



Forum fines telecom firm ₹5L for harassing customer

Times News Network

New Delhi: Delhi State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission (SCDRC) recently upheld a Rs 5 lakh penalty imposed on a private telecom service provider by a Delhi district consumer court for harassing a customer with phone calls and disconnecting his services over unpaid dues, despite the amount having been paid.

The state commission comprising the president, Justice Sangita Dhingra Sehgal, and judicial member Pinki, in the order dated July 1, 2024, observed that the company was not only negligent in providing its services but had also used its position to harass the client. It said that it did not find any "infirmity" in the district consumer court verdict passed in 2014.

The district consumer court in its verdict in September 2014 imposed punitive compensation of Rs 5 lakh, of which it directed Rs 3 lakh to be deposited to the State Consumer Welfare Fund and pay the balance amount of Rs 2 lakh to the complainant for the "extreme and deliberate insult, humiliation, mental agony, harassment, loss of benefit of services due to wrongful disconnection and litigation expenses".

COMMISSION SAYS

The company was not only negligent in providing its services but had also used its position to harass the client

The complainant, Jasmeet Singh Puri (now deceased), in March 2013 was informed by the company that the cheque he paid for internet and phone services was dishonoured due to lack of sufficient funds for a bill of Rs 4,995.

However, Puri, who then worked as a chief executive officer (CEO) of a company, asked executives of the telecom service provider to check with the bank and the statement reflected that the amount was credited to the company's account.

Despite this, the company representatives failed to acknowledge the receipt of payment and discontinued his internet services in May 2013 before sending him a legal notice demanding a payment of Rs 7,549. The company also disconnected the internet and phone services without paying any heed to the communications regarding the payment of the amount by Puri.

The commission said that the service provider had neither presented any evidence showing that they made any inquiry into the customer's complaints and replies, nor had they registered any complaint regarding the matter. Additionally, it failed to take any concrete step to stop calling the customer, even after receiving complaints about it from him, the commission noted.

The commission, taking note of the communications through emails, said that the organisation was not only negligent in providing its services but used its position to harass Puri.

It said that the company failed to provide adequate service to Puri which resulted in suffering for him. As a result, the deficiency on the part of the service provider was proved.

DU doubles fees for marksheet, cert correction

New Delhi: Delhi University has doubled the charges for those seeking any correction in their degree certificate or marksheet, according to an official order.

The cost was increased following the recommendations made by a committee formed by university vice-chancellor Yogesh Singh, it stated.

DU has increased from Rs 500 to Rs 1,000 the fee for those seeking correction in marksheet within six years from the day of graduation and Rs 1,000 to Rs 2,000 for a period more than six years, according to the order.

For those seeking correction in their degree certificate within six years, the fee has been increased from Rs 500 to Rs 1,000. For a period of more than six years, the fee has been hiked from Rs 1,000 to Rs 2,000.

The recommendations of the committee was approved by the authorities concerned on June 4, the order said.

A senior university official said the fees were hiked as they had not been revised for a long time.

The charges for issuing a duplicate marksheet or degree certificate, if lost or destroyed, remain the same at Rs 500 and Rs 1,000, respectively. PTI

Panel probing Ridge tree cutting likely to visit spot

Times News Network

New Delhi: The three-member ministerial panel investigating the "illegal" cutting of "1,100 trees" in southern ridge is likely to visit the spot before finalising its report.

The panel, comprising ministers Saurabh Bharadwaj, Atishi and Imran Hussain, was formed by environment minister Gopal Rai to fix responsibility on how the trees were cut without the approval of the Supreme Court.

Reiterating its charges that BJP and LG were behind the illegal cutting of trees, AAP on Saturday challenged the saffron party to show documents proving that permission for felling 1,100 trees had been obtained. "If BJP has the documents of permission to fell trees in the ridge area, it should present it in the Supreme Court. The LG got thousands of trees cut in the ridge area without taking permission from the Supreme Court," AAP's chief spokesperson Priyanka Kakkar said.

"BJP is showing a false document to say that these trees were felled on the orders of CM Kejriwal," she alleged.

Delhi BJP spokesperson Praveen Shankar Kapoor alleged the documents clearly proved that the chief minister not only approved the proposal to cut trees but also forced the LG to sign it by mentioning on the file that he was "bound by the aid and advice" of govt on the matter. "The AAP govt cannot run away from its responsibility," Kapoor said.





Monsoon In, Steps Needed To Tackle Dengue In Focus

Schools Must Ensure Kids Wear Full Sleeves: Bharadwaj

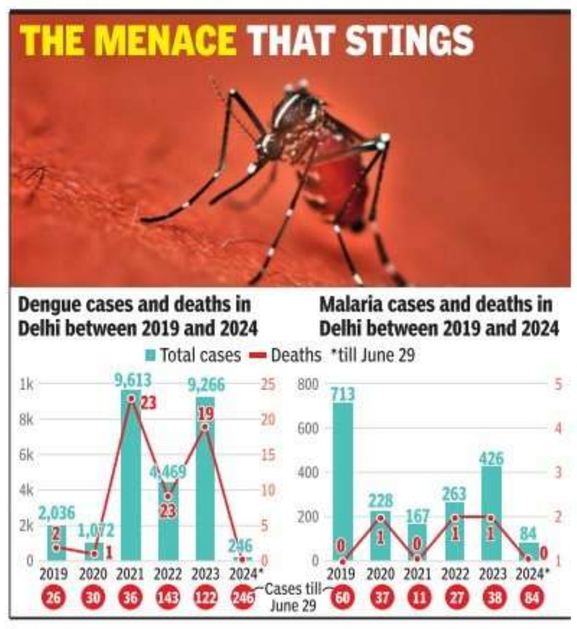
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New Delhi: Health minister Saurabh Bharadwaj has directed the education department for adequate surveillance to ensure that private schools in the city adhere to the guidelines mandating full-sleeve clothing for students during the dengue season.

Bharadwaj issued the directions while chairing a meeting of various departments late on Friday to assess preparedness to tackle dengue and other vector-borne cases during the monsoon.

The directorate of education (DoE) said an advisory was issued in May while another had been planned in the second week of July. All schools have already been asked to instruct students to wear full sleeves, said officials. It has also instructed schools to organise parent-teacher meetings in the last week of July to talk about the precautionary measures related to dengue and malaria, officials said.

Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS) reported that 40 lakh pamphlets had been centrally printed and were ready for distribution among the public to raise awareness about dengue prevention measures.



The ASHA workers have also undergone sensitisation training. DGHS informed the minister that a radio jingle was being readied and expected to be aired soon, reaching a wide audience and reinforcing the importance of dengue prevention.

DGHS also highlighted that the genome sequencing of dengue samples had been intensified. This step will provide valuable insights into the circulating dengue strains and aid in understanding the disease's epidemiology, contributing to the development of targeted control measures.

Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) informed the health minister that "all schools under MCD are providing kids with dengue home work cards". MCD has also stepped up efforts to identify and eliminate mosquito breeding sites. Civic officials spoke about the common areas under various departments where mosquito breeding was frequently discovered.

While DoE announced that a dengue homework card would be distributed among students, New Delhi Municipal Council also apprised the minister about the issuance of an advisory and dengue homework cards. Bharadwaj has asked all authorities to develop a system to verify the completion of dengue homework cards.

The minister instructed Delhi Urban Shelter Improvement Board (DUSIB) to inspect JJ clusters to prevent mosquito breeding. DUSIB officials reported that they were consistently monitoring the situation and had also deployed pumps to remove standing water.

Delhi State Industrial and Infrastructure Development Corporation (DSIIDC) was asked to ensure regular inspections in the areas under their jurisdiction. DSIIDC officials said contractors had been directed to prevent water accumulation in the working areas and educate the labourers about preventive measures.

Bharadwaj asked the special secretary (health) to invite police and Cantonment Board to the next meeting.

50 Bengaluru-Delhi flyers get stuck at Pune airport

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Pune: About 50 passengers flying from Bengaluru to Delhi via Pune in connecting flights of Air India Express on Friday late evening had to withstand a delay of over eight hours, besides confusion at the city airport.

The flyers missed their connecting flight from Pune to Delhi (IX-736) because the Bengaluru-Pune flight (IX-974) was delayed by around three hours. They were subsequently issued boarding passes of an AIX Connect flight, scheduled to fly for Delhi at 6.40am on Saturday. The hassled passengers' Pune-Delhi flight finally took off at 7.40am, after they spent the night at the airport.

TOI sent a message to the airline's spokesperson to know the reason behind the flyers' ordeal. The reply was awaited till going to press.

Prashant Kumar, one of the passengers, told **TOI**, "What is the use of buying so costly tickets if planes tend to get delayed like trains... I reached Delhi only at 11am."

50-yr-old ASI stabbed, robbed

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: A 50-year-old assistant sub-inspector (ASI) has been stabbed and robbed in northwest Delhi's Wazirpur area. No arrest has been made in the case so far, police said

The incident occurred on July 1 when ASI Rameshwar, posted at the first battalion of Delhi Police, was waiting at the bus stand at around 4.30 am. "I left my house for my duty at Nigam Centre in Wazirabad. I walked to the bus stop, opposite a school, and was waiting for the bus. Three boys were loitering around there," the complainant told police.

At around 4.50 am, the boys approached him and demanded that he hand over his belongings. "When I refused, they started manhandling me. I tried to run away, but one of the boys pulled out a knife and caught me after some distance. He attacked me with the knife, and I fell to the ground. The boys forcibly took my black-coloured purse from my pocket and ran away. My purse contained Rs 700, my ID card, a photocopy of my Aadhaar card, and other documents," the complainant said.

He then told an e-rickshaw driver there that he was a police officer and asked him to take him to the hospital. "He took me in his e-rickshaw to the hospital, where I was treated. I could not give my statement then due to severe pain and discomfort," he said, adding that he was referred to another hospital where he was undergoing treatment.

A case has been registered under sections (6), (3) and (5) in 309 (robbery) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita at Bharat Nagar police station, police added.

Bibhav custody now till July 16

New Delhi: A Delhi court on Saturday extended the judicial custody of Bibhav Kumar, chief minister Arvind Kejriwal's aide, till July 16.

Kumar was produced through video conferencing before the court of metropolitan magistrate Gaurav Goyal.

He has been accused of assaulting Rajya Sabha member Swati Maliwal when she had gone to meet chief minister Arvind Kejriwal at his residence on May 13.

Kumar was arrested on May 18. His first regular bail plea was rejected by the trial court on May 27. TNN

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
PWD TENDER NOTICE
The E.E. South 24 Pgs. Divn., Social Sector, P.W. Dte. invites online e-tender for the works of "Repair, Renovation and Upgradation of Doctors Quarters as per modalities framed in the NDT report at Amtala Rural Hospital, South 24 Parganas. RN – 23002207." Estimated amount put to Tender: Rs. 76,79,008.00, eNIT No. 03/EE/SOUTH 24 PGS/SS/PWDTE OF 2024-2025, Tender ID : 2024_WBPWD_706602_1. Bid submission Start Date (online): 09.07.2024 at 2.00 P.M. Bid Submission Closing Date (online): 24.07.2024 upto 2.00 P.M. Corrigendum if any will be published in the website only. Details of N.I.T. and Tender Documents may be downloaded from www.wbtender.gov.in Sd/- EE S24P SS PWD ICA-T10719(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
NOTICE INVITING TENDER
Bid reference no.:- SBHI/Tender/2020/ Part-II/116; Dated – 14/06/2024
Tender for finalization of hiring outsourced manpower to be deployed for complete automation of Birth & Death Registration System in West Bengal. Last date of submission of bid (online)- 30/07/2024 at 10.00 A.M. The tender document can be downloaded from www.wbtenders.gov.in on or after 05.07.2024 at 10.00 A.M. Clarification requests, if any may be sent to - director.sbhi628@gmail.com Sd/- General Manager, WBMSCL ICA-T10694(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER
NIeT No. CMOH/CBR/2918 dated 01/07/2024
Sealed e-tenders are invited for Security Service at different health facility under CMOH, Cooch Behar. For more details contact CMOH office/ visit https://wbtenders.gov.in and www.wbhealth.gov.in Sd/- CMOH, Cooch-Behar. ICA-T10685(4)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER
NIeT No. CMOH/CBR/2919 dated 01/07/2024
Sealed e-tenders are invited for Cleaning and Housekeeping Service at different health facility under CMOH, Cooch Behar. For more details contact CMOH office/ visit https://wbtenders.gov.in and www.wbhealth.gov.in Sd/- CMOH, Cooch-Behar. ICA-T10684(4)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER
"NIeT No. CMOH/CBR/2947/24 dated 02/07/2024. Sealed e-tenders are invited for providing 1 (one) driver of Food Safety Wheel at at CMOH office, Cooch Behar. For more details contact CMOH office/ visit https://wbtenders.gov.in and www.wbhealth.gov.in Sd/- CMOH, Cooch-Behar ICA-T10686(2)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
NOTICE INVITING TENDER
Bid ref. no. WBMSCL/NIT-400/2024, Dated - 03/07/2024
West Bengal Medical Services Corporation Ltd. is inviting online bids for "Construction of New Bore-well at Borjora SSH, Bankura 2nd call." Last date of submission of bid (online) - 15/07/2024 up to 4:00 P.M. The tender document can be downloaded from www.wbmsc.gov.in and www.wbtenders.gov.in on or after 08/07/2024 at 03.00 P.M. Clarification requests, if any may be sent to eewbmscl.krishnajit@gmail.com Sd/- Managing Director, WBMSCL & Special Commissioner, H&FWD, Govt. of West Bengal ICA-T10692(2)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
NOTICE INVITING TENDER
Bid ref. no. WBMSCL/NIT-402/2024, Dated – 03/07/2024
Supply & Delivery of Electrical Maintenance materials for fixing to entire electrical installations at Kakdwip Super Speciality Hospital, Kakdwip, South 24 PGS. Last date of submission of bid (online)-15.07.2024 up to 03:00 P.M. The tender document can be downloaded from www.wbmsc.gov.in and www.wbtenders.gov.in on or after 05.07.2024 at 05.00 P.M. request for clarification, if any, may be sent to cpec@wbmsc.gov.in Sd/- Managing Director WBMSCL & Senior Special Secretary to the Govt. of W.B.Health & Family Welfare Department ICA-T10693(2)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
NOTICE INVITING TENDER
Bid ref. no. WBMSCL/NIT-399/2024; Dated - 03/07/2024
SITC of NVR & HDD System at Different location of WB. Last date of submission of bid (online)- 15/07/2024 at 04.00 P.M. The tender document can be downloaded from www.wbtenders.gov.in on or after 04.07.2024 at 01.00 P.M. Clarification requests, if any may be sent to mit@wbmsc.gov.in Sd/- General Manager, WBMSCL ICA-T10690(2)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER
"NIeT No. CMOH/CBR/2946/24 dated 02/07/2024 Sealed e-tenders are invited for providing 1 (one) Analyst for Food Safety Wheel at CMOH Office, Cooch Behar. For more details contact CMOH office/ visit https://wbtenders.gov.in and www.wbhealth.gov.in Sd/- CMOH, Cooch-Behar ICA-T10687(2)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
NOTICE INVITING TENDER
Bid ref. no. WBMSCL/NIT-397/2024; Dated - 02/07/2024
SITC of CCTV & AEBA System at Chittaranjan Seva Sadan at Kolkata. Last date of submission of bid (online)-22/07/2024 at 04.00 P.M. The tender document can be downloaded from www.wbtenders.gov.in on or after 03.07.2024 at 01.00 P.M. Clarification requests, if any may be sent to mit@wbmsc.gov.in Sd/- General Manager, WBMSCL ICA-T10691(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
TENDER NOTICE
The CMOH & Member Secretary, DH&FWS, Alipurduar Invites Notice Inviting e-Tender for Hiring of 02 no four-wheeler vehicles for CMOH Office vide memo no- CMOH/APD/No.2513 dt:02/07/2024 1) Dy.CMOH-1 Section e-tender id: 2024_HFW_705260_1 2) Dy.CMOH-4 Section e-tender id: 2024_HFW_705260_2. For details website https://wbtenders.gov.in http://alipurduar.gov.in, https://www.wbhealth.gov.in Sd/- CMOH, Alipurduar ICA-T10688(2)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
CORRIGENDUM NOTICE
SE/RCFA, Housing Dte. some changes made for 4nos. e-NIT due to Administrative reasons. Ref. no. & T/ID i) WBHOUSING/ SERCFAe-NIT 01_2024–2025, ID-2024_HSD_690342_1 , ii) WBHOUSING/ SERCFAe-NIT 01_5th CALL_ 2023–2024, ID-2024_HSD_690095_1, iii) WBHOUSING/ SERCFAe-NIT 02_5th CALL_ 2023–2024, ID-2024_HSD_690274_1 and iv)WBHOUSING/ SERCFAe-NIT 04_5th CALL_ 2023–2024. ID-2024_HSD_690390_1. Documents download /sell end date (Online) and Date of submission closing (online) will be 18/07/2024 upto 3.00 pm in place of 03/07/2024 upto 3.00pm. Detail inf./download/upload will be available from the website http://www.wbtenders.gov.in. ICA-T10709(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER
NOTICE No- AGRI/BDN/DDA (ADMN)/ ENIT-01/2024-25
Tender ID: 2024_DOA_705087
The Deputy Director of Agriculture (Admn), Purba Bardhaman invites on line **Item rate** bids in two bids system for the **Supply of PP chemicals, Micronutrients, Herbicide and Gypsum for different schemes at different block office in the district of Purba Bardhaman.** The bid forms and other details can be obtained from website: **wbtenders.gov.in** Documents download start date **03/07/2024 on 5.00 P.M.** and bids submission closing online date **25/07/2024 on 6.00 P.M. Sd/- N.C.Maity, Deputy Director of Agriculture (Administration), Purba Bardhaman.** ICA-T10708(2)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
PWD TENDER NOTICE
EE, CED, P.W.Dte. invite online e-tender for the work of, **(i)** "Rectification & renovation of existing fire prone electrical works in the RECORD ROOM under District Court, Cooch Behar------El work." Bid submission Start Date (online): 04.07.2024, Bid submission Closing Date (online): 15.07.2024 upto 01.00 p.m. Corrigendum if any will be published in website only. Details of NIQ and tender documents may be downloaded from https://wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- E.E., CED, P.W.D., GOVT. OF W.B. ICA-T10718(2)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
e-TENDER NOTICE
e-Tenders are invited by the Executive Engineer, South 24-Pgs. W/S Division-I, PHE Dte. vide Ref. No. 65/2023-2024/EE/SWD-I/WBPHED/2nd call and ID: 2024_PHED_696974_1 to 2 for works Construction of Platform for providing FHTC for Ground Water Based for different PWSS in Baruipur blocks under SWD-I, PHE Dte. Details will be available in the website http://wbtenders.gov.in The last date for submission of tender is 10.07.2024 upto 3.00 P.M. Sd/- for Executive Engineer, South 24-Pgs. W/S Division-I, P.H.E. Dte. ICA-T10721(3)/2024

The West Bengal Power Development Corporation Limited
(A Govt. of West Bengal Enterprise)
Corporate Identity No. U40104WB1985SGC039154
Sagardighi Thermal Power Project
P.O. Monigram, P.S. Sagardighi, Dist. - Murshidabad, Pin - 742237
Notice Inviting E-Tender
Ref. No.: WBPDCL / Tend-Adv/24-25/SgTPP/CC- 1995 Date: 04.07.2024
NIT No.: WBPDCL /SGTPP/NIT/ E3007/24-25 Dated : 26.06.2024
E-Tenders in prescribed format are invited at https://wbtenders.gov.in by the General Manager, SgTPP, WBPDCL from eligible Agencies/ Companies in three (03) Part bid system for **"Servicing & Seal Replacement Work of different Gates & Dampers of APH, SCAPH, ESP, Fan & Mill during Overhauling of Unit-4 (500 MW) SgTPP, WBPDCL Scheduled in May'24". Tender Document Download Start Date:** 08.07.2024 at 10:00 hrs. **Bid Submission End Date:** 30.07.2024 at 15:00 hrs. **Contact Person:** Mr. Manas Mallick, AGM (M&C). **Mobile:** 8336903847. **E-mail:** m.mallick@wbpdcl.co.in For details please visit: **https://wbtenders.gov.in** ICA-T10700(2)/2024

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Notice Inviting E-Tender
Ref. No.: WBPDCL / Tend-Adv/24-25/SgTPP/CC- 1996 Date: 04.07.2024
NIT No.: WBPDCL /SGTPP/NIT/ E3005/24-25 Dated : 26.06.2024
E-Tenders in prescribed format are invited at https://wbtenders.gov.in by the General Manager, SgTPP, WBPDCL from eligible Agencies/ Companies in three (03) Part bid system for **"Overhauling of Boiler Pressure parts etc. for Boiler efficiency improvement of Unit #4 SgTPP in May 2024". Tender Document Download Start Date:** 08.07.2024 at 10:00 hrs. **Bid Submission End Date:** 30.07.2024 at 15:00 hrs. **Contact Person:** Mr. Manas Mallick, AGM (M&C). **Mobile:** 8336903847. **E-mail:** m.mallick@wbpdcl.co.in For details please visit: **https://wbtenders.gov.in** ICA-T10701(2)/2024

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NIT No.: WBPDCL /SGTPP/NIT/ E2925/24-25 Dated : 03.05.2024
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The West Bengal Power Development Corporation Limited
(A Govt. of West Bengal Enterprise)
Corporate Identity No. U40104WB1985SGC039154
Santaldih Thermal Power Station
P.O. Santaldih Thermal Plant, Dist. - Purulia, Pin - 723146
Notice Inviting E-Tender
Ref. No.: WBPDCL / Tend-Adv/24-25/STPS/CC -1993 Date: 04.07.2024
NIT No.: WBPDCL /STPS/NIT/E3611/24-25
E-Tenders in prescribed format are invited at https://wbtenders.gov.inby the General Manager, STPS, WBPDCL from eligible Agencies/Companies in 2 Part bid system for **"Procurement of Various types Extinguisher under F&S Dept., STPS". Tender Document Download Start Date:** 08.07.2024 at 15:00 hrs. **Bid Submission End Date:** 18.07.2024 at 14:00 hrs. **Contact Person:** Mr. D. Biswas, Senior Manager (Purchase), STPS. **Mobile No.:** 8336904045. **E-mail:** dbiswas@wbpdcl.co.in For details please visit: **https://wbtenders.gov.in** ICA-T10698(3)/2024

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Notice Inviting E-Tender
Ref. No.: WBPDCL / Tend-Adv/24-25/SgTPP/CC- 1998 Date: 04.07.2024
NIT No.: WBPDCL /SGTPP/NIT/ E3006/24-25 Dated : 26.06.2024
E-Tenders in prescribed format are invited at https://wbtenders.gov.in by the General Manager, SgTPP, WBPDCL from eligible Agencies/Companies in three (03) Part bid system for **"Complete Servicing of Rotaty Air Pre Heaters during upcoming Unit-4 Overhauling at SgTPP, WBPDCL in May 2024". Tender Document Download Start Date:** 08.07.2024 at 10:00 hrs. **Bid Submission End Date:** 30.07.2024 at 15:00 hrs. **Contact Person:** Mr. Manas Mallick, AGM (M&C). **Mobile:** 8336903847. **E-mail:** m.mallick@wbpdcl.co.in For details please visit: **https://wbtenders.gov.in** ICA-T10703(2)/2024

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Ref. No.: WBPDCL / Tend-Adv/24-25/SgTPP/CC- 1997 Date: 04.07.2024
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GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
TENDER NOTICE
E - tenders of following schemes have been invited by the concerned District TIAs under the Directorate of Fisheries, WB:

Sl. No.	District/ Establishment	Tender Reference No. / NIT No.	Bid Submission Start and End Date	Name of the Work / Scheme
1	GFTS,Junput, Purba Medinipur	WBDOF/ADF/JUNPUT/ NIeT_01/24-25	08.07.2024 & 22.07.2024	Supply of good quality different Fishery Farm inputs under the scheme "Management of Fish Seed Production Unit and cost for carp seed production" at GFTS, Junput, Purba Medinipur."
2.	Nadia	WBDOF/ADF/NADIA/NIT-9(e)/2023-24(3rd Call)	08.07.2024 & 22.07.2024	Construction of Pen, supply of lime, fry, "under the scheme for increased production of IMC along with indigeneous local fish species in Beel, Baors/Dighi through pen culture activities.

Other details may also be seen at https://wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- Director of Fisheries, West Bengal ICA-T10689(3)/2024

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Directorate of Industries
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2) Paint and Varnish Technology (Operatives') Course
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Last Date of receipt of application will be one month from the date of publication of this notification.
Director of Industries
West Bengal
ICA-N298(3)/2024

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Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health, Nadia
E-Tender Notice
E-tender for supply of food items for various meetings/officials programmes under CMOH Office, Nadia vide Memo No. CMOH-NAD/3444, dated-04.07.2024. For E-Tender Process, please visit www.wbtenders.gov.in, www.wbhealth.gov.in and www.nadia.nic.in from 08/07/2024 ICA-T10695(2)/2024

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e-TENDER NOTICE
e-Tenders are invited by the Executive Engineer, South 24-Pgs. W/S Division-I, PHE Dte. Vide Ref. No. 05/2024-2025/EE/SWD-I/WBPHED and ID: 2024_PHED_701481_1 to 7 for Rig Ground bored Tubewell, Laying pipeline, Construction of control room, for different PWSS in different blocks under SWD-I, PHE Dte. Details will be available in the website http://wbtenders.gov.in The last date for submission of tender is 19.07.2024 upto 3.00 P.M. Sd/- for Executive Engineer, South 24-Pgs. W/S Division-I, P.H.E. Dte. ICA-T10725(3)/2024

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Re-Tender Notice for Hiring of Vehicle (3rd Call), DMGMCH, Purulia
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e-TENDER NOTICE
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PWD TENDER NOTICE
Superintending Engineer, P.W.D., Southern Electrical Circle invites online e-Tender for the work :- Construction of CEmOC Centre - Electrical Installation work at L.B. Dutta RH, South 24 Parganas - Internal Electrification Works. NIT No: WBPWD/SESEC/eNIT-02/2024-2025. Tender Id: 2024_WBPWD_706107_1. Bid Submission Closing date (Online): 25/07/2024. Corrigendum if any will be published in the departmental website only. Details of NIT & tender documents may be downloaded from http://wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- Superintending Engineer, P.W.D., Southern Electrical Circle. ICA-T10711(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
e-TENDER NOTICE
e-Tender invited by the Executive Engineer, Tamluk Division, P.H.E. Dte. Vide No. WBPHED/EE/TD/NIeT_02/2024-2025 [2nd Call] (Sl No. 01 to 02) and Tender ID : 2024_PHED_699017_1 to 2024_PHED_699017_2 of works shown in the NIeT. Bid Submission end date: 05.07.2024 at 14:00 P.M. Corrigendum if any will be published in website only. All details can be obtained from the website - https://wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- Executive Engineer, Tamluk Division, PHE Directorate. ICA-T10728(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
e-TENDER NOTICE
e-Tenders are invited by the Executive Engineer, South 24-Pgs. W/S Division-I, PHE Dte. vide Ref. No. 67/2023-2024/EE/SWD-I/WBPHED/2nd call and ID: 2024_PHED_697684_1 to 2 for works Construction of Platform for providing FHTC for Ground Water Based for different PWSS in Mograhat-II blocks under SWD-I, PHE Dte. Details will be available in the website http://wbtenders.gov.in The last date for submission of tender is 12.07.2024 upto 3.00 P.M. Sd/- for Executive Engineer, South 24-Pgs. W/S Division-I, P.H.E. Dte. ICA-T10723(3)/2024

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
Directorate of Agriculture, Govt. of West Bengal
Office of the Deputy Director of Agriculture(Admin), Hooghly.
ABRIDGED TENDER NOTICE
N.I.E.T. No- 01/2024-25
An e-Tender is invited by the undersigned from bonafide and experienced authorized agencies for supply of Pesticides & Micronutrients at different block of Hooghly District, under DDA(Admin) Hooghly under RKVY-RAAFTAR & NFSM during 2024-25. Tender No.: WB/Hooghly/DDA(ADMIN)/NIET-01/2024-25. Tender ID: 2024_DOA_705054_1, 2024_DOA_705054_2.....serially upto 2024_DOA_705054_7 (Total 7 no. of supply work). The last date of Bid submission for the above e-tender is 22.07.2024 at 12:00 Noon. The details may be obtained from www.wbtenders.gov.in For further details and any clarifications please contact office of the Deputy Director of Agriculture (Admin.), Hooghly. **Sd/- M. Mardanya, DDA(Admin), Hooghly, Chinsurah, Hooghly.** ICA-T10706(3)/2024

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DU grad among 11 arrested for loan scam

Noida: A gang offering fake bank loans and insurance policies was busted with the arrest of a commerce graduate from DU and 10 others from a fake call centre operating out of a one-room office at a local market in Sector 51, police said.

Ashish Kumar alias Amit, the brain behind the racket, told cops that he was a BCom graduate and sold life insurance policies with co-accused Jitendra Kumar Verma alias Abhishek since 2019.

"The two men connived to set up the fake call centre and cheat people living outside NCR by selling them fake insurance and loans," DCP (crime) Shakti Avasthy said. TNN

House Taller Than 15m? Fire NOC Must

Discoms Can Also Cut Supply Immediately If Demolition Has Been Ordered: DERC

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New Delhi: With a spate in the number of fires in the last few years, the Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (DERC) has decided to make no objection certificate (NOC) from the fire department mandatory for all residential buildings taller than 15 metre.

The DERC has also proposed to give power distribution companies the authority to immediately disconnect the supply without waiting for any legal order if a building is going to be demolished by a civic agency.

Officials said that DERC has proposed to amend certain provisions of the supply code and performance standards to make the fire NOC mandatory. The power regulator has published the draft Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (Supply Code and Performance Standards) (Sixth Amendment) Regulations, 2024 and has sought suggestions and objections from public and stakeholders. The regulations will be amended after considering the suggestions.

As per the draft regulations, electricity connection will not be provided unless the fire NOC from the competent authority has been obtained and produced before the power discom in case a dwelling unit is above the height of 15 metres without stilt parking, or is above the height of 17.5 metres with stilt parking.

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"Fire NOC has always been a part of the process before giving connections. It is just that the provision was not a part of the regulation. Now, with the DERC making changes in the supply code and performance schedule, the rule will be followed strictly, and no connection will be issued unless the condition of the NOC from the fire department is met," said a discom official.

There has been a spurt in the incidents of fire due to short circuits in residential units in the past few years. Delhi Fire Services' director Atul Garg said that in 70% of residential fire cases, the cause was found to be a short circuit and added that there is a lack of fire safety arrangements. "Most residential buildings are less than 15 metres tall, so they don't require a fire NOC," Garg said.

Officials, however, agree that a large number of houses in both planned localities and unauthorised colonies had been redeveloped into builder flats, which, sometimes, have more than 4-5 floors, but no provision for fire-fighting system in case of an exigency. While the fire department insists on having an emergency exit, provision for fire extinguishers and easy access to terrace and open areas, such directions are rarely followed. "Sometimes, how the builders manage the fire NOC is also questionable," said a power department official.

Modi, Mallika add charm to aam event at Dilli Haat

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At the 33rd Mango Festival, enthusiastic participants took up the challenge of consuming 3kg of mango pulp in just three minutes

New Delhi: Intrigued by her children's chatter about the 700 varieties of mango on show at Dilli Haat in Janakpuri, Savita, brimming with curiosity, decided to explore the festival first-hand. She later exclaimed to **TOI**, "I was taken aback because I had thought there couldn't be too many apart from the ones I've grown up with in Delhi, but there were countless mangoes as far as I could see, each with a different name label."

And since the pulpy fruit is meant for eating, the 33rd Mango Festival buzzed with excitement over its signature event: the mango eating competition. Enthusiastic participants took up the challenge of consuming 3kg of mango pulp in a mere three minutes. It was a race against time and taste buds.

There were mangoes of every imaginable shape, colour and size — from tiny-as-grapes type to massive-as-papaya variety. Among the unique varieties were Neelam, Kalmi, Amrapali, Barfila, Chatterjee, Himsagar, Husnara, Gulab Jamun and Nawab Pasand. Visitors were particularly drawn to the quirky and amusing names given to some of those on show: Modi Mango and Mallika, Sensation and Barfila, among others. These added to the festival's charm.

Dr Kanhaiya Singh, scientist at the Indian Agricultural Research Institute, Pusa Road, shared with TOI the story behind his lifelong commitment to studying mangoes. "Growing up in Banaras in Uttar Pradesh, I developed a deep fondness for Langra mangoes," he said. "I always yearned to unravel the mysteries of their cultivation and delve into the intricate science behind each unique mango variety. Now, after more than three decades in this field, I can honestly say I did find my calling. I am privileged to pursue my passion for mangoes, studying what I have loved since childhood and turning it into my life's work."

The mangoes on display had arrived from across India: Dussehri from Lucknow, Alphonso from Maharashtra, Totapuri from Karnataka, Kesar from Gujarat, and Bombay Green, Langra and Chausa from different regions of Uttar Pradesh. There were hundreds of others too.

Javed Amin, a farmer from Malda in West Bengal, has been farming for 25 years. He shared, "This Chatterjee mango you see here is named after Vishwanath Chatterjee, who researched and created it. Every single mango here has a story. I've been showcasing my mangoes in agricultural exhibitions across India, competing for awards and proudly showing off the honours I have received to fellow mango growers at home."

There were also competitions among mango sellers featuring categories such as biggest mango, heaviest mango and other superlative aspects.

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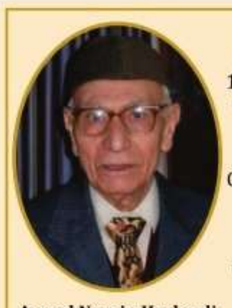
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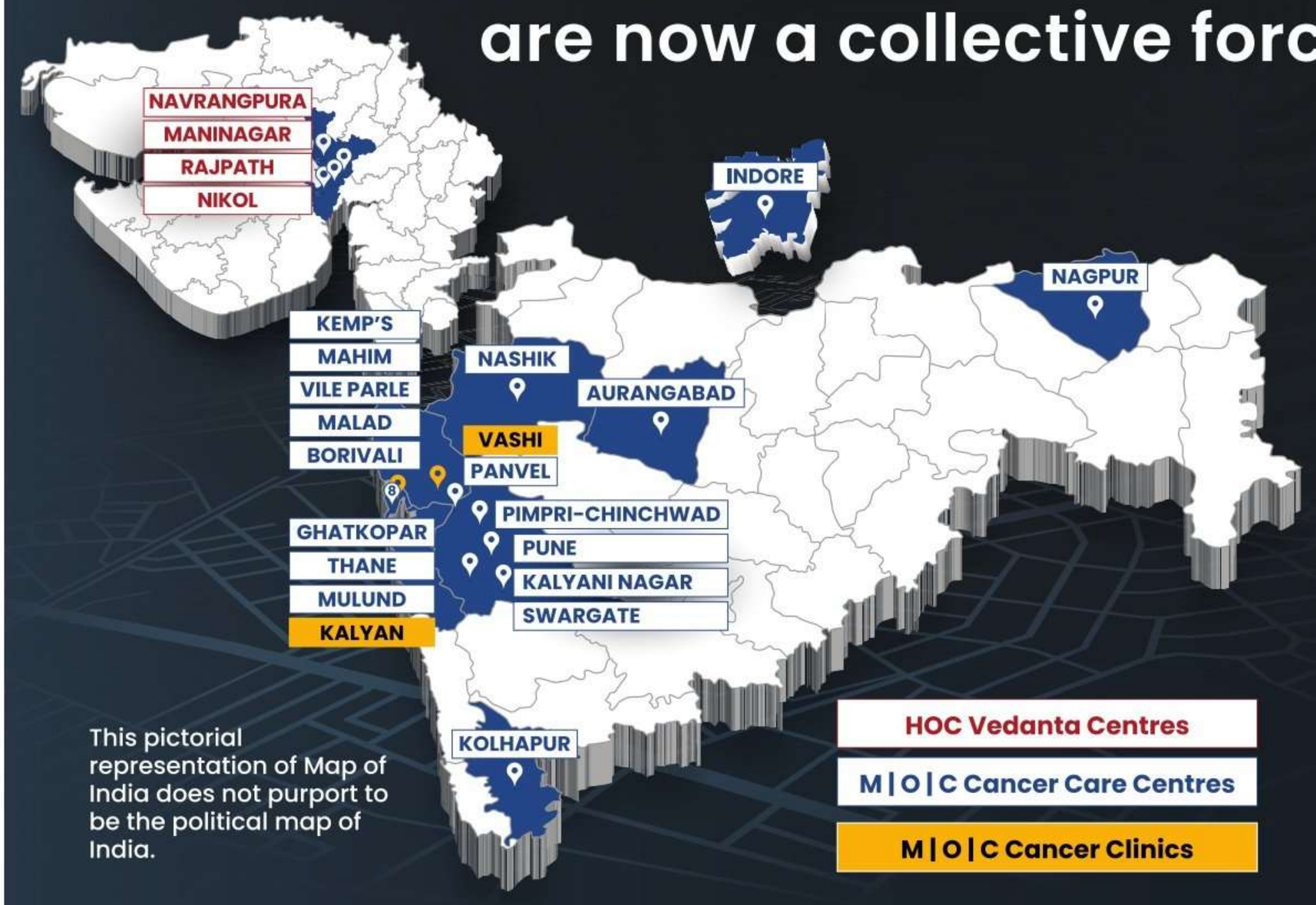
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'Parental approval should not be end goal. Give yourself some credit'

*To help readers cope with their anxieties in these stressful times, TOI has launched **Talk it Out**, a series in which expert counsellors answer your mental health queries. This week's advice is from psychologist **Dr Rachel Jayaseelan***

I am an 18-year-old living in a dysfunctional family. My mother has always hated me for no reason whatsoever. No matter how hard I try, she never seems to be impressed. My father is irresponsible and sort of an alcoholic. My parents don't get along with each other and fight over unnecessary matters — leaving me with a traumatic childhood, teenage and now adulthood. After my 12th boards, I told my parents I wanted to pursue design. They got me into coaching to prepare for NID which was my dream. But after two months, they abruptly asked me to quit as they didn't want me to live in a different state. This gave me a lot of trauma and anxiety and I can't seem to forget that and move on. All my peers got into top-notch design schools while I, facing the repercussions of an abusive household, settled to start my design journey from a private university. Being a top scorer in my first year of university also didn't help restore my self respect in the eyes of my parents. All this has given me severe depression and an inferiority complex. Please help.

— Anonymous



The fact that you still aspire to do something worthwhile in your life, despite the family environment, is commendable. There is a quote: 'Your trauma is not your fault, but healing is your responsibility.' Focus on your strengths and this drive to do something to build your resilience. Establish a good support network via friends, classmates and even teachers. Connect with your university counsellor and the faculty who can help you plan your future in the design field, and even help you with effective coping strategies. In India especially, there are plenty of opportunities to switch specializations and fields and thrive at any time. I understand there may be a need for approval and respect from parents, but do not keep that as the end goal. Love and credit yourself for how much you have achieved (top scorer!) against all odds. Find safe spaces where you can be more relaxed and focused. This could be a relative's or a friend's house, the library, etc. The victim state can often lead to us spiralling down a dark path of self-pity and helplessness. Challenge yourself to do the best you can. Your best resource is you!

I am an 18-year-old NEET aspirant. I took a gap year to give my best and qualify but my mental state is destroyed. My mind is blank most of the time. Even when my teacher explains something, it's like I can't hear him/her. When I see my classmates tackling questions seamlessly, it terrifies me. Even while talking to someone, I forget the topic mid-conversation. Added to that, I am in a state of constant sadness and I feel tired all the time. This feeling of loneliness started during the lockdown in 2020-21, and it never went away completely. I was a bright student before the lockdown started but not anymore. I feel broken and empty for no reason. Please help me get out of this situation.

— Anonymous

It is not uncommon to experience stress and anxiety while preparing for a competitive exam. It looks like you could be experiencing burnout. This is especially a time when you need to be gentle with yourself. Pushing yourself harder, and being critical of yourself seems quite harsh. Instead, be kind to yourself. Take a few days off (guilt-free) to relax and rest. You can even use these days to plan a realistic study schedule, a check-list that you can start working on after the break. Get plenty of fresh air whenever possible, eat well, stay hydrated, exercise and sleep at a reasonable time. Take some time out to meet some friends. In isolation, it is easier for our fears to defeat us. Talk to your parents or a trusted adult about how you feel. Do little things every week that can make you happy, and something you will look forward to. It helps to keep a plan B, as having one doesn't necessarily mean you aren't serious about NEET. You are more than what the results of an exam can tell you.

I am a 16-year-old boy from a joint family. I am in class 10 now and my family members want good grades. But they want me to study the whole day instead of following my passion and hobbies, which has left me very depressed. I want to be a musician in the future, so I practice the drums 3-4 hours a day. But my parents and other family members don't like it. They grumble the whole day and threaten to stop my music classes. I want to follow my hobby and study too but my grades were very poor in the last exam. Please advise on what I should do.

— Anonymous

I know it can be quite disheartening to feel unsupported by your own family. However, consider this – basic education will put you in a place where you have more control over your choices. Don't lose hope. Music and academia can co-exist in your life. When you speak to them, address them calmly with well-researched information on a projected career path. Maybe what they don't see is how music can be a career. Don't we also reject anything new and unfamiliar? Often, as we grow older, personalities and interests may change. Give it some time – participate in whatever opportunities come your way to showcase your talent. Gain your parents' trust by getting organised in other areas. Keep your room clean, get your homework done, and take up sports and other extracurricular interests you like. Grade 10 is one such period that may require you to focus a little more on academics. Stay committed to your interest by practising but also showing your parents that you are realistic about making your future secure by getting a good education first. Do not hesitate to request additional help/tuition if that can make certain subjects less challenging. If music is your passion, you will surely find a way to make it a part of your life in the future.

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A year after violence, outfits to hold yatra in Nuh this year too

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Gurgaon: Hindu outfits have said they will bring out their annual Brajmandal Shobha Yatra in Nuh this year too, leading to concern about law and order as the state heads into assembly elections later this year.

Violence had erupted during last year's yatra on July 31, triggering riots across several south Haryana districts and claiming seven lives, including those of two homeguards. Around 90 people were injured in the clashes.

Officials said they had received no intimation about any such yatra in Nuh this year. However, members of Vishwa Hindu Parishad and Bajrang Dal claimed they were mobilising supporters from all 22 districts of the state for the procession, which is likely to be taken out on July 22.

"This year, the yatra will be organised on Monday, July 22, under the guidance of sadhus and religious leaders of various Hindu organisations," said Rajkumar Garg of Agrawal Mahasabha Nuh.

Anurag Kulshrestha, the VHP social media head in the state, insisted the procession would be a "purely religious and non-political" event. "It will be led by sadhus, who will focus on the spiritual significance of the yatra. We will ensure it remains peaceful and devotional," he added.

According to Kulshrestha, around 15,000 people are likely to participate in the rally. There will be volunteers to guard the walkers this year, Kulshrestha said. During last year's yatra, participants were pelted with stones, which sparked the violence.

Nuh DC Dhirendra Khadgata said nobody had written to the authorities seeking permission for the march. Police chief Vijay Pratap said no permission had been given for any yatra.

Nuh legislator Aftab Ahmed of Congress said, "I am worried because of last year's violence. The district administration and police must look into all aspects of law and order."

HC allows woman to medically terminate 30-week pregnancy

New Delhi: Delhi High Court has allowed a 31-year-old woman to undergo medical termination of her pregnancy of around 30 weeks after the foetus was found to have a neuro-developmental disorder.

The court, in an order passed on Friday, said the law ensures that women are not compelled to carry such pregnancies to term where the child would be born with severe abnormalities.

In view of a report given by a board of doctors from AIIMS, the court observed that the diagnosis indicated that the child, if born, would likely face severe neurological impairments and extensive health challenges on account of 'Joubert Syndrome'. PTI

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2	Display of short-listed candidates for counselling	14.07.2024
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6	Executive Trainee (Law)-M2	04
7	Executive Trainee (Finance)-M2	07
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E-tender is hereby invited in percentage of rate basis (below/at par/above) in Two Cover System (E-procurement) for **Fishery (Fingerlings) Units to be undertaken as Fisheries in pond/ site specific activities on cluster basis** under **Rainfed Area Development (RAD)** RKVY 2024-25 of Coochbehar District on watershed basis from resourceful & bonafide agencies. Last date of application for tender papers is 11/07/2024 14:00 Hrs. For Details, please visit the site or office of the Asstt. DA (Admn.), Soil Cons, Coochbehar. Sd/- Director of Agriculture, West Bengal. ICA-T10707(2)/2024

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GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
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DPCC Team Inspects Condition Of Machhliwala Talab, NGT To Hear Matter Next On July 8

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Delhi Pollution Control Committee has submitted a report to the National Green Tribunal on the condition of Machhliwala Talab in Smriti Van in south Delhi's Vasant Kunj. On April 19, TOI had pointed out how the pond had been failing on several pollution parameters in the tests conducted by Delhi Jal Board.

On the direction of NGT, DPCC visited the waterbody. In its report of July 2, it said, "Delhi Jal Board submitted its response on 14.05.2024, in which it confirmed that the sewage treatment plant installed in Smriti Van Park, Vasant Kunj, is now functional after carrying out routine yearly maintenance. DJB also stated that it had no role in matters related to maintenance of Machhliwala Talab. DJB has not submitted the STP's treated effluent analysis report sought by DPCC. Further, a response is also awaited from DDA."

NGT will next hear the matter on July 8.

Spread across about five acres and listed among the 1,045 waterbodies registered with Delhi Wetland Authority, Machhliwala Talab only gets sewage or wastewater. In 2022, after a resident complained about the pollution and foul smell emanating from the pond, a DPCC team inspected the pond and found it filled with dirty water. It said the STP at the site was defunct, its logbook was not maintained and that wastewater from an adjoining locality was being discharged directly into the pond from the drain along with garbage and plastic waste.

File Photo



On April 19, **TOI** pointed out how the pond had been failing on several pollution parameters in the tests conducted by Delhi Jal Board

In Jan this year, the tribunal bench headed by NGT chairperson Justice Prakash Shrivastava noted the lack of maintenance of the Machhliwala Talab. When TOI visited the area in April, the pond was stinking and the water there was polluted as noted by NGT and later by DPCC. The local residents pointed out to **TOI** that the condition of the pond, which used to be a natural pond and very clean, had remained in this deteriorated condition for many years.

Four months later in April, a report assessed by **TOI** indicated a very high faecal coliform level, biochemical oxygen demand and total suspended solids in the pond, confirming its degraded status. The TSS level was 3,026 mg/l, far exceeding the safe limit of 10 mg/l. The coliform level, which indicates the presence of raw sewage and human excreta in the water, was over 2.4 lakh crore units, humongously beyond the permissible limit of 5,000 MPN/100ml (most probable number), rendering its water unfit for any purpose. The BOD level of the pond was 490 mg/l against the acceptable standard of 3mg/l. The report cited the odour of the pond as "sewage smell" and the colour as "black".

Capital celebrates as Dalai Lama turns 89

Piyal Bhattacharjee



People at Majnu Ka Tilla shuttered their shops and gathered in large assemblies to celebrate the auspicious occasion

Aanya Talwar

New Delhi: July 6 is a special day in Majnu Ka Tilla in north Delhi. On Saturday, the whole settlement was decked with balloons and buntings and there was a heady smell of incense in the air. Tibetan spiritual leader Dalai Lama turned 89 years old on the day, and people in Delhi's own mini Tibet shuttered their shops and gathered in large assemblies to celebrate the auspicious occasion.

The Tibetan Children Village School hosted a cultural event to mark the birthday celebrations of the revered leader. They had put up flags and were dolled up in their traditional attire, the chuba. After a special prayer for the health and well-being of the religious leader, the primary students sang the national anthems of Tibet and India.

Prahlad Singh Sawhney, member of the Delhi Assembly and area representative, was the chief guest. He spoke highly of the Dalai Lama and expressed curiosity about Tibetan culture, rapt as he was as the schoolchildren and folk artistes performed the Gorshey dance to traditional songs.

The MLA also listened with interest to the life story of the Dalai Lama as the narrator read out some quotes of the Tibetan leader for the students to learn about the significance of peace and compassion in their lives. One of the sayings of the Dalai Lama that the narrator highlighted was, "Happiness is not something readymade. It comes from our own actions."

Traditional Tibetan delicacies, including dresil (sweet rice) and po cha (butter tea), were served to everyone present, among them the many who had braved the sweltering heat and humidity to travel from different places to express their adoration and reverence for their guru. They recalled how the Dalai Lama continued to promote peace and happiness not only among his own people, but also in the wider global community.

A first in Gzb: Govt cert for trans man post gender surgery

Anjali Singh

Ghaziabad: A 28-year-old transgender man who underwent a gender-affirming surgery was issued a transgender (male) certificate by the social welfare department.

The certificate — the first to be issued after a sex-change surgery in the district — was given following a report from doctors at MMG Hospital.

Transgender certificates, issued under The Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Act, 2020, are nationally recognised and issued by the ministry of social justice & empowerment. The document is important for availing benefits under various central govt schemes.

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District social welfare officer Amarjeet Singh said the certificate has been issued online and a physical certificate will be issued on July 8.

The trans person, who underwent the surgery at AIIMS Delhi in April, applied for the certificate at the chief medical officer's office in May based on an examination report of MMG hospital doctors and a certificate issued by the department of burn and plastic surgery at AIIMS.

Subsequently, CMO Dr Bhavtosh Shankhdhar constituted a board of three doctors — Dr Mahendra Kumar, Dr Sushma Bharti and Dr Alok Ranjan — for a medical examination. After studying the reports, he sent a letter to the administration recommending a transgender (male) certificate be issued to the applicant.

"This is the first certificate to be issued in the district for a transgender (male) post gender-affirmation surgery. For certificates of transgender by birth, one can simply apply on the National Portal of Transgender Persons," Singh said.

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Nit no 02/GEN./2024-25 Date 03.07.2024

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The document can only be purchased online from the above website after making online payment. The starting date for purchase of tender forms and online bid submission is from 09.07.2024 to the last date 29.07.2024 till 17.30 PM. Detailed Nit and other details can be viewed on the above mentioned portal. Amendments to NIT, if any, would be published on website only, and not in newspaper.

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Rise in Drunk Driving, 12k Fined In 6 Months

Rajouri Garden Witnesses Highest Number Of Cases

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New Delhi: More than 12,000 individuals were fined for driving under the influence of alcohol from Jan 1 to June 30 this year, marking a nearly 27% rise compared to the same period last year, Delhi Traffic Police has said.

In the past six months, with 770 violations, Rajouri Garden reported the highest number of cases of drunk driving. Samaypur Badli followed with 514 cases and Rohini 441. Till June 30, police had fined 12,468 people for drunk driving compared to 9,837 during the same period last year, revealed the data released by the traffic police on Saturday.

Punjabi Bagh (387), Mehrauli (367), Mayur Vihar (364), Narela (364), Kalkaji (344), Karol Bagh (342) and Sadar Bazar (342) also recorded high number of drunk driving cases in the first six months of the year.

Additionally, the traffic police conducted a comprehensive analysis of the top 10 traffic circles with the highest number of challans issued for drunk driving. This analysis sheds light on areas with the most prevalent traffic violations, allowing for targeted enforcement efforts to improve road safety and compliance with traffic laws, an officer said.

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"Driving under the influence of alcohol poses a grave risk not only to the driver but also to passengers, pedestrians and other motorists. It impairs judgement, slows reaction times and increases the likelihood of accidents causing injuries or fatalities. The consequences of such irresponsible behaviour can be devastating and irreparable," the officer added.

In the wake of the increase in cases of drunken driving, officers have intensified their efforts to crack down on the violators. Strict enforcement measures, including increased checks and breathalyser tests, are being implemented to deter individuals from engaging in this hazardous behaviour.

Delhi Traffic Police has, meanwhile, launched awareness campaigns to educate the public about the dangers of drunk driving. They are collaborating with NGOs, schools and community organisations to spread the message of responsible driving and the importance of designating a sober driver or using alternative means of transportation when under the influence of alcohol.

Mercury, humidity levels to rise next week

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Anindya Chattopadhyay



GLOW OF DUSK: The city witnessed a clear sky, with the air quality index at 65, in the 'satisfactory' category

New Delhi: The weather in the national capital remained humid with cloudy skies, but there was no precipitation. Meteorologists had announced a yellow alert, indicating the possibility of light to very light showers on Saturday. However, Safdarjung, the city's base station, recorded only a trace of rain, which was too low to be measured.

Palam recorded 0.2mm of rainfall, while Lodhi Road and Ridge saw a trace of rain, or very light drizzling. Although no further alerts have been issued for the upcoming week, temperatures are expected to increase, resulting in higher humidity levels.

On Saturday, while the sky was mostly clouded with brief sunshine during the afternoon causing humid outdoors, the evening was pleasant and windy. The India Meteorological Department (IMD) expects no significant rain on Sunday with a slight drop in the maximum temperature.

The maximum temperature at Safdarjung was 34.7 degrees Celsius, two notches below normal, against 33.2 degrees Celsius a day earlier. The minimum temperature was 27.1 degrees Celsius, a notch below normal, the same as a day earlier. The relative humidity oscillated between 69% and 92%.

turday, but significant rain is expected in a few days. "The monsoon line of trough is expected to shift towards Delhi soon from the foothills currently. The intensity of rain thus may increase," said an IMD official.

IMD has issued no colour-coded alerts until July 12, however, it expects light rain and a cloudy sky. It expects the temperature to rise up to 37 degrees Celsius in the next five days. Safdarjung has recorded 10.6 mm of rainfall so far in July. It is a rain deficit of 61% till now.

Cautioning those planning to visit Uttarakhand, the weather department has forecast heavy to very heavy rain. "Heavy to very heavy rainfall with isolated extremely heavy rainfall likely over Uttarakhand during the next 2 days," stated the IMD.

Meanwhile, the city continued seeing satisfactory air quality due to light to moderate winds throughout the day. The air quality index (AQI), on a scale of 0 to 500, was 65 on Saturday against 77 a day earlier, both in the 'satisfactory' category.

According to IMD, Safdarjung logged 0.6mm of rainfall from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm on Friday and trace rainfall on Sa-

Woman watching fight from terrace shot at in NE Delhi

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

An argument over a sum of Rs 17 lakh escalated into a physical altercation involving several individuals. During the altercation, one of the men drew a pistol and fired at another man. The bullet missed the target and struck a 48-year-old woman

New Delhi: A man's attempt to settle a financial dispute turned violent, resulting in a bystander being shot in North East Delhi's Dayalpur on Saturday.

According to police officers, an argument over a sum of Rs 17 lakh escalated into a physical altercation involving several individuals. During the altercation, one of the men drew a pistol and fired at another man. However, the bullet missed the intended target and struck a 48-year-old woman who was observing the altercation from her terrace.

Police received a PCR call on July 2 regarding gunfire in the area. Upon arrival at the scene, officers discovered that a woman had sustained a gunshot wound and had been rushed to GTB Hospital by her family.

The complainant, Hashim, informed police that he had loaned Rs 17 lakh to Bablu, one of the suspects, who had failed to repay the debt. When he confronted Bablu in their neighbourhood, a heated argument ensued, drawing the attention of Bablu's associates — Kamrul, Suhale, and Samrun.

The situation quickly turned violent as the group began to assault the complainant. Amidst the chaos, Kamrul reportedly fired a shot intended for Hashim, but tragically struck the innocent woman instead. Following the shooting, the suspects fled the scene.

Prompt action by police led to the identification and subsequent arrest of two suspects involved in the attempted murder. The arrested individuals are Bablu (38) and Kamrul (26), both residents of Brijpuri in Delhi.

During the arrest, authorities recovered a country-made pistol believed to have been used in the crime, along with a scooter used by the suspects during their escape.

Efforts are underway to locate and apprehend the remaining suspects involved in the case, police said.

Balcony comes crashing down, three siblings die

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Gurgaon: Three siblings — aged between 7 and 10 — were crushed to death after the balcony of their rented house gave way on Friday evening. Muskan (8), Adil (6) and Akash (10) were playing outside their house around 6.30pm when the balcony came crashing down on them in Faridabad's Seekri village. Neighbours rushed the three to a nearby hospital, where they were declared dead on arrival.

Their father Dharmendra, who works with a private company, and mother Sita, who runs a food cart, were away at work when the balcony collapsed. The couple have two more children, who were at a distance and escaped unhurt.

Neighbours, who were the first rescuers, said the building was in dire need of repairs and the iron structures supporting the balcony had rusted too with time.

"The three kids were playing right under the balcony. We heard a crashing sound and rushed out of home to see what had happened. We found that the balcony had collapsed. When we came to know that Dharmendra's three kids were playing nearby, we formed groups to rescue them from under the rubble," a villager said.

Another resident said the recent rain had weakened the structure all the more. "The balcony, anyway, should have undergone repairs long ago. All the iron railings supporting it had rusted. They could not bear the weight of the structure and gave way," he added.



All the iron railings supporting the bacony had rusted, said a neighbour

Dharmendra and his family have been living in the house on rent for the past three years. He said he had complained to his landlord, Rakesh, about the dilapidated condition of the entire building a number of times, but to no avail.

"He would keep delaying the repair work on some pretext or the other. We would not have had to face this tragedy had he heeded our warnings," said the father, who lodged a complaint against his landlord at Sector 58 police station.

The bodies of the three kids were sent to the mortuary of Badshah Khan Hospital for an autopsy. Following Dharmendra's complaint to ASI Jaswinder Singh, a case was registered against Rakesh under Section 105 (culpable homicide not amounting to murder) of the BNS.

Day after demolition, redevelopment of night shelter begins

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Apart from the night shelter demolition near Mayur Vihar, DDA had conducted anti-encroachment drives in some areas, including near Sarai Kale Khan, on Friday

New Delhi: Just a day after demolishing a night shelter on the grounds of "encroachment" on the Yamuna floodplain, Delhi Development Authority began redeveloping it at Nangli Khadar near Mayur Vihar III on Saturday.

Sunil Kumar Aledia, social activist and executive director of Centre for Holistic Development, alleged that the demolition was in violation of the Supreme Court's orders. He further claimed that they immediately objected to the DDA's actions on Friday, but their concerns were disregarded.

"We then wrote a letter to the Chief Justice of India DY Chandrachud. In the letter, we specified that the action violates the Supreme Court's ruling which mandates that no temporary shelters can be demolished without approaching or prior permission of the apex court," the activist said.

In addition to the night shelter demolition, DDA conducted anti-encroachment drives in some areas, including near Sarai Kale Khan, on Friday. The authority justified its actions by citing NGT orders that prohibit the construction of structures on the Yamuna floodplain. However, Aledia said that "DUSIB night shelters are temporary structures, developed after permission and not encroachment."

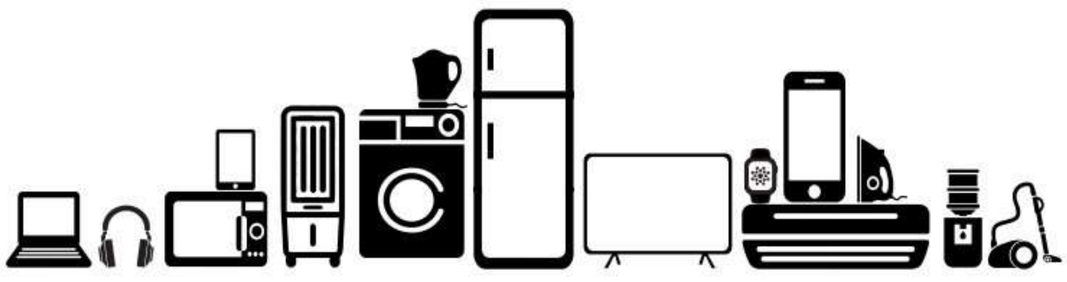
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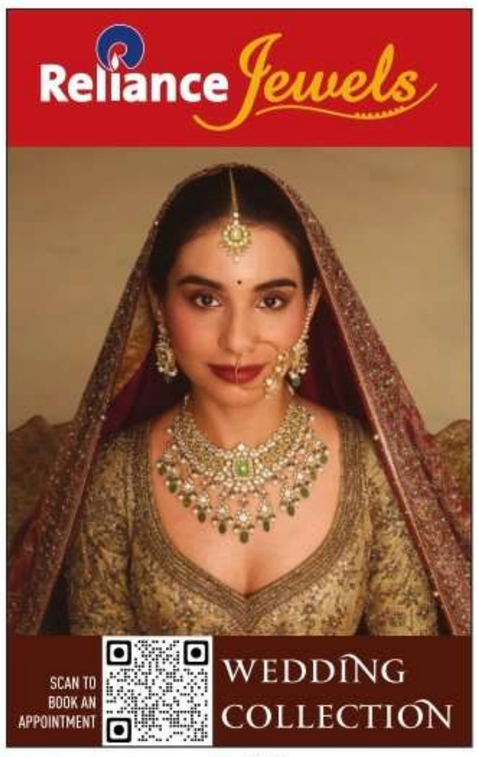
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SOUTH Delhi Kayastha boy, LLM (Ivy League), Lawyer working in Delhi. Nov 91 born (6'2.5") seeking a well Qualified girl. Caste no bar. # 9811996787

SRIVASTAVA 32/5'7" Manglik, AVP-Data Analytics in NBFC Mumbai/ 30LPA, Seeks B'Ful.Wrkg girl in Mumbai. W'Ap: 9869481060.

✔ **BHATNAGAR** KAYASTHA, AGE 30, 5'11", FAIR. Wkg MNC BANGLORE, 34 LPA, JABALPUR BASED, CONTACT 9425152490

ALLIANCE INVITED FOR KAYASTHA HANDSOME DIVORCEE BOY 35 YRS. B.TECH WORKING WITH MNC IN NCR. PACKAGE 16 LPA. FATHER RETD. GOVT. SERVANT. MOB: 9810357399, 9810705958

SAXENA Aug 92/5'11" Manglik B.Tech Wkg MNC Pune 16LPA Seeks tall fair B.Tech/MBA/MCA wkg girl cont. 9425638051, 7089754764

PQM4 30/5'9" B.Tech Boy wkg MNC GGN 30 LPA, Father Retd. Gazetted officer Brother abroad. Contact 9695755883,Wapp 8004981961

SAXENA h'some boy, June 1988/5'10"/22 Lpa wkg MNC Gurugram seeks b'ful profsnly qlfd wkg / non-wkg girl. Mb- 9454110574, 6388696499

NIGAM low mnglk 30/160 B.Tech Sr. Consultant in Deloitte usi Gurgaon seeks professnl. w'king girl. Father Class 1 officer Ph: 9839233600

UP bsd boy Nov 92/5'8" CFA level 2 MBA I.S.B. Hyd wkg M'bai 30+Lacs seeks b,ful, H.Edu only Covt wkg upper caste N.mglk girl# 9454038788

MATCH for smart Srivastava boy, non manglik, August 93. 5'10", B.Tech, emp IT org. Noida, from fair qualified Srivastava girl #9953325719

SAXENA boy,Mar 98,5'9" BTech IIST,Scientist SC in ISRO B'lore,17 LPA,Father PGM PSU Delhi,Req PQM Slim Tall B'ful status fmly 9654212728

SRIVASTAVA Boy, Delhi/ NCR bsd Jan '90/5'8" B.Tech/ MBA, Self Emp Investment Pro. Upper Middle Class Fmly from Kanpur. Seeks a Wrkg Girl Caste no bar Call/W'App: 9415178289, 9336845255

AM – Finance (CA) boy Dec 96/5'10 Wkg at Delhi 12 LPA. Father financial firm owner & educationist mother living in Noida. Seek Qual girl. Contact on #9711401550, 9311135550

PQM from cultured family for Srivastava Boy 30/5'3" BTech, Convent Educated, Reputed Family, Running own electronics & software industry in Lucknow. # 9415039393

SM for Delhi based H'Some Divorced 30/5'9"/ B.Com/ Own B'ness + Salary income/ 3.6 LPA, Seeks B'Ful. Girl. Call / W'App: 9899578204

SM4 Sri boy, 38/5'7", completing Masters in Marine Business from UK in Sept 24.Likely to be in UK. Father ex army offr. 9769230935.

CIVIL Engr , Mtech IIT, Wkg LnT Chennai, Oct95 /170cm, seeks Prof. girl. 9350003737

SM4 Srivastav boy Nov 91/6' Anshik Mang wkg as Sr. Prog Manager software Bangalore 52 LPA seek b'ful wkg edu. girl # 8294094065, 9430305150

LOOKING for our son 95 born, 5'11" working as Software engineer earning 30lpa. Call at 8960713326, 8931955259

SM4 Saxena Boy V.Fair, 1985/6' M.Tech, IIT Delhi Wkg NCR 25LPA, seeks Working Girl. Mob : 9650578877, Em : pnsaxena71@gmail.com

PQM for Smart Fair H'some kayastha B.E (Civil) PGDM (NICMAR) 31/5'5" MNC in NCR as Plng Mgr.Upper Caste No Bar Mob: 8957793020

B.TECH, MBA Sept 93/5'6" Fair handsome boy working as Manager in reputed firm seeks suitable match Phone No. 9412118316

JAIPUR (Raj) Engineer USA, 35/5'6" B.Tech (UK), MS (USA), MBA (USA), SEEKING Wkg USA/ India prefer C.S/SW. Contact: 9414311212

BBA Dec 1996 born Sriv boy Wkg MNC Noida 8LPA. Seeks Wkg girl. 9389037997 kshitizranjan9611@gmail.com

Non-Mangalik match for Software engr. 29/ 5' 2" Srivastava boy wrkng MNC Bangalore 27 LPA, seeking prof. qlfd. working girl. 9582546668.

KHATRI

B.TECH boy Aug 87/5'6 Wkg MNC Noida, 32 LPA. Delhi-NCR Based Family. Father Retired from IAF/BEL. Caste No Bar. (9873725005)

SM4 MBA Khatri handsome A.Manglik boy,168cm,3Aug94 doing own Business, Income 22-25LPA. Resi. in South Delhi, qlfd girl 7303139683, 9810221610

MS Comp. Engr. Dec 95/178 Punjabi Khatri N M Boy B4 1+CAD Canada PR, seeks B.ful girl Prof.Qual PR/WP Canada .Cont. rajesh_2024@yahoo.com

KSHATRIYA

PQM4 MBBS H'some well settled boy 37/6'1, MD JR1 Em. Med. Father Dr., Seeks medico girl willing to settle in Lko. W'ap/ph: 9335903842

VAISH

RAUNIYAR Vaishya, 36 yrs B. Tech MBA London working in UK. Coming India July. Looking for good looking educated working girl. 9415246150

ALLIANCE INVITED

for 24yrs old, 6'.3", UP Brahmin - Vats Gotra, Fair, Bsc from UK, MBA from Mumbai, Parents Doctor and a High Affluent Business Family.

Looking for bride - Fair, Tall, Well Educated, Well Cultured. Email Bio Data with Photo to

bharatshine19@gmail.com or Call: 9004036965

B.Tech MBA

handsome Boy 27/5'11" wkg MNC Bangalore Respectable family Preferably professional educated girl angrishm9@gmail.com

SM for unmarried Gupta boy, Oct 79, 5'-8", MCA, wrkng Gen Pact USA, US $1.05 LPA. Now in India for short period. Contact 084272-76447

YADAV

YADAV BOY SW ENGR 33/6/140 LAK USD L1 VISA SEEKS PQF GIRL WORKING IN USA OR WANTS TO GO. CASTE NO BAR 9336852303

BY COMMUNITY

AGARWAL

ALLIANCE invited for handsome, fair, PQ boy of South Delhi based Agarwal financially well off family with progressive & creative outlook/ Kansal/29 Y/5'11/ 14Sep94,1.20PM, Faridabad/ Manglik/MS Chem Engg US-2018, Worked US 3 years, returned India 2021 to join family owned Professional ESG and Envt Consulting firm with worldwide reputation, Annual family income in 8 digits. Looking for PQ/well educated/ DIL/bitiya with progressive outlook & belief in family values and comfortable to be part of our small joint family. Family originally from Western UP. Request families/bitiya comfortable with above may only respond. WA 9810907940

HSOME Jain/Goel 5'7/68kg. BE(E&C) Sr. Engg Mgr/+90 Lpa US MNC, Live/work in Noida. 21.5.74/4pm/Pnp W: 9958606647. Email: jain1974s@gmail.com

PQM4 Agarwal h'some Boy June 93/5'10" B.Tech, MS working in USA on H1B Visa. Affluent Family of Lucknow. # 9415048815, 9415050615 W.A.

AGARWAL, Issueless, divorced boy, Jun 88, 5'-10", working in USA, Bureau excuse.7428500745

WANTED Edu girl 4 B.Tech, MBA h'som Garg boy 5'8" wkg Mumbai, High Pkg. 17.12.1988 22:25, CHD, well settled family Panchkula. 7227939088

SM4 B.Tech Agarwal Jain,fair boy Oct 96/5'11ft working in Microsoft, 31LPA. Lucknow family. Seeks good looking, edu working girl. 9450020587

GARG boy, 27/5'10" B.Tech BITS Pilani MBA IIM B'lore wkg with Microsoft (Hyd.) / 36 LPA veg, T'tlr seeks prof. qlfd, wrkg, fmly values girl. Nuclear Faridabad bsd fmly. # w'app 9310022694.

SM4 36/5.10 BTech, MBA, LLB Smart Advocate Varshney(Baniya) Mangalik Boy(Veg), Rishikesh based High Status Family 9412146931

GUPTA 5'7", Sept. 1992, well qualified, settled (Financial Adviser) in New Zealand. Parents settled in Noida (9871824334) only willing to settle abroad should contact.

SM4 Bansal Boy T.T veg B.Tech/MBA 21.06.88, 6:47 pm Delhi 5'10", 25 LPA MNC GGN seeks Wkg girl from HR/ NCR 9873335255

BANSAL Boy (Bisa Aggarwal) Technical Manager in MNC (B.Tech) 5'-10", 30 OCT 1996, 10:10 PM Chandigarh 35+ LPA. Pure Vegetarian. One Sister Doctor (Married) Panchkula Based Business Family. 9814034363

PQSM for Agarwal Jain 92/5'8" Chartered Accountant wkg with E&Y, Gurgaon 24Lpa. Fmly sttld in Delhi # 9311276220 sanjay_jain4@rediffmail.com

AGARWAL handsome boy, 30/5'9, B.Tech (IIT), MBA (IIM) wrkg in MNC Package 58 LPA+ seeks working/non-working (both) & b'ful girl # 8755813474

1996/ 6'0", BTech, MS in CS form NYU, USA, Working in SF, USA, Seeks Girl working/ studying in USA, WhatsApp-9909925337

JAT

SM4 S.Delhi bsd boy 37/5'10 MBA(Symb) wrkd with Big4 in India/Doha. Now in Int'l Bank as VP in Canada (PR) seek wkg prof of rptd/edu fmly. Panwar, Kadyan, Dalal. # 9810280462.

JAAT Boy 28/5'9", MBBS, MD Medicine, Own 100 Bedded Hospital in Saharanpur. Seeks MD/MS/ DNB. Cont: 9412230932/9711430310

LLB vry handsome Delhi boy Apr 94/6' wrkng as Advocate 15LPA seeks well educated girl, pref wrking.No Dalal,Vijayran, Punia, Dagar. 9711518454

SM for tall, handsome Jat boy Sept' 95/5'11" commercial pilot. Belongs to reputed, well settled family of Delhi/NCR. Ph:9871693340

NORTH INDIAN

CANADIAN PR ghumar engineer 1995 5'11" looking for prof. qual. girl. (Canada/US also preferred) whatsapp +16475622000

RAJPUT

SUITABLE match for Rajput (solanki -Nathawat) boy 27 tall 6 feet (schilling from Mayo College ajmer and graduate from England) please contact -9928075555

PATHANIA Rajput H'some Boy, 5'7"/1992, B.Tech IT Engg. settled in Gurgaon, Looking for edu, fair working Rajput girl. Contact: 9868537012, 9711706618

AEROSPACE Engg. B.Tech ,M.Tech 28/5'11"MNC in Toulose France Father Rtd Chief Engr.Seeks wkg Rjput grl in France/Europe.# 7766088679

32YR /170cm,Chauhan, Vats gotra, a solar engr entrepreneur in Noida. Looking for a educated homely girl preferably working. Ph: 8340228242

SM4 Rajput boy 29/6'2" fair, h'some, MBA, wkg at MNC IT Company, B'lore Seeks PQ, Tall B'Ful girl. Cont-9415609429

GARHWALI kumauni Rajput match for Garhwali Rajput boy 29/178 LLB, MBA, manager in MNC decent salary mob: 9800016138

BY PROFESSION

DOCTORS

MATCH for Doctor boy. 33 yr, MD dermatolgy. Tall, Brahmin. both parents doctors having Nursing Home. MP based. MBBS / diploma/ MD. Tall, good looking match, Willing to settle in Gwalior. 8435777383, 9827383008

MEDICO match for 5'10", fair, handsome, 92 born, Punjabi Khatri Surgeon, working in Govt Hospital NCR. 9818109705, 8076006063. Brokers excused

EYE Spl Gupta family, Dhanbad seeks decent match Prfbly PG Ophth, Dr family for son 32/5'6" MS(Oph), Mob- 9431121030

SM for SAIN boy 30+Yrs/ 5'7" MS (ENT), SR Delhi Govt. Hospital, seeks B'ful bride preference MS/MD/CA/ P.hd/ MDS any other Executives, , M. No. 8586869844

M4 MD Pedia Neonatologist pb Br boy 36/6'1 Govt job pb Father own hosp. Upper cast no bar, Gynae pedia or Mbbs inttd to setl pb shd 9872943592

KUMAON BRAHMIN Boy, MBBS MS Gen Surgeon , Fair, 29.3 /5'"10',Looking FOR MBBS + PG clinical + Unreserved Category , 9315809797

LAWYERS

GOYAL boy 5'11"/ 1989 born, PG Law. Practicing & Wkg as consultant in Delhi. Rptd. Adv. & Judges fmly. settled in Gurugram. # 99999575603, 9953304040

AGARWAL 1996/5'10" Corporate Lawyer in Top Law Firm of Delhi (from reputed f'mily of Lucknow)seeks Prof Qlfd match. M: 9793700111

SOFTWARE PROFESSIONAL

SM4 Singla Boy B. Tech CS, Serving in Google Banglore 5'9", 21.01.1995, High Package, meenajs149@gmail.com 9466090746

BY RELIGION

CHRISTIAN

IT prof, 9 LPA, Hyderabad, 5' 7", 83 born, Kerala Christian seek alliance from qualified prof girls of good family. Ph 9866651287

WANTED Bride for. R.C. Boy. 5-9" Age. 33. Commerce Graduate, working IT Sector. Mohali. Contact - 9166219747.

HINDU

✔ **INDORE** Handsome boy, 30, 6'2", MBA, India Head at MNC, Upr Mdl Class Progressive family, Mother is stock-trader. Seeking qualified girl. 9993296863

PQSM for US based Vaishya boy 41/ 6' GC, S'ware Profnl, i'less divcee $300K BHP at marry49499@gmail.com

VERY Handsome Boy from well known Affluent Business family 1991/5 '11, 1crPA, seeks beautiful, cultured girl from reputed family. Contact : 8057221499, 6398040309

SM4 Punjabi Khatri Son 32, 5'.4", Veg. M.Tech. Ph.D. wkg. MNC Banglore, 20L PA Seeks Hindu/Punjabi Veg. Edu. wkg. Girl willing to settle Banglore. Call: 8879158954/ 9869064452.

BRAHMN Punjabi boy 1990 / 5'9"B.E, MBA own factory in Noida Seeks wkg NCR girl Engg, Fin, Mkt, Mgt, Hr, Teacher-self/job.#8826678569

ARMY OFFICER LAWYER

Handsome boy 94/5'7"

Chd based affluent fly father retd govt offr

Nai caste. Seeks beautiful educated girl from compatible background

Contact: 8810784951

MUSLIM

ALLIANCE invited for Syed Sunni good looking Muslim boy, well educated, settled in US, 45 years, divorcee, 5'10, seeks a Muslim girl from well educated and cultured family. Send biodata with pictures sryrizvi@gmail.com or whatsapp - +12018858946

INVITING alliance for a 34year old, 6.2 ft Sunni Muslim doctor, only son of a established doctor family in Kolkata and working as Radiologist/ Assistant Professor in Cambridge International , Moscow. Looking for a suitable and convent educated girl , fair complexion and around 5.6ft. contact 9830241660/8334993944.

HANDSOME Del bsd Pathan boy 37/5'8" BTech wkg Manager MNC Ggn 27 LPA divorcee, Fthr Govt Officer sks PQ fair complexion grl. Cast No Bar. Call M & Wapp: 8920649420

LOOKING for a Sunni Muslim, educated, studied abroad, liberal girl below 27 years for a well mannered soft spoken young Dubai based business man born in June 1995, 9821456767, hkanjer@gmail.com

25/5'7 Muslim MBA boy working in software fin co. 8 LPA. Only child , reputed edu family from Del settled in Mumbai. Father in IT, mother homemaker. #9920700638

SMART Talented M.Tech. Sunni Mansoori Boy/ 34/5'7"/MNC working NCR seeks well qualified girl. WhatsApp 9499374406

SUNNI 29y 5.10, Data Analyst, well established family seeks Educated Beautiful bride 8908365645 royal4786@yahoo.com

SUNNI Muslim M.Tech (AMU) 94/5'9" Delhi bsd Desire Engr/Dr Religious Girl Father Retd. Engr. Central Govt.# 9999096409, 9999886137

SIKH

SM4 Sikh Boy, Mar 86/6Ft Very Handsome, Owner of Pharmaceutical Co. Income in 8 Fig., Father Retd. Army, Pref. high eductd. girl (M) 9300000935

PQM for Ramgarhia Sikh Boy Sept 1990/6'2", B.Tech (NIT), MBA(IIML), Associate Director in MNC at Gurugram. Marriage Bureau Excuse. 8195943542, 9988223784.

IIT IIM Oct 91 Clean shaven 6'1" wrkg Bangalore +50 LPA Affluent Sikh Arora Mohali Family seek Prof Qlf work bnglore tall girl 9855738008

SM for Handsome clean-shaven Sikh Ramgarhia boy, 32, 5'9", MBA working in reputed MNC Gurgaon, well placed family; father senior civil servant. 8383019858

DELHI based Sikh boy Feb/96 5'11" BTech MS ,working in USA H1B visa seeks girl reputed/ edu family 9871320404 dschadha06@gmail. com

SM Preferably Below 50 For Gursikh Ramgarhia 57 yrs. 5'8" Dip. in Engg. 1.5 LAKH PM central govt service delhi pensionable sound health financially strong cast no bar whattsapp 9810663104 e.mail suvk19@gmail.com

Alliance invited

Looking For

a suitable match for a respected Sikh boy, born in June 1996, height 5'9", fair complexion. He has done his schooling from Modern School, Barakhamba and holds a BBA degree. He comes from a notable business family based out of West UP & New Delhi and is actively involved in managing the family business. We are in search of a well-established Gursikh match from a reputable business/ industrialist family.

Connect via
9359111889
skaurakaur4@gmail.com

GENERAL

CASTE NO BAR

AGARWAL, Architect, 16.10.1989, 5'9", B.Arch., M.Arch., co-author 18 books, Associate Prof. in architecture college. Own house. Ph: 9213102764. Caste no bar.

REPUTED Hindu business family from Hyd Alliance for son 38yrs looking for slim & homely girl from Hindu business & HNI family only. 9885006270

PROFNLY Qlfd. Boy 49/ 5'-9" Wheatis BAMS/LLB, Income 5 Figure Seeks Homely Girl, B'Ful Graduate, Caste No Bar Cont.- 7999365381

DUBAI based, Finance Professional handsome, tall Punjabi boy.5.10" ,88 July . Pretty PQM Prbly in Dubai. Father Retd Col. Family Delhi/NCR. WA 9868708796

KKB, Dec 86/5'11", divorced, consultant TCS Mumbai, 20 LPA, seeks prof. Quali. Girl, no dowry, no caste bar contact 9425711923

SM4 Sikh Hindu boy 12 June. 91, 5'5" California USA, Grad. Asst. Property Mngr. (World wide), Seeks b'ful girl California # 4152469665, 9252129090

SINDHI BOY Grad. 35y/ 5'10" complexion Fair Own Business DELHI Resident Small Family TYPE-1 DIABETIC seek edu. b'ful girl W'ap/Call 9810014274

SM for Hindu 33 yrs /5'6" frm Lko wkg as Prjct Owner in MNC Hybd, CTC 25L (B.tech (VIT), MBA) Seeks qulfd girl of edu. family. #+91 94150 93008

NRI (Ireland, Dublin), Brahmin Engineer boy, Oct'92/5'8,seeks suitable match, India/Abroad.Caste no bar. ph/wa:7409955559

REMARRIAGE Male 48/171cm, Agarwal, UAE based, CA, employed, Seeking alliance from fmly-oriented educated girl. shubhmatri@yahoo.com

PQM4 h'some cleanshaven sikh boy PG 1988/ 5'-10", well established business, Income 7 figures monthly. Caste no bar. Whatsapp: 90410-64104

BRAHMIN Anshik mglk Oct 85 BTech wrkg NCR 25LPA 5'10" seeks ProfQlfy SM Upper cast open to relocate WA 9214696400(M) / 9461149404 (F)

AFFLUENT Professional Parents Seek Alliance for their Handsome 6'-0" Tall Well Established Masters in Architecture 28 yrs Old Son Punjabi Khatri Based in Ranchi, Fair, Pretty Girl 5'-4" Above 23 yrs to 27 yrs Architect May Contact With Photo At ar.rituc59@gmail.com Caste No Bar, Contact Nos-9431115578, 9431701847.

SM4 Jat (Hindu), handsome boy,B.Tech, MBA,born 86/5'8"/ 70,000 pm, only son from highly respectable middle class family from Delhi. Whatsapp (M) 9953778789, 9818294692.

FAIR H'some 41/5'10" B.Tech, MBA Kshatriya boy, Sr. Position in Office Status family seeks B'ful match from decent family, No dowry # 9582699564

"SM Delhi bsd H'som Khatri boy, 31/5'10", P'grad. in finance, Own Investment consultancy& advisory business,w.sett.fmly, pref. wkng girl.W/c 9810345074"

SM4 arora boy Feb 89/ 5'11" Wkg MNC Saharanpur Father Retd CMO wanting Qual. girl 9729056772

DEL /NCR wkg match 4, 33 yrs / 5'9" BE+Masters premier Inst. Khatri, smart, veg, non smokr/drinker Boy. 17 LPA # 9971223056/ 9818830262

TALL, 39 year old engineer seeks Professional, Beautiful, Below 35 bride. Boy working in Perth Australia. Father retired senior bank officer. Jeevansathi # ZYSX7190. Divorcees please excuse. Contact 9599178802.

SM for Smart Punjabi boy. 16/11/88, 5'8". Own house in Delhi. DU graduate, ex-banker, business in Noida, 30 LPA. #8744073045

PQM4 NRI boy (+1 (347) 656-9863) 29yr/5'8" MS Comp Sci NYU Wkg top MNC USA. E: spknagpal@gmail.com, w'ap/ph: 8422057060(Parents)

NETHERLAND based boy, Jul96/5'7"/MS(CS)/MNC/Non manglik, Kayastha veg well-off Ujjain based family, father class 1 govt officer #9425156100

JAT/ Sikh man, Divorcee, 1972/ 5'9", Doctor in a reputed Delhi hospital. Looking for a well-qualified woman. 99970 92561

Punjabi boy, 40/5'8 MCA + MBA, never married.

Wkg in BLR MNC 40 LPA. Seeks non-manglik well educated girl. #9810157842

COSMOPOLITAN

FAIR h'sm 38/5'8 Br. boy MBA Canadian citizen, Teetotaler, Own B'ness, 30Lpa young looks, never married. # 9868973607. Em: nipun.joshi10@gmail.com

SEEKING beautiful educated & Family oriented girl for H'some Punjabi 29/5'11" qualified belonging to a industrialist family of Delhi. # 9811162543 sehdevpunjabi95@gmail.com

VAISHNAV Gujarati, 5'10, MBA, Nov 73, Sr Mgr with renowned comp, Teetotaller, fair handsome looks younger, seeks kind soulmate No Bar B/P atsoulsearch@gmail.com

33/5.6 B.Tech,MS Aerospace(IIST, ISU France) founder @EV project startup (funded) at gurgaon. Former scientist(ISRO) & NSR, US. Father business. M: 9427611809

KANNADIGA family (veg), seeks match for son (30), data analyst, lvng in US. Seeking well educated girl, preferably also lvng in US. Contact phalgunaysmat@gmail.com

Cambridge-educated, **Agrawal boy**. Fair complexion, 29/5'11". Established lawyer in High Court. Well-reputed IAS family from Chandigarh. Seeking alliance with vegetarian girl with good family background. WhatsApp CV at **7009842299.**

SECOND MARRIAGE

SM4 Pb Boy, 37/5'7", Delhi based family. Issueless Divorcee, seeking educated girl below 33 yrs, ph 9810327209, what's app details with pic.

SM 4 Del. bsd H'some BR Divorcee NM boy 40/5'11"/ BA/ Dir. in own NGO/ Good Income, Pref. Wrkg girl frm cultured fmly. CNB # 9871592385

SM4 divorce Gupta 40/5'9" fair slim convent Edu. MBA own reputed b'ness 50 Lpa appx. seeking reputed, cultered family b'ful div., widow unmarried upper caste no bar, M: 9837003674, 9997026789

PB Khatri 1976 born Widower boy B.tech M.tech MBA Own engineering college high income seeks Good Life Partner caste no bar 9818227342

CA I'less Div Tyagi Brahmin only son Nov 86/6'1", v. fair, Sr Mgr (Fin) in French MNC, 52 + LPA, own house in Def Col, S.Delhi want unmarried /Div / Widow. Father Retd. IAF Officer. Contact: 9717282540

H'SOME i'less veg 49 5'7" PhD govt job 35 LPA wkg govt job lady upto 40 preferred rcsrivastava3000@gmail.com

SM4 Sindhi 5'10"'/46 yrs/ 30LPA B.E M.Tech(IIT) senior class-1 officer in cent govt(IRSE) I.Less div (short marriage) akumar301977@gmail.com 9461475285

BANIYA MBA B.Tech, 5'7, 38, wkg in MNC in B'lore seeks Prof. Qualified wkg match. Upper caste no bar. M-9729097937

ACCOMPLISHED girl for issueless divorcee Shrivastav kayasth Manglik 1972 born 5'10" MBA USA MS Canada teaching hospitality in College in Vancouver holding PR. Send full details on Whatsup 9820081120

MBA IT eng wrkng pune MNC 40LPA 5.9/44 family basic frm MP UP divorced kshtriya caste no bar father chief eng abhi9531@gmail.com

RELIGION NO BAR

GHARJAMAI wishers ONLY pls; for NM 1989, 173 cm, MTech(IIT-K), Modest, Middle class, boy of Hindu family in Mumbai. 9082807835

MALE 46/170cm, Agarwal fmly, Gurugram based, lawyer, self-practice, Seeking alliance from fmly-oriented educated girl. lagnmatri@yahoo.com

39/5'10 Agarwal unmaried boy B.Tech- IIT ,MBA-IIM Sr. Manager MNC 80 Lpa accept div & widow, Caste No Bar, no dowry, 8821995505 ,9179132579

PUNJABI unmarried boy 39, 5'9" B.TECH-MS Wkn mnc 1 Cr+ Pkg, no dowry Afulent fmly Accept div& wido Cast no bar 9406468858 7987144206

BY LANGUAGE

BENGALI

SM4 Bengali Kayastha Boy, B.Tech , 36/5'6.5". Working in MNC Gurgram 9LPA.Seeks Qlfd/W'king Girl. Whatsapp/ Ph 8081701525 / 9450131196

SM4 Bangalore Based Beng Kay Boy B.E 33/5'9" Pref. Wkg in B'lore Ref Beng Mat Id B2798183, Parents lucknow based #9795456540,9616061557

WB Kayastha 33/5'8" MSW, UK(PR) wrkg London, seeks suitable bride within 30 willing to settle in UK. M+Wapp 7595858541

DELHI Based Bangali Boy 34/5'5" Tech Engineer (Mech) SC Poundra Khatria Working in MNC Delhi, Wants Delhi/ NCR Based B'ful Edu. Bangali Girl (Cast No Bar) # 8860067944

MBA (IIMA) 70LPA Jamnagar H'some Bengali Kayastha 35 5'7 divorced seek suitable bride contact M:9881547030

BENGALI Kayastha 39+/5'10", Non Mangalik, M.S(Engg) from USA. Working in Hyderabad and Houston, USA. Seeking fit, fair, bride flexible with relocation. Kayastha & Brahmin. 9588661278, 9175962608

MARATHI/ KONKANI

31/178, MS-mech, H1B @Amazon, US,CKP, Marathi, smart, Bride-160 /upto 30, prof. qlfd, to settle in USA, Mob: 9833527965

PUNJABI

SUITABLE Match 4 Punjabi boy 65/5'10", B.Com, Delhi based seeks good looking homely girl, age pref 45 to 55. Contact: 8178928756

MRS.KIRAN BHASIN Well Estd Builders Business Class Families Born1988 to1996 Smart Entrepreneur Boys Early Marriage 09022944778

MANGLIK Hindu Punjabi boy 27 Yrs/ 5'11" Sr S/w Engr in MNC gurgaon/28+LPA. Delhi bsd status fmly. Seek Prof Qlfd/Wrkg Girl. 9650430026

PQM4 Handsome Fair Pb. Khatri Boy 30/5'10" Working MNC, 16LPA Seeks Educated Prof. Wkg. Girl from decent family. WhatsApp 9312630947.

SM4 PB unmarried Boy 1986 5/6" BS & MS USA Wrkg Sr Engr MNC USA on H1B visa Delhi bsd Seek Edu. B'ful Non Veg Girl CNB # 9838211542.

SUITABLE Working Match For Punjabi Khatri Non Manglik Fair Dec 94/5'4" MNC Working Pure Veg Boy Contact: 9899141565

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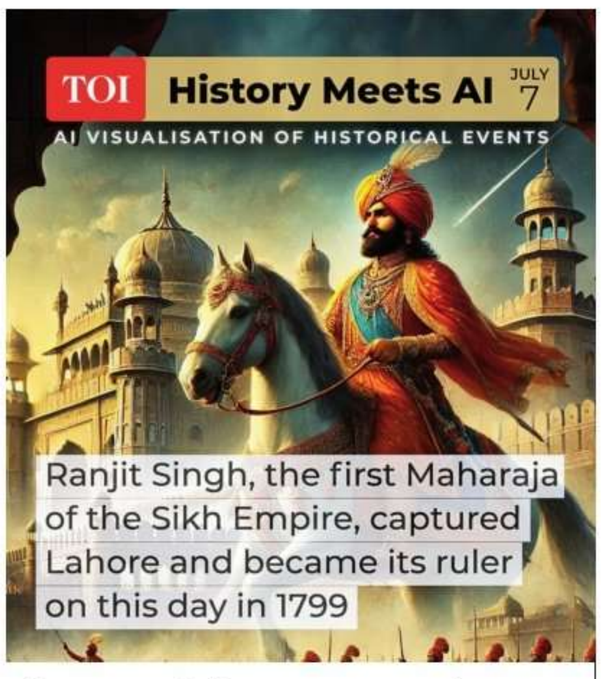
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2 lionesses fall into well, 1 dead

Two lionesses fell into an open well while chasing a nilgai near Dhari town close to the Gir (east) forest in Gujarat's Amreli district Saturday, reports **Nimesh Khakhariya.** While one died, foresters managed to rescue the other feline.

The lionesses belonged to a group of lions that made their habitat on the outskirts of Dhari. "We got a message about the lionesses early morning. On reaching the site, we found hoof marks of the nilgai," said Rajdeepsinh Jhala, deputy conservator of forest, Gir (east) forest division. A cot tied with a rope was lowered into the well to rescue the lioness.

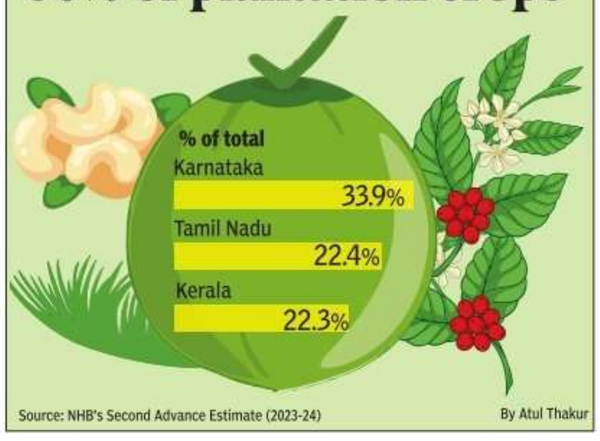
SUV crushes man mediating feud

A 65-year-old vegetable vendor was crushed to death by an SUV while trying to mediate a fight between two men and a pan shop owner in Jaipur late Friday. A witness said the SUV — driven by one of the men involved in the fight — dragged the victim, Banwari Lal Kumawat, for about 15ft before speeding away.

Police seized the vehicle but are yet to identify the accused. Locals rushed Kumawat to hospital in critical condition, where doctors declared him dead. Residents said Kumawat had been selling fruits and vegetables in the area for three decades. TNN

STATOISTICS A slice of life in numbers

3 states grow around 80% of plantation crops



Source: NHB's Second Advance Estimate (2023-24) By Atul Thakur

Uphold dignity of LS, Birla tells MPs ahead of Budget session

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: During his first visit to his Lok Sabha constituency after being re-elected as Lok Sabha Speaker, and coinciding with the announcement of the date for the second session of the 18th Lok Sabha, **Om Birla** on Saturday urged all members to uphold the dignity of the House by adhering to its rules and procedures.

The three-term MP from Kota received a rousing welcome in his constituency after being elected as Speaker for a second consecutive term.

Asked about Rahul Gandhi's role as Leader of Opposition, Birla said Rae Bareli MP holds a constitutional post.



Birla also said he expects all members to uphold dignity of Parliament while discharging their duties in the House. Birla said he would endeavour to give an opportunity to all members to raise issues dear to them in the House as per the rules and procedures. "It will be my endeavour to conduct the debate in the House in a manner that it doesn't affect the dignity of Parliament, be it the members from treasury benches or the opposition," he said.

People lined up along the streets of Bundi and several villages in the region as Birla carried out a victory rally here.

The city of Bundi is part of Birla's Kota parliamentary seat. He has represented the region in Rajasthan assembly as well.

Birla said he would make efforts to develop an agro-based industry in the region, which is known for its special variety of basmati rice. "There is tremendous potential for development of tourism in this region which is dotted by palaces and havelis," he said, adding that the Kota-Bundi region is also an educational hub.

"I would like to thank PM Modi and all members of the LS for giving me the responsibility of Speaker for the second term," Birla said. He said that his efforts would be to "enhance the dignity and prestige of this temple of the democracy". "I hope many good discussions and debates will be held inside Parliament," Birla said.

Eye on China, desi light tank Zorawar to be ready by 2027

Developed For High-Altitude Deployment

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The prototype was designed & developed in a short span of 24-30 months

New Delhi: India's very own light tank, designed under 'Project Zorawar' for high-altitude warfare in places like eastern Ladakh and Arunachal Pradesh, is expected to be ready for induction into the Army by 2027.

The light tank, developed by DRDO and private sector company L&T, will have to undergo a series of summer and winter trials, including in deserts and high-altitude areas, over the next two to three years before the entire acquisition, production and induction process can actually begin.

The need for such tanks, each weighing around 25 tonnes with a high power-to-weight ratio as well as superior firepower and protection, has been driven home by the continuing military confrontation with China in eastern Ladakh, which is into its fifth year now.

Reviewing the first prototype of the light tank at Hazira in Gujarat on Saturday, DRDO chairperson Samir Kamat told journalists it was "a momentous day" to see it in action. The prototype, designed and developed in a short period of 24 to 30 months, is an example of what can be achieved when the DRDO and industry work together. The light tank should be ready for induction, after "developmental and user (Army) trials", by 2027, he added.

The Army's case for 354 such tanks, which will cost an estimated Rs 17,500 crore, was given preliminary approval or "acceptance of necessity" by the Rajnath Singh-led Defence Acquisitions Council in Dec 2022.

While 59 of these light tanks are reserved for DRDO, which has L&T as the "lead system integrator", the rest 295 are to be manufactured under the govt-funded design and development 'Make-1' category, which is open to companies other than L&T as well, as was first reported by **TOI**.

A DRDO official said the agile and versatile light tank will be capable of operations in the "most challenging environment in the world with minimal logistic support", including high-altitude areas along the northern borders with China.

"Due to its lighter weight, the tank has high strategic mobility. It can be transported by air and is capable of amphibious operations. It can fire at high angles of elevation and perform the role of limited artillery," he added.

The over 11-lakh strong Army had managed to deploy some of its heavier Russian-origin T-90S and T-72 main-battle tanks (40 to 50 tonne each) in eastern Ladakh after the confrontation with China erupted in May 2020. The PLA also inducted a large number of technologically advanced mix of medium and light tanks, including the new third-generation Type-15 ones.

The T-90S and T-72 tanks, however, are geared for operations in plains and deserts, and thereby have limitations in high-altitude areas ranging from 11,000 to almost 17,000-feet. "Consequently, the need arose for light tanks that are more manoeuvrable and operationally flexible in mountains," an officer said.

2 women constables missing from BSF academy for a mth, agencies launch hunt

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Bhopal: A multi-agency search is underway for the two women constables who have been missing from BSF's academy in Tekanpur, Gwalior, for over a month. BSF units on the international borders have been alerted.

Akanksha Nikhar, a native of Jabalpur, and Shahana Khatoon, originally from Murshidabad in Bengal, were trainers at the academy since 2021. They went missing on June 6, 2024.

According to sources, the investigation has taken an unexpected turn after authorities traced "suspicious activity" on the constables' phones.



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Records indicate their phones' locations pinged in Delhi, Howrah, and Behrampore in West Bengal, close to Murshidabad.

Authorities are trying to analyse phone records and CCTV footage from several locations, investigate the reason behind their travel across different states, and determine if there is any connection between the constables and Shahana's family in West Bengal.

CCTV footage from Beacon Hospital in Behrampore confirms their presence on June 7. This is the last confirmed sighting of the constables. Their phones have been switched off since leaving the hospital.

Akanksha's mother, Urmila Nikhar, has expressed concern during a public hearing with Gwalior police. She told officers about a conversation with Akanksha on June 5, where her daughter seemed 'hesitant'.

Nikhar alleges Gwalior police didn't investigate the disappearance despite a missing person's report being filed at Bilua police station (100km from Gwalior) on June 6. Shahana's family in Bengal has not provided any information to Nikhar, deepening the mystery.

Following her complaint, Gwalior police have constituted a special investigation team and are collaborating with state and central agencies, including their counterparts in Bengal, to trace the constables' and establish contact with the women.

Scolded, boy, 16, stabs teacher to death in Assam school

Dhrubajyoti Malakar | TNN

Guwahati: A 16-year-old student of a private school in Assam's Sivasagar allegedly stabbed his chemistry teacher to death inside the classroom on Saturday after being reprimanded over his poor academic performance. Police arrested the teenager and are currently questioning him.

Rajesh Baruah Bejawada, 55, was not only a chemistry teacher but also held a managerial position in the school.

Subhrajyoti Bora, SP (Sivasagar), said: "As per preliminary investigation, on Saturday morning the teacher scolded the student over his performance in the subject and asked him to bring his parents to school. After the mathematics period was over, the student left the school and returned changing his school uniform. While he was sitting on the last bench of the class in a later period, the teacher repeatedly asked him to leave the room, and suddenly the student attacked him multiple times with a knife. He was carrying the knife in his pocket."

Man thrashed to death, 2nd case in 3 weeks in western UP

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Shamli: A 31-year-old man died in the Jalalabad area of UP's Shamli after he was allegedly thrashed by people on Friday. Police registered a case of "culpable homicide" against three brothers based on the dead man's family's complaint. However, the postmortem examination report showed "no injury marks on the body".

People allegedly beat Mohammad Firoz after he "entered a house in an intoxicated state". The men of the house then thrashed him before handing him over to police, who then called his family to take him home. Firoz later died at home. This comes just 18 days after a man in Aligarh was killed by a mob on suspicion of theft on June 18.

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Redressal of complaints against entities regulated by RBI

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What to do if you have a complaint?

You can lodge complaint against the regulated entity at its branch or through online in the grievance redressal portal or any other mode as mentioned in its website. Get acknowledgement or save the reference number of the complaint.

When to approach the RBI Ombudsman?

You can approach the RBI Ombudsman, in case:

- **No reply is received from the regulated entity within 30 days -** Anytime within one year and 30 days from the date of your complaint to regulated entity.
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Note:

- The complaint should contain all requisite details / information as per the complaint form prescribed in the RB-IOS.
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How to lodge a complaint with RBI?

Complaint against the regulated entity can be filed through any of the following modes:

- Online through the Complaint Management System (CMS) portal of RBI at https://cms.rbi.org.in
- Physical complaint (letter / post) in the form as specified in Annexure in the RB-IOS to "Centralized Receipt and Processing Centre, 4th floor, Reserve Bank of India, Sector-17, Central Vista, Chandigarh – 160017"

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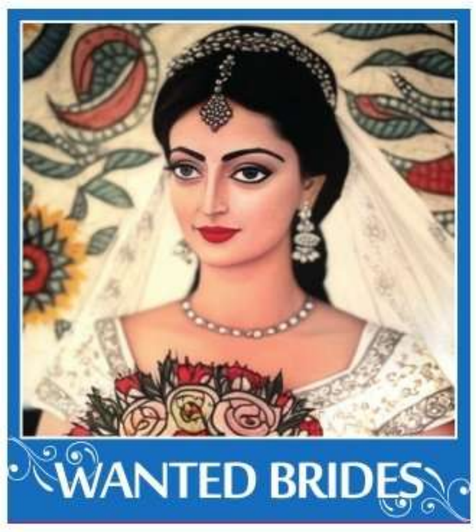
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SM4 b'ful Saxena girl Oct 90 5'4" B.Tech M.Tech Software Professional, 15 LPA wkg reputed MNC Noida Mob: 9899993582

SM4 5'4"/30 BA LLB practcing at supreme court. Parents are doctors. seeks IAS, IPS, IRS, IES or practising Lawyer at Delhi. # 9425114882

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MEDICO groom PG clinical subject for a medico saxena fair girl 5'3" / 14.10.1989 DNB ophthalmology wkg as SR in govt hospital # 9827116322

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Miscreants behind stampede won't be spared: Bhole Baba

Video Message To Followers: Have Faith In Administration

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Hathras: In his first detailed response to the Hathras stampede, Surajpal Singh, popular as Bhole Baba, expressed "profound sorrow" and assured the guilty would be punished. He also promised support for the victims and their families. A crush at the end of his sermon had led to the deaths of 121 people in a Hathras village on Tuesday.

In a video message, Bhole Baba urged victims to stay strong and have faith in the administration, promising those responsible would be punished. "The incident has left me distraught. Mischiefmakers and anti-social elements responsible for the stampede will not be spared. Narayan Sakar Hari ki sampurn brahmand me sada sada kay liye jaijaikar ho (May the praise of Narayan Sakar Hari resound forever throughout the universe)," he said.

Bhole Baba, dressed in his trademark white shirt, instructed his committee to assist those injured in the stampede. "Through my lawyer AP Singh, I have requested committee members to stand with the bereaved families and the injured and help them throughout their lives," he said, reading from a prepared statement. "May God give us the strength to bear this pain."

Advocate Singh confirmed cooperation with the investigation. "We have district-wise lists of the victims, and Narayan Sakar Hari's trust will take care of the education, health, and wedding expenses of the families of those who died in the stampede," he said.

Following the stampede, Bhole Baba was believed to have shut himself up in Mainpuri, locked inside one of his 24 lavish ashrams. Police presence around the ashram is significant, with officials remaining tight-lipped.

Police had said on Friday that "inter-state searches have been launched to apprehend Bhole Baba". Shalabh Mathur, IG (Aligarh), had said, "Along with the main accused, we are also looking for Bhole Baba. Raids are being conducted across Uttar Pradesh and adjoining states such as Haryana, Rajasthan and Uttarakhand."

Late Friday night, Bhole Baba's aide and main accused in the case, Devprakash Madhukar, had "surrendered" himself before police.

Mathur said on Saturday that investigation is ongoing, and anyone found involved will be interrogated, and appropriate action will be taken. "For now, Bhole Baba has not been named in the FIR because permission for the satsang was not sought in his name".

Earlier, in the initial days following the stampede, police had said that the preacher was "nowhere to be found" and that his mobile phones had been switched off.

The police report also noted around 2.5 lakh people attended the event despite only 80,000 being permitted.

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'Through my lawyer, I have urged committee members to stand with the bereaved families and the injured and help them,' Bhole Baba said In his first detailed response to the Hathras tragedy

Ex-judge-led probe panel visits venue

A special judicial commission formed by the state to investigate Tuesday's stampede began its work in Hathras on Saturday. The commission, headed by retired Allahabad HC judge Justice Brijesh Kumar Srivastav and including retired IAS officers Hemant Rao and Bhavesh Kumar, examined the venue and gathered relevant information, reports **Deepak Lavania.** "We are assessing the entire incident. Site inspection is complete. We have checked the crowd capacity, entry and exit points, and collected relevant information," Justice Srivastav said.

After arrest of 2 key aides, cops probe 'political links'

Hathras: A court ordered a 14-day judicial remand for the main accused and another individual in the Hathras stampede case on Saturday. Investigations are now focusing on their "political connections". Devprakash Madhukar, the 'mukhya sevadar (chief volunteer)' who organised the satsang where 121 people died, and Sanju Yadav were arrested by police late on Friday, reports **Deepak Lavania**.

The duo was presented before the chief judicial magistrate's court in Hathras and transferred to Aligarh district jail. The probe has now extended to establishing political and financial links of Surajpal Singh, alias Bhole Baba.

SP (Hathras) Nipun Agarwal said, "Madhukar, arrested late on Friday, was recently contacted by some political parties. Financial transactions, money trails, and call records are under scrutiny."

Madhukar is the primary suspect named in the FIR lodged at Sikandara Rau police station. Nine individuals, all 'sevadars', have been arrested so far. Contrary to the police statement, Madhukar's lawyer, A P Singh, claimed in a video statement that he surrendered to the police in Delhi, where he was receiving medical treatment.

UP govt trying to hide failure by arresting 'innocent people': Akhilesh

Agra: Samajwadi Party chief Akhilesh Yadav on Saturday accused the UP govt of trying to hide its failure in the Hathras stampede that killed 121 people by making "minor arrests". He questioned the way action was being taken against "innocent people" and demanded a judicial probe on the way arrests were being made. He said these arrests are a "conspiracy in themselves", reports **Deepak Lavania**.

Yadav, in a post on his social media handle, said, "It looks like such accidents will continue to happen since the state govt does not seem to have learnt from the administrative lapses that led to the stampede."

Meanwhile, Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) chief Mayawati demanded strict action against Bhole Baba and others involved in the Hathras incident.

Heavy showers lash U'khand, 2 Hyderabad pilgrims among 3 dead

Kautilya Singh & Kalyan Das | TNN

Dehradun: Two pilgrims, hailing from Hyderabad were among three persons who died in separate rain-related incidents as heavy showers lashed most parts of Uttarakhand on Saturday.

In the first incident, Satya Narayan, 50, and Nirmal Sai, 36, from Hyderabad — died in a landslide as they came under the debris of a landslide caused by the rain in Chatwapeepal area of Karnprayag in Chamoli district while travelling on a motorcycle on the Badrinath national highway route.

SDRF commandant Manikant Mishra told **TOI**, "The incident happened as the two were returning from Badrinath after offering prayers. They were trapped under large boulders when crossing the area. Our teams retrieved the bodies from the debris and handed them over to the local police."

Karnprayag police station SHO, inspector Devendra Singh Rawat said, "The two were part of a group of four from Hyderabad who had rented two motorbikes in Rishikesh. Sai and Satya Narayan were on one bike, while the other two, including Sai's brother, rode ahead. Unfortunately, a massive boulder fell from the hillside, killing Sai and Satya Narayan on the spot."

Rawat added that the body of Sai, who was riding the motorcycle, was severely disfigured in the accident. His brother agreed to perform his last rites in Chamoli due to the condition of the body. Arrangements were being made to send Satya Narayan's body back to Hyderabad for his final rites, he said.

In another incident, Shanti Devi, a 52-year-old resident of Thelagauth village in Banbasa area of Champawat, was swept away by a strong current while attempting to cross a seasonal river late Friday night. Her body was recovered on Saturday by an SDRF team.

PTI



Alaknanda river was flowing above the danger level in Chamoli on Saturday after heavy rainfall. Traffic on Rudraprayag-Gaurikund highway was halted

We should have done better, learnt the lessons: Paytm CEO

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Mumbai: Paytm founder & CEO **Vijay Shekhar Sharma** who has been steering the firm through one of its biggest crises following the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)'s restrictions on the fintech's banking unit said the company should have done and understood better.



"We had responsibilities which we should have fulfilled much much much better. We have learnt the lessons. The important thing is the kind of lessons as a technology company we had to learn, we just did not show up to those lessons. But now, we are far better," Sharma said at an event in New Delhi on Saturday.

Earlier this year, the RBI imposed severe restrictions on Paytm Payments Bank (PPBL) due to persistent non-compliance.

On Jan 31, the RBI directed PPBL to stop accepting money in any customer account, including wallets and other prepaid instruments due to persistent non-compliance. The restrictions were put in place after March 15. Paytm which has slashed several jobs since the RBI move revealed wider losses of Rs 550.5 crore in Q4FY24 and said that it expects the full impact of RBI's action on the business to play out in Q1FY25.

Sharma said that the govt's supportive policies have helped Startups go mainstream and there was no better time for new founders to start up.

He said Paytm's ambition is to contribute towards India's vision of becoming a $5 trillion economy and the fintech would increasingly focus on mobile credit going ahead. The CEO said that providing scores of small businesses and the underserved individuals with access to formal credit will help in growth of the economy.

SBI
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NOTICE

Change of Registrar and Share Transfer Agent (RTA) of the Bank

Notice is hereby given to the Shareholders, Bondholders, Beneficial owners, Depository Participants and all concerned that the RTA of the Bank has been changed from Alankit Assignments Limited ('AAL') to KFin Technologies Limited ('KFin') (SEBI Regn No. INR000000221) with effect from 05.07.2024 (date of shifting of electronic connectivity to the new RTA).

All documents / correspondence such as transmission / transposition of shares, issuance of duplicate shares, change of address and updation of KYC (Physical shares), claim of unpaid dividend, unpaid interest, unpaid redemption amount on Bonds, shares held in abeyance, claim from ⅔unclaimed suspense account, etc. may be delivered to the new RTA, KFin Technologies Limited at the address mentioned below:

KFin Technologies Limited
Unit: State Bank of India, Selenium Tower B, Plot 31 & 32,
Financial District, Nanakramguda, Hyderabad - 500 032
Email: einward.ris@kfintech.com
Toll free: 1800 309 4001
Website: www.kfintech.com

Investors may also send their request to the Bank at the address given at the top of this notice.

For State Bank of India
Sd/-
(Aruna Nitin Dak)
DGM (Compliance & Company Secretary)

Place: Mumbai
Date: 05.07.2024

North Central Zone Cultural Centre, Prayagraj
(Ministry of Culture, Government of India)
14, CSP Singh Marg, Prayagraj-211001
Tel: 0532-2421855

Deepawali Shilp Mela and Rashtriya Shilp Mela-2024

North Central Zone Cultural Centre, Prayagraj is organizing **Deepawali Crafts Mela** from **17 to 28 October, 2024** and **Rashtriya Shilp Mela** from **01 to 15 December, 2024** at **Shilp Haat** of the **Centre**. The applicants have to submit self Photo, Aadhar card, Weavers Service Center/DCH Registration Card along with the application form, otherwise the application will be rejected/ not considered. The applicants have to deposit a partial amount of **Rs. 20,000/-** (Rupees twenty thousand only) separately for **Deepawali Crafts fair** & **Rashtriya Shilp Mela** through bank Draft in favour of **Director, NCZCC Prayagraj**. **The number of stalls are limited.** The **last date** for receipt of applications in the Centre's Office for **Deepawali Crafts Mela** is **20 September, 2024 till 6:00 PM** and for **Rashtriya Shilp Mela** is **05 November 2024 till 6:00 PM**. Detailed informations may be obtained from the website of the center at **www.nczcc.in** or on the telephone number of the center's office at **0532-2421855** or on the mobile number-**7607001855**

Director
NCZCC, Prayagraj

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PG Diploma – AI & ML	MBA – General Management
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संख्याः 3603/XXV-01/2020 देहरादून दिनांकः 07 जुलाई, 2024

प्रेस विज्ञप्ति

मुख्य निर्वाचन अधिकारी कार्यालय, उत्तराखण्ड, विश्वकर्मा भवन, प्रथम तल, सचिवालय परिसर, 04–सुभाष रोड़, देहरादून में Consultant for SVEEP/Consultant for Social Media Management/Consultant cum Content Developer/ Consultant for Graphic Designer तथा Consultant Cum Video editor के एक–एक पद हेतु दिनांक 19 जुलाई 2024 के अपरान्ह 04:00 बजे तक स्पीड पोस्ट/पंजीकृत डाक अथवा व्यक्तिगत रूप से निर्धारित प्रारूप पर आवेदन आमंत्रित किये जाते हैं। नियत तिथि एवं समय के पश्चात प्राप्त आवेदन पत्रों अथवा अपूर्ण आवेदन पत्रों पर कोई विचार नहीं किया जायेगा। आवेदन पत्र का प्रारूप एवं तद्विषयक अन्य शर्तें/निर्देश मुख्य निर्वाचन अधिकारी, उत्तराखण्ड की वेबसाइट www.ceo.uk.gov.in पर उपलब्ध हैं।

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E-TENDER INVITING NOTICE 1. Open short term tender is invited through e-tendering for the repair of damaged/burnt power transformer of assorted ratings 33/11 KV 5 no. 8 MVA & 60 nos. 10 MVA against tender specification no. PVVNL-MT/MM/85(s)/24-25. **Tender Cost: Rs. 11800.00 (with GST) Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) :- Rs. 1359400.00. Last Date of tender submission & Time :- 22.07.2024 at 2:00 PM Date of tender opening (Part-I st & II nd) & Time :- 22.07.2024 at 5:00 PM.** 2. Open short term tender is invited through e-tendering for the supply of 4075 No 13 Mtr. long Steel Tubular Pole with welded base plate, 410-SP-70 (Bottom portion hot dip Galvanized) against tender specification no. PVVNL-MT/MM/86(s)/24-25. **Tender Cost :- Rs. 11800.00 (with GST) Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) :- Rs. 1359400.00. Last Date of tender submission & Time :- 22.07.2024 at 2:00 PM. Date of tender opening (Part-I st & II nd) & Time:- 22.07.2024 at 5:00 PM. Note:- In case of any amendment in tender specification or date of extension, the same shall be uploaded on e-tender website www.etender.up.nic.in and www.pvvnl.org Superintending Engineer (MM-I) "Help line Number For Information of Theft of Electricity: "1800-180- 3002 (Meerut), & 9412207451" "Save Electricity in the Interest of the Nation"** RO-285/06.07.2024

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 (2) (ii) CrPC

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person **Namely: Aabid, S/o : Ekram, R/o: H.No.153, Gali No.20, Noor Illahi, Yamuna Vihar, Delhi** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in a case vide **FIR No.117/2016, U/s 393 IPC** registered at **PS Khajuri Khas, Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued stating that the said **Aabid** could not be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the accused **Aabid** is absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused **Aabid** is required to appear before the court to answer the said complaint on or before **09.08.2024.**

By Order
Sukhjeet Singh
MM-03, Room No.22, North-East Delhi, Karkardooma Courts, Delhi

DP/8755/NE/2024

Maharashtra State Agricultural Marketing Board (MSAMB), Pune

e-Tender Notice

MSAMB invites e-Tender for Construction of concrete road and other allied works at MSAMB's Main-farm, Talegoan Dabhade, Tal. Maval, Dist. Pune. Estimated Cost of the said work is **Rs. 247.56** Lakhs. For more details please visit www.msamb.com and https://mahatenders.gov.in.

Managing Director

E-Mail: gmgangahw@gmail.com
UTTARAKHAND PEYJAL NIGAM
Office of the General Manager, Construction Circle (Ganga), Jagjeetpur, Post-Kankhal Haridwar-249408

Letter No. 2262 /KFW-P-7/17 **Date 06/07/2024**
E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE: INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING
Country: India
Project: Environmentally Friendly Urban Development in Ganga Basin States (Ganga Rejuvenation) July 2024 ICB No. 1 (Package-7)/511456 (Re-Tender)

1. The Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Government of Uttarakhand has received financing from KfW towards the cost of the Environmentally Friendly Urban Development in Ganga Basin States (Ganga Rejuvenation) BMZ NO: 2015 67 635/2015 70 432/2018 67 720, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contracts
(a) for Supplying laying jointing testing and commissioning of Sewer Network in Rishikesh (Zone PSZ-6,) including Defects Notification Periods for one year under Package-7.

2. Bidding will be conducted by means of international Competitive Bidding procedure with qualification as specified in the KfW Guidelines for Procurement of Goods, Works and associated Services in Financial Cooperation with Partner Countries ("KfW Guidelines" (latest version).

3. The State Mission for Clean Ganga (SMCG) through "Uttarakhand Peyjal Sansadhan Vikas Evem Nirman Nigam (hereinafter Uttarakhand Peyjal Nigam)" on behalf of Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Government of Uttarakhand invites e-tender/Bids for the following work from technically and financially capable bidders up to prescribed time & date and as per provision of bid document.

SL	Name of Work {Contract package}	Bid Security {Earnest Money}	Tender/Bid Document Cost	Time for completion of work	Defects notification period
1	Supplying laying jointing testing and commissioning of Sewer collection network 80.0 km, House connection 2120 numbers, and micro tunnelling 0.45 km at Rishikesh.	Rs. 195 lacs	Rs. 5900 (Including GST)	24 Months	12 Months

Bid document of this work shall be uploaded on the e-Government Procurement System (e-GPS) portal i.e. **http://www.uktenders.gov.in.**
International bidders are not excluded from participation. International Bidders may choose to submit their Bids through their Agents or Representatives in India eligible to submit Bids who possesses requisite documents and Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) required to submit Bids online.

General Manager

अखिल भारतीय आयुर्विज्ञान संस्थान, बीबीनगर
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संख्या/No. AIIMS/BBN/RECT/CONSULTANT/2024/134 दिनांक / Dtd.:27.06.2024

RECRUITMENT NOTICE
ENGAGEMENT OF CONSULTANT (AUDIT/ PROCUREMENT/ SENIOR IT/ SYSTEM ANALYST)

All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Bibinagar is an Autonomous Institute of National Importance under Ministry of Health & Family Welfare; Government of India invites applications from suitable candidates/Retired employees to be engaged as **Consultants** in various Departments are as under:

Sl. No.	Name of the Post	Remuneration	No. of Positions
1.	Senior IT Consultant	Rs.1,00,000/- Per month	01
2.	System Analyst	Rs.65,000/- Per month	01
3.	Consultant (Audit)	Rs.60,000/- Per month	01
4.	Consultant (Procurement)	Rs.60,000/- Per month	01

NOTE: (1) The above assignments are purely on a contractual basis, initially for one year and further extendable for another year up to the age of 65 years or the post filled on regular basis, whichever is earlier.
(2) Candidates who applied earlier for the above Consultant posts in response to the Vacancy Notice No. AIIMS/BBN/RECT/CONSULTANT/2023/2374 Dtd.24.04.2023 should apply again if interested updating their qualifications and experiences.
(3) For details of Vacancy Notice including educational qualifications, age, and eligibility criteria etc., kindly visit the Institute's website i.e., **https://aiimsbibinagar.edu.in.** The last date for receipt of completed application on the prescribed proforma along with requisite documents through proper channel is 30 days from the date of publication of Vacancy Notice in the Employment News/Rozgar Samachar. The candidates may also send a scanned copy of the filled in application to email **recruitment@aiimsbibinagar.edu.in** as an advance copy.

Sd/-
उप निदेशक प्रशासन/ **Deputy Director Administration**
एम्स, बीबीनगर/ **AIIMS, Bibinagar**

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Hyderabad Metropolitan Region (HMR), Telangana-508126, India
संख्या/No. AIIMS/BBN/RECT/FACULTY/2024/133 दिनांक / Dtd.:27.06.2024

RECRUITMENT NOTICE
ROLLING ADVERTISEMENT FOR RECRUITMENT OF FACULTY POSTS (GROUP-A) IN VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AT AIIMS, BIBINAGAR ON DIRECT RECRUITMENT/DEPUTATION BASIS

All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Bibinagar, an autonomous Institute of National Importance and apex healthcare Institute being established by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India under the **Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY)** with the aim of correcting regional imbalances in the availability/reliable tertiary healthcare services and also to augment facilities for quality medical education in the country.
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Sl.No.	Post	Total
1.	Professor	24 (10-UR, 8-OBC, 5-SC, 1-ST)
2.	Additional Professor	06 (3-UR, 2-SC, 1-ST)
3.	Associate Professor	16 (6-UR, 7-OBC, 3-SC)
4.	Assistant Professor	22 (8-UR, 5-OBC, 5-SC, 3-ST, 1-EWS)

For further details of Vacancy Notice including educational qualifications, age, experiences, fees, other eligibility criteria, submission of application through online mode etc., please visit Institute's website i.e., **https://aiimsbibinagar.edu.in.**
The last date for submission of online application is 30 days from the date of publication of Vacancy Notice in Employment News/Rozgar Samachar.

Sd/-
उप निदेशक प्रशासन/ **Deputy Director Administration**
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-Sd-
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CORRIGENDUM

Kind attention is invited towards the advertisement No. 02/2024 of NCHMCT wherein vacancy for various non-teaching positions were advertised in the Employment News and Daily Newspapers. In regard to vacancy published at Sl.No. 1, i.e. Director (A&F):

(i) Essential Education Qualification may be read as :
Masters' degree from a recognised University/ Institute.

(ii) Point (1) of Special Note may be read as:
Initial deputation will be of one year and a mandatory performance review will be done for further extension of deputation tenure or for permanent absorption or as the case may be. Total period of deputation shall not ordinarily exceed five years.

The rest of the content of Advt. No. 02/2024 shall remain unchanged.

Accordingly, candidates willing to apply for the post of Director (A&F), may apply in the prescribed format through proper channel. Duly filled application along with necessary enclosures must reach the Council latest by 02.08.2024. Candidates, who have already applied, need not apply again. Detailed advertisement and application form is available in the website **www.nchm.gov.in.**

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NCR Biotech Science Cluster, 3rd Milestone, Faridabad – Gurugram Expressway, P.O. Box No. 04, Faridabad – 121001

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9810563960
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PQM4 B.Tech + MBA Manglik Rajput Girl, working MNC, 60 lakhs+ CTC, 5'-6", 8-Oct-90, 7:39 am, Delhi. 9667556591

SC/ST

2/9/1986 SC girl MD Pediatrics 5'-3" doing sr ship in PGI MS Rohtak. Preferable MD. MS DM MBBS / 1st class gazetted officer. Caste no Bar. M. 9466132525

B.TECH IT, MS wrkg. B'lore. 81/5'4", nvr mrd, SC (Chamar) girl, parents Delhi, Native UP. caste no bar. Call: 8810478760. Em: inboxmetta@gmail.com

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Notice is hereby given to **the general public** having any interest in the Letters of Administration/Succession certificate of the estate of the above named deceased may if he/she desires, appears in the Court of Dr. Yadvender Singh, District Judge-02 (South), Room No. 15, New Court Block1, Third Floor, Saket Courts, New Delhi on **26-07-2024 at 10:00 a.m.** and participate in the proceedings before the grant of Letter of Administrations/Probate/Succession certificate or if desire to oppose the application of the petitioner aforesaid, he/she should enter appearance in persons in this court on the aforesaid date and be prepared to adduce on that day any documentary and oral evidence which he/she may desire to adduce in support of his/her claim to opposition to the application of the petitioner aforesaid.

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To counter Mahayuti, Cong plans bigger sop for women

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The scheme by the BJP-Sena-NCP combine is part of a plan to win over women who were baited by Congress with 'Mahalakshmi' yojana during LS poll campaign

New Delhi: With a badly-mauled governing alliance in Maharashtra falling back on cash payments to women to turn its political fortunes — a tried and tested method in recent years, Congress believes the BJP-led govt has made a faux pas by spelling out its upper limit (Rs 1500 per month) with the launch of the scheme. Sources said the opposition MVA will counter the 'Ladli Behna' card of 'Mahayuti' with the promise of a bigger payout if voted to power.

The fresh scheme by the BJP-Sena-NCP combine, announced weeks after its decimation in Lok Sabha elections in Maharashtra, is part of a plan to win over women voters who were baited by Congress with 'Mahalakshmi' yojana during the poll campaign. The cash payout to women has been a proven winner in politics in recent years, with BJP setting the example with its Madhya Pradesh govt's 'Ladli Behna' scheme and Congress following the cue by successfully using the promise in Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka and Telangana elections. Maharashtra has clearly taken a leaf out of the recent political playbook.

Sources in Congress, however, said BJP's scheme in Maharashtra, coming close to elections, is a mistake, as its implementation has set the limit of its payout. "We will announce a bigger amount to counter it successfully," a strategist said. They also said that the political mood in the state as demonstrated by the LS elections shows that Congress and alliance's promise will resonate with people, and BJP will not get the advantage of having rolled out the scheme.

Congress has learnt its lessons hard. Former Madhya Pradesh Congress president Kamal Nath had prematurely announced the planned promise of Rs 1,500 per month for 2023 polls, and chief minister Shivraj Chouhan immediately hiked his scheme from Rs 1,000 to Rs 1,250 to counter the rival, with the added promise that he would increase it further to Rs 1,500, if voted back. BJP won the elections with ease, and Nath got the flak in the party for giving the game away.

As the national focus shifts to Maharashtra in coming weeks, sources said Congress will launch an all-out attack on BJP, that will echo Rahul Gandhi's opening salvo after the LS results. "Favours to Adani" will be a key component of the party campaign. Rahul is likely to start the outreach in Maharashtra with a day's participation in the revered Pandharpur yatra that culminates later this month.

BRS MLA joins Cong, more defections likely

BRS MLA B Krishna Mohan Reddy joined Congress in the presence of Telangana CM A Revanth Reddy at his residence-cum-camp office Saturday, days after six BRS MLCs switched loyalties, reports **Roushan Ali**.

Krishna Mohan, a two-term MLA for Gadwal assembly constituency in CM Revanth's home district of Mahabubnagar, is the seventh BRS legislator to join Congress. Speculation suggested that six more BRS legislators, mostly from constituencies in Greater Hyderabad, are believed to be in touch with Congress brass. These MLAs might join Congress before the budget session of the assembly.

Sources said a couple of MLAs from Adilabad are among the six wannabe defectors. However, none of the BRS legislators from Greater Hyderabad have publicly stated their intention to leave the KCR-led party.

T'gana, Andhra CMs hold talks, to set up panels to resolve pending issues

Hyderabad: Heralding a new era of bonhomie between two Telugu neighbours, Telangana CM A Revanth Reddy and his Andhra Pradesh counterpart, N Chandrababu Naidu, met in Hyderabad on Saturday for the first time and decided to resolve all pending issues between the two states through discussions, reports **Roushan Ali**.

To begin with, two high-level joint committees — one led by chief secretaries and another comprising ministers from both states — will be constituted. Saturday's meeting is of significance as Naidu is part of the NDA while his Telangana counterpart belongs to the INDIA bloc.

The two CMs met for close to two hours at Mahatma Jyoti Rao Phule Praja Bhavan in Begumpet. At the meeting, Revanth sought the re-merging of five border villages into Telangana from AP and it was decided to write a letter to the Union home ministry seeking an ordinance in this regard.



ANI

Telangana CM Revanth Reddy (L) with his Andhra counterpart N Chandrababu Naidu in Hyderabad

Telangana deputy CM Bhatti Vikramarka said all issues arising out of the AP State Reorganisation Act of 2014 and pending before the two states in the last 10 years have been discussed. "The officers' committee will meet within two weeks to find solutions. If matters are not resolved at their level, such issues will be discussed by the ministers' committee. Issues not resolved by the committee will be discussed again by both CMs," Vikramarka said Saturday.

One dead, 5 trapped under debris as five-storey building collapses in Surat: One person died when a five-storey residential building collapsed in Pali village, 14 km from Surat city, on Saturday, while at least five others were trapped under the debris. TNN

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Gaighat, Patna-800 007. Mobile No.-9229024800

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PRESS NOTICE TO ISSUE FOR PUBLICATIONS IN NEWS PAPER FOR E-TENDERING

The Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Division, Chowari invites tenders on behalf of the Governor of Himachal Pradesh from approved eligible contractors for the following work(s) through e-tendering process.

Sr. No. :- 1. **Name of Work :-** Improvement and Augmentation of Water Supply Scheme to Chowari Town in Tehsil Bhattiyat Distt Chamba H.P.. including trial & testing run period of 03 month after physical completion of all components of the scheme. **Estimated Cost :-** Rupees 22,80,88,680/- **Earnest money :-** Rupees. 22,80,885/- **Time Limit :-** 24 months including all season but excluding trial run of 3 month **Cost of form :-** Rupees 2,500/- **Start and Last date for uploading the tender through e-tendering :-** 06.07.2024 to 20.07.2024

The bidders are advised to note other details of tender from the departmental website https://hptenders.gov.in. The Executive Engineer, reserves the right to reject/cancel any or all the bids without assigning any reason(s).

Executive Engineer,
Jal Shakti Division, Chowari.
Distt. Chamba (HP)-176302

HIM SUCHANA AVAM JAN SAMPARK

Advt.No. 0615/06/07/2024

कार्यालय नगर निगम, बरेली

पत्रांक: 184/प्र0अधि0/लि0वे0मै0/2024-25 दिनांक: 05 जुलाई 2024

TENDER NOTICE

Online bids are invited for following work. Tender forms may be purchased online by the bidders, having relevant experience.

Name of Service	Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.)
"Procurement of scientific & technical services for complete Supply, Fabrication Erection, Installation & successful Commissioning of In Situ Nallah treatment by Bio-Remediation & Phytoremediation Technology in 15 Drains of Bareilly Nagar Nigam having total discharge of 130 MLD"	The EMD & Tender Fee shall be submitted online in the Account Number- 3647000100980707 Bank Name: Punjab National Bank Branch: Patel Chowk, Bareilly IFSC: PUNB0364700

Event of Calendar:

Sl. No.	Events	Date & Time
1.	Date of downloading tender document	06.07.2024 from 12.00 PM
2.	Last date for seeking clarification, if any	09.07.2024 up to 02.00 PM
3.	Reply to the bid queries	11.07.2024 up to 02.00 PM
4.	A pre-proposal meeting will be held on	12.07.2024 up to 01.00 PM
5.	Start date for uploading of proposal on e-Procurements platform	15.07.2024 from 02.00 PM
6.	Last date/time of submission of E-Bid with scan copy of BC for cost of tender FDR of EMD on e- Tendering portal (website).	17.07.2024 up to 04.00 PM
7.	Last date/ time of submission of original BC of e- tender fee & original FDR of EMD in physical from	18.07.2024 at 04.00 PM
8.	Date/ time of opening Pre-qualification part through E-Tender procurement solution	19.07.2024 at 04.00 PM
9.	Date/ time of opening Price Bid through E-Tender procurement	To be intimated later

The tender document can be downloaded from **https://etender.up.nic.in.** "Corrigendum if any. Would appear only on the **https://etender.up.nic.in** site and not to be published in any News Paper."

प्रभारी अधिकारी (लिक्विड वेस्ट मैनेजमेंट)
नगर निगम बरेली।

HIMACHAL PRADESH PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

The Executive Engineer, Bilaspur Division No. 2, HP.PWD., Bilaspur on behalf of Governor of H.P invites the item rate bids, in electronic tendering system, from the eligible class of contractors registered with HP.PWD., for the works as detailed in the table.

Sr. No. :- 1 **Name of Work :-** Periodic Maintenance on Dhalet to Jhandori road Km. 0/0 to 11/515 (L-112) PMGSY road under performance incentive (SH:- Rectification of existing damaged paved surface, providing V-shape drain, U-shape drain and providing and laying periodic renewal using mix seal surfacing and including five years routine maintenance in Km. 0/0 to 10/300) **Estimated cost :-** Rs, 1,51,31,894/- **Starting Date for downloading Bid :-** 08.07.2024 **Earnest money :-** 3,03,000/- **Deadline for submission of Bid :-** 15.07.2024 **Time Period :-** One year

The bidders are advised to note other details of tenders from the department website www.hptenders.gov.in

Executive Engineer
Bilaspur Divn. No. II,
HP-PWD, Bilaspur
Tel; 01978-222551
e-mail :- ee-bil2-hp@nic.in
On behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh

Advt. No. 0608/06.07.2024 HIM SUCHANA AVAM JAN SAMPARK

DEPARTMENT OF BIOTECHNOLOGY
Ministry of Science & Technology
Government of India

DEPARTMENT OF BIOTECHNOLOGY
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization — RCB Regional Centre for Biotechnology

AWARD OF DBT – RESEARCH ASSOCIATESHIP IN BIOTECHNOLOGY & LIFE SCIENCES

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: 2024 – 2025 / Call I

Applications are invited from Indian Nationals for the award of "DBT-Research Associateship" for pursuing research in frontier areas of Biotechnology and Life Sciences. The Associateship is tenable in Premier Research Institutions/Universities including non-profit R&D Institutions within India. The Associateships are awarded under the "DBT-Research Associateship" programme supported by the Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science & Technology, Government of India.

Start Date of Online Application : 08th July, 2024
End Date of Online Application : 07th August, 2024

Detailed information on the fellowship grant, eligibility criteria and application process is available at DBT website- **www.dbtindia.gov.in** and RCB website- **www.rcb.res.in.** To apply, interested applicants may kindly visit DBT-RA website- **https://ra.dbtindia.gov.in/** Or Common Fellowship Portal via **https://fellowships.gov.in/**

Interested and eligible applicants from the North East Region are also encouraged to apply.

For any queries, please contact DBT-HRD Project & Management Unit, Regional Centre for Biotechnology at **ra.dbt@rcb.res.in**.

TN BSP neta's killing linked to gold loan scam, suspect police

Chennai: A day after the murder of TN BSP president K Armstrong, Chennai police on Saturday zeroed in on the possibility of its links to Aarudhra gold loan scheme scam, reports **Selvaraj**.

Police suspect the murder has a connection with the rivalry between Arcot Suresh and Armstrong over scam. While Suresh purportedly represented promoters, Armstrong was aligned with major investors. Suresh was murdered at Foreshore Estate on Augt 18, 2023. Suresh's brother, Ponnai Balu — one of the eight suspects arrested in Armstrong's murder case — believed Armstrong got Suresh killed.

Officers who interrogated Balu reported that his gang decided to kill Armstrong either on Suresh's birthday on July 5 — — or ahead of the first anniversary of Suresh's death on Aug 18.

Police Commissioner Sandeep Rai Rathores said, "We are reexamining Suresh's murder to determine if Armstrong played a role in it."

Govt to unveil new co-op policy in a month: Shah

Vishwa.Mohan @timesofindia.com



Shah at 'Prosperity through Cooperation' programme in Gandhinagar on Saturday

New Delhi: Govt will come out with a new national cooperative policy within a month, said Union home and cooperation minister Amit Shah on the occasion of 102nd International Day of Cooperatives on Saturday. The new policy, replacing the existing one formulated in 2002, will seek to further strengthen the cooperative movement in the country by deepening its reach to the grassroots.

Underlining growing footprints of cooperatives in India ever since the new ministry of cooperation came into existence on the same day three years ago, Shah expressed his confidence that there will not be a single panchayat in which there will not be a primary agricultural credit society (PACS) on the day when International Day of Cooperatives will be celebrated five years later in 2029.

Shah said that in the next five years a strong foundation of cooperation will be laid so that it impacts every village and household for the next 125 years.

At present, there are 65,000 functional PACS, out of which 48,000 have taken initiatives towards becoming viable by adding some new activity to their work/service profile. Under the 2029 target, PACS will be created in two lakh more panchayats.

Shah was addressing the 'Sahkar Se Samriddhi' (prosperity through cooperation) conference in Gandhinagar, Gujarat. The country at present has more than 8.5 lakh cooperative societies with a member base of nearly 30 crore. The cooperatives are engaged in varied activities like dairying, fisheries, agro-processing, credit, housing, weaving and marketing.

Shah said his ministry has taken many important steps for the cooperative sector and govt has set a target that there should not be any state or district in which there is not a viable district cooperative bank and a viable district milk producer union.

Like in Ayodhya, Cong will beat BJP in Guj too: Rahul

Ahmedabad: Lok Sabha leader of opposition Rahul Gandhi said here Saturday that by drubbing BJP in Ayodhya, INDIA alliance had defeated the Ram Temple movement once led by BJP patriarch LK Advani and predicted that Congress would oust the saffron party from Gujarat in the next assembly polls due in 2027.

"The movement which LK Advani ji started, that movement at whose centre was Ayodhya, has been defeated in Ayodhya. I am saying a very significant thing... Congress party and INDIA bloc defeated them in Ayodhya," Rahul told enthused party workers at Rajiv Gandhi Bhavan, Gujarat Congress headquarters in Ahmedabad.

Rahul was referring to Advani's 1990 Rath Yatra for the construction of the Ram Temple. Ayodhya is part of UP's Faizabad LS seat, which BJP lost this time to Awadhesh Prasad of SP, Congress's INDIA bloc ally.

Rahul visited Ahmedabad in the wake of clashes outside Rajiv Gandhi Bhavan between BJP and Congress workers on July 2 over his alleged "anti-Hindu" remarks in Parliament recently.



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Addressing a rapturous crowd, Rahul predicted that Congress would oust BJP in Gujarat, too. "They (BJP) have challenged us by threatening us and damaging our office. Let me tell you that we are together going to break their govt, like they damaged our office. Congress will defeat (PM) Narendra Modi and BJP in Gujarat like we did in Ayodhya," Rahul said.

Rahul later met families of Congress workers arrested over the clashes as well as kin of victims of the Rajkot gaming zone fire tragedy (May 2024), the Harni boat capsize (March 2024), Morbi bridge collapse (Oct 2022) and the Takshashila fire tragedy (May 2019). TNN

Rahul to travel to Manipur tomorrow, visit relief camps

New Delhi: A week after putting the Modi govt in a spot in Parliament over ethnic conflicts in Manipur, Congress functionary Rahul Gandhi is set to visit the northeastern state on Monday, a visit to keep BJP on the defensive on a difficult issue.

The visit is designed as Rahul's first to a state after becoming the leader of opposition in Lok Sabha. Congress in-charge Girish Chodankar said the tour to Gujarat on Saturday was to meet Congress workers while the Manipur trip is to meet the common man. "Rahul is coming to meet the people of Manipur. He decided that his first trip as LoP should be Manipur. It should not be seen as a political trip," he said.

Rahul will visit Jiribam relief camp in Meitei areas and then Churachandpur and Moirang camps in Kuki areas. He is likely to be accompanied by Congress's KC Venugopal. TNN

ED seizes properties worth ₹4.4cr linked to J'khand minister's aide

New Delhi: ED on Friday seized four properties worth Rs 4.4 cr belonging to Sanjeev Lal, the personal secretary of Jharkhand's rural development minister Alamgir Alam. Alam, who is currently in jail, faces charges of accepting bribes from contractors following the recovery of Rs 38 cr in cash from his premises of his aides.

This huge cash haul, and the subsequent attachment of another Rs 75 crore properties of a chief engineer of the department and his chartered accountant, was possible only after ED started investigating a cash seizure of Rs 2.5 cr a year ago in Jamshedpur. TNN

झारखण्ड लोक सेवा आयोग,
सर्कुलर रोड, राँची
प्रेस विज्ञप्ति

राँची तंत्रिका मनोचिकित्सा एवं संबद्ध विज्ञान संस्थान (रिनपास) में सहायक प्राध्यापक (साईक्याट्रीक सोशल वर्क) सीधी नियुक्ति परीक्षा, विज्ञापन संख्या–15/2022 के संबंध में आवश्यक सूचना।

एतद् द्वारा सूचित किया जाता है कि झारखण्ड राज्य के स्वास्थ्य, चिकित्सा शिक्षा एवं परिवार कल्याण विभाग के अन्तर्गत राँची तंत्रिका मनोचिकित्सा एवं संबद्ध विज्ञान संस्थान (रिनपास) में सहायक प्राध्यापक (साईक्याट्रीक सोशल वर्क) के कुल–03 पद पर सीधी नियुक्ति हेतु प्रकाशित विज्ञापन संख्या–15/2022 के विरूद्ध विज्ञापित पद के पाँच गुणा से कम संख्या में आवेदन प्राप्त हुए हैं। विज्ञापित पद के विरूद्ध वांछित संख्या में आवेदन प्राप्त नहीं होने के कारण प्रकाशित विज्ञापन संख्या–15/2022 को रद्द किया जाता है

2. यह प्रेस विज्ञप्ति आयोग के वेबसाईट www.jpsc.gov.in पर उपलब्ध है।

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परीक्षा नियंत्रक,
झारखण्ड लोक सेवा आयोग, राँची।

PR 328859 Jharkhand Public Service Commission(24-25)D

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr. P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person(s) **Ikenna Mathew, S/o:** Onwuekwe, **R/o:** WZ-25C, Plot No- 45, First Floor, Gali No.9 Krishna Park, **New Delhi** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in **FIR No: 52/2020, CC No. SC/214/2020, U/s. NDPS Act, P.S.: Vikaspuri, Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused person(s) **Ikenna Mathew** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused person(s) **Ikenna Mathew** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused person(s) **Ikenna Mathew** of **FIR No: 52/2020, CC No. SC/214/2020, U/s. NDPS Act, P.S.: Vikaspuri, Delhi** is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **06.08.2024**.

By Order
Manu Goel Kharb
Special Judge-2 NDPS-2,
Court No. 301 Dwarka, Delhi

DP/8528/WD/2024
(Court Matter)

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person **Rohit** S/o Nemichand R/o A-1/255A, Mahashakti Apartment, Paschim Vihar, New Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence FIR No. 121/19 u/s 279/304A IPC at P.S. Rajouri Garden, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said **Rohit** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said **Rohit** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proceeding u/s 82 Cr.P.C. has been initiated in the case. Proclamation is hereby made that the said **Rohit** accused of FIR No. 121/19 u/s 279/304A IPC at P.S. Rajouri Garden, Delhi is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on **14.08.2024.**

By Order: Sh. Shashank Nandan Batt,
Metropolitan Magistrate-02 (West),
Room No. 356, 3rd Floor,
Tis Hazari Court, Delhi

DP/8748/WD/2024

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



General Public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of a male Namely Unknown **S/o** Unknown, **R/o** Unknown **Age:** about 35 years, **Height:** 5'5", **Face:** Long, **Complexion:** Shallow, **Built:** Thin, **Wearing:** White coloured T-Shirt, Grey Coloured Pant and Slippers in feet, was found dead on 18.06.2024 at 09:16 AM from Metro Pillar No. 35, Footpath, Moolchand Hospital, Lajpat Nagar, New Delhi. In this regard a **DD No.26A, dated 18.06.2024** has been lodged at P.S. Lajpat Nagar, Delhi.

If any one having any clue about deceased male may kindly inform the undersigned and contact on following numbers.

SHO
P.S. Lajpat Nagar, Delhi
Ph.: 011-29832456, 29838945
Mob.: 8750870906

DP/8427/SE/2024

SEARCH FOR MISSING



Iram

General public is hereby informed that a female namely **Iram** D/o Sehloj R/o E-402 JMC, Welcome, Delhi has been missing since 18/04/2024 from the area of her house. In this regard **DD/FIR No.0070A Dated 25/06/2024 has been registered at P.S. Welcome, Delhi.** Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out the missing female, but no clue has come to light so far. The description of the missing Female is as under: **Name:** Iram, **Gender:** Female, **Age:** 21 years, **Height:** 5'0", **Complexion:** Fair, **Built:** Thin, **Face:** Round, **Wearing:** Mehroon colour suit and salwar and cream colour dupata. If anyone has any information regarding this missing female, kindly inform SHO/ Welcome, Delhi.

E-mail : cic@cbi.gov.in
Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641
Fax : 011-24368639
DP/8462/NE/2024

SHO
PS, Welcome, Delhi.
Tel.No. 9891982211

NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

Tender Notice

Sr. DEE/TRD/Agra for & on behalf of President of India invites "Open Tender" through online only (e-Tendering) for the following work:

Name of work: Comprehensive Annual maintenance contract of SCADA system (Ashida Make) of Mathura- Alwar section of Agra Division for a period of Four years.

Tender No.	Approximate cost	Earnest Money	Period of completion
AGCTRDT202408	73,36,984.80/-	1,46,700/-	Forty Eight months

1. For full details & submission of the bid please see the Indian Railway website **www.ireps.gov.in**. 2. Tender can only be submitted through web portal **"www.ireps.gov.in"** up to **15.00** Hrs. on date **29.07.2024**

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NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

E-Tender Notice No. CEN00AGC1124

Tender Notice

Deputy Cheif Engineer (Construction), North Central Railway, Agra Cantt. for and on behalf of the President of India invites in **single packet** open tender on prescribed forms online (E-Tendering). Tender offer can be submitted on line up to **15.00** hours. of **07.08.2024,** on website **http://ireps.gov.in**. The details of the tenders are as under:-

Description of work: Final Location Survey of Mathura-Dholpur 4th line (107 Km)

Approx Cost: 55.11 Lakhs (App.), **Earnest Money: 1,10,200/-, Completion period:** 5 (Five) Months including harvest & monsoon period, **Date of opening: 07.08.2024, Validity:** 90 days.

Note: For complete details and submission of tender please see Indian Railway's website **http://www.ireps.gov.in**

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T.T.DEVASTHANAMS, TIRUPATI
MARKETING DEPARTMENT

e-Procurement Tender Notice

E-Tenders were invited for supply of **(1) 60,000 Kgs of Cardmom (ELACHI) 8 mm size (AGEB) variety for a period of 04 months, (2) 48,000 Kgs of Sugar (S-30) variety for a period of 06 months** through e-tenders to the Marketing Department, T.T.Devasthanams. For Tender notice and tender details log on to the website **http://www.tirumala.org** and **https://tender.apeprocurement.gov.in. For further details contact phone numbers: 0877-2264079, 2264555, FAX No: 0877-2264554.**

TTD-40021(31)/1/2024-PRO SEC (Adv. No. 62). Date: 06-07-2024 **Sd/- Executive Officer**

उत्तराखण्ड पावर कारपोरेशन लि0
(उत्तराखण्ड सरकार का उपक्रम)
कार्यालय अधीक्षण अभियन्ता, विद्युत वितरण मण्डल, श्रीनगर (गढ़वाल) दूरभाष: 01346-252137,
Email: dgmsri.upcl@yahoo.com कॉरपोरेट आई0डी0 संख्या (CIN) U40109UP2001SGC025867/2358

ई–निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना दिनांक: 06.07.2024

अधोहस्ताक्षरकर्ता द्वारा विद्युत वितरण मण्डल, श्रीनगर के अन्तर्गत निम्न ई–निविदायें आमंत्रित की जाती है:–

1– ई–निविदा 08 / विविमश्री / 2024–25
2– ई–निविदा 09 / विविमश्री / 2024–25

उपरोक्त निविदाओं की अधिक जानकारी हेतु www.uktenders.gov.in पर देखें।

पत्रांक: 998 / विo वि0म0श्री0 / टी–9 अधीक्षण अभियन्ता

राष्ट्र हित में बिजली बचायें विद्युत चोरी की सूचना हेतु सतर्कता अधिकारी से फैक्स 0135–2760911 (टोल फ्री नo :-1800 419 0405) एवं मोबाइल +91–8958811999 पर एस0एम0एस0 द्वारा रिपोर्ट करें।

HIMACHAL PRADESH
JAL SHAKTI VIBHAG

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

On line bids on item rates basis are invited by the Executive Engineer, SNP Shnsarpur Terrace, Himachal Pradesh on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh, in electronic tendering system in two covers for the under mentioned work from the contractors/firms of appropriate class enlisted with Jal Shakti Vibhag **through e-tendering process :-**

Sr. No.:- 1 **Name of work:-** RM of Shahnehar Project in District Kangra HP (SH: Repair of Main Canal at Left Bank Canal at RD 9625 to 9689 to 9689 =64.00 mtr, RD 10176 to 10208 =32.00 mtr Sluice valves, Non Return Valve and Alfa valve under Division, Sansarpur Terrace. **Estimated cost (in Rs.):-** 1,17,38,138/- **Earnest Money (in Rs.):-** 1,49,882/- **Time:-** One Year **Cost of form (in Rs.):-** 1600/-

Last date of filing/uploading the tender through e-tendering is **18.07.2024 up to 11.00 AM & opened on 11:30 AM** The tender forms and other detailed terms and conditions can be obtained from the website www.hpiph.org

Executive Engineer,
SNP Division, No. 1
Sansarpur Terrace.

Advt.No.:-0610/06/07/2024. **Him Suchna Avam Jan Sampark**

पावर ट्रॉंसमिशन कॉरपोरेशन ऑफ उत्तराखण्ड लि0
(उत्तराखण्ड सरकार का उपक्रम)

ई- निविदा सूचना

मुख्य अभियन्ता, परी0एवं परि0, पिटकुल, हल्द्वानी द्वारा अनुभवी फर्मो/ठेकेदारों से निम्नलिखित कार्यो हेतु ई–निविदा आमंत्रित की जाती हैं–

1– ई-निविदा संख्या 01/2024–25/मु0अभि0(परी0एवंपरि0)/पिटकुल/हल्द्वानी: परीक्षण एवं परिचालन उपखण्ड 400 के0वी0 काशीपुर में "Automatic Protection Device Test Kit" की आपूर्ति का कार्य।

ई–निविदायें ***www.uktenders.gov.in*** से दिनांक 22.07.2024, समय 17:00 बजे तक प्राप्त/जमा की जा सकती हे एवं खुलने की तिथि 26.07.2024 समय 15:00 बजे है। ई–निविदाये पंजीकृत डाक के माध्यम से जमा करने की अन्तिम तिथि 25.07.2024 समय 17:00 बजे तक हे। निविदा प्राप्त/खुलने की तिथि को अवकाश होने की स्थिति में निविदा अगले कार्य दिवस मे प्राप्त/खोली जायेगी।

ई–निविदाओं से सम्बन्धित विस्तृत विवरण ***www.uktenders.gov.in*** एवं ***www.ptcul.org*** से प्राप्त किया जा सकता है।

Letter No.– 506/CE(T&C)/PTCUL/HLD
Date–05.07.2024 "राष्ट्र हित में बिजली बचाये"

मुख्य अभियन्ता
(परी0एवंपरि0)

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer, Project Division
Dasarahalli Zone, MEI Layout, Bagalagunte,
Hesaraghatta Main Road, Bengaluru - 560 073.

No: BBMP/DZ/EE/PD/TEND/01/2024-25 **Date: 05.07.2024**

NOTICE INVITING TENDER (NIT)

(SHORT TERM TENDER) (Two Cover System)
(Through **GOK** KPP Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** only)

The Executive Engineer (Project Division) Dasarahalli Zone BBMP, Bengaluru invites tenders from eligible contractors registered in Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike/KPWD/CPWD/Railways/MES/National Highway or any State Government Organization for the construction of works detailed in the table below.

Sl No.	Name of the Projects
1.	Providing Security Services and Human Resource to Zonal Office and Other Office Buildings in Dasarahalli Zone for the Year 2024-25. **Amount Put To Tender: ₹.115.77 Lakhs EMD: ₹.2.00 Lakhs**

Calendar of Events : (1) Last Date for Tender Queries (only through online) **06.07.2024** upto **16:00** Hr. (2) Date & time of pre-bid meeting is **08.07.2024** upto **11:00** Hr. (3) Last date & time for Receipt of Tenders is **16.07.2024** at **16:00** Hr. (4) Opening of Technical Bid is **18.07.2024** at **16:30** Hr. (5) Opening of Financial bid on **19.07.2024** at **16:30** Hr (if possible). **Sd/- Executive Engineer - Project Division, Dasarahalli Zone**

STATE AGENCY FOR PUBLIC SERVICES, M.P.
(Govt. of M.P. Public Service Management Deptt.)
4th Floor, Madhya Pradesh Textbook Corporation
Arera Hills Bhopal-462011, Phone : 0755-2770874

RFP No. 10/SAPS/2024 **Bhopal, Dated : 05.07.2024**

NOTICE FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

'RFP for Supply and Installation of Microsoft Business Intelligence and Data Analysis Software for MP CM Dashboard Portal, Bhopal'

SAPS invites proposals from suitable agencies for Supply and Installation of Microsoft Business intelligence and data analysis software for MP CM Dashboard portal.

For detailed scope and other terms and condition, please refer the RFP document available at **E-Procurement System Government of Madhya Pradesh (mptenders.gov.in).**

Interested Agencies who qualify as per the criteria mentioned in the RFP document, may submit their proposals Online through the **https://mptenders.gov.in** portal only **latest by 19.07.2024,12.00 hrs.**

Any updated, corrigendum, addendum etc. shall be made available only at mp tenders' portal.

M.P. Madhyam/115262/2024 **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

INDIAN RAILWAYS

Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(RAILWAY BOARD)

No.2024/RS(E)/TMS/2 **New Delhi, dated 05.07.2024**

E-Open Indigenous Tender No.2024-TMS-2 closing on 29.07.2024 for procurement of Hydraulic Spares for IR Track Machines.

Electronic bids are invited for and on behalf of the President of India for procurement of Hydraulic Spares for IR Track Machines. The interested bidders are advised to visit the website **https://ireps.gov.in** for further details, downloading of the tender documents and submission of their e-bids.

Director, Railway Stores (F)
(Railway Board)

2055/24 **SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE**

INDIAN RAILWAYS

Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA (BHARAT SARKAR)
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (RAIL MANTRALAYA)
(RAILWAY BOARD)

No. 2018/Track-I(P)/RSP-EUR/Vol. I **Date: 05.07.2024**

CORRIGENDUM NO. 6

Sub : E-Tender No. TKP-1-2024 for Supply of Long rail exchange (unloading and loading) System and its Annual Maintenance Contract for 05 (Five) years (Existing EURs to be provided by Indian Railways).

The interested tenderers are advised to visit the website **http://ireps.gov.in** for Corrigendum details.

Further, the tender closing date and opening date of e-bids have been changed to **30.07.2024.**

(Alok Kumar)
Executive Director/Track (P&P)
Room No. 256-D, Rail Bhawan,
New Delhi-110001
Phone: 011-23304852
E-mail: alokkumar.g@gov.in

2050/2024 **SERVICING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE**

UJVN LIMITED

H.O.: "UJJWAL", Maharani Bagh, G.M.S. Road, Dehradun-248006
Telephones: 0135-2763808, Fax: 0135-2763508
CIN No.U40101UR2001SGC025866, Website:www.ujvnl.com

Letter No: 574 **Tender Notice** Date: 05/07/2024

Office of the Executive Engineer (HQ), UJJWAL, Maharani Bagh, Dehradun, invites sealed tenders from interested parties. Brief summary of tender is given below:

Tender No. 03/Executive Engineer (HQ)/2024-25
Name of work/supply/services etc..: "Construction of Boundary wall and Drain near new corporate Building at UJJWAL campus, Maharani Bagh, G.M.S. Road, Dehradun".
Estimated cost : Rs.21,50,000.00 (Exclusive of GST)
Date of availability of bid document on website: 17.00 hrs. on 05.07.2024
Last date for submission of tender: 16.00 hrs. on 27.07.2024
For fuller & further details, kindly visit our website. The tender documents can be downloaded from the Nigam's website **"www.ujvnl.com"**

Executive Engineer (HQ)

"AVOID WASTEFUL USE OF ELECTRICITY"

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr. P.C.

Where as complaint has been made before me that accused **Sanjeev Arora S/o Sh. K.K. Arora, R/o- K-20, Kaushambi, FF-3, Ghaziabad, UP** has committed (or suspected to have committed) the offence in case registered vide **FIR No. 475/2017 U/s 279 IPC & 3/181 MV Act PS Rajaouri Garden, Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest there upon issued that the said accused **Sanjeev Arora** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said **Sanjeev Arora** has absconded (or is concealing himrself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused **Sanjeev Arora** of case **FIR No. 475/2017 U/s 279 IPC & 3/181 MV Act PS Rajaouri Garden, Delhi** is required to appear before this court (or before me) to answer the complaint on or before the day of **20.08.2024.**

By Order,
Sh. Shashank Nandan Bhatt
Metropolitan Magistrate-02 (West),
Room No. 356, 3rd Floor,
Tis Hazari Court, Delhi.

DP/8729/WD/2024 (Court Matter)

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 CrPC

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person **MOIN**, **S/o:** Sh. Mustkeen, **R/o:** E-161, Block-E, Street No.-5, Subhash Mohalla Moujpur, Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in **Case FIR No. 326/2015, U/s 324 IPC, P.S. Jafrabad, Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused **MOIN** cannot be found, and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused **MOIN** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant);

Proclamation is hereby made that **MOIN** the said accused of **Case FIR No. 326/2015, U/s 324 IPC, P.S. Jafrabad, Delhi** is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **13.08.2024.**

By Order
Ms. Aayushi Saxena
Ld. Metropolitan Magistrate-03, Room No. 07,
Shahdara Distt., Karkardooma Courts, Delhi

DP/8613/NE/2024
(Court Matter)

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

(SEE SECTION 82 Cr.P.C.)

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person(s) **Radhey Mohan S/o Baljeet R/o Village Ikri, Teh. Chakar Nagar, PS Lawed, Distt. Etawah, U.P.** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case FIR No. **238/19 U/s 454/380/411/34 IPC, PS Vijay Vihar, Delhi** and it has been returned to a Warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused person(s) **Radhey Mohan** can not be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused person(s) **Radhey Mohan** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused person(s) **Radhey Mohan** of case FIR No. **238/19 U/s 454/380/411/34 IPC, PS Vijay Vihar, Delhi** is required to appear before this court to answer the said complaint on or before dated **05.09.2024**

By Order
Navdeep Gupta
Metropolitan Magistrate (NW)
Room No. 109, 1st Floor
Rohini District Courts, Delhi

DP/8504/RD/2024
(Court Matter)

OFFICE OF THE ADDITIONAL CHIEF ENGINEER, PHED, REGION, BHARATPUR

Phone : 05644-222731, e-mail: rj_acebha@nic.in

Corrigendum No. 01, NIT Nos. 02 to 07 & 09 to 10/2024-25

The following corrigendum is hereby issued for the NIB No. 02 to 07 & 09 to 10/2024-25 of this office.

Activity	NIT No. 02 to 07/24-25		09 to 10/24-25	
	Existing Provision	Amended Provision	Existing Provision	Amended Provision
Availability of tender documents on Web Site	From 10-06-2024 to 03-07-2024 up to 18:00 Hrs	From 10-06-2024 to 15-07-2024 up to 18:00 Hrs	From 10-06-2024 to 04-07-2024 up to 18:00 Hrs	From 10-06-2024 to 15-07-2024 up to 18:00 Hrs
Last Date & time for online submission of Tender.	From 10-06-2024 to 03-07-2024 up to 18:00 Hrs	From 10-06-2024 to 15-07-2024 up to 18:00 Hrs	From 10-06-2024 to 04-07-2024 up to 18:00 Hrs	From 10-06-2024 to 15-07-2024 up to 18:00 Hrs
Deposition of affidavits on Non Judicial Stamp Paper (Origanal)	Up to 10.30 AM on 04-07-2024	Up to 10.30 AM on 16-07-2024	Up to 10.30 AM on 05-07-2024	Upto 10.30AM on 16-07-2024
Date of opening of Pre-Qualification bid.	04-07-2024 at 11:00 Hrs	16-07-2024 at 11:00 Hrs	05-07-2024 at 11:00 Hrs	16-07-2024 at 11:00 Hrs

All other terms and conditions shall remain same as mentioned in original NIT.
NIB Code : PHE2425A0610

UBN No. :
1. PHE2425WSOB01337
2. PHE2425WSOB01338
3. PHE2425WSOB01339
4. PHE2425WSOB01340
5. PHE2425WSOB01341
6. PHE2425WSOB01342
7. PHE2425WSOB01344
8. PHE2425WSOB01345

Sd/-
(Ram Niwas Meena)
Addl. Chief Engineer PHED,
Region Bharatpur

DIPR/C/5414/2024

U.P. POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

E-Tender Notice

E-Tender No. SD-986-online e-Bids are invited for **"Supply of 200 Nos. 0.2s Accuracy class ABT Energy Meter & 25 Nos. Metering Panel".** E-tender has been uploaded on 05.07.2024 on www.etender.up.nic.in Estimated Cost of work: Rs. 83.49 Lakh only. E.M.D. cost : Rs 84.00 Thousand only. Last date of tender submission 05.08.2024 at 15:30 Hrs. Total Quantum of supply, tender specification and other terms & conditions are as per tender document available on the e-tender portal. Undersigned reserves the right to cancel the e-Bids without assigning any reason.

Corrigendum, Addendum, Extension if any shall be uploaded only on the above website. Bidders are advised to visit the website regularly for updated information from time to time.

Superintending Engineer, ESDC-I, UPPTCL
Save Electricity for Nation.
No. 217-ESDC-I (G.S.)/Tender Notice Dated: 05.07.2024

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 CrPC

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person **BOBBY**, **S/o:** Sh. Rampal, **R/o:** Village Rora, PS Anoop Shahar, Distt.-Bulandshahar (U.P.) has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in **FIR No. 15961/2018, U/s 379/411/34 IPC, P.S. Madhu Vihar, East Distt., Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused **BOBBY** cannot be found, and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused **BOBBY** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant);

Proclamation is hereby made that **BOBBY** the said accused of **FIR No. 15961/2018, U/s 379/411/34 IPC, P.S. Madhu Vihar, East Distt., Delhi** is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **18.09.2024.**

By Order
Sh. Udbhav Kumar Jain
Metropolitan Magistrate-04, Room No. 13,
Shahdara, Karkardooma Courts, Delhi

DP/8597/ED/2024
(Court Matter)

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 CrPC

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person **VIKAS GUPTA**, **S/o:** Kishan Gupta, **R/o:** H.No. P-66, Vani Vihar Road, Uttam Nagar, Delhi, has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in **Case FIR No. 181/2024 Dated 04.04.24, U/s 354/354D/506/509 IPC, P.S. Patel Nagar, New Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused **VIKAS GUPTA** cannot be found, and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused **VIKAS GUPTA** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant);

Proclamation is hereby made that **VIKAS GUPTA** the said accused of **Case FIR No. 181/2024 Dated 04.04.24, U/s 354/354D/506/509 IPC, P.S. Patel Nagar, New Delhi** is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **21.08.2024.**

By Order
Dr. Aneeza Bishnoi
Metropolitan Magistrate-05, Mahila Court West,
Room No. 353, Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi

DP/8741/CD/2024
(Court Matter)

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

(Section 82 Cr. P.C.)

Whereas complaint has been made before me that the accused person **Mohammad Zafar** S/o Jamin Abbas R/o H No. 14/22 Gali No.15 Chauhan Banger Seelam Pur, Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in **FIR No. 631/2018 U/S 25/54/59 ARMS ACT,PS Jafrabad** and it has been returned to warrant of arrest there upon issued that the said accused person **Mohammad Zafar** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused **Mohammad Zafar,** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of said warrant). Proclamation is hereby made that **Mohammad Zafar** in **FIR No. 631/2018 U/S 25/54/59 ARMS ACT, PS Jafrabad** is required to appear before this court to answer the said complaint on or before **08.08.2024.**

By order
Ms. Aayushi Saxena Ld
Metropolitan Magistrate
Room No.7, Karkardooma, Delhi

DP/8606/NE/2024

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person **Ajay @ Sunny** S/o Kamal Kumar R/o F/4, Transfarm Wali Gali, Sadanand Colony, Bhalaswa Dairy, Delhi also at: B-117, Rajiv Bhalaswa Dairy, Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence case FIR No. 689/2015 u/s 392/411/34 IPC at P.S. K. N. Katju Marg, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said **Ajay @ Sunny** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said **Ajay @ Sunny** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proceeding u/s 82 Cr.P.C. has been initiated in the case. Proclamation is hereby made that the said **Ajay @ Sunny** accused of FIR No. 689/2015 u/s 392/411/34 IPC at P.S. K. N. Katju Marg, Delhi is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on **11.09.2024.**

By Order: Sh. Himanshu Sehloth,
Metropolitan Magistrate -03 (North),
Room No. 213,
Rohini Court, Delhi

DP/8716/RD/2024

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 CrPC

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person **SANDEEP GOSWAMI**, **R/o:** 4/2266, Bihari Colony, Shahdara, Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in **CT No. 11894/2016, 11895/2016 & 11897/2016, U/s 138 NI Act, P.S. Farsh Bazar, Distt-Shahdra, Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused **SANDEEP GOSWAMI** cannot be found, and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused **SANDEEP GOSWAMI** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant);

Proclamation is hereby made that **SANDEEP GOSWAMI** the said accused of **CT No. 11894/2016, 11895/2016 & 11897/2016, U/s 138 NI Act, P.S. Farsh Bazar, Distt-Shahdra, Delhi** is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **28.08.2024.**

By Order
Sh. Aridaman Singh Cheema
Metropolitan Magistrate-03, Shahdara Distt.
Court No. 19, Karkardooma Courts, Delhi

DP/8709/SHD/2024
(Court Matter)

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused **Arun Verma S/o** Kishore Verma **R/o** Plot No. 5, New Parvesh Vihar, Shastri Nagar Meerut UP, has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No.144/2023 U/s 380/454/411/120B/34 IPC P.S.: KNK Marg Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused **Arun Verma,** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused **Arun Verma,** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said **Arun Verma,** accused of **FIR No.144/2023 U/s 380/454/411/120B/34 IPC P.S.: KNK Marg Delhi** is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **20.08.2024**.

By Order
Sh. Himanshu Sehloth
MM - 03 North - District,
Room No.213 Rohini Court, Delhi.

DP/8655/RD/2024
(Court Matter)

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused **Amit, S/o:** Sh. Harish Chander, **R/o:** H. No. 13/25, B Block, Sawroop Nagar, Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No. 00697/20**, **U/s 380/411 IPC, P.S.: Mahendra Park, Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused **Amit** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused **Amit** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said **Amit** accused of case **FIR No. 00697/20**, **U/s 380/411 IPC, P.S.: Mahendra Park, Delhi** is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **09.08.2024**.

By Order
Ms. Niharika Kumar Sharma
Addl. Chief Metropolitan Magistrate
Room No. 117, Rohini Court, Delhi

DP/7799/NW/2024
(Court Matter)

Lens on 2018 Raj job test 'double fraud'

'14 Aspirants Had Fake Degrees, Got Leaked Paper'

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Jaipur: Rajasthan police are investigating a potential paper leak in the 2018 physical training instructor (PTI) recruitment exam for govt schools in Banswara and Dungarpur. This follows the discovery of irregularities during the 2022 PTI examination, after several successful candidates' college degrees were rechecked and found to be fake or forged.

Police in Dungarpur have identified 14 candidates who allegedly secured positions using fake degrees during the Aug 2018 exam. These people, now working in various schools in Dungarpur, are also suspected of having accessed a leaked question paper before the exam.

Preliminary investigations revealed that two men, known members of local exam fraud gangs, arranged the leak, sources said.

In Banswara, police compiled a list of 70 candidates with fake degrees. It is suspected that they too got a leaked paper before the exam in 2018. The details will be shared with Rajasthan police's special operations group (SOG).

SOG recently arrested the founder of Churu-based OPJS University, its former registrar, and a partner owner of Sunrise University in Alwar. Sources said at least 1,300 candidates in the 2022 exam used fake degrees allegedly provided by OPJS University.

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The developments follow the discovery of irregularities during the 2022 PTI exam, where several candidates were found to have used fake or forged degrees

CBI probing if NEET-UG, Bihar teacher test leaks have Hazaribag link

Expanding its investigation into the NEET-UG case, CBI is now trying to find out if there was a common Hazaribag link to paper leaks in the medical entrance test and BPSC-TRE 3.0, the examination for recruiting teachers in Bihar govt schools, reports **Vishvendu Jaipuriar**.

While the NEET-UG question paper was allegedly leaked from Hazaribag's Oasis School by a gang that likely included the now sacked principal and vice-principal of the school, the papers for Bihar teacher recruitment exam was reported to have been leaked from Romi area, just 1km from Kallu Chowk, where Oasis School and the house of its former principal Eshanul Haque are located. CBI officials said they were trying to find out if there was any connection between the gangs responsible for the two leaks, and why Hazaribag was chosen as the location for both incidents.

'No farm relief': LoP slams ₹11cr Maha bonanza for T20 champs

Nagpur: Maharashtra leader of opposition, Congress's Vijay Wadettiwar, has questioned the Mahayuti govt's Rs 11 crore reward for India's T-20 champion team at a time when the state's distressed farmers are ending their lives and govt reels under a staggering debt of Rs 7.9 lakh crore, reports **Vaibhav Ganjapure**.

"At least 1,068 farmers died by suicide in four months, yet they receive no help. The reward to cash-rich cricket players was unwarranted and Maharashtra govt did so for self-promotion," Wadettiwar said. "We should support players but within our means and must give due weightage considering the broader picture," Wadettiwar added.

The Bramhapuri MLA reaffirmed the opposition MVA coalition's unity and readiness for the assembly elections in Oct-Nov this year. "None of three opposition allies — Shiv Sena (UBT), NCP (Sharad Pawar), and Congress — intend to contest separately. A meeting of MVA is scheduled in Mumbai to plan a robust campaign strategy," Wadettiwar said.

On deputy CM Devendra Fadnavis' recent meeting with RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat, Wadettiwar said: "Their ideology demands certain alignments, and post-elections, they might feel the need for Sangh's intervention. Before polls, their leaders in Delhi had commented that they did not need the Sangh."

Govt eye on rising tomato price, may step in

New Delhi: As tomato prices rise due to short supply across major cities, including Delhi, Mumbai and Kolkata, officials said they are closely monitoring the trend.

While the price of the key kitchen item was around Rs 80-90 per kg across the three big cities, officials said they are hopeful the prices will fall in the next one week to 10 days.

If the price rise continues for a longer period, the govt may intervene in retail market, they added.

Last year, govt agencies had sold tomato in retail markets at subsidised prices. Traders said rise in tomato prices is common during July and Aug due to rains and sharp dip in supply. TNN

IITian held for stabbing 3 in stray dog death revenge

Kolkata: A first-year student of IIT-Madras and resident of Sonarpur on the outskirts of Kolkata was arrested Saturday on charges of stabbing and grievously wounding a family friend's neighbour, his wife and their son in retaliation for the killing of a stray dog, reports **Monotosh Chakraborty**.

Archan Bhattacharya allegedly came from Chennai to avenge the dog's death. He has been charged under various sections, including attempt to murder. The wounded couple and their son are being treated at MR Bangur Hospital in Kolkata.

Investigators said the families of Gobindo Adhikari and Subhash Debnath, who have been neighbours in Chouhati area of Sonarpur for several years, had a disagreement over the Debnath family feeding stray dogs. The Adhikari family complained that the dogs often entered their house. The Adhikaris allegedly beat a stray dog in May, which died a few days later.

"When Smriti Debnath narrated the dog's death to her friend Archan, he came to avenge the attack and the harassment of the Debnath family," said an officer. Archan told investigators he was enraged after learning that her neighbours had beaten a dog to death, police said.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
OFFICE OF THE DEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONER
ADMIN OFFICE BUILDING MEPZ – SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE,
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Advt.No. 05/2024 Date:05.07.2024

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Research Associate – 2 positions
Accounts Executive – 1 position

Details of qualifications, experience, application etc. are given in **www.mepz.gov.in** may be referred.
The Last date for submitting the application is 15 days from the date of publication of this advertisement. Applications that are not received in the format or found incomplete will not be considered.
Any addendum/reddendum/corrigendum, if any, shall be posted on our website only. For details please visit **www.mepz.gov.in**

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ODISHA JOINT ENTRANCE EXAMINATION - 2024 (OJEE - 2024)
PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING OJEE WEB COUNSELLING FOR 2024-25

No: 294/OJEE Date: 05.07.2024

NOTICE

This is for the information of all concerned that OJEE Web-Based Counselling Process for **B.Tech/ B.Arch/ B.Plan/ B.CAT/ Int M.Sc/ MBA/MCA/ MSc. Comp. Sc./ M.Tech/ M.Arch and M.Plan** Programs is going to start from **8th July, 2024.**

Interested candidates having valid JEE Main-2024 Ranks (for B.Tech/ B.Arch/ B.Plan/ Int MSc. Programs) and OJEE 2024/ CAT/ MAT/ CMAT/ ATMA/ XAT/ NIMCET/ GATE Ranks as applicable (for B.CAT/ MBA/MCA/ MSc. Comp. Sc./ M.Tech/ M.Arch and M.Plan Programs) are advised to visit OJEE websites (**www.ojee.nic.in/ www.odishajee.com**) and see the detailed **Counselling Schedule** for all these courses.

They are further advised to carefully go through the documents, **"Counselling Brochure" and "Step-by-Step Procedure"**, available in the website to get detailed information about the entire counselling process.

Sd/-
Chairman, OJEE
ODISHA
OIPR-44026/11/0005/24-25

SEARCH FOR MISSING



Ankita

General Public is hereby informed that one Girl **Namely: Ankita D/o:** Arun Mishra, **R/o:** Rakesh Ka Makaan Sarai Kale Khan New Delhi, **Sex:** Female, **Age:** 16 Year, **Height:** 4',1" **Complexion:** Wheatish, **Built:** Medium, **Face:** Long **Wearing:** Red Coloured Suit & Salwaar, Pink & White Chunni, Shoes, has been missing since 02.07.2024 from Rakesh ka Makaan Sarai Kale Khan New Delhi, from the Jurisdiction of Police Station Sunlight Colony, New Delhi. In this regard **FIR No. 222/2024 U/s 137(2) BNS Date: 02.07.2024** has been registered at **P.S.: Sunlight Colony, New Delhi.** Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the Missing Girl but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone have any information about this Missing Girl. Please inform to the following.

Website : http://cbi.nic.in **SHO**
E-Mail ID: cic@cbi.gov.in **P.S.: Sunlight Colony,**
Fax: 011-24368639 **New Delhi.**
DP/8767/SE/2024 **Phone: 9717038831, 87508 70928**

SBI
Project Finance & Structuring SBU
4th floor, Mafatlal Centre, Nariman Point, Mumbai - 400021

EMPANELMENT OF TEV CONSULTANTS

Project Finance & Structuring SBU, State Bank of India, Mumbai intends to empanel agencies for the role of TEV Consultants for various sectors viz. Power, Road ,Metro, Rail, Steel, Solar, E-vehicles, Hydrogen Gas (Blue/ Green), Battery, Data Centre, Solar Cell Manufacturing etc. (Details in Annexure III). The interested agencies may apply for the same. The eligibility criteria, format for application and other details are available at the Bank's website **www.sbi.co.in** (Path: SBI in the News-Procurement News – Empanelment of TEV Consultants). The eligible agencies can submit their applications complete in all respect in the prescribed format latest by 5 p.m. on 31.07.2024 at the above mentioned address.

Date: 07.07.2024 **Deputy General Manager**

कार्यालय–नगर पालिका परिषद्, नैनीताल।

ई–निविदा सूचना

सर्वसाधारण/इच्छुक फर्म/व्यक्ति को सूचित किया जाता है कि नैनीताल नगर में नगर पालिका परिषद् नैनीताल द्वारा जू–शटल सेवा ठेका वर्ष 2024–26 (01.08.2024 से 31.07.2026) हेतु निम्नानुसार ई–निविदा आमंत्रित की गयी है। निविदा में प्रतिभाग करने हेतु www.uktenders.gov.in पर नियम व शर्तें देखी एवं अपलोड की जा सकती है।

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01	Zoo shuttle Seva	2024_NPNTL_72950_2	www.uktenders.gov.in

अत: इच्छुक फर्म/व्यक्ति/निविदादाता ऑनलाईन निविदा आमंत्रित कर सकते है, जो कि निविदा फॉर्म में उल्लेखित विवरण के अनुसार शासन द्वारा गठित कमेटी के समक्ष निविदादाताओं की उपस्थिति में खोले जाऐंगे। तकनीकी निविदा खोले जाने के पश्चात् ही वित्तीय निविदा खोली जाऐगी तथा तकनीकी निविदा में सफल हुए निविदादाताओं की ही वित्तीय निविदा खोली जायेगी। किसी भी निविदा को स्वीकृत/अस्वीकृत करने का अधिकार अधोहस्ताक्षरीकर्ताओं के पास सुरक्षित होगा।

प्रशासक **अधिशासी अधिकारी,**
नगर पालिका परिषद्, नैनीताल **नगर पालिका परिषद्, नैनीताल**

DIRECTORATE OF TOURISM
GOVERNMENT OF UTTAR PRADESH
Paryatan Bhawan, C-13, Vipin Khand, Gomti Nagar, Lucknow-226010, U.P. (India)

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Assistance for Research in Tourism (Hospitality Industry)

Avail financial assistance upto INR 10 Lakh:

1. **Travel Associations**
2. **Chamber of Commerce**
3. **Reputed & Registered NGOs**
4. **Other Travel & Hospitality Bodies, etc.**

Note: The topic of the research would be finalised as per the relevance and requirements of the industry. Not more than 5 such studies will be sanctioned each year. Preference to be given to research conducted via recognised hospitality.

For more details, visit: **https://uptourism.gov.in/en/page/tourism-policy**

UPID-217154/06.07.2024 www.upgov.nic.in **Last Date: 31st July, 2024**

Government of Madhya Pradesh
Office of the Engineer-in-Chief Water Resources Department,
Jal Sansadhan Bhawan, Tulsi Nagar, Bhopal (M.P.)
Email Id: ceproc.encwrd.bpl@nic.in
Tel: 0755-2767635 Fax: 0755-2552406

N.I.T. No. 1073/2024-25/E-in-C/e-tendering Bhopal, Dated 03.07.2024

Bids for following works are invited on website **https://www.mptenders.gov.in** Last Date of purchase/download of Bid Document and submission of bid is **19-07-2024, 17:30 hrs.** Any amendment/modification can be seen only on the website. Detailed N.I.T. and other details can be viewed on above mentioned website.

S. No.	Tender No.	Work	District	Amount (Lakhs)
1.	2024_WRD_349156	Repair & Maintenance of LBC & RBC sluice gates, leakage/ seepage of sluice well of Bansagar Dam.	Shahdol	2146.46

G-13013/24 **Sd/- Chief Engineer (Procurement)**

U.P. RAJYA VIDYUT UTPADAN NIGAM LTD.
PARICHHA THERMAL POWER PROJECT
PARICHHA JHANSI

E- TENDER NOTICE

1. **E-Tender- T-02/SE(HQ)/PTPP/FFSTD/2024-25** "Deployment of 02 Nos. school buses for conveyance of school children and 01 no. Mini bus for conveyance of shift duty staff." Estimated Cost Rs.35,77,945.00 EMD Rs.40,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 18.07.2024 up to 02:00 PM.
2. **E-Tender-N-PAR/C/OMC5/CHD4/6000005651** "Repairing and reconditioning of old, used and damaged conveyor belt of various lengths and widths by Hot Vulcanizing process to get conveyour belt of required technical specifications." Estimated Cost Rs.19,08,500.00 EMD Rs.38,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 22.07.2024 up to 04:00 PM.
3. **E-Tender- N-PAR/C/OMC4/EMD1/6000005806** "Round the clock Routine and Preventive Maintenance work of 6.6 KV buses with their Associated Panels and their up-keeping of unit 5,6 of 2x250 MW PTPP Parichha." Estimated Cost Rs.13,68,090.00 EMD Rs.25,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 15.07.2024 up to 12:00 PM.
4. **E-Tender- N-PAR/C/OMC4/EMD1/6000005274** "Operation, Maintenance and upkeep of Hydrogen Generation Plant installed at 2x250 MW Parichha Thermal Power Project, Parichha." Estimated Cost Rs.31,18,990.00 EMD Rs. 50,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 20.07.2024 up to 01:00 PM.
5. **E-Tender- N-PAR/C/OMC4/EMD1/6000005801** "Routine Maintenance Up-Keeping of HT LT Transformers along with breakdown maintenance of HT LT Transformers of Unit 5 and 6 of 2x250 MW PTPP Parichha." Estimated Cost Rs.11,24,224.00 EMD Rs.20,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 13.07.2024 up to 01:00 PM.
6. **E-Tender- ET-01/CMD1/PTPP/2024-25** "M and R of door and windows inside power house plant area, PTPP Parichha." Estimated Cost Rs. 21,47,355.00 EMD Rs.43,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 27.07.2024 up to 12:00 PM.
7. **E-Tender- N-PAR///CMD2/6000005634_00** "Work of collection, lifting and transportation of cenosphere from ash ponds of Parichha Thermal Power Project." Estimated Cost Rs.60,10,000.00 EMD Rs.1,20,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 17.07.2024 up to 12:00 PM.
8. **E-Tender- N-PAR/C/OMC5/CHD1/6000005653_00** "Engagement of One Dozer machine BD 155 or equivalent BD155 of equivalent of above capacity with operator and lube oil etc. excluding diesel on hourly rental basis for compacting feeding shifting etc. of coal yard of CHP BTPS 2x210 MW CTPS 2x250 MW PTPP Parichha." Estimated Cost Rs. 21,90,240.00 EMD Rs. 40,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 18.07.2024 up to 04:00 PM.
9. **E-Tender- T-03/SEHQ/PTPP/FFSTD/2024-25** "Hiring of 02 No. Trucks 01 truck, 18 feet for shift duty and other miscellaneous work of CISF staff and 01 truck having load carrying capacity of minimum 6.5 ton for shifting of miscellaneous materials of the plant." Estimated Cost Rs. 36,20,200.00 EMD Rs. 50,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 23.07.2024 up to 04:00 PM.
10. **E-Tender- T-04/SEHQ/PTPP/FFSTD/2024-25** "Deployment of 01 No. Ambulance C Type Patient Transport Vehicle Air Conditioned with Stretcher at PTPP Project Hospital." Estimated Cost Rs.17,21,200.00 EMD Rs.30,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 25.07.2024 up to 04:00 PM.
11. **E-Tender- N-PAR/B/MMC1/PD1/6000005818_00** "Supply of various lighting materials in PTPP Parichha." Estimated Cost Rs.12,41,000.00 EMD Rs. 22,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 22.07.2024 up to 09:00 AM.
12. **E-Tender- N-PAR/C/OMC1/AHD/6000005194** "Breakdown and Preventive maintenance of ESP installed in unit No. 5 & 6 of 2x250 MW, PTPP Parichha." Estimated Cost Rs.15,12,148.00 EMD Rs. 30,000.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 18.07.2024 up to 13:00 PM.
13. **E-Tender- T-01/OMC-III/CIMD-I/BTPS/24-25** "Modification in power and control circuit of E pack Electrical Actuator installed at Turbine and Boiler side in CIMD I BTPS Parichha." Estimated Cost Rs.2,88,690.00 EMD Rs. 5,600.00 e-bid Submission dt.: 01.08.2024 up to 13:00 PM.

NOTE:- Total Quality of work, tender specification and other terms & conditions is as per tender document available on the e-tender portal our website **www.etender.up.nic.in** & **uprvunl.org**. Bidders are advised to visit the website regularly for updated information from time to time.

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आवश्यक सूचना

विज्ञापन संख्या 18/2024 से 21/2024 के अंतर्गत बिहार कृषि सेवा के विभिन्न पदों पर नियुक्ति हेतु दिनांक 05.06.2024 से 15.06.2024 तक आयोजित दस्तावेज सत्यापन के दिन अभ्यर्थियों द्वारा समर्पित वांछित प्रमाण पत्रों / कागजातों की जाँच कृषि विभाग, बिहार द्वारा प्रतिनियुक्त विभागीय विषय विशेषज्ञों द्वारा कराई गई। जाँचोपरान्त कतिपय अभ्यर्थियों को विज्ञापन में निहित्त शर्तों में कृषि से भिन्न विषय में स्नातक होने के कारण अनर्हित की श्रेणी में रखा गया है, जिसकी सूची आयोग के वेबसाइट **www.bpsc.bih.nic.in** पर उपलब्ध है।

उक्त उम्मीदवारों को अपने अनर्हता पर यदि कोई आपत्ति हो तो, वे अपनी उम्मीदवारी के संबंध में अभ्यावेदन साक्ष्य/ प्रमाण के साथ अधोहस्ताक्षरी के पदनाम से सिर्फ आयोग के E-mail ID - **bpscpat-bih@nic.in** के माध्यम से **दिनांक 09.07.2024 तक** आयोग कार्यालय को भेज सकते हैं। अंतिम तिथि के बाद प्राप्त अभ्यावेदन अविचारणीय होगा। **उपर्युक्त अभ्यर्थियों के पात्रता के संबंध में संबंधित प्रमाण पत्र/कागजातों की विधिवत जाँच /सत्यापन के पश्चात् अंतिम निर्णय लेने हेतु आयोग स्वतंत्र रहेगा।**

स्वा:/–
अपर सचिव–सह–परीक्षा नियंत्रक,
बिहार लोक सेवा आयोग, पटना।

NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY

E-TENDER NOTICE

DRM (Electrical) NWR, Ajmer on behalf of The President of India, invites E-Tenders for the following work upto 15.00 hrs on the mentioned date. **Tender No.:** DRM-Elect-07-24-25, **Name of work**: All Div.: Provision of grid connected solar plant of roof top capacity of 480 kWp at various service buildings (covered under Amrit Bharat Scheme) over Ajmer Division. **Approximate cost of work:** ₹ 21868560/- **Earnest Money:** ₹259400/- **Date of closing E-tender:** 25.07.24. The details of above E-tender are available on website **www.ireps.gov.in** 772-DK/24

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दक्षिणांचल विद्युत वितरण निगम लि0,
ऊर्जा भवन, 220 के.वी. विद्युत उपसंस्थान, बाई–पास रोड, सिकन्दरा, आगरा–282007
[CIN No. **U31200UP2003SGC027460**]
[GSTIN No. **09AACCD0695D1ZS**]

अल्पकालीन ई–निविदा सूचना

1. ई–निविदा विशिष्टीकरण सं0 डीवीवीएनएल–एमएम/3566-2024: आपूर्ति:– **11 KV Vacuume Interrupter (For Incomming & Outgoing)** मात्रा **1400 नग,** धरोहर राशि: **रु0 2.24** लाख, निविदा प्रपत्र का मूल्य: **5900** (जी0एस0टी0 सहित)। निविदा प्रपत्र **उ0प्र0 शासन के ई–प्रोक्योरमैंट पोर्टल https://etender.up.nic.in** पर अपलोड की जायेंगी, जहाँ से निविदा प्रपत्र डाउनलोड किये जा सकते हैं। उपरोक्त निविदा के सापेक्ष निविदादाताओं द्वारा बिड दिनांक **23.07.2024** को समय **13:00 बजे** तक ऑनलाइन अपलोड की जा सकेंगी तथा उक्त निविदायें निर्धारित दिनांक **24.07.2024** को सायं **16:00 बजे** खोली जायेंगी। **निविदा शुल्क केवल ऑनलाइन, DVVNL, AGRA की वेबसाईट www.dvvnl.org के माध्यम से ही स्वीकार किया जायेगा। विवरण के लिए कृपया निविदा प्रपत्र ध्यानपूर्वक पढ़ लें।** निविदा प्रपत्र **उ0प्र0 शासन के ई–प्रोक्योरमैंट पोर्टल https://etender.up.nic.in** पर अपलोड की जायेंगी, वहाँ से निविदा प्रपत्र डाउनलोड एवं अपलोड किये जा सकते हैं। ***अधीक्षण अभियन्ता (सा0प्र0–I)*** **"राष्ट्र हित में बिजली बचायें"**
पत्रांक: 2005/अधी0अभि0 (सा0प्र0–I)/आगरा/विज्ञापन दिनांक: 05.7.24

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ODISHA CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION LIMITED
(A Govt. of Odisha Undertaking)
UNIT-VIII, BHUBANESWAR, e-mail:theocltd@odishaconstruction.com
GSTIN-21AAACO2571K2ZM

e-Procurement Notice No. 11/OCCL/2024-25 (on-line)

Odisha Construction Corporation Limited, Gopabandhu Nagar, Unit-VIII, Bhubaneswar invites Expression of Interest (EOI) from interested firms/bidders for execution of the assignment.

Name of the assignment	Bid Identification No.	Bid Security (through online transfer/ Bank Guarantee) (in Rs.)	Availability of EOI in e-procurement portal (On-line)	Submission of EOI in e-procurement portal (On-line)
Preparation of service rule of the employees for Odisha Construction Corporation Limited.	OCCL-EOI/AO/01/2024-25	**Rs.10,000/-**	10.07.2024, 3.30 P.M to 24.07.2024, 5.30 P.M	10.07.2024, 3.30 P.M to 24.07.2024, 5.30 P.M

Procurement Officer- Managing Director, OCC Ltd, Bhubaneswar
Date of opening of the Technical Bid : **25.07.2024, 12.00 Noon.**
Further detail can be seen from the Govt. website : (**www.tendersodisha.gov.in**)

Sd/-
Managing Director
OIPR-34120/11/0019/24-25

GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU
VELLORE CITY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION - Corporation Office, Vellore
Roc.No. 6863/2023/E4 **Online Re-Tender Notice** Date : 05.07.2024

The Commissioner, Vellore Corporation invites tenders in two cover system for the following works as per the conditions laid down in the tender notice published in website **https://tntenders.gov.in.**

1.	**Name of the work** (AMRUT 2.0)	**Estimate Cost Rs. In Cr.** / **EMD Cost Rs.**
i	Providing 24x7 water supply Distribution system, including a complete SCADA system for the water supply system in zone 19 & 20, within 24 months and Operation & Maintenance for 5 years in Vellore City Municipal Corporation in Tamil Nadu, on Design, Build, Operate and Transfer (DBOT) Basis	15.25 / 15,25,000.00
2.	Pre-Bid Meeting	**26.07.2024** at **11.00 am**
3.	Last Date for Downloading of Tender Document	**12.08.2024** Monday **3.00 pm**
4.	Last Date and Time of Submission Bids	**12.08.2024** Monday **3.00 pm** (E-tendering online submission only) Vellore City Municipal Corporation Office
5.	Date, Time and Venue of opening of Tender	**12.08.2024** Monday **3.30 pm** at Vellore City Municipal Corporation Office
6.	Tender document availability and other details	Other Details can be obtained from the tender notice published in website **https://tntenders.gov.in** or from Vellore Corporation Office, Engineering section during working hours on all working days.

For Contact : 0416 - 2220578 DIPR/ 2231 /TENDER/2024 **Commissioner, Vellore City Municipal Corporation**

PUBLIC NOTICE
GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA
EXCISE & TAXATION DEPARTMENT

NOTICE FOR INVITING e-TENDERS FROM GENERAL PUBLIC FOR ALLOTMENT OF REMAINING RETAIL LIQUOR ZONES IN TWENTY-ONE (21) DISTRICTS IN THE STATE OF HARYANA FOR THE EXCISE POLICY YEAR 2024-25.

1. It is notified for the information of general public that e-tenders for allotment of 92 retail liquor zones of country liquor and Indian Made Foreign Liquor vends (L-2/L-14A) in 21 districts in the State of Haryana are hereby invited for the excise policy year 2024-25. The district wise detail of zones available for e-bidding is as under :-

Sr. No.	Name of District	Zone Code					
1.	Ambala	ZAMB01	ZAMB08	ZAMB10	ZAMB37	ZAMB43	
2.	Bhiwani	ZBWN06	ZBWN16	ZBWN25	ZBWN40	ZBWN44	ZBWN45
		ZBWN48	ZBWN50	ZBWN63	ZBWN65		
3.	Faridabad	ZFBD13	ZFBD16	ZFBD23	ZFBD43	ZFBD57	ZFBD73
4.	Fatehabad	ZFTB17	ZFTB37				
5.	Gurugram (East)	ZGRE01	ZGRE08	ZGRE24	ZGRE26	ZGRE31	ZGRE46
		ZGRE52	ZGRE55	ZGRE68			
6.	Gurugram (West)	ZGRW08	ZGRW77				
7.	Hisar	ZHSR01	ZHSR02	ZHSR05	ZHSR07	ZHSR08	ZHSR21
		ZHSR48	ZHSR51	ZHSR64			
8.	Jagadhari	ZJAG41	ZJAG42				
9.	Jhajjar	ZJHA22	ZJHA29				
10.	Jind	ZJND03	ZJND20				
11.	Kaithal	ZKTL02	ZKTL06	ZKTL11	ZKTL29		
12.	Karnal	ZKNL03	ZKNL18	ZKNL21	ZKNL24	ZKNL25	ZKNL31
		ZKNL51	ZKNL52				
13.	Kurukshetra	ZKKR01	ZKKR06				
14.	Mewat	ZMWT06					
15.	Narnaul	ZNNL18	ZNNL19	ZNNL22	ZNNL28		
16.	Panchkula	ZPKL09	ZPKL22	ZPKL23	ZPKL26	ZPKL36	
17.	Panipat	ZPNP09	ZPNP15	ZPNP16	ZPNP21	ZPNP25	ZPNP40
		ZPNP44					
18.	Rewari	ZRWR04	ZRWR05	ZRWR14	ZRWR27	ZRWR31	
19.	Rohtak	ZRTK05	ZRTK08	ZRTK18			
20.	Sirsa	ZSRS14	ZSRS15	ZSRS43			
21.	Sonepat	ZSNP61					

2. The schedule for submission of e-bids for these zones and evaluation thereof shall be as under :-

Starting date and time for placing e-tenders	From 8th July, 2024 (9.00 AM)
Closing date and time for placing e-tenders	Till 8th July, 2024 (04.00 PM)
Evaluation of e-tenders	8th July, 2024 (5.00 PM)

3. The reserve price and quota of these 92 zones for the purpose of e-tendering has been decided as per the provisions of clause 2.16 and other relevant provisions of the Haryana Excise Policy 2024-25.

The zone-wise detail of reserve price and quota of these 92 zones shall be displayed in the excise arrangement.

4. The e-tenders for these zones can be submitted online through the official website of the department i.e. www.haryanatax.gov.in. The remaining terms and conditions of e-tenders and allotment of zones shall be same, as informed vide the Public Notice, published in leading newspapers on 18th May, 2024, for inviting e-tenders for allotment of retail liquor zones of all districts in the State of Haryana. The copy of Public Notice dated 18th May, 2024 is also available on the official website of department i.e. www.haryanatax.gov.in. The detailed procedure of registration for participation in the allotment process and submission of e-tenders is also available on the official website.

4. The excise arrangements of these zones containing number of vends, liquor quota, location of vends, command area as applicable and reserve price thereof, as well as the venue for evaluation of e-tenders shall be conspicuously displayed in the office of DETCs (Excise) and DETCs (ST) of the districts concerned. These details shall also be available on the official website i.e. www.haryanatax.gov.in.

5. All allotment(s) and grant of licence(s) shall be subject to the provisions of the Haryana Excise Act, 1914, the rules framed thereunder, orders/instructions issued by the competent authority and the Excise Policy for the year 2024-25. Any clarification regarding the procedure may be obtained from the office of DETCs (Excise) in any of the districts. The copy of Haryana Excise Policy for the year 2024-25 is available on official website of the department.

6. All allotments of licenses are subject to the approval of the Excise and Taxation Commissioner (Financial Commissioner). The ETC (FC) may reject, without assigning any reason, any allotment in public interest as the case may be, within 10 days of the date of allotment. In case no decision of Excise and Taxation Commissioner (FC) is conveyed within the stipulated period of ten days, the allotment shall be deemed to have been approved by the ETC (FC).

Excise and Taxation Commissioner, Haryana.

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Is Raj just years away from seeing last camel?

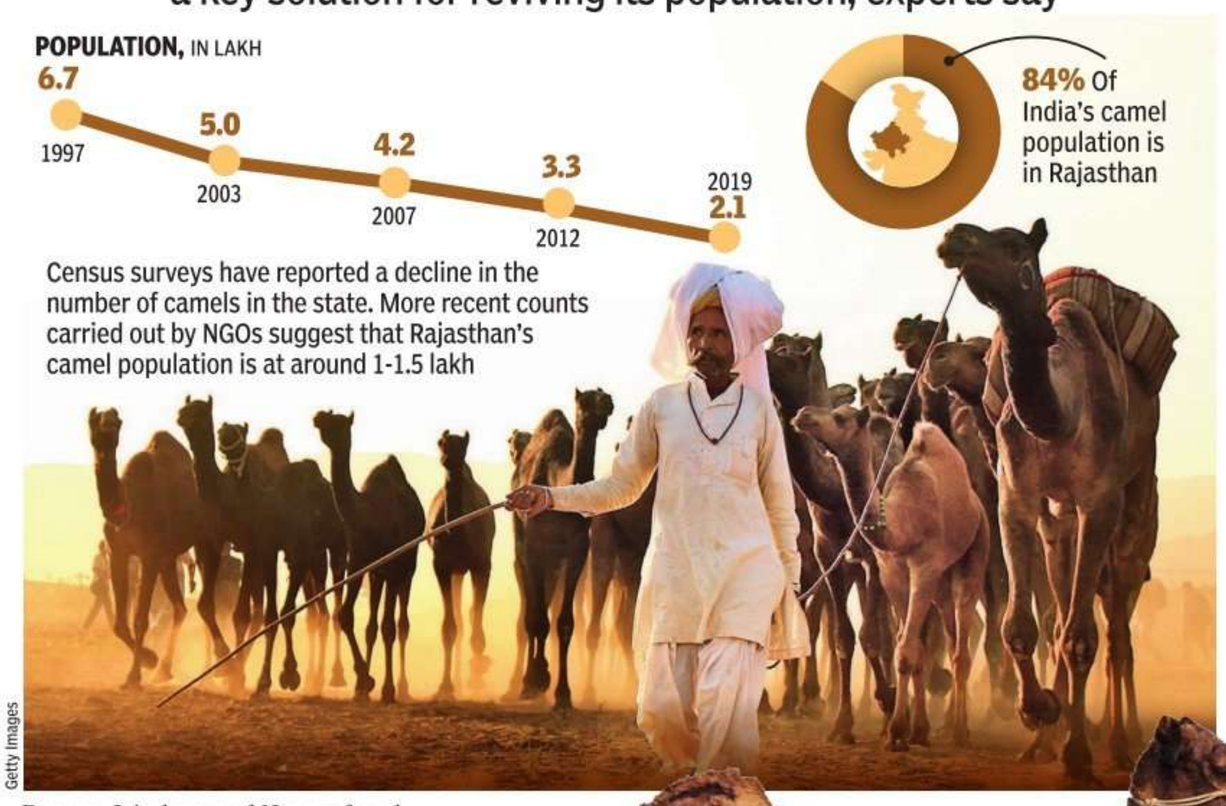
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It was made the state animal in 2014, but the resultant curbs on sale outside Rajasthan are among the factors that discouraged rearing and contributed to a drop in its numbers. Now, milk may become a key solution for reviving its population, experts say

The camel is a dwindling tribe in Rajasthan. The numbers of this ship of the desert have been on the decline for quite some time in the desert state. The problem is that little seems to work to reverse the worrisome trend. Experts say it'll take nothing less than a reimagining of the role and utility of the camel to help it prosper again. They're gushing about milk, but everything from medicinal use to baby formula are part of the proposed solution to pull camels back from the brink.

In 2014, camel was declared the state animal of Rajasthan, which accounts for 84% of India's camel population. Among other things, the move aimed at arresting its falling numbers restricted sales of the animal outside the state. That's one of the chief factors now blamed for making its rearing economically unviable for camel herders. It's said to have triggered distress sales of camels by Rajasthan's indigenous Raika community, which is synonymous with camel-rearing.

Gradually, Raika youth have begun to switch from camel husbandry to regular jobs, seeing little promise in rearing camels. A series of camel censuses shows that the camel population in Rajasthan has fallen by over 50% since 2007. More recent surveys carried out by local NGOs suggest that Rajasthan's camel population is now likely down to 1-1.5 lakh from over 6.5 lakh in the late 90s.



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Sale Ban Hits Upkeep

"My grandfather had a herd of over 100 camels, but we have none now. Govt did not care for camels or their rehabilitation," said 24-year-old Dhanna Ram, a resident of Kesar Desar Boran village in Bikaner district. Explaining the family's reasons for shifting away from camels, Ram — he has enrolled in a B.Ed course in Bikaner — said they can't sustain themselves "on rearing camels alone as they are no longer preferred modes of transport, and cannot be sold outside the state".

Raikas are even struggling to feed their camels, said Motilal, a project coordinator at Urmul Seemant Samiti (USS), Bikaner. A USS survey of 3,500 camel herders in Bikaner, Jodhpur, Barmer, Jaisalmer, and Nagaur found that the camel population stands at about 1-1.25 lakh.

"Grazing lands are simply not available anymore," said Raghunath Raika of Bikaner. The problem, he said, deepened with the launch of the Indira Gandhi Canal project in Barmer, Bikaner, Churu, Hanumangarh, Jaisalmer, Jodhpur, and Sri Ganganagar districts, for which several thousand acres of pasture lands were wiped out. A USS survey in 2019 to assess how camel owners maintained their herds found that rearing livestock rarely served as a steady source of livelihood. "Those with one or two camels have been known to abandon them," said USS project coordinator Suraj Singh, adding that stray camels can fall prey to accidents involving trains, etc.

Hanwant Singh, director of Lokhit Pashupalak Sansthan (LPS), a Pali-based organisation that supports camel farmers, said that before it was made the state animal, a female camel would sell for a minimum of Rs 45,000. The result of the ban on sale outside the state was a drop in its price to as low as Rs 10,000.

Milk And Money

German-born veterinarian Ilse Kohler-Rollefson, a recipient of the President's Nari Shakti Award in 2016, and the German 'Order of Merit', says the 'state animal' status for camels is the root cause behind its decline.

"In principle, this was a well-intended move but its implementation was wrong since the prohibition on export of camels destroyed their economic value," Kohler-Rollefson told **TOI**.

"What Rajasthan needs is to change the law, legally protect camel-grazing areas, and build a value chain for camel products," said Kohler-Rollefson, who set up Camel Charisma, a micro-dairy in Pali district. The veterinarian said popularising camel milk is one way to augment Raika incomes, but only if it is done "right", which is through public-private partnership.

With its low-fat content and high medicinal value, camel milk is being pitched as nothing less than liquid gold. It is beneficial for treating diabetes and autism while camel blood, which is rich in immunoglobulins, is used in vaccine development.

In fact, the ICAR-led National Research Centre on Camel (NRCC) has collaborated with Rajasthan Cooperative Dairy Federation (RCDF) to buy camel milk from the Raika community. NRCC has also signed agreements with various research institutions to explore diverse applications for camel products.

Unlocking Medicinal Value

In Bikaner, NRCC and SP Medical College are jointly examining the potential benefits of camel milk for patients with tuberculosis and dengue. A study is under way at the Army School in Bikaner to assess the effects of camel milk on children with autism. Using camel milk for infant milk formula is also being explored as is its potential application in the treatment of cancer and diabetes. NRCC has signed an agreement with Bengaluru-based Indian Institute of Science to develop an improved anti-snake venom using camel serum.

"Camel milk is a nutraceutical supplement. It can be called a pharmaceutical storehouse. It has medicinal properties and acts as natural insulin. It is useful against diabetes and autism. In a study of 108 autistic children in Punjab's Faridkot, we found improvement in 30% of them. Children from different parts of the country with autism demand camel milk," said Artabandhu Sahoo, Director, NRCC.

After a study among the Raikas showed zero prevalence of diabetes in the community, camel milk is now being promoted as a supplement to prevent the disease. NRCC has initiated steps to increase collection and sale of camel milk, which is also more affordable compared to cow and buffalo milk. While it currently retails at Rs 15 to Rs 20 per litre, experts say prices can be bumped up to Rs 60/litre if it's sold as a health supplement.



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RCDF has rolled out 'Saras camel milk' in Bikaner and is expected to start supplying to other cities in Rajasthan as well.

LPS's Hanwant Singh says it has been a long path to bringing camel milk to people. "In 1999, Rajasthan High Court ordered that camel milk was unfit for human consumption. We challenged the decision in Supreme Court and, in 2000, it ruled that camel milk is fit for human consumption. In 2016, it was also included in the Food Act. We started our own camel milk dairy and now collect 150-200 litres daily and supply to Hyderabad, Bangalore, Mumbai, Pune, and Jammu. Almost 90% of our product is targeted at children with autism," he said.

Experts hope recent efforts to create awareness and encourage the Raika community to rear camels will ensure incremental improvements in the state's camel numbers. With the next camel census due in 2025, they hope this ship stays afloat.

How badminton legend Pullela Gopichand created a pipeline of athletics talent by identifying youngsters lacking the means to succeed and training them to beat the odds

Shuttle service to track & field glory

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In 2001, Pullela Gopichand won the All-England badminton title and instantly became the toast of sports lovers in India. His achievement inspired a generation of Indian shuttlers, many of whom would go on to learn from the legend at the training academy he set up in Hyderabad. But this is not their story.

Around 2003, Gopichand had started to actively promote running as part of the 10K Run Foundation. He was not only arranging the annual run but also conducting training programmes for budding athletes. He soon noticed that several women athletes would on and off miss practice sessions. Upon inquiring into it, he learnt that many of them were too poor to afford sanitary pads and would perforce give training a miss during periods.

What followed from Gopichand's shock discovery was an initiative that has now produced several national- and international-level athletes for India. This is the lesser known story of how the shuttler-turned-coach — credited with engineering the badminton revolution in India — silently sparked another revolution, one that is transforming the lives of athletes mired in poverty and empowering them to bring sporting accolades to the country.

So, there is Rangali Swathi, an orphan who's now a national champion, and Agsara Nandini, the daughter of a domestic help who won a bronze at Asian Games. Kunja Rajitha went from collecting firewood from the forest to accumulating medals at international meets while para athlete Deepthi Jeevanji now has the world at her feet when she didn't have money for a bus ticket at one time. But, first, the building blocks.


Some of the trainees at Gopichand's academy with their coach Nagpuri Ramesh

A Chance Resurrection

Looking for a way to help out his wards struggling under crushing poverty, Gopichand began arranging weekly races and giving cash prizes to participants. "The small amounts would help them take care of basic needs and buy a few bananas and other food items, too," Gopichand said.

With national athletics coach Nagpuri Ramesh to support him, Gopichand took many talented youngsters under his wings. Some became international champions, many won national titles, and most secured govt jobs. However, helping out athletes was only a part-time activity for Gopichand as he was busy churning out world-class shuttlers at his badminton academy.

Then, in 2015, Ramesh asked Gopichand to accommodate Indian athlete Dutee Chand at his academy. Dutee had been suspended over hyperandrogenism rules and was fighting a case at the Court of Arbitration for Sports (CAS) to overturn her ban. Facing severe financial problems, Dutee needed a place to continue training. Gopichand obliged and, in the process, found a renewed interest in athletics.



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> — GOPICHAND

A Partnership Is Formed

Not much later, Gopichand was invited to speak at an event organised by Mytrah Group, a renewable energy company. During the discussions, they revealed plans to help poor sportspersons. Sensing an opportunity, Gopichand remarked that while many made promises most seldom delivered. The provocation stung and a partnership began to take shape.

The company came up with a plan and did all the necessary paperwork and the Gopichand-Mytrah Foundation was born. With Ramesh's help, the team interacted with coaches, physical trainers and former players from Andhra and Telangana. They identified talented athletes and started providing them with accommodation, food and training while also paying for their travel expenses.

"Once Mytrah came on board, we put a system in place. Through our contacts across the two states, we identified talented athletes and brought them here. Our aim was to help them realise their potential. In the end, even if they fail to excel for the country they should find some govt job. So far, many have found employment with the likes of Indian Railways, etc," Ramesh said.

Not only is their every basic need taken care of, the athletes are also given a stipend. Some are attached with the Sports Authority of India (SAI) hostel and get benefits from there while training is imparted at the Gopichand Academy and Gachibowli stadium.

"I've always believed that there is a lot of talent in our country and we need to channelise it properly. Once Mytrah came on board, we were determined to do whatever we could for these athletes. So, we employed talent scouts, collected information from various tournaments and picked athletes. I am happy that this programme has become bigger and bigger. We are even helping para athletes. I am very happy with what our trainees have achieved so far and I am expecting bigger results from them," Gopichand said.

Going The Extra Mile

During Covid-19, when all the trainees returned home, the foundation sent them Rs 10,000 every month to help them maintain a healthy diet.

But tragedy struck athlete Shanumaga Srinivas's family as he lost his father. He had to return home to be with his family and, before long, was forced to take up work carrying gunny bags in a rice mill. After coming to know of it, the foundation immediately sent him Rs 40,000 and asked him to return to the academy. On May 13 this year, Srinivas won the 200m silver at the Federation Cup athletics meet.

Earlier, in 2019, when a coach informed the academy about Deepthi Jeevanji, a promising 400m runner, Ramesh immediately called her family and asked them to send her to Hyderabad. When the parents confessed to him that they did not have money even to buy a bus ticket, Ramesh spoke to the conductor of a bus service and requested him to bring her to Hyderabad. The 20-year-old broke the para world record in T20 400m at the World Championships in May 2024 in Kobe, Japan. She also qualified for the Paris Paralympics.

"Most of them are in their early 20s. Widely accepted research says that athletes peak between 24 to 26 years. Already some of them have done well at the international level and most of them have won medals at national meets. We are expecting exciting results from them," Ramesh said.

PROMISING PACK
Some of the academy's products

RANGALI SWATHI | Age: 23
200M AND 400M STATE MEDALS

She lost her father in an accident and was put in an orphanage in Chennai. Later, she was shifted to another orphanage closer to her village near Visakhapatnam so that her mother could visit her. "One day, I received a call from a coach in Vizag. When he told me about Swathi, I asked him to send her here. She is quite a talented athlete," coach Nagpuri Ramesh said. Swathi is delighted with the turn of events. "I thank all these people for shaping my life. I started at an orphanage and am now at a top academy, trained by the best coaches. What more can I ask for," she said.



AGSARA NANDINI | 21
HEPTATHLON BRONZE AT 2022 ASIAN GAMES

The daughter of a tea-seller father who used to work a second job as a security guard and a mother who works as a domestic help and also irons clothes, Nandini began practising at Gachibowli stadium in 2018. After she was spotted for her talent, coach Ramesh and the Gopichand-Mytrah foundation started helping her with finances as well as training. She also changed schools to be able to access coaching facilities. She was soon winning more than a dozen medals every year and even broke the national record at the World Junior Athletics.



KUNJA RAJITHA | 21
4X400M GOLD AT NATIONAL GAMES

Hailing from a remote hamlet in Rampachodavaram agency in Andhra, Rajitha spent most of her childhood collecting firewood from the forest to help her parents. Along with her three siblings, she used to walk 10km daily to reach her school in Katukapalli. But landing a place at the govt residential school in Nellore was the game changer. Her physical fitness prompted her teachers to put her into athletics and, soon, she shifted to Hyderabad, where she joined the Gopichand-Mytrah Foundation. "My parents had to migrate from Chhattisgarh and struggled to make a living. Today, I wonder how I could do all this," Rajitha said.



MALLALA ANUSHA | 22
INDIA NO.1 IN TRIPLE JUMP

Anusha became an athlete only to realise her brother's dream. He dreamt of becoming a footballer but met with an accident and had to leave the sport. Anusha consoled her distraught brother and promised him that she'd live his dream. "It was quite difficult to control my brother. He was so upset after doctors told him about his leg. Today, he is extremely happy and is enjoying my success. Thanks to the support and training I am getting here, I'm confident of winning more medals for my country and my state," Anusha said.



INQUIZITIVE

by **JOY BHATTACHARJYA**

1 Which cricketer, who made his international debut in an ICC tournament final, is a Member of Parliament from Baharampur, West Bengal?

2 The Silver Ghost, Phantom, Silver Wraith, Silver Cloud and Corniche are all models produced by which legendary company?

3 **Mohammed Reza Pahlavi** was the head of which nation from 1941 till 1979, when he was finally overthrown by a revolution?



4 In the world of cinema, how do we better know Cyberdyne Systems Model 101 or the T-800?

5 Which single district in southern India has three wildlife sanctuaries, a part of the Nagarhole national park, one private sanctuary, and is renowned for its many hockey stars?

6 Which animal comes in the following varieties: Blue-ringed, Mimic, Giant Pacific, Coconut, California two-spot and Caribbean Reef?

7 Which instrument, a member of the lute family and with four strings, is usually associated with the US state of Hawaii?

8 This confectionery can be found in a banana variety in Karnataka's Bhatkal while Tirunelveli in Tamil Nadu has a wheat variety. Which preparation is this, made around the country but originally hailing from Persia?

9 Traditionally, which is the first state in India to receive the rains of the Southwest Monsoon?

10 Which digital assistant's name is a short form of the name Sigrid, which comes from the Norse words meaning 'victory' and 'beautiful?'

ANSWERS

1 | Yusuf Pathan
2 | Rolls Royce
3 | He was the Shah of Iran
4 | The Terminator, played by Arnold Schwarzenegger
5 | Kodagu or Coorg
6 | Octopus
7 | Ukelele
8 | Halva
9 | Kerala
10 | Siri, used in Apple devices

In painful interview, rambling Joe Biden insists he's fit to run

Prez: Only Lord Almighty Can Stop Me

Chidanand Rajghatta | TNN

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US President Joe Biden speaks during a campaign event at Sherman Middle School, in Madison, Wisconsin, on Friday

Washington: He wasn't a disaster. But he didn't dazzle either. The jury is still out on whether US President Joe Biden is fit to run for a second term after an iffy show in an ABC News interview in which he dismissed concerns about his mental acuity and declared he'd drop out of the Presidential election only if the "Lord Almighty" told him to.

Subjected to unsparing questioning about his health and fitness by anchor George Stephanopoulus, Biden insisted he was still in good shape and attributed his disastrous performance in the first debate last week with Republican rival Donald Trump to exhaustion and distraction.

Asked if he was being honest with himself about his mental and physical ability to lead for four more years, Biden replied, "Yes, I am, because, George, the last thing I want to do is not be able to meet that."

Stephanopoulus: Are you the same man today that you were when you took office three-and-a-half years ago?

Biden: In terms of successes, yes. I also was the guy who put together a peace plan for the Middle East that may be comin' to fruition. I was also the guy that expanded Nato. I was also the guy that grew the economy. All the individual things that were done were ideas I had or I fulfilled.

Stephanopoulus: Do you dispute that there have been more lapses, especially in the last several months?

Biden: Can I run the 100 in 10 flat? No. But I'm still in good shape.

Stephanopoulus: If you can be convinced that you cannot defeat Donald Trump, will you stand down?

Biden: It depends on — on if the Lord Almighty comes down and tells me that, I might do that.

The US President declined to agree to have an independent medical evaluation that included cognitive tests and share the results with the public, saying he was being tested everyday by having to make important decisions which were deemed successful. "I have a cognitive test every single day. Every day, I have that test. Everything I do. Not only am I campaigning, but I'm running the world," Biden said..

He brushed off recent poll numbers that show him behind Trump both in the general election and in specific swing states and concerns voiced by some Democrats that staying in the race is not in the interest of the party or the country.

Although there were no major flubs in the 22-minute interview, it did little to allay critics who feel he is too old and infirm. Several Democratic lawmakers and party grandees are preparing ground to persuade the President to drop out, some of them pushing for Kamala Harris to replace him at the top of the ticket.

But in a tweet ahead of the interview Biden doubled down on running, saying, "I'm not letting one 90-minute debate wipe out three and a half years of work. I'm staying in the race, and I will beat Donald Trump."

While Biden supporters argued that the interview — conducted by a former Democratic operative — was yet another effort to bully the President into quitting the race, his critics pointed out that it was a pre-taped interview, possibly edited, and that the full version could be more damaging.

Always voluble and prone to digressions and stumbling over words, Biden's rambling appeared even more glaring in an interview that was watched by millions, when Stephanopoulos kicked off by asking what had gone wrong a week earlier. "The whole way I prepared... nobody's fault mine-...nobody's fault but mine...I, uh, prepared what I usually would do, sitting down as I did, come back with foreign leaders or National Security Council for explicit detail. And I realised about partway through that, you know, I quoted the New York Times had me down 10 points before the debate, 9 now or whatever the hell it is. The fact of the matter is that what I looked at is that he also lied 28 times. I couldn't, I mean, the way the debate ran, not — my fault, no one else's fault — no one else's fault..." Biden said.

It was painful watching for supporters and critics alike.

New UK PM Creates 'Mission Delivery Boards' For Cabinet

Starmer ends Rwanda migrant plan

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RESTLESS FOR CHANGE: British PM Keir Starmer chairs the first meeting of his cabinet in 10 Downing Street, London, on Saturday

London: Newly elected UK PM Keir Starmer on Saturday began his first full day in charge declaring himself "restless for change" and pledging that growth would be his Labour government's "number one mission".

Starmer also confirmed his previously declared intention to end the outgoing Conservative government's flagship scheme to deport migrants to Rwanda.

"The Rwanda scheme was dead and buried before it started... I'm not prepared to continue with gimmicks that don't act as a deterrent," he told reporters following his first cabinet meeting. The party on Friday won a landslide election victory, bringing to a close 14 years of Conservative rule.

Starmer made the announcement after holding his first Cabinet meeting, the day after his Labour Party's landslide victory overturned 14 years of Conservative rule. The Rwanda plan was one of the showcase policies of former Conservative Prime Minister Rishi Sunak to try to curb migrants from making dangerous English Channel crossings.

But it was beset with challenges over human rights issues and never managed to deport a single person despite spending hundreds of millions of dollars in a pact with the east African nation.

Starmer, at the Cabinet meeting, created "Mission Delivery Boards" for his ministers, including British Indian culture secretary Lisa Nandy, to drive through the "change" he said the public had voted for in the general election. The newly-elected leader addressed his first televised press conference as Prime Minister at 10 Downing Street right after the meeting to update the country on how he intends to meet the targets he has set for the new Labour Party government, including fixing a "broken" National Health Service (NHS).

Starmer spent his first hours in Downing Street on Friday appointing his ministerial team, hours after securing his centre-left party's return to power with a whopping 174-seat majority in the UK parliament.

World leaders lined up to congratulate the new British premier. Starmer spoke by telephone with US President Joe Biden and "discussed their shared commitment to the special relationship between the UK and US", according to London.

However, former US president Donald Trump ignored Starmer, instead hailing the electoral breakthrough of his ally Nigel Farage's far-right Reform UK party. AFP, PTI

One PIO and one PoK-origin MP in Starmer's cabinet

Naomi Canton



Lisa Nandy has held several shadow cabinet roles, including that of shadow foreign secretary

London: Only one Indian-origin MP, Lisa Nandy, has made it onto the new British prime minister's cabinet despite there being 19 PIO MPs in the Labour party now.

This is a stark contrast to the cabinet Boris Johnson had formed in July 2019 which was the most diverse in British history. Meanwhile British MP Shabana Mahmood, who has been strongly critical of the Indian govt over Kashmir, has been appointed justice secretary.

Manchester-born half-Indian Lisa Nandy (44), a former leadership rival to Starmer, is now secretary of state for culture, media and sport. She has previously held several shadow cabinet roles, including shadow foreign secretary. In Sept 2023 Starmer had demoted her to shadow cabinet minister for international development. Her father is Dipak Nandy, a Kolkata-born academic who lives in the UK and helped draft Labour's 1976 race relations bill. Her mother is Ann Luise Byers, daughter of the late life peer Lord Byers. She quit as a frontbencher when Jeremy Corbyn was Labour leader in June 2019, alongside many other shadow cabinet members, calling for him to step down as leader.

Preet Kaur Gill, once the shadow international development secretary, is not in the new cabinet.

Mahmood, who was shadow justice secretary in Opposition, made a speech at an Independence Day protest on Aug 15, 2019 outside the Indian high commission in London which turned violent and left the mission's building severely damaged. She had signed a letter to Johnson in 2019 calling on him to "strongly condemn the actions of the Indian govt" and its allegedly "illegal and unconstitutional revocation of Article 370 to annex Kashmir".

Mahmood was born in Birmingham and her parents were born in the village of Bab-e-yaam in Mirpur, PoK.

Seven Tory MPs are preparing leadership bids

Naomi Canton

London: Seven MPs are said to be considering running for the Conservative party leadership to replace Rishi Sunak after he announced Friday he would be stepping down as opposition leader following the party's worst election defeat ever.

With only 121 MPs left in the House of Commons, the choice of who can run is now severely limited. Neither Boris Johnson nor David Cameron are MPs. Penny Mordaunt, former Leader of the House of Commons, had been widely touted as the next Tory leader but she lost her Portsmouth North seat to Labour by 780 votes on Thursday night. She had run for leadership twice, losing to Liz Truss after Johnson resigned and then she pulled out of the leadership contest in Oct 2022 allowing Sunak to be elected unopposed.



AT IT: Braverman

Those said to be preparing leadership bids are Indian-origin former home secretaries Priit Patel and Suella Braverman, former business secretary Kemi Badenoch, former immigration minister Robert Jenrick, former home secretary James Cleverly, former security minister Tom Tugendhat and former health secretary Victoria Atkins. Braverman has been running a de facto leadership campaign ever since Sunak sacked her as home secretary in November.

Websites called kemi4leader.co.uk and Suella4leader.co.uk have already surfaced. The bookies' favourite is Badenoch, who is of Nigerian descent. Some believe Sunak needs to be replaced with an interim leader straight away and Iain Duncan Smith, former Tory leader, has been suggested as a possible option.

The party is split over whether to hold the leadership contest as soon as possible or to delay it. Some want a new leader in place in time for Labour's first budget in Sept and they fear a protracted contest plays into Starmer's hands and allows him to cement power. Others worry that rushing into a leadership contest could lead to the wrong choice and a period of introspection is needed.

One question the party needs to figure out is whether it needs to shift Left or Right.

Reform UK was second in 98 seats and it is estimated that it cost the Conservatives 80 seats by splitting the right-wing vote.

Hamas clears path for likely ceasefire, says Egypt official

Israel Strike On School Kills 16

AP



STADIUM IS NOW A SHELTER: A woman displaced in the Israel-Hamas war dries clothes outside Yarmouk Sports Stadium in north Gaza. Once the Strip's biggest soccer arena, the stadium is now sheltering thousands of displaced Palestinians who are scraping by with little food or water. Many of the people who ended up in the stadium say they have nothing to return to

Deir-Al Balah: Hamas has given initial approval for a US-backed proposal for a phased ceasefire deal in Gaza, dropping a key demand that Israel give an up-front commitment for a complete end to the war, a Hamas and an Egyptian official said on Saturday.

The apparent compromise by the militant group — which controlled Gaza before triggering the war with an October 7 attack on Israel — could help deliver the first pause in fighting since November and set the stage for further talks on ending a devastating nine months of fighting. But all sides cautioned that a deal is still not guaranteed.

The health ministry in Gaza said an Israeli strike on Saturday on a school where displaced people were sheltering killed 16 people. The ministry, which condemned the strike as an "odious massacre", said another 50 injured were taken to hospital from Al-Jawni school at Nuseirat in central Gaza. AP

4 shot dead at Kentucky house party

Florence (US): Four people were killed and three others were wounded in an early Saturday shooting at a home in northern Kentucky, police said. The shooting suspect later died after fleeing the home and leading police on a vehicle pursuit that ended with the suspect's car falling into a ditch, police said.

Police found seven shooting victims when they arrived at a home in Florence at about 2.50am, the city's police department said in a news release. Four people were found dead, police said.

The suspect led police on a chase that ended after his vehicle went off a road and fell into a ditch. The suspect had a self-inflicted gunshot wound and died at a hospital, police said. AP

It would take years to clear Everest camp litter

Kathmandu: The highest camp on the world's tallest mountain is littered with garbage that is going to take years to clean up, according to a Sherpa who led a team that worked to clear trash and dig up dead bodies frozen for years near Mount Everest's peak.

The Nepal govt-funded team of soldiers and Sherpas removed 11 tonnes of garbage, four dead bodies and a skeleton from Everest during this year's climbing season.

Ang Babu Sherpa, who led the team of Sherpas, said there could be as much as 40-50 tonnes of garbage still at South Col, the last camp before climbers make their attempt on the summit. "The garbage left there was mostly old tents, some food packaging and gas cartridges, oxygen bottles, tent packs, and ropes used for climbing and tying up tents," he said, adding that the garbage is in layers and frozen at the 8,000-metre altitude where the South Col camp is located.

AP



FROZEN MESS: Workers segregate the garbage collected en route Mount Everest

Since the peak was first conquered in 1953, thousands of climbers have scaled it and many have left behind more than just their footprints.

In recent years, a govt requirement that climbers bring back their garbage or lose their deposits, have significantly reduced the amount of garbage left behind. AP

China anchors 'monster ship' in SCS: Manila

Manila: The Philippine Coast Guard (PCG) said on Saturday that China's largest coastguard vessel has anchored in Manila's exclusive economic zone (EEZ) in the South China Sea, and is meant to intimidate its smaller Asian neighbour.

The China coastguard's 165-meter 'monster ship' entered Manila's 200-nautical mile EEZ on July 2, spokesperson for the PCG Jay Tarriela told a news forum. The PCG warned the Chinese vessel it was in the Philippine's EEZ and asked about their intentions, he said. "We're not going to be intimidated," he added.

China's embassy in Manila and the Chinese foreign ministry did not immediately respond to a request for comment. China's coast guard has no publicly available contact information. REUTERS

Sierra Leone urged to act against FGM

Sierra Leone this week adopted a landmark law banning child marriage — a move heralded by rights groups and foreign partners but leaving some activists demanding more action to end pervasive female genital mutilation (FGM) in the country.

Hundreds of thousands of girls are married before turning 18 in the West African nation, where a persistently patriarchal society puts women at risk of multiple forms of gender-based violence.

Sierra Leone has some of the highest rates of child marriage, teenage pregnancy and maternal mortality in the world. In a major step forward, the Prohibition of Child Marriage Act criminalises marrying girls below 18 with jail terms of up to 15 years or a fine of over $2,000.

It also bans men from living with underage girls and sets out a compensation package for those who are married or fall pregnant before turning 18. But the law — championed by Sierra Leone's First Lady Fatima Maada Bio — remains silent on the harmful practice of FGM.

"We're saying (the law) is good work, but... you cannot be blinded to the fact that there is a practice that still perpetuates child marriage," said Josephine Kamara, 31, advocacy director at women and girls' activism organisation Purposeful. FGM involves the partial or total removal of the female external genitalia or other injury to the female genital organs, and can lead to serious health problems including infections, bleeding, and infertility.

In Sierra Leone, 83% of women aged between 15 and 49 have undergone the practice, says a 2019 survey. AFP

Iran votes in a reformist as prez. What changes?

Iranians have picked reformist Masoud Pezeshkian as the Islamic republic's next president in a election to replace Ebrahim Raisi who was killed in a helicopter crash in May. Pezeshkian, a 69-year-old heart surgeon, won the largest number of votes in the runoff against ultra-conservative Saeed Jalili, taking around 16 million votes or 54% of about 30 million cast. He rode on support from the country's main reformist coalition and many Iranians who feared a continued hardline grip on power.

LOW ON POWER

- Setting economic policy will be within Pezeshkian's powers
- But he will have limited power over the police
- None over the army and the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps, the military's ideological arm
- The police, army and IRGC answer directly to the supreme leader
- Pezeshkian will be tasked with implementing state policies outlined by Khamenei



Masoud Pezeshkian was Iran's only reformist candidate in the latest presidential election

Unlike in many countries, Iran's president is not head of state, and the ultimate authority rests with the supreme leader — a post held by Ayatollah Ali Khamenei for 35 years.

In campaigning, Pezeshkian called for "constructive relations" with Western countries to "get Iran out of its isolation". He pledged to try to revive a 2015 nuclear deal with the US and other powers, which imposed curbs on Iran's nuclear activity in return for sanctions relief.

Within Iran, he vowed to ease long-standing internet curbs and to "fully" oppose police patrols enforcing the mandatory headscarf on women, a high-profile issue since the custody death in 2022 of Mahsa Amini, which sparked nationwide unrest.

Pezeshkian also pledged to involve more women and ethnic minorities such as Kurds and Baluchis in his government. He has also promised to reduce inflation, now hovering at around 40%, which he says has "crushed the nation's back" in recent years. In one debate with Jalili, Pezeshkian estimated that Iran needs $200 billion in foreign investment.

As president, Pezeshkian will hold the second-highest ranking position and will have influence over both domestic and foreign policy.

Analysts say Pezeshkian will face serious challenges because conservatives still dominate state institutions. One such institution is parliament, which was elected in March and is dominated by conservatives and ultraconservatives. AFP

Netflix show earns Saudi creator plaudits, & a jail term

Riyadh, Saudi Arabia: From the outside, the past few years looked like the peak of Abdulaziz Almuzaini's career.

As the head of an animation studio in Saudi Arabia, he signed a five-year deal with Netflix in 2020. A sardonic cartoon franchise that he helped create, "Masameer," likened to a Saudi version of "South Park," was soon streaming to audiences around the world. And as the conservative Islamic kingdom loosened up, Almuzaini was being celebrated — as recently as a few months ago — as one of the homegrown talents shaping its nascent entertainment industry.

Behind the scenes, though, he was on trial in an opaque national security court, as Saudi prosecutors — who accused him of promoting extremism through the cartoon series and social media posts — sought to ensure that he would spend the rest of his life in prison or under a travel ban.

NYT



Visitors at Riyadh Boulevard, an entertainment complex run by the govt in the Saudi capital

Almuzaini, a dual US-Saudi citizen and father of three, recently described his plight in a video pleading for the Saudi leadership to intervene, saying that he was awaiting a final ruling from the kingdom's Supreme Court.

"I might bear the consequences of what happens after this, and I'm ready," he said in the 18-minute video, which he said he was filming at his home in the Saudi capital.

The video was published on his social media accounts late last month and deleted the same day. In it, Almuzaini, sporting a black beard graying around the edges, spoke in front of a wall covered with colourful sticky notes. "I haven't committed a single crime in the kingdom," he said. "I haven't even run a red light."

Saudi authorities have imprisoned hundreds of citizens during a crackdown on dissent that began in 2017. Still, Almuzaini's video was shocking because he had appeared to be squarely in the good graces of Saudi leadership — attending government-hosted events and receiving glowing write-ups in state-backed media outlets. Despite facing grave charges, he was not jailed, although he was barred from leaving the country.

His story is the starkest example yet of the duality of the new Saudi Arabia, as 38-year-old Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman opens up the kingdom socially while deepening political repression. In Almuzaini's case, those two trends have played out simultaneously, exposing a profound dissonance at the heart of the kingdom's transformation.

The *New York Times* was able to verify that a trial had taken place at the Specialized Criminal Court in Riyadh, where Almuzaini was convicted last year of supporting extremist ideology, among other charges. He was sentenced to 13 years in prison, followed by a 13-year ban on traveling outside Saudi Arabia. An appellate court upheld his conviction and prison sentence this year, while lengthening his travel ban to 30 years. Usually, people embroiled in national security cases are detained when an investigation begins, often before they are formally tried. It is unclear why Saudi authorities did not detain Almuzaini after his conviction. NYT

Apple OKs Epic Games marketplace app in Europe

Apple said on Friday it has approved Epic Games' games marketplace app on iPhones and iPads in Europe, after the "Fortnite" maker escalated its feud with the technology giant, accusing it of hindering its efforts to set up a games store on the devices. Apple said the latest spat concerned the Epic Sweden AB Marketplace and has nothing to do with the video games maker's Fortnite app which has already been given the green light. Apps developers and antitrust regulators have criticized Apple's tight control of the iOS app ecosystem. Before Apple's announcement, Epic said the iPhone maker had twice rejected documents the video-game publisher submitted to launch the Epic Games Store because the design of certain buttons and labels was similar to those used by its App Store. "We are using the same "Install" and "In-app purchases" naming conventions that are used across popular app stores on multiple platforms, Epic said on X.

AROUND THE WORLD

Tornadoes kill 5 in China's Shandong province: Five people were confirmed dead after tornadoes struck a city in the eastern Chinese province of Shandong, according to local media reports Saturday. Authorities said that 2,820 houses, 48 power supply lines and over 4,000 hectares of crops were damaged.

A Trump second term not good for India, or the world

SWAMINOMICS



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Donald Trump is an overwhelming favourite to become the next US President after the shocking performance of a faltering and fumbling Joe Biden in the TV debate between the two. Trump's lead over Biden in opinion polls soared in the key swing states after the TV debate. The Democratic Party is in chaos, with many calling for Biden to back out and let another candidate — probably Kamala Harris — be the Democratic candidate in the US election in November.

What will a second Trump term mean for India? The man is so impulsive and unpredictable that nobody can be certain what he will do. But he has spoken of radical changes that would impact not just the US but the whole world.

First, he will immediately withdraw from the Paris Agreement on climate change and encourage oil drilling everywhere. This will kill chances of checking climate change, affecting everybody. Global finance for green projects in developing countries could shrink.

Second, Trump is reluctant to get involved in wars anywhere. He may withdraw from or stop supporting the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO), the lynchpin of global security since World War II. This will have consequences for Ukraine, which may cave to Russia. It will encourage military adventures by stronger countries against weaker ones everywhere. China could get more aggressive on the Himalayan border with India.

We have already seen that a tiny group like the Houthis can stop all Red Sea traffic despite efforts of the mightiest navies. Such groups and the damage they do could multiply if the great powers wash their hands of conflicts in distant lands. This will not be conducive to global trade and investment, hitting all economies including India.

Trump's attitude may induce China to believe this is the best window of time in which to attack and take over Taiwan. Whatever the outcome, that will be a disaster for Asia and India. Japan and Korea may react by quickly making nuclear arms, since they can no longer trust a US defence umbrella. Saudi Arabia and Iran may go nuclear too. Many more fingers will now be on nuclear triggers.

Trump looks certain to impose a 10% tariff on all imports and a 60% tariff on imports from China. He also favours tax cuts and subsidies for key industries. This would, inevitably, attract retaliation from others. After which, Trump will threaten even higher US tariffs. A global trade war looms.

The existing trade structure of the world, built assiduously since World War II through GATT and the World Trade Organisation (WTO), may be ruined. Many countries flout this or that rule of WTO, but it still offers an orderly global structure. Alas, a Trumpian destruction is on the cards.



SCARY AGENDA: From climate change to global trade, his politicies will have severe consequences

Analysts fear a return to the Great Depression of 1930s. Then, everybody resorted to protectionism. Starting with the US, every country imposed high tariffs or devalued its currency to reduce imports and expand exports. They failed to realise that imports of one country are the exports of others, and if all reduce imports, they will necessarily reduce exports too. Trade spiralled down every year and exacerbated the Depression. Competitive protectionism turned out to be a game in which everybody lost.

To avoid such disasters, the US after World War II helped create international institutions like the World Bank, International Monetary Fund, and what ultimately became the WTO. The new regime was stunningly successful, and the world enjoyed the fastest growth in history.

But memories of the Great Depression have faded. Demand for protectionism is rising everywhere. Trump who, in his first term sidestepped the WTO because its rules constrain the US, could deal it a fresh blow. Like US politicians in the 1930s, he thinks he can make America great again by raising tariffs and subsidising US companies. He ignores the impact of retaliation by others.

Under WTO rules, tariffs applying to one country apply to all. In the new Trumpian world, we may have different tariffs and trade rules for every country or regional bloc, depending on negotiations. India might have to negotiate rules on trade and investment with every different trading partner or bloc. This could also mean dozens of different Indian tariff rates for the same product, depending on the exporter. This would create immense scope for mis-invoicing, corruption, and unending legal disputes. Such a fragmented world would imply huge uncertainties that hit global investment, trade and economic growth.

I have painted a worst-case scenario. The actual outcome could be better. But understanding how bad it can get will inform our own contingency planning in a new world. As the old saying goes, hope for the best but prepare for the worst. ■

My grandparents, though rooted in UP, chose Pak. I wanted to understand why

*As BBC news anchor, **Mishal Husain** has a ringside view of British politics but for her new book titled 'Broken Threads: My Family from Empire to Independence', she has chosen to look back at the Partition through the lens of her family history. In an interview with **Ketaki Desai**, Husain discusses Jinnah, Mountbatten and her work as a primetime journalist in a fraught time in British politics*

FOR THE RECORD

You have combined the personal narratives of four grandparents — Shahid and Tahirah; Mumtaz and Mary — with political analysis of the end of the empire. What inspired you to write this book?

I was given a shawl by a cousin of my mother's. Its edging was from a sari given to my mother at her wedding. I realised it meant that it had been grabbed from their house during a difficult time. But the book had been in the back of my mind for a long time. I knew I needed to come to grips with my own family story, particularly to understand why my grandparents, who were incredibly rooted in UP, chose to settle in Pakistan (during Partition). As I tried to piece their stories together, I realised that I had to understand the historical backdrop and political reality of their times because otherwise the choices they made did not make sense.

How did you combine personal narratives with political history?

I started with the personal stories and then tried to colour in the background. There are times the political story takes over. My bread and butter over the last decade has been British politics. I was bringing the lens I have on understanding British political decision-making and the skills I use today when interviewing politicians on the airwaves to understand the context. I came to the conclusion that decisions were being made by a tiny number of people. In the end, it was Lord Mountbatten (then viceroy) and Prime Minister Clement Atlee, which is extraordinary to think about through a present-day lens.

Did their reverence towards Jinnah change the way you see him?

There is reverence towards him, so I needed to make my own judgement unencumbered by what my grandparents thought. However, the thing I was struck by the most was what Jinnah was to my grandparents. To some extent, he was a symbol of the rising Muslim middle class, a highly successful Muslim at a time when it was rare. My grandmother Tahirah articulates this, saying that there was no one else for Muslims in India at the time. Though there were plenty of Muslims in the Congress, Jinnah embodied what they wanted for themselves and their children — a good standard of living, progress and emancipation.

Both your grandfathers served in the army. At one point, your grandfather Mumtaz, who was a medic, talks about how for those in uniform, the Raj seemed interminable. How did their position as army men influence their experience?

Mumtaz writes about how the minute they were needed in World War II and put on the uniform, it meant that they could walk past the signs that said, 'Indians not allowed'. He also writes about how insulated they were — they're not allowed to speak or read newspapers in their own language. It's a real shock when suddenly, this thing called Pakistan is being spoken of.



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One of the interesting figures in the book is Claude Auchinleck, the last commander-in-chief of the Raj. Your maternal grandfather, Shahid Hamid, was on his staff. Do you consider him to be an underacknowledged part of the story of the end of the empire in India?

Neither India nor Pakistan had much inclination, for understandable reasons, to think about the British officers who played a positive role in the final days. It surprised me that he's been forgotten in Britain because he did stop the Germans in North Africa in 1942, changing the trajectory of World War II. When I looked at his archives, the picture that emerges is of a thoughtful man who is alarmed at the speed of what is happening and has an appreciation for the ethnic, religious and cultural complexity of India. At the height of the INA trials, he told British officers that he wanted them to think hard about what Indian officers and soldiers went through. Essentially, he's telling them: I want you to think about racial discrimination. Without him, the armed forces could become like the police in many places where they were only protecting people of their own faith.

Shahid didn't think much of Mountbatten, who was tasked with winding up the empire, did he?

My grandfather had no doubt that the aura around Mountbatten was due to his royal connections. He felt he was not qualified for a job of intense diplomacy, and also that he didn't know India well enough. At the same time, there is a context to his actions. The rise of communal violence was terrifying. They didn't want to deploy British troops because they thought it would look like the British trying to reimpose control. That was also linked to the British government's policy statement, which had said power will be transferred into "responsible Indian hands". These are quite obscure terms.

Coming back to your role as TV anchor, you hosted the debates between Rishi Sunak and Keir Starmer as well as reporting on elections. How is it being a journalist in this time in British politics?

It's been an incredibly tense time in politics for the last 10 years, since the Scottish independence referendum. It's been election, referendum, election, election, election. I've spent that whole time on one of the premier broadcast shows, so I have had an extraordinary ringside seat. It's been a demanding period in the news. But these big stories remind you of why you wanted to go into journalism and give you a renewed sense of purpose. Those high-stakes moments do put you on the edge of the seat, but they should do that. If they didn't, you're not taking them seriously enough. You are the first draft of history, after all.

Euro has the big fish, but it's the heroics of small nations that gave us joy

THE GOAL POST



SIDDHARTH SAXENA

Jude Bellingham's overhead kick, one-bounce goal against a tiring Slovakia the other day is being likened, among other things, to Pele's flamboyant goal for the Allied prisoners of war team in John Houston's cult film, 'Escape to Victory'. Social media reels are rife with comparisons, but the chief difference to note here is that Pele played for the underdog, Bellingham belongs to the elite.

Bellingham's strike, as late as the 95th minute, rescued England from an inglorious exit. But had England lost, it would have also announced the arrival of the underdog on the biggest stage of Europe's football.

That hope was kicked away but watching Georgia, Slovenia, even tiny Albania whose Nedim Bajrami scored the fastest goal of all Euros when he found the net barely 23 seconds after kick-off against defending champions Italy, have given us moments to relish and questions to ponder over at this Euros in Germany. It is possible that this time, the challenge to football's status quo from smaller nations has a sense of permanence to it. Not just flash, but a finality.

Has the unique nature of football's free trade across continents caused this emerging new normal? Is the inter-mingling of footballers and coaches across Europe's many leagues finally bringing an equalisation and homogeneity to footballing philosophies? It looks like it, given the belief with which less-fancied nations played in Germany this summer, as was famously seen in Slovakia's organised defiance against Gareth Southgate's team, or even against Slovenia before. Debutant Georgia's defeat of Cristiano Ronaldo's talented — and vastly more experienced — Portugal is a clear indication of how this sharing of knowledge has raised their standards.

Belatedly resurgent Austria and Romania, World Cup heroes of the 1980s and 1990s, staked claim to reassert their legacy. Austria perhaps played the most attractive football in the group stages, while a fine Romania side which included Ianis, son of the great Gheorghe Hagi, were unlucky to bow out to the Dutch.

In a manner typical of small teams' willingness to adapt, Switzerland, a constant but once-staid European middle-runger, changed its ways. Among the first nations in Europe to include players of different ethnicities in their team, Switzerland coach Murat Yakin's squad had most of its players playing professionally across the divisions of the Italian Serie A. That crucial inside knowledge of an opponent's ways — in this case, also the employer — was perhaps key to knocking out the defending champions. Captain Granit Xhaka is a prime example of the much-travelled European footballer. His current workplace is Germany with Bayer Leverkusen, he knows the insides of the England side having played alongside English striker Bukayo Saka and others during his stint at Arsenal.

Maybe this is what is being called the larger idea of the Pep Effect, now a footballing leitmotif of sorts in Europe named after game-changing manager Pep Guardiola. A style of play based on a high pressing game, possession-based football, it has its own local versions now.

The performance of the less-fancied also invariably begs the bigger question whether football, despite its global following, is perhaps easier to play, organise, develop and excel at, especially for First World nations. For example, such is the sheer population of talent at their disposal that France can even field a second team, formed purely from immigrant origin footballers from its arrondissements.

But if France is football's nobility, Croatia is the gentry. With a population of just 3.8 million, ten times less than Delhi, the tiny nation's players are much sought after by clubs across the continent, and they continue to spin fairytales at the World Cup.

In their book 'Soccernomics: Why France and Germany win, why England are beginning to and why the rest of the world loses', Simon Kuper and Stefan Szymanski crunch numbers — GDP, per capita income, population, area and football experience — to come up with top overachievers and underachievers among international teams. Their data reveals Croatia to be the most efficient football team, the greatest overachiever given its tiny resources, followed by neighbour Bosnia-Herzegovina.

All this flies in the face of the long-running gripe back home of India not being able to excel at football, despite being a nation of over a billion people. Is there a correlation at all with large size and success at football? Using the same parameters, 'Soccernomics' dwells on the worst underachieving team on earth: "Indians barely ever saw the world's best football, let alone played against it."

As India and its football continue to be in a state of perpetual stalemate, its predicament doesn't go unnoticed. "Sleeping giant, the standard term for Indian football, feels too polite," is the damning verdict by Kuper and Co. Chew on this, as the minnows dazzle us. ■

Biden is old and forgetful but to those mocking seniors, just wait!

POLITICALLY INCORRECT



SHOBHAA DE

Cormac McCarthy's gritty novel 'No Country for Old Men' was made into a dark, award-winning neo-western by the Coen Brothers in 2007. Dark, violent and disquieting, it also stands out for its reflections on aging, death, fate and changing times. As one critic put it: "It pits an old man who values justice, morality and lawfulness against a world in which young men act according to their own codes." Seventeen years after Coen Bros' taut, dark thriller shook up audiences, an even more surreal script is unfolding in America. The protagonists are two old men—President Joe Biden, 81 and former president Donald Trump, 78. After Biden's disastrous debate performance and Trump's false claims — more than 30, according to a CNN fact check — America is left wondering how either elderly man will govern a powerful nation of more than 330 million people for four more years.

Joe stumbles, fumbles, forgets, falls and freezes. His opponent too displays several senior moments himself though at the moment, it's advantage Trump. Trump is ahead of Biden by six percentage points among likely voters in a new national survey. Overall, 74% view Biden as too old for the job. Public discourse has now become fixated on Biden's age, and issues related to it. Headlines like 'geriatric circus' abound. Suddenly, age is a sin. A crime. Something to be deeply ashamed of. There is a widespread assumption that a majority of elderly suffer from dementia, Alzheimer's and memory loss.

While mental acuity and whether the true picture was being hidden from voters is no doubt a legitimate concern, not everyone over 70 faces debilitating loss of faculties. Are we being too hasty writing off 'geriatrics'?

At 91, Paul Biya of Cameroon is the oldest leader in the world and the second-longest-serving president after his neighbour, Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo of Equatorial Guinea. He has been in office for 40 years, is married to a lady 36 years his junior, and might even run for office in 2025. While authoritarian leaders like Biya may not exactly be role models, there are other ageing politicians, tycoons and actors who are going strong in their senior years.

Sheikh Hasina of Bangladesh at 77, is the longest tenured female, non-hereditary head of government and the longest serving leader of a country. Closer to home, Ram Jethmalani, who passed away at the age of 95, had a seven-decade-long legal career. Rupert Murdoch, 93, recently married for the fifth time. Ditto for Bernard Arnault, comparatively young at 75, who is constantly and aggressively adding value to his luxury business. Robert De Niro, now 80, is still getting Oscar nominations. Author of 'The Handmaid's Tale', Margaret Atwood, is 83 and still writing as brilliantly as ever. M F Husain, who died at 95, was painting till the very end. And some say the famous Italian artist Titian's best work was accomplished when the master was in his seventies.



DON'T IGNORE THE SILVER LINING: While Biden's mental acuity is a legitimate concern, why are we writing off old people as geriatrics?

Which begs the question: Why do youngsters feel threatened by successful senior citizens and call them names like *buddha* and *buddhi*? Do they forget that they won't be forever young? So, why are the elderly bullied and viewed as a burden? Why are experienced, seasoned players pushed out of the arena? Himmat hai, toh compete fairly. Where was America's youth brigade when the two 'buddhas' decided to go for the big one? Why is the median age in the US Senate 65, far above retirement age?

Wake up, guys. Oldie goldies aren't going anywhere! Senior citizens have more money to spend than ever before. More chutzpah, too! Bachchalog, kindly stay in your lane. And let seniors stay in theirs. And btw, a movie that has raked in Rs 500 crore at the box office this week is dominated by a character named Ashwatthama, energetically played by an 82-year-old Amitabh Bachchan.

Back to the US, if Biden decides not to continue his reelection campaign, vice-president Kamala Harris is said to be the top alternative to replace him, according to reports. But for the record, he has defiantly declared: "I'm running! Nobody can push me out." As for the American presidential race, it may end up like the paradoxical climax of 'No Country for Old Men' with the main villain walking away with the loot. ■

INBOX

Fixing NEET must be govt priority

Apropos of 'No NEET answer...' (ATM June 30). There are few competitive exams in India that give underprivileged an opportunity to jump class and caste barriers. Today those students stand betrayed. It is clear that the people involved in breaking the law have huge political clout. This time around if the culprits are not brought to book, the country will suffer badly and people's faith will be shaken in the exam system. It's high time the govt gets its act together and punishes the guilty.

— Deepak K Tewari, Majkhali

Cooperation is key

With reference to 'Rahul versus Modi...' (ATM June 30), BJP has fallen short of simple majority and has to depend on allies. On the other hand, INDIA has improved its tally to become a strong opposition. One expects it to raise relevant issues and hold the govt to account but opposing for the sake of it is counter-productive. There are burning issues that need to be debated so we can come to a consensus. The ruling and the opposition combine must work in tandem for the smooth functioning of Parliament.

— H P Murali, Bengaluru

Speak for the voiceless

Apropos of 'In these polarised...' (ATM Interview, June 30), the world needs writers like Turkish author Elif Shafak who speak for the marginalised who have been silenced. Great littérateurs tell stories of those who have been crushed by oppressors or neglected by society.

— S H Quadri, Bikaner

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On Koo, failures and successes in India's startup ecosystem

BY INVITATION



NIKHIL PAHWA

The shuttering of Koo, a microblogging website similar to Twitter (now X), has rekindled discussions about why India doesn't have its own Google, Facebook, or WhatsApp, and whether a protectionist approach like China's is necessary to build such services. But what would Indian versions of these platforms offer?

Indian social networking startups like Koo and ShareChat have typically focused on Indian language users. While initially successful, this strategy hasn't stood the test of time. In 2008, when Google rolled out search in Gujarati and Marathi, Webdunia and Guruji.com already had search in these languages. Despite initial success, these platforms couldn't compete with Google. For instance, Guruji.com pivoted to music search before shutting down and being acquired for its ad network business. Similarly, numerous internet messaging services that launched after 2011, including Gupshup, HookUP, Imsy, Plustxt, and Hike, failed to compete with WhatsApp, which had already gained popularity in India. Plustxt, focusing on Indian languages, struggled and was eventually acquired by One97, Paytm's parent company, and shuttered.



TECH THAT: No reason to emulate China by building desi versions of social networks

India can't be compared to markets like China, South Korea, or Japan. English and its script are widely used and accepted in India, with many people communicating in their mother tongue using the Roman script. Global companies have increased their presence by offering services in Indian scripts. Building local products that scale is a long, difficult process requiring significant funds, time, and innovation, and generating revenue in social media products via advertising is especially difficult. Social media also has a tourism problem: as Facebook has probably found out after launching its Twitter competitor Threads, people sign up, look around, stay for a few days, and leave. Making these products sticky requires network effects, product innovation and a unique use case. LinkedIn is for professionals, Twitter now X for news and common interests, and Facebook and Instagram are for friends and family. Without substantial funds and unique offerings, Koo struggled in a mature market.

In their parting note, its funders Aprameya Radhakrishna and Mayank Bidawatka point towards the fact that partnership talks fell through with larger internet companies and media houses who didn't want to deal with "user generated content and the wild nature of a social media company". This is a telling comment: social media platforms are expensive and complicated to manage. India's IT Rules have increased compliance requirements and content moderation costs beyond what the IT Act had intended. These are likely to increase further. In March last year, during his meetings about the proposed Digital India Act, former junior IT minister Rajeev Chandrasekhar proposed doing away with the 'safe harbour' provision that provides platforms immunity from the content posted by users, saying that "it is the responsibility of the platforms that post the content." No online platform will survive this, and it's no surprise that Koo didn't find buyers given this potentially fatal blow to social media in India.

The push for digital sovereignty like China's leads to increased regulation, surveillance, censorship and crony-capitalism, with digital authoritarianism around the corner. I doubt there will be venture capital funding available for companies in a market that behaves like it's the 1970s.

Instead of focusing on startup failures and lamenting the lack of competition for global giants, we should celebrate the successes of Indian startups that have beaten them. Naukri.com, arguably India's most successful Internet company, beat global major Monster.com. IndiaMart survived multiple attempts by Alibaba.com to enter India. Ola and Flipkart (eventually bought by Walmart) are homegrown successes, and have successfully battled Uber and Amazon. Zomato and Swiggy overcame the Uber Eats and foodpanda challenge. MakeMyTrip, Ixigo and EaseMyTrip are Indian success stories in travel. India's startup ecosystem is thriving and innovating, and there's no reason for us to mess with its market dynamics by emulating China or Europe.

Startup founders are also not defined by one or two failures. Wishberg, a wishlist site launched in 2012 by Pravin Jadhav and Kulin Shah, struggled and was acquired by Freecharge in 2014, which Snapdeal bought in 2015. Jadhav was then brought on board at Paytm to start Paytm Money for stock trading, and eventually started his own, called DhanHQ. Shah worked at Acko before founding Onsurity, an employee health benefits platform. India's internet ecosystem is full of stories of founders starting up, shutting down, being acquired, of being forced out, before they build something that works. Many founders who exit their businesses reinvest in new ventures. Freecharge's Kunal Shah has funded over 200 startups so far. Venture capitalists also often back founders who have tried something new and failed. India's startup ecosystem is still innovating and is in the process of maturing. The tough experience that Aprameya Radhakrishna and Mayank Bidawatka have gone through at Koo will eventually lead to success. As they say: companies fail, founders don't. ■

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MANGOES AND MANNERS



Abhijit Banerjee

TASTING ECONOMICS

It's so long ago that I no longer remember why or where I was going. It was a local train, one of those green and yellow compartments with an open door divided by a single metal bar. It was summer. A sanyasi, naked from the waist up, boarded the train and placed himself on the ground, right in front of the door. As the train left the station, he fished a yellow-orange mango out of his crotch and proceeded to knead it between his strong brown hands. After a while, satisfied that it was mushy enough, he bit the top of the mango and proceeded to suck out the flesh. Juice dribbled out onto his beard, but he made no attempt to wipe it off. I had never seen anyone eat a mango like that. I now know that there is a kind of mango, called Chushi (to suck in Bangla), meant for that treatment, but the intimacy with which he held it in his hands and especially the way he pursed his lips, left little to the imagination. At no time did he look at any of us, but one could not but feel that he was putting up a performance.

The shift away from eating with one's hands in Europe was part of a general cultural move towards self-restraint — in bodily functions (no more farting and belching in public), in the expressions of sexual appetite, and how the animal came to the table pre-carved rather than getting hacked into pieces then and there

What did he want us to notice? That there was delight in his life, notwithstanding his bare chest and matted hair? That pleasure has no necessary connection with elegance (indeed his whole act had its own elegance, just not the bone-china kind). He didn't explain.

Table manners were probably invented precisely to prevent such unabashed displays of carnality. What is considered appropriate behaviour at mealtimes in the West has changed since the Middle Ages. Medieval banquets seem to have been hearty affairs with much carousing, dancing, and music, and many meat dishes. I counted at least a dozen different meat courses in a banquet thrown by King Richard II of England for the Duke of Lancaster, including pig's heads, roasts of swans, wild boar, partridges, larks, cranes, rabbits, oxen, herons, and a jelly of deer brawn (meat, I assume). Meat was hacked off the bone with knives that the guests brought with themselves and eaten by hand. Drinking cups were shared, the table or a slice of bread was used as the plate, and spoons were counted before the guests were allowed to leave. Enormous amounts got eaten, vats of alcohol got consumed, and perhaps unsurprisingly given all that, there was a fair amount of 'wenching' (including at the notorious feast of the chestnuts, organised at the behest of Pope Cesare Borgia, where a hundred naked prostitutes were present).



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Of course, the more extreme possibilities are the ones that get recorded — most actual dinners were surely tamer affairs. Medieval historians also emphasise that there were many attempts, by clerics and others, to instill a code of decorum in the diners, though this might just tell us that there was a problem. The 12th-century 'Book of the Civilised Man' ('Urbanus Magnus' in Latin) attributed to Daniel of Beccles, somehow reached my mother, who, like Daniel, insisted: "Do not put your elbows on the table." Daniel goes on to say, "You may do so at your own table, but not if you are visiting another". My mother was less tolerant.

Nonetheless, medieval banquets were probably a far cry from the prissy peaks of Victorian dinner parties where the legs of the tables were sometimes wrapped in cloth to conceal the 'suggestive' sight of bare legs, and there was a different fork or a spoon for every course. Some of this change was probably driven by economics and hygiene. As cutlery became more affordable, perhaps the advantage of avoiding grease on one's hands (hot water to wash it off was still scarce) encouraged the move to forks and knives for eating. Or to reverse that logic, maybe the fact that we in India eat with our hands has something to do with the fact that the water is rarely too cold to wash off the grease. For me, eating with my hands is so natural that I keep hoping that the ready availability of hot tap water will start a trend in the West, but for now, our children seem to be the only converts. As you might imagine this creates some tension (mostly for me) when we get invited to other, more conventional homes, and our children proceed to pick up the meat with their fingers.

What is clear however is that these norms cannot all be explained on a purely efficiency basis. In the West, there is an uncomfortable awareness of the fact that even grown-up Indians eat with their hands, but the idea that there are multiple ways to do so is mostly foreign. We, in our family, were taught that the food must not touch any part of the hand beyond the upper digits, but my brother's ayah, I noticed, ate with her whole palm. Some years later, I saw Gautam Ghosh's powerful film 'Dakhal', where, in the celebratory eating scene that is the fulcrum of the film, the migrants are shown squeezing the rice with their whole hands and licking them down, in a way that would have earned a scolding in our middle-class Brahmin milieu. In both cases, however, hands need to be washed, before and after eating. It is not efficiency that dictates the difference — it has to be that the way we eat tells the world who are, and equally importantly, who we are not. Table manners are caste and class.

Likewise, the shift away from eating with one's hands in Europe was part of a general cultural move towards self-restraint — in bodily functions (no more farting and belching in public), in the expressions of sexual appetite, in violence against animals and other human beings: the animal now came to the table pre-carved rather than getting hacked into pieces then and there. My instinct is to connect it to the fact that, until fairly recently, to be regal was to be virile. Kings were meant to be strong of body and will, sexually potent, and great gorgers. The display of appetite and strength was part of the legitimation process. The rise of more managerial models of what it means to be a leader or a king perhaps contributed to the move towards displaying more restraint and competence. Perhaps Putin and Trump will move us back.

To be clear, I am in no way implying that there is a universal pattern where societies become increasingly mannerly over time. In fact, when I am in Lucknow talking to people my age or older, the loss of the old tehzeeb, the elaborate courtesies that permeated Hindu and Muslim urban culture in the 19th and early 20th century, comes up a lot. The point is more, as the great French sociologist Pierre Bourdieu would say, manners are a habitus, something very specific to any particular subculture that the participants assume to be natural and organic but, in fact, is a product of their upbringing (my mother slapping my elbow off the dinner table) and the broader economic circumstances that fed into it (we had a table; my parents had lived in the UK for some years). We look down on those who behave differently, especially if they happen to be socially less favoured, and imitate those in positions of influence. In the great Bengali comic writer Parashuram's 'Ulot-puran', India has conquered Britain and Britain's Indian-appointed governor wants to eat mangoes like the Indians do, and is hiding in the toilet, dripping with mango juice, practicing. I can eat mangoes with a fork like the French do, cut into neat cubes on a plate, but lasciviously licking my lips like that sanyasi, much as I would like to, still feels very alien. We surely have enough distinctions in the world without the entirely unnecessary ones created by our notions of good table manners?

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EGGPLANT CUSTARD RECIPE

The recipe for this month is a savoury custard made with eggplants, and eaten cold. It is a traditional Provençale recipe that I modified for my Indian palate. The mango chutney does a lot to perk up this delicate dish, and equally importantly, it makes it look like French-style pastry. Eat it with a knife and fork on a bone-china plate or with your fingers like a dhokla.

Cut 5 eggplants (1500 gm) of eggplants lengthwise in half. With a sharp knife, cut the flesh into a cross-hatched pattern without piercing the skin. Sprinkle them with salt and drizzle a tsp of olive oil on each half. Bake at 200°C, cut face up, for 30 minutes or till fully done. Scoop out the flesh, discarding the dark seeds. Leave in a bowl for 10 minutes to cook and lose water. Pick up the flesh with a slotted spoon (leaving the water behind), run through a blender until it is smooth but not yet a paste. Put a chaunk of kalonji, green chili and curry leaves in 2 tbs hot oil and after 40 seconds, reduce heat and add in 2 tsp finely chopped garlic. After a minute, add the eggplant and cook for two minutes, stirring. Remove from heat and let cool. Beat in 4 eggs and 1/3 cup milk, put in a buttered heavy 8-inch baking dish with the bottom lined with a cooking sheet, taste for salt and mix in some fresh ground black pepper. Put the baking dish in a larger pan with ¼ inch standing water and bake for 30 min at 180° C till it sets. Let cool and then chill in fridge overnight.



MANGO CHUTNEY RECIPE

Make bhaja moshla, by dry-roasting 2 tsp cumin seeds, 2 tsp fennel seeds, and ¼ tsp methi seeds for 3 minutes at medium-low heat. Make a powder from them. Cut the two sides off two sweet mangoes (about 250 gm each) and make cross-hatch pattern in each and then open it up so that you can scoop out the flesh off in little cubes. Sprinkle salt on the cubes, heat your broiler and broil them for 2-3 minutes until they are turning black in spots (or do the same thing using a dry heated pan). Heat 1 tsp oil in a small pan, put a chaunk of 1/8 tsp methi seeds, and then add in the mango cubes, 1 tsp tamarind paste dissolved in 1 tbs water, pinch of tikha mirchi powder. Mix well, tasting for salt and sweet and mix in ½ tsp bhaja moshla.



When the custard is fully cooled, invert on a nice serving plate, throw away the cooking sheet and paint the top with the mango chutney. Serve in wedges.

Why India is godmen's own country

*Self-styled gurus like Bhole Baba have millions under their spell. **Sunday Times** decodes their appeal*

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Before the Hathras stampede that killed 121 people hit the headlines, few urban folk would have heard of Bhole Baba. The incident probably left them wondering why so many people would flock to his ashram to get their hands on the soil touched by his feet or the 'holy' water dispensed at his satsangs.

But like Narayan Hari Saakar aka Bhole Baba, several self-styled godmen have amassed a huge following that enables them to build sprawling ashrams with luxurious swimming pools and green spaces. They are driven around in SUVs with dozens of volunteers in their security cavalcades, and often enjoy the patronage of politicians, film stars and other celebrities. Some of them have a rap sheet — Haryana's Baba Rampal and Gurmeet Ram Rahim Insan of Dera Sacha Sauda have been found guilty of murder, while Asaram of rape and wrongful confinement. Despite this, what holds millions of Indians in thrall?



Most of these so-called godmen are themselves from a humble background — Bhole Baba is a Dalit — and their appeal is largely among the socially and economically marginalised though they do have their share of wealthy followers who are lavish with donations. Avdesh Maheshwari, who calls himself a sevak of Saakar, told TOI that though his followers come from across the country, they are mainly from the lower middle class. Bhole Baba held sway amongst a very large Dalit community by supporting the idea of a society without the restrictions and stigma of caste. Another "guru" with an ordinary background, Rampal, a Sonipat farmer's son, was an irrigation department engineer before he took inspiration from Kabir (widely revered in the Dalit community) and took up "sainthood."

K KALYANI, SOCIOLOGIST

Many Bahujans become followers of these sects. The rigidity of the caste system is the reason they look for alternative forms of spirituality

Similarly, deras that proliferate in Punjab and Haryana have a following from every caste, but most are Dalits and OBCs. For the landless and the poor, the deras hold out the promise of social equality and dignity. Not even the jail term handed to Gurmeet Ram Rahim Singh, who headed the Sirsa-based Dera Sacha Sauda, made much of a dent in his popularity among Dalit Sikhs. Practices like naming the leader of the Dera's meditation centre as bhangidass (somebody from the lower caste) and making all the followers forsake their original surnames to adopt the title of insaan (human being) created a feeling of parity among their followers. It also freed its followers of rigid religious practices and had a more flexible approach towards being devout that attracted disciples.

PROMISE OF EMPOWERMENT

In a deeply hierarchical and caste conscious society like ours, cults give a sense of community and belonging, says Ajay Guduvarthy, associate professor at JNU's centre for political studies. "There is no social dynamic in society where an upper caste and a lower caste can be seated side by side as part of the Hindu pantheon. Cults, on the other hand, give people a sense of empowerment," he says. K Kalyani, sociologist who teaches at the Azim Premji University, points out that unlike Hinduism, which is about rewards in the next birth, these self-proclaimed godmen give immediate gratification to their followers. Most babas run philanthropic establishments like schools and 'health' camps and provide financial aid to the underprivileged. "We see many members of the Bahujan community become followers of these sects. The rigidity of caste structure fails to include lower castes, thus their move to alternative forms of spirituality like godmen and seers becomes an inevitable consequence," she says.

TAKING UP SOCIAL CAUSES

They also take on the garb of social activists, conducting campaigns against problems like drugs and alcohol addiction, caste discrimination, domestic violence etc. At Rampal's ashrams in Haryana, satsangs promoted vegetarianism, forbid sexual promiscuity and consumption of alcohol. A quote in his book said, "An alcoholic is born 70 times a dog." Most of these so-called godmen also promise 'medical miracles' that the poor turn to in desperation, either due to lack of access to good healthcare or because they can't afford it. As stories of their "cures" spread, their ranks swell. Tamil Nadu-born preacher Nithyananda, who advocated abstinence and celibacy, ran food kitchens and skilling courses for the youth.

Guduvarthy says one should not dismiss it as mere superstition. "The rise of godmen is a complex sociological phenomenon."

Over time, these evangelists, many created by TV like former Jharkhand businessman Nirmaljeet Singh Narula turned self-styled godman Nirmal Baba, acquire an aura of infallibility. "The disciples become so invested that you cannot criticise or question the guru. He has a touch of divinity. Then whatever the charges may be, it is seen as a conspiracy by the followers," says journalist Bhavdeep Kang, author of 'Gurus: Stories of India's Leading Babas'.

This unquestioning devotion was on display when Gurmeet Ram Rahim was brought to court in 2017 and his followers gathered at the court premises in an obvious bid to intimidate the judiciary and administration. "His conviction sparked unrest in Haryana and 38 people were killed at the time due to rioting and lathi-charge. Followers were willing to sacrifice their personal wellbeing for the guru," Kang says.

It is hard to shake off faith that has been built over years. Kang says one should consider the milieu they come from and their strong support from villagers themselves. "The guru is revered. He is your guide, psychologist, mentor. You become part of the community and protecting it becomes the same as protecting your identity."

SOCIAL MEDIA CLOUT

This explains why despite being physically absent or incarcerated these 'gurus' continue to draw followers through social media. Gurmeet Ram Rahim, affectionately called Papaji or MSG Papa by his followers, may no longer be the guru of bling or 'Highway Love Charger' wearing gold chains and riding fancy bikes in his music video, but his YouTube channel @SaintMSGInsan still commands 1.2 million subscribers. Rampal and Nirmal Baba continue regular Facebook pravachans. Four years after he was declared an absconder by the govt for evading charges of rape, abduction and wrongful confinement of children, Nithyananda has over four lakh followers on Instagram and YouTube each.

"Finally Kailasa open now. On July 4, the Independence Day of the United States, drums resounded in Times Square, heralding the upcoming revelation of a sovereign location of Kailasa on July 21, Guru Purnima. Official announcement on Times Square." An Insta reel playing to the beats of the rap music was uploaded this week by @srinithyananada for his followers who may be waiting with bated breath for the next digital update. Nithyananda even broke the internet last year when a member of his team represented the 'United States of Kailaasa' at the United Nations in Geneva.

Only a few who have been disillusioned by the 'miracles' or faced adversities like the stampede at Hathras turn away. Rationalist Shyam Meena, who has helmed an anti-superstition movement in Maharashtra for the last 41 years, says most people grow up with the idea that the spiritual-minded become god-like themselves. "There is a myth built that such a person can perform miracles, know the future of any person and cure medical ailments. This superstition has nothing to do with education, wealth or individual privilege. This lack of rationality grips the rich as much as the poor," he says.

Meena says that making a dent at this unquestioning devotion requires sustainable public awareness and scientific outlook. "Earlier the Vidarbha region had 200 gurus promising miracle cures. After our campaigns now they are none," he says.

Sociologist Kalyani agrees. "Students should be taught philosophies of reasoning and rationality and these need to be part of every school syllabus."

Yes, chef! Why 'The Bear' connects with Indian chefs

Sexism, bullying, pressure...Does the show get portrayal of restaurant world right? Real chefs tell us what hits home

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The Bear' — in which young chef Carmen Berzatto returns to his hometown of Chicago to run his family's failing sandwich shop — not only had people swooning over 'Carmy' and recreating its viral omlette recipes, it also kickstarted a conversation about toxic restaurant culture that valorises suffering. For many in the Indian culinary world, the show resonates deeply. Its frantic pace, long hours, and mental toll set to a cacophony of 'corner', 'behind', 'yes, chef!' are all too real.

Amol Kumar, 37, chef and owner of Delhi's Leo's Artisan Pizza, remembers a scene from the first season of 'The Bear' where Carmy is fighting a major kitchen fire. "You're watching the fire and you're thinking, 'If I don't do anything, this place will burn down and all my anxiety will go away with it,'" says Carmen in the show. "I have lived that emotion so many times in the first two years of running Leo's. But then, just like Carmen, it's human to not let go and let something burn," says Kumar.

Shows like 'The Bear', 'Chef's Table', 'Ugly Delicious' or even movies like 'Boiling Point' and the recent comedy-horror 'The Menu' are increasingly highlighting the high pressure behind those finely crafted plates of food, and why there is a call for change. As culinary-school graduate Sydney puts it on 'The Bear': "It doesn't have to be a place where the food is s---ty and everybody acts s---ty."

Chef Thomas Zacharias, who started out in some top kitchens before setting out to helm The Bombay Canteen as chef-partner and then starting his own platform The Locavore, says work culture is something that greatly bothers him about the restaurant industry. "I have been bullied quite badly in kitchens. I promised myself that when I was in a position of leadership, I would do things differently. Fostering a nurturing environment is one thing that I am genuinely proud of from my time at The Bombay Canteen. In fact, we switched over to a five-day workweek even when we were feeding up to 400 people a day, which is quite radical," says Zacharias, who does an Instagram reel series called 'Behind' where he dissects iconic scenes from his favourite TV shows and movies on food. In this month's 'Behind The Bear', Zacharias goes back to a scene in the first season where the female sous chef Sydney is trying her best to find acceptance and accidently drops the stock container placed on a high shelf.



HOT KITCHENS: Many fine-dining restaurants follow the French kitchen brigade system which creates a toxic environment

"Indian kitchens are designed for a machismo vibe. Physically, emotionally, mentally you are expected to take abuse and criticism on a daily basis. This is seen as normal. Most women end up opening their own establishments or they work in the pastry section where the pace and the culture is more relaxed,"says Zacharias. "In most high-end restaurants in India, there is an assumption right from the top that women are not as good as men. It's very ironic to have that happen when you talk about 'progressive' or 'modern' Indian cuisine."

One has to understand that this is a very competitive field, says Garima Arora who became the first Indian woman to win two Michelin stars for her restaurant Gaa in Thailand last year. "It's a brigade system which mirrors a military set-up where your head chef is somebody whose orders you follow no matter what. Also, criticism is not always about your gender. Sometimes it's literally about your skill set. A kitchen environment is such that you cannot hide behind excuses or your non-performance. Even something as simple as the way you hold a knife shows your experience," says Arora.

The traditional brigade system, established by Georges-Auguste Escoffier in the 19th century for kitchen organisation and management, is still in use today. Inspired by military hierarchy, it divides kitchen staff into specialised roles from chef-de-cuisine (executive chef) down to the commis (junior chef). "But cooking, plating and feeding people is something joyful. How can we behave like we are in the army," asks Devika Manjrekar, owner and head chef at Toast Pasta Bar & Toast Doughnut Shop in Mumbai. Manjrekar has been vocal about the 'elite boys' club' in the Indian restaurant industry, right from the difficulty of finding investors to events like chef and food awards. Her own experiences of sexism and poor hygiene practices in Indian restaurant kitchens strengthened her resolve to do better in a leadership role. "I have even been pulled up for putting on make-up at work," says Manjrekar, who shuts shop two days every week for all her staff, mostly women. "You can embrace your femininity in a busy kitchen and still kill it."

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— THOMAS ZACHARIAS, CHEF & FOUNDER OF THE LOCAVORE



Kumar still remembers those harrowing six months he spent as a 19-year-old intern in a Michelin-starred restaurant in Geneva almost 20 years ago. "On the very first day, my boss announced, 'Today, I will speak in English. Tomorrow, I will speak in English. From day three, only French.' And it was exactly like that! No mistakes were allowed from day three," remembers Kumar, who was expected to be on top of everything in those two days. Kumar remembers there were two cold rooms in the basement. One of them was a freezer for storing ice cream. "If I finished my shift early, instead of a breather, he would say take this mop and bucket and clean the cold room. He wouldn't even let me wear a safety suit. And sick leave was never even an option," says Kumar. During peak service hours, it was just the head chef calling out back-to-back orders. "We were expected to say, 'Oui, chef!' And if he didn't hear you say it, you were already in trouble," says Kumar, who was told several times by the chef in those six months that he was no good and shouldn't ever work in a kitchen. "By the end of it, I was absolutely convinced that I did not belong there. It took me 10 years to find my way back," adds Kumar, whose pizzeria was voted amongst the best pizzerias in the world last year.

Soumyo Roy, 30, who works as a chef in the two-hatted Gimlet at Cavendish House in Melbourne, says things are better in Australia despite the pressures. "I could pay off my college fee at Le Cordon Bleu in Australia when I was working as a part-time chef. In India, I have worked for 16 hours a day, sometimes for 13 days without a break, for very minimal salary. There is no concept of a minimum wage for chefs in our country," he says. "Also, people like me are privileged enough to speak English and build a rapport with head chefs. But premier restaurant kitchens in India are staffed by cooks who come from lower socio-economic backgrounds from villages outside of Delhi or Mumbai. They have the hardest time," says Roy.

Sujan Sarkar, whose fine-dining restaurant in Chicago won a Michelin star last year, believes the industry has evolved significantly over the years. "While these portrayals in shows like 'The Bear' and 'Hell's Kitchen' capture a certain reality of the past, many modern kitchens now prioritise a healthier, more collaborative work environment."

Mumbai-based chef Gresham Fernandes of Salt Water Cafe agrees there has been a paradigm shift in the way kitchens are run today. "Managers are thinking about inclusivity; the 'frat-boy' culture is no longer relevant. Frameworks are coming into place. But still, you have to grow through the grind."


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A kid changes your life path, not vice versa: Sakshi Tanwar

*From playing an ideal bahu in 'Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii' and a timid mom in 'Dangal' to essaying the role of a nurse who ruthlessly avenges her daughter's murder in 'Mai', **Sakshi Tanwar** has made a mark with her performances on the small and big screen. The Rajasthan-born actor, who is single, embraced motherhood by adopting a baby girl in 2018. She spoke to **Neha Bhayana** about working-mom guilt, tantrums and her parenting mantra*

Being a mom on screen versus being a mom in real life — which is tougher, according to you?
Being a mom on screen is like a cakewalk. You have a script to follow, and you know every single scene that plays out. There are no surprises. In reality, however, there are only surprises, and every day is a new scene and a new script. No matter how many parenting books you read and how many fellow mommies' advice you take, you are never prepared enough.

Your daughter Ditya is six now. Does she still keep you on your toes?
Yes, in fact, she keeps me more on my toes now than ever before. She is growing up fast and the responsibilities and efforts are increasing proportionately. She wants my involvement in everything. I try to be there for her as much as I can, barring the time I am shooting. That's when my family steps in and takes over.

What, according to you, is the best part of being a parent? What is the toughest part?
The best part is that you are the centre of the universe for your child. For everything, the go-to person is mumma. You get so much unconditional love. The hugs and cuddles, the non-stop innocent conversations and millions of things bring unmatched joy every day. The toughest part is to find the balance between how much to control and how much to let them be. There is no right or wrong and every parent has a different way of raising the child, but we start comparing and that's when all balance goes out of the window. I wish we could all be happy with the fact that each child is unique and will eventually be where he or she is supposed to be. Another tough part is to deal with the guilt of not being there when you are working although I still make an effort to be there as much as I can. Also, there are day-to-day challenges that one has to face and immediately find a solution to.

Parenting can get overwhelming even for a couple. Did you face any challenges as a single mom?
Parenting is not easy for anyone. I face the same challenges that every parent does and some more, especially when I am working. But I have an extra supportive family and they are always there to help me out with any situation. I am also fortunate to have very helpful neighbours and friends. My daughter is very comfortable with them. So, I manage between family, neighbours and nannies. It actually takes an entire set of people to bring up a kid — every parent will agree with this. Every day, there is a new challenge, and you keep learning and growing as you try to deal with it, with or without support.

> **There are too many expectations from parents now as compared to before. Even schools expect them to be involved in everything. I see parents doing so much that it makes me feel uncomfortable because I want to find a balance**

Strict or soft — what's your parenting style?
A mix of both. I have to play both good cop and bad cop, sometimes at the same time. Different situations require different ways to handle it. So, it's different each time.

Do tears melt you instantly or are you tough when it comes to dealing with tantrums?
Ditya doesn't throw tantrums as such. She is a very content child and a very sorted one. So, when she has tears in her eyes I can't take it because it means genuine discomfort or hurt.

Is your parenting style similar to that of your parents? What values did they instill which you hope to teach your daughter too?
Yes, my parenting style is similar to that of my parents to quite an extent. Because that's what I have learnt while growing up. My parents taught me to be grounded no matter how successful I become. I hope I can pass that value on to Ditya. Honestly, if you ask me there are things that I need to learn from Ditya and I really hope I do.

What do you and Ditya like to do in your free time? Any favourite books or activities?
She loves to pretend play all the time so it's mostly that activity. She loves listening to songs and we sing along. We also record songs. She also loves when I read story books to her. These days she is hooked to 'The Magic Finger' by Roald Dahl. But above all she loves her garden time and spends almost two hours every evening in the garden.

Screen addiction is a huge concern among parents these days. You mentioned in an interview that at the age of four, Ditya did not know about superheroes as she had not watched cartoons. Are you still strict about screen time?
Yes, I still am. But I have started showing her a few cartoons and we have also seen some children's films. I realised screen content makes up for a lot of their conversations with friends. I realised she and I both have nothing to contribute when screen content is being discussed in our social circle. I am trying to change that, at least for her.

Are you a conservative mom or a cool one? What if little Ditya wants to get a tattoo when she grows up?
I am a mix of both, but more on the conservative side. But I think I will let her get the tattoo.

Do you think modern parents are too involved in their kids' lives?
Yes, we are too involved. We were brought up very differently. My mom would say "tumse ek nahi sambhala ja raha humne teen teen sambhaal liye aur humne itna kuchh kiya bhi nahi jitna tum karte ho. (You can't handle one while we took care of three kids without taking as much trouble as you do)." I don't think my mom ever came to the school for any parent-teacher meeting. I don't know how they did it, but it was too cool. May be times were different. There are too many expectations from parents now as compared to before. Even schools expect parents to be involved in everything. I see parents doing so much that it makes me feel uncomfortable because I want to find a balance and a viable equation as to how much I should be involved. After all, no matter how much you do it's never going to be enough.

> **Every one has a different way of raising a child, but we start comparing and that's when all balance goes out of the window. Each child is unique and will eventually be where he or she is supposed to be**



What's your parenting mantra? Who has inspired or influenced your choices as a parent?
I have always looked up to my mom for everything. She used to help me in all aspects of parenting and upbringing. I used to just follow her advice in everything. Now that mom is no more, I let Ditya guide me. The only mantra is that each child is unique and has his or her own path. You can't actually decide anything for anyone. But as parents we think it's our moral responsibility to shape our kid's life as per the given norms. I make that mistake too, sometimes, but that's what I am working on. A kid comes to change your life path and not vice versa. If only we would accept and follow it ... parenting would be a lot easier!

Did playing the mom of a teenager in 'Sharmajee ki Beti' make you concerned about how you will deal with tantrums when your daughter is a teen? Did you relate to the struggles of your character as you too are a working mom?
Tantrums are always a concern, no matter what the age is. I have seen kids rolling on the floor in a mall for something they want and parents not agreeing to their demands. But I have heard teenage tantrums are something else only. My character Jyoti is a working mom to a teenage girl. She is caught between her own dreams and her duties as a mother. She has a lovely family and a very supportive husband, but she is also always struggling with the tantrums and expectations of her daughter. She is also guilty of not being able to give enough time to her daughter. It's a very common scenario and a lot of working moms will identify and relate to it. Tahira Kashyap Khurrana has beautifully penned this character and directed it with so much sensitivity and humour that it makes a place in your heart immediately. So far, I have been lucky that I haven't dealt with any tantrums as such with Ditya. And I hope I continue to be lucky in this even when Ditya is a teen.

I do relate to the struggles of a working mom though I am a very different type of working mom. I don't go to work every day and I can plan my shoot timings as per her need. I take up one project which goes on for a month or two and then I am totally free and available for my daughter. So, I am a mix of a working and non-working mother.

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Milind Soman on fitness and tackling school bullies

In a new book co-authored with his wife and mother, the former supermodel, actor and fitness buff talks about how his childhood shaped him

When I was seven, we moved back to Bombay, leaving a wonderful life behind in England. I had only been to India once previously, as a child of two, so the 'homecoming' was quite traumatic. Everything about Bombay was different from what I had known — the number of people and the level of noise around me, the Indian-style toilets, apartment living and, worst of all, a new, unfamiliar school, a boys-only school to boot. To add to my woes, the home we moved to was bang in the middle of Shivaji Park, a middle-class, conservative, Marathi neighbourhood and a Shiv Sena stronghold — i.e., a very different kettle of fish from England, where we were simply weird foreigners who were expected to do things differently.

My alma mater, Antonio da Silva High School, was not too far away, in another middle-class Marathi neighbourhood, Dadar. With my close-cropped hair, stickyout ears, 'Gandhi' glasses and 'posh' foreign accent, I was a ripe target for bullying. Packs of boys I did not know would routinely jump me around corners and try to beat me up or snatch my glasses away. That period did not last, however — unfortunately for my tormentors, I was strong for my age, and knew how to immobilize my adversaries with a wrestling hold or two. More frustratingly for them, I never displayed anger or fear, which would have made the game interesting and given them the high they were looking for. I did not snitch on them to the teachers either, so they had no good reason to gang up against me.

The bullies could not understand why I wasn't reacting in the 'normal' ways. I suppose it was because I realized instinctively, despite being so young, that this would only prolong my engagement with them, when all I wanted was to be left alone. Eventually, out of sheer boredom and incomprehension, they stopped bothering me. That episode taught me a great lesson for life. If you have clarity on what you want — in my case, at that point, it was solitude — you can focus on that, instead of the stuff that is happening to you and around you. Without such clarity, you will invariably be pulled into your own or someone else's drama and get derailed from where you are headed. As a boy at school, it was instinct that guided my behaviour. As an adult, I do this consciously.

> **I was always the misfit — in England, I was the strange brown boy in kindergarten; in my Mumbai school, I was bullied for being too 'posh'. It taught me a lesson for life: how people saw me was more about who they were than who I was**

I must have been nine when my parents enrolled my sisters and me at the Mahatma Gandhi Swimming Pool, an Olympic-sized community pool located around the corner from where we lived. For some reason, my initial, ineffectual flailing on the very crowded, shallow side of the pool caught the attention of the coach, Percy Hakim. He suggested I sign up for coaching classes, dangling the carrot of a dedicated strip of pool for his students during the less-crowded 'Ladies' Time.' I did, and learnt to swim. I would not stop swimming for the next 14 years.

Coach Hakim's somewhat rudimentary methods of training — the order 'Keep Swimming!', barked at us ad nauseam, was really the extent of it — left much to be desired, but it got results. In less than a year after I first learnt to swim, I won a silver medal at the national championships, in the under-11 category. Even though I would not win a medal of any colour again at the national level until I was 15, I kept going.

Two hours at the very least in the pool each day, swimming and swimming and swimming, was a punishing routine for a child, and I marvel that I did it, for so long, without protest, especially since I did not particularly enjoy swimming. Thinking back, I probably would have dropped out at some point if I hadn't won that first medal. For a while it was true that I did not enjoy swimming, and had not entered the pool by choice, I certainly, back then, enjoyed winning. Even if I wasn't among the medal winners at the national level between ages 11 and 15, I was at the state level, and that was incentive enough.

Swimming was also, although I didn't think of it that way then, an activity tailor-made for me. Even though I always trained with a large bunch of people, I did not have to interact with them too much — when your face is in the water, there is very little need, or opportunity, for conversation. My swimming routine helped me believe that I was constantly working towards something — the next championship, the next win — and filled my days with structure and purpose. I know that modern educationists believe that too much structure makes robots out of children, and does not allow them to give free rein to their imaginations, but as with other things like fitness regimens, food and medicine, what suits one child may not suit another. I certainly benefited from structure, and I can say with conviction that my structured childhood — and adolescence — did not affect my ability or my eagerness to seek out and explore unconventional paths in later years.

In any case, what would I have done with my time if I wasn't swimming? Unlike others of my age, I did not enjoy playing cricket or sitting on compound walls with other kids, shooting the breeze, watching the world go by. My family did not own a television — Baba gave away our TV set within a year of us moving to Bombay, and we did not have one again until I turned 30, when I bought one for Aai so that she could watch me in a television show. I wasn't given pocket money, so there was no incentive to check out the shops. There was another thing. My sisters were also swimming competitively, and winning races themselves, which meant they were training each day as well. If they had been playing board games at home, or lolling about reading, I may have resented the daily slog in the pool. But swimming was something we all did as a family — Aai chaperoning us to championships in other cities as and when required, and the rest of us doing it as part of our daily lives, a routine as commonplace as going to school.

Like everything else, a lifetime of good health — physical, mental, spiritual — begins in the home of your childhood. But it is also never too late for anyone to begin the journey to well-being by themselves. Ask yourself what well-being means to you, and why you want it, and then, like the ad line goes, just do it.



Edited excerpts from 'Keep Moving' by Milind Soman, Ankita Konwar and Usha Soman by Juggernaut Books

HOW TO TALK TO YOUR CHILD ABOUT A SERIOUS DIAGNOSIS



*It started as minor discomfort but now your child has been diagnosed with a serious ailment. Not only do you have to deal with your own emotions, you also have to prepare the little one for multiple visits to the doctor, medicines and tests. Clinical psychologist and mom **Vikasni Kannan** tells us how parents can break the news without breaking the child's spirit*

Diagnosis of a serious illness or a chronic medical condition can change the lives of everyone in the family. As a parent, your first instinct may be to keep the diagnosis hidden or delay telling the child. But children are very intuitive and may pick up on changes around them so hiding the diagnosis can be a source of stress. Being open helps children cope with the condition better.

Wait until your initial feelings of shock, sadness or anger have eased before having the conversation. First acknowledge your own emotions around the diagnosis, whether it is anger, grief or thoughts like 'my child doesn't deserve this' or 'I wish I could take away my child's pain'. Make space for your thoughts and feelings. You can talk to your partner, a trusted family member or friend about what you may be feeling.

> **For younger kids, the primary concern often revolves around separation so tell them if the treatment involves being away from you. Specify the duration and assure them that you will be just outside the hospital room**

When you are ready, carefully choose the moment and setting for the chat. While there is no right or wrong time, it is best to pick a time and place where the child feels safe and comfortable. Many children find it less daunting if you broach the subject during a shared activity such as a walk in the park or an art session. Avoid beginning this talk during hurried moments like when your child is preparing to leave for school. Ensure there is enough time to allow your child to fully absorb the information and ask questions.

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HIDING IS HARMFUL: In the absence of information, children can create their own answers, often imagining negative outcomes. Encourage your child to approach you with any doubts

TRICKY TOPICS

It could be helpful to plan your conversation ahead of time. Remember that it is not about finding the perfect words, but talking in an age-appropriate, clear, simple, and honest way. Rehearse if needed. Try to speak as calmly as possible.

BE AGE CONSCIOUS

Keep your child's age and level of understanding in mind

- Infants and toddlers may not understand what is happening but they do sense the family members' anxiety and fears. Their primary concern often revolves around separation so tell them if the treatment will involve being away from you, specify the duration and assure them that you will be just outside the hospital room. Offer a lot of reassurance through hugs.
- Young children develop a basic understanding about illnesses. You need to tell them what they have been diagnosed with in simple terms. Start the conversation by saying something like 'You have an illness called diabetes and we have to visit the hospital to get some tests so you can feel better' or 'We will go to doctor uncle today, but mamma and papa are right here with you. We will get some medicines for you to get better soon'. Children might create their own answers in the absence of information, often imagining negative outcomes. So, encourage your child to approach you with any doubts.
- For older children and teenagers, start with simple explanations and follow your child's lead if they seem interested in learning more. Teenagers may sometimes feel more comfortable talking to a cousin or friend or may not want to discuss anything for some time. Respect their choice and offer them space to come back to you.

Children feel safe and trust you when the information given to them is consistent and predictable. You can tell them beforehand if a procedure will be painful or uncomfortable. Tell them that they are not alone, specify that many children are diagnosed with the same condition and feel better once the treatment is complete.

ONE TALK IS NOT ENOUGH

The initial conversation may be the first of many. It is ok to not tell your child all the details in one go. You can find your pace as the treatment proceeds. Some discussions may become easier while others may become more challenging. When you are unsure of the answer, admit it. For example, you may say, 'I don't know about this, beta. I will check with the doctor and get back to you'. Always end the discussions by offering hope. Tell them, 'Mamma and papa are with you through all of this. You'll feel better with the medicines, just like other kids who have had this condition.'

Let your child know that it is normal to have a wide range of feelings and express them. It is natural that you become teary-eyed or cry while talking. You can take the opportunity to normalise the expression of emotions: 'Mamma is feeling upset so it comes out as tears. It is okay to cry if one feels upset. How are you feeling?' Normalising difficult emotions and giving them a name can be useful for kids to make sense of their inner world. Using books to talk about emotions can be helpful too.

YOU CAN HELP YOUR CHILD BY...

- Assisting them to identify and name their feelings
- Providing plenty of physical comfort
- Teaching ways to manage anxiety and stress

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- Offering creative ways for them to express their emotions through art, or story telling
- For younger kids, it can be comforting to have their favourite toy or blanket with them
- Ensuring your child has an opportunity to play or indulge in fun activities every day, even at the hospital

It is important to look after yourself too. Some parents find the strength to cope through religious activities like chanting or praying or you can consider talking to a therapist or a support group for parents. Don't be afraid to rely on family and friends, who are offering support.

*As told to **Neha Bhayana***

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"ONLY PLAYERS WHO NEVER SHOOT A PENALTY NEVER MISS. JOAO (FELIX) HAS GREAT CONTROL OF THE INSIDE GAME, HE WORKED HARD TO BE THERE AND THIS PENALTY IS BAD LUCK."

— PORTUGAL COACH **ROBERTO MARTINEZ** ON FELIX'S MISS IN THE PENALTY SHOOTOUT AGAINST FRANCE

ENGLAND'S LABOUR WINS IT

Southgate's Men Break Penalty Hoodoo To Reach Semifinals; Akanji Fluffs His Lines In Shootout



SPOT THE WINNERS: England players celebrate after Trent's deciding penalty takes them to the semis

ENGLAND Saka 80	1
SWITZERLAND Embolo 75	1 (aet)

Dusseldorf: England finally managed to bury the penalty shootout ghost at major tournaments. An albatross that has hung around their necks for decades was shrugged off in fine fashion when they managed to slot home all their penalty kicks past the normally sharp Switzerland goalkeeper Yann Sommer with a calm and ease usually not associated with England.

For Switzerland, who arguably had better of the exchanges over the 120 minutes and even took the lead in the 75th minute through Embolo before Bukayo Saka drew level to take things into extra-time, Manuel Akanji fluffed his lines with a weak indecisive effort with their opening penalty and were forced to play catch-up as England took charge.

Earlier, Swiss substitute Xherdan Shakiri nearly scored the winner in the 119th minute when his corner kick almost found the net, the ball bouncing off the top corner.

During regulation time, with the minutes ticking away, with England facing ouster from the tournament after Embolo's goal, Saka ensured that the quarter-final went to extra-time with a stunning equaliser that left the teams locked at a goal apiece.

Embolo, fighting off rather physical attention of Kyle Walker, managed to tap the ball past Pickford in the England goal. It was a fortunate deflection that rolled Embolo's way after John Stones failed to clear.

Saka levelled five minutes later by lashing in a low drive off the inside of the post.

England, runner-up at the 2021 Euros, was in its fourth quarterfinal at major tournaments under manager Gareth Southgate and aiming to reach the semifinals for the third time. Switzerland had earlier impressed by eliminating Italy in the previous round and is aiming to reach the semifinals for the first time. Gareth Southgate made just one change to his side but was expected to switch formation against the Swiss. Ezri Konsa replaced the suspended Marc Guehi, but the defender was slot into a back three alongside John Stones and Kyle Walker. Bukayo Saka switched to left wing-back while Kieran Tripper was restored to his natural right flank.

The change in system allowed both Phil Foden and Jude Bellingham to play from the central midfield roles they thrived in for their respective clubs last season.

Southgate went into the tie rounding on claims England have been handed a soft draw as the "entitlement" that has held his nation back ahead of Saturday's quarter-final clash.

England were hyped as pre-tournament favourites but have stumbled their way into the quarter-finals with a string of unconvincing performances.

Under Southgate they have never failed to reach the last eight in four major tournents. England are aiming to end a 58-year wait for glory since lifting the World Cup in 1966. AGENCIES

3 This is only the second time that three quarterfinal ties in a single Euro have required extra time. The previous occasion was Euro 2008.

22 Saka is the youngest to score for Eng in a Euro quarters, aged 22 years & 305 days – surpassing Michael Owen's record of 24 yrs & 193 days vs Portugal (2004).

THE SHOOTOUT

England (5)	Swi'land (3)
Palmer ⚽	Akanji ✗
Bellingham ⚽	Schar ⚽
Saka ⚽	Shaqiri ⚽
Toney ⚽	Amdouni ⚽
Trent ⚽	

SAME STADIUM, SAME CELEBRATION: MIKEL RECREATES FATHER'S MOMENT OF JOY

Stuttgart: Like father, like son. Clenching his fist, Mikel Merino ran around the corner flag with a broad smile on his face before putting his head back and letting out a yell of pure joy into the Stuttgart sky. Merino had just scored the last-gasp goal that sent Spain into the semifinals of the European Championship.

The 28-year-old Merino then recreated his father's celebrations after Miguel Merino scored a goal in the same stadium more than three decades ago. That goal came in a UEFA Cup match between Miguel's Osasuna and Stuttgart in November 1991.



Despite exit, Germany get their swagger back

Stuttgart: The hosts may have bowed out of their home Euro 2024 at the quarter-finals on home soil, but Julian Nagelsmann has given Germany their swagger back after a difficult decade.

Germany came into the tournament after two World Cup group stage exits either side of a meek last 16 loss to England. But while Friday's extra-time loss to Spain denied the hosts a chance to celebrate the retiring Toni Kroos with one of the few titles to elude him, the Germans demonstrated they can again mix it with the best.

Having spoken through tears pitch side, Nagelsmann sought to shift Germany's focus to the future. "It's sad that I'll probably never be a part of a home Euros in my career again," the coach said. "That hurts. And having to wait two years to become world champions, that hurts as well."

"You like that statement, don't you?" the coach asked reporters, "it makes your eyes pop, it's crazy.

"What else should I say after we were knocked out? Of course, we want to become world champions."

Germany won just three of 11 games in 2023. Friday's loss was Germany's first defeat in 2024, after six wins and two draws. Kroos, who retired from international football in 2021, only agreed to come back if he felt Germany had a true shot at winning Euro 2024.

With the World Cup in the United States, Mexico and Canada two years away, Nagelsmann has his next major challenge in sight. Although Musiala and Wirtz are both 21 and striker Kai Havertz is 25, Nagelsmann will need to oversee a partial rebuild, with Germany's squad the oldest at Euro 2024. Several other Germany veterans could be headed for the door. Thomas Mueller, 34, Manuel Neuer, 38, and even captain Ilkay Gundogan, 33.

Emotional farewell for Kroos

As Kroos was leaving the stage teammates and opponents alike sought him out. The warmest embraces came from the Spanish players. Dani Carvajal and Joselu, Kroos' teammates at Real Madrid last season, gave him hugs and kisses on the cheek. The 34-year-old signed off knowing Germany were in good hands. "It hurts, we were absolutely on an equal footing with Spain," he said. 'But when this initial feeling of sadness is gone, we will realise that we're again amongst the best." AP



"You can tell I'm fighting back tears because it was very emotional. The faith has grown, the fans believe in us again. A few months ago it would have been unthinkable for us to come back from a goal down."—Julian Nagelsmann GERMANY COACH

"THE DREAM HAS BEEN SHATTERED. IT'S EVEN MORE BITTER, BECAUSE THE TEAM DESERVED MORE."—Manuel Neuer GERMANY GOALKEEPER



LAST LOOK: Kroos was sent to his retirement early by Spain

KROOS APOLOGISES TO PEDRI AFTER TACKLE ENDS SPANIARD'S EURO

Stuttgart Spain midfielder Pedri will miss the remainder of Euro 2024 after suffering a ligament injury in his left knee early in his side's dramatic 2-1 quarter-final win over hosts German.

Pedri, 21, left the pitch in tears in the first minutes of the match after a heavy challenge by Germany's Toni Kroos. Kroos posted a farewell message on his social media accounts in which he also apologised to Pedri. "I would like to say something very important: I apologise to Pedri and hope he feels better soon! It was obviously not my intention to hurt you. You are a great player," Kroos said.

9 Cristiano Ronaldo scored 10 goals in nine major tournament games between 2018 and 2022. He has now failed to score in any of his last nine appearances at the World Cup and Euros.

23 He had 23 shots on target without a goal at this Euro.

3.5 His xG (expected goals) was 3.5 from 5 games.

3 He had three shots against France but blazed his best one of the night over the bar in extra-time.

Portugal's problem of plenty... of ego



COLLECTIVE PAIN: A talented Portugal generation has often been pegged back by Ronaldo's (R) presence

Berlin: Time is up -- again -- for Portugal's ageing superstar Cristiano Ronaldo after an inglorious exit. France ousted the 2016 winners 5-3 on penalties after a goalless quarter-final in Hamburg on Friday and Ronaldo was ineffectual at best, damaging to his own side's aspirations at worst.

In the 2022 World Cup when former coach Fernando Santos dropped Ronaldo to the bench for the team's 6-1 demolition of Switzerland, a bright Portugal future shimmered on the horizon.

However his successor Roberto Martinez has backed the 39-year-old, now playing in Saudi Arabia at Al-Nassr, to the hilt and beyond.

Maintaining the former Real Madrid and Manchester United forward as their figurehead, Portugal swept through Euros qualification with a 100 percent record and were among the favourites in Germany. However they have badly under-performed with Ronaldo failing to find the net in five appearances this summer. The striker is without a goal in his last nine major tournament matches.

Ronaldo lacked his trademark speed, explosion and agility, wasting chance after chance as his team mates obediently passed the ball to him, disrupting Portugal's tempo.

Portugal's future over the last few years has looked bright as they have a strong generation, including outstanding players in their prime such as Bruno Fernandes, Bernardo Silva, Rafael Leao and Vitinha. Despite boasting such strong options to replace him, Martinez refused to take Ronaldo off against France. Didier Deschamps substituted Les Bleus icon Kylian Mbappe as he struggled to make an impact but Ronaldo remained even as the game passed him by.

In the last 16 win over Slovenia Ronaldo missed a penalty in extra-time and burst into tears, a distracting sideshow, but Martinez praised the forward's emotional reaction later as a sign of passion.

However many suspect those tears were not for Portugal but for himself, as he failed to break the record for the oldest player ever to score at a European Championship. Ronaldo also ended his run of scoring at every major international tournament he has competed in, and could not extend his record of 14 Euros goals.

Ronaldo's presence heavily conditions the way Portugal plays. His team-mates, including creative geniuses Bruno Fernandes and Bernardo Silva, often resort to crosses to try and find him.

"We just finished the game, everything is still too raw, we're suffering a defeat as a team, there's no individual decisions at this point," Martinez said later.

One of the reasons he may not feel powerful enough to cut the cord is the 'cult of Cristiano' which is evident among the team's supporters. Adults stalked the streets of Frankfurt, Leipzig and Berlin relentlessly yelling Ronaldo's "Siiiiiuuuu" celebration, for hours on end. AGENCIES

Winning all that matters for France



THEO, BRO!: Theo Hernandez (R) celebrates his winning penalty with goalkeeper Mike Maignan

Hamburg: Three goals scored in five games, one a penalty and two own goals, and yet Kylian Mbappe's France are into the semi-finals of yet another major tournament as Spain await them.

It is remarkable that any team could get to the last four of such a competition despite struggling so much in front of goal, but all the more so when that team is captained by arguably the best forward in the world. Mbappe is surrounded by other world-class attackers, but his penalty in a group-stage draw with Poland is the only goal scored by a French player at this European Championship.

Having edged Belgium in the last 16 thanks to a late own goal, France came through a nail-biting quarter-final against Cristiano Ronaldo's Portugal on Friday, triumphing 5-3 on penalties after a goalless two hours of football in Hamburg. "I have said it before lots of competitions. The most important thing is that we win," Mbappe said. "People thought it was a wisecrack. I have only scored one goal but we are in the semi-finals and I am really happy."

In charge for 12 years and at his sixth major tournament, France coach Didier Deschamps has regularly been criticised for not playing thrilling football with an extraordinary collection of players. but he has always got results, with France winning the 2018 World Cup and 2021 Nations League under his watch. They lost the 2022 World Cup final on penalties to Argentina and the Euro 2016 final in extra time against Portugal.

Now they are in a fourth semi-final in the last five major tournaments despite their paltry record in front of goal.

Greece may be remembered as perhaps the least spectacular side to win such a competition, but their status as outsiders at Euro 2004 justified a more cautious approach, and they still scored seven goals in six matches.

France have gone six games without one of their players finding the net in open play, a first in 60 years according to Opta.

That record has not prevented them advancing to Tuesday's semi-final against a Spain side who have found the net 11 times in Germany.

"I don't want to lie. In the dressing room we were not thinking much about the fact we didn't score," Mbappe insisted, despite his own poor form. AGENCIES

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Better believe it: Canada are in Copa America semis!

Davies Scores Shootout Penalty Against Venezuela To Bury World Cup Demons. Next Up: Argentina



RISE OF LES ROUGES: Canada's players celebrate their victory after the penalty shootout against Venezuela at Arlington, Texas

Arlington: Canada captain Alphonso Davies banished memories of his penalty miss at the 2022 World Cup by confidently converting a spot-kick in a shootout victory over Venezuela in the Copa America quarter-finals.

In Canada's 1-0 group stage defeat to Belgium at the World Cup in Qatar, Davies had a tame penalty saved by goalkeeper Thibaut Courtois, and the North American side eventually exited the tournament with three losses.

Faced with the pressure of knowing that a miss would hand victory to opponents Venezuela, Davies stepped up to the spot and smashed Canada's penultimate penalty into the top corner.

Venezuela then missed their next spot-kick and Ismael Kone buried the winning penalty to send Canada into the semi-finals. "Obviously, I had flashbacks to the World Cup, but I did not let that get to me. I knew where I wanted to go before I walked up to the ball," Davies told Canadian broadcaster TSN.

I had confidence in myself, my team had confidence in me and I picked my spot and put it there. I'm happy it went in the back of the net."

With a new coach in charge and a run of poor results in the build up to Copa America, Canada were tipped by many to make an early exit, but Jesse Marsch's side continued their dream run at the tournament. Canada's preparations for their first-ever Copa America campaign were far from ideal, with Marsch only being appointed in May and taking charge of a team that had won just two out of their last five matches. His first match as coach was a 4-0 drubbing at the hands of the Netherlands on June 6, 15 days before their tournament opener against Argentina, which they lost 2-0.

Canada were the lowest-ranked team in Group A, but kept two clean sheets as they ground out results against Peru and Chile to qualify for the quarter-finals, where they pressed with intensity and claimed a 1-1 draw with Venezuela, before winning on penalties.

Asked what he had learnt about the Canada team in the month since his first match on the sidelines, Marsch told reporters: "All the things that I know about them now, I sensed back then; their commitment, their desire, their willingness to learn.

"All of that has led to bigger belief and self-confidence."

With an average age of just over 25 years, Canada have one of the youngest squads at the Copa America. 'Les Rouges' have used their youthful exuberance to great effect in the tournament, turning matches into gruelling physical contests while looking to use their speed to catch opponents on the break.

"It's a very athletic team. It's a very fast team. I've tried to build in the right kind of aggression for them to go after opponents, to go after big games," Marsch said. REUTERS

First up, a reality check for GenNext

In First Game After WC Triumph, Unfancied Zimbabwe Stun India By 13 Runs In First T20I

Harare: An inexperienced yet spirited Zimbabwe pulled off an upset of massive proportions when they stunned an Indian team brimming with an array of Next-Gen stars by 13 runs in the first T20I of the five-match series here on Saturday.

India, who were recently crowned champions in the T20 World Cup albeit with a different set of players, were expected to trot past an unfancied Zimbabwe and the script followed that line when the hosts were restricted to 115 for nine.

But from there, Zimbabwe wrote their own narrative, reducing India to 28 for four in the Power Play and then eventually bowled them out for 102 in 19.5 overs.

Pacer Tendai Chatara (3/16) and skipper Sikandar Raza (3/25) led the home side bowling with aplomb.

It was India's first defeat in T20Is in 2024 and first against Zimbabwe in eight years.

The second match of the series is slated on Sunday.

India's stutter began in the first over itself, losing Abhishek Sharma, one of three T20I debutants along with Riyan Parag and Dhruv Jurel, for duck.

Sharma's almighty cross-batted heave off Brian Benett was caught easily by Wellington Masakadza in the outfield.

But what was perceived as an initial scratch soon turned into a deep gash as India kept losing wickets. Ruturaj Gaikwad (7) could not negate a slightly bouncier offering from pacer Blessing Muzarabani, edging it to Innocent Kaia at the floating first slip.

Soon, pacer Tendai Chatara dealt a double blow to India, dismissing Parag (2) and Rinku Singh (0) in the space of three balls in the fifth over. Parag's over-enthusiastic loft over mid-off could not clear substitute Brandon Mavuta, while Rinku did not have the necessary space to execute pull off a climbing-up delivery.

However, skipper Shubman Gill kept India in the chase with a sensible knock (31, 5x4), but Sikandar Raza accounted for his counterpart with a delivery that skidded past his bat to rattle the stumps.

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BIG BLOW: Shubman Gill gets cleaned up by Sikandar Raza

Avesh Khan (16, 12b) and Washington Sundar (27, 34b) added 23 runs for the eighth wicket to take India to 84 but a full-blooded smash off a Masakadza full-toss was accepted by Raza at long-off. At 84 for eight and then at 86 for nine, the fight was well and truly over.

India needed 16 runs off the last over and despite Washington being there, they could only manage just two runs as Zimbabwe celebrated a famous win with all fervour.

Before their batters faltered, the Indian bowlers led by leg-spinner Ravi Bishnoi, performed admirably on a pitch that had a hint of extra bounce and sufficient carry.

Bishnoi returned with a career-best 4/13 and received adequate support from off-spinner Washington (2/11) as Zimbabwe struggled to stitch any meaningful partnership.

3 Zimbabwe's 13-run win is their third in 9 T20Is vs India, the first two being by 10 runs on July 19, 2015 and by 2 runs on June 18, 2016.

102 India's total, the first time they have been all out vs Zimbabwe in T20Is.

4/13 Ravi Bishnoi's best bowling performance in T20Is

Stats: Rajesh Kumar

However, Zimbabwe made a rather brisk start to their innings, reaching 40 for two in the Power Play segment even though their batters were not always convincing.

After the early dismissal of Kaia, who dragged a Mukesh Kumar delivery onto his stumps, Wessly Madhevere (21, 22b) and Bennett (22, 15b) added 34 runs in quick time.

The highlight of their alliance was the fifth over in which they plundered 17 runs off left-arm pacer Khaleel Ahmed. PTI

SCOREBOARD

Zimbabwe: W Madhevere b R Bishnoi 21, I Kaia b Mukesh 0, B Bennett b R Bishnoi 22, S Raza c R Bishnoi b Avesh 17, D Myers c & b W Sundar 23, J Campbell run out 0, C Madande not out 29, W Masakadza st D Jurel b W Sundar 0, L Jongwe lbw b R Bishnoi 1, B Muzarabani b R Bishnoi 0, T Chatara not out 0; **Extras:** (LB-1, W-1) 2; **Total: (For 9 wickets in 20 overs) 115; FoW:** 1-6, 2-40, 3-51, 4-74, 5-74, 6-89, 7-89, 8-90, 9-90; **Bowling:** K Ahmed 3-0-28-0, Mukesh 3-0-16-1, R Bishnoi 4-2-13-4, A Sharma 2-0-17-0, Avesh 4-0-29-1, W Sundar 4-0-11-2

India: A Sharma c Masakadza b Bennett 0, S Gill b S Raza 31, R Gaikwad c Kaia b Muzarabani 7, R Parag c sub (B Mavuta) b Chatara 2, Rinku Singh c Bennett b Chatara 0, D Jurel c Madhevere b Jongwe 6, W Sundar c Muzarabani b Chatara 27, R Bishnoi lbw b S Raza 9, Avesh c S Raza b Masakadza 16, Mukesh b S Raza 0, K Ahmed not out 0; **Extras:** (LB-1, W-3) 4; **Total: (in 19.5 overs) 102; FoW:** 1-0, 2-15, 3-22, 4-22, 5-43, 6-47, 7-61, 8-84, 9-86; **Bowling:** B Bennett 1-1-0-1, W Masakadza 3-0-15-1, T Chatara 3.5-1-16-3, B Muzarabani 4-0-17-1, L Jongwe 4-0-28-1, S Raza 4-0-25-3

'In India, there are readymade replacements for the greats'

Andy Flower Talks To TOI On Why India Will Move On Quickly From The Retirements Of Kohli, Rohit & Jadeja In The Shortest Format...

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New Delhi: After their T20 World Cup triumph, India are back in action with a T20I series against a feisty Zimbabwe side. Nearly all the main team players have been rested from the India squad for this trip, while three heavyweights in Virat Kohli, Rohit Sharma and Ravindra Jadeja have retired from the format. Andy Flower, former Zimbabwe captain and current RCB head coach, spoke to TOI about what to expect from the five-game series. Excerpts from an exclusive chat...

How do you see the next generation taking Indian cricket forward?

This India-Zimbabwe series is going to be really interesting. It's a very strong side the Indian selectors have put out. All these guys have not only shown a lot of talent in the IPL but also have the attitude required to play international cricket. There are readymade replacements for the guys who've retired, even though they are genuinely great cricketers. The strong domestic structure in India means there will always be readymade replacements. It's certainly nothing to be scared of. India will keep producing these greats. There is always someone ready to come in. Whenever some of the great cricketers have retired, you think they won't be and cannot be replaced. But people move on very quickly. All eyes adjust and focus on the next talent that comes along.



Who are the players from the India squad that you'll keep an eye on in Zimbabwe?

If I put my IPL coaching hat on, then I'll have to keep a keen watch on the players. (Yashasvi) Jaiswal didn't play a single match in the T20 World Cup but he is an incredible option. Shubman Gill, by his standards, had a quiet IPL but he looks a very intelligent player. He plays in a similar way to Virat Kohli. I'm looking forward to Abhishek Sharma performing. I really like the look of Dhruv Jurel. Watching him in the Test series against England, he did brilliantly. Riyan Parag has the swagger that you need in international cricket.

What are your expectations from Zimbabwe?

Their biggest player is Sikandar Raza even though he is 38 years old. He has been quite a late bloomer. I want to see how Blessing Muzarabani, a very tall, right-arm fast-medium bowler, performs. Muzarabani with his bounce can trouble the Indian batters.



HAPPY FACES: Dhruv Jurel (left), Riyan Parag (centre) and Abhisek Sharma in Harare. All three made their T20I debuts on Saturday

As the head coach of RCB, you've seen Virat Kohli from close quarters. Did you have an inkling he was going to retire from T20Is?

I hadn't thought about it (Kohli's retirement). I was a little surprised. I really enjoyed working with Virat in the IPL last season. I have utmost respect for him, obviously as a player but also the way he supported Faf du Plessis and myself and Mo Bopat, the director of cricket. He is a brilliant role model. He is an outstanding professional sportsperson. He looks after himself really well. He is disciplined without being robotic. He laughs and has fun, has a cheeky sense of humour and takes the mickey out of people. He always mixes in with team gatherings and he is very approachable. He has a very good cricket brain and can think out of the box too.

According to a survey, the T20 World Cup is gaining in popularity, even among players, and is on course to becoming the most important ICC event...

I'm surprised. I think the 50-over World Cup, because it's played every four years, holds more importance. I think there's a danger in playing a T20 World Cup every two years... it becomes commonplace. I wouldn't like anything called the 'World Cup' to be a commonplace. I like the rarity of a World Cup. But I also do feel that T20 World Cups help in growing the game globally. Two of the best stories to come out of the recent World Cup would be Afghanistan and the USA.

On the one hand we had an IPL where 250-plus scores were achieved with regularity, and then the T20 World Cup where bowlers held sway...

The next IPL may see big scores again. I'm not sure what'll be done about the 'Impact Player' rule. It wasn't a favourite in the dressing room. The tempo and the power game is going to continue in the IPL. In the World Cup, some of the small scores were mainly due to the pitches on offer. The ICC will need to be careful about the surfaces that are being provided for marquee tournaments like the World Cup. I think in cricket there should always be a healthy balance between the bat and ball.

Watch India tour of Zimbabwe (5-match T20I series, July 7 onwards 4 PM IST) live on Sony Sports Ten 5 channels.

POORAN POWERS MI NEW YORK IN MLC OPENER

Morrisville: The Major League Cricket (MLC) 2024 season commenced as MI New York began their title defence with a commanding six-wicket win over the Seattle Orcas. All eyes were on Nicholas Pooran at Church Street Park in Morrisville as the West Indian wicketkeeper-batter continued his form from the 2023 edition. His unbeaten 62 off just 37 balls helped MI New York chase down the total of 109 runs in just 14.2 overs. With the early wickets of Ruben Clinton (6) and the USA's national team skipper Monank Patel (8), the initial momentum seemed to be in the Seattle Orcas' favour. Cameron Gannon was the main bowling aggressor, getting both batters in the third over and giving his team a ray of hope.

But then, Pooran proceeded to hit Gannon for 2 sixes and as many fours in his next over. This turned the tide to MI New York's favour. Eventually, Pooran's power-hitting abilities proved to be too much for the Seattle Orcas. They got the wickets of Shayan Jahangir (3) and Tim David (12) as well. ANI

GALLERY

Bhullar one shot off the lead in Morocco event

Rabat: Olympic-bound Indian golfer Gaganjeet Bhullar gave himself a confidence boost after firing a solid five-under 68 in the second round to rise to tied second spot on the $2 million International Series Morocco here. Bhullar took his total to 8-under to lie just one shot behind leader, American John Catlin (66-71).

Diksha suffers triple bogey, finishes Tied-14th: India's Diksha Dagar gave away a costly and rare triple bogey on the 16th hole of the third and final round as she dropped out of Top-10 at the Aramco Team Series London golf tournament.

Cyclist fined after kissing his wife at Tour de France: French rider Julien Bernard was fined 200 Swiss francs (205 euros) by the International Cycling Union (UCI) after he stopped to kiss his wife during the time-trial seventh stage of the Tour de France.

Russell takes pole in Silverstone: George Russell led Lewis Hamilton in a Mercedes front-row lockout in qualifying for the British Grand Prix on Saturday with McLaren's Lando Norris completing a rare one-two-three of home drivers. Max Verstappen qualified fourth. AGENCIES

ACTION TODAY

ATHLETICS: Diamond League, 7.30 pm (Jiocinema); **AUTO:** F1, British GP, Race, 7.30 pm (Fancode); **BADMINTON:** Canada Open, Finals, 9.30 pm (Jiocinema); **CRICKET:** India vs Zimbabwe, 2nd T20I, 4 pm (Sony Sports); India Women vs South Africa, 2nd T20I, 7 pm (Jiocinema); **CYCLING:** Tour de France, Stage 9, 7.45 pm (Eurosport); **TENNIS:** Wimbledon, 3.30 pm (Star Sports)

Rajawat stuns world No. 4 Antonsen, in SFs

Calgary: Continuing his dream run, rising Indian shuttler Priyanshu Rajawat **(in pic)** stunned top seed and world number four Anders Antonsen of Denmark to cruise into the semifinals of the Canada Open here. World number 39 Rajawat defeated Antonsen 21-11, 17-21, 21-19 in a gruelling one hour 19 minutes quarterfinal on Friday night.



However, the women's doubles pair of Treesa Jolly and Gayatri Gopichand made a quarterfinal exit. The third-seeded Indians were handed a 18-21 21-19 16-21 defeat by Chinese Taipei's Pei Shan Hsieh and En-Tzu Hung. The win against Antonsen is the 22-year-old Rajawat's first-ever victory over a top-10 player. He will take on Alex Lanier of France in what will be his second World Tour Super 500 semifinal.

Rajawat was off to a bright start, taking a 7-4 lead in the opening game before Antonsen levelled it at 9-9. The Indian then picked up five points on the trot to gain the upper hand and while the Dane tried to fashion a comeback, Rajawat claimed seven successive points to take the first game.

Trailing 0-1, Antonsen made a strong comeback in the second game and although Rajawat matched him, even levelling the game at 17, he lost four straight points as the world No. 4 forced a decider. In the final game, Rajawat initially led 5-1, but Antonsen responded with six consecutive points, bringing the score to 7-5 in favour of the Danish player.

Rajawat staged a comeback by winning three points but the experienced Dane entered the mid-game break with a slender 11-10 lead. With little differentiating the two players, it could have been anybody's game but at 19-19 Rajawat won back-to-back points to seal the match.

Rajawat is the only Indian left in the competition. He had pulled off victories against higher-ranked opponents -- world number 24 Rasmus Gemke of Denmark and Japan's Takuma Obayashi, ranked 33rd, in the first and second rounds respectively. PTI

'Didn't like chopping and changing team'

Mumbai: As Rahul Dravid bids farewell to Team India, the legend said that during his tenure as head coach, he abhorred chopping and changing the side too much and always tried to be a foil for skipper Rohit Sharma so that he could devise his own winning strategies.



Dravid's coaching stint came to an end with India winning the T20 World Cup in Barbados last week, defeating South Africa and bringing home the trophy for the second time after 2007. "I'm someone who actually likes continuity and don't like to chop and change too many things because I believe that creates a lot of instability and doesn't create very good environment," said Dravid in a video posted by the Indian cricket baord (BCCI) on Saturday.

"I feel that I am a part of the team whose responsibility is to create the right professional, safe, secure environment that doesn't really have a fear of failure as such but is challenging enough to push people. That has always been my endeavour."

Dravid said that the period when the players were coming out of the COVID-19 pandemic was a tough one for him as he had just taken over as coach and "never envisaged" that he would have to work with half a dozen captains.

"One of the things that we really had to manage, especially in the early part of my coaching tenure here with India. We were at the back-end of the Covid restrictions. "We really had to manage their workloads through all the three different formats. There were a few injuries and it led to me working with something like 5-6 captains in the first 8-10 months of me being here.

"It was definitely something that I hadn't envisaged, or not something that I thought about, but it just sort of organically happened." Under Dravid's tutelage, India thrashed England in the five-match Test series at home and the team also reached the 2023 ODI World Cup final.

India coach hunt gets World Cup flavour

Troussier, Schafer And Herrera Interested In The Job

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Panaji: The All India Football Federation (AIFF) is sifting through the applications that they have received for the vacant position of chief coach and will be pleased to see high-profile names, including coaches who have guided teams at the FIFA World Cup. According to sources, French coach Philippe Troussier, who coached Japan to the AFC Asian Cup title in 2000 and was in charge of the co-hosts at the FIFA World Cup in 2002 where they secured a historic knockout stage spot, is among the applicants.

Former Mexico manager Miguel 'Piojo' Herrera is also understood to be interested in the India job, while Winfried Schafer, who coached Cameroon at the 2002 World Cup and won the African Cup of Nations, is ready for another challenge with India at age 74.

"The vacancy has attracted interest from coaches who have managed teams at the highest level," a source who has been tracking the developments told TOI on Saturday. "Troussier and Schafer have coached multiple national teams with good success. Herrera served as Mexico coach at the World Cup (in 2014) and led them to the quarterfinals. Several agents and representatives are making a determined push for their own clients, many of them big names. It will be interesting to see how AIFF handles the selection process."

All three experienced coaches are out of jobs at the moment. While Troussier had a disappointing campaign with the Vietnam national team that led to his sacking in March, 'Piojo' parted ways by mutual agreement after Club Tijuana failed to qualify for the Liga MX playoffs. Schafer last took charge of Sanat Naft midway into the season when they were struggling to save relegation in the Iranian top-flight league.

It was not clear if the AIFF would consider any of the experienced coaches who have applied for the job. "As of now, the process is only at the shortlisting stage. It might not be feasible for the federation to consider these big names since all of them will demand a big salary," said another source. After sacking Igor Stimac for his failure to guide India to the third round of the FIFA World Cup qualifiers, despite an encouraging start, AIFF called for applications from coaches with minimum 10-15 years of experience at the elite youth and senior level.

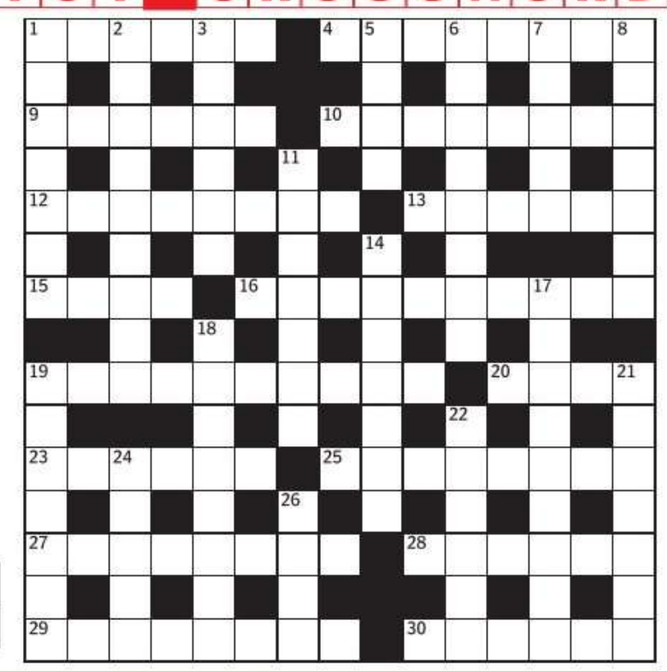
Before the July 3 deadline, the federation received a total of 291 applications. 100 of these applicants have UEFA Pro License diplomas, while 20 hold AFC Pro License diplomas and three have CONMEBOL licenses.

"We have received an overwhelming response with some of the marquee names having expressed their interest in India," said AIFF president Kalyan Chaubey. "As we get ready to write a new chapter in Indian football, it's crucial for us to have a coach who is committed to the development of Indian football, to understand our culture and help design the national football philosophy. We are hoping to onboard the candidate by end July, to ensure India utilise the September FIFA window participation."

THE TOI CROSSWORD

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CRYPTIC CLUES

Across

1 Realised that the bounder has embraced the girl (6)
4 Impressed by Eastern flight (8)
9 Turned and fled with detectives in pursuit (6)
10 Checkers of medical doses (8)
12 You need a bit of a break (8)
13 Make fast? (6)
15 Wet weather is the rule it's said (4)
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19 Legal document that could be a trap (10)
20 Hitch horse to pole (4)
23 A Saudi for example takes the French to be cultivated (6)
25 Beat this for a political slogan (8)
27 The kindly feeling of its beneficiaries? (8)
28 Rummage about for some time (6)
29 Widespread colours (8)
30 Set of six texts put out around the East (6)

Down

1 Look after if you like (4,3)
2 Excitement as tension explodes (9)
3 Variation in game puzzles people (6)
5 Go for a short walk (4)
6 Man out in storm reaching peak (8)
7 Threefold anaesthetic (5)
8 Oriental festival on the third of June (7)
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17 In agreement? Not I for one (9)
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19 Alterations in the bellringer's programme (7)
21 Chap concealing a weapon in his clothing (7)
22 Father will take part - it's a promise (6)
24 Perfume starts a romantic interlude (5)
26 Aspersion on the staff perhaps (4)

QUICK CLUES

Across

1 Advance warning (6) 4 Team trial of strength (3,2,3)
9 Miniature racing car (2-4) 10 Stronghold (8)
12 Scholarly (8) 13 Affectionate (6) 15 Attract (4)
16 Realistic (4,2,4) 19 Smoothly and successfully (4,1,5) 20 Incentive (4) 23 Counter of votes (6) 25 Permanent (8) 27 Gaming city in Nevada (3,5) 28 Strong influence (6) 29 Urgency (8)
30 Jovial (6)

Down

1 Stingy person (7) 2 Disconcert (4,5) 3 Opera by Bizet (6) 5 US Rocky Mountain state (4)
6 Unawares (2,3,3) 7 To exercise (5) 8 Reticence (7)
11 Collection of books (7) 14 French post-impressionist painter (7) 17 Confidentially (2,7) 18 Without foundation (8) 19 Reveal inadvertently (3,4) 21 With justice (7) 22 Say in low voice (6) 24 A smooth cotton thread (5) 26 Equitable (4)

SOLUTIONS TO LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD

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Pragg, Gukesh lose in tiebreaker; Caruana wins title

Bucharest: World number two Fabiano Caruana defended his Superbet Classic title by winning all three rapid games in a thrilling four-way tiebreaker, featuring Indian Grandmasters D Gukesh and R Praggnanandhaa, after a rather dull tournament. Caruana lost to Anish Giri of Holland in the Classical format to split the competition wide open as Gukesh, Praggnanandhaa and France's Alireza Firouzja all finished the classical section tied for first.

Praggnanandhaa survived by the skin of the teeth against Alireza, who held a completely winning position for a long time. If the Frenchman had won the final classical round there would have been no need of tiebreak games as he would have overtaken Caruana on points.

But Caruana lost, Gukesh and Praggnanandhaa drew and that set up a four-way tiebreaker to decide the winner. Caruana, not known as a tiebreaker master, proved that he can get the better of the younger generation as he defeated all three — Gukesh, Praggnanandhaa and Alireza to come up trumps and win the first prize hamper of $68500. PTI

Langer bids adieu to five decades of European tour career

Bernhard Langer's half-century pro career in Europe has come to an end. Langer missed the cut Friday at the BMW International Open, shooting a one-over 73 following an opening-round 71 in Munich in his native Germany. Now 66, Langer played in his first event in what is now called the DP World Tour in 1974. He won 42 times on the tour, second only to the late Seve Ballesteros of Spain.

Langer rose to World No. 1 in 1986. "I was able to live that dream for 50 years," he said. "I have wonderful memories from all over the world, not just in Europe but Asia, Australia, Japan, America, South Africa. I was able to travel the world and meet with kings and queens. I played golf with all sorts of people, whether they were successful businessmen or just the average butcher or bricklayer or whatever, it was fun, it was great." REUTERS

SERVING UP ACES FOR FUN

Shelton, Perricard Scorch The Court With Bullet Serves

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FINDING A WAY: Ben Shelton of USA reacts after defeating Denis Shapovalov of Canada in a duel that lasted more than 3 hours

London: Ben Shelton is a striking figure on any tennis court, but on Wimbledon's manicured lawns – soft on the legs, but dicey for the back – the American makes a compelling cut.

The 21-year-old is 6 ft 4' if you discount the crown of black-brown curls that is held together by an 80s-style headband, silhouetting the strapping figure with a couple of extra inches.

For a man of his height, Shelton is quick between the chalk, his forehand is big, and he can do a few repertories on his backhand. His serve, catching blinding speeds of 140 mph, rivals bullet trains. His left-handed play is an intoxicating mix of full-blooded intensity and pulsating power. Just the right notes for Broadway.

On a blow cold, blow colder day at SW19, Shelton survived his third five-setter of the fortnight to reach the fourth round for the first time, setting up a meeting with top-seeded Jannik Sinner on Sunday. The 14th seed battled past the 2021 semifinalist Denis Shapovalov 6-7 (4), 6-2, 6-4, 4-6, 6-2 in three-hours and four-minutes in a clash of left-handers. Shelton, who was cheered on by Roger Federer, led 3-2 in the overnight match, and said he may have benefitted from the extra day's rest.

"It's Wimbledon," Shelton said after the win on Court No.1, "no better place to be playing tennis. It is different playing against lefties, not too many of us around, but I kept telling myself, everything I'm dealing with it too. I'm happy with my run here, but not satisfied. The pinnacle of tennis is playing the world No 1, hopefully on Centre Court."

Shelton, who commands the crowd, is a contrast to his father and coach Bryan. The senior Shelton, a former pro, who made the fourth round of Wimbledon 30 years ago, and wife Liza, who was ranked No.4 in doubles, don't give much away when their son is in the middle. Just as well, given that the world No.14s tennis is theatre.

Shelton, playing only his second Wimbledon, appeared to put the reverse of the opening set behind him when he won the second and third sets, but Shapovalov, 25, pushed, forcing the American to go for more. Shelton was broken in the tenth game, taking the match into the fifth. Bryan was on his feet in the decider, stressing on the importance of the first point in a game. Shelton struck in the third and again in the fifth before serving out the match in the eighth.

It was the day of giant servers as Giovanni Mpetshi Perricard, who is using his 6 ft 8' to great effect, hammered 27 aces to take his tournament tally to 105 in three matches.

RESULTS (DAY 6, ROUND 3)

Men: (14) Ben Shelton (USA) bt Denis Shapovalov (CAN) 6-7 (4/7), 6-2, 6-4, 4-6, 6-2; (16) Ugo Humbert (FRA) bt Brandon Nakashima (USA) 7-6 (11/9), 6-3, 6-7 (5/7), 7-6 (8/6); Roberto Bautista (ESP) bt Fabio Fognini (ITA) 7-6 (8/6), 3-6, 5-7, 7-6 (7/1), 6-4; (4) Alexander Zverev (GER) bt Cameron Norrie (GBR) 6-4, 6-4, 7-6 (17/15); (9) Alex De Minaur (AUS) bt Lucas Pouille (FRA) - walkover

Women: (13) Jelena Ostapenko (LAT) bt Bernarda Pera (USA) 6-1, 6-3; (31) Barbora Krejcikova (CZE) bt Jessica Bouzas Maneiro (ESP) 6-0, 4-3 - retired; (17) Anna Kalinskaya (RUS) bt (15) Liudmila Samsonova (RUS) 7-6 (7/4), 6-2.

SWIATEK STUNNED

London: World No.1 Iga Swiatek's play came apart against sticky Kazakh Yulia Putintseva in the Wimbledon third round. The Pole, who had won all four of their previous meetings, lost 6-3, 1-6, 2-6. Puntintseva, the world no. 35, will go up against Jelena Ostapenko in the fourth round.

BOPANNA-EBDEN DUO MAKES EXIT

London: The second-seeded Indo-Aus pairing of Rohan Bopanna and Matthew Ebden bowed 3-6, 6-7 (4) in 78-minutes to German duo of Constantin Frantzen and Hendrik Jebens in the Wimbledon men's doubles. Bopanna and Ebden failed to convert any of the six break point opportunities they enjoyed while the Germans used the one chance they got in first set of the second-round encounter.

Zverev overcomes hurting knee, Norrie

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ALEXANDER ZVEREV

London: Alexander Zverev came dangerously close to crashing into the umpire's chair on Centre Court while reaching for a short ball in the Wimbledon third round against Briton Cameron Norrie. The fourth-seeded German, who went down in a nasty heap, fortunately used his hands to break the momentum of the fall midway through the second net.

Zverev appeared to twist his ankle, but rolled over clutching his knee, shouting in agony. The 27-year-old, who has been in exemplary form, dropping just 15 games across six sets, coming into the third round, picked himself up well after the fall even though his court coverage was slightly hampered and he twice required treatment.

Zverev, 6 ft 6', converted on his sixth match-point of the tie-break after saving five set points. As resilient as he was after the fall, it was Zverev's serving – not having faced a break-point in the match and having claimed 90 percent of points on his first serve – that won him the day. He put out the home hope Norrie 6-4, 6-4, 7-6 (15).

"My knee went too straight. I overstretched it," Zverev said. "I do have pain right now. I will check it. I will see what the MRI says, but I personally don't think it can be anything too serious because I still played. Of course, I was limited in some of the movements."

For a moment Zverev's fall triggered images of two years ago when he was wheeled off Court Philippe Chatrier sobbing in pain, having broken his ankle. "If you're breaking a ligament or something else, the meniscus or something like that, I don't think you can continue playing even the way I did," he said. "We'll see what it is. Hopefully I'll be fine in two days' time."

Zverev, in the Round of 16 here for the third time, equaling his best Wimbledon result, had 15 aces in the match. "It's the shot I have worked on the most in my game," he said.

Reetika looks to emulate her idol Sakshi in Paris

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RARING TO GO: Reetika is the first Indian woman wrestler to qualify for Olympics in the heavyweight (76kg) category

New Delhi: Paris Olympics-bound Reetika Hooda has many firsts to her name. She is the first Indian woman wrestler to qualify for the Olympics in the heavyweight (76kg) division – the highest for women in the sport.

She is the first to clinch the under-23 world championships title in her weight category. She is also the first to win a ranking series medal in her weight class in Hungary. And now, the 22-year-old from the stable of Sir Chotu Ram wrestling academy in Rohtak wants to achieve another historic feat – to emulate her idol Sakshi Malik's momentous medal-winning show at the Rio Olympics in 2016 by claiming one of her own at the Olympics.

"I am quite excited about Paris. I have trained well and believe I can come back home with a medal around my neck. I understand the enormity of the occasion. The competition will be really tough, but I am backing myself to win a medal. No woman wrestler from India has ever qualified in the heavyweight category and if I win there, it will be truly historic," Reetika told **TOI**.

"I am training at Sir Chotu Ram akhada where Sakshi didi had also trained for the Rio Olympics and under the same coach. She is my idol and I want to emulate her feat. When she had come back home with a medal, Rohtak city had accorded her a grand welcome. It was a festive atmosphere. I also want to make my nation and native village proud."

Reetika said Sakshi has been a big guiding force in her career. The Rio Games medallist is providing regular inputs on how to train for the Olympics. "I am in constant touch with her. She helps me a lot during my training sessions. Also, my coach Mandeep sir has planned my training in such a way that we keep in mind the Paris time and practice according to my competition bouts at the Games. I am mainly focusing on my speed and footwork. Those are my strengths."

Reetika started her career in the women's 68kg but wasn't able to create much impact in that category. She switched to the non-Olympic weight category of 72 kg but later settled for a higher division of 76kg. "I am comfortable fighting in this category because I don't have to cut down too much weight to prepare for competitions."

Chirag slams Maharashtra govt for discriminating against badminton

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CHIRAG SHETTY

Jaipur: A day after Rohit Sharma, Suryakumar Yadav, Shivam Dube and Yashasvi Jaiswal were felicitated by Maharashtra government for winning the T20 World Cup, Chirag Shetty lashed out at the authorities for giving badminton step-motherly treatment.

One of the chief architects of India's historic Thomas Cup triumph in 2022, Chirag came down heavily on the state govt for ignoring his achievement after the Indian badminton squad won the prestigious team championships stunning Indonesia 3-0 in Bangkok.

"Thomas Cup is equivalent to winning the World Cup. I was part of the Indian badminton team which won its maiden title, shocking champions Indonesia in the final. I was the only Maharashtra player in the Indian team. When the govt can honour our World Cup-winning cricket stars, they should have also recognised my efforts. Government should treat any other sport equally," Chirag told **TOI**.

Mumbai's Chirag, who is preparing for the Paris Olympics with his doubles partner Satwiksairaj Rankireddy at the national camp in Hyderabad under experienced coach Mathias Boe of Denmark, made it clear that he has nothing against cricket or cricketers.

"I have nothing against cricket. In fact, we all badminton players watched the T20 World Cup final live on TV and celebrated enthusiastically. We are happy and proud about their sensational win against South Africa in the final. Similarly, we had also achieved something remarkable a couple of years ago, but the state government did not even felicitate me, leave apart giving any cash rewards. Before 2022, the Indian badminton team never reached even the semifinals but we created history by winning the title," said the 27-year-old, a recipient of Khel Ratna Award.

The Maharashtra government announced a cash prize of Rs 11 crore for the T20 World Cup-winning Indian team on Friday.

Chirag and Satwik were the first Indian men's doubles pair to reach world No. 1 ranking a few months ago.

Eye on whether govt speeds up move towards 4.5% fisc deficit

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Having posted a better-than-budgeted fiscal deficit thanks to buoyant tax collections, finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman and her team are being watched if govt intends to speed up the move towards a 4.5% fiscal deficit. Against revised estimates of 5.8% of GDP last year, the Centre closed the year with a deficit of 5.6%. For the current fiscal year, govt had set a target of 5.1% and the revenue mop-up so far is expected to help it achieve the target, especially amid projections that GDP growth may turn out to be higher than the budgeted level.

Sitharaman, who has been conservative in her estimates, may however use some of the receipts for spending to ensure that the Indian economy, which is expected to grow 7% this year, remains resilient in the medium term by investing in areas that need attention.

PM greets Dalai on b'day, wishes him recovery after knee op

New Delhi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi greeted Tibetan spiritual leader the Dalai Lama on his 89th birthday and wished him a quick recovery following his knee surgery.

Modi said on X, "Sent my greetings to His Holiness @DalaiLama on the occasion of his 89th birthday. Pray for his quick recovery after knee surgery, good health and long life."

Modi has been sending greetings to the Dalai Lama on his birthday for the past several years. However, in 2023, he also called him to wish him on his birthday.

In his birthday message, the Dalai Lama said he is physically fit and determined to continue his service to Lord Buddha's teachings. TNN & AGENCIES

Labour-led UK expected to seek cheaper Scotch import

Eyes Steeper Import Duty Cut, May Also Alter Stand On Biz Visa

Discussing the importance of the living bridge between the UK and India, and the 2030 roadmap, the leaders agreed there was a wide range of areas across defence and security, critical and emerging technology, and climate change, for the two countries to deepen cooperation on," a statement by the UK PMO said after the call.

The discussions are expected to help resume talks for an FTA over the next few weeks with 14 rounds of negotiations having already been concluded. The Labour Party's emphatic victory in the UK elections is expected to result in some tweaks in the negotiating position especially on the issue of business visas and there are expectations of a demand for steeper reduction in import duty on Scotch, something that the Indian govt has been negotiating hard.

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Keir Starmer addresses a news conference following his first cabinet meeting, at Downing Street in London on Saturday

"Discussing the FTA, PM (Starmer) said he stood ready to conclude a deal that worked for both sides," said a statement from 10 Downing Street. Starmer also noted the contribution made by the Indian community across the fields and the "two sides agreed to closer people-to-people ties".

"The (UK) PM said he looked forward to further deepening the strong and respectful relationship between both countries and welcomed PM Modi's leadership on key global challenges, such as climate change and economic growth," the UK statement said. Modi also extended an invitation to Starmer for an early visit to India., with both leaders saying that they hoped to meet at the earliest opportunity.

On his second day in office, apart from Modi, Starmer had calls with his Australian and Japanese counterparts, having had similar interactions with US President Joe Biden, Ukraine President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen, Canadian PM Justin Trudeau, Italy's Giorgia Meloni and Ireland's Taoiseach Harris on Friday.

Rahul hails UK PM, commiserates Rishi

Leader of opposition Rahul Gandhi commiserated with Rishi Sunak on the defeat of Conservative Party in Britain's recent elections, even as he congratulated UK Prime Minister Keir Starmer for his campaign's emphasis on "economic growth with equality". In a letter to the ousted UK PM Sunak, Rahul said, "Victories and setbacks are both an inevitable part of the journey in a democracy, and we must take both in our stride.." TNN

Pending SC trial may be delaying counselling schedule rejig

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The counselling schedule for NEET-UG and PG is announced by Medical Counselling Committee on its website on the basis of completion of the exam process and finalisation of the seat matrix by National Medical Commission. For the year 2024, NMC has communicated its schedule for finalisation of the seat matrix for UG and PG seats in the last week of June, indicating that it will finalise the UG seat matrix by third week of July and PG seat matrix by mid-August. MCC will accordingly notify the counselling schedules."

The NEET seat matrix provides students with information regarding the state-wise distribution of seats, cutoff scores, and courses each medical institution provides.

NEET-UG ROW

Supreme Court is also seized of the paper leak matter as multiple petitions have been filed before it, including those seeking cancellation of the exam and a court-monitored probe. The next hearing on the matter is likely on Monday.

Sources said pendency of the case could be one of the reasons behind the delay in announcement of the NEET-UG counselling schedule. Normally, when a matter is sub judice and the case is likely to be taken up in the coming few days, the govt and its authorities prefer to wait for the court's hearing.

There are approximately 1.2 lakh undergraduate medical seats across govt and private medical colleges in the country. This year, more than 23 lakh students appeared for NEET-UG, which was held on May 5. The results were declared on June 4. It was found that as many as 67 students had scored the perfect score of 720, which was suspicious as only a few students were able to get it in previous years — leading to a huge controversy and investigation.

TOI LINE OF NO CONTROL — SANDEEP ADHWARYU



'Will know how many ultras killed or trapped once shooting ends'

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Security sources revealed 23 local terrorists are active in Kashmir

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As the forces approached the suspected location in Modergam, terrorists started shooting, triggering a gunfight. "During the exchange of fire, Lance Naik Pradeep Naik was critically wounded. He died in hospital," a police officer said.

Later in the afternoon, a second gunfight erupted in Frisal Chinnigam. As a team of police, 1 Rashtriya Rifles, and CRPF approached a suspected hideout, they were met with heavy gunfire.

"The forces retaliated strongly and four terrorists were killed, while havildar Raj Kumar was wounded. He was transported to the military's 92 Base Hospital, where his condition deteriorated and he died," an officer said.

According to Kashmir zone IGP VK Birdi, four bodies have been sighted at the site. "The exact number of terrorists killed or trapped, along with their identities, can only be ascertained once the shooting ends," he said. "Both sites are in the interior areas and not near the Srinagar-Jammu highway, where security forces keep tracking terrorist movements."

Security sources revealed that 23 local terrorists are active in Kashmir, with around 10 in Kulgam alone.

Won't die an ordinary death, Capt told wife

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Captain Anshuman Singh's wife Smriti Singh and mother Manju Singh receive the posthumous Kirti Chakra from President Draupadi Murmu on Friday

New Delhi: Capt Anshuman Singh believed his death would not be ordinary, and it wasn't.

"He once told me, 'I would die with the brass on my chest. I would not die an ordinary death'," his wife recalled in a video posted by the defence ministry spokesperson, after she received the Kirti Chakra awarded to him posthumously from President Droupadi Murmu on Friday.

On July 19, 2023, an ammunition dump caught fire in the dead of the night. Capt Singh, posted as a medical officer with the 26th Battalion of Punjab Regiment at Siachen, saw a fibreglass hut engulfed in flames and acted quickly to save those trapped inside. He rescued several people, but while trying to save equipment from a medical investigation centre that had also caught fire, he laid down his life.

The Rashtrapati Bhavan statement said: "Disregarding his own safety, Captain Anshuman Singh exhibited exceptional bravery and resolve to rescue many people during a major fire incident in Siachen. He was awarded Kirti Chakra (posthumously) for his act of conspicuous gallantry and sacrifice."

Accompanying Smriti at the investiture ceremony was Capt Singh's mother, Manju Singh.

In the video, recalling her first meeting with Capt Singh, Smriti said, "We met on the first day of college. I don't want to be dramatic, but it was love at first sight. After a month, he got selected into the Armed Forces Medical College (AFMC). We met at an engineering college, but then he got selected for medical college. Super intelligent guy. From then on, after just one month of meeting, it was a long-distance relationship for eight long years."

"Then we decided to get married. Unfortunately, within two months of our marriage, he got posted to Siachen," she said.

"On July 18, we had a long conversation about how our life was going to be in the next 50 years. We would build a house, have kids... On the morning of July 19, I got a call that he was no more. For the next 7-8 hours, we were not ready to accept that anything of this sort had happened. Now that I have the Kirti Chakra in my hand, maybe it is true. It's okay; he's a hero. We can manage our lives. But he gave his life to save the other three families, his Army family," Smriti said, trying to hold back her tears.Capt Singh was cremated with full state honours in Bhagalpur in UP's Deoria district, on July 22, 2023.

President Murmu also presented 26 Shaurya Chakras, including seven posthumously, to personnel of the armed forces, Central Armed Police Forces, and state/UT police during a defence investiture ceremony.

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