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# Modi reaffirms India's role as Vishwa Bandhu

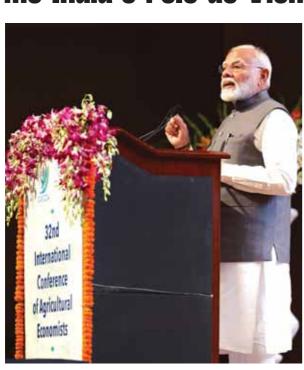
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Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday said India has become a food surplus country and is also working to provide solutions for global food and nutritional security. the 32nd Inaugurating International Conference of Agricultural Economists (ICAE) at the National Agricultural Science Centre (NASC) Complex in the national Capital, which is being organised in India after 65 years, Modi said, 'now India is a food surplus country," he said, adding that the country is the number one producer of milk, pulses and spices across the world. Also, the country has become the second-largest producer of foodgrains, fruits, vegetables, cotton, sugar and tea.
"There was a time when

India's food security was a concern for the world. Now, India is working to provide solutions for global food security and global nutritional security," he said at the conference, attended by about 1,000 delegates from around 70 countries. Therefore, Modi said, India's experience is valuable for discussions on food system transformation and will

Prime Minister reiterated India's to commitment global

benefit the global south.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi speaking at the inauguration of the 32nd International Conference of Agricultural Economists (ICAE) at the National Agricultural Science Centre (NASC) Complex, in New Delhi on Saturday

said.

Modi

Indian

importance

approach of One Earth, One

Family and One Future," he

agriculture sector in the

highlighted the work done

by his government in the last

10 years for the growth of the

farm sector in a sustainable

operating from Pakistani soil. Sharing details, the spokesman of the DIPR, J&K, in a

centre of India's

emphasised

economy

and

highlighted various tackled under the holistic mantras put forward by India on various fora, including 'One Earth, One Family and One Future', 'Mission Life' and 'One Earth One Health'. He underlined India's approach of not viewing the health of humans, plants and animals in silos

"Challenges before sustainable agriculture and manner. "Agriculture is at food systems can only be the

economic policies," he said. In Indian agriculture, 90 per cent of farmers own very little land, and these small farmers are the biggest strength of India's food security, Modi said. He pointed out that a similar situation is prevalent in several developing countries in Asia, making India's model applicable. The Prime Minister also said

India has provided 1,900 new climate-resilient varieties of crops in the last 10 years. India is promoting chémical-free natura farming, he added. He also said the country is moving towards achieving the 20 per cent ethanol blending target petrol.

conference will highlight India's proactive approach global agricultural challenges and showcase the nation's advancements agricultural research and

policy. The Prime Minister also acknowledged seriousness of the nutrition challenge, along with water scarcity and climate change. He presented Anna, Millet, as a solution given the superfood's quality minimum water maximum production.

Modi expressed India's willingness to share millet basket with the world. In his speech, he also talked about how India is leveraging digital technology in the agriculture sector.

# Ripple effect of Israel, Iran tension in Delhi



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Even as tension flares up in West Asia, the Delhi Police has reviewed the security of the Israeli Embassy and Chabad House following alerts from the intelligence agencies in the wake of the killing of a Hamas leader in Tehran. A multi-layered security has already been put in place with several CCTV cameras installed around both the structures. According to a senior officer, more personnel may be deployed, if required. On July 31, Hamas leader Ismail

Haniyeh and his bodyguard were killed in an airstrike that hit a residence where Haniyeh was staying in Tehran as a guest. According to sources, senior officers of the Delhi Police force have held a meeting to plan a massive security net around the two Israeli buildings in the national Capital.

This came after the Delhi Police debunked rumours of an "explosion" at

the Embassy, calling it a hoax. The police said on X that it was a fake alert before deleting the post. Meanwhile, the Indian Embassy in

Israel on Friday issued an advisory for the Indian nationals living in the country to stay vigilant and "adhere to safety protocols".

"In view of the prevailing situation in the region, all Indian nationals in Israel are advised to stay vigilant and adhere to the safety protocols as advised by the local authorities. Please exercise caution, avoid unnecessary travel within the country and stay close to safety shelters," the Embassy of India in Israel posted on X. Air India has already cancelled its flight to Tel Aviv in the wake of escalating tensions in West Asia.

In the past three years, two lowintensity blasts have taken place near Israeli Embassy in the national Capital No one was injured in the both attacks. Security around the Israel Embassy was upped after a war between Israel and Hamas broke out last year.

In December last year, a low-intensity blast was heard near the Israel Embassy in the high-security Lutyens' zone, triggering concern among the Indian security and intelligence agencies and prompting them to carry out an extensive search in the area During this operation, a letter addressed to the Israeli Ambassador was recovered at the spot. back-to-back the

Following assassinations of Haniyeh in Tehran early on Wednesday and top Hezbollah commander Fuad Shukr in Beirut the evening international diplomats scrambled to head off a full-fledged regional war after Iran and its regional proxies vowed to retaliate.



# Fresh trouble in Manipur

Shots were fired and an abandoned house was torched in Manipur's Jiribam, triggering fresh tensions within a day of the Meitei and Hmar communities reaching an agreement to make efforts to restore normalcy in the district, officials said on Saturday. An abandoned house in Lalpani village was torched by armed men on Friday

night, they said.
"It is an isolated settlement consisting of a few Meitei houses, and most of those were abandoned after violence broke out in the district. Miscreants, who are yet to be identified, took advantage of security lapses in the area

The armed men also fired several rounds of shells and gunshots, targeting the village, he said. Security forces were rushed to the area following the incident, he added.

to commit the arson," an official said.

Representatives of the Meitei and Hmar communities reached an agreement in a meeting held at a CRPF facility in adjoining Assam's Cachar on Thursday.

The meeting was moderated by Jiribam district administration, Assam Rifles and CRPF personnel. Representatives of the Thadou, Paite and Mizo communities of the district were also present in the meeting.

# Narco-terror links cost J&K Govt staffers' job

teacher and one lineman of the

Ial Shakti Department were

dismissed from their services

on July 24, and four others

were dismissed on June 8. In November 2023, while

addressing a gathering in New

Delhi, Lieutenant Governor

Manoj Sinha claimed that

approximately 55 Government

employees and workers have

been dismissed for promoting

terrorism. This action will

facilitated terrorism are dealt

The Lieutenant Governor

invoked Article 311(2)(c) of

the Constitution to sack the six

employees after a thorough

investigation revealed their

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**MOHIT KANDHARI** ■ JAMMU

The Jammu and Kashmir Government on Saturday dismissed six employees, including five constables of the Jammu and Kashmir police and one teacher of the Education Department for terror links and involvement in illegal and anti-national activities.

According to a statement issued by the Department of Information and Public Relations, J&K Government, the activities of all these employees had come to the notice of law enforcement and intelligence agencies, as they found them deeply involved in activities prejudicial to the interests of the State.

So far fourteen employees have links with a narco-terror been dismissed from their services since June 2024. Four employees, including two

statement said, one of the dismissed selection grade constables identified as Saif Din son of Quasim Din resident of Shigani Bhallesa District Doda A/P Javid Nagar, Bali Charana Naki Tawi, Jammu, was a notorious drug peddler a habitual offend a mastermind for distribution of narco terror funding. He is a deeply motivated and police constables, one school

committed drug peddler as well as a Over Ground Worker for the terrorists of a proscribed terrorist organisations like Hizbual Mujahideen.

He had established drug channels which are being used by anti-national agencies/ elements to smuggle weapons, and narcotics and to facilitate infiltration of terrorists in I&K, he said.

The spokesman said, Farooq Sheikh, Ahmad Head Constable in Police Department son of Ab Aziz Sheikh resident of Ibkoote Tangdar, District Kupwara, along with two other employees namely Khalid Hussian Shah and Rahmat Shah (both working as Constables in J&K police) received huge consignment of narcotics from drug smugglers Inter-Services Intelligence across the LoC from Pakistan (ISI) and terror outfits occupied J&K.



Officials during a rescue operation for stranded Kedarnath pilgrims, in

## **Over 10K stranded pilgrims** rescued from Kedarnath

**PTI** ■ RUDRAPRAYAG

The operation to rescue I pilgrims stranded along a rain-ravaged trek route to the Himalayan Kedarnath shrine in Uttarakhand entered its third day on Sunday. More than 10,500 people have been evacuated, some airlifted by air force helicopters.

Officials said around 1,300 pilgrims are stranded in Kedarnath, Bhimbali and Gaurikund, and are safe. Personnel of the State Disaster Response Force (SDRF), the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) and police are engaged in the rescue operation. The Indian Air Force's Chinook and MI17 helicopters airlifted some pilgrims from the area

Rudraprayag Superintendent of Police (SP) Vishakha Ashok Bhadane dismissed rumours of a large number of people missing following a cloudburst near the trek-

all "Almost reported individuals have reached home," the official said and appealed to the public not to believe rumours. She said, "Many people may

not be able to contact their families due to poor network and bad weather."

The pilgrim, who died in a landslide near Tharu camp at Lincholi on Friday, was identified as Shubham Kashyap. He was a resident of Saharanpur in Uttar Pradesh, District Disaster Management Officer Nandan Singh Rajwar said.

# **Kejriwal Govt took most Cabinet** decisions sans discussion: Docu

n an unusual practice, the Arvind Kejriwal has taken Government majority of the Cabinet decisions by "circulation" in the past three years. This taken place among the Ministers and officers concerned of the Delhi Government and Cabinet agenda dictated from the top. Even the Chief Secretary and concern Heads of Departments were not kept in the loop during the Cabinet discussion.

The document accessed by The Pioneer shows the numbers of decisions taken by the Cabinet through circulation were 15 in 2024 (as on July 31, 2024) and only six were in physical

modes.

Similarly, the number of decisions taken through circulation in 2022 are 17 out 21 and in the year 2023 this number rose to 29 circulation and only a meager five are through deliberations and physical mode.

The Cabinet decisions taken

through circulation in 2024 include Delhi Solar Energy Policy, 2023, Budget Session Delhi Legislative



Assembly, approval of the Delhi-Ghaziabad-Meerut Corridor of Regional Rapid Transit System (RRTS), proposal for implementation of Business Blasters Scheme (seniors) for GNCTD Universities and it is, proposal for approval of additional project cost due to enhanced compensation of land in Delhi Mass Rapid Transit System (DMRTS) Phase-I & II and its release thereof. "Cabinet meetings (Council

governance. In the meetings, emergency situation.

deliberation takes place at length and views of every Minister are ascertained along with the presentation

by the department.
"The Department concerned pilots the proposal through the proper presentation before the Cabinet and thereafter it is deliberated upon and discussed before giving the final decision by the Cabinet," the document Notably, said. Government approves agenda or proposal through of Ministers) are central to circulation only in an

others. "However, it seems

like, due to the landslide and

the heavy rain, they were

unable to procure any food,"

The road to be taken to reach

the cave where the tribal

survivors were trapped was

literally a steep slope, very

he said.

# Inspiring tales of human valour emerge from heart of Wayanad

KUMAR CHELLAPPAN ■ KOCHI

In the midst of a tragedy of Wayanad's scale, many heart-warming tales of bravery and humanitarian involving deeds high personal risks have come to light as the jumbo efforts to rescue the survivors, if any, of the catastrophic landslides continued on the fifth day.

In one instance, while the Indian Air Force played Good Samaritan in saving the lives of two youths from Malappuram district who had reached Soojippara in Wayanad district as part of a rescue team, the fire brigade saved a third youth from the inaccessible rocky terrains in the region on Saturday. The trio had lost their way

on Friday while searching for those trapped in Tuesday's landslides They spent the whole night

atop the rocky hills as they found it difficult to move in the slippery and slushy area. Two of them suffered minor fractures in the fall and they themselves got trapped in the rocky terrain.

The police and other State agencies found the going tough and the IAF team was summoned to save the youths. While the helicopter piloted by the IAF crew had do dangerous manoeuvering to air-lift two of the youths from the treacherous terrain, the third one was saved by the fire brigade using specially made



All the three have been hospitalised as they had suffered minor fractures and exhaustion. In yet another daring rescue

operation, officials of the Forest Department saved six members of a family (including four children and their father and mother) who were trapped in a rocky cave atop the Wayanad hills. The family, having lost their

dwelling in Tuesday's landslide at Mundakkai, had managed to reach the cave and huddled together amid heavy rain.

Officials led by Kalpetta Range Forest Officer K Hashis rescued the tribal family which included four

kids aged between one and

four. The rescue mission

took four and a half hours one way. "The family is from the Paniya community of Wayanad, and had been stranded in a cave atop a hill overlooking a deep gorge," said Hashis after the family members were brought to a

relief camp. Hashis said they had found the mother and a four-yearold child wandering around to find food for her other were stranded in the cave.

children and their father who The rescue team of the forest officials has shifted most of the members of the tribal

communities in Wayanad to safer places. Hashis said the tribal

community survived on

forest products and generally

avoided interactions with

difficult to traverse, especially amidst heavy rainfall. The officers had to tie ropes to trees and rocks to climb, a very risky exercise indeed as they said. He added, "The children were tired, and we fed them with whatever we had carried. Later, after much persuasion, their father agreed to come with us, and we tied the children to our bodies and started our trek back."

# State govt will fully cooperate with NCPCR efforts: CM

**STAFF REPORTER** ■ BHOPAL

hief Minister Mohan Yadav has said that since ✓ancient times, India has had its own special character and ideal culture, which is why India is called the Vishwa Guru. We wish everyone well with the principle of "Live and let live". The role of Guru in our system has been to take us from darkness to light.

Yadav said that education has a paramount place in life. Education is more important than any position and status. Lord Krishna pursued education on the land of Madhya Pradesh and during the war of Mahabharata, he completed the scriptures with his soul. The Gita has various aspects. The army's discipline could be observed in the education imparted in Gurukuls. Life and

death are permanent. The time in between is to live a meaningful life with a smile and enthusiasm. Yadav today participated in the workshop organized by the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights at TIT Excellence College, Anand Nagar, Bhopal. Yadav said that the workshop has been organized by the Commission on an important topic. The state government will fully cooperate with the efforts of the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights. Efforts will be made to ensure that no child stops going to school. No child must be forced to be a dropout under any circumstances. Every student has the right to educa-The Chief Minister said that

Prime Minister Narendra Modi communicates with students before the examinations to boost their confidence. He has

increased the importance of education through the new education policy. Many facilities are being provided to the students. Prime Minister Modi brought a new education policy to India. Today India is leading in the world in many fields. Chief Minister Yadav also recalled the steps taken to protect Indian students on the initiative of Prime Minister Modi during the Ukraine war.

Chairman National Commission for Protection of Child Rights Priyanka Kanungo said that education works to change the entire generation. It is important to bring children living in adverse circumstances into the main-

Children's education was affected adversely when parents went to other states for employment. Now in other states also textbooks are made available to students in Hindi. If a child is absent from school for 30 days, cause and find a solution. At the outset, Kanungo welcomed Yadav and presented him with a memento. Saplings were presented to the guests.

Labor Minister Prahlad Patel said that the interests of the workers in the state are being taken care of on priority. All resources are being made available for education to the children of deprived sections studying in the residential schools run in the state. Madhya Pradesh will become a state with no child labour. For this, the help of all government agencies related to the education sector, voluntary organizations, and experts in this subiect will be taken.

Patel said that we will endeavor to send school dropouts from families of deprived class and laborers back to school. Participants from 6 states Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Dadra Nagar Haveli-Daman-Diu, Gujarat, the workshop.

Subject experts and scholars in the field of education discussed the situation of school dropouts in the workshop.

Also, discussions were held regarding reducing the trend of children dropping out of schools in the state. Other organizations and public representatives also participated in the workshop. Chairman Madhya Pradesh Child Protection Commission Dravinder More and Member Secretary of National Child Commission Rupali Banerjee, Secretary School Education Sanjay Goyal, Commissioner Public Instruction Shilpa Gupta, Labor Commissioner Dhanaraju S, officials of the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights, officials of the Education Department, and representatives of voluntary organizations were



Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Mohan Yadav inaugurates a workshop of National Commission for Protection of Child Rights at

## Gates of all the dams in Bhopal opened in past 24 hrs

**STAFF REPORTER** ■ BHOPAL

n the wake of heavy rains in Bhopal, Upper Lake, Kaliyasot Dam and Bhadbhada have overflowed, while the gates of Kolar Dam have also been opened.

Now only Kerwa Dam is such, which is 30 percent empty. The gates of Kerwa Dam will also open after 1-2 days of heavy rains in the catchment area and Sehore district. All the gates of Bhadbhada Dam were closed on Saturday. This happened due to no rain in the catchment area of Upper Lake.

Light rain occurred in Bhopal on Saturday. Due to heavy rains, 181 government schools of Berasia and Phanda were closed on Saturday. However, many private schools of Bhopal also gave leave to lower classes of the school. So far, more than 28 inches of rainfall has been reported in Bhopal, which is 75 percent of the

Thursday night itself, which continued throughout the day on Friday. Due to this, a water logging situation arose in many areas. At the same time, good water also came in the water

After the gates of Kaliyasot dam were opened, the Kaliyasot river overflowed, 20 families of Samardha Tola on the river bank were shifted to a school. Every year, houses get flooded here. Kolar Fire Officer Pankaj Khare said, the drain culvert in Pipaliya Kesho village was also overflowing at night. Due to this, 6 members of 2 families were rescued. Kolar SDM Ravi Shankar Rai and other officers were present on the

On Friday, all 13 gates of Kaliyasot dam were opened. Actually, as soon as the water level in the Upper Lake came to 1666.80 feet, one gate of Bhadbhada dam was opened.

season. Heavy rains started from By 6 pm, 6 out of 11 gates were opened. Five gates were closed late at night. However, 7 gates remained open on Saturday. Some gates may be closed on Sunday.

Kaliyasot Dam in-charge Nitin Kuhikar said that the water level in the dam is being maintained at 502.22 meters. Therefore, after maintaining this much water, the rest of the water is being released through the gate. Kerwa Dam is currently about 30 per-

cent empty.
Four out of 8 gates of Kolar Dam
near Bhopal have also been
opened. All the gates were
opened by a total of 7 meters. Dam in-charge Harsha Jainwal

said that it is raining continuously in the catchment area. Due to this, the water in Kolar Dam is also increasing. Therefore, four gates were opened. After the rain stopped, the inflow of water was reduced. Now water is being released from two gates.

### District Collectors asksed to remain alert regarding extreme weather conditions **STAFF REPORTER** ■ BHOPAL

istrict collectors across the state have been issued instructions to remain alert regarding the extreme weather conditions developing due to heavy rainfall.

It rained heavily in 25 districts including Bhopal. Two more gates of Bargi Dam were opened in Jabalpur. Now water is being released from 9 sluice gates, 9 sluice gates of Tawa Dam were also opened in Narmadapuram. Due to this the water level of Narmada river is continuously increasing. One gate of the dam built on Johila river in Umaria was opened for the first time in the season.

On Saturday, the highest rainfall in the state was recorded in Rewa. One and a half inches of water fell here. One and a quarter inches of rain was recorded in

Apart from Bhopal, it rained in

Narmadapuram, Khandwa, Pachmarhi, Ratlam, Shivpuri, Ujjain, Satna, Seoni, Sinvpuri, Ojjain, Satina, Seoin, Sidhi, Tikamgarh, Umaria, Malajkhand, Chhindwara, Narsinghpur, Sagar, Damoh, Rewa, Mandla and Nowgong. Water is flowing two feet above the bridge of the outer river connecting Vidisha and Ashoknagar. Natural springs have burst in Raisen. A red alert for heavy rain has been issued in 5 districts on Sunday.

IMD Bhopal said that cyclonic circulation has become a low pressure area around Jharkhand and West Bengal. The monsoon trough is passing through the center of this low pressure area through Sidhi, Gwalior i.e. northern part of Madhya Pradesh. Another trough is active in these areas through east-west. Talking about the south-west winds, it is bringing constant moisture, which is affecting the state.

Guna, Due to this, heavy rain has been continuing since late Thursday night, which will continue for the next 2 days. The weather department has also issued an alert for this. The system will move forward on Saturday. It will affect the southern and central parts. Therefore, there is a red and orange alert in many districts. Almost the entire state will be wet. During this time, there is also a possibility of lightning and floods.

There is a situation of waterlogging and floods in Madhya Pradesh due to continuous rains. Due to this, the government has instructed the collectors to remain on high alert mode. Chief Minister Mohan Yadav

has said that there should be no lack of coordination to deal with the challenges of excessive rainfall and floods. Flood control rooms should work

24 hours in all the districts, and if necessary, the general public should be warned immediately so that no accident occurs anywhere. Chief Minister Yadav has instructed to exercise extra causecurity arrangements on such tion on culverts and bridges, so culverts and bridges built on that vehicles and those crossing roads. the culverts do not have to face any unpleasant situation of flow. In the instructions given to the collectors, it has also been said that in case of waterlogging and accident situation around dams, also be maintained with the local ponds and other reservoirs,

on the movement of people. Where there is a possibility of an accident due to heavy rains and waterlogging on rivers and culverts, instructions have also been given to install boards there. The government has said that in every situation, the focus of the officers should be on the safety

restrictions can also be imposed

of life and property. The field staff was also asked to make these arrangements. The Public Works Department should collect information about such bridges where accidents have happened in the past. The administration should make

If water has to be released from dams, alert the affected districts in advance. Divers teams should also be deployed at such places. For this, coordination should

Vehicles should not be allowed to move on bridges or culverts where water flow is fast.

Make necessary security arrangements on the routes to those religious places and also at those places which are near water sources or rivers. Keep a vigil in view of safety at places where water level may rise during rains. In case of a flood like situation, select high places in cities and rural areas where flood waters cannot reach and people can be

Water flows out after the thirteen sluice valves of Kaliasot dam opened in Bhopal on Saturday

eart repair surgery has started for patients suffering from heart valve related diseases at Bhopal Memorial Hospital and Research Center (BMHRC). Recently, doctors of the Cardio-Thoracic and Vascular Surgery Department of the hospital repaired the heart valve of a 64-year-old gas-affected

**STAFF REPORTER** BHOPAL

woman free of cost. The patient has been discharged from the hospi-Professor, Department of CTVS, BMHRC said that the woman was suffering from a condition called rheumatic heart disease, which caused her to experience shortness of breath during physical activity. An examination at the hospital



Heart valve repair surgery starts at BMHRC, gas victim treated

revealed that the mitral Requires More Experience valve in her heart had con- and Skill tracted, obstructing the flow Dr. Garg mentioned that

Surgery was the only solution to correct this issue. During the operation, it was determined that repairing the valve was a better option than replacing it. Dr Garg explained that after valve replacement, patients need to take blood-thinning medications for a long time, reries.

Functions and Causes of



lenging than valve replacement. It takes more time and requires extensive experience and specialized skills. This is why valve replacement surgeries are more common in hospitals compared to valve repair surg-

#### Valve Malfunction

Our heart has four valves: aortic, mitral, pulmonary, and tricuspid valves. These valves direct blood flow in the right direction. Each valve has flaps that open and close with each heartbeat. If a valve flap does not open or close properly, it is termed as valve malfunc-

Causes of heart valve disease in adults may include infections, age-related changes and other heart conditions. mitral valve stenosis is often caused by

Dr. Manisha Srivastava, Incharge Director, BMHRC, Bhopal, said that valve

#### repair surgeries are complex and require special expertise. With the commencement of this surgery at BMHRC, patients suffering from heart valve diseases will benefit significantly.

#### BHEL receives order for demonstration of firing in a gas turbine, 1st in country

**STAFF REPORTER** ■ BHOPAL

Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) has received the first ever order for the demonstration of methanol firing in a Gas Turbine at the 350 MW Kayamkulam Combined Cycle Power Plant (CCPP) of NTPC installed at Alappuzha district in Kerala. This will be the first such demonstration project of its kind in

Significantly, this demonstration will pave the way for reviving unutilised gas turbine sets in the country which are inoperative due to unavailability of natural gas and naphtha.

Notably, Kayamkulam CCPP comprising two gas turbines of 115 MW each and one steam turbine of 120 MW was set up by BHEL on turnkey basis in 1998-99. BHEL's scope in the contract includes technology support, supply of equipment and associated auxiliaries along with erection and commissioning. The methanol firing demonstration is planned in two phases. In the first phase of 12 months duration, the

methanol firing demonstra-

#### Significantly, demonstration will pave the way for reviving unutilised gas turbine sets in the country

tion is planned at 30-40% load of the machine. After the successful demonstration of the first phase, a demonstration at 100% load is proposed to be carried out in the second phase. BHEL has presently secured the order for the first phase.

Key equipment for the project like Tank, Fire Protection & Detection System, Piping Erection Commissioning along with technology support will be provided by BHEL's

Hyderabad based units. BHEL has been a reliable supplier of equipment and services in the gas turbinebased power segment for nearly four decades, with a portfolio of over 7,500 MW of gas turbine-based power plants installed across the country.

Rajeev Jain takes over as MD, NHDC



Bhopal: After propotion to the post of Executive Director on May 01, 2024, Rajeev Jain has taken over as Managing Director, NHDC on August

01, 2024. During his tenure, Rajeev Jain has worked with perfection in various fields and has played significant role in the commissioning of Chamera-1 HE

Project. During the commissioning he has done an exemplary work in Dam & Power House. In addition to above, he also played an important role in the land acquisition work in Liaison Office, Pathankot. During his posting at Corporate Office, Faridabad while holding the post of Senior Manager, in the Planning Department, he was selected as Chief Engineer on deputation in Navratna Company, REC.

#### AIIMS Bhopal organises street play to create awareness on organ donation

**STAFF REPORTER** ■ BHOPAL

In a significant effort to promote the noble cause of organ donation, the Department of Anesthesia at AIIMS Bhopal organized a street play on Saturday. This event was part of the Organ Donation Day celebrations aimed at raising awareness about the critical need for organ donation in

India. The street play, performed by a dedicated group of MBBS students, nursing staff, and doctors, effectively conveyed the life-saving message of organ donation to the public. The performance highlighted the alarming disparity between the demand and supply of kidney transplants in India. Every year, approximately 7.5 lakh kidney transplants are required, but only 11 thousand kidneys are available through organ donation. This stark contrast underscores the urgent need to increase public awareness and participation in organ

donation. Prof. (Dr) Ajai Singh emphasized the profound

impact of organ donation,

stating, "Organ donation not only gives life to an indi-vidual but also to an entire family. By organizing such events, AIIMS Bhopal is committed to running an effective program to promote organ transplantation in the country and the state. Through organ donation, a person's organ can continue to live and give new life to another even after death." The play underscored the importance of organ donation as a permanent solution to the increasing cases of dialysis in India. While dialysis serves to purify the blood, it is not a long-term solution. Kidney transplants, made possible through organ donation, provide a permanent solution and significantly improve the quality of life for patients.

AIIMS Bhopal, through its dedicated efforts and initiatives, continues to play a pivotal role in promoting organ donation and transplantation. The institution is committed to educating the public, dispelling myths, and encouraging more individuals to come forward and pledge their organs.

# Kathak and Bharatanatyam at Bharat Bhawan



**STAFF REPORTER** ■ BHOPAL

**¬**wo dance performances were given at Bharat Bhavan on the second evening of the Bhavanubhav festival based on dance arts organized by Music Center Anhad. On one hand, art lovers got the opportunity to become aware of the nuances of Kathak dance. At the same time, the presentation based

Vishnu in Bharatnatyam left me mesmerized. At the ceremony, Amita Khare, Shweta Devendra and fellow dancers gave a beautiful presentation focusing on dance and music.In this dance music session which lasted for about two hours, the dancers incorporated various postures of Bharatanatyam along with traditional Kathak in their dance and presented them

on ten incarnations of Lord

on stage. In this, the dancers displayed the ten incarnations of Lord Vishnu like Pisces, Vaman, Parashuram, Varaha, Ram, Krishna etc. In the next phase of the ceremony, Kathak dance performance by Amita Khare took place. Amita started the presentation with Ganesh Vandana. After this, a presentation based on Jhaptal and Miyan Malhar

was given.

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# State government committed to empower women: CM

**STAFF REPORTER** BHOPAL

hief Minister Mohan Yadav affirmed the state **⊿**government's dedication to empowering women, describing the experience of walking alongside the women of the state as deeply fulfilling. He expressed that he would always cherish the affection his sisters showed him with their Rakhi ties. Yadav made these remarks while participating in the Ladli Behna programme held at the Krishi Upaj Mandi complex in Narsinghpur, which coincided with Raksha Bandhan and the Shravan festivals.

Chief Minister Yadav said that, as part of the state government's commitment to women's empowerment, Rs 1250 is being deposited monthly into the accounts of Ladli Behnas to support their families. This year on Raksha Bandhan, an addi-

tional Rs 250 will be given separately alongside the Ladli Behna Yojana funds. This bonus will benefit 1.29 crore women across the state. Yadav emphasized that Raksha Bandhan is a festival that surpasses all others in its significance, highlighting the unbreakable bond between brothers and sisters. He noted that the warmth and affection he experienced from the sisters in Narsinghpur today felt like celebrating all festivals in one day, underscoring the festival's deep connection to our Sanatan cul-

Chief Minister Yadav dedicated, performed bhoomi pujan, and laid the foundation of 12 construction works worth Rs 151.13 crore in the programme of Ladli Behnas organized at the Krishi Upaj Mandi in Narsinghpur. He also distributed benefits to the beneficiaries under various public welfare schemes. In the pro-

gram, Ladli Behnas presented a ig Rakhi to the Chief Minister and tied the Rakhi to his wrist. The Chief Minister planted a mango sapling in the open jail premises of Narsinghpur. Jail department personnel gave a guard of honor.

Chief Minister Yadav expressed

that being born as a human is a

profound blessing, and being born in India is even more so. He believes that his devotion to God has granted him the privilege of being born in Madhya Pradesh, with his spiritual journey leading him to the banks of the Narmada River. He highlighted that India's culture is rooted in the principle of "live and let live." embodied in the values of Sarve Bhavantu Sukhinaha and Sarve Santu Niramaya, which connect us deeply with nature. Yadav praised India's unique global identity, characterized by its harmony and the paramount importance of values. Drawing on Swami Vivekananda's address to Americans, he noted that our culture embodies a sense of equality. Unlike other places where law enforcement is necessary to maintain order, India relies on its intrinsic values to guide behavior, with police focusing on addressing wrongdoing rather than maintaining

societal balance. Chief Minister Yadav said that to enhance the education of the state's youth, PM Excellence Colleges have been established in every district, including Narsinghpur, as part of the new education policy. He highlighted that both the Central and State Governments are supporting farmers with a grant of Rs 6,000 each to help cover expenses for fertilizers, seeds, electricity, and water. Yadav assured that all types of scholarships will continue to support

students in pursuing higher education. He also confirmed that all welfare schemes currently in place will remain active, with no program being discontinued. Additionally, the Seekho-Kamao scheme will offer youth opportunities for internships, providing valuable work experience.

Yadav said that like the bonus for wheat and paddy, now the milk-producing farmers will also be given a bonus. He said that whatever cost will be incurred for the upgradation of the Narsinghpur Krishi Upaj Mandi, will be approved. The Chief Minister also announced to give Rs 4 lakh each to the families of the people killed and Rs 1 lakh each to the injured due to house collapse following excessive rain in village Rampura of Saikheda development block of Gadarwara assembly of the district.



Minister for Cooperatives Vishwas Kailash Sarang goes through an exhibition of Cooperative products, in Bhopal on Saturday.

Pioneer photo

#### Four children killed as a wall collapses on them **STAFF REPORTER** ■ BHOPAL

our children were ≺ killed and a woman and a child sustained injuries after a wall of an abandoned building collapsed on them while they were returning home from school in Madhya Pradesh's Rewa district on Saturday,

officials said. The incident occurred near a private school under Garh police station limits, an official said.

The children from Sunrise Public School were on their The incident occurred near a private school under Garh police station limits

way home when the wall of an abandoned building nearby collapsed on them, Mahendra Singh Sikarwar, Inspector-General of Police, Rewa zone, told reporters.

Collector Pratibha Pal said the children were going home with a caretaker at

the time. When they were pulled out of the debris, four had died.

A woman and another child sustained injuries and were referred to Rewa for further treatment, she said. The administration was clearing the debris, Pal said, adding that a probe would be initiated and relief would soon be announced for families of the victims.

According to officials, Ankita Gupta (5), Manya Gupta (7), Siddharth Gupta (5) and Anuj Prajapati (5) died in the collapse.

#### Coaching centre operators meet

STAFF REPORTER BHOPAL

eeting with coaching centre operators was held by MP Nagar SDM on fire safety and parking, a month's time has been given to them to follow the compliance.

After the death of three students due to waterlogging in the basement of UPSC prep centres in Delhi, strictness is being done in Bhopal as well. Action has also been taken against 7 coaching institutes for

holding classes in the base-On Saturday, MP Nagar SDM

Ashutosh Sharma held a meeting of all coaching institutes. They were given a month's time regarding parking and fire

Along with the police and administration officers, officials of electrical safety and the corporation's building permission branch were also present in the meeting.

SDM Sharma said, the operators of coaching institutes have been asked to rectify all the deficiencies in a month. After a month, the coaching centers will be inspected again. If the deficiencies are not removed,

action will be taken to seal

One person will have to be deployed on every floor of the coaching, who will be able to guide to deal with emergency situations.

A display board of audit will be installed in every coaching. So that parents know how safe their child will be here.

Two-wheelers and four-wheelers will have to be parked in the multi-level parking located in Zone-1. From here, we will come on foot to the coaching centre located in Zone-2. Parking facilities will also be

provided in the basement. Classes will not be held here under any circumstances

**DEMAND** 

NOTICE



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(Co-Borrower)

(Co-Borrower-2)

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	from the publication of this notice, the amounts indicated here in below. The detail of the Borrower & Guarantor, amount due and security offered towards repayment of loan amount are as under:			
	Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s), to repay the amount mentioned in respective demand notice issued to them. In connection with above, notice is hereby given, once again, to the Borrower & Guarantor to pay within 60 days			
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#### Name of Borrower Demand Notice issu Description of Secured asset (Immovable Property) 2. Loan Account No. Guarantor / Co-Borrowei 3. Amount Due as on Notice Date 1) Issuance Date- 13.07.2024 Mr. RAMA NARAYAN AGRAHARI SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY- House No. EWS/X-13, JDA Scheme No. 05, Maharaja Agrsen Ward, Vijay Nagar, 90 Quarter, 2) MP/JBR/JBLP/A00000178 「ehsil Jabalpur, Distt. Jabalpur(M.P). Admeasuring Area: Total Area – 330 Sq.Ft. Or 30.67 Sq.Mtr. Boundaries: As Per Sale (Borrower) 3) Total Amount Due- Rs. 4,69,393/-(Rupees Four Lacs Sixty Deed EAST - HOUSE NO. EWS/X 14. WEST - HOUSE NO. EWS/X-12, NORTH - SIDE ROAD. SOUTH - HOUSE NO. EWS/X-27. Mrs. PRABHA GUPTA (Co-Borrowei Nine Thousand, Three Hundred Ninety Three Only) Mr. KAMLESH KUMAR (Borrower) 1) Issuance Date- 13.07.2024 SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY- Survey No./House No. 447, Mouja Barha Bada, Ward No. 05, P.H.No. 56/58, NB No. 312, 2) MP/JBR/GDWR/A000000146 RNM Chichli, Tehsil Gadarwara, Distt. Narsinghpur (MP) **Admeasuring Area**: Total Area – 2735 Sq.Ft. Or 254.18 Sq.Mtr Mrs. DURGA AHIRWAR (Co - Borrower) 3) Total Amount Due- Rs. 10,09,505/- (Rupees Ten Lacs Nine Boundaries: As Per Sale Deed EAST: HOUSE OF KOMAL PRASHAD AND ROAD. WEST: HOUSE OF JAGDISH PRASHAD. NORTH: HOUSE OF KALIRAM. SOUTH: HOUSE OF JANKI PRASHAD. Thousand Five Hundred Five Only) 1) Issuance Date- 13.07.2024 Mr. MUNNALAL SOUR (Borrower) SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY- Survey No. 260,261, 262/1/1/1/1, Mouja Vill. Behlot, P.H.No. 42, Ward No. 06, Sanjay 2) MP/SGR/SAGR/A000000617 Mrs. RAJBAI SOUR (Co - Borrower) Gandhi Ward, Char Khamba Wali Gali, Tehsil Ganj Basoda, Distt. Vidisha (MP) **Admeasuring Area:** Total Area – 800 Sq. Ft. Or 3) Total Amount Due- Rs. 10,47,198/- (Rupees Ten Lacs 74.34 Sq.Mtr. Boundaries: As Per Sale Deed **EAST:** NAGAR PALIKA ROAD. **WEST:** HOUSE OF RAMA PRAJAPATI. **NORTH**: HOUSE OF KHAUSABADA PATWARI SOUTH: HOUSE OF CHANDRASEKHER SAMAIYA. Fourty Seven Thousand One Hundred Ninety Eight Only) 1) Issuance Date- 13.07.2024 Mr. SHIVRAJ SINGH (Borrower) SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY- Survey No. 606/2/Min-1/Min-3, Mouia Kumbhrai, Ward No. 03, P.H.No. 40, Block 2) MP/GUN/GUNA/A00000001 Chanchoda, Tehsil Kumbhraj, Distt. Guna(MP). Admeasuring Area: Total Area – 600 Sq. Ft. Or 55.76 Sq. Mtr. Boundaries: As Mrs GAYATRI BAI (Co - Borrower)

3) Total Amount Due- Rs. 10,28,611/- (Rupees Ten Lacs

3) Total Amount Due- Rs. 10,46,615/- (Rupees Ten Lacs

2) MP/JBR/NRSP/A000000197 & CO/CPC/CPOF/A000002707

3) Total Amount Due- Rs. 11,18,827/- (Rupees Eleven Lacs

**Eighteen Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Seven Only)** 

3) Total Amount Due- Rs. 32,53,418/- (Rupees Thirty Two

Lacs Fifty Three Thousand Four Hundred Eighteen Only)

3) Total Amount Due- Rs. 21,58,893/- (Rupees Twenty One

3) Total Amount Due-Rs. 8,20,736/- (Rupees Eight Lacs

3) Total Amount Due-Rs. 3,30,139/- (Rupees Three Lacs

2) MP/JBR/JBLP/A000000355 & CO/CPC/CPOF/A000001705

3) Total Amount Due- Rs. 16,28,727/- (Rupees Sixteen Lacs

Twenty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Seven Only)

3) Total Amount Due- Rs. 9,76,543/- (Rupees Nine Lacs

Seventy Six Thousand Five Hundred Forty Three Only)

3) Total Amount Due- Rs. 12,20,053/- (Rupees Twelve Lacs

3) Total Amount Due- Rs. 7,77,996/- (Rupees Seven Lacs

Seventy Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Six Only)

3) Total Amount Due- Rs. 10,21,480/- (Rupees Ten Lacs Twenty One Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Only)

Twenty Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty Six Only)

Thirty Thousand One Hundred Thirty Nine Only)

Fourty Six Thousand Six Hundred Fifteen Only)

1) Issuance Date- 16.07.2024

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Six Thousand Ninety Nine Only)

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1) Issuance Date- 13.07.2024

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2) MP/GLR/GWLR/A000001325

2) MP/GLR/GWLR/A000001341

Twenty Thousand Fifty Three Only)

2) MP/GLR/GWLR/A00000035

2) MP/SGR/SAGR/A00000119

Twenty Eight Thousand Six Hundred Eleven Only)

1) Issuance Date- 13.07.2024 Mr. BHARAT VASOD (Borrower) SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY- Survey No . 632(S), Mouja Kumbhraj, Ward No.05, P.H.No. 40, Nagar Panchayat Kumbhraj, 2) MP/GUN/GUNA/A00000036 Tehsil Kumbhraj, Distt. Guna (MP). Admeasuring Area: Total Area – 750 Sq.Ft. Or 69.70 Sq.Mtr. Boundaries: As Per Sale Deed EAST: LAND OF SELLER. WEST: 18 FT. WIDE ROAD. NORTH: LAND OF SELLER. SOUTH: LAND OF SELLER. Mrs. ASHA BAI VASOD 3) Total Amount Due- Rs. 5,68,096/- (Rupees Five Lacs Sixty (Co-Borrower) Eight Thousand and Ninty Six Only) Mr. OM PRAKASH (Borrower) e Date- 16.07.2024 SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY- Survey No. 208, Mouja Vill. Rajoda, P.H. No. 44, Plot No. 131, Sironj Road, Tiranga Chouk to 2) MP/SGR/SAGR/A000000071 & CO/CPC/CPCO/A000000048 Ganj Mod, Tehsil Ganj Basoda, Distt. Vidisha Admeasuring Area: Total Area – 600 Sq. Ft. or 55.76 Sq. Mtr. Boundaries: As Per Mrs. MEENA BAI (Co-Borrower)

3) Total Amount Due- Rs. 19,37,374/- (Rupees Nineteen Lacs Sale Deed:EAST: LAND OF SELLER. WEST: LAND OF SELLER. NORTH: 35 FT. ROAD. SOUTH: LAND OF SELLER. Thirty Seven Thousand Three Hundred Seventy Four Only) 1) Issuance Date- 16.07.2024 SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY- Survey No. 201/1, Mouja Malah Pipariya, P.H.No. 28, N.B. No. 324, R.N.M. Narsinghpur, 2) MP/JBR/NRSP/A00000206

Tehsil & Distt. Narsinghpur. Admeasuring Area: Total Area – 2000 Sq. Ft. Or 185.80 Sq. Mtr. Boundaries: As Per Sale Deed EAST: PLOT OF HAKAM SINGH LODHI. WEST: RASTA NORTH: ROAD. SOUTH: HOUSE OF SITARAM.

Per Sale Deed EAST: PLOT OF HEERALAL. WEST: 15 FT. ROAD. NORTH: LAND OF SELLER. SOUTH: PLOT OF SELLER.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY- Survey No./H No. 69, Mouja Dhamna, P.H.No. 19, N.B.No. 263, R.N.M. Narsinghpur, Block  $N ar singhpur, Tehsil \& Distt. \ Nar singhpur \ \textbf{Admeasuring Area:} Total Area - 3128 \ Sq. Ft. \ Or \ 290.70 \ Sq. Mtr. \ Boundaries: \ As \ Perror \ Area - 3128 \ Sq. Ft. \ Or \ 290.70 \ Sq. Mtr. \ Boundaries: \ As \ Perror \ Area - 3128 \ Sq. Ft. \ Or \ 290.70 \ Sq. Mtr. \ Boundaries: \ As \ Perror \ Area - 3128 \ Sq. Ft. \ Or \ 290.70 \ Sq. Mtr. \ Boundaries: \ As \ Perror \ Area - 3128 \ Sq. Ft. \ Or \ 290.70 \ Sq. Mtr. \ Boundaries: \ As \ Perror \ Area - 3128 \ Sq. Ft. \ Or \ 290.70 \ Sq. Mtr. \ Boundaries: \ As \ Perror \ Area - 3128 \ Sq. Ft. \ Or \ 290.70 \ Sq. Mtr. \ Boundaries: \ As \ Perror \ Area - 3128 \ Sq. Ft. \ Or \ 290.70 \ Sq. Mtr. \ Boundaries: \ As \ Perror \ Area - 3128 \ Sq. Ft. \ Or \ 290.70 \ Sq. Mtr. \ Boundaries: \ As \ Perror \ Area - 3128 \ Sq. \ Perror \ Area - 3128 \ Perror \ Area -$ Sale Deed EAST: LAND OF OMPRAKASH VISHWAKARMA. WEST: ROAD. NORTH: ROAD. SOUTH: OWN LAND.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY- Survey No.298/4, Mouja Bhamki, P.H. No. 53, R.N.M. Shahpura, Tehsil Shahpura, Distt. labalpur, Admeasuring Area: Total Area – 2400 Sq.Ft.Boundaries: As Per Sale Deed EAST: NAVNEET JAIN. WEST PLOT OF BASANT JAIN, NORTH: JABALPUR NARSINGHPUR ROAD, SOUTH: WAREHOUSE OF MILAN SHROTI.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY- Survey No. 108/2, Mouja Kandeli, PH No. 17, N.B. No. 36, R.N.M. Narsinghpur, Tehsil & Dist

2) MP/JBR/GDWR/A000000164 & CO/CPC/CPOF/A000002451 Narsinghpur, Admeasuring Area: Total Area - 600 Sq.Ft. Boundaries: As Per Sale Deed EAST: LAND OF SELLER. WEST: LAND OF SELLER. NORTH: MUD ROAD. SOUTH: LAND OF DHANARE. Lacs Fifty Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Three Only)

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY- Survey No. 6/72, Mouja Kandeli, PH No. 17/41, N.B. No. 36, Virangana Rani Avantibai Ward, Raj Nagar Colony, Nagar Palika Narsinghpur, Tehsil & Distt. Narsinghpur, **Admeasuring Area**: Total Area – 700 Sq.Ft. Or 65.05 Sq.Mtr. **Boundaries**: As Per Sale Deed **EAST**: PLOT OF SELLER. **WEST**: HOUSE OF AJAY SHRIVASTAVA. **NORTH**: PLOT OF OLD

SELLER. SOUTH: 20 FT MUD ROAD. SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY- Survey No.85/1, Moujarajakhedi, P,H.No. 71, Ward No. 08, Durga Nagar, Nagar Palika Makroniya, Circle Sagar-2, Tehsil & Distt, Sagar, Admeasuring Area: Total Area – 871 Sq.Ft, Or 80.95 Sq.Mtr, Boundaries: As

Per Sale Deed EAST: LAND OF SAXENA JI. WEST: RASTA. NORTH: PLOTOF RAJKUMAR RAIKWAR. SOUTH: ROAD. SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY- Survey No. 278/5, Mouja Richhai, PH No. Old 16/55 New 75, NB No. 402, Ward no. 77, Sant

Ravidas ward, Suman Nagar, Nagar Nigan Jabalpur, Tehsil Ranjhi, Dist Jabalpur Admeasuring Area: Total Area – 760 Sq.Ft.or

70.63 SqMt. Boundaries: As Per Sale Deed EAST: Side Road, WEST: Side Road, NORTH: Rest property of Seller. S O U T H 20 Ft Side Road. SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY-Survey No.453, Mouja Village Pamaya, Ph No. 54, RNM 03, Nurabad, Tehsil Morena, Distt.

Morena (MP). Total Area 1125 Sq Ft. Or 104.55 SqM. Boundaries of property as per sale deed as follows: - East: - Aam Rasta 30 Ft., West: - Others Land, North: - Others Land of Maheshwari, South: - House Land of Owner.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY- Survey No. 905/21, Mouja Joura Khurd, Ward No. 40, BAnkhandi Ward, Gaadipal Wali Gali, Village Jaitpur, Nagar Palika Nigam Morena, Tehsil Morena, Distt. Morena (MP). Total Area 595 Sq Ft. Or 55.29 SqM. Boundaries of property as per sale deed as follows: - East: - House of Ramesh Master, West: - 10 Ft. Wide Road, North: -House of Ramaytar, South: - House of Dinesh Savita.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY- Survey No. Old 606/2/1/2/15(S), Mouja Kumbhraj, Ward No. 02, Sanjay Ward, PH No. 40, Nagar Panchayat Kumbhraj, Tehsil Kumbhraj, Distt. Guna (MP). Total Area 600 Sq Ft. Or 55.76 SqM. Boundaries of property 3) Total Amount Due- Rs. 6,26,099/- (Rupees Six Lacs Twenty as per sale deed as follows: - East: - Plot of Kamlesh Sahu, West: - Rasta., North: - Land of Prem Bai Meena. South: - Plot of Heera Namdev.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY- Survey No. Old 626/Min-7 New 626/7(S), Mouja Kumbhraj, Ward No. 05, Rajeev Ward, PH No. Old 24 New 40, Gyatri Colony, Kumbhraj, Tehsil Kumbhraj, Distt. Guna (MP). Total Area 525 Sq Ft. Or 48.79 SqM Boundaries of property as per sale deed as follows: - East: - House of Kalyan Marsab Upri. West: - Plot of Shivraj Singh

North: - 15 Ft. wide Road. South: - House of Govind Sen. SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY- Survey No. 93, Mouja Jaitpur Nurabad, Ward No. 05, Village Jaitpur, Nagar Panchayat

Banmor, Tehsil Banmor, Distt. Morena (MP). Total Area 1000 Sq Ft. Or 92.93 SqM. Boundaries of property as per sale deed

as follows: - East: - Aam Rasta 15 Ft. West: - Others Vacant Plot, North: - Land of Seller. Land of Seller, SOUTH - Land of Seller. SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY- Survey No./House No. 1452, Mauja Sanjay Gandhi Ward, Ward No. 41, Block 26, Plot No.

2) MP/JBR/JBLP/A00000329 MR. MAYANK KANOJIYA (Co 5/2, RI Circle Jabalpur-1, Distt. Jabalpur (MP). Total Area 358 Sq Ft. Or 33.27 SqM. Boundaries of property as per sale deed 3) Total Amount Due- Rs. 15,96,881/- (Rupees Fifteen Lacs as follows: - East: - Plot of Heeralal Bharti. West: - Plot of Sanjay Raikwar. North: - House of Vijay Singh. South: - Lane. Borrower-1) MR. GOPAL RAJAK (Co Borrower-2) Ninety Six Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty One Only) If the said Borrower / Guarantor fail to make payment to HHFL as aforesaid, HHFL may proceed against the above secured assets u/s 13(4) of the said act and applicable Rules entirely at the risks, costs and consequence of the Borrower / Guarantor. For,

further details, please contact to Authorised Officer Mobile No.-VAIBHAV SHRIVASTAVA-7987969803, Rajesh Chakotiya-8435571111, Pankaj Joshi-9644523578, SHIVENDRA MISHRA-8839287191, Ashish Singh -99819 98190 and Address Regiona . Office : 101 B, 1<sup>ST</sup> Floor Hinduja Housing Finance , NRK BUISNESS PARK,VIJAYNAGAR ,INDORE ( MP) PIN CODE 452010 Place: Indore, Date: 04.08.2024 **Authorised Officer, Hinduja Housing Finance Limited** 

#### lakh robbery near Parul hospital **STAFF REPORTER** ■ BHOPAL abibganj police have nabbed two robbers who have looted Rs 5.25 lakh near Parul Hospital on Friday.

Indore Divisional Commissioner Deepak Singh accompanied by Indore collector

records of different sections and reviewed the disposal of revenue cases which are registered in different ADM office SDM office and Tehsil offices. Commissioner Deepak Singh also talked to common man who were present in collector office

Habibganj police nab 2, solve Rs 5.25

Ashish Singh, inspected Indore collector office and reviewed the working and

A student was robbed of Rs. 5.25 lakhs in broad daylight in Bhopal on Thursday. Two accused came on a scooter, first hit the victim's scooter due to which they fell and then stabbed him in the back to scare him.

After this, they snatched his bag full of money and fled. The incident took place at Kilandeo Tower Square. The withdrawing money from the

The police have arrested four accused in the case. The main accused is a close friend of the student. He had hatched the entire conspiracy of the robbery.

The looted amount of Rs. 5 lakhs, knife and the scooter used in the crime have been seized from the possession of the accused.

Commissioner Police Harinarayanchari Mishra said that based on the student's suspicion in the case, the police detained his close friend Anas Ali (23) late at night. He told the police that he had confessed to the robbery with his friends Altaf Ansari (20) resident of Aishbagh, Alfaz Khan (24) resident of Talaiya and Avan Rivaz (20) resident of Talaiya. He was aware that complainant Ahmad would go to MP Nagar on Friday afternoon to cash the cheque. Out of the looted amount, accused Alfaz gave Rs 3 lakh, Ayan gave Rs 1 lakh and Altaf gave Rs 1.25 lakh. After the crime, the accused divided the money among themselves in a field behind Bharat Talkies. Alfaz was going to give half the amount of Rs 1.5 lakh to Anas. Accused Anas is a close friend

of complainant Ahmad. Before withdrawing the money, Ahmad took Anas to the bank in his own vehicle. From here, he withdrew Rs 5.25 lakh by withdrawing the cheque. After this, he left for home on his moped. On the way, Anas got off the vehicle saying that he had some urgent work. Accused Altaf and Alfaz com-

mitted the robbery at a short distance. Anas and Ayan were standing far away and watching the crime. It was already decided that in case of any problem at the spot, both of them would come to help. Ahmed Raza is 18 years old. He ing 12th. His husband Abdul

He is also a farmer. A customer had recently paid by cheque after buying marble. Ahmed had gone to the bank to encash the cheque from his house in Malviya Nagar. He was returning home after taking money from the bank in MP Nagar Zone-2.

Sattar is in the marble business.



#### CHANGE OF NAME

I, Anjali Singh Lalwani Alias Anjali Singh Alias Anjali D/O Anand Singh W/O Kunal Lalwani R/O A-44 Alkapuri Huzur Bhopal Madhya Pradesh-462024 Changed My Name To Anjali Singh.

#### PD(649)A

I, Anchal Mishra S/o Santosh Mishra R/O, Ward-07 Purani Bazar Town-Post-Birsinghpur Majhgawan Satna Madhya Pradesh-485226 Changed My Name To Satvik Mishra.

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# **SC** Dalit sub-quota verdict may help BJP boost outreach

The BJP may not have taken a categorical stand at the national level on the Supreme ourt's landmark decision allowing States to create sub-categorisation within the SCs and STs, but several of its leaders are of the view that the verdict can help the party boost its outreach to the more disadvantaged sections of Dalits.

The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has assiduously cultivated the numerically-weaker Scheduled Castes (SCs) in many States, such as Uttar Pradesh, Telangana and Karnataka, over the years, and the apex court's verdict may allow the party to promise these communities with their most coveted wish -- their fair share in Government jobs and schemes, they said. The erosion of Dalit votes that hit the BJP in the recent Lok Sabha polls has sent its brain trust to the drawing board, as the party looks to reinvigorate its outreach to the community after the opposition's allegation that Narendra

SSB DG to hold

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said Saturday.

Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB) director general (DG) Daljit

Singh Chawdhary will hold

the additional charge of the

Border Security Force (BSF)

following the premature repa-

triation of incumbent Nitin

Agrawal, a Government order

Agrawal, a 1989-batch Indian

Police Service (IPS) officer of

the Kerala cadre, was removed

as the BSF DG on Friday by an

order of the Appointments

Committee of the Cabinet

(ACC), Headed by the Prime

Minister. A Union home

Ministry order issued on

Saturday said Chawdhary, a

1990-batch IPS officer of the

Uttar Pradesh cadre, will hold

the additional charge of the post of BSF DG "till the

appointment of a regular incumbent or until further

orders, whichever is earlier.

additional charge of BSF



Government wanted to change the Constitution found some traction in the election. However, a section of the party is of the view that it should tread cautiously on an issue rife with political uncertainty and assess the overall mood within the Scheduled Castes and Tribes before outlining its position. "Most parties, be it the BJP or the Congress or many regional parties, have refrained from taking a categorical stand. It is because the reaction from within these communities is itself divided. There are divided views within even a party, depending on who you speak to," a party leader said.

What has made things tricky for the BJP is the stand of its ally,

Chawdhary is the DG of the

Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB), the

force that guards India's fronts

with Nepal and Bhutan. The

ACC on Friday ordered simi-

lar premature and immediate

repatriation of Agrawal's

deputy and Special DG (west),

Yogesh Bahadur Khurania, to

The Government's decision to

remove the two top BSF offi-

cers comes against the back-drop of the Jammu region, along the India-Pakistan inter-national border, witnessing a

his parent cadre of Odisha.

Lok Janshakti Party (Ram Vilas), against the verdict, apparently driven by the fact that its support base of Paswans in Bihar is unhappy with the idea of dividing the Dalit quota

along caste lines. LJP President

and Union Minister Chirag

Paswan has been a staunch BJP

The Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD), the principal opposition party in Bihar, has also come out against any move to fix a sub-quota for different SC communities. However, several BJP leaders, especially in different States where the party has long sympathised with the more disadvantaged among the Dalit castes, have welcomed the Supreme ourt judgment. Tamil Nadu BJP

**ARCHANA JYOTI** ■ NEW DELHI

Urban areas are rapidly becoming dengue hotbeds

due to climate-induced higher

temperatures, erratic rainfall

leading to waterlogging, pop-

ulation concentration, and

Inadequate solid waste man-

agement and improper water

storage practices further exac-

erbate the problem, contribut-

ing to a higher density of the

Aedes mosquito, which spreads

Data speaks. In 2022, a total of

2.33 lakh cases and 303 deaths

and in 2023 a total of 2.89 lakh

cases and 485 deaths due to

Dengue were reported. The

urban areas have been con-

tributing 55-58 per cent of the

total cases for the last few

years, however in 2023 it

increased to around 68 per

rapid construction.

dengue.

a post on X that the Centre, in its affidavit to the court, had favoured the sub-categorisation. He said the verdict will ensure that the Madiga community receives its due, a reference to the more disadvantaged Dalits who live mostly in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana but are also present in other southern States. BJP MP Brij Lal, who comes

from the Dalit community, had also welcomed the verdict, saying it addresses the disparity within the SCs. Economically and numerically stronger Dalit groups, like Malas in Telangana or Jatavs in Uttar Pradesh, are not considered to be pro-BJP. The Centre formed a high-level committee in January to examine the administrative steps that can be taken to safeguard the interests of SC groups like the

The panel has been tasked with recommending ways to ensure a fair allocation of benefits for the most disadvantaged communities within the SCs, which have been cornered by comparatively affluent and influential

Union Health Secretary Apurva Chandra sounded

alarm recently at a meeting say-

ing that with the onset of the

monsoon and dengue cases

nearly 50 per cent higher than

at the same time last year,

there was need for a joint

action plan with the Urban

Development Ministry. "This

collaborative effort aims to

address the rising dengue cases

in urban areas through

increased public awareness,

and effective vector control

The Secretary said that dengue

cases have been increasing

over the past four years, year

Although dengue cases generally peak in October, this year's

trend shows that, as of July 31,

2024, the number of cases is

already almost 50 per cent

higher than at the same time

last year, he said, indicating that

dengue is fast emerging, out-

break-prone, and mosquito-

borne viral fever.

surveillance,

enhanced

after year.

measures," he said.

# CJI highlights Lok Adalat's role in dispute settlement

People get "so fed up" with the matters of courts that they just want a settlement, Chief Justice of India DY Chandrachud said on Saturday while highlighting the role of Lok Adalats as alternative dispute redressal mechanisms. Lok Adalats are forums where

disputes and cases pending in courts or at pre-litigation stage are settled or compromised amicably. No appeal against the mutually accepted settlement can be filed.

"Log itna trast ho jate hain court ke mamlon se wo koi bhi settlement chahte hain...Bas court se dur kara dijiye (People are so fed up with the matters of the court that they just want a settlement).

This process is the punishment and that is a cause of concern for all of us as judges," Chandrachud said at the commemoration of the special Lok Adalat week at the Supreme

The CJI said he got tremendous support and cooperation from everyone including the Bar and the Bench in setting up of Lok Adalat at every stage.

**Urban areas rapidly becoming dengue hotbeds: Data** 

that there was no need to

panic as "while the number of

cases has been rising over the

past four years, the Dengue

Case Fatality Rate has

decreased from 3.3 per cent in

1996 to 0.17 per cent in 2023

due to focused, timely and

Chandra was chairing a high-

level inter-ministerial meeting

(conducted in hybrid mode) to

review the dengue situation in

nine high-burden states and

assess the preparedness of the

public health system for the

collaborative efforts.'



panels for the Lok Adalat were constituted, it was ensured that every panel would consist of two judges and two members

"The purpose behind doing this was to give ownership to the advocates over the institution because this is not an institution which is only run by the judges, and this is not the institution of the judges, for the judges, by the judges," he said. There is so much that we learn

We learnt from the advocates about how much command

uinely felt that the Supreme ourt may be located in Delhi but it is not the Supreme ourt of Delhi. It is the Supreme ourt of India, he said. "Since I took over as the CJI, we have made efforts to bring officers from all over the country in the Registry. They bring great amount of inclusion and diver-

sity," he said.
The CJI said the special Lok
Adalat began with seven
benches initially as "we were
sceptical if we would be successful".

"By Thursday we had 13 benches and there was so much work," he said. "Purpose of Lok Adalat has been to take justice to the homes of people and ensure people that we are constant presence in their lives,' Chandrachud said.

The week-long special Lok Adalat, celebrating 75 years of the Supreme ourt, began with the aim to "facilitate amicable settlements of suitable pending cases", in matters that have "elements of settlement".

The top court held the special Lok Adalat till August 3 in an effort to reduce the pendency

Coast Guard achieves significant

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milestone

a significant milestone, the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) successfully conducted its maiden night landing of the ICG Dornier aircraft at Agatti Airport in the Lakshadweep Islands on Friday, officials said here on Saturday. Giving details, they said located approximately 460 kilometers west of Kochi in the Arabian Sea, Agatti features the only airstrip in the Union Territory of Lakshadweep. This successful operation

marks a remarkable enhance-ment in the Indian Coast Guard's operational capabili-

The ability to conduct night landings will provide critical support to the local populace during natural disasters, medical evacuations, and other emergencies, even during the darkest hours.

The night landing was achieved through excellent coordination between Coast Guard District Headquarters, Lakshadweep, the Airport Authority of India, Agatti, and Coast Guard Air Enclave,

This achievement ensures the round-the-clock presence of

ment to operational excellence and its readiness to address

contributes to nationalsecurity and regional stability.



from each other.

they have over little procedural issues," the CJI said.

prevention, containment, and

management of dengue, given

the onset of the monsoon and

He highlighted the need for

pre-emptive steps and public

health measures ahead of the

monsoon season, when dengue

cases typically peak around

August, September, October,

Chandra advised the States to

be prepared with effective hos-

pital management of the

dengue patients. The Secretary

also advised for identification

of the hot spots, increased vec-

and November.

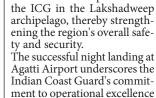
the rise in dengue cases.

tor surveillance, geotagging of the cases for taking preventive actions etc. He stated, "We need to ensure the availability of platelets and hospital resources in the health departments to bring down the fatality rate."

He assured all support to the states in combating dengue and encouraged the states to submit their proposals to the Ministry regarding the support they require.

The meeting, held recently included participation from the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) as well as Secretaries and highlevel officials from the nine states of Delhi, Gujarat, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh, and West Bengal.

Total of 18 municipal corporations including Ahmedabad, Bengaluru, Chennai, Delhi, Hyderabad, and Mumbai virtually participated in the meet-



challenges in the most demanding conditions. This capability significantly



# Submarine INS Shalki arrives in Colombo

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Underlining close defence ties between the two countries, Indian Navy's submarine INS Shalki is in Colombo, Sri Lanka on a two day visit (02 - 04 August). The submarine was accorded a ceremonial reception by the Sri Lanka Navy on Friday, Navy said here on Saturday.

During the visit, the Commanding Officer is sched-

uled to call on the Commander of the Western Naval Area Rear Admiral WDCU Kumarasinghe, followed by visit and briefing of Sri Lanka Navy personnel onboard. Personnel from High Commission of India in Sri Lanka and Sri Lanka Defence Forces are also scheduled to visit the submarine.\ INS Shalki is a Shishumar class

diesel-electric submarine, commissioned into the Indian Navy in 1992. This is the first ever submarine to be built in India. Earlier, Kalvari class submarines INS Karanj and INS Vagir had visited Colombo in February 2024 and June 2023 (to celebrate International Day

#### The highest number of cases spate of terror attacks leading have been reported from Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, to killing of number of army and security personnel as well and Maharashtra. India set example for world

war-hit Ukraine: Kovind

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India set an example for the Lworld by evacuating its students from Ukraine and it could happen after Prime Minister Narendra Modi negotiated with both Russia and Ukraine for a 24-hour ceasefire, Ukraine for a 24-hour ceasetire, former President Ram Nath Kovind said on Saturday. Delivering the fifth Dr Rajaram Jaipuria Memorial Lecture here, the former President said India is on the path of being a

India is on the path of being a vishwaguru" or global leader and called upon the youth to contribute to it. He also gave several examples of how India proved itself to be a global leader, including the recent Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam for giving reservation to for giving reservation to women in legislature.

Talking about the Russia-Ukraine war, the former President said everyone expected it to be over in a month or two, which is why several Indian students got stuck in the war-struck Ukraine. "When six-eight months passed, the situation became such that it was difficult to survive. The concern of parents of the students was acknowledged by the Government. I am deliberately giving this example, I was in Rashtrapati Bhawan at that time," Kovind said. "I asked why so many Indian students go to Ukraine. I was told medgo to Ukraine. I was told medical education is cheap there. Our students got stuck, if something would have happened to them, the Government would have been held responsible. Though it was not the Government's was not the Government's responsibility, parents sent them there, but the Government would have been

blamed," he added. Asserting "our Government set an example", Kovind said they played the role of a global



leader and talked to both nations, Russia and Ukraine, to have a ceasefire for 24 hours. "Both are big nations. Would they have agreed if any other country would have intervened? No," he said. "Our Prime Minister talked to both Russia and Ukraine, and thank god both agreed. For 24 hours, war was paused," Kovind claimed.

He also said the students from other countries like the US, Pakistan and China were also stuck, but their Governments

could not evacuate them. "Their leaders were also told to follow the example of India, but they refused. They told the parents you did not ask us before sending the students...," he said. "This is global leadership and India is being recognised as a global leader as of today," he said. Kovind also said that the idea of Vishwaguru does not mean there will be a global Government Headed by India. "There used to be a concept of universal Government - it is not that India will become the Head of State and there would be a world capital in India. Countries will remain the same, but our recognition of global leadership will take us to the top," he said. Kovind said the Indian Government has taken a lot of steps to empower the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Backward Classes and women.

# Closure of weather advisory by evacuating students from offices for farmers slammed

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The Congress on Saturday ■ alleged that 199 district agro-meteoreological units, which provided farmers at the block-level free-of-cost weather advisory services, were shut down as the NITI Aayog "misrepresented" their role to justify the decision. Congress general secretary in-charge com-munications Jairam Ramesh shared a media report on social media which claimed that the farm weather advisory offices were shut in March this year as the NITI Aayog "misrepresent-ed" their role and sought privatisation. The India Meteorological

Department shut down 199 district agro-meteoreological units (DAMUs). These agromet units provided all farmers at the block-level free-of-cost weather advisory services, and crucial information related to sowing,



use of fertilisers, harvesting and storing crops," he said. Experts suggest that while the budget outlay for these units every year was around Rs 45 crore, the benefit was around Rs 15,000 crore, Ramesh pointed

The shutdown was opposed by Union Minister Nitin Gadkari, and by several key stakeholders, including the Gujarat-based Association

Agrometeorologists, he claimed. "RTI documents now reveal that it was the NITI Aayog that suggested that district agromet services be privatised and monetised. In fact, the Aayog misrepresented their role to justify this decision,

arguing that the agromet units be shut down because data was now automated," he said. "This is untrue - agromet staff customised central forecasts for local use and tailored data for other advisories, such as those related to the use of fertilisers," Ramesh said in his

social media post.

The Aayog's deception and its lack of courage in standing up to the Government when faced with the Government's poor decision-making is illustrative of its role over the last ten years as a mere drumbeater and cheerleader for the non-biological PM," Ramesh said, slamming the public policy think-

## for work in organ transplant PNS NEW DELHI

Army hospital wins laurels

The army's Western Command Hospital on Saturday received a national recognition for its contribution to the field of organ transplantation. It has been awarded the title of

'Best Emerging National Transplant Retrieval Hospital' by the National Organ and Tissue Transplant Organisation (NOTTO), a senior official said. The Command Hospital of the Army's Western Command (CHWC) is located at Chandimandir in Harvana.

The award was presented by Union Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare Anupriya Patel to the hospital's organ transplant team during the 14th Indian Organ Donation Day function held here on Saturday, the Army said. The CHWC stood out among nearly 300 such hospitals across the nation, demon-



strating excellence in organ donation and retrieval practices, it said.

The introduction of organ donation and retrieval within the armed forces began in the late 2000s, with CHWC launching its programme in 2014.

"Since then, the hospital has successfully performed 75 organ transplant procedures. The CHWC has also achieved several significant milestones for military hospitals in the country like harvesting pancreas from a brain-dead person and retrieving the organs from a cardiac-dead person," the

# Call for finding solutions to mushrooming coaching centres

PNS NEW DELHI

 $I^{\text{ndia needs a comprehensive}}_{\text{policy solution to mush-}}$ rooming of coaching institutes, the Congress said on Saturday and called for a revision of syllabi, more resources for all exam-takers and investments in the quality of educa-

Congress general secretary incharge communications Jairam Ramesh said data provided by the Department of Higher Education to the Rajya Sabha shows that GST collections from coaching institutes have risen rapidly between 2019 and 2024, from Rs 2,241 crore to Rs 5,517 crore.

This represents an astonishing 146-per cent rise in Goods and Services Tax (GST) collections,

some part of which may be attributable to better enforcement, but it also likely comes from the growing market size,

"Worryingly, the GST collections of Rs 5,517 crore in FY24, collected at a rate of 18 per cent, suggests a market of Rs 30,653 crore for coaching institutes annuallv. This is an extremely worrying

figure, since it corresponds to about two-thirds of the Union Budget's allocation for higher education in FY24," Ramesh said in a social media post. GST figures are likely underestimating the market for coaching institutes, which is notorious for its poor regulation, the Congress leader added.

"India needs a comprehensive policy solution to this mush-



rooming of coaching institutes syllabi need to be revised, and brought in line with school curriculum, more resources need to be made available for all exam-takers, and investments must be made in the quality of education," he said.

His remarks came amid a focus on coaching institutes following the death of three civil service aspirants after the basement of such an institute in Delhi's Old Rajinder Nagar area was flooded due to rains. Ramesh also posted on social

coaching institutes given by Minister of State in the Education Ministry Sukanta Mazumdar in Parliament last week, in which he said keeping in view the growth in the number of unregulated private coaching Centres in the country in the absence of any laiddown policy or regulation, the Ministry has circulated the Guidelines for Regulation of Coaching Centre among the States and Union territories on January 16 for consideration by way of an appropriate legal framework.

Education being on the Concurrent list, the States and Union territories need to take further action by way of an appropriate legal framework,

# MASKED ASSAILANTS RANSACK VENEZUELA OPPOSITION'S HEADQUARTERS

**AP** CARACAS

election.

ralf a dozen masked assailants ransacked the headquarters Venezuela's opposition Friday in an escalation of violence against President Nicolás Maduro's opponents after several countries called for proof of his claim he had won the disputed presidential

Assailants broke down doors and hauled away valuable documents and equipment in the raid around 3 am, opposition leader Maria Corina Machado's party said. published Machado's party on social media show several walls covered in black spray paint. The raid follows threats by top officials, including Maduro, to arrest Machado, who has gone

The Biden administration has thrown its support firmly behind the opposition, candidate recognising Edmundo González as the victor and discrediting the National Electoral Council's

official results. González was

into hiding while still urging

international community to

challenge Sunday's election

and

Venezuelans

tapped in April as a last-minute stand-in for Machado, who has nose out of Venezuela! González, whose local been barred from running for political office for 15 years.

The US announcement late

Thursday followed calls from multiple governments, including Maduro's close regional allies, for Venezuela's electoral authorities to release precinct-level vote counts, as it has done during previous elections. On Friday, Uruguay recognised González as the

The electoral body declared Maduro the winner Monday, but the main opposition coalition revealed hours later that it had collected copies of more than 80% of the country's 30,000 voting tallies - printouts from the electronic voting machines - and that they show González prevailed by a more than 2-to-1 margin.

"Given the overwhelming evidence, it is clear to the United States and, most importantly, to the Venezuelan people that Edmundo González Urrutia won the that Edmundo most votes in Venezuela's July 28 presidential election," US Secretary of State Antony Blinken said in a statement. Maduro responded with a quick admonishment: "The United States needs to keep its

González, whose location is also unknown, posted a message on X Friday thanking the US "for recognizing the will of the Venezuelan people

reflected in our electoral victory and for supporting the process of restoring democratic norms Venezuela".

On Friday,

infrastructure".

Venezuelan

electoral authorities gave an updated vote count, but not the precinct-level tallies demanded. National Electoral Council President Amoroso said that with 96.9% of tally sheets counted, Maduro's margin of victory was more than 8 percentage points over González: 52% to 43.2%. He attributed the delay

in updating results to "massive attacks" on the "technological

Blinken's announcement came amid a flurry of diplomatic efforts by Brazil, Colombia and Mexico to convince their fellow leftist to allow an impartial audit of the vote. On Thursday, the governments of the three countries issued a joint statement calling on Venezuela's electoral authorities "to move forward expeditiously and publicly release" detailed voting data.



But it's unclear what leverage the countries have over Maduro, who has shown little desire to rethink his entrenched position.

Vyacheslav Friday, Volodin, speaker of the lower house of Russian parliament, emphasized that Russian election monitors witnessed Maduro winning a legitimate victory. He accused the US of fomenting tensions in the country. "Washington is playing by its rules, which are aimed at maintaining its hegemony and expanding its influence," Volodin said. "It doesn't accept any other outcome but the victory of the candidate it backs?

Although no ally or anyone in the armed forces has yet to break with Maduro over the contested elections, he faces obstacles righting Venezuela's economy without the legitimacy that can only come from a credible election

Venezuela sits atop the world's largest proven crude reserves transition. "He's counting on being able to

ramp them up again unless

Maduro agrees to some sort of

wait this out and people will get tired of demonstrating," said Cynthia Arnson, a distinguished fellow at the Wilson Center, a Washington think tank. "The problem is, the country is in a death spiral and there's no chance the economy will be able to recover without the legitimacy that comes from a fair election."

Thousands of opposition supporters took to the streets Monday after the National Electoral Council declared Maduro the winner of the election. The government said it arrested hundreds of protesters and Venezuelahuman based organisation Foro Penal said

11 people were killed. Machado and González addressed a huge rally of their supporters in the capital, Caracas, on Tuesday, but they have not been seen in public since. Later that day, the president of the National Assembly, Jorge Rodriguez, called for their arrest, describing them as criminals and fascists.

those restrictions - is now likely to On Wednesday, Maduro asked Venezuela's highest court to conduct an audit of the election, but that request drew almost immediate criticism from foreign observers who said the court - which like most institutions is controlled by the government - lacks the independence to perform a

credible review. On Thursday, Venezuela's Supreme Tribunal of Justice agreed to conduct the audit ordered Maduro. González and the eight other candidates who participated in the presidential election to appear before the justices Friday. A spokesman for Gonzalez said he did not know if the candidate planned to

attend. In an op-ed published Thursday in the Wall Street Journal, Machado said she is "hiding, fearing for my life, my freedom, and that of my fellow countrymen". She reasserted that the opposition has physical evidence that Maduro lost the election and urged the international community to

'We have voted Mr Maduro out," she wrote. "Now it is up to the international community to decide whether to tolerate a demonstrably illegitimate

intervene.



# Hunter Biden set to be sentenced on gun charges in November Republican President Donald Trump, will decide how much

shortly after Election Day.

ses and avoid prosecution

in the gun case if he stayed out

of trouble for two years in a

deal with prosecutors last year.

However, the agreement fell

apart after Noreika questioned

unusual aspects of the

proposed agreement, and the lawyers could not resolve the

Hunter Biden is also pushing for dismissal of both the tax

and gun cases against him, citing a ruling in Florida that

threw out a separate prosecution of Trump after his attorneys argued the Justice

Department special counsel in

appointed. Hunter Biden is

also being prosecuted by a

special counsel appointed by Attorney General Merrick

A representative for his legal

team did not immediately

respond to a message seeking

comment on the sentencing.

Garland.

case was improperly

**AP** ■ WASHINGTON

Hunter Biden is set to be sentenced on felony firearms charges in November under an order signed by a judge on Friday.

The president's son could face sentencing set for November 13 in Wilmington, Delaware, but as a first-time offender he is likely to get far less time or avoid prison entirely. Hunter Biden is also facing

another trial on tax charges in California set to begin in September. He's charged in that case with failing to pay USD 1.4 million in taxes.

President Joe Biden, who dropped his reelection bid last month, has said he will not use his presidential powers to pardon his son or lessen his sentence. Hunter Biden was convicted of three felonies after lying on a federal form to purchase the gun by saying he wasn't a drug user in 2018, a period when he has acknowledged struggling with addiction.

US District Judge Maryellen Noreika, who was nominated to the bench by former **AP** ■ ZEITA (WEST BANK)

 $\Gamma$ wo Israeli airstrikes in the northern West Bank killed nine Palestinian militants on Saturday, Israel's army said, as violence flared again in the Israeli-occupied territory with tensions high over the war in The Israeli army said its forces first

struck a vehicle in a rural area northwest of the city of Tulkarem in early morning, killing the five occupants. The army said they were on their way to carry out an attack. The Palestinian Health Ministry said the men's bodies were taken to a nearby hospital. Hamas later identified all five as militants with the group, including a local commander. According to an Associated Press journalist and witnesses, the blast took place along a road connecting the Palestinian villages of Zeita and

We came to the site and found a young man martyred here on the street and half of his face was missing," said Taiser Abdullah, a Zeita resident who said he had been going to work when he heard the strike nearby.

The official Palestinian news agency Wafa said four of the bodies were "burned and charred beyond recognition".

Israel's army says airstrikes in northern West Bank kill 9 Palestinian militants Later Saturday, Israel's military said it

killed four other Palestinian militants in the Tulkarem area shortly after they opened fire on Israeli troops operating in the area. No further information was immediately

Over 590 Palestinians have been killed by Israeli fire in the West Bank since the Israel-Hamas war began in Gaza in October, according to the Palestinian Health Ministry. Most have been killed during Israeli raids and violent protests, but the dead also include bystanders and Palestinians killed in attacks by Jewish settlers. The northern West Bank has seen

some of the territory's worst violence over the past 10 months. Tulkarem, with its two refugee camps, has become one of the main flashpoints and is regularly raided by Israeli forces. Palestinian militant groups, including Hamas and Palestinian Islamic Jihad, are active in the city. The strike came days after the assassinations of Hamas leader Ismail Haniyeh in Tehran early Wednesday and top Hezbollah commander



and once boasted Latin

America's most advanced

economy, but it entered into a

free fall marked by 130,000%

hyperinflation and widespread

shortages after Maduro took

the helm in 2013. More than

7.7 million Venezuelans have

fled the country since 2014, the

largest exodus in Latin

US oil sanctions have only

deepened the misery and the

Biden administration - which

America's recent history.

had been easing

Fouad Shukr in Beirut the evening before. The escalation threatens to plunge the region into a full-fledged regional war.

Iran and its proxies, including Hezbollah in Lebanon, vowed to retaliate against Israel, which said it killed Shukur but has not confirmed or denied its role in the killing of Haniyeh. Iran's Revolutionary Guard said a short-range projectile was behind Haniyeh's death and accused the United States of supporting the attack.

The Pentagon said late Friday the US military will move a fighter jet squadron to the Middle East and maintain an aircraft carrier in the

region.
The previous day, President Joe
Biden said he had urged Israeli Prime
Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to seize the chance for a cease-fire with Hamas, adding that Haniyeh's killing had "not helped" efforts to negotiate an end to the war. Netanyahu has vowed to destroy Hamas' military and governing capabilities

and governing capabilities.
At least 39,550 Palestinians have been killed in Gaza in the nearly 10 months since Hamas' brutal Oct 7 attack on Israel triggered their latest war. That's according to Gaza's Health Ministry, which does differentiate between civilians and combatants in its count. Israel has accused Hamas of embedding in the civilian population and putting it at

Most of Gaza's population of about 2.3 million is displaced, many people multiple times, as Israel's military returns to areas where it says Hamas militants have regrouped. Health services and sanitation have largely collapsed across the territory as

time, if any, Hunter Biden serves behind bars at the sentencing scheduled to fall He was supposed to plead | AP ■ KYIV guilty to misdemeanour tax

> Odelivery of a second Turkish-built navy corvette, officials said, although they did not say specifically how the warships might be used in the war against Russia.

Ukraine's first lady, Olena Zelenska, attended the launching ceremony of the Ada-class corvette during a visit to Turkey, the Ukrainian presidency announced on its website.
The corvette Ukraine already had was currently

undergoing sea trials. Turkish Ada-class ships are typically able to strike planes, other ships and submarines.

which Ukraine, coastlines on the Black Sea and the smaller Sea of Azov, had a small navy at the time of Russia's February 2022 full-scale invasion. But it has developed deadly

# Ukraine adds another Turkish corvette to its navy for war with Russia

uncrewed sea drones that have severely limited Moscow's Black Sea naval capability.

The Ukrainian presidency said the corvettes would help protect the country's interests in the Black and Azov seas "but also, in particular, in the Mediterranean Sea and the Atlantic Ocean."

"So now the second corvette been launched," Ukrainian Navy spokesman Dmytro Pletenchuk told The Associated Press. "The next step is to equip it with the appropriate weapons systems and train the second crew." He said a new crew of 100 men would be trained to



work on the ship. International law forbids the Turkey's busy Bosporus Strait, which links the Mediterranean and Black seas, during times of war. However, the presidency's statement didn't say where exactly the Turkish shipyard was located, meaning it could be on the northern side of the strait, with a direct route to Ukraine. Ukraine ordered the two Turkish corvettes under an agreement signed in 2020,

the presidency said. Ukrainian authorities last month adopted a Maritime Security Strategy that aims to rebuild its naval

capability. It is also getting help with that from Western partners. The maritime capability coalition, headed by the

United Norway, was established last December. Kingdom

# Mourners bury Hamas chief Haniyeh in Qatar as more escalation looms over Middle East

mourners political chief, Ismail Haniyeh, in the emirate of Oatar on Friday as the fallout surged from his death in an alleged Israeli attack

The funeral ceremony in Doha, Qatar's capital, attended by members of Gaza's militant Hamas and Islamic Jihad groups, as well as Oatari and Iranian officials, was subdued. But across the Muslim world - from Jordan and Morocco to Yemen and Somalia - angry crowds waving Palestinian flags rushed out of mosques after midday Friday prayers, chanting for

"Let Friday be a day of rage to denounce the assassination," said Izzat al-Risheq, a senior Hamas official. Haniyeh had lived in Qatar, along with other senior members of

Hamas's political leadership. back-to-back Following the assassinations of Haniyeh in Tehran

Hezbollah commander Fuad Shukr in Beirut the evening before, international diplomats scrambled to head off a full-fledged regional war. Iran and its regional proxies vowed to retaliate. Major airlines canceled flights to Tel Aviv, Israel and Beirut, Lebanon.

France on Friday beefed up security Iewish communities nationwide. Poland warned its citizens against travelling to the Mideast. Pakistan and Turkey lowered their flags to half-staff, prompting Israel to summon Turkey's deputy ambassador for a "stern reprimand".

Turkey's foreign ministry spokesperson Oncu Keceli shot back that Israel "cannot achieve peace by killing the negotiators" - a reference to Haniyeh's role in the cease-fire talks - as hundreds of Turks gathered at the historic Hagia Sophia to pay tribute to the slain Hamas leader as his funeral service got underway in Doha.

We are sure that his blood will assassinations of Haniyeh in Tehran bring out victory, dignity and early on Wednesday and top liberation," senior Hamas official



Khalil al-Hayya, seen as a possible successor to Haniyeh, said from the Doha mosque where Haniyeh's coffin was displayed beside that of his bodyguard who was also killed in the attack in Tehran.

Israel has not confirmed or denied its role in the targeted killing of Haniyeh. On Thursday, Israel announced that it killed the shadowy leader of Hamas' military

wing, Mohammed Deif, in a July airstrike. Hamas had previously claimed Deif survived last month's targeted airstrike in the besieged Gaza Strip, where the deadly pattern of Israeli airstrikes and skirmishes continued this week, with 15 Palestinians killed when a Gaza City school was hit on Thursday.

At least 39,480 Palestinians have

been killed in Gaza in the nearly 10 months since Hamas' brutal Oct 7 attack on Israel triggered the latest Israel-Hamas war. Palestinian health authorities providing the casualty tolls do not differentiate between civilians and combatants. Tensions were also running high on Israel's northern border days after Israel claimed responsibility for killing Shukr, the Hezbollah commander. On Friday, Hezbollah claimed a series of rocket and artillery attacks on Israel, causing a fire but no casualties in an evacuated Israeli town. Israel claimed its warplanes struck two Hezbollah militants in southern Lebanon who it said had fired the volley of rockets.

The exchange was more of the same tit-for-tat that have flared along the Lebanese-Israeli border throughout the Israel-Hamas war. But Israelis and Lebanese were bracing for more after Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah on Thursday declared that the Shukr's assassination in the southern suburbs of Beirut had pushed the war into a "new phase".

From contested Jerusalem, Sheikh Ikrima Sabri, the imam of the holy Al-Aqsa Mosque, mentioned "the martyr Ismail Haniyeh" in his weekly sermon to the thousands of Palestinian worshippers who had come to Friday prayers.
"We ask God Almighty to have

mercy on him and to grant him a place in His spacious gardens," the imam said, adding that the Palestinians in Jerusalem were mourning the late Hamas leader. Sheikh Sabri was promptly arrested.

The Israeli police said they were interrogating him on charges of incitement to violence. "My policy towards instigators is clear - zero tolerance," far-right Israeli National Security Minister Itamar Ben-Gvir

posted on X. Across the region, vows by Iran's supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, that Israel would pay the price for killing Haniyeh on İranian soil quickly led to calls for intense diplomacy to prevent further escalation

Late on Thursday, President Joe Biden urged Israeli Prime Minister

chance for a cease-fire and "move on it now." Netanyahu has sought to portray the recent striking of Hamas leaders as bringing Israel closer to a deal that would free the remaining Israeli hostages held in Gaza. Their distraught families rallied Thursday in Tel Aviv to mark the bitter milestone of 300 days of their captivity. Tor Wennesland, the UN special

Benjamin Netanyahu to seize the

coordinator for the Mideast peace process, said he was racing to work with Lebanon, Qatar, Egypt and other powers to "prevent a spillover of the conflict."

UK Defence Secretary John Healey and Foreign Secretary David Lammy visited Israel on Friday "to push for an immediate cease-fire and drive de-escalation in the Middle East" while Israeli Defence Minister Yoav Gallant said he spoke with his American counterpart, US Defence Secretary Lloyd Austin.

"The unprecedented security cooperation between Israel and the United States against Iran and its proxies is critical," Gallant said.

# **Next round of India-Asean trade** agreement review talks soon

The next round of talks for The next round of talks for the ongoing review meeting of the India-Asean free trade agreement in goods will be held in November, an official statement said on Saturday.

The third round of the negotiations was concluded on August 1 in Jakarta, Indonesia.

Eight sub-committees have been constituted under the India-Asean Free Agreement Joint Committee for undertaking negotiations on different areas related to the review of the pact.

"The next meeting of the AITIGA (Asean-India Trade in Goods Agreement) Joint Committee will be held in India from 19-22 November the Commerce Ministry said.

The AITIGA was signed in

In September 2022, both sides tasked the AITIGA Joint Committee to undertake the review to make the agreement more trade-facilitative and mutually beneficial.

During the third round of



negotiations in Indonesia, all eight Sub- Sub-Committees dealing with national treatment and market access, rules of origin, standards, technical customs

regulations, and trade procedures facilitation held substantive discussions.

"The review of AITIGA, signed in 2009, will help create further opportunities for businesses on both sides to enhance the level of India-ASEAN trade," the ministry

ASEAN is an important trade partner of India with about 11 per cent share in India's global

India's exports to the 10nation bloc ASEAN were USD 41.2 billion in 2023-24, while imports aggregated at USD 80 billion in the last fiscal.

Both sides are aiming to conclude the review in 2025. The review of the AITIGA was a long-standing demand of Indian businesses.

India is asking for a review of the agreement to eliminate barriers and misuse of the trade pact.

members include Asean Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Singapore, Philippines, Thailand, and Vietnam.

# speedily disburse claim amount to victims of Wayanad landslide

The finance ministry on ■ Saturday asked public sector insurance companies including Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) to speedily disburse the claim amount to landslide victims and their families in Wayanad and other districts of Kerala. The insurance companies have initiated efforts for reaching out to their policyholders through various channels (local newspapers, social media, company websites, sms, etc) to provide the contact details for assistance in the districts of Wayanad, Palakkad, Kozhikode, Malappuram, and Thrissur, where a significant number of claims are being reported, the finance ministry said in a post on X. "In view of the unfortunate landslide incident and heavy rains in Kerala, the government has mandated the Public Sector Insurance companies (PSICs), including LIC, National Insurance Corporation, New India Oriental Assurance, Insurance, and United India Insurance to extend all

possible support to the victims



of the calamity so that the insurance claims can be expeditiously processed and paid," it said.'

LIC has been asked to speedily disburse the claim amount in respect of the policyholders under the PM Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana, it said. The documentation required for processing of claims has been relaxed comprehensively to ensure speedy dispersal of the claim amount, it said. It further said, the General Insurance Council will coordinate with the insurance companies to ensure that claims are processed and paid expeditiously and will host a portal for all insurers to report claim status daily.

The central government and finance ministry remain committed to supporting the victims of this calamity and ensuring they receive the necessary assistance without delay and trouble, it added.

## Finance Ministry asks insurers to Atmanirbhar should not degenerate into inefficient import substitution: Ex-RBI chief

Due to supply disruptions caused by the Russian-Ukrainian war, many countries started thinking about being self-sufficient with respect to 'critical imports' and India needs to ensure that "Atmanirbhar" should degenerate inefficient 'import substitution', former RBI Governor C Rangarajan said on Saturday.

Addressing the 14th convocation of the ICFAI Addressing Foundation For Higher Education, he said India's development strategy should

multidimensional growth may be stimulated by raising investment rate, emphasising agriculture, manufacturing services, absorbing new technologies promoting a mix of sectors are employment friendly.

"Any import substitution must look at cost. Expensive, import Expensive, substitution is not to the advantage of anybody. What we need to do is import



substitution. Atmanirbhar should not degenerate into the old style import substitution. I think that is contrary to what is good for our country," he said. Jobless growth is certainly a matter of concern. But job creation without growth is equally bad even

as the new technologies can not be ignored, the former Chairman of the Minister's Prime Economic Advisory Council said.

'Job creation is going to be the toughest challenge ahead not only in India but the world over," he said.

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assumptions about the future exchange rate of rupee and domestic inflation, India needs to have an average annual real rate of growth of six to seven per cent to achieve over USD 13,000 per capita income by 2024. According to him, though, India need not belittle what it has achieved, there is an inescapable need to strengthen higher education in terms of quality and effectiveness. The three dimensions of the reform of higher education are access, equity and quality, Rangarajan opined.

## FICCI CASCADE organises awareness rally about illicit trade, impact on economy

PTI ■ NEW DELH

 $F_{\text{Smuggling}}^{\text{ICCI Committee Against}}$ Destroying the Economy (CASCADE) on Saturday organised an awareness rally against illicit trade and smuggling of counterfeit products that have a negative impact on India's

According to the 2022 FICCI CASCADE study, there has been a significant rise in the illicit trade market across critical industries such as FMCG-packaged foods, FMCG-household and personal goods, alcoholic beverages and tobacco

products. The rise in size of illicit trade market can be gauged from the fact that in the 2010-2020 period, the FMCG packaged foods segment in particular witnessed an alarming rise of nearly 600 per cent when the market grew from Rs 20,378 2020, FICCI

statement Flagging off the auto rally for Praveen Khandelwal, Member of Parliament, said, smuggling has a crippling effect on our economy and many illicit

in



players use funding from those sources to boost terror

also request FICCI to conduct awareness drives of this nature in every state and I exhort the retailer community to participate wholeheartedly in these initiatives. I will also engage in discussion with the FICCI CASCADE team to see how we can move towards eradicating this menace," he

Smuggling activities not only have a debilitating impact on the economy in the form of job losses and revenue leakages, but they also have nationa safety and security, FICCI CASCADE Chairman Anil Rajput said.

"Sometimes, illicit players use smuggling as a route to enter Indian markets, we should ensure that smuggled goods do not infiltrate our markets," Rajput said.

# Classic Legends to open 200 Jawa-Yezdi showrooms every year

**PTI** CHENNAI

Legends, Subsidiary of Mahindra and Mahindra Ltd, and retailers of Jawa and Yezdi range of motorcycles in India has announced plans to open 200 retail showrooms every year, a top official said on Saturday.

Classic Legends was also gearing up to launch the popular BSA range of motorcycles on August 15, company CEO Ashish Singh Joshi said here, after inaugurating a new outlet 'Swastik Motors' spread across 6,000 sq ft at Mount Poonamallee, dubbed as the largest showroom in the country.

about 450 have dealerships currently. We have planned to take it up to 600 by this financial year. If you compare this with anybody else, we still have a long way to go. For the next adding 200 odd (showrooms) every year." he told reporters. On setting up the largest showroom in the city, he said, "we are excited to open the doors to the country's largest Jawa Yezdi dealership in Chennai. Tamil Nadu is a significant market for us, and



this expansion reflects our dedication to giving our patrons the best experience possible from the time they enter our store until they ride out on their brand-new motorcycle. We are optimistic that this facility will help us add many more enthusiasts to

To a query, he said, "Right now our average age of a customer is between 21 and our customers or bulk of our take higher than two hours to customers are in this age group. Our Jawa 42, Jawa 42 Bobber, Jawa 350 are doing very well (in the market). The Adventure is a steady seller. Roadster is a big seller for us." Joshi said the company was working on electric vehicles

into the domestic market charging when the infrastructure was ready. Elaborating, he said, "I sell you a motorcycle, which can do 300 kms (as per charging of a battery). But again it will take 5-6 hours to charge the battery. Because the fast charging network is not available. I will put a fast charger in the bike but if it charge. You need charging

On the launch of the BSA range of motorcycles, he said, "BSA Company is launching BSA motorcycles in India.

voltages (to charge the vehicle

infrastructure,

battery).

Currently one model will be launched. Like it launched BSA motorcycles across the world. It is expected to launch on August 15." he said.

In 2016, Mahindra and Mahindra Ltd acquired the British two-wheeler major BSA Company for about Rs 28 crore.

Joshi said in the five and half year of operations in the Indian market, two years were impacted due to COVID-19 outbreak and the company was just a three and half year old firm.

'Maybe, we are the youngest in the country or in the world. In 3.5 years, we have put out 8-9 products, 3-4 engine platforms, and so other product platforms. I do not think there is any other company that works as quickly as we do," he said.

The company on the occasion of new dealer outlet, also showcased the upgraded Yezdi Adventure offered at Rs 2.09 lakh (exshowroom).

With the newly launched Yezdi Adventure, we are disrupting the category with the perfect trinity of bold design, advanced features unbeatable performance." Joshi said.

## Coal India arm NCL contributed ₹15,000 cr to Govt exchequer in FY24: CMD

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Northern Coalfields Ltd (NCL) CMD B Sairam on Saturday said that the company despatched 94 per cent of its total coal to the power sector and contributed Rs 15,000 crore to the central as well as state exchequer in FY24 in the forms of royalty and GST.

Sairam also reaffirmed the company's commitment towards fulfilling the energy security of the nation.

Speaking at the sidelines of Singrauli Industrial Summit 2024 organised by NCL at its headquarters, the CMD of the Coal India arm also outlined the company's contribution to the inclusive development of the Singrauli region.

He also underscored the benefits of adopting an integrated approach based on shared values for the holistic development of Singrauli. The summit was organised

with the objectives of driving industrial diversification, harnessing the full industrial potential, and creating employment opportunities with socioeconomic upliftment and

regional development.
The summit summit brainstorming discussions about creating opportunities in various sectors like energy aluminum, cement, chemicals and infrastructure. Besides, a

the long-term development of Singrauli region. In the summit, an e-book named 'Industrial Landscape

panel discussion was held on

of Singrauli Region' was also released.

NCL is eyeing 139 million tonnes (MT) of coal production and dispatch in the current fiscal. In 2023-24 NCL had produced 136.15 MT of coal, despatched 137.63 MT of coal, and spent Rs 4,727 NCL is a Singrauli-based flagship subsidiary of Coal India operating out of 10 highly mechanised opencast coal mines located in the Singrauli and Sonbhadra regions of Madhya Pradesh Uttar

respectively.

# Global capability centre industry to become catalyst for creating jobs: Report

PTI MUMBAI

CASCADE

With India emerging as the hub of Global Capability Centres, a report on Saturday revealed that 78 per cent professionals expect the GCC sector to become a catalyst for creating jobs, particularly benefiting temporary workforce in the country. A majority of 78 per cent

foresee GCCs as catalysts for opportunities, particularly benefiting gig workers and the temporary workforce in India, said a report by HR Services and Workforce Solutions provider Genius

Consultants. This optimism about job creation reflects a positive outlook on GCCs' potential to diversify and expand employment avenues in the evolving job market, the survey stated.

The report on GCCs and their potential impact on the Īndian industrial market is based on an analysis of inputs from 1,033 professionals.

Almost all the respondents agreed on the pivotal role that GCCs play in advancing the adoption of cutting-edge technologies such as Artificial Intelligence (AI), cloud computing, and Internet of Things (IoT), said the report. This consensus underscores GCCs' significant significant



contribution to enhancing India's landscape innovation across various sectors, it stated.

overwhelming 94 per cent of respondents believed that GCCs will positively positively influence and enhance India's overall economic output. This sentiment underscores

the perceived role of GCCs in stimulating economic growth through increased investments, technology transfer, and opportunities, it added.

However, a small fraction (3 per cent) holds a contrasting view, it added.

Among those participated in the survey, 84 per cent expressed confidence that the establishment of GCCs by multinational corporations in India will lead to improved job availability and increased local opportunities for professionals.

technological belief that GCCs not only and fostering bring advanced technological capabilities but contribute positively to the The report also said that an local job market by creating diverse employment opportunities, the report

> "The findings of our report underscore the growing recognition of GCC as pivotal to enhancing organizational agility and competitiveness in a globalised economy. With a majority of respondents acknowledging the strategic benefits of GCCs, it is clear that these centres are poised to play a transformative role in shapping the future of India's industrial landscape," Genius Consultants CMD R P Yadav

told PTI Organisations that capitalise on this trend stand to gain a significant advantage in terms of operational efficiency, innovation, and market responsiveness, he added.

# SBI profit rises 4 per cent in April-June on higher provisions, lower core income growth

**PTI** ■ MUMBAI

Ctate Bank of India (SBI) on Saturday reported a 4.25 per cent growth in its consolidated net profit in April-June quarter at Rs 19,325 crore, held back by a rise in loan loss provisions and lower growth in core income. On a standalone basis, the profit growth was much slower at almost flat pace of 0.89 per cent during the quarter at Rs 17,035 crore.

SBI chairman Dinesh Kumar Khara, whose over four years stint at the helm will be ending soon, said the first quarter is generally slow and there were "distractions" which limited the growth. He said the bank is confident of growth picking up in the remainder of the fiscal year, and achieving his aspiration of the largest lender reporting a net profit of Rs 1 lakh crore in FY25.

The core net interest income grew 5.71 per cent to Rs 41,125 crore on the back of a 15 per cent advances growth and the domestic net interest margin narrowing by 0.12 per cent to 3.35 per cent.

The other income declined to Rs 11,162 crore in the latest first quarter from the Rs 12,063 crore recorded in the year-ago period, and the fall was attributed by Khara to the change in regulation that led to the reclassification of investment book.

Khara declined to comment



draft norms on liquidity coverage ratio, but pointed out that the critical number for the bank stands at 129 per cent whereas it has a comfort level of taking it down till 110 per cent. The deposit growth came at 8 per cent, and Khara said the bank will be able to fund the credit growth target of 15 per cent even if the deposit growth is sustained at the same level. However, he added that the bank would want to increase the deposit growth to 10 per cent. He, however, made it clear that

the bank will not want to compromise on NIMs in the process and hinted that more hikes in deposit rates are not in the offing. It will target to keep the NIMs in the 3.2-3.4 per cent range, the chairman said. Khara explained that the bank has been able to manage with a salaries on time led to slippages of Rs 1,600 crore but lower deposit growth because it had put its accretions in the was quick to add that the

past into investment book

which is now being deployed for advances. Corporate loans grew by over

15 per cent during the quarter, while retail -- the mainstay in the last few years -- was slower at less than 14 per cent. Khara said within corporates, it is the mid market segment which grew 20 per cent where the bank sees maximum opportunity.

Large corporates have many alternatives like the bond markets to go to, Khara said, adding that the current corporate loan pipeline stands at Rs 4.62 lakh crore. On the asset quality front, the bank witnessed fresh slippages

of Rs 7,900 crore, with a major Rs 3,000 crore of it coming from personal and home Khara said a few states' inability to pay employee

amount has been recovered as

the salaries came in.

The gross non-performing assets ratio improved to 2.21 per cent during the quarter as against 2.24 per cent in March. The loan loss provisions jumped 70 per cent to Rs 4,580 crore, which included Rs 2,488 crore for the ageing assets, Khara said, asserting that there is no challenge on the asset quality front and he does not expect the quantum of money being set aside going up under his successor C S Shetty.

Khara said the RBI's increase in risk weights on assets led to a calibration on the personal loans front, but stressed that there is no adverse impact on the quality of the book and the GNPAs continue to be under 1

The bank has formed a

dedicated 500-member team of relationships managers to improve the current account deposits by engaging with private sector clients, including family offices and trusts as well, Khara said. "We were known as a

corporate lender for a long time, now we have oriented ourselves to be a corporate banker," he added.

It has also revamped the wealth management business by putting together a 2,000member team of specialist relationship managers, he said, stressing that the benefits it will accrue will ensure that the cost to income ratio does not get impacted.

# **SRM donates** ₹1 cr to CM's **Distress Relief**

**Fund for Wayanad Kattankulathur:** SRM Institute of Science and

Technology (SRMIST), Kattankulathur, has played a significant role by contributing an aid of Rs.1 Crore towards the rehabilitation efforts at Wayanad, Kerala. The Chancellor of SRMIST, Dr

Paarivendhar, personally dor ₹1,00,00,000 (rupees one donated crore only) to the Chief Minister's Distress Relief

#### Annual convocation held

Vellore Institute of Technology



Technology Forum (NETF), National Board of Accreditation Committee-Executive National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) was the Chief





## **INDIA'S ARCHERY CAMPAIGN ENDS**

**PTI** PARIS

eepika Kumari placed herself in advantageous position against Korea's Suhyeon Nam by winning two of the first three sets but shot a horrible 7 with the second arrow of the fourth set to throw away a great opportunity as India's archery campaign folded at the Paris Olympics here Saturday. Deepika had begun the day well with a 6-4 win over Germany's Michelle Kroppen but lost by the same margin to Nam, who had won the women's team gold on Friday. Teenager Bhajan Kaur was eliminated earlier in the day after losing her quarterfinal match Indonesia's

pre-Diananda Choirunisa in a shoot-off. Competing in her fourth Olympics, Deepika yet again left the big stage emptyhanded. However, there was

London, Rio and Tokyo editions. The fourth place finish by

no hype around her this time,

following disappointments in

Ankita Bhakat and Dhirai Bommadevara in the mixed team event was India's best performance in archery in Paris.

Leading 4-2, Deepika aced a 10 to start the fourth set but fell into the red zone with a seven after the Korean shot a 10 and a nine. Nam did not make any mistake on her final shot, making a 10 to force a decider.

followed with a nine. Nam managed a 9 and 10 on the following shots but Deepika got only two 9s to lose the

she lost, Deepika had fluffed the second shot, managing a poor 6.

losing at the Olympic Games. Maybe the atmosphere gets to me. It's the weight of own expectations," Deepika said after her defeat, admitting it was her best chance to do well.

In the fifth set, the Korean began with a 10 and Deepika

quarterfinal 4-6. Ēven in the second set, which

"It is disappointing. I don't know how and why I keep

Those were bad two shots

and I feel like I have gifted her

the match.

Coach Purmina Mahato explained that after taking the anchor position, the archers need to release early to stand a better chance of scoring well. "Ideally, you should have your shot within 5-7 seconds of taking anchor position. If you hold, all kinds of thoughts start coming to your mind. She held that shot long (6 in second set) and the second time (7 in fourth set) she released it early due to pressure," said Mahato.

The coach said India needs a consistent supply of archers but does not think that it's time for Deepika to quit. "She must continue. People do

well, win medals in this sport, even when they age."
Meanwhile, the 18-year-old Bhajan did well to stretch her Indonesian rival to a shoot-off but fluffed the first shot by managing an eight when she needed a 10 to secure her passage into the last eight.

"Certainly I was lacking in something, that's why I lost. I will work on that when I go back home," Bhajan said after

her 1/8 elimination round match.

Asked if she felt the nerves going into the shoot-off, she said, "Wo toh poore match mein hi rehta hai (nervousness remains throughout)," she said with a chuckle.

"I was not thinking of shooting a 10, I was just focussed on following the process," she said.

"I have learnt a lot from this campaign," she added but could not explain what, and again let out a smile. After disappointing results in

other team events, the mixed team of Ankita Bhakat and Dhiraj Bommadevara was on Friday in line to win a bronze but finished fourth.

Coach Mahato said she had told the archers not to think about the results and just stay focussed on shooting. We told them, do not think

about win or loss, just shoot. It's 90 percent mind game. You have to be mentally strong. "Bhajan fought well but missed that last shot. We were actually assured that she will

# **Heartbreak for shooter Manu**

**PTI** ■ CHATEAUROUX (FRANCE)

sensational Manu Bhaker's dream of a grand treble went up in smoke after she lost the tie-shoot for bronze medal to Hungarian Veronika Major by the narrowest of margins in the women's 25m sports pistol event at the Olympic Games

In a high-quality final, Bhaker gave it her all and was placed No.1 among eight shooters for a brief period, but she could not maintain her consistency and eventually finished fourth. Nonetheless, the 22-year-old will return home with her twin bronze-medal feat in women's 10m air pistol and mixed team 10m air pistol partnering Sarabjot Singh. The affable Indian shot 28 in the final to be

tied at third place along with Veronika after the eighth series of five shots. She missed two of the five shots to aggregate three points, while Veronika drilled in four bullets into the target to clinch the third spot, leaving Bhaker to pack up the kit and leave her firing station.

Expectations were really high from Bhaker to bring home a hat-trick of medals given her awe-inspiring form. She stood up to the challenge even after slipping to sixth position early in the final. Bhaker conceded at the end of the contest that she was nervous, and no matter how hard she tried to remain calm, she couldn't.

'I got like really nervous about it, but again, I was trying my best to keep calm and to just try to do my best. But that was not enough," Bhaker said after



the event. The first series was a disaster in which Bhaker missed three out of five targets, but gradually she cut down on the errors and bounced back in the second and third series, shooing two consecutive 'fours' to take her points tally to 10 going into the elimination round. The elimination round was topsy-turvy to say the least. Bhaker's chances waxed and waned until she took the top spot for a brief period in

the seventh series (fourth elimination round). However, South Korea's Jin Yang wrested back the top spot immediately even as Bhaker slipped to tied third with a rank bad three misses in the eighth round, which saw her slump from second spot to joint third with Veronika on 28 points. The shoot-off was nerve-jangling for both the markswomen and Bhaker had three clear shots out of five on target, while Veronika had four. The ace shooter said that she will take a lot of positives from the fourth-place finish and come back stronger in the Los Angeles Games in 2028. "It (Olympics) turned out to be

very good for me, but well, there's always a next time so I'm already looking forward to the next one (in LA)," she said.

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सर्वसाधारण को सुचित किया जाता है कि मेरे पक्षकार बैंक के समक्ष श्री प्रमोद पिता श्री नन्नुलाल विश्वकर्मा एवं मोहित पिता श्री प्रमोद विश्वकर्मा पताः- 276 (376), वृंदावन कालोनी इंदीर के स्वामित्व आधिपत्व की संपत्ति House No. 276 (Old No. 376) admeasuring 585 RG. 276 (Via No. 376) almeasuring 355 Sq. Ft. Vrindavan Colony Indore (M.P. पर स्थित है जिसकी प्रतिभृति पर ऋण हेतु आवेदन प्रस्तु-किया है। वर्तमान स्वामी द्वारा बताया गया है कि उपरोक्त संपत्ति के स्वत्त संबंधी श्रंखला दस्तावेजों में से असल संपत्ति के स्वत्व संबंधी श्रंखला दस्तावेजी में से असल लिज पत्र क्रमांक 13/04/1962 dated 03.02.1962, जो कि नारायण वामन पंत वैध द्वारा मुस्ली पिता श्री बुधई के पक्ष में निष्पादित की गई थी जो कही गुम हो चुकी है, जिस संबंध में पुलिस थाना बाणगंगा इंदौर पर सुचना रिपोर्ट कर दी गई है। इस प्रकार उपरोक्त संपत्ति व गुम दस्तावेज के संबंध में किसी भी व्यक्ति, संस्था व बैंक को कोई आपति हो या न्यायालय में कोई वाद विवाद हो तो इस जाहिर सूचना के प्रकाशन के 7 दिवस के भीतर अपनी लिखीत व मीखिक आपति मेरे कार्यालय में दर्ज करावे, और असल दस्तावेज मेरे कार्यालय में लौटा देवे, अन्यथा ऐसा माना जावेगा कि उपरोक्त दस्तावेज नष्ट हो चके है. और संपत्ति जावेगा कि उपरोक्त दस्तावेज नष्ट हो चुके हैं, और संपी स्वामी को उक्त संपत्ति का क्लीयर एवं मार्केटबल टायटा प्राप्त है। इसी आधार पर हमारे पक्षकार बैंक द्वारा ऋ प्रदान कर दिया जावेगा और तत्पश्चात किसी प्रकार व कोई आपति मान्य नहीं की जावेगी। सो सुचित होवे।

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मलखानसिंह तंवर एडवोकेट

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POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Properties) Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Bank of Baroda under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated 29.04.2024 to

the following borrowers/guarantors, calling upon them to repay the amount mentioned in the respective notices within 60 days from the date of receipt of said notices. The under mentioned borrowers/guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers/guarantors and the public in general that undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on them under section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said rules on this

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of sub-section 8 of Sec 13 of the Act. in respect of time available, to

edeem the secured assets. The borrowers/Guarantors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and

ny dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of Bank of Baroda, Pipariya Branch for an amount herei below mentioned & interest thereon.

Name of Account / **Description of Property** Borrower/ Guarantor 1.Equitable Mortgage of Property bearing –Kh.No.181/8 (Part of Old khasra no 181/7) PC no 17/20 Area 1400 Sq Ft, Village Hathwas Tehsil Pipariya, Dist. Narmadapuram (Hoshangabad),(M.P.) 461775 in the name of Prafull Kumar Borrower as on 21.04.2024 I.M/s Hotel Rai Inn Proprietor Mr Sahu S/o Mr Gulab Chandra Sahu, Bounded as under: North: Plot of Mr Rajes Kumar sahu, South: Main Road, East: Plot of Bhawani Patel, West: Dr Vyas and 89,99,513.36 Rajesh Kumar Sahu and Mr. Mr Godani Land +interest & 2. Equitable Mortgage of Property bearing -Kh.No.181/7 Area 9054 Sq Ft other charges Rajesh Kumar Village Hathwas Tehsil-Pipariya, Dist. Narmadapuram (Hoshangabad), (M.P.) 461775 in the name of Mr. Rajesh Kumar Sahu S/o Mr Gulab Chandra Sahu Sahu **Guarantors**: Bounded as under: North: Land of seller, South: Plot of Prafull Sahu, East: Plot o 2. Prafull Kumar Bhawani Patel, West: Land of Vyas ji and Mr Godani Sahu S/o Mr Gulab 3. Equitable Mortgage of diverted property bearing – Kh. No. 181/6 (New khasra no 181/9) PC no 20 Area 4774 Sq Ft, Village Hathwas Tehsil Pipariya, Dist Chandra Sahu Narmadapuram (Hoshangabad), (M.P.) 461775 in the name of Mrs Reena Sahu W/o Mr Prafull Kumar Sahu Bounded as under: North: Land of C.L. Raj, South: 3. Mrs Reena Sahu W/o Mr Prafull Plot of Mrs Pooja Sahu, East: Plot of Bhawani Patel, West: Land of Mr Godani Kumar Sahu 4.Equitable Mortgage of diverted property bearing – Kh.No.166 Plot No 64, 66 4. Mrs VidhyaSahu PC no 17, Area- 525 Sq Ft, Shobhapur Road RadhaKrishnn Ward Deogaon W/o Mr Gulab Pipariya, Dist. Narmadapuram (Hoshangabad), (M.P.) 461775 in the name of Chandra Sahu Mrs Vidhya Sahu W/o Mr Gulab Chandra Sahu Bounded as under: North: Purushottam Raghunath Mehra, South: Hoshangabad Main Road, East: Chetai 5. Mrs Pooja Sahu Sankule, West: Mr Raghuvar Prasad W/o Mr Rajesh 5.Equitable Mortgage of diverted property bearing – Kh.No.181/6 PC no 20, Area 4774 Sq Ft, Village Hathwas Tehsil Pipariya, Dist. Narmadapuram Kumar Sahu (Hoshangabad), (M.P.) 461775 in the name of Mrs Pooja Sahu W/o Mr Rajesl Kumar Sahu Bounded as under: North: Plot of Mrs Reena Sahu, South: Plot of Mr Sahu, East: Khet of Bhawani Patel, West: Khet of Mr Godani

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APPENDIX- IV-A" [RULE 8 (6)] SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

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do well.

Date and Time of E-Auction

S. No. Name of the Borrower/ Prop./Director/ 1.

City Office Branch Borrower - M/s Ashish Garments (Estate of the deceased Shri Vibhooti Narayan Rajbhar (reported deceased) represented by legal heirs viz. (1) Mrs. Laxmi Devi w/o Shambhunath Raibhar

**Branch Name** 

Name of the Account

Partner / Guarantor / Mortgagor

(2) Ashish Rajbhar s/o Shambhunath Rajbhar (3) Shri Shambhunath Rajbharand along with all known and unknown legal heir of Late Vibhooti Narayan Rajbhar.

City Office Branch

M/s Rahul Traders, (Prop: Mr. Rahul Sharma) Borrower - Mr. Rahul Sharma S/o Shri Ram Kishan Sharma Guarantor - Mr. Dileep Kumar Sharma S/o. Shri Hari Shankar Sharma & Mrs. Saroj Sharma W/o. Shri Ram Krishna Sharma

City Office Branch Mrs. Jasbeer Kaur W/o Late Raghuveer Singh Reel and Mr. Gurudeep Singh Reel S/o Lt. Raghuveer Singh Reel and along with all known and unknown legal heir of Late Mr. Raghuveer Singh Reel (Borrower/Guarantor/ Mortgagor).

4. **Balaghat Branch** 1. Shri Rajkumar Markam S/o Shri Amar Singh Markam (Borrower and Mortgagor) Ward No. 13, Police Line, Balaghat-481001 (M.P.) (Present Address) Village Harranala Teh Baihar Balaghat MP 481001 (Permanent Address) 2. Smt. Ritubala Parate wife of Mr. Rajkumar Markam (Co-Borrower)

Ward No.-13, Police Line, Balaghat - 481001 (MP) (Present Address) Village Pondi Baihar MP 481117 (Permanent Address) Hoshangabad Branch 5. Shri Gopal Prasad Sahu S/O Shankar lal Sahu & Shri Deepak Sahu S/O Shankar lal Sahu Sharma Building ke Samne, Plot no 206/2 Nazul Sheet no 25, Near Hanuman

Mandir New Ward09 (Balaganj) Tehsil & Dist. Hoshangabad (Narmadapuram) Madhya Pradesh - 461001 **Hoshangabad Branch** 6. Borrower - M/s Arun Garments (Prop. Mr. Arun Arora) Guarantor - Smt. Putli Devi Arora W/o. Lt. Shri Manohar Lal Arora Both at - Residential Building Plot no.18/18/Sheet No.36 Sindhi Colony Gwaltol

Near Gurudwara Harda Road, Hoshanagbad, (M.P.) 461001 Wright Town Jabalpur Branch Mr. Rahul Singh Rajput S/o. Mr. Vinod Singh Raiput, H No. 1652, Siddh Baba Ward, Lalmati, Kaanchghar, Jabalpur, MP. 482001 (Borrower/Mortgagor).

Wright Town Jabalpur Branch Mr. Preetam Lal S/o. Mr. Kanthi La (Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor). Dixit Medical ke andar Ward No.73, Professor Colony, Karmeta, Jabalpur (M.P.) 482002 **Detailed description** of the Property

H.No.676(Old), 659/2(New), Plot No.108 (Nazul Sheet No.103) behind Tilak BhumiTalaiya, Lokmanya Bounded as under - North: Batra Cloth House, South: 20'-0" wide side road, East: Property of Shri Balu

For E-Auction

Jain. (Deepali), West: Property of Shri Rajendra Prasad. (Kavya Hemant Creation).

Prop. Id. - IDIBCOJASHISH

House No.426 (Old), 561 (New), Plot No.516 (Sheet no.55) at Singhai Colony, Mahatma Gandhi Ward, Jabalpur. (M.P.) Boundaries:- North: H/O Shri Lok Nath Gupta, South: 15' wide Side Road of Singhai Colony, East: House of Shri Namdeo ji, West: 20' wide Side Road of Singhai Colony

Prop. Id. - IDIBCORAHUL

Land and Building situated at 646/A, situated just inside from Gorakhpur main road Opposite Gorakhpur Post Office, Jabalpur having area 1522 Sq ft Boundaries - North: House of Amar Jeet Singh, South: Property of Shri Prannath Arya (Old Ravi Printing Press), East: Open land. West: 15' wide concrete road.

Prop. Id. - IDIB0COREEL Residential House at Plot Khasra No: 5/8/1/1/1/1/1 (Area: 1300 Sq Ft) Mouza: Hirapur, PH No: 14/34,

RNM: Balaghat-2, Teh & Distt: Balaghat (MP), with all its building and future constructions thereon, standing in the name of Shri Rajkumar Markam. Boundaries: East: House of Seller (Mr Sandeep Nikuse) West: Plot of Ms Anita Singh, North: 20 Ft Road, South: House of Mr Kedar

Prop. Id. - IDIB30430267950

Single Storied Residential House situated at plot no 206/2 Nazul Sheet no 25, Near Hanuman Mandir New Ward09(Balaganj)Tehsil & Dist. Hoshanagbad (Narmadapuram) Area of Property-416.75 Sq Feet(38.73 Sqmt.) in the name of Shri Gopal Prasad Sahu and Shri Deepak Sahu Both S/o Shri Shankarlal Sahu. Boundries as Under: East - Road, North - House of Chhoti Bai, West - Lane, South - House of Mr. Pathak

Prop. Id. - IDIB3263494588

Residential Building situated at Plot no.18/18/Sheet No.36, Ward No-30 Sindhi Colony Gwaltoli Near Gurudwara Harda Road, Hoshanagbad, (M.P.)461001. Area of Property-960 Sq Feet standing in the name

Boundries: East: House fo Chelamal, West-House of Jaganmal, North-Gali, South-Road

Prop. Id. - IDIB30169077343

Residential House. No. 1651, Siddhababa Ward Basor Mohalla Tehsil and Dist- Jabalpur Nazul Block No. 138, Nazul Plot No. 1/60, 1/62 and after mutation Plot No. 1/60/2, 1/62/2 area 12 x 37.6 = 450 sq. ft. out of area 1153 sq. ft. at Basor Mohalla Siddhababa Ward Lalmati, Kaanchghar District Jabalpur, M.P. Soundries:-North-Property Of Seller, South-Lane, East-Property Of Kasturi Ben, West-Property Of Seller, Prop. Id. - IDIB30470269836

Residential Part of Plot No 27, Part of P-II Khasra No. 420/1, after mutation New Khasra No. 420/1/1/1 at Mouza Karmeta, N.B. No.497, P.H.No-78, Behind Anganwadi Kendra, Karmeta, Khatu Shyam Colony Ward no.73, in front of RTO office, Maharajpur, New Laxmipul Tehsil, New Adhartal, and district Jabalpur, M.P. having area of 1000 sq ft. Property Owner-Shri Preetam Lal S/o Mr. Kanthi Lal

Boundaries - North-Side Road, South-Plot No-29, East-Side Road, West-Plot No 24 Prop. Id. - IDIB 30440176220

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# India look to find a way past Lankan spinners, slow pitch in second ODI

easures to battle a sluggish pitch and an assortment of Sri \_\_\_\_ Lankan slow bowlers will feature high on India's strategy list for the second ODI to be played here on Sunday.

Chasing a manageable 231 India were comfortably placed at 130 for three in the first ODI on Friday before losing their way against Lankan spinners, who showed enough pluck to bowl out the visitors for 230 to earn a tie.

Once they survived the Rohit Sharma onslaught upfront, Lanka executed their plans well against the Indian batters, who are not the cleverest performers on rank turners, while not many are though.

The home side employed their army of tweakers against Virat Kohli, KL Rahul and Shreyas Iyer, the meat of Indian top and middle-order, with a telling amount of success.

troika was uncomfortable but was unable to break free either against some well-directed moves of the Lankans, who were precise in their calculations Kohli was tied up by Dunith

Wellalage, the left-arm spinner, and leg-spinner Wanindu Hasaranga as the 29 balls that the Indian batter faced out of a total of 32 were by the spinners.

Hasaranga eventually nicked him off, while seeing the comfort of Shreyas against spinners, Lankan skipper Čharith Asalanka pacer Asitha Fernando into

Fernando repaid the faith in him with the wicket of Shreyas with a peach, also the only Indian wicket to have fallen to

Rahul, another excellent player of spin, too was snaffled by Hasaranga.

But stuttering in one match offers too small a footprint to after some of the accomplished names, but the Indians will be eager to bat long and rotate strike, which is the key to nullifying spinners on such decks.

Sri Lankans Pathum Nissanka and Wellalage showed that en route to their fifties despite a flurry of wickets at the other end, while dealing with Kuldeep Yadav, Axar Patel and Washington Sundar effectively. The four Indian spinners,



leaked 126 in 30 overs for four wickets, while their Lankan counterparts' figures stood at -167 in 37.5 overs for nine wickets. So, the Indians will want to minimise the damage without compromising on

their run-making ways. Bowling coach Sairaj Bahutule said as much. "We did bat well in patches, and we could have had some partnerships that would have taken us (home) with less wickets going. We tried our best to get into partnerships," said Bahutule after the first match.

One option India can mull is to bring in either Rishabh Pant or Riyan Parag as both are extremely good at countering spinners and can upset their rhythm playing some of these rhythm playing some of those unorthodox shots. Wellalage did that

perfection while scooping and reverse sweeping Washington Sundar and Axar.

Additionally, Parag comes in with the bundle offer of being an off-spinner and leg-spinner at the same time.

But it remains to be seen whether the Indian team management will make a change after just one match,

for a while now. From Sri Lanka's perspective, they will enter the second match of the three-match series with a better frame of mind after shackling a much superior and vastly experienced opponent.

However, they will keep an eye on the fitness of Hasaranga, who was seen clutching his hamstring towards the end of his spell in the opening one-

TEAMS (FROM): India: Rohit Sharma (C), Shubman Gill (VC), Virat Kohli, KL Rahul (WK), Rishabh Pant (WK), Shreyas Iyer, Shivam Dube, Kuldeep Yadav, Mohd. Washington Sundar, Arshdeep Singh, Riyan Parag, Axar Patel, Khaleel Ahmed, Harshit Rana.

Sri Lanka: Charith Asalanka (c), Pathum Nissanka, Avishka Fernando, Kusal Mendis, Sadeera Samarawickrama Mendis, Ianith Kamindu Liyanage, Nishan Madushka, Wanindu Hasaranga, Dunith Wellalage, Chamika Karunaratne, Maheesh Theekshana, Akila Dananjaya, Dilshan Madushanka, Matheesha Pathirana, Asitha

# Indian top-order batters will be given ample opportunities to bowl: Bowling coach Bahutule

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 $B_{\text{Bahutule}}^{\text{owling}} \begin{subarray}{c} \text{coach} & \text{Sairaj} \\ \text{indicated} & \text{that} \\ \end{subarray}$ India will continue to give bowling opportunities to their top-order batters as it can work as a "surprise element" to the opposition. Shubman Gill was given a

chance to roll his arm against Sri Lanka in the first ODI, which ended in a tie here on Friday, and Bahutule said it will be the way forward even though the opener gave away 14 runs in his lone over. "I think our batters are good

bowlers as well, to be honest. You know their primary skill is batting, so at times, they don't focus much on their bowling. But they have the skills," said Bahutule in the post-match press meet.

İn contrast, Lankan skipper and their premier batter Charith Asalanka bowled 8.5 overs and walked away with returns of three for 30, including the wickets of Shivam Dube and Arshdeep Singh in two successive balls, helping his side to snatch a tie. Bahutule used the example of Suryakumar Yadav and Rinku Singh bowling in the T20Is against Sri Lanka to validate his point. "You might have seen in the T20Is...Rinku and Surya contributed with the ball. So, an opportunity was given to Shubman here. It's going to be an all-rounder's game in the coming days.

So, if one or two (batsmen) from the top-order can bowl it will definitely help the team, of course, depending on pitch conditions and situations.

"Also, it will be a surprise element to the opposition, if a batter can bowl. So, moving ahead there will be ample



opportunities for batters to bowl," he explained.

Bahutule said the visitors could have tried to forge better partnerships after starting from the blocks in a blazing 'To have a tie in ODI is always

exciting. Yeah, we should have got that one run and finished off the match. Nevertheless, I thought we bowled really well. "We did bat well in patches, and we could have had few partnerships that would have taken us (home) with less wickets going," he said.

Lankan spinners used the nature of the pitch to the hilt. "I think the nature of the pitch way

bowled...Hasaranga Asalanka executed their skills very well. "We tried our best to get into

the partnerships, and Shivam (Dube) also batted well and contributed. But yes, we could have put in that one extra effort of scoring that single run."

The former India leg-spinner said the team should have capitalised on the start given by skipper Rohit Sharma, who made a rollicking 58 off 47

It helped India reach 75 in 12.4

overs before the rot set in.
"The start given by Rohit was fantastic, and at one stage it looked like we wouldn't lose too many wickets. It (the way Rohit batted) was important when the ball was hard and coming onto the bat. I think it was his first ODI innings after the (50-over) World Cup.

"It didn't look like there was a break. He takes on the responsibility, sets the tone against any opposition, any pace attack. He is very positive

Bahutule rued the fact that Sri Lanka managed to add a few extra runs after being reduced to 142 for six.

"They had a partnership after we got them down to 160 for six, maybe we could have got them for 15-20 runs less. But overall, I think the bowlers did well. Arshdeep and Siraj began well and Shivam bowled well on a wicket which was slightly helpful to the spinners.

"I think spinners - Washi, Axar and Kuldeep - contributed well. To restrict them to 230 was, I think, a good effort," he

# My coaching days end here: Boe bows out after Chirag-Satwik fail to win Olympic medal

Mathias Boe, the coach of Chirag Shetty and Satwiksairaj Rankireddy, on Saturday announced his retirement from coaching following the ace Indian badminton pair's exit from the ongoing Paris Olympics.

Satwik and Chirag were considered India's biggest medal hope at the Olympics but the Indian duo lost to Malaysia's Aaron Chia and Soh Wooi Yik, the Tokyo bronze medallists, in the men's doubles quarterfinals 21-13 doubles quarterfinals 21-13, 14-21, 16-21 here on Thursday. Boe, a silver medal winner in the London Olympics, had joined Chirag and Satwik as their coach ahead of the Tokyo

"For me, my coaching days ends here, I'm not going to continue in India or anywhere else, for now at least. I have spent too much time in a badminton hall and it's also pretty stressful to be a coach, I'm a tired old man," the 44year-old from Denmark wrote on his Instagram account. Under Boe's guidance, Satwik and Chirag had claimed a

bronze medal at the 2022 world championships and a gold at the 2022 Commonwealth Games in Birmingham.

The duo went on to win the Asian Games gold, the Asian Championships title and also achieved the feat of becoming the first Indian badminton doubles team to become world



The Indian pair additionally won BWF World Tour titles, including the Indonesia Open Super 1000 and Korea super 500 in in 2023 and the French Open super 750 and Thailand Super 500 this year, besides reaching three more finals. Their sensational run ahead of

the Olympics made Satwik and Chirag hot favourites for the coveted title but the duo couldn't go the distance at Paris, and Boe consoled them. "I know the feeling all too well myself. Pushing yourself to the limit every day, to be in the best shape of your life, and

then things doesn't go as you would have hoped for. 'I know you guys are gutted, I know how much you wanted to bring a medal back to India,

but this time it wasn't meant to be," Boe said. Boe, however, said he is leaving the position as a satisfied man despite his wards failing to return from Paris with a

medal "You have everything to be proud of, how hard you have worked in this Olympics camp, battling injuries, even taken injections to reduce the pain, that is dedication, that is passion and that is a lot of

Heart," he wrote. 'You have won so much over the past years and you are

going to win so much more in the future."

# Khelif taking Olympic boxing ring after days of gender outcry

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again Saturday following days of identity and regulations in sports, misconceptions about her gender have exploded into a larger clash about identity in sports. Khelif meets Anna Luca Hamori of

Hungary, whose boxing association planned to contest the matchup with the International Olympic Committee but still let the fight go ahead, in a quarterfinal in the women's 66-kilogram quarterfinals. If Khelif wins, the veteran amateur will secure the seventh Olympic boxing medal in Algeria's history, its first since 2000 and the nation's first ever in women's boxing. Khelif won her opening bout

Thursday when opponent Angela Carini of Italy tearfully abandoned

the fight after just 46 seconds. The unusual ending became a sharp lgerian boxer Imane Khelif takes wedge to drive into an already Algerian boxer Imane Kneili takes weage to distribute and regulations in sports. comments from the former U.S. President Donald Trump, "Harry Potter" writer J.K. Rowling and others falsely claiming Khelif was a man or transgender.

At a Paris Games that has championed inclusion and seen other outcry over an opening ceremony performance featuring drag queens, LGBTQ+ groups say the hateful comments could pose dangers to their community and female athletes.

IOC President Thomas Bach on Saturday defended Khelif and fellow boxer Lin Yu-ting of Taiwan. Khelif and Lin were disqualified in the middle of last year's world championships by the International

Boxing Association, the now-banned former governing body of Olympic boxing, after what it claimed were failed eligibility tests for the women's competition.

several years without problems, and the Russian-dominated body which has faced years of clashes with the IOC over judging scandals, leadership decisions and financial issues — has refused to provide any information about the tests, underscoring its lack of transparency in nearly every aspect of its dealings, particularly in recent years.

"Let's be very clear here: We are talking about women's boxing," Bach said Saturday. "We have two boxers who are born as a woman, who have been raised a woman, who have a passport as a woman, and who have competed for many years as women. And this is the clear definition of a

about them being a woman." The unprecedented punishment of being banned from Olympic participation with the IOC, disqualified Khelif last year for what it said were elevated

levels of testosterone.

The IBA, which is led by an acquaintance of Russian President Vladimir Putin, has not released more details on the tests, calling the process confidential.

What we see now is that some want to own the definition of who is a woman," Bach added. "And there I can only invite them to come up with a scientific-based new definition of who is a woman, and how can somebody being born, raised, competed and having a passport as a woman cannot be considered a

# Bumrah can make ball obey his command: Ravi Shastri

PTI MUMBAI

Former India head coach Ravi Shastri stopped just short of calling pacer Jasprit Bumrah a magician with the ball and said his standout moments in the T20 World Cup in the Americas were India managing to thwart Pakistan's charge in the group stage and Rohit Sharma's side pulling the rabbit out of the hat in the final against South Africa.

India managed to defend a paltry 119 in their Group A clash against the arch-rivals, winning the contest by six runs with Bumrah changing the momentum of the game by getting rid of the dangerous Mohammad Rizwan to send Pakistan into a free fall when they were chugging along nicely at 80/3.

Bumrah then bowled a gamechanging spell against the Proteas in the final at Barbados, conceding just four runs in the 16th over before getting rid of the dangerous power-hitter Marco Jansen to take the fight out of the rivals in the chase of 176.

"He (Bumrah) just showed the world what it takes...And you know, it's not often in your career when you have a ball in

your hand and you say, 'do this and the ball does that," Shastri said in the ICC Review.
"I think the India-Pakistan

(match) because India were made to fight there and realise what the right combination should be going forward in the tournament. That and then of course the (T20 World Cup) final, those final five overs," said Shastri.

Rohit unleashed Bumrah in the death overs on the well-set Rizwan and the wicket shifted the momentum back to India. "I'd say one was Jasprit (Bumrah) getting Mohammad Rizwan. Extremely crucial, because that could have tilted the balance of the game. And it happened on the first ball of a new spell," he added.

Shastri said his other favourite moment was Bumrah sending back Jansen.

and sneak through bat and pad (of Marco Jansen), I thought that was a very, very important wicket at that time," Shastri recalled.

wicket to fall in the 18th over with the South Africans requiring 21 runs for victory off 15 balls.

"Brought back into the attack and then getting it to reverse

Jansen was the sixth Protea

Before that all-rounder Hardik

removed Heinrich Pandya Klaasen in the 17th over, wicketkeeper Rishabh Pant. "Hardik (Pandya) had done extremely important."

the main damage by taking Klaasen (in the previous over) but I thought back-to-back, that over and that wicket was

Bumrah was adjudged 'Player of the Tournament' for his 15 wickets at an average of 8.26 and Shastri compared the 30year-old to former greats like thought Wasim (Akram) and

the late Shane Warne, Wasim Akram and Wagar Younis. Very few have done it (change the flow of the game). I

Waqar (Younis) had it in their prime when they played whiteball cricket. Shane Warne had it where he could literally tell the ball, go there, pitch there,

hit leg stump," Shastri said.
"People who are on top of the game have that ability. I think Bumrah had that in this World Cup," he added.

was all praise for Suryakumar Yadav's stunning catch on the boundary to send back David Miller and reduced the Proteas to 161/7 with just five deliveries remaining in the

"I think that (catch) was a game changer because you know what David (Miller) can do," Shastri said.

"Another big shot (from Miller), and then, you know, the game's in the balance. So, I thought the timing couldn't have been better."

Shastri said he was amazed by Pant's resoluteness to return to top-notch cricket after a nearfatal car crash, which left him out of the game for more than a year.
"He did his job with the bat,

but it was his keeping that really surprised everyone. For someone to recover that quickly and then move the way he did. He hardly missed anything,

albeit he must have felt the pressure as the tournament got on because it's not easy to come back and do all the stuff he did," Shastri added.

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"This journey of education and breaking stigma around HIV is something that will have a legacy everlasting"

— Gareth Thomas



# OVERCOMING HIV STIGMA YOUTH BREAKING BARRIERS

In the face of deep-seated stigma and discrimination, young people living with HIV in Goa, are finding hope and resilience through the Human Touch Foundation. SHOBHA SHUKLA explores their personal journeys and examines the collective efforts that are transforming their lives and challenging societal norms



SHOBHA SHUKLA

iving with HIV often comes with a heavy burden of internal and external stigma. For many young people, this fear of discrimination can be paralyzing, affecting their ability to live normal lives. HIV-related misconceptions remain a significant barrier for those living with the virus, impacting their mental health, relationships, and opportunities in life. However, through the dedicated support of the Human Touch Foundation, these youths are not only overcoming their fears but also becoming advocates for change in their communities.

#### THE WEIGHT OF STIGMA

A young person living with HIV shared, "As a young person living with HIV, I had self-stigmatised myself due to the fear of discrimination... fear of discrimination if I dare disclose my HIV positive status to others... this fear had stopped me from living life like a normal person." This sentiment, echoed by many, underscores the protound impact of internal stigma. Internal stigma, a mindset of negative beliefs, thoughts, and behaviours about HIV, manifests as shame, guilt, feelings of contamination, reduced self-efficacy, selfloathing, low self-esteem, and self-rejection. "Internal stigma happens when we internalise external stigma and judgements and believe that they are true. Internal stigma also happens in the absence of external stigma and discrimination," explained Nadine Ferris France, CEO of Beyond Stigma. A youth shared his trauma, "I and my youth peers have confronted HIV-related stigma and discrimination in schools, workplaces, and societal levels. Sometimes, it is the teachers who were not cooperating or discriminating against them. The fear of disclosure – which means sharing our HIV positive status with family members, friends or others in society - the fear of being discriminated, is faced by many... the fear if we would be thrown out of the house or will our friends unfriend us... The Human Touch Foundation, based in Goa, India, is dedicated to supporting young people living with HIV. The organization provides a comprehensive range of services including mental health counselling, nutritional support, educational and vocational training, and medical assistance. By fostering a supportive community and empowering youth-led initiatives, the foundation addresses stigma and discrimination at multiple levels. Their efforts ensure that those living with HIV can lead healthier, more fulfilling lives

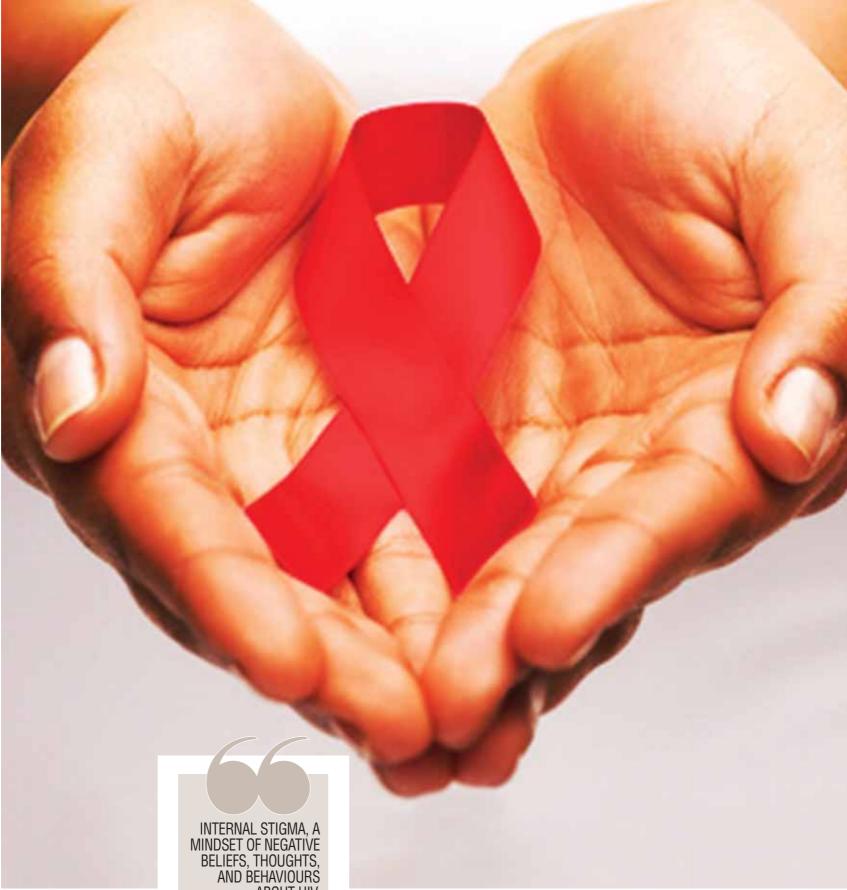
while advocating for broader

A young girl living with HIV

societal change.

shared how the Human Touch Foundation helped her overcome her fears of stigma and discrimination: "From my childhood I have been touched by Human Touch Foundation which helped me overcome my fears of stigma and discrimination related to disclosure - and helped me in various ways." She added, "As I am living with HIV, I faced a lot of stigma and discrimination from my own family as well as from society. People in the society told the family to not let me come out otherwise I will spread the virus to their children. I even faced it in my relationship with one guy. I knew him for one year and had shared everything with him but still he blamed me that I got infected because I have been sleeping with others." Despite these challenges, she found a supportive community within the Human Touch Foundation, which provides a range of services including

nutritional counselling, mental



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health support, and job opportunities.

#### PERSONAL TRIUMPHS AND

**COLLECTIVE SUPPORT** Another young person recounted their journey: "I got to know my HIV status at the age of 13. I was with my relatives because I had lost my parents. That is when I first felt being stigmatised and discriminated against by my own family. For example, I was told not to use the common family nail cutter because if any blood comes out while cutting my nails then it can put others at risk. Or sometimes there were separate utensils for eating food. It used to hurt

Finding support through the Human Touch Foundation, this individual connected with peers facing similar challenges and received guidance from Peter Borges, the foundation's CEO. "Peter Sir helped me a lot from the very beginning. He helped me with my documents too. We used to

have residential camps back then too, with adolescents living with HIV. I learnt a lot from these camps. Doctors were involved in these camps where we learnt a lot about HIV and how can we overcome problems we face."

#### THE POWER OF YOUTH

The Human Touch Foundation emphasizes the importance of youth-led initiatives in the HIV response. "Youth are the best equipped to lead the response to HIV," said a young intern at the foundation. Sandhya Chavan, Lead for Adolescent Health and Wellbeing, highlighted the comprehensive support provided: "We at Human Touch Foundation provide a range of youth-led services, such as mental health counselling, psychosocial support, help them avail a range of social protection schemes, nutritional packages, medical help, or treatment adherence support, among others." Masooma Sheikh, a

counselling psychologist at the foundation, stressed the need for proper mental health services in HIV care centres and a holistic approach to support young people living with HIV.

#### A BEACON OF HOPE AND

RESILIENCE As the Human Touch Foundation celebrates its 15th anniversary, its impact is evident in the lives it has touched. Peter Borges reflected on the journey: "Human Touch always had something different to offer when it came to support system or ecosystem which surrounded HIV care and support. For example, young people themselves speaking at different conferences including AIDS 2024 is so important. Lately, the realisation has grown over us about the importance of resilience: we must focus more on building the resilience of the young people. Issues like relationships or livelihoods cannot be missed while young counsellors themselves provide

mental health services."
The foundation continues to address various needs, including relationships, sexual and reproductive health, substance abuse, TB and HIV coinfection, and child sexual abuse. Their commitment to non-institutional care and resilience-building for families and communities remains steadfast.

The Human Touch Foundation has also been instrumental in initiating viral load monitoring in Goa and ensuring the uninterrupted supply of antiretroviral therapy during the COVID-19 pandemic. They offer free vocational training for young people with HIV, helping them build skills and secure employment.

Dr. Kashyap Bandodkar, a volunteer with the foundation, emphasized the importance of humane and holistic care: "Usually patients appear as a 'number or statistic' in a report. But experiences (like Human Touch) tell us the life story behind those numbers or statistics. This help us – doctors – provide better care because I believe that humane and holistic care is so key."

journey and the stories of those

it supports underscore the importance of tackling HIVrelated stigma and discrimination through empathy, education, and comprehensive support. Their work serves as a beacon of hope and a model for other organizations worldwide. Despite significant advancements in the treatment of HIV, societal stigma continues to pose a major challenge for those living with the virus. The personal stories shared by young people in Goa highlight the persistent fear of discrimination that can prevent individuals from living their lives to the fullest. Internal stigma, which manifests as selfloathing and low self-esteem, often results from the external judgments and prejudices of society.

Organizations like the Human Touch Foundation are making remarkable strides in addressing these issues. By providing comprehensive support services, fostering youth-led initiatives, and promoting resilience, the foundation is helping to dismantle the barriers that stigma creates. Their work emphasizes the importance of empathy, understanding, and community in overcoming the challenges faced by people living with HIV. However, the fight against stigma requires collective effort.

It is crucial that society as a whole becomes more informed and compassionate towards those affected by HIV. We must reject discriminatory attitudes and instead offer support and acceptance. By doing so, we can create an environment where individuals living with HIV can thrive without fear of prejudice. Only through such a unified approach can we hope to eradicate the stigma associated with HIV and ensure that everyone has the opportunity to live a healthy, fulfilling life.

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Alliance; views are personal)

# LIVING IT UP IN JAIPHR

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Jaipur, a bustling hub of commerce and culture in North India, is famed for its grand palaces, majestic forts, and exquisite crafts. Known globally for its intricate artwork and stunning jewellery, the Pink City exudes charm with its vibrant colours and rich artistic heritage. Alongside its historical grandeur, contemporary spaces reflecting local elegance have emerged as the city continues to evolve and thrive

BY **AKANKSHA** DEAN

AIPUR, is a delightful place to visit with its colourful palaces, historic forts, lively markets showcasing local crafts, and diverse food options. It's a city that offers something for everyone. The pink city is also home to luxurious hotels and unique restaurants. Stroll along streets lined with palaces, temples, and the occasional cow. Indulge in royal culinary delights, explore exquisite culinary delights, explore exquisite jewellery shops, and discover a weekend of tranquillity amidst the bustling vibrancy.

#### **TRADITION MEETS**

**CONTEMPORARY** Nestled near Amber fort off Delhi-Jaipur highway, The Leela Palace Jaipur sits with the backdrop of Aravalli hills amidst 8 acres of gardens. This hotel aims to impress guests with luxury while maintaining a cosy atmosphere. Royal opulence can be felt in the panels, windows, and artwork, yet there's a touch of modernity. The design reflects local artistry, from ancient Thikri mirror engraving to Shekhawati canvases on the walls. Traditional meets contemporary in a blend of comfort and grandeur at this splendid hotel. Stepping into the Leela Palace Jaipur feels like entering a world of extravagance and refinement

deeply rooted in history. This stunning hotel offers a range of accommodation options, including rooms, suites, and villas - all rooms, suites, and villas - all meticulously designed to provide a lavish experience. The Royal Plunge Pool villa is a highlight of my stay, radiating a sense of lightness and luxury. The spacious layout, complete with cosy armchairs, indulgent day beds, and a private pool, makes me feel like royalty. The attention to detail was exquisite, from the walk-in wardrobe to the from the walk-in wardrobe to the marble-trimmed bathroom with a tub, not to mention the plush robes and organic toiletries provided. And for those seeking the epitome of luxury, the Maharaja suite exceeds all expectations with its grand living spaces, luxurious bathrooms, and stunning Palace views. One of the standout aspects of my experience at Leela Palace Jaipur is the warm and welcoming presence of Sharad Puri, the General Manager. His humble approach and dedication to ensuring guests feel at home set the tone for the genuinely gracious service throughout the hotel. The meticulous butler service, provided by a dedicated team of footmen in true Leela Palace style, adds an extra touch of luxury to my stay. In terms of relaxation amenities, the expansive spa and well-equipped

gym are truly remarkable. One can also enjoy exploring the local area with running maps provided by the hotel, along with the option to use bikes for leisurely rides or even embark on a customized cycling safari itinerary. Situated close to the capital, the hotel offers a perfect base to explore Jaipur in all its splendour, with historical sites, vibrant bazaars filled with textiles and handicrafts, and renowned and handicrafts, and renowned silver and gemstone markets just a stone's throw away. My stay is a seamless blend of opulence, comfort, and exceptional service, making it a truly unforgettable

## INDIA'S ONLY CANDLE LIT RESTAURANT AND MORE

From its impressive design and stylish interiors to the refined culinary offerings and carefully curated immersive experiences, Leela Palace Jaipur epitomizes authentic Indian luxury. As my eyes wander through the architectural marvels of the Sheesh Mahal, I find myself at Mohan Mahal, the Indian specialty restaurant glowing softly with candlelight. The ambiance is crafted with 350,000 pieces of Thikri mirror, meticulously assembled by artisans over three years, creating an aura of refined

lit restaurant, it is truly a delight for the senses. The royal cuisine from Rajasthan and Awadh served at Móhan Mahal is a blend of simplicity and artistry, with standout dishes like the Seekh kebab dressed with barley. Breakfast is equally splendid, presented on beautiful tableware and featuring a selection of à la carte favourites. In the afternoons, I enjoy a delightful tea service at the Jharokha bar,

shares stories of mixing drinks for royalty. For a more intimate dining experience, Hawa Mahal offers a private rooftop setting where both the views and flavours are rich with captivating charm. Truly The hotel creates memorable moments that capture the essence of Indian indulgence, blending traditional rituals with modern hospitality

seamlessly.

Burrowed discreetly within the vibrant Johri Bazaar, known for its jeweller's market, the intimate Johri Restaurant seamlessly blends into

the bustling surroundings. Tucked away on a tranquil lane just off the main colonnaded street, which played a pivotal role in securing the city's spot on the UNESCO World Heritage list, this hidden gem welcomes all guests. Attached to a charming five-suite boutique hotel, The Johri, the restaurant offers a unique dining experience that harmoniously intertwines with the heritage and allure of the historic marketplace. Savouring Jaipur's iconic zero-sized peas here is a revelation. Despite its fame that stretches as far as Dubai and Japan,

these peas had somehow escaped my taste buds back in Delhi. The petite yet incredibly sweet and flavourful green peas are beautifully served alongside corn and spinach on a generous plate. Chef Sonu Kumar has expertly crafted a menu that celebrates local and regional flavours with organic, seasonal, and vegetarian ingredients. Signature dishes like paan patta chaat and Dal dishes like paan patta chaat and Dal Johri add a timeless charm to this culinary experience. Indulge in expertly crafted dishes that stay true to their origins, whether presented in a classic style or with a modern twist. The Jackfruit Nihari and truffle cheese kulcha stuffed with mushroom and local cheeses offer a burst of flavours in every bite. Accompanied by Missi roti and palak kofta in cashew gravy, the menu caters to diverse palates. Dietary preferences are accommodated, with gluten-free and Jain-friendly options like sangri ki shammi kebab and mirchi ka

halwa. Akanksha Dean is an independent food & travel writer, a chef and a catalyst and is the first Indian to have trained at Osteria Francescana, in Modena, Italy, rated as the world's best restaurant in the World's 50 Best Restaurants, in 2016 and 2018 and currently in the Best of The Best Category.





# **Indulge in Pure Joy**

Step into a world of craft brews and culinary delights at BeeYoung Brewgarden, the latest hotspot in South Delhi's vibrant social scene

elhi's social scene has a new star, even the most discerning palates. The BeeYoung Brewgarden, nestled in the bustling heart of South Delhi at The Panchshila Rendezvous. This lively venue is set to redefine your nights out, offering an unparalleled blend of craft beer, exquisite cuisine and endless entertainment. Whether you're a local or a visitor looking for a memorable night out, BeeYoung Brewgarden promises to deliver an experience that is both dynamic and delightful.

As you step inside, you're transported to a European getaway, with chic barnstyle ambiance and lush, vibrant décor. The carnival-like atmosphere is inviting, with alfresco seating and stylish indoor spaces perfect for both intimate gatherings and spirited weekend celebrations. It's a setting where every detail contributes to a sense of revelry and relaxation.

At the heart of BeeYoung Brewgarden is its commitment to craft brewing excellence. The menu takes you on a culinary journey, artfully pairing finely crafted brews with gourmet dishes designed to delight the senses. Each dish reflects an immersive culinary art approach, where flavour and presentation come together to create unforgettable dining experiences. With a global array of flavours, local and seasonal specialties cater to South Delhi's cosmopolitan crowd. The emphasis on quality ingredients and creative recipes ensures that every visit offers something new and exciting for

Entertainment at the Brewgarden is as diverse as its menu. Enjoy a blend of games and nostalgia with options like Bocce Ball, Cornhole and vintage arcade machines, providing endless hours of competitive fun. The venue hosts live sports screenings, vibrant music performances and sets by an inhouse DJ, ensuring a dynamic atmosphere that keeps you engaged throughout the evening. Whether you're in the mood for a lively party or a serene escape, BeeYoung Brewgarden caters to all your social needs.

The soul of BeeYoung Brewgarden is its namesake beer, India's first crafted strong beer, known for its smooth, citrusy notes and crisp finish. BeeYoung Beer embodies the youthful spirit of India, with every sip reflecting Kimaya Himalayan Beverages' dedication to quality and innovation. For those looking to immerse themselves in a world of craft brewing, vibrant social scenes and exquisite dining, BeeYoung Brewgarden is the place to be. It's where the art of microbrewing meets community and celebration, promising unforgettable

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Embark on a culinary journey with Monkey Bar's latest gastropub sensation, blending contemporary design and inventive dishes for an unparalleled experience



Monkey Bar, which first captured attention in 2012, was instrumental in popularising the gastropub concept in India. Now, it's back with a renewed vision, blending its signature charm with contemporary flair. The space has been transformed into an 'Urban Dreamscape, Tropical reflecting a design ethos that is both inviting and dynamic. The lush greenery and bright, cheerful hues of yellow and sage green infuse the venue with a sense of energy and warmth that's perfect for any

The menu at Monkey Bar is where the true magic happens. It's a celebration of flavours, seamlessly melding the familiar with the innovative. From classic favourites like their renowned burgers to new, exciting dishes such as Methispiced Prawns and Jackfruit Tacos, the culinary offerings are designed to surprise and delight. Each dish is crafted with a blend of regional Indian spices and global influences, providing a taste experience that is both unique and accessible.

time of day.

One of the standout features of the revamped Monkey Bar is its new coffee programme. The introduction of three distinct categories, 'The Usual Suspects,' 'You Do Your Brews,' Usual and 'The Unusual Suspects' offers something for every coffee lover. Whether you're in the mood for a classic Espresso something adventurous like the Nitro



Cold Brew, there's a brew to suit every palate. This thoughtful addition enhances the café's appeal, making it a versatile destination for everything from morning pick-me-ups to evening relaxation.

The bar menu, crafted by Lead Mixologist Harish Chhimwal, continues Monkey tradition of inventive cocktails. incorporating local ingredients and innovative techniques, the drinks menu offers a refreshing take on both classic and contemporary cocktails. The new creations, such as the Manga Mule and Rasam ki Kasam, provide a unique twist on traditional flavours, demonstrating a commitment to both creativity and quality.

The revamped Monkey Bar is more than just a place to eat and drink; it's a space designed for enjoyment and connection. With its lively atmosphere, interactive elements like a pool table and Instagram-worthy spots such as the quirky banana sofa, the venue encourages guests to relax, socialise and make lasting memories. This thoughtful redesign makes it clear that Monkey Bar is committed to providing a comprehensive, engaging experience for its

The new Monkey Bar offers a delightful fusion of tradition and innovation. Its updated menu, inventive drink options and vibrant atmosphere ensure it remains a top choice for those seeking a memorable dining experience. For anyone looking to explore new flavours, enjoy expertly crafted drinks or simply unwind in a dynamic setting, Ġar's Monkey incarnation promises to be an exceptional destination.

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# Redefining Coffee Culture

Discover a fresh take on coffee with First Coffee, blending innovation and indulgence to cater to the modern coffee lover's palate

→ tep into a revolution in coffee culture with First Coffee, where Deach cup is more than just a beverage - it's a celebration of bold flavours and innovative experiences. This fresh, dynamic brand is transforming the coffee scene with a blend of artisanal quality and modern flair, setting a new standard for coffee lovers everywhere.

Founded by Sohrab Sitaram, a distinguished name in Delhi's food and beverage world; Shiv Dhawan, a serial entrepreneur with a passion for innovation and Chandini D Purnesh, the visionary behind the Harley Estate, First Coffee brings together expertise and enthusiasm to craft the ultimate coffee experience. Their beans, sourced from the renowned Harley Estate in Chikmagalur, promise an exceptional taste journey, reflecting the lush landscapes and rich heritage of the

First Coffee's appeal extends beyond its premium blends. The cafés offer a stylish, minimalist setting that caters to both quick stops and relaxed hangouts. The design ethos emphasises clean lines and a vibrant atmosphere, creating a space that feels both contemporary and inviting. The menu showcases First Coffee's dedication to flavour and creativity. Dive into the 'Untamed Espresso' for a bold start or savour the 'Cold Blooded Brew,' a daring concoction that combines cascara syrup with a robust coffee base. For a whimsical twist, try the 'Jelly Jolt Affogato, where coffee meets ice cream and jelly in a delightful fusion. Classic offerings like 'The OG Cold Coffee' are given a modern twist, ensuring there's something for every palate.

Tea enthusiasts can also rejoice with the unique blends available. 'Teaminator,' a refreshing mix of hibiscus and watermelon syrup and 'Cascara Thunder' offer bold new takes on traditional favourites. The Boba Nova collection is particularly exciting, featuring the 'Mango Boba Bomb' and 'Lychee Loca Bomb' for those who love a playful and fruity twist.

First Coffee stands out as a game-



changer in the coffee industry. The brand's focus on combining artisanal quality with innovative offerings makes it a notable player in the market. The variety of options, from bold espressos to playful boba teas, caters to a wide range of tastes and preferences. Moreover, First Coffee's commitment to sustainability adds a layer of ethical responsibility that enhances its appeal. This brand isn't just offering a cup of coffee; it's creating a vibrant, inclusive coffee culture that resonates with modern consumers. It's exciting to see a brand that balances exceptional quality with social consciousness, setting a high bar for others in the industry.

In a world where coffee culture is evolving, First Coffee stands out as a beacon of quality and creativity. With its commitment to exceptional brews and a vibrant coffee experience, it's more than just a place for your daily caffeine fix, it's a destination for those who appreciate the art of coffee. Embrace the revolution and make First Coffee a part of your daily routine. Your taste buds and your coffee cravings will thank you.

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# A RECIPE FOR DISASTER IGNORED WARNINGS AND THE PERILS OF UNSUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT



**BK SINGH** 

Despite advice in 2020 to relocate 4000 families from landslide-prone areas, Kerala proceeded with a mega hydro-electric project nearby. Incessant rains led to devastating landslides, highlighting the urgent need for sustainable development and better disaster management

he flooding and landslides in Kerala since 1991 had reportedly claimed several human lives, till the state witnessed the worst disaster of its kind at Mundakkai, Wayanad in the wee hours of 30th July. In 2020 State Disaster Management Authority advised relocation of 4000 families from landslide-prone areas that included Mundakkai. State did not heed the warning and on the contrary, has proposed a mega hydro-electric project involving an underground tunnel barely two km from the site of the current

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Incessant rains of 572 mm in 48 hours have led to two major landslides, one at 2.00 am at Mundakkal followed by another at 4.00 am at Chooralmala towns trapping hundreds of families. The debris further covered Vellarmala GVH school. The landslide also washed away the bridge connecting Chooralmala town with Mundakkai & Attarmala. So far 126 people have been found killed, 196 injured and more than a hundred missing or marooned in swathes of slush, mud and misery triggered by continuous and heavy rainfalls for two days. Dead bodies have also been found at Pothukal village that were carried by flowing water for 20 km in the Chaliyar River. High Tension lines and transformers of the Mekkadi electrical section have also been damaged and resuming power in the area has been a challenge. Landslides washing away the bridge have posed further challenges for relief and rescue operations, though all state and central agencies are putting up their might to remove debris, find survivors, treat the injured and move the people to safer locations and camps. Rescuers are crossing the river in spate with the help of the ropeways but mist, bad weather and unstable terrain are making it more difficult. Army has up Bailey Bridg the site, which has been moved on the road from Chennai.



This deluge affected adjoining areas of Karnataka and left the Kapila River in the Mysuru district in spate, after 80,0000 cusecs of water were let out of the Kabini dam, severely affecting the traffic between Karnataka and Kerala. Kodagu roads were also flooded and many persons stuck were rescued. Landslides also occurred repeatedly on the Shiradi Ghats section of NH 75 connecting Bengaluru and Mangalore holding the traffic for several hours and eventually re-routing them via Kodagu and Sampaji Ghats. A few weeks earlier a landslide had occurred near Ankola, Uttar Kannada district along the newly widened National Highway burying moving vehicles underneath that claimed a dozen lives, and many others Next to the Himalayas, the plantations.

Western Ghats have the most fragile ecosystem and despite the disasters striking frequently, we have not mended our ways and continued to engage in unsustainable activities in the name of development. The entire Ghats section from Gujarat to Kerala once had luxuriant tree/ forest cover that provided the source and the catchment of several east-flowing and west-flowing rivers – a key lifeline for everyone in peninsular India. With the changes in land use patterns, the integrity of the catchment of the rivers is compromised, resulting in many of the streams and rivers becoming seasonal. People who have enjoyed the perennial flow of water in the streams in the past have now been drinking, agriculture

undulating terrain and diverting lands comprising tree growth for cultivation of tea, coconut, banana, coffee, spices etc is never sustainable. Kerala has lost its natural forests at a very fast pace and individuals, public and private agencies have grown plantations for quick cash. Some areas are also encroached. Proponents of such projects argue that destroying forests and growing bananas, tea, cashew coconut etc provide employment and help in GDP growth. This perception is highly misplaced. Such projects are not ovaluated on a long torm basis evaluated on a long-term basis. There are hardly any methods to work out an economic valuation of forests destroyed in the process. When a heavy downpour occurs landslips, destroys houses, roads 4200 sq km. However only 1750 sq bridges etc. To rebuild the km was reserved as forests and everyone's mind is to stop

infrastructure we need to further spend money. The infrastructure destroyed in 2018 and 2019 in the Kerala flood disaster was rebuilt by spending more than 50,000 crores rupees. If the true environmental cost is considered, none of the plantation projects of growing tea etc would be viable. Labourers of tea gardens as well as banana and coconut gardens must be re-skilled and their services can be utilized for manufacturing etc.

2018 floods in Kodagu Karnataka, a district adjoining Wayanad, also played havoc with the life of the people. I have discussed the reasons for flooding and landslides in this region in my hook in this region, in my book, "Changing Land Uses - Shrinking Streams and Carbon Sinks". Like Wayanad, Kodagu is again a hilly

Protected Areas, leaving another 1000 sq km occupied by habitation and agriculture; the remaining 1450 sq km had still quite a luxuriant tree cover until the 1980s. These were wooded areas under the control of the Revenue Department of the state, and the tree felling in such areas was regulated by the Karnataka (Preservation) of Trees Act, where forest officers were empowered to grant/ deny permission for the removal of trees. There is evidence on record to suggest that some officers had connived with the timber merchants and granted permission to remove tens of thousands of trees every year. This has resulted in compromising the ecological security of the region leading to frequent disasters of the

destroying the natural forests and making any changes in land use. There is a proposal to tag the Western Ghats as Eco sensitive area, but both governments of Kerala and Karnataka have yet not come on board. Unless they mend their ways the disasters would keep on striking more frequently and would be more destructive. Finally, let the column also deal with the reasons why there are heavy downpours for days in this warming world. The world at present including India is faced with heat waves, wildfires and heavy downpours leading to flooding. The uncontrollable wildfires in Canada, California and other parts of Western world are the consequences of global warming. Leh in India, which is located 3 km above the mean Sea level has the airfield at the highest altitude in the country and has been registering 32 degree Celsius temperature for some days in the last week of July. Due to such unusual temperatures, the air at this altitude gets rarefied and engines cannot develop the thrust required for takeoff. For the first time, all flights to and from Leh have remained suspended for these

High downpours are functions of higher rate of evaporation from Sea surfaces. As the Sea surfaces warm, evaporation increases leading to excessive moistureladen clouds in the atmosphere. Once the conditions are favourable, it leads to heavy downpours. It can have very dangerous consequences in urban centres, as we have recently seen the drowning of three students in the basement of Rau coaching centre, Rajendranagar Delhi. The Civic Agencies must re-model the stormwater drains to take the load of 100 mm of rain per hour. These drains were originally designed for 25 mm of rain per hour. Building bylaws should also change; Basements should have only huge sumps and Parking space for vehicles and nothing else.

> Chief Conservator of Forests Karnataka; views are personal)

# Unveiling the misogyny in fairytales: A feminist critique

In the enchanting world of fairytales, age-old stories have woven themselves into the fabric of our culture, shaping our perceptions and understanding of the world around us. Yet, beneath the guise of magic and fantasy lies a troubling reality: the portrayal of women through archaic tropes that perpetuate harmful stereotypes writes SULAGNA MOHANTY

n the enchanting world of fairytales, age-old stories ■ have woven themselves into the fabric of our culture shaping our perceptions and understanding of the world around us. Yet, hidden beneath the guise of magic and fantasy lies a troubling reality; the portrayal of women through archaic tropes that perpetuate harmful stereotypes. If seen from a feministic lens, tropes like the witch, the evil stepmother and the damsel in distress reflect and reinforce harmful stereotypes about women and limit and distort our understanding women's experiences.

The portrayal of witches in fairy tales as powerful but wicked beings reflects society's fear of women who do not conform to traditional gender roles. Witches are often depicted as old, ugly, and dangerous, embodying traits that are seen as undesirable in women. This portrayal reinforces the idea that women who are independent, assertive or different are to be feared and marginalised, perpetuating a culture of misogyny and exclusion.

This concept of "witch hunting," born out of fear and prejudice has had devastating consequences throughout history. In medieval Europe, thousands of women were accused of



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witchcraft and executed in brutal witch hunts. These women were often healers, midwives or other powerful figures in their communities targeted for their knowledge and independence. The fear of witches and the persecution of women accused of witchcraft spread to colonial countries like India where women were often accused of witchcraft and subjected to violence and even death. Even today, women in some parts of India are killed in the name of witch hunts accentuating the lasting impact of this harmful stereotype. This concept of the witch reflects society's discomfort with powerful women and is a reminder of the importance of challenging stereotypes and celebrating women's autonomy and strength.

Further, the portrayal of the evil stepmother in fairytales not only vilifies women in positions of authority but also perpetuates a harmful narrative of competition and division among women. By pitting a woman against another woman, society creates a "divide and rule" policy where women are encouraged to fight among themselves rather than unite for their common rights and This stereotype undermines the credibility of women in leadership roles by painting them as inherently



untrustworthy. It diminishes the achievements of women by suggesting that their success comes at the expense of others developing a culture of suspicion and mistrust among women. Moreover, the depiction of the evil discourages stepmother young girls from aspiring to leadership roles as it reinforces the idea that women in power are to be feared and avoided. Instead of inspiring girls to pursue their ambitions and dreams, this stereotype instils fear and self-doubt, limiting their potential and opportunities helpless victims in need of for growth.

It is essential to challenge and dismantle these harmful stereotypes to create a more inclusive and empowering society for women. By portraying women in positions of authority as women in supportive, we can inspire future generations of women to aspire to leadership roles and contribute positively to life of servitude by Prince society. The damsel in distress trope exemplified by characters like Cinderella, Rapunzel and Sleeping Beauty portrays women as

rescue by a male saviour. This narrative diminishes women's agency by suggesting that they are incapable of taking care of themselves and solving their problems. It also underpins the idea that a woman's ultimate goal in life capable, compassionate and is to find a man to rescue and protect her. In Cinderella, the titular

character is rescued from her Charming who saves her from her oppressive stepfamily and offers her a life of luxury and love. Similarly, Rapunzel is locked

away in a tower by a wicked witch until she is rescued by a prince who climbs up her hair. Sleeping Beauty is cursed to sleep for a hundred years until she is awakened by true love's kiss. These stories send a harmful message to audiences particularly young girls by implying that women are incomplete without a man to rescue them. They fail to acknowledge women's strength and ability to overcome challenges on their own. By perpetuating this these stories

emphasize outdated gender

of women to be seen as capable and independent individuals. Hence, it is time to challenge these harmful tropes and

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create new narratives that empower young girls and women and celebrate their diversity and strength. Instead of portraying women as either wicked witches, evil stepmothers or helpless damsels, fairytales must depict women as complex, multifaceted individuals with agency and autonomy. By telling stories that reflect the diverse experiences and identities of women, we can create a inclusive and empowering narrative for future generations. One must realise that the witch, evil stepmother and damsel in distress tropes in old fairy tales are not harmless storytelling devices; they are powerful tools that shape our perceptions of women and their place in society. By examining these tropes through a feminist lens, we can begin to challenge and dismantle the stereotypes they perpetuate paving the way for a more inclusive and empowering narrative for women everywhere. It is time to tell new stories to our kids; stories that empower and inspire women to embrace their true selves and rewrite their destinies.

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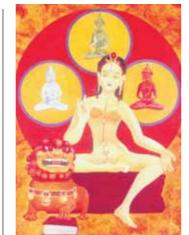




#### ARIES March 21-April 19

The upcoming week promises a flurry of activities that will challenge your resilience and determination. Your engagements will deepen your understanding of your ambitions and desired pathways. You will enjoy familial contentment, and travel will feature prominently in your schedule. The early part of the week may involve demanding, work-related journeys. Adjustments in your professional life, such as relocations or new positions, will bring satisfaction towards the week's close. Midweek, a wave of sentimentality might encourage you to reconnect with loved ones, reminiscing about past experiences. A trip to your place of origin could arise, fulfilling a deep-seated need. Anticipate positive developments—a significant gain or inheritance may be forthcoming, enhancing your financial landscape.

Lucky number 10 | Lucky colour Orange Lucky day Wednesday



#### **LEO** July 23-Aug 22

This week may bring unexpected challenges that disrupt your usual ease. You might find yourself embroiled in disagreements, whether at work or within your home, which could push you towards seeking an escape. However, retreat isn't your only option. Embrace your inherent strength and resilience. Facing these issues head-on with clarity and determination can reveal straightforward resolutions. Your inner wisdom will be a guiding force, enabling you to navigate and overcome these hurdles effectively. Moreover, this period is significant for personal relationships. Embrace your intuitive and emotional insights-they will greatly benefit your romantic pursuits. Expect meaningful connections, heartfelt communications, and possibly romantic gestures or outings. Stay focused on managing your life and pursuing your aspirations confidently

Lucky number 11 | Lucky colour Burgundy



#### **SAGITTARIUS** Nov 22-Dec 21

An enchanting opportunity is on the horizon, bringing unexpected shifts that might initially seem out of your grasp. The influences of these changes are tangible in your life, hinting that while fate often appears unannounced, its signs are perceptible for those attuned to observe subtle cues, making the enigmatic less so. Prompt yet considered decisions are necessary—act decisively but thoughtfully. A new acquaintance could spark a quick-flourishing romance, and an upcoming journey with a significant other may be forthcoming. Harness your communicative prowess and imaginative capabilities to captivate your partner and swiftly tackle a persistent issue. Your adeptness at expressing affection shines brightly. A challenging decision might arise, necessitating a choice between your partner and a new love interest. In such moments, seek guidance from your inner moral compass to lead the way.

Lucky number 9 | Lucky colour Sky Blue Lucky day Sunday



#### **TAURUS** April 20-May 20

This week brings a vibrant connection with loved ones, enhancing your overall joy and visible contentment. The warmth from your home life will radiate in your actions and expressions. Those not currently in a relationship will find themselves surrounded by romantic gestures and potential lifelong partnerships, sparking delight. Midweek promises gatherings that celebrate these bonds, infusing your interactions with renewed vigor and creative inspiration. Additionally, you may find yourself drawn towards more spiritual or introspective pursuits, perhaps discovering new passions. Financially, it's a favorable period for making contributions to causes you value or managing existing financial commitments effectively. You might also find opportunities to support your close ones financially, fostering a sense of community and shared well-being

Lucky number 7 | Lucky colour Ocean Blue Lucky day Sunday



#### VIRGO Aug 23-Sep 22

This week, you find yourself energized and driven, eager to pursue your ambitions with determination. You possess the strength to turn your aspirations into accomplishments, reaching for your highest potential. Relationships, whether friendships or collaborations, are favored during this period. Midweek might bring a longing for comfort and familiarity, stirring deep reflections and enhancing your understanding of others' motives and actions. Your nurturing nature shines, offering support and comfort to those in need. Creatively, you are drawn to expressive outlets that stir the soul, such as music and the arts, where your imagination can flourish. However, take care to balance your enthusiasm with practicality; overly idealistic dreams could lead to challenges if not tempered with a grounded perspective.

Lucky number 6 | Lucky colour White Lucky day Sunday



#### CAPRICORN Dec 22-Jan 19

This period marks a pivotal phase of renewal, urging you to clear the canvas of your life for a fresh beginning. Acknowledge that errors are merely stepping stones in the journey of knowledge. Leave your previous challenges behind and embrace the prospects that lie ahead with a clear determination to move forward. At times, you'll encounter scenarios that resist resolution through peaceful means or insightful strategies, and you might feel compelled to adopt a more assertive approach. The resolution or escalation of disputes or disagreements is on the horizon. Embrace your inner resolve and clarity, which will empower you to navigate through these conflicts successfully. As the week concludes, expect an array of unexpected and intriguing experiences. Exercise caution with enticing opportunities, understanding their full implications before committing.

Lucky number 8 | Lucky colour Fuschia **Lucky day** Saturday



#### **GEMINI** May 21-June 20

This week, your ability to navigate complex decisions will be enhanced, covering a range of personal and professional matters. Have faith and trust in your won inner strength and self-assurance, this will help you facing challenges. Midweek, you might encounter an individual whose characteristics starkly differ from yours, potentially leading to temporary discomfort. This person could be a newcomer in your workplace and might pose challenges to your professional path. However, with your grounded nature and honest approach, you will manage to maintain control of the situation. Your persistence, strategic thinking, and intelligence will help you navigate through these obstacles effectively. You possess a unique ability to maintain equilibrium in various aspects of life, which consistently leaves a positive impression on those around you.

Lucky number 4 | Lucky colour Musterd Lucky day Thursday



#### LIBRA Sep 23-Oct 22

This week, you might find yourself captivated by flights of fancy. Recently, you've been deeply immersed in worldly pursuits, possibly to the detriment of your inner balance. Now may be a good time to dismantle any self-created barriers built from such indulgences. Embrace a more grounded approach, especially if you've been resistant to change. This shift aligns with a deeper spiritual beckoning. It's crucial to monitor your aspirations to ensure they remain achievable, as fleeting satisfactions are outweighed by enduring impacts. As the week concludes, anticipate significant shifts or transitions. These changes, whether they involve moving locations or pivotal figures entering or exiting your life, will happen quickly and are essential, albeit not always by choice.

Lucky number 1 | Lucky colour Magenta Lucky day Tuesday



#### **AQUARIUS** Jan 20-Feb 18

This week may test your resilience and patience as various challenges emerge across different aspects of your life. From health issues to complications at work or home, unexpected events could stir mental tension. It's crucial how you handle these situations. You might face skepticism from those around you or encounter unpredictable behavior in public spaces. In such scenarios, adopting a strategy of compromise could be beneficial. Hold your ground and stay calm, even under the most challenging conditions. As the week closes, you might find yourself overwhelmed with regret and anxiety, potentially leading to restless nights. Instead of dwelling on past events, focus on addressing the real issues at hand to prevent further distress.

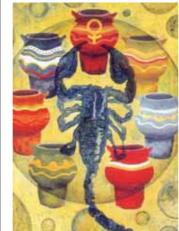
Lucky number 12 | Lucky colour Grey Lucky day Monday



#### **CANCER** June 21-July 22

This week holds great promise for you as favorable influences surround you. You exhibit creativity, initiative, and a spirit of adventure, allowing you to effectively tackle and complete any task or project at hand. Your approach includes building a solid base and addressing core issues, ensuring durable outcomes and success in your endeavors. Emotional challenges might arise mid-week, but with the support of a partner or through a beneficial partnership, these can be navigated successfully. This period also brings opportunities for forming new connections, whether in your personal or professional life. Those not in a relationship might receive encouraging signs of affection, while those committed can experience deeper intimacy and connection. However, stay alert to the deceptive tactics of untrustworthy individuals. Assertiveness and tact will be key in countering any negative influences.

Lucky number 2 | Lucky colour Pink Lucky day Monday



#### SCORPIO Oct 23-Nov 21

This week opens with a sense of joy and gathering, marking significant personal and communal celebrations. Embrace the richness surrounding you, and express gratitude for those who enhance your life. As you encounter new opportunities, whether in your career or personal projects, a proactive and courageous approach is essential. Now is the moment to harness your capabilities and embark on ventures with confidence, fully equipped to see them through. An influx of energy and determination arrives, urging immediate action to capitalize on emerging prospects. Utilize this surge to advance your ambition As the week closes, expect interactions with influential individuals, particularly a discerning leader. Honesty will serve you well in these exchanges, even as challenging conversations prompt personal growth and deeper understanding.

Lucky number 3 | Lucky colour Teal Lucky day Wednesday



#### PISCES Feb 19-March 20

This week is all about embracing change and pursuing personal growth. If monotony has crept into your routine, it's time to inject some excitement and joy. However, beware of neglecting your responsibilities amidst minor distractions. A lack of discipline, especially in financial matters, could lead to disorder. Balancing your commitments to both family and career is crucial to maintain stability. Consider tightening your budget as this discipline may be beneficial for your well-being too. Adopting a new wellness routine, including a nutritious diet and regular physical activity, is essential. Despite challenges, remember that every ending paves the way for new beginnings. As the week closes, take time to restore yourself, nurturing both your physical and mental health for

ucky number 15 | Lucky colour Brown L<mark>ucký day</mark> Thursday

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picking up threads from the previous issue, it's time to look at few other dimensions of the Shakti -trinity. Inherent in Sata is the 'revealing principle'. We have already discussed that when Tamasa engages with the seeds of creation stirred up by Rajas element, it leads to creation. The creation, however gains stability and thereby form existence with name when aided by Sata element. Once the form existence is in place, the eternal element of Consciousness finds a platform to manifest. The radiance inherent in Consciousness Element brings into light (in cognitive domain), the form-existence designated with a name and form. Tamasa, its counterpart, is marked with 'veiling nature', as it does all the processing in hiding. It is something like a plant bearing seed, which has to necessarily go into hiding in the dark realms of mother earth's womb for a specified period, for it to draw succour from the earth mass. Following which, the seed first sprouts, and then grows into a fruit bearing tree. Evidently, the treeform remains veiled in the seed; but once manifest, the particular seed

creating it would not be in sight. Similarly, at the primal-source, which is supposedly self-revealed, the fine print of manifest world remains veiled in seed-form. But once the world becomes manifest, the root on which life cycle is premised gets veiled, as it goes out of reckoning in human being's perceptible domain. It is for this very reason that in Indian context, darkness is not perceived as negative. For, it remains just one phase of nature's creation process. So, veiling and unveiling aspects are just two faces of nature's creation cycle. But then a look at the way seed-treeseed cycle runs, an intriguing question arises in mind, especially in view of the fact that seed goes out of sight once it transforms into a plant. Would it mean that the primal source would also lose its presence once the manifest world comes to light? Looking at the seed-tree cycle analogy, it may appear so. But then, it needs to be appreciated that the manifest ephemeral world has to be rooted somewhere in some inexhaustible eternal reality. Otherwise, it will not be able to draw succour necessary to

# Revealing and Veiling dimensions of Shakti trinity



continue recycling again and again. But for which, the manifest world would not have sustained so long. Here, it also needs to be appreciated that the Primal-Source is infinite,

eternal reality, beyond the bounds of time, space, and causality. It is only a finite thing that may lose its presence, once transformed into another form.

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disappearance of tidal waves in the sea may throw further light. When the sea is in fury, tidal waves envelope the sea. The sea goes out of our sight. Once the tidal waves settle down after doing their round for a while, it comes out that only the surface water had temporarily gone into fury. The main sea body was there in its place. Even in tidal wave state, it remains a part of the main sea body itself. So, whereas existence of the tidal wave can be measured in time frame, the main sea body remains beyond its limit. Similarly, the disorder just at the surface level of the primal source is enough to manifest the world we live in. But the primal source would remain very much in place, and therefore, is beyond the limitation of time. Again, when the manifest world finally disintegrates, it gets back to its primal source, the way main sea body takes back the tidal waves into its womb. So, the primal source happens to be an eternal reality beyond the binds of time.

A look at the emergence and

The revealing, veiling, and activating aspects of Sata, Tamasa, and Rajasa

have psychological imperatives on human minds as well, in so far as their individual character is concerned. As already discussed above, with bodymind organism getting revealed, the root of life gets veiled. That clouds human perceptible and comprehensible abilities in five different ways. Since these limitations arise as a sequel to the design parameters underlying the making of a being, they are there by birth. We may call them as elemental limitations. Kashmir Shaivism calls this as being under the spell of Maya(delusion). The human limitations are viewed in the backdrop of the primal source believed to be enjoying singular ownership of the whole manifest world and thereby carrying a sense of fullness; being omniscient; being beyond limitation of time and space as

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