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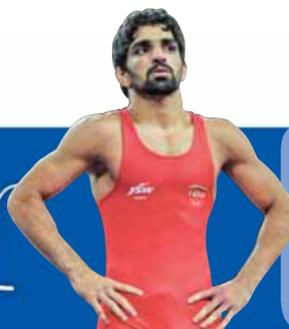
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WRESTLER AMAN ENTERS SEMIFINALS 12 SPORTS

Waqf Bill to face JPC scrutiny after Opp outcry



Union Minister Kiren Rijiju speaks in the Lok Sabha during the Monsoon Session of Parliament, in New Delhi, on Thursday

RAJESH KUMAR ■ NEW DELHI

Amid dissent by the Congress-led Indian National Developmental Inclusive Alliance (INDIA) which opposed the proposed law in its present form, the Bill 'divisive', 'anti-Muslim', and 'unconstitutional', the Waqf (Amendment) Bill, 2024 was introduced in Lok Sabha on Thursday and referred to a Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC) for further scrutiny.

After introducing the Bill in the Lok Sabha, Minority Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju on Thursday said the government is ready for further scrutiny of the legislation. Defending the Bill, Rijiju said the Central Government's intention is clear and it has nothing to hide from the legislation saying the Waqf (Amendment) Bill does not intend to interfere with the freedom of any religious body and that no provision of the Constitution has been

violated. Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla said he will talk with leaders of all parties for constituting the JPC. Earlier, moving the Bill, the Minister clarified that this Bill is not intended to interfere with the functioning of religious bodies and is to provide justice to the disadvantaged and poor sections of the Muslim community. Soon after Union Minority Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju sought leave to introduce the Bill in the Lok Sabha, many

Opposition MPs, who had given notices to oppose the Bill, alleged that the proposed legislation was an "attack on the Constitution and federalism". Calling it an attack on the Constitution and aimed at targeting Muslims, several INDIA Bloc MPs urged the Government to withdraw the Bill. Parties such as Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD), Samajwadi Party (SP), and the All India Majlis-e-Ittehadul Muslimeen (AIMIM) have criticised the proposed amendments including for inclusion of non-Muslims in waqf governance saying they will encroach on the religious rights. The Bill proposes significant changes to the 1995 law, such as the inclusion of Muslim women on Waqf boards and ensuring verification of land before a board announces it as a Waqf property. The Government also introduced The Mussalman Wakf (Repeal) Bill, 2024.

Responding to the concerns flagged by Opposition members, Rijiju said Waqf Act 1995 did not serve its purpose, hence the amendment was planned. "I want to tell Congress these amendments are being brought to achieve what you (Congress) couldn't," he said.

Indian hockey's historic moment at Paris

PTI ■ PARIS

The Indian men's hockey team clinched a second successive bronze medal at the Olympic Games for the first time in 52 years with a come-from-behind 2-1 win over Spain, giving veteran goalkeeper PR Sreejesh a fitting farewell here on Thursday. It was tense last few minutes for the Indians as they faced two short corners within the last minute but the defence stood tall and soaked in the pressure. India, who claimed the bronze in Tokyo Games after a hiatus of 41 years, lived up to the expectations despite not having a perfect build-up to the Games. The last time India won back-to-back Olympic medals was in 1968 (bronze) and 1972 editions (bronze). The bronze medal was also a desperate wait for the Indian



India's goalkeeper Parattu Reveendran Sreejesh, in yellow jersey, reacts as India's players celebrate after winning the men's bronze medal field hockey match against Spain at the Yves-du-Manoir Stadium during the 2024 Olympics, on Thursday

contingent in Paris, which has endured six fourth-place finishes so far, apart from a heartbreaking disqualification of wrestler Vinesh Phogat. Spain went ahead with

skipper Marc Miralles (18th) converting a penalty stroke while India captain Harmanpreet Singh (30th, 33rd) stole the limelight with a brace. Shrugging off their heart-

wrenching 2-3 defeat against Germany in the semifinal, India came out all guns blazing to dominate the possession in the first quarter. It was an offensive start from India as they penetrated Spain's defence regularly in the first 15 minutes and created the first scoring chance of the match in the sixth minute. Vice-captain Hardik Singh created a fine move from the right and passed the ball into the D to Sukhjeet Singh, whose shot went just wide of the left side Spanish goal as the Europeans survived. The Spanish came with more purpose and intensity in the second quarter and pressed hard on the Indian goal. They took the lead in the 18th minute through a penalty stroke conversion by Miralles after Manpreet Singh conceded an unnecessary foul inside the D.

Vinesh retires after Olympics heartbreak

PTI ■ PARIS



Her long-cherished Olympic dream shattered by a cruel twist of fate, a crestfallen Vinesh Phogat bid adieu to her international wrestling career on Thursday, saying she doesn't have the strength to continue anymore. The 29-year-old, who was disqualified for being 100gm overweight ahead of her 50kg category gold medal bout in

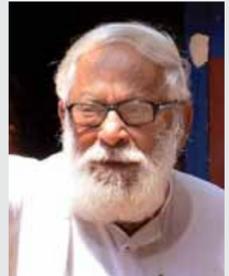
the Olympics on Wednesday, announced her decision on social media, seeking forgiveness from everyone who supported her. Addressing her mother Premalata, Vinesh, a three-time Olympian, wrote, "Ma, wrestling has won, I have lost. Please forgive me, your dreams and my courage, everything is broken." "I don't have any more strength now. Goodbye

wrestling 2001-2024. I shall be indebted to you all. Forgive (me)," added the two-time world championships bronze-medallist. Her stunning decision comes a day after Vinesh appealed against her disqualification from the Olympic finals in the Court of Arbitration for Sports (CAS), demanding that she be awarded a joint silver medal.

Ex-West Bengal CM Buddhadeb passes away

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA

The last Marxist Chief Minister of Bengal and arguably the 'last surviving icon of pride' for the State's decaying Left force Buddhadeb Bhattacharjee passed away on Thursday morning after a prolonged illness. He was 80 and is survived by his wife Meera Bhattacharjee and son



Suchetan. He was the State's Chief Minister from 2000 to 2011. Bhattacharjee had been in poor health for several years, and was confined to his small two-room apartment on Palm Avenue for the past 8 years mostly reading and writing books.



Nobel laureate Muhammad Yunus returns to Bangladesh from Paris to take charge of interim Government

Hasina ouster Bangladesh's second independence: Yunus

PTI ■ DHAKA

Muhammad Yunus on Thursday promised to deliver a Government which assures safety to its citizens and urged them to assist him in rebuilding the protest-torn Bangladesh, as the Nobel laureate described the ouster of Sheikh Hasina as the country's "second independence". Yunus, 84, who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 2006 for his pioneering work on microlending, was appointed by President Mohammed Shahabuddin as the head of the interim Government after Prime Minister Hasina resigned and fled to India following widespread protests against her regime over a controversial quota system in jobs. Yunus, who was in Paris for

the Olympic Games, returned to the country via Dubai on Thursday on an Emirates flight. Army chief General Waker-Uz-Zaman, senior officials, student leaders and civil society members welcomed him at the airport. At an emotional press conference at Dhaka's Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport after his arrival, Yunus said, "Today is a day of our pride. We have got independence for the second time. We have to protect this independence." He expressed gratitude to the youth who made the protest movement against Hasina successful and said he would like to stress first is to "save the country from violence so that we can move forward on the path that the students have shown us."

Registration of temples, mutts, trusts made mandatory in Bihar

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ PATNA

The Bihar Government has directed all District Magistrates (DM) to ensure that unregistered temples, mutts, and trusts in their respective areas are registered and details of their immovable assets are submitted to the Bihar State Board of Religious Trusts (BSBRT) for uploading on its website. The BSBRT operates under the State's law department. State Law Minister Nitin Nabin said, "All DMs have been directed to ensure that unregistered temples, mutts, and trusts are registered on a priority basis." He also instructed the DMs to ensure that details of immovable assets of all registered temples and mutts are promptly provided to the BSBRT for uploading on its website. "I recently sent a letter to all DMs in this regard. So far, only 18 districts have submitted data to the BSBRT," he added. The Minister said, "According to the Bihar Hindu Religious Trusts Act of 1950, all public temples, mutts, trusts, and dharamshalas must be registered with the BSBRT. The State Government will



take stringent action against those involved in illegal property transactions of registered temples, mutts, or trusts, as well as against unregistered entities that fail to register with the BSBRT." A high-level meeting with officials from the Law and Revenue and Land Reforms departments will be convened to address these issues. Registration is mandatory to protect the property, including land, of both registered and unregistered temples from unauthorised claims, the Minister said. According to the latest data from BSBRT, there are approximately 2,512 unregistered temples and

mutts in the state, owning 4,321.64 acres. The State has about 2,499 registered temples, which collectively own over 18,456 acres. According to data, the highest numbers of unregistered temples and mutts are in Vaishali (438), followed by Kaimur Bhabhua (307), West Champaran (273), Bhagalpur (191), Begusarai (185), Saran (154), and Gaya (152). Kaimur Bhabhua has 307 unregistered temples and mutts owning around 813 acres, while Khagaria has 100 unregistered entities with 722 acres. Banka district has 78 unregistered temples and mutts with approximately 332 acres.

Forging signs of chief secretaries lands IAS officer in hot soup

RAJESH KUMAR ■ NEW DELHI

After granting prosecution sanction against controversial IAS officer Udit Prakash Rai for alleged forging of the signatures of Delhi and Andaman & Nicobar Administration on his annual performance appraisal reports (APAR) during different periods of his posting, Lieutenant Governor Vinai Kumar Saxena has referred the case to the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) for further action. Rai has also been charged with demolishing a heritage structure for construction of his official residence in Delhi's Jal Vihar while he was serving as the Chief Executive Officer of Delhi Jal Board, at a whopping cost of ₹5 crores. According to officials, Rai, a 2007 IAS officer and a blue-eyed boy of Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal, had forged the signatures of the reviewing authority, the Chief Secretary of A&N and Delhi between 2017 and 2021. A criminal case of forgery under sections 465/471 IPC has been registered against Rai at IP Estate Police Station on the complaint of Special Secretary (Vigilance), Delhi

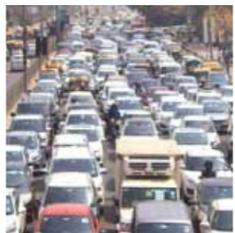


Government. According to Department of Vigilance, Rai, in his APARs for the periods from 01.04.2017 to 08.10.2017 and from 09.10.2017 to 31.03.2018, had also forged the signatures of his then reporting authority, SCL Das, the then Principal Secretary (Revenue) in A&N Administration and the signature of the reviewing authority, Anindo Majumdar, the then Chief Secretary of A&N. Further, in the APAR for period from 01.04.2019 to 30.07.2019, Rai forged the signatures of the reporting authority, Vikram Dev Dutt, the then Principal Secretary (Revenue) in A&N Administration, and the signature of the reviewing authority, Chetan Bhushan Sanghi, the then Chief Secretary of A&N.

New measures on anvil for hassle-free journey in Delhi

SAUMYA SHUKLA ■ NEW DELHI

In a move to enhance road safety and ease traffic congestion in the national Capital, a series of strategic suggestions have been put forward. Key proposals include relocating the bus terminal at Kashmere Gate, identifying traffic congestion points and removing bottlenecks, cracking down on illegal plying of e-rickshaws, and preventing overloading in commercial vehicles. These measures aim to ensure that commuters no longer endure hours-long traffic jams, promising smoother and safer journeys across the city. At a meeting on Thursday,



Lieutenant Governor Vinai Kumar Saxena after reviewing the situation on a fortnightly basis has directed the traffic police to expedite the process of sending traffic challans on WhatsApp. The LG expressed concern over illegal parking on

roadside, flyovers, especially by buses which cause inconvenience to commuters and compromise road safety apart from increasing pollution caused by vehicular emission. The LG has also directed for special drives to be carried out to enforce lane driving by buses especially on Ring Road, Airport Road and the national highway stretch with zero tolerance for deviation. Among the ten directives, Saxena stated are, "Traffic Police shall constitute joint teams with Transport Department to check overloading of commercial vehicle and overcrowding of passenger buses."

India to monitor winged guests in real-time

ARCHANA JYOTI ■ NEW DELHI

Migration routes and behaviours of the Bar-headed geese, one of the world's highest-flying birds, having grey bodies, and a few other waterbirds wintering at the famous high-altitude Wular Lake in Jammu and Kashmir are all set to be monitored in real-time through sophisticated solar-powered radio collars to be tagged on their neck. The project, first of its kind in the region will be soon launched by the Dehradun-based Wildlife Institute of India (WII), an autonomous body under the Union Environment Ministry. Wular Lake, one of India's 75 Ramsar-designated wetlands,

is internationally recognised for its ecological significance. Despite facing numerous environmental challenges, it continues to support a diverse array of flora and fauna, attracting wildlife enthusiasts, tourists, and locals alike. The advanced GPS satellite tracking technology integrated into these solar-powered collars will offer real-time insights into the birds' movements and behaviour, particularly during their initial return migration. The lightweight collars, which weigh between 50 and 70 grams, are designed specifically for large geese and features high solar efficiency, thus doing away with the limitations of the radio-collars based on conventional batteries, said a



scientist from the WII on the condition of anonymity. He said the agency is in the process of procuring the solar-powered radio collars. These gadgets will use the Global Positioning System (GPS) to record location, travel patterns, speed, temperature, and magnetic

field strength. They transmit this data to researchers via GSM cellular networks whenever the birds are within range of network towers. GSM, or Global System for Mobile communications, is the standard international cellular protocol used for this purpose, he informed.

By combining movement and habitat use data with diet studies conducted by other partners, conservationists and habitat managers will be better equipped to develop strategies that accommodate growing populations of these migratory birds. "The decision to select the type of birds to be radio collared will be finalised only after we receive the gadgets," said the scientist. The WII scientists will initiate collaring the geese for over a year-long study to determine the proportion of migratory geese that winter at Wular Lake. The GPS-GSM transmitters will be mounted on the birds' necks, providing valuable data on their travel and resting sites.

Punjab's Hockey Stars Shine Bright: 10 Players Lead India to Olympic Bronze in Paris

MONIKA MALIK ■ CHANDIGARH

Punjab's pride and passion for hockey have reached new heights as 10 players, including team skipper Harmanpreet Singh, from the state have played a pivotal role in securing India's bronze medal at the Paris Olympics. This monumental achievement not only highlighted the exceptional talent emerging from Punjab but also marked a historic moment for the sport in India, with the nation clinching back-to-back Olympic hockey medals for the first time in 52 years.

On Thursday, the Indian men's hockey team delivered a thrilling 2-1 victory over Spain, adding a bronze medal to India's tally in Paris. This success followed their bronze win at the Tokyo 2021 Olympics, making it the first time since 1968 and 1972 that India has earned consecutive Olympic hockey medals. The performance of Punjab's hockey players was instrumental in this achievement, underscoring the state's deep-rooted connection with the sport.

The 10 Punjabi players in the squad — drag-flicker and captain Harmanpreet Singh from Amritsar; defenders — Jarnanpreet Singh, Shamsher Singh, Gurjant Singh, and Jugraj Singh; along with Manpreet Singh, Hardik Singh, Mandeep Singh, and Sukhjeet Singh from Jalandhar; and Kishan Bahadur Pathak from Kapurthala — have become symbols of excellence and dedication.

Their contributions on the field have not only brought glory to India but have also spotlighted Punjab as a powerhouse of



hockey talent. The excitement and pride felt in Punjab are palpable, as the state celebrates this historic victory with unmatched enthusiasm.

Many of these players have previously competed in Tokyo Olympics and Asian Games also.

Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann, recognizing the significance of this achievement, has announced a remarkable reward of Rs one crore each for the Punjabi players on the team — a testament to the state's commitment to honouring its sports heroes and fostering talent.

"Punjab's players have once again showcased their exceptional skills on the world stage. This bronze

medal is a testament to their hard work and dedication, and we are immensely proud of their achievement," said Chief Minister Mann.

The victory has ignited celebrations across Punjab, particularly in the village of Timmo Wal, near Amritsar, which is home to team captain Harmanpreet Singh.

His family's home has become a hub of joy and celebration. Harmanpreet's father, Sarabjit Singh, expressed his elation, saying, "This bronze feels as precious as gold to us. The team's performance was outstanding, and we are thrilled with their success. The whole village is celebrating this

achievement."

Harmanpreet's mother, Rajwinder Kaur, shared her unwavering faith in the team's success. "I have always believed in their ability to succeed. This medal is a proud moment for us all, and we are eagerly preparing to welcome Harman and his teammates back home."

Mandeep Singh's father Ravindra Singh, also voiced his pride. "Our state has once again shown that it is a breeding ground for hockey talent. This bronze medal is a great honor for Punjab and for India."

The significance of Punjab's contribution to this Olympic suc-

Punjab's Hockey Wizards

- Harmanpreet Singh (Captain)
- Jarnanpreet Singh
- Shamsher Singh
- Gurjant Singh
- Jugraj Singh
- Manpreet Singh
- Hardik Singh
- Mandeep Singh
- Sukhjeet Singh
- Kishan Bahadur Pathak

cess cannot be overstated. The state's rich hockey tradition has once again proven to be a major force in shaping India's sporting achievements. The state's dedication to nurturing hockey talent is evident in the exceptional performances of its players on the global stage.

Chief Minister Mann's acknowledgment of the players' efforts through financial rewards and his continued support for sports in Punjab reflected a broader commitment to promoting excellence in athletics. The state's sports policy aimed to celebrate and incentivize such achievements, ensuring that Punjab remains at the forefront of national and international sports.

This victory is more than just a medal; it is a celebration of Punjab's enduring legacy in hockey. The success of the Punjabi players on the world stage reaffirmed the state's role as a cornerstone of Indian hockey and provided inspiration for future generations of athletes.

Hry Cabinet approves bonus of Rs 2,000 per acre for farmers of all Kharif crops owing to rain deficit

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

The Haryana Cabinet chaired by Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini on Thursday approved a bonus of Rs 2,000 per acre for farmers of all Kharif crops owing to a deficit in southwest monsoon this year. Talking to the media press meeting, the Chief Minister said the State has received significantly less rainfall this year compared to the previous year, which has adversely affected crop production.

Saini said that the farmers and other Kisan Organizations of the State were raising issues of high input costs due to adverse weather conditions this year for Kharif Crops. This year, heat waves/stress caused more water consumption and other crop-maintaining inputs. Further, it has also been observed that there is a deficit in rain by 40 percent, which increases the input cost. The increased input cost is, in part, directly related to extreme weather events during critical growth phases of crop development. Pests and diseases can also cause significant crop damage, which is indirectly related to climate conditions. Pest and disease occurrences often coincide with extreme weather events and anomalous weather conditions. To protect crops against these effects, farmers' input costs are higher this Kharif season. Therefore, accepting the demand of the state's farmers, the government has decided to give bonuses for Kharif Crops.

The government has decided to grant a bonus of Rs 2,000 per acre to the farmers



for all crops during the current Kharif season. The financial implication is around Rs 1300 crore. First release of the bonus will be paid by August 15, 2024 to all farmers of all crops registered on Meri Fasal Mera Byora (MFMB), who have or will register by August 14, 2024. To ensure that all eligible farmers receive the bonus amount, Saini urged them to register on the 'Meri Fasal, Mera Byora Portal' by August 15. The bonus will apply to all types of crops, including fruits, flowers, and vegetables. This initiative is designed to support even the small farmers owning land measuring 1 acre or less.

Saini criticised former Chief Minister Bhupinder Singh Hooda, accusing him of politicising every issue and misleading people with false statements. Hooda had ignored the

Commission's recommendations during his tenure and now speaks of farmer welfare. The Chief Minister asserted that the Congress has neither the policy nor the intention to do anything for farmers. The Chief Minister said that the government is continuously making decisions for public welfare, whether for farmers, employees, or media personnel. The State Cabinet has decided to request the Haryana Scheduled Caste Commission to study all the data and send its recommendations soon on the basis of the recent decision of Supreme Court regarding classification of reservation for Scheduled Castes in jobs.

Job Security for Contractual Employees

The Cabinet also made a decision to ensure job security for contractual employees which will benefit approximately 1.20 lakh contractual employees across the state. The

decision will apply to employees working under HKRN, including those engaged under outsourcing policy Part-1 and Part-2. The Cabinet approved the Haryana Contractual Employees (Security of Tenure) Ordinance, 2024. This ordinance will enhance facilities for contractual employees and guarantee their job security until the age of superannuation.

According to this ordinance, the state government has established provisions to ensure job security for all contractual employees working across various state departments, including Haryana Kaushal Rojgar Nigam, until their age of superannuation. Contractual employees who complete 5 years of service by August 15, 2024, will be eligible under this decision. They will receive a basic salary equivalent to the pay scale of posts. Additionally, their consolidated monthly remuneration will be increased with effect from the first day of January and first day of July every year corresponding to the increase in Dearness Allowance. The ordinance also includes provisions for an annual increment on the consolidated monthly remuneration for contractual employees after one year of service.

Eases Pension Rules for Accredited Media Persons above 60 Years

To support the accredited media personnel in the State, the Cabinet has approved crucial amendments to the Pension Scheme for accredited media persons above the age of 60 years. The key amendments include the removal of the criminal case clause, that condition stipulating the discontinuation of pension in the event of a criminal case being registered against a beneficiary media person has been removed. The clause regarding the discontinuation of pension, if a media person's conduct is found to violate journalism ethics, has also been deleted. Besides this, the restriction of granting a pension to only one member per family, as per the Parivar Pehchan Patra, has been deleted. Presently, the state government provides a monthly pension of Rs 15,000 to accredited media persons.

Vinesh Phogat to get honour, rewards given to Olympic silver medallist: Haryana CM

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini on Thursday announced that wrestler Vinesh Phogat, who was disqualified from her gold medal bout in the women's 50 kg category in the Paris Olympics after failing her second weigh-in, would be given the honour, rewards and facilities given to a player who wins silver medal in Olympic. "Vinesh is a champion for us," Saini said in a statement, adding, "The whole of India is proud of Vinesh's performance."

Talking to reporters in Chandigarh, the Chief Minister further said, "Ace wrestler Vinesh is the daughter of Haryana, and we are very proud of her performance in the Olympics. Vinesh has not only made Haryana proud but has also brought glory to the entire Nation at the international level. Regardless of any reasons she may not have been able to play in the Olympic

final, she is a champion for all of us. Therefore, the Haryana government has decided to award Vinesh Phogat with the same rewards and benefits as an Olympic silver medallist." He also congratulated and extended best wishes to Manu Bhaker and Sarabjot Singh for winning medals in the Olympics.

Meanwhile, former Haryana Chief Minister Bhupinder Singh Hooda on Thursday said that the Congress would have sent Olympian Vinesh Phogat to Rajya Sabha if they had the numbers in the State. The Election Commission had on August 7 announced the schedule for holding the bypoll to fill a Rajya Sabha seat from the state. The seat fell vacant after incumbent Dependher Singh Hooda got elected to the Lok Sabha from Rohtak constituency.

Hooda said that Vinesh has brought glory to the country in sports. "Her performance in this Olympics was excellent. She defeated the best wrestlers

from all over the world. In the very first match, she defeated a wrestler from Japan who was undefeated till now," he said.

"If she had not been disqualified, Vinesh would definitely have brought a gold medal for the country. Therefore, she should be given the same reward, respect and position as a gold medal winner by the state government. The Congress party feels that Vinesh Phogat should be sent to the Rajya Sabha. This will boost the morale of all the players and women and send a positive message across the country," he added.

Reacting to the announcement by Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini that Vinesh would be rewarded as every silver medallist is, the Congress leader said that the Haryana government should treat her as a gold medal winner. "The government should also intervene to find out how she got disqualified. It's quite rare," Hooda added.

Himachal cabinet announces Rs 50,000 each to cloudburst-affected families

Shimla: Himachal Pradesh Cabinet on Thursday announced it will give Rs 50,000 to each family affected by cloudbursts in Kullu, Mandi, and Shimla districts and paid its tributes to people killed in the tragedy. It also decided to fill about 950 vacant posts across categories in government hospitals.

Flash floods triggered by cloudbursts in Kullu's Nirmand, Sainj and Malana, Mandi's Padhar and Shimla's Rampur around July 31 midnight have claimed 22 lives so far, while rescue operations are underway to trace more than 30 missing.

The state cabinet in its meeting held under the chairmanship of the Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu announced grants of Rs 10,000 and Rs 5,000 per month as rental expenses in urban and rural areas to those whose homes were completely wrecked. The money will be in addition to free ration, LPG refills, utensils, and bedding for a period of three months till October 31.

The Cabinet also gave its approval to create and fill 951 posts, including those of 50 medical officers and 700 nurses in Dr Rajendra Prasad Government Medical College in

Kangra district's Tanda, and Indira Gandhi Medical College Shimla and Atal Institute of Medical Super Specialty in Shimla's Chamiana was also given. The cabinet approved an amendment to the Himachal Pradesh Minor Minerals (Concession) and Minerals (Prevention of Illegal Mining, Transportation and Storage) Rules, 2015, paving way for auctioning of private lands available for mining for extraction of minerals. The amendment allows for a provision of 80 per cent of the annual bid amount to the land owners. Permission was also given for the use of machinery for mineral excavations in the riverbeds, with the depth of mining raised from existing one metre to two metres into the bed, a statement said. A provision was made to allow removal of sand and gravel from agriculture fields up to the depth of two metres after every monsoon season under non-mining activity.

The new amendments prescribe Rs 5 per tonne as Electric Vehicle charges, Rs 5 per tonne as online charges, and Rs 2 per tonne as milk cess payable to the government. For the usage of materials generated due to non mining activities, a processing

charge of Rs 140 per tonne will be charged by the government.

To promote natural farming in the State, the Cabinet announced the implementation of the Him Unnati (an area-based Integrated and Comprehensive Agriculture Development Scheme), with the use of a cluster-based approach for the production and certification of chemical-free produce, to establish 2,600 agricultural groups with 50,000 farmers.

CM Launches 'Punjab Help Centre' at IGI Airport to Assist NRIs

PNS ■ NEW DELHI/CHANDIGARH

Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann on Thursday unveiled a pioneering initiative for the Punjabi diaspora with the inauguration of the 'Punjab Help Centre' at Terminal 3 of Indira Gandhi International Airport, New Delhi. This makes Punjab the first state in India to establish such a dedicated NRI Facilitation Centre, showcasing a robust commitment to supporting its overseas community.

"Punjab Help Centre will operate 24x7, offering a range of services to assist NRIs and other passengers. The centre will provide help with arrival and connecting flights, taxi

services, lost luggage, and other airport-related needs. It is equipped with two Innova cars for local transportation to Punjab Bhawan and nearby locations. For emergency situations, rooms at Punjab Bhawan will be available based on availability. A dedicated helpline, 011-61232182, has also been set up for immediate assistance.

Mann emphasized that this initiative marks a historic milestone for the state, reflecting Punjab's commitment to its NRI community. The centre aims to enhance the travel experience and provide essential support to Punjabi travelers.

Addressing concerns surrounding the recent controversy involving wrestler Vinesh Phogat, Mann called for a

transparent and impartial investigation into the incident, which has significantly impacted the sports community and public sentiment. Mann expressed disappointment over the alleged failure of the supporting staff to manage the wrestler's weight within the prescribed limits, describing the incident as a severe lapse in duty. He stressed the need for a thorough inquiry to restore trust in the sports system and address the shortcomings exposed by the case.

Mann also assured that issues related to the smooth entry of vehicles from Punjab into the national capital would be resolved soon, given the Aam Aadmi Party's governance in the Municipal Corporation of Delhi.

From Lok Sabha Defeat to Union Minister, Bittu Now Poised for Rajya Sabha Nomination

MONIKA MALIK ■ CHANDIGARH

Ravneet Singh Bittu, a seasoned politician and three-time Member of Parliament (MP), has experienced a roller-coaster ride in his political career. Despite his resounding defeat in the 2024 Lok Sabha elections from Ludhiana, where he lost to Punjab Congress president Amarinder Singh Raja Warring, Bittu's political journey has taken a dramatic and upward turn.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi's government swiftly elevated him to Union Minister of State for Railways and Food Processing, signaling the BJP's recognition of Bittu's potential and importance in the party's broader strategy. Now, the BJP is preparing to further solidify his role by nominating him for the Rajya Sabha, with Haryana and Rajasthan being eyed as the potential states for his entry.

Bittu's political journey has been marked by significant highs and lows. As the grandson of former Punjab Chief Minister Beant Singh, who was assassinated by pro-Khalistan terrorists in August 1995, Bittu

carries a legacy that has deep roots in Punjab's political landscape. His political career began in earnest when he first won in 2009 from Anandpur Sahib, a victory he repeated in 2014 and 2019, but this time from Ludhiana.

During his tenure, Bittu earned a reputation as a diligent MP, known for his work in his constituency and his vocal stance on issues affecting Punjab. However, the 2024 Lok Sabha elections proved to be a turning point. With his family having decades-long association with the Congress party, Bittu chose to join ranks with the BJP ahead of parliamentary polls "to address Punjab's issues".

Running against Warring, Bittu faced a tough battle in Ludhiana, a constituency he had dominated for a decade. Despite his strong political background and experience, Bittu lost the seat. However, despite the electoral loss, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the BJP leadership recognized Bittu's value as a politician and strategist.

In a move that surprised many, Modi appointed Bittu as

the Union Minister of State for Railways and Food Processing, bringing him into the Union Cabinet. This elevation was not merely a consolation prize for Bittu but a calculated decision by the BJP to harness his experience and keep him within the party's inner circle, while also eyeing to strengthen party's base in Punjab.

As part of its ongoing strategy to strengthen its hold in the upper house of Parliament, the BJP is now planning to nominate Bittu for the Rajya Sabha. The recent vacancies in Haryana and Rajasthan have presented the party with an opportunity to position Bittu in a role that could benefit both the BJP and his political career.

BJP is eyeing the vacant Rajya Sabha seats in Haryana and Rajasthan, previously held by prominent Congress leaders like Dependher Singh Hooda and KC Venugopal, presenting a golden opportunity for the party to strengthen its presence in the Upper House.

Haryana has sparked a mix of anticipation and dissent among local BJP leaders, some of whom are reportedly maneuvering to counter this move. The internal dynamics within the BJP in Haryana are heating up, with various leaders vying for influence and attempting to shape the outcome in their favour.

As the political chessboard is being set, the timeline for this high-stakes game is clear. The Election Commission of India is set to issue the official notification on August 14, marking the start of the nomination process. Candidates have until August 21 to file their nominations, with scrutiny scheduled for the following day, August 22. Those wishing to withdraw from the race have until August 27, after which the stage will be set for the voting on September 3. The results will be declared on the same day at 5 pm.

In Haryana, Bittu's nomination is seen as a potential game-changer, particularly as the state prepares for its assembly elections. His entry could bolster the BJP's appeal among

the Sikh electorate, which holds considerable sway in the State. Furthermore, by nominating Bittu from Haryana, the BJP could also indirectly influence the upcoming by-elections in Punjab, where four seats are up for grabs.

Rajasthan, another state under consideration, presents its own strategic advantages. The districts bordering Punjab have a significant Sikh population, and Bittu's presence in the Rajya Sabha could help the BJP consolidate its support among these voters. With Rajasthan also heading for assembly elections, Bittu's nomination could be instrumental in securing the BJP's position in this key state.

Bittu's potential nomination to the Rajya Sabha is more than just a means of keeping him in the political spotlight; it is a strategic move by the BJP to ensure that his experience and influence continue to benefit the party. By positioning Bittu in the Rajya Sabha, the BJP is not only rewarding his loyalty but also ensuring that he remains a key player in their national and regional strategies.

Punjab STF raids on Drug Inspector: Freezes Rs 6.69-cr, Seizes cash, Gold in Raid

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Amid Punjab's escalating war on drugs, Punjab Police's Special Task Force (STF) of Punjab Police has struck a significant blow against corruption by raiding properties linked to Drug Inspector Shishan Mittal. The operation, spanning multiple locations in Punjab, Haryana, and Chandigarh, led to the freezing of 24 bank accounts holding a staggering Rs 6.69 crores.

Director General of Police (DGP) Gaurav Yadav, detailed the raids, which uncovered extensive financial irregularities tied to Mittal. Accused of facilitating a drug smuggling network linked to illegal pharmaceutical operations, Mittal is suspected of laundering drug money through benami accounts held by his relatives. The raids, conducted at eight locations including Bathinda, Mohali, and Chandigarh, revealed the vast scope of

Mittal's operations. In addition to freezing the bank accounts, the STF seized Rs 9.31 lakh in cash, 260 grams of gold, and 515 Dirhams during the raids. Three bank lockers containing further assets were also secured. Investigators found that the accounts, in both Mittal's and his relatives' names, showed frequent cash deposits layered through numerous transactions to conceal their illegal origins. The operation suggested a sophisticated money-laundering scheme at the heart of a broader drug trafficking network.

The financial assets uncovered during the raids include significant real estate holdings, such as luxury flats in Zirakpur valued at Rs two crores and a plot in Dabwali worth Rs 40 lakhs — underscoring the deep-seated corruption and the extent of Mittal's illicit activities. Investigations also revealed that Mittal maintained direct contact with drug smugglers incarcerated in prison, facilitat-

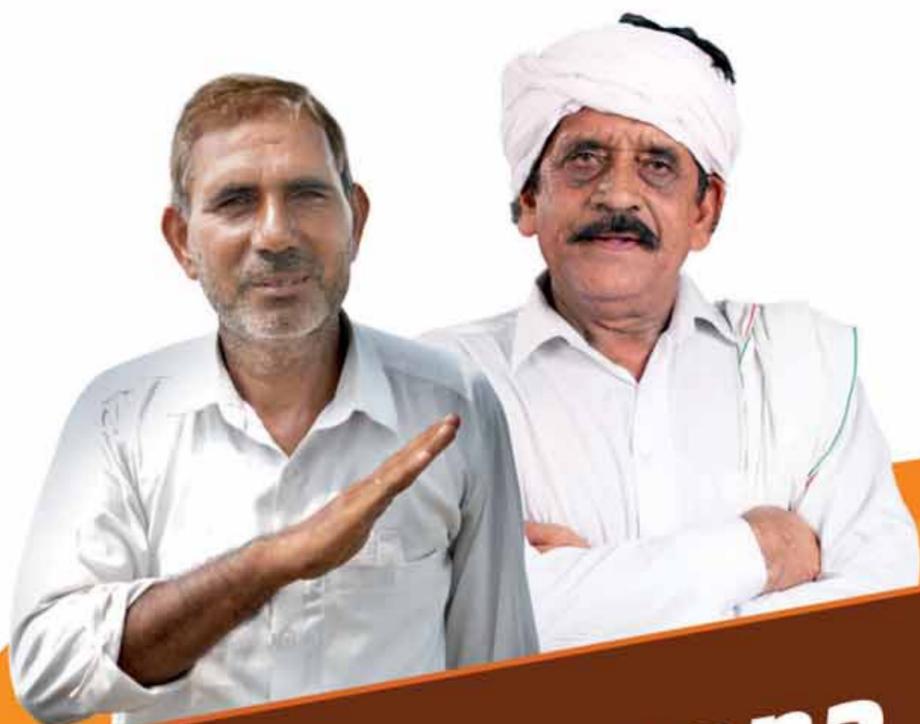
ing their networks outside. His unauthorized foreign travel, undertaken without government permission or proper leave, further implicated him in organized crime.

Legal action against Mittal is already underway. An FIR has been registered under sections 29 and 59 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, targeting conspiracy or abetment in drug-related offenses and public servants who support drug traffickers or neglect their duties. Additionally, section 111 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), addressing organized crime, has been invoked to strengthen the case.

DGP Yadav emphasized that the investigation is ongoing, with more actions likely as new evidence emerges. He reaffirmed the Punjab Police's dedication to Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann's directive to make Punjab a drug-free state.



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I, Rajinder Kumar S/o Hawa Singh R/o House No. 425, Phase-1, Ramdarbar Colony, Chandigarh inform that my son Deepak Kumar and his wife Rajni out of my control. I disown them from my all moveable and Immoveable Properties. Anybody deal with them at their own Risk.

I, Om Parkash S/o Sh. Rewati Lal, House No. 3825, Sector 25-D, Chandigarh inform that my son Sahil out of my control. I disown him from my all moveable and Immoveable Properties. Anybody deal with them at their own Risk.

We, Mohan Singh S/O Arjun Singh And Bimla Devi W/O Mohan Singh R/O 3693, Mauli Complex, Chandigarh. Declare That Our Daughter Shanti Kumari Is Out Of Our Control. So, We Disown Her From Our All Moveable / Immoveable Properties. Anybody Dealing With Her At Their Own Risk.

I Sunil Kumar S/O Rameshwar Dass R/O Ward No. 10 Mohalla Imli Wala Banur Tehsil & Distt Mohali Declare That My Daughter Riya Is Out Of My Control. So I Disown Her From All My Moveable And Immoveable Properties. Anybody Dealing With Her On Their Own Risk.

I, Shiv Shankar Mishra S/O Sh. Sahdev Mishra R/O 778/1 Dariya U.T. Chandigarh 160101 Declare That My Son Vikas Mishra Are Out Of My Control. Therefore, I Disown My Son From My All Moveable And Immoveable Properties. Anybody Dealing With Him Will Do At His Own Risk And Cost. I Will Have Nothing To Do With It.

I, Sunita W/o Aimer Singh R/o ward no.10, New Defence Colony, Bhiwani, declare that my Daughter Tannu are out of my control. I evict her from my moveable and immovable properties. If anybody deals with her shall do their own risk in future.

I, Bimla Devi W/o Late Shyam Lal, Vill. Ishaq Tehsil Pehowa Distt. Kurukshetra My Son Sunil Sharma And His Wife Renu is out of my control. I, disown them from all my moveable and immovable properties. If Anybody deals with him at Their Own risk.

I, Balkar Singh S/o Sh. Darshan Singh R/o Village Brass, Sub Tehsil Nissing, District Karnal Haryana declare that my son Satish Singh and his wife Rukmesh, Rangri Ram and his wife Reenu are out of my control. I disown them from my moveable and immovable property. They will be responsible for their transactions, good-bad, legal-illegal activities.

I, Amrik Singh Khehra S/O Mukhtar Singh R/O Seiron Tehsil And Distt Tam Taran Declare That My Son Sumitpal Singh Khehra And Wife Navjot Khehra Disowned My From All My Moveable And Immoveable Properties Published In News Paper 13/5/2023. Now My Son And My Wife Under My Control. So Now I Cancel Above Disown Notice.

We Amarjeet Kaur W/o Vachitar Singh and Vachitar Singh S/o Mahinder Singh R/o Dev Nagar Rajpura Distt Patiala declare that our son Sukhvinder Singh and his wife Nirmal Kaur are out of our control so we evict them all our Moveable immovable property anyone dealing with them at their own risk.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Daljeet Kaur W/o Harpinder Singh R/o VPO Kotli Sainain Distt Gurdaspur declare that in 10th class DMC and Pass Certificate certificate of ICSC My daughter Jashanpreet Kaur, my name has been wrongly written as Daljeet Kaur. My correct name is Daljeet Kaur. Concerned note.

I, Jasbir Kaur W/o Karnail Singh R/o Mohalla Zaidara, Kalanaur Distt Gurdaspur declare that I am also known as Jagir Kaur. That Jasbir Kaur and Jagir Kaur both names pertain to one and the same person i.e myself. Concerned note.

I, Sukhvinder Singh S/o Mahinga Singh R/o Village Heer Distt Gurdaspur declare that in my Aadhar Card my name mentioned as Sukhvinder Singh but in Jamabandi my name mentioned as Savinder Singh. That Sukhvinder Singh and Savinder Singh is one and the same person i.e myself. Concerned note.

I, Gursimran Singh S/o Jaimal Singh R/o VPO Babehali Distt Gurdaspur (Pb) declare that in school record of my son, his name wrongly written as Gurnishan Singh. His correct name is Gurnishan Singh Hundal. Concerned note.

I, Muralaedeharan Nair Legally Father Of No. 16125870a Rank L/Nk Name Akhil Ms Unit 4 Engr Regt. C/O 56 APO Bathinda Cantt. (Punjab) Permanent Resident Of Kuttivelli Veedu, Vtc : Koduvazhannoor, Po Pullayil, Sub Distt. Chirayinkeezhu, Distt. Thiruvananthapuram, State Kerala-695601 Have Changed My Name From Muralaedeharan Nair C To Muralaedeharan Nair And Dob From 02.04.1959 To 01.01.1964

I, Sekar Legally Father Of No. 161228431 Rank Nk Name Kasi Mayan S Unit 4 Engr Regt. C/O 56 APO Bathinda Cantt. (Punjab) Permanent Resident Of East Street Paramanpatti, Kuppalnatham, Chinnakkattalai, Distt. Madurai, State Tamil Nadu-625527 Declare That I Have Changed My Name From R Sekar To Sekar And Dob From 23.06.1963 To 21.03.1970

I, Ram Murti Wife Of No 13911144y, Naik Prem Singh Narwal (Retd), Resident Of Vpo-Kheranur, Teh- Karnal, Distt-Karnal, Haryana- 132036 Have Changed My Name From Ram Murti To Murti Vide Affidavit Dated 8 Aug 2024 Sworn In Before Notary, Karnal.

I, Neel Kamal W/O No.2494962a Sepoy Dharm Pal R/O Village Sarajpur Tehsil Paonta Sahib Distt Sirmour . Hp-173001 Declare That In My Husband Army Record My Dob Is Wrongly Recorded As 19.4.1987. My Correct Dob Is 17.4.1987

I, Karamjeet Kaur D/O Kulwant Singh R/O Ghulal, Tehsil Samrala, Distt Ludhiana Declare That In My Son School Record His Correct Name Is Wrongly Recorded As Anmol Preet Singh. His Correct Name Is Anmolpreet Singh.

I, Amarjit Singh S/O Ravinder Singh, R/O Village Khaira Kotli, Po- Bhikharival, Distt Gurdaspur, Punjab. Declare That My Given Name As Amarjit And My Surname As Singh.

I, Sudesh Khanna S/O Dharampal Khanna. R/O H. No. 394/14 New Sant Nagar Colony Trimmo Road Gurdaspur, Tehsil/Distt Gurdaspur, Punjab, India. Declare That Is Known My Name Sudesh Khanna And Sudesh Kumar Is One And Same Person.

I Amit Kumar S/o Sarwan Kumar R/o #3381, Ward No 17 Teacher Colony Rajpura Distt Patiala in my son Vaibhav school certificate my name wrongly entered Amit Midha but my correct name is Amit Kumar.

I, Prithal Kaur D/O Charanjeet singh R/o village bhagpur, Tehsil Samrala Distt Ludhiana declare that my father name on my aadhar card and other documents is written as Charanjeet Singh but in my matriculation certificate my father name is written as Charanjit Singh. Charanjeet Singh and Charanjit Singh is one of the same person as both names belong to my father. plz note it.

I Mohinder Kumar S/o Mohan Lal Thareja R/O 3243, Ward No. 14, Back Side Gurudwara Singh Saba, Rajpura, Teh. Rajpura, Distt. Patiala in the birth certificate of my daughter Lavisha Thareja, her name Lavisha, her mother's name Priya and father's name Mohinder. Thareja have been wrongly entered. But my daughter's correct name is Lavisha Thareja, her mother's correct name is Priya Thareja and father's correct name is Mohinder Kumar.

I, Harpreet Kaur D/o Nachatar Singh R/O Village Wadia Chakkian Tehsil Zira Distt Ram and his wife Rukmesh, Rangri Ram and his wife Reenu are out of my control. I disown them from my moveable and immovable property. They will be responsible for their transactions, good-bad, legal-illegal activities.

I, Renu Goyal W/o Varun Goyal R/o # 24/75, Thaper colony, Yamunanagar declare that in my daughter Shivanshi Aggarwal 10th Certificates her name written as Shivanshi Goyal, Which is incorrect. While her correct name is Shivanshi Aggarwal.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, S.P. Asha Banu Spouse Of No 6496029W Rank HAV/ASH S.P.Mahboob Basha Unit 517 ASC BN Residence of Narasapuram (Village&Post) SA Kasinayana (Mandalam) Badvel (Talukya) District Y.S.R Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh Pin code 516217 Have Changed My Name From S.P.Asha Banu To S.P.Ashabhanu Vide Affidavit Dated 07 -08 - 2024 Notary Public Pathankot.

I, Vijay Kumar Jain S/o Shri Niwas Jain Resi. - Ho. no- 77 Raj Sheer Vihar Colony Rohtak gate Bhiwani Haryana. Earlier I was known as Ashok Kumar alias Vijay Kumar but now I changed my name to Vijay Kumar Jain. In future I will be known as Vijay Kumar Jain.

I, Seema Baishnab W/o Dr. Vikram Satija R/o H. No. 5, Krishna Nagar, Inside Satija Health Care, Hisar, Haryana have changed my name from Seema Baishnab to Seema Satija for all purposes in future.

I, Indervir Grewal S/o S.S. Grewal R/O House no 1613, Sector 36-D, Chandigarh have changed my name to Indervir Singh Grewal.

I, Alka Chugh W/o Sh. Devender Chugh R/O H.No. 995 ward no 24 Jagdish Colony Rohtak declare that in my previous Documents my name is mentioned as Alka Rani and in my other documents my name written as Alka Chugh. Alka Chugh and Alka Rani both name are one and the same person. In future my name is Alka Chugh.

I, Shayama Chauhan W/o Kuldeep Singh Chauhan R/O Flat No. 2004-C, CHB Flats, Sector 63, Chandigarh, have changed my name from Shayama Chauhan to Puspsha Chauhan.

I, Vimla Devi W/o Suresh Kumar R/O Village Damoli, Tehsil Chhachhraul, Distt Yamuna Nagar declare that Bimla Devi and Vimla Devi both are my name, one and the same lady. Vimla Devi is my correct name, as per my Aadhar card or other documents.

I, Ram Krishan Middha S/o Sh. Lekh Raj R/O 3887/1, Sector-47-D, Chandigarh, declare that I have changed my name from Ram Krishan Middha to Ram Krishan.

I, Sumit S/O Naresh Kumar #1308, Morigate, Manimajra Chandigarh have changed my name to Sumit Dhiman.

I, No. 627934-A Rank SGT Name Santosh Kumar late Dalbir Singh Bura Resident VPO GhogrianTehsil Uchana, District jind Haryana My daughter's name in my husband's service record is Navyjoti Bura my daughter correct name is Navyjoti boora.

I, Roacki R/o Raj Kumar R/o # 1320 New Indira Colony Manimajra Chandigarh have changed my name to Rocky.

I, Geeta Dhawan W/o Amit Kundra R/O House No. 1868, Sector 34-D, Chandigarh, have changed my name from Geeta Dhawan to Geeta Kundra.

I, Vijender Kumar S/O Sh. Kashmiri Lal R/O House No.1252 Near Shiv Mandir Bhuna, Teh. & Distt.. Fatehabad Declares That In My Son's Saurabh Singh's Passport My Name Wrongly Mention Vijender Singh. But Vijender Kumar Is My Right Name.

I, Balkar Singh S/o S. Gurdial Singh R/O House No. 1122, Sector 68, Mohali have changed my name from Balkar Singh to Balkar Singh Chahal. Concerned please note.

I, Manshu Verma S/o Sh. Naresh R/O H.No. 75/1/1, Baba Colony, Sonipat declares that in my 10th class marksheet (Serial No. AT 158677) which I passed from Haryana School Education Board, Bhiwani in May 2018, my Aadhar No. is wrongly entered as 8228 0746 2458. My actual Aadhar No. is 8328 0746 2458. Please correct it.

I, Sunita W/o Indryas Masih R/o Ludhiana Mohalla, Dhariwal Distt Gurdaspur (Punjab)-143519 have changed my name from Sunita to Sunita Gill. Concerned note.

I, Hari Har Mehto S/O Ram Phal Mahota R/O H.No. 386/11, Rani Mohalla, Panipat(Hr) Declare That I Have Change My Name Harihar Mahato To Hari Har Mehto For All Purposes.

I, Hareendra Nathan K.M. S/O Madhavan Nair, House No. 2072/2, Sector 47-C, Chandigarh Have Changed The Name Of My Minor Son From Aromal H To Aaromal Nair.

I, Sunita W/o Indryas Masih R/o Ludhiana Mohalla, Dhariwal Distt Gurdaspur (Punjab)-143519 have changed my name from Sunita to Sunita Gill. Concerned note.

I, Manoj Kumar S/O Shri Sadhu Ram R/O Village Kheri Barki (133), Tehsil & District Hisar, Haryana-125001, hereby declare that my son's name in Aadhar Card No. 510624171907 is Yuvi and in Birth Certificate the name is Yogesh. I wish to change the name of my minor son from Yuvi to Yogesh. He shall be known as Yogesh for all future purposes.

I, Shradha Tripathi D/o Shri Niwas Dubey is legally wedded spouse of Swatantra Kumar Tripathi R/o at Vishnu Puram Colony, Agadh-Road, Mirzapur (U.P.)231001 have changed my name from Shradha Tripathi to Shradha Dubey vide affidavit 13880 dated 07 Aug 2024 before Srsa Court.

I, Rajni Duggal W/o Harish Chand R/O Chitta Mandir Road, Shanti Colony, Yamuna Nagar, Haryana-135001 have changed my name from Rajni Duggal to Rajni Bala.

I, Mani Duggal S/o Harish Duggal R/O Shanti Colony, Chitta Mandir Road, Near Dr. Bedi Yamuna Nagar, Haryana-135001 have changed my name from Mani Duggal to Manmeet.

I, Nishu Duggal S/o Harish Kumar R/O H.No. D2-1477, Gali No.7, Azad Nagar, Yamuna Nagar, Haryana-135001 have changed my name from Nishu Duggal to Neeraj.

I, Sam Khattar S/o Sh. Harpal R/O Ward No. 14, Near Gol Digi Chowk, Srsa (Haryana). That I have changed my name from Rekha to Rekha Rani, in future my name is to be called as Rekha Rani.

I, Harpal Khattar S/o Sh. Surender R/O Ward No. 14, Near Gol Digi Chowk, Srsa (Haryana). That I have changed my name from Harpal Khattar to Harpal, in future my name is to be called as Harpal.

I, Sam Khattar S/o Sh. Harpal R/O Ward No. 14, Near Gol Digi Chowk, Srsa (Haryana). That I have changed my name from Sam Khattar to Sam Khatter, in future my name is to be called as Sam Khatter.

I, Ramon Monga S/o Sh. Narendar Monga R/O H.No. 216, F-Block, Srsa (Haryana). That I have changed my minor daughter name from Nayra to Nayra Monga, in future my minor daughter name is to be called as Nayra Monga.

I, Ramon Monga S/o Sh. Narendar Monga R/O H.No. 216, F-Block, Srsa (Haryana). That I have changed my minor daughter name from Sahiba to Sahiba Monga, in future my minor daughter name is to be called as Sahiba Monga.

I, Meenakshi Negi W/o Anil Singh Negi, # 298, Pigiwala Town, Manimajra, Chandigarh have changed the name of my minor son from Abhinav Negi to Abhinav Singh Negi.

I, Vijay Kumar Sood S/o Ram Nath, # 1503, Sector-13, Manimajra, Chandigarh have changed my name to Vijay Kumar.

I, Ichcha Devi (old Name) new Name ICHHA DEVI mother of No. 14914798K Hav Rakesh Kumar (Retd), Village Sandpur No 1, Post Office Talwara, Tehsil Mukerian, Distt Hoshiarpur (Pb) have changed my name from Ichcha Devi to Ichhia Devi. Concerned note.

I, Smt Darshna wife of JC-298608M Sub (OPR) Diljit Singh (Retd) resident of Village Fattowal, PO & Tehsil Mukerian, Distt Hoshiarpur (Pb) changed my name from Darshna to Darshana Rana. Concerned note.

I, Smt. Amarjit Kaur W/O No. 242167 Late Hav Swaran Singh R/O Vill. Mehapur PO PRTC Jahankhelan Tehsil & Distt. Hoshiarpur Punjab have changed my name from Darshana to Darshana Rana. Concerned note.

I, Summitter Kaur W/O No. 2446964 Ex Sep Karnail Singh R/O Vill. Daburji PO Miani Tehsil Dasuya Distt. Hoshiarpur Punjab have change my name from Summitter Kaur to Summitter Kaur.

I, No. 13971310L Ex Hav Parvinder Kumar S/o Battan Singh R/O VPO Koi Tehsil Dasuya Distt. Hoshiarpur Punjab have changed the name of my daughter from Puja Rani to Pooja.

I, Smt. Kamlesh Kumari W/o 164114 Late Cpl Hari Ram Jamal R/O Vill. Saido Patti PO Bassi Kalan Tehsil & Distt. Hoshiarpur Punjab have changed my name from Kamlesh Kumari to Kamlesh Rani Jamal and my date of birth from 15-01-1950 to 15-01-1953.

I, Mamta Singh W/o Ajay Singh R/O H.No- 673 Housing Board Colony , Sector-7 Ambala city have changed my name from Mamta to Mamta Singh

I, Ravinder W/o Ranjit Singh R/O House No. 67, Ward No. 1, Ambala Road, Near Nalagad ka majra, Krishanapur colony, Jagadhri, Yamuna Nagar, Haryana have changed my name to Ravinder Kaur

I Vijay Kumar Dua S/o Sh. Chunnil Lal Dua R/O H.No-2944/2, Ward no 21, Arya Mohalla Ambala City have changed my name from Vijay Kumar Dua to Vijay Dua for all future purposes

I Jagdish Lal Lamba S/O Mangat Ram Lamba R/O H No. 352, Sec 7, Ambala City I Have Changed My Name From Jagdish Lal Lamba To Jagdish Lamba.

I, Mohammad Akram Khan Mewali Son of Faqir Mohammad resident of Shiv Colony, Barara, Ambala, Haryana have changed my name to Mohammad Akram Khan.

I Mamta Singh W/o Ajay Singh R/O H.No- 673 Housing Board Colony , Sector-7 Ambala city have changed my name from Mamta to Mamta Singh

I Sukhvinder S/o Sh. Balbir Singh R/O 542, P57, Bhano Kheni (180), PO Bhanokheri, Distt Ambala have changed my name to Sukhvinder & surname Singh.

I, Neelam Devi w/o Rajkumar Kaushik r/o Near Ayurvedic Dispensary, VPO Fatehpur, Distt. Kaithal have changed my name from Neelam Devi to Neelam Kaushik.

I, Parveen Dabra s/o Hukam Chand r/o #90, Ramdev Colony, Part-2, Bazida Road, Sector-3, Karnal (Haryana) have changed my minor son name from Rihan to Rihan Dabra.

I, Ravi Kumar s/o Chandberhan r/o #489, New Mirzapur Colony, Tehsil Thanesar, Distt. Kurukshetra have changed my minor son's name from Alvin to Alvin Kagra. He should be known as Alvin Kagra in future.

I, Nishan Singh S/o Sham Singh R/O H.No. 46, Gali No. 7, Guru Nanak Pura, Near Ranjhe Di Haveli, Amritsar, Punjab have changed my minor daughter's name from Simranpreet Kaur.

I, Rajni Duggal W/o Harish Chand R/O Chitta Mandir Road, Shanti Colony, Yamuna Nagar, Haryana-135001 have changed my name from Rajni Duggal to Rajni Bala.

I, Mani Duggal S/o Harish Duggal R/O Shanti Colony, Chitta Mandir Road, Near Dr. Bedi Yamuna Nagar, Haryana-135001 have changed my name from Mani Duggal to Manmeet.

I, Nishu Duggal S/o Harish Kumar R/O H.No. D2-1477, Gali No.7, Azad Nagar, Yamuna Nagar, Haryana-135001 have changed my name from Nishu Duggal to Neeraj.

I, hitherto Known as Karanjit Singh Alias Karanjit Singh Panru Kunwar Son of Jagtar Singh residing at H.No.S-1, Lane No.1, Palah Sahib Road, Airport Road, Green City, District Amritsar-143001 Punjab have changed my name and Shall hereafter be known as Kunwar Karanjit Singh Panru

I, hitherto Known as Reeta Sandhu Daughter of Rafiq Masih Wife of Salamatt residing at Village Madhipur Tehsil Majitha District Amritsar-143606 Punjab have changed my name and Shall hereafter be known as Reeta

I, hitherto Known as Salamat Masih Son of Tara Chand residing at Village Madhipur Tehsil Majitha District Amritsar-143606 Punjab have changed my name and Shall hereafter be known as Salamat

I, hitherto known as Gurwant Kaur Wife of Jagmohan Singh residing at VPO Dalelpur Tehsil Kalanaur District Gurdaspur-143512 Punjab have changed my name and Shall hereafter be known as Rajwant Kaur

I, hitherto known as Parmod Khurana Son of Tilak Raj residing at H.No.361, Basant Avenue, District Amritsar-143001 Punjab have changed my name and Shall hereafter be known as Parmod Kumar Khurana

I, hitherto known as Budha Singh Son of Santokh Singh residing at VPO Jagde Kalan, Loharka Road Tehsil Lopeke District Amritsar-143101 Punjab have changed my name and Shall hereafter be known as Balraj Singh

I, hitherto Known as Ranjit Kaur Daughter of Joginder Singh Wife of Yogesh Singh residing at H.No.F-20/270, Majitha Road, Near Baba Meer Shah, Nehru Colony, District Amritsar-143001 Punjab have changed my name and Shall hereafter be known as Prabhot Kaur

I, Sandeep Bhambey S/o Avinash Chander R/O H.No. B 17/95, Mohalla Gobindgarh, Near Gandhi Memorial Sachool, Batala, Gurdaspur have changed my name from Sandeep Bhambey to Sandeep Bamba

I, Avinash Chander S/o Kundan Lal R/O H.No. B 17/95, Mohalla Gobindgarh, Near Gandhi Memorial Sachool, Batala, Gurdaspur have changed my name from Alka Khanna and Alka to Alka Abrol

I, Payal Mehta W/o Girish Kumar Madan R/O H.No.7, Gali No.4, Guru Amar Das Nagar, Amritsar, Haryana have changed my name from Payal Mehta to Payal Madan

I, Jaspreet Kaur W/o Sandeep Singh Rupala R/O H.No.45, Nagina Avenue, Majitha Road, Amritsar have changed my name from Jaspreet Kaur to Jaspreet Kaur Rupana After Marriage

I, Sakti Prosad Nath Father of No 14932502H Hav Subhendu Nath R/O Baul Jagannathbati Baul Dakshin Dinajpur West Bengal 733158 Now at 15 Mech Inf C/o 56 apo have changed my name to Shakti Prasad Nath and Date of Birth from 01.01.1956 to 05.03.1950 Vide Affidavit No.PB44078592593480W Dt.08.08.2024 Before Notary Public Amritsar

I, Budhalaxmi Deb Barma Spouse of No 14928859F Hav Ushakanti Debbarma R/O Vill-Nakshatra Bari, Po Bharatsardar Teh Dakshin Ramchandraghat Dist Khowai State Tripura-799207 now at 15 Mech Inf C/o 56 Apo have changed my name to Budhalaxmi Debbarma Vide Affidavit No.PB44081061378441W Dt.08.08.2024 Before Notary Public Amritsar

I, No.14928859F Hav Ushakanti Debbarma S/o Manindra Debbarma R/O Vil - Nakshatra Bari, Po Bharatsardar Teh Dakshin Ramchandraghat Dist Khowai State Tripura-799207 now at 15 mech Inf C/o 56 Apo have changed my Son name from Abel Deb Barma to Abel Debbarma and Date of Birth from 17.03.2010 to 29.01.2010 Vide Affidavit No.IN-PB44081061378441W Dt.08.08.2024 Before Notary Public Amritsar

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Daunting task ahead

The interim Govt led by Yunus must restore law and order in Bangladesh as there is chaos and fear all around

As Nobel laureate Muhammad Yunus takes charge of the interim government of Bangladesh, he may have the challenging task of restoring peace and law and order in the country. Bangladesh, relatively a young nation, is once again in the throes of instability. The latest chapter in its ongoing saga of unrest, unfolded after the ouster of Sheikh Hasina and subsequent takeover by Nobel laureate Muhammad Yunus. As Yunus steps into power, the country is gripped by fear and uncertainty, prompting hundreds of citizens to seek refuge in India. Recent months saw political violence, protests, and crackdowns on dissent, creating a volatile environment that led to the ouster of Sheikh Hasina and chaos on the roads of Dhaka. The announcement of Muhammad Yunus, a globally renowned figure for his work in microfinance and founder of Grameen Bank, taking over the reins of power comes as a dramatic twist. Yunus, who has faced his share of political and legal challenges in recent years, has long been a critic of the Hasina Government's policies.



The political upheaval has triggered a wave of fear among the populace especially the minorities. Reports indicate that hundreds of Bangladeshis are attempting to cross the border into India, driven by concerns for their safety. The future course of Bangladesh's political landscape under Yunus' leadership is fraught with uncertainty. Yunus has been an advocate for political reform and transparency. His leadership could usher in a new era of governance, focusing on anti-corruption measures and democratic practices. However, implementing these changes in a deeply entrenched political system will be a formidable challenge. Besides, Bangladesh's economy has been under strain due to mismanagement and corruption. Yunus' expertise in economic development and microfinance could play a pivotal role in revitalising the economy, promoting entrepreneurship, and creating jobs. While some may view him as a saviour, others may see him as an outsider with no political experience. Building trust and garnering widespread support will be essential for his administration's success. However, the biggest challenge would be restoring peace and maintaining the law and order. Ensuring law and order during this transition period is paramount. Yunus will need the cooperation of the military and law enforcement agencies to maintain stability and prevent further violence. As Bangladesh stands on the brink of a new political era with Muhammad Yunus at the helm, the road ahead is uncertain. The immediate priority will be to address the fears of the populace and restore a sense of security, especially amongst minorities. All said and done, right now the army will call the shots and till elections are announced nothing can be said about the future of interim government itself. The coming days will be crucial in determining whether Yunus' leadership can guide the country towards stability and prosperity or if Bangladesh will descend into further chaotic unrest.

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PICTALK



A priest performs 'aarti' at Bade Hanumanji temple which was flooded after heavy rains in Prayagraj

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Rediscovering the true value of life

Amidst climate change and environmental crises, it's time to re-evaluate our priorities and appreciate the irreplaceable gifts that nature freely provides

The best things in life, they say, come free. It is a dubious statement that we may not readily agree to in a world where anything material has a price tag attached to it. The problem is not in the maxim that I opened this piece with; the problem is with our definition of "the best things". We have devised a curious way to assess our lives by putting a numerical value on everything we can possess and call our own. Even as we scamper all over the place trying to fetch luxuries and comfort items, we tend to forget several things which we do not personally possess but are indispensable to our existence. They are more valuable to us than all the material assets of the world put together. Air, sunlight, water, and soil for instance. Many things are too obvious for us to appreciate as I discovered recently when astronauts Sunita Williams and Barry Wilmore got stranded in space. Reports say that her extended stay would affect her body adversely and as per NASA,



it could alter the structure of the eyes and brain, and their function "because low-gravity conditions shift the body's fluids toward the head". Gravity: The natural phenomenon that Newton discovered by chance in late 1666 when he saw an apple fall to the ground isn't something that we pay attention to in our daily lives. We take universal gravitation for granted, just as we take many other conventional things and natural forces as part of our privilege on this planet. The heat wave sweeping across the globe, the unprecedented floods and unseasonal snow are all testimonies of this casual attitude we have adopted towards the most valuable things in life that the universe has granted us. Climate change has been converted to a mere topic of discussion and not as a veritable threat for all species. Who will tell us that we have been presently allowed to live the best versions of ourselves aided by natural resources and no matter how hard we try, we cannot replicate these conditions in another part of the universe anytime soon? We may be vain to declare that space travel will soon become a regular thing thanks to man's daring explorations. We can claim that we are

Cultural identity shapes behaviour

This cultural phenomenon, observed in many parts of the world, highlights the profound impact of inherited values on personal and collective actions



VINAYSHIL GAUTAM

In India, several clans have their pedigree narratives. It is a great instrument for creating venerable ideals of behaviour and conduct and, above all, pride in their antecedents. Like many other places in the world, their pedigree is often traced to some other planet or has an anecdote or theory associated with their distinctive pedigree. Some consider themselves descendants of the Sun (Suryavanshi), others consider themselves descendants of the Moon (Chandravanshi), and so the call goes on.

The veracity of these claims is another story altogether, but invariably there is an ideal connected to them, and that is important. For example, the Suryavanshis are supposed to be very committed to their 'word of mouth', and they are supposed to never backtrack from what they have said or promised.

These ideals are important in identity formation and establishing a bottom line of behaviour. They also create a narrative of keeping the clan on track, such as it may be. There are fallouts for rituals, marriages, festivities, and more. Loyalty is not territorial because the clan has, often, migrated from its place of origin but the bonding is clear. Their rituals of festivities and celebrations keep the clan together, even though technology may have played its role in the widespread celebration and observance of clan identities. The protocols are very often strictly adhered to. Often these serve as an unwritten code of behavior.

There is another anecdote linked with planets, especially the Sun. Japan is considered to be the land of the rising sun, and there are anecdotes about special places in many parts of the world related to the sun. Toledo is a good illustration of a place where the sun's rays are said to have met the Earth for the first time. There are other rituals associated with the sun in many parts of the world as well. In



India, planet worship is considered particularly venerable by many components of the population, and the steps in sun worship are a widely shared phenomenon. This practice is often accompanied by pouring water facing the sun. Celebrating obeisance to the sun is popular and has many stories spun around it. It may be useful to remind oneself that, in the belief of many, worship of even other planets is a virtuous thing to do. The point, however, is to recognise that behaviour is determined by one's belief, and this belief may not always be an act of choice but an act of an inherited value system and cognitive association with values that are considered virtuous. This component of tradition, which is common in many parts of the world, is now often referred to, not so complementarily, as the Third World Phenomena. The older the community, the greater their belief and the more grounded their behaviour. In such communities' gender relationships have a strong overlay of traditional beliefs.



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Indeed, icons that grow up at times geography-wise and even climate-wise are significant factors in belief systems.

The broad takeaway from this narrative should be a realisation, that what goes into the composition of the human mind and belief system is often not only acquired from formal learning in the classroom but also by inherited and handed down beliefs.

This is an important aspect of learning which deserves far more attention even in formal learning systems. There is an obvious need to understand, all that goes into the making of one's identity and personality make-up.

One of the important dimensions should also be to assess and evaluate the complete personality of a person when recruiting him. The identity that that person carries may have many layers that are important for his work performance. Unfortunately, not enough literature is available to convert all this into assessment instruments. This understanding would help to

explain why there are so many times a situation of grief when a person is recruited on just what could be called his 'professional knowledge'.

It will be worth remembering that professional knowledge is indeed important in the work dimension but that is not a full personality at work. To create a work identity, it is important to selectively integrate the cultural identities of individuals with a focus on the organisational identity of the enterprise concerned.

This is an important dimension of work management that both employers and employees need to pay much more attention to, more than what they have enabled so far. This will help to manage, better, group identities at work and create a culture of resonance for greater productivity and fulfilment all around. The idea of focusing on the 'complete personality', to the extent possible, is worth considering.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

BANGLADESH CRISIS

Madam — Amid the backdrop of controversial job reservations and widespread violent protests, Bangladesh has seen its former Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina Wazed flee the country and seek temporary exile in India, a sanctuary supposedly facilitated by the United Kingdom. The nation now stands on the brink of establishing a new interim regime, led by Muhammad Yunus and supported by student unions and the military. It is deeply disappointing that the international community, with whom Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina had maintained good relations—particularly China, the US, and the United Kingdom—turned a blind eye to her government during this crisis. The violent student protests, demonstrations, and clashes, followed by anti-government forces, went largely ignored by these global allies. China, despite being a close economic partner of Bangladesh, remained a passive observer throughout the turmoil.

India's support for Bangladesh during this tumultuous period is commendable and highlights Prime Minister Modi's political commitment to its neighbor, strengthening bilateral relations rooted in cultural and historical ties. However, it is regrettable that Hindu citizens and temples have borne the brunt of the lawlessness and vandalism, acts seemingly orchestrated to provoke Indian sentiments.

While the caretaker government led by the army appears to be a viable solution at the moment, it remains uncertain whether it can overcome the significant economic losses and extensive damage to national properties caused by the protests. There is hope that peace will prevail in Dhaka and that New Delhi's active involvement will help pave the way for the formation of an interim government, free from being hijacked by the military or anti-India radical elements.

Janga Bahadur Sunuwar | Bagarkote

We are proud of you!



Had the gravitational force acted on Vinesh Phogat been little bit kinder she would have not only lost the silver medal which was in her grab but would have also bagged a gold considering her performance in the tournament so far. Vinesh lost the gold by weighing 100 Grams more than the permit-

ted weight of 50 kgs in the category and also suffered a disqualification from the tournament. It is one of the most unfortunate thing that could have happened to her as a sportsperson, shattering her dreams. Regardless of this she is the golden girl and would be remembered for her superb performance.

While Phogat has been successful in bagging Gold and silver medals in Commonwealth and Asian games, courtesy misfortune Olympics has been eluding her as she suffered an injury in Rio olympics in 2016 while in 2020 Tokyo olympics and in the Paris olympics yesterday she suffered a cruel disqualification! Phogat, you might have lost Gold medal in Olympics, for sure you have won a place in the hearts of all the sports lovers in the world! We are proud of you!!

Gopalaswamy J | Chennai

THE PLIGHT OF SEWER WORKERS

Madam— Kudos to Mr N Sadhasiva Reddy for his letter titled "Death of sanitation workers" (August 7). Our eardrums are constantly bombarded with the triumphant declarations of "conquering" the other side of the Moon, yet all that is provided for a sewer worker risking his life for society's "dirty work" is an ordinary rope. Billions of state funds are invested in mass yoga performances on the streets to showcase the country's "might" to the world, yet the same ordinary rope is the only safety measure for the poorest souls in this "mighty" India. Gigantic statues and bullet train projects are undertaken to "mesmerize" the world, but the faceless manual scavengers who work tirelessly to keep our environment clean receive no more than that ordinary rope.

Those who ignore the plight and suffering of these unsung heroes, without whose essential service our "civilized modern" society would come to a standstill, are nothing short of barbarians.

Kajal Chatterjee | Kolkata

PREAMBLE MISSING IN NCERT BOOKS

Madam — The absence of the "Indian Constitution" preamble in some NCERT textbooks for certain classes should not lead to blame. Instead, consider this as an opportunity to highlight its sacred importance and encourage students to learn it with increased focus.

This can greatly contribute to shaping a clean thought process centered on equality and the socialist republic structure. It would be beneficial if NCERT issued a circular or sent an online message to all schools following the NCERT syllabus, advising them to download the preamble from Google or refer to other NCERT textbooks. Emphasising its sacred points with enhanced focus during teaching can greatly benefit the students. It is very important that today's children know about our freedom struggle and how our Constitution was written.

PV Srinivas Sreelekha | Secunderabad

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HASINA'S OUSTER: A BLOW TO INDIA

Ouster of Sheikh Hasina shakes India's strategic balance in the neighbourhood



KUMARDEEP BANERJEE

A full-fledged crisis has been lobbed in India's court, with the ouster of PM Sheikh Hasina earlier this week. India's already troubled neighbourhood has now three countries under the firm grip of the armed forces. Pakistan, Myanmar and now Bangladesh, are now the army-ruled troika, on a slippery slope of getting too close to China. Out of the two, it was Bangladesh which has been the crown jewel of India's neighbourhood first policy, having had a visibly pro-India government for the past decade and half. Pakistan has been China's proxy state acting against Indian interests, while Myanmar due to the army rule, has also slipped closer to China. Meanwhile, a pro-China (read anti-India) leader in the Maldives, a not-too-Delhi-friendly regime in Nepal, presents Indian diplomacy as one of its biggest challenges in recent history.

Former PM Sheikh Hasina, despite her dictatorial governance style, enjoyed bipartisan support in India. She used her relations with Narendra Modi and the opposition leaders in India, to come out heavily on extremist forces operating on Bangladeshi soil against India's interests. It is no coincidence that former PM Hasina has travelled to New Delhi thrice in a year. PM Modi, lauded her efforts in upgrading the bilateral relations when she came for a state visit, a first under the new government in the centre. Indo-Bangladesh bilateral grew from strength to strength during Sheikh Hasina's decade and a half-regime, with important long-term infrastructure projects being operationalised by India and increasing new transit and trade corridors between the two



neighbours. India shares, nearly 4000 km of land border with Bangladesh, bringing its 5 states in unique proximity to the neighbour. This land border, the fifth largest land border in the world, acts as a porous conduit for the movement of goods and people during times of bonhomie, as governments maintain strict vigil keeping in mind each other's interests. This was visible during Sheikh Hasina's tenure when cross-border smuggling and terrorism had nearly vanished. This has built a very comfortable position for Indian diplomats, as they have trusted a friendly regime to keep Indian interests in mind. However, with Sheikh Hasina, gone and chances of her never being back in the political arena of Bangladesh looking extremely certain, things are about to change. India has not built bipartisan support for itself in the local Bangladeshi politics.

It has chosen to be cosy with Sheikh Hasina's government and dealt with overtures from the principal opposition party in Bangladesh with nonchalance. The fear was, that showing any affinity to Bangladesh's opposition party may not be taken kindly by Sheikh Hasina. Therefore a public diplomacy narrative emerged, that Sheikh Hasina was 'too close to be comfortable', with India and acting against her nation's interests. A caged opposition in Bangladesh managed to get external support from China, and Pakistan's intelligence agency, both of whom have a huge interest in keeping India under constant stress in the geopolitical affairs of the region. The on-ground situation in Bangladesh currently is against India. The current interim regime has allies who may be infiltrated with extremist elements, with whom India has had bitter experiences in the past. The nature of the protests and subsequent ouster of Sheikh Hasina ensured that any of her policies, including being pro-India would not be taken too kindly by the Bangladeshi citizens. An anti-Sheikh Hasina mood could easily be swayed to anti anti-India mood, which would be detrimental to the long-drawn deep bilateral relationship. It would be a challenge for India to work new bunch of leaders in Bangladesh and remain a crucial strategic allies for the eastern neighbour.

(The writer is a political analyst; views are personal)

Bangladesh at political crossroads

The interim government faces a formidable task in restoring law and order, organising free and fair elections, combating corruption and gaining public trust



K S TOMAR

According to British paraspyologist Celia Elizabeth Green, "In an autocracy, one person has his way; in an aristocracy, a few people have their way; in a democracy, no one has his way." This sentiment resonates deeply with the ousted former Prime Minister of Bangladesh, Sheikh Hasina, who refused to acknowledge the clear signs of her impending downfall. Conspiracy theory is gaining momentum which led to ouster of EX PM, Sheikh Hasina which allegedly included the intelligence agencies of America (CIA), Pakistan (ISI) and China which yearned for an alternate government led by EX PM, Khalida Zia who might be on her way of ascendancy to power in future. Another version points out the preference of China and Pakistan to have Anti-Indian government in Dhaka which might alter the regional balance in South Asia.

CONSPIRACY THEORY. There have been numerous speculations and allegations regarding the United States' involvement in attempts to oust Bangladesh's Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina. Some argue that the U.S. might be seeking a more favourable government in Dhaka due to concerns over human rights, democratic practices, and regional security dynamics. Critics suggest that American interests, particularly in countering China's growing influence in South Asia, might drive such alleged conspiracies. However, concrete evidence of U.S. involvement in any conspiracy against Sheikh Hasina is lacking. Officially, the U.S. government has maintained a stance of promoting democratic values and fair elections in Bangladesh. Publicly, U.S. officials have expressed concerns about political repression and the fairness of the electoral process under Hasina's administration but stopped short of endorsing any regime change. Sheikh Hasina's administration has leveraged these allegations to bolster nationalist sentiment and consolidate power, portraying itself as a bulwark against foreign interference. This narrative resonates with many Bangladeshis, fostering a perception of external threats to national sovereignty. Ultimately, while suspicions persist, the claims of direct American involvement in a conspiracy to oust Sheikh Hasina remain speculative and unproven. The situation underscores the complex interplay of domestic politics and international relations in Bangladesh.

Hasina's dramatic fall from grace has not surprised many, except perhaps herself. She ignored the rising tide of public discontent and the conspiracies hatched by vested interests aiming to assert dominance in South Asia and undermine India. Winning 288 out of 300 seats in the January 2024 elections, alongside the arrests of opposition leaders and suppression of dissent, highlighted a significant loss of credibility for Hasina, culminating in widespread revolt and her eventual ouster. Hasina, a pro-democracy leader who witnessed the sacrifices made by her late father and family, Sheikh Mujibur Rahman in Bangladesh, has now left the nation poised for a potential regime dominated by hardliners, anti-India, and pro-China forces, possibly sandwiching this troubled nation between two powers in the future. The interim government faces several challenges: **Restoring Political Stability:** establishing neutral ground and engaging in dialogue with all political factions to ensure a peaceful and democratic transition.



Organizing Free and Fair Elections: Ensuring upcoming elections are free, fair, and credible to restore public trust in the democratic process. **Combating Corruption:** Initiating anti-corruption drives to target high-profile politicians and business leaders while ensuring fairness. **Maintaining Law and Order:** Managing protests and civil unrest carefully, and ensuring security forces act with restraint to avoid human rights abuses. **Ensuring Human Rights:** Balancing order with respecting human rights and avoiding authoritarianism. Gaining Public Trust; Building public confidence through transparency, effective communication, and inclusive policies. **International Relations:** Engaging with international organizations, donor countries, and regional allies to ensure continued support and investment. The political upheaval in Bangladesh over the past 13 months has been deeply polarizing and emotionally charged citizens. Experts attribute the whirlwind of violent emotions to an unresolved conflict over the nation's identity—a conflict that must be successfully addressed for the country's survival. There is no denying that Hasina was a secular and reformist figure in Bangladesh. Her government had been instrumental in ensuring safety and fostering economic growth, making Bangladesh one of the fastest-growing developing nations. Yet, her leadership was marred by accusations of election rigging, suppression of opposition, and human rights violations, which stoked public discontent. The crisis reached its peak with unprecedented violence and street protests, allegedly orchestrated by Pakistan's intelligence agency ISI, the student wing of Jamaat-e-Islami Bangladesh, and active involvement from Khalida Zia's BNP and Chinese intelligence networks.



THERE IS NO DENYING THAT HASINA WAS A SECULAR AND REFORMIST FIGURE IN BANGLADESH. HER GOVERNMENT HAD BEEN INSTRUMENTAL IN ENSURING SAFETY AND FOSTERING ECONOMIC GROWTH, MAKING BANGLADESH ONE OF THE FASTEST-GROWING DEVELOPING NATION

Amidst this turmoil, Nobel Peace Laureate Muhammad Yunus was chosen to lead an interim government after consultations with military leaders and key stakeholders. Experts and ex-diplomats agree that the current turmoil is a by-product of the public uprising against Hasina, who fled the country with India's assistance. She is now seeking asylum in Europe, with the UK being a potential destination, though nothing is certain. **Comparative Analysis of Hasina and Rajapaksa's Ousters** There are several similarities between Sheikh Hasina's downfall in Bangladesh in 2024 and the ouster of Sri Lanka's President Gotabaya Rajapaksa in 2022. Both events stem from political, economic, and social factors. **Economic Mismanagement and Authoritarian Governance:** Sheikh Hasina faced criticism for stifling dissent and undermining democratic processes. Similarly, Gotabaya Rajapaksa's administration was criticized for authoritarianism and nepotism. Both countries struggled with economic difficulties, rising living costs, and unemployment, leading to public frustration and mass protests. **Debt and Foreign Exchange Issues:** Bangladesh experienced increasing national debt and challenges in managing foreign exchange reserves, while Sri Lanka faced a severe economic crisis characterized by foreign exchange shortages and high inflation, leading to widespread hardship. **Public Unrest and International Factors:** Both countries saw mass protests against economic hardships and political repression. The international relations of Bangladesh and Sri Lanka were strained due to economic mismanagement and human rights abuses, affecting foreign aid and investment. Challenges for India The ouster of Sheikh Hasina presents several

challenges for India: **Political Instability in Bangladesh:** The removal of a stable, pro-India government may lead to political instability, creating a power vacuum that could be filled by elements less friendly toward India. This could foster anti-India sentiments and alter bilateral relations. **Border Security and Migration:** Political changes might affect cooperation on border management, potentially increasing challenges related to illegal migration, human trafficking, and terrorism. **Economic Relations and Trade:** Changes in the political landscape could impact ongoing and future trade agreements, affecting bilateral trade beneficial to both countries. **Geopolitical Dynamics:** A new leadership might tilt towards China, enhancing its influence in Bangladesh and affecting India's strategic interests in the region. Counterterrorism Efforts; A change in leadership might alter the level of collaboration on counterterrorism, impacting efforts to combat terrorism and insurgency. **Water-Sharing Disputes:** The Teesta River water-sharing agreement, already a contentious issue, might face new challenges with a change in leadership. **India's Strategic Response:** Experts suggest India should engage diplomatically with the new leadership, enhance border security, reassess trade agreements, and strengthen regional alliances to counter external influences like China's growing presence in Bangladesh. Navigating these challenges requires a careful balance between immediate stabilization measures and laying the foundation for long-term democratic governance. The success of the interim government in managing these issues is crucial for providing stability to Bangladesh. (The writer is a strategic affairs columnist and political analyst based in Shimla; views are personal)

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Khalistan movement is bereft of any vision, survives merely on hatred

Khalistan movement harps upon divisive tactics and has struggled to present a viable vision for a sovereign state nearly fifty years since its inception

Gurupatwant Singh Pannun, of Sikhs for Justice, recently released a video over his X-handle that Chandra Arya, a Hindu Member of Parliament in Canada's House of Commons should go back to India. Arya had earlier criticized the Khalistani extremists for vandalism at BAPS Swaminarayan Temple in Edmonton in Alberta state. The temple was recently found sprayed with anti-India graffiti of recognizably Khalistani variety. Why do Khalistani always need to assert their existence through hatred of the Hindus? If they are indeed fighting for a sovereign Khalistan, even though no sensible or patriotic Indian would approve of it, they must establish the tenability



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ity of the idea. Strangely, a movement approaching 50 years has not been able to throw up a credible map of Khalistan. On June 9, 2022, Pannun released a map of the idea. At an event held at Lahore Press Club which showed Shimla, Himachal Pradesh as the capital of Khalistan. Could things get more ridiculous? The Sikhs comprise less than two per cent of Himachal Pradesh's

population. Their percentage same in Shimla city, which is not contiguous to Punjab where most Sikhs live. The map in addition to Punjab encompassed almost the whole of Haryana and Himachal Pradesh, five districts of Rajasthan, several districts of Uttarakhand and several districts from Uttar Pradesh. The net effect of such a map would be to reduce the Sikhs into a minority in Khalistan. In the early 19th century, Maharaja Ranjit Singh could rule over trans-Sutlej Punjab, by the dint of sword, despite the Sikhs comprising no more than 10 per cent of the population (based on Census figures, 1881). This was because the form of government was autocratic in an era of autocracy.

Still, the Maharaja had to pursue an inclusive and tolerant policy given the fractured religious demography of Punjab. In the 21st century, when democracy has triumphed in the sub-continent, do Khalistanis propose to turn the clock back on political evolution? The fact that "Khalistan" should be carved out from the Indian side of Punjab alone makes the motive of its sponsors suspect. Few Sikhs indeed remain on the Pakistan side of Punjab, from where the bulk of them were ethnically cleansed after the partition. However, the very same fact should prohibit the Sikhs from pursuing any secessionist agenda from the Indian side. The Sikhs concentrated in the fertile terrains of



central Punjab, which fell to the Pakistan side, and took refuge on the Indian side after the partition. There was a forcible exchange of population between the two halves of Punjab on religious lines. This bolstered their population from 13 per cent in colonial Punjab (Census, 1941) to 33 per cent in East Punjab (Census, 1961). After the reorganization of Punjab (1966), whereby Hindu-dominated Haryana

and Himachal Pradesh were separated, their population share increased to 60.2 per cent in rump Punjab (Census, 1971). There is no grouse against Sikhs becoming a majority in Indian Punjab, as never before in the history of Punjab. However, there would certainly be a grouse if this majority, of less than two-thirds, wants to secede from the territory of the state. Questions will be asked why they have not demanded a single square inch of territory from the Pakistan side and all liability is on India which had graciously accommodated the Sikhs after the partition. The Khalistanis could grumble that not conceding a sovereign nation to the Sikhs during the partition itself was an injustice.

This is a bogus argument. None of the districts in colonial Punjab had a Sikh majority, which made the demand for "Khalistan" completely untenable. As early as December 2, 1942, Master Tara Singh had asked for the bifurcation of colonial Punjab - one dominated by the Muslims and another by Hindu-Sikhs. History aside, "Khalistan" would put the future of Sikhs in jeopardy. Around 30 per cent of wheat procured by authorities and 21 per cent of rice procured during FY. 2021-22 came from Punjab alone. The loss of this assured procurement by the Food Corporation of India will put Punjab under mountains of rice and wheat. The "Khalistan", a landlocked nation sandwiched between

India and Pakistan, will be dependent on trade with both. Even today it can redirect its procurement mechanism profitably towards other states rather than favouring Punjab. However, Punjab, whose 75 population is dependent on agriculture for livelihood would be sorely hit. The loss of a huge pan-Indian market for Punjab will be disastrous in every sector e.g. transportation, hosiery, machine tools etc. The Sikh population in other states of India would be adversely affected. No wonder, the Khalistanis prefer to stroke passions, by ducking these critical questions. (The writer is an author and an independent researcher based in New Delhi. The views expressed are personal)

SECTION 1

Executive Engineer, Chopal Division HPPWD Chopal

NOTICE INVITING TENDER (NIT)

No. PW.CHD.CB.E-9/2024- **Dated :**
The Executive Engineer, Chopal Division, HPPWD Chopal on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh invites the Percentage Rate Bids, in electronic tendering system, for following work(s), from the eligible and approved contractors registered with HPPWD.

Sl. No.	Name of the work	Estimated Cost (Rs.)	Period of Completion	Bid Security (Rs.) (Online)	Cost of tender form (Rs.) (Online)
1.	C/O Balera to Kandal road km. 0/0 to 10/450 (SH: C/O 12.00 mtr. span RCC slab culvert (at R.D. 2450) Under Head: 5154_04-101-01-SOON. Tender ID : 2024_PWD_90354_1	2615872/-	Three Months	53000/-	500/-

- Date of release of Invitation for Bids through e-procurement: **06/08/2024.**
- Cost of Bid Form:** As per package/job (non-refundable) shown against each (Online) in favour of Executive Engineer, Chopal Division, HPPWD, Chopal.
- Availability of Bid Document and mode of submission:** The bid document is available online and bid should be submitted online on website www.hptenders.gov.in. The bidder would be required to register in the web-site which is free of cost. For submission of bids, the bidder is required to have valid Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) from one of the authorized Certifying Authorities (CA). *Aspiring bidders who have not obtained the user ID and password for participating in e-tendering in State Head may obtain the same from the website: www.hptenders.gov.in. Digital signature is mandatory to participate in the e-tendering. Bidders already possessing the valid digital signature issued from authorized CAs can use the same in this tender.
- Last Date/ Time for receipt of bids through e-tendering: **16.08.2024 upto 1700 hrs.**
- The site for the work is available.
- Only online submission of bids is permitted, therefore, bids must be submitted online on website www.hptenders.gov.in. The technical qualification part of the bids will be opened online at **11:00 hours on 17.08.2024** in the office of Executive Engineer, Chopal Division HPPWD Chopal by the authorized officers. If the office happens to be closed on the date of opening of the bids as specified, the bids will be opened online on the next working day at the same time.
- The work shall have to be started within fifteen days from the date of award. If the contractor fails to start the work within fifteen days, the work shall be cancelled and earnest money deposited will be forfeited. All the required materials like Cement/Steel/Timber/Explosive etc. shall be arranged by the Contractor at his own level.
- Bidders may bid for any one or more of the works mentioned in the Table above. To qualify for a package of contracts made up of this for which bids are invited in the same NIT, the bidder must demonstrate having experience and resources sufficient to meet the aggregate of the qualifying criteria for the individual contracts.
- Other details can be seen in the bidding documents. The Employer shall not be liable for any delays due to system failure beyond its control. Even though the system will attempt to notify the bidders of any bid updates, the Employer shall not be liable for any information not received by the bidder. It is the bidder's responsibility to verify the website for the latest information related to the tender.

**Executive Engineer
HPPWD Chopal
E-mail: ee-cho-tp@nic.in**

RO NO. 1342/2024-2025 Dt. 08-08-2024

NOTICE

This is to inform and seek objections, if any from general public that our client Mr. Rajeev Jain (S/O) owner of the property H.No.1444, MC ID No. 101R/PUR/200 Area measuring 200 Sq. Yards situated within the area of New Mission Colony Sonepat. The following original documents are lost:

1. Original sale deed bearing registration no. 1532 dt. 15/10/1965 executed by Badhkhalsa Co. Op. House B Society in favour of Ramdas Jain.
2. Original Will bearing registration no. 630 dt. 11/11/2008 executed by Ramdas Jain in favour of Subhash Chand S/O Ramdas Jain, Krishan Kumar Jain S/O Ramdas Jain, Ram Kanwar Jain and Nirmal Chandra Jain.
3. Copy of Death Certificate of Ramdas Jain.
4. Legal Heirs' Succession certificate issued by competent authority in favour of legal heirs Ramdas Jain. That the FIR/DRO/LOST property report in respect of the same is lodged vide application No. 1323907/2401388/2024. That in case of any person having any claim, right title or interest in the above said property in any manner whatsoever by way of sale, gift, lease, mortgage, exchange mortgage, charge lien, trust, possession, easement, attachment or otherwise, shall bring the same to the notice of the undersigned in writing along with supporting documents/evidence within a period of 10 days from the date of this notice failing which the claimant's claim shall be considered to be waived, abandoned and it shall be presumed that no person has any claim of any nature, in respect of the above said property and any subsequent claimant shall not bind our clients or their successors/nominees/assignees in any manner whatsoever.

Kotak Mahindra Bank Sonapat
 Vinay Chhikkara, Chamber No. 208, District Courts Sonapat 9031506000

NOTICE

INTX/HEALTHCOURT/DF/NaibTehsildar/ cum/AssistantX CollectorX GradeliX Banur/DistrictSAS/IN/Naigarak

Description of the parties
 Case No. Xur/Taksim Rajula Dated 19.02.2024, Taksim Case Wkya Village Rakha Karala/281 Sub Tehsil, Banur, District S.A.S. Nagar
 Applicant: Singh Son of Harshak Singh son of Gagan Singh ok/Paranjit Singh son of Sohansingh Singh son of Arjan Singh resident of Dhanraj Karala Sub Tehsil Banur District S.A.S. Nagar. pk/Gurjit Singh r/Manjit Singh sons of Gurnam Singh son of Arjan Singh Resident of House No. 521/1 Sector 40A, Charanjit 40 Khewada Village, Karala, Sub Tehsil Banur District S.A.S. Nagar.

Respondents
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Notice
 In the said case Anwan, this court has been fully convinced that the declaration of the opposing party cannot be completed in a simple way. Therefore, by fixing the date of appearance in this case on **01/08/2024**, through this public notice, the opposing party is directed to appear in this Court at **11:00 AM** on the scheduled date of appearance in person or advocate. In case of non-attendance, the action will be taken unilaterally. No objection shall be entertained after the due date of appearance, and further action shall be taken as per rules.

This notice is issued under, dated **11/08/2024** under my signature and seal of the Court.
NaibTehsildar/cum/ AssistantCollector/GradeliX Banur

NOTICE

This is to inform and seek objections, if any from general public that our client Mr. Sunil Bhatia S/O Prem Bhatia R/O E-25 Bhawana Nagar East Punjab Bagh 50 Shogad Delhi 110026 is owner of the property Khatoni No. 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

PUNJAB & SIND BANK

POSSESSION NOTICE (FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES)

Whereas, the Undersigned being the "Authorised Officer" of Punjab & Sind Bank, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of the Security Interest Act 2002 in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a demand notice on the date mentioned against account calling upon the respective borrowers / guarantors to repay the amount as mentioned against account within 60 days from the date of notice / date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers / guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice hereby given to the borrowers / guarantors and the public in general that undersigned has taken possession of the Properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13(4) of said Act read with Rule 9 of the said rule on the date mentioned against each account.

The borrowers / guarantors in particular & the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the Properties and any dealing with the Properties will be subject to the charge of the Punjab and Sind Bank, for the amounts, other charges, costs and interest thereon. The borrowers attention is invited to provisions of Sub Section (8) of the Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to them, to redeem the Secured Assets.

Name of the NPA Account / Branch	Description of the Immovable Properties	Nature of Possession	Date of the Demand Notice	Date of the Possession	Amount Outstanding
(1) Smt. Renu Bai W/o Sh. Salamat Rai & Guarantors (i) Sh. Salamat Rai S/o Sh. Sudarshan Kumar (ii) Sh. Ram Mohan S/o Sh. Salamat Rai, Branch : Hall Bazar, Amritsar	Equitable Mortgage of the One Built House Khasra no. 1779 min, Khata Khatoni no. 513/926, total area measuring 100 sq. yards as per Jamabandi year 2010-2011 as per Sale deed dated 07-02-2014, Wasika no. 9710, Jild no. 13012, Bahl no. 1, Page no. 5355, situated at Wadia Rakha, Sub Urban Circle no. 107, Abadi Nagar Nigam Colony, Outside Gilwali Gate, Tehsil Amritsar-1, Distt. Amritsar, Owned by Smt. Renu Bai W/o Sh. Salamat Rai and bounded as North : Street (Ganda Nala), South : Metall Street, East : Plot no. 191 of Sh. Ram Lubbhaya, West : Plot no. 189 (MS Rich)	Symbolic	02-05-2024	03-08-2024	Rs. 13,37,749/93 as on 02-05-2024 + Interest, other charges w.e.f. 30-04-2024 and less recovery if any, till date affected
(2) Mr. Wasan Singh S/o Sh. Thakur Singh and Guarantor Mr. Harpal Singh S/o Mr. Wasan Singh Branch : Kot Mangal Singh, Amritsar	Property bearing Private no. 1 and 2 having length 48.32' jointly and breadth 35' from front and back 39.5', total area 200 sq yards bearing Khasra no. 2498, situated in area of Sulltanwid Sub Urban Abadi Ishaar Nagar, Near Taran Road, Amritsar, owned by Sh. Wasan Singh and bounded as North : Gali 14 wide, South : other Property, East : House of Avtar Singh and Daljit Singh, West : House on Plot no. 3	Physical	31-12-2021	05-08-2024	Rs. 9,10,110/97 as on 31-12-2021 + Interest, other charges w.e.f. 01-01-2022 and less recovery if any, till date affected
(3) Mr. Harmanjit Singh S/o Mr. Amarjit Singh and Guarantor Mr. Amarjit Singh S/o Mr. Purnan Singh Branch: Tunda Talab, Amritsar	All that part and Parcel of the Property i.e. House bearing Khasra no. 2755/2295/1250/1, 2756/2295/1250/2, 2758/2295/1250/4, 2759/2295/1250/5, 2760/2295/1250/6, 2761/2295/1250/7, 2762/2295/1250/8, 2764/2295/1250/10, 2768/2295/1250/14, 2757/2295/1250/3, having measurement towards East 30' 9", West 30' 9", North 42' and South 39' 6", total area measuring 138 sq. yards, situated at Amritsar Urban Circle no. 107, Abadi Angarh, Gali no. 1, Tehsil and District Amritsar as per Sale Deed dated 05-05-2015 duly Registered with the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Amritsar vide Document no. 893, Book no. 1, Volume no. 14260 at Page no. 6768.	Physical	13-04-2023	03-08-2024	Rs. 18,13,680/33 + Interest, other charges and less recovery if any, till date affected

Date : 09-08-2024 Place : Amritsar Sd/- Authorised Officer

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is notified for the information of the General Public and all concerned with the Property No. 1062, Housing Board Colony, Sector 13, Kurukshetra which stand in the name Sh. Jagdish Lal S/o Sh. Jai Kishan Lodhwal (deceased) as per the Will No. 173 dated 09/04/2009 registered in the office of Sub-Registrar, Thanesar. It has been reported by the applicant that the said property has been considered to be waived, abandoned and it shall be presumed that no person has any claim of any nature, in respect of the above said property and any subsequent claimant shall not bind our clients or their successors/nominees/assignees in any manner whatsoever.

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This notice is issued under, dated **11/08/2024** under my signature and seal of the Court.
NaibTehsildar/cum/ AssistantCollector/GradeliX Banur

NOTICE

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Mr. Sandeep R/o H.No.85, Near Saini Bhanwan Colony, Near Kabipur, Distt. Sonepat has lost his necessary paper i.e. Sale Deed No.10304 dated 13/12/2019 executed by Smt. Rekha W/o Sh. Anil S/o Sh. Mahender Kumar R/o C-14, Panchnam Nagar, Old C.D. Road, Sonepat in favour of Smt. Suman W/o Sh. Yadram S/o Sh. Mangeram R/o Kabipur, Tehsil & Distt. Sonepat pertaining to the Property Plot measuring 3 Maria i.e. 100 Sq. Yards, contained in Recd. & Killa No.89/31, 2, situated within the area of New Mission Colony, Sonepat. It has been reported by the applicant that the said property has been considered to be waived, abandoned and it shall be presumed that no person has any claim of any nature, in respect of the above said property and any subsequent claimant shall not bind our clients or their successors/nominees/assignees in any manner whatsoever.

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I, Rajesh Kumar son of Sh. Shish Ram Resident of village post office Jaingar, Tehsil Arki, District Solan (H.P.), hereby inform that registered in Sub Registrar Office Shimla (Rural), (Donor) Sales Deed between Madan Lal son of Sh. The documents of the following property executed between Sh. Anokhi Ram Bagan, Tehsil and District Shimla (H.P.) have gone missing somewhere. Which has not been received yet. Khata/Khatuani No. 2204/41, Kharsa No. 1631/597, property comprising 00-01-54 hectares, situated at Mohal Bargaon, Hadbast No. 110/2, Tehsil and District Shimla.

Its report GD no. 016 dated 24.08.2020 has been registered in Police Station Ramshahar, District Solan (H.P.), 15-05-2024. I have created the mortgage charges on the said property for availing home loan facility from SBI RACCP SHIMLA (63682) on the basis of certified copies. If any party has any claim on the concerned property then register

Plot to kill 'as many as possible' at Taylor Swift shows in Vienna foiled

AP ■ VIENNA

Austrian security officials said Thursday that the main suspect of the two arrested in a foiled plot to attack now-cancelled Taylor Swift shows in Vienna fully confessed to his plans to "kill as many people as possible outside the concert venue".

Officials told reporters at a press conference in the Austrian capital that they found ties to the Islamic State group, and when the 19-year-old began working on his attack plans in July, he quit his regular job and "conspicuously changed his appearance and adapted to IS propaganda".

The head of the Directorate of State Security and Intelligence, Omar Hajjawi-Pirchner, said the 19-year-old wanted to use knives or self-made explosives outside the Ernst Happel Stadium to kill as many people as possible.

He was "clearly radicalised in the direction of the Islamic State and thinks it is right to kill infidels," Hajjawi-Pirchner said.

Just a few weeks ago, the 19-year-old had also uploaded an oath of allegiance to the current leader of the Islamic State group militia to an internet account. During a raid of

his home in Ternitz, south of Vienna, investigators found chemical substances and technical devices that indicated "concrete preparatory acts," said Franz Ruf, Director General for Public Security at the Ministry of the Interior.

Authorities also found Islamic State group and al-Qaida material at the home of the second suspect, a 17-year-old Austrian. He was employed a few days ago by a company providing services at the venue for the concerts, and was arrested by special police forces near the stadium.

The suspects' names were not released in line with Austrian privacy rules.

No other suspects are being sought, Interior Minister Gerhard Karner said. However, a 15-year-old, who had been in contact with both suspects, was also interrogated by police.

"The situation was serious, the situation is serious. But we can also say: A tragedy was prevented," he said.

The cancellations of three sold-out concerts this week devastated Swifties across the globe, many of whom had dropped thousands of euros (dollars) on travel and lodging in Austria's expensive capital city for the sold-out Eras Tour shows on



Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the Ernst Happel Stadium, which sat empty Thursday morning aside from media filming outside.

of the concerts, Barracuda Music, were in close contact about whether to cancel the three concerts, but in the end it was the organizer who made the call.

Barracuda Music said in an Instagram post late Wednesday that "we have no choice but to cancel the three scheduled shows for everyone's safety." It cited government officials'

confirmation of a planned attack at the stadium.

Europe is enamored by the American superstar, with the German town of Gelsenkirchen renaming itself "Swiftkirchen" before its mid-July concerts.

Austria's Vice-Chancellor Werner Kogler wrote on social platform X: "For many, a dream has been shattered today. On three evenings in Vienna, tens of thousands of #Swifties should have celebrated life together."

"I am very sorry that you were denied this. Swifties stick together, hate and terror can't destroy that," Kogler added.

Austrian Chancellor Karl Nehammer posted on X that "the cancellation of the Taylor Swift concerts by the organisers is a bitter disappointment for all fans in Austria."

"The situation surrounding the apparently planned terror attack in Vienna was very serious," he wrote. But he added that, thanks to intense cooperation between police and Austrian and foreign intelligence, "the threat could be recognised early on, tackled and a tragedy prevented."

Barracuda Music said that "all tickets will be automatically refunded

within the next 10 business days." The same wording was posted under the Vienna dates on Swift's official website.

The Vienna stadium had been sold out for the planned concerts, APA reported, with an estimated 170,000 fans expected for the concerts in Austria. Some who posted on X lamented months of now-wasted efforts to make friendship bracelets and pick out fashionable outfits for the performance.

Swift is expected to perform at London's Wembley stadium in five concerts between Aug 15 and 20 to close the European leg of her record-setting Eras Tour.

In 2017, an attack at an Ariana Grande concert in Manchester, England, killed 22 people. Suicide bomber Salman Abedi set up a knapsack bomb in Manchester Arena at the end of Grande's concert as thousands of young fans were leaving. More than 100 people were injured. Abedi died in the explosion. An official inquiry reported in 2023 that Britain's domestic intelligence agency, MI5, didn't act swiftly enough on key information and missed a significant opportunity to prevent the bombing, the deadliest extremist attack in the United Kingdom in recent years.

Anti-racism protesters march counters violence in UK

PTI ■ LONDON

A massive turnout of anti-racism counter-protesters swarmed the streets of London and other UK cities in an effort to outnumber the far-right violent mobs causing mayhem over the past week, described by Scotland Yard as a "show of unity from communities".

Fears of violence at several planned extremist rallies targeting immigration lawyers and agencies across London and other cities on Wednesday evening abated as thousands of specialist police officers patrolled the streets and counter-protesters waving placards reading "Smash Fascism & Racism" and "Stop the far right" turned out in hoards for peace marches.

The UK government, however, cautioned that there is intelligence that more far-right action could take place in the next few days even as there was relief that violent disorder was averted overnight. "Last night more than 1,000 officers were deployed across the capital ready to respond to any scenes of disorder. Their efforts and the strength of unity demonstrated by London's communities resulted in a largely peaceful evening," said Metropolitan Police chief Mark Rowley, who



revealed that dawn raids were carried out early on Thursday morning to arrest suspected violent offenders from the past few days.

"What I want to make really clear is those we've arrested aren't protesters, patriots or decent citizens. They're thugs and criminals. Around 70 per cent have previous convictions for weapon possession, violence, drugs and other serious offences. Some have football banning orders. These are violent people taking to the streets under the guise of protest to engage in disorder," he said.

London Mayor Sadiq Khan thanked people who peacefully stood "united against racism and Islamophobia", as well as the "heroic police force" for working round the clock to

keep Londoners safe.

"To those far-right thugs still intent on sowing hatred and division, you will never be welcome here," he said in a post on X. More than 400 people have been arrested since the first clashes last Tuesday, when false claims spread online that the suspect in the fatal stabbings in Southport, north-west England, was a refugee who had come to the UK in a small boat last year.

"I am cautious about what happened last night. It's good that we didn't see the level of disorder and criminality on our streets that we have in previous days, but obviously this is just the start," UK Policing Minister Diana Johnson told "Sky News". "There is now further intelligence of events during the

next few days, and we need to see what happens there," she said.

A large chunk of those arrested have already been charged with various offences, including violent disorder, racially aggravated harassment and using threatening words online to stir up racial hatred, and have been appearing in courts for fast-tracked sentencing, as pledged by British Prime Minister Keir Starmer.

Meanwhile, an inquest into the death of the three little girls stabbed in the Southport knife attack was opened and adjourned earlier on Wednesday. Bebe King, 6, Elsie Dot Stancombe, 7, and Alice da Silva Aguiar, 9, were killed when a knifeman entered a Taylor Swift themed holiday club on July 29, seriously injuring 10 others who have since been discharged from hospital.

Senior coroner Julie Goulding said the hearing was a "short, sombre and formal process" to allow criminal proceedings to continue "unfettered".

Axel Rudakubana, 17, who was born in the Welsh city of Cardiff to Rwandan parents, remains in custody charged with the murder of the three girls and attempted murder of eight other children and two adults.

Trump allies amplify a false claim about Harris' racial identity

AP ■ WASHINGTON

Ohio Sen JD Vance, Donald Trump's running mate, defended on Wednesday a false claim the former president made about Vice President Kamala Harris' racial identity, suggesting wrongly that Harris had downplayed her Black heritage in trying to suggest she's inauthentic.

"What I took it as was an attack on Kamala Harris being a chameleon," he told reporters when asked in Michigan about the former president's suggestion that Harris, the daughter of Jamaican and Indian immigrants, had only recently identified as Black.

"I think he was observing the basic foundational reality that Kamala Harris pretends to be something different depending on what audience she's speaking to," Vance said. "She fakes who she is depending on the

audience she's in front of, and that's who she is and that's who she's always been."

Vance's was the most recent of the Republican criticisms of how Harris portrays herself, in the wake of Trump's comments last week to the National Association of Black Journalists conference in Chicago. Florida Rep. Byron Donalds, a high-profile Trump surrogate who is a Black man, echoed the claim on Sunday as a guest on ABC's "This Week."

The proliferation of Trump's falsehood by other Republicans is part of their effort to stay in his favor, said former Republican National Committee Chairman Michael Steele.

"It's I'll do anything and I don't want to be on the wrong side of you," said Steele, a former Maryland lieutenant governor who was the first Black man to lead the RNC. "It's I don't want

to take the heat that comes with calling out your racism, that comes with calling out your ugliness, so I will pretend that's not what it is."

The Harris campaign has declined to comment specifically on Trump's false claim. The vice president, speaking to a Black sorority last week, accused Trump of "the same old show: the divisiveness and the disrespect."

Harris has frequently talked about being Black in addition to being Indian American during her political career. She was the first African American to serve as California attorney general and became the first Indian American to serve as a U.S. senator and the second Black woman, after Carol Moseley Braun of Illinois.

As an undergraduate, Harris attended Howard University, one of the nation's most promi-

nent historically Black colleges and universities, where she also pledged the historically Black sorority Alpha Kappa Alpha.

As San Francisco's first Black district attorney, she was recognized as a "Woman of Power" by the National Urban League and received the Thurgood Marshall Award from the National Black Prosecutors Association in 2005.

She was recognized in India Abroad during her 2010 campaign for California attorney general as being potentially "the first African American as well as the first Indian-American" to hold the office.

Harris identified as both Black and Indian in an Associated Press story published that same year about the number of candidates of Indian descent running for prominent offices that year.

Policemen in Bangladesh slowly returning to work

PTI ■ DHAKA

Policemen in Bangladesh were slowly returning to work from Thursday in response to the call by the newly-appointed chief, the official media reported, amidst the political turmoil and street violence in the country.

Following the fall of the Sheikh Hasina government on Monday due to student-led protests, several police stations were attacked and set on fire, leading to many officers evacuating their stations due to the threat of more attacks. More than 400 people, including police personnel, were killed in the violence centring the students' movement.

On Wednesday, the newly-appointed Inspector General of Police, Md Mainul Islam, ordered

officers to join their respective units within the next 24 hours. People from all walks of life, including different political parties leaders and students, are extending all-out necessary support to the returnee police personnel so they can come to their workplaces safely, according to a press release issued by police headquarters on Thursday.

The policemen are returning to their working places from Thursday responding to the call of the newly-appointed IGP, the BSS news agency reported citing the release.

Meanwhile, quoting witnesses, The Daily Star newspaper reported that some police personnel in plainclothes were arriving at Rajarbagh Police Lines, signed in the attendance registers.

However, they are not going to their respective workplaces, such as police stations, due to security concerns.

Addressing a press briefing at the Police Headquarters on Thursday, IGP Islam said some unprofessional officers did not follow the accepted principles of applying force and violated human rights.

"It is because of them [unprofessional officers] that this ongoing violence and casualties have occurred," he was quoted as saying by The Daily Star newspaper. Many police officials have been injured, killed, and tortured because of some unprofessional and overly ambitious officials, he said.

Islam assured that every murder would be properly investigated.

Israeli strike on Gaza home kills 7

AP ■ JERUSALEM

A new report from Human Rights Watch says Israeli soldiers killed at least seven people and severely wounded two, including a 5-year-old, when they attacked a home in Gaza City where a Palestinian family was sheltering from the Israel-Hamas war in December.

Gaza faces a severe humanitarian crisis with Israeli restrictions on aid and ongoing fighting limiting access to crucial medical, food and other supplies.

The Health Ministry says the death toll in the territory is nearing 40,000.

Regional tensions have soared since Hamas political leader Ismail Haniyeh was killed July 31 in Iran by a presumed Israeli strike. Retaliation has been expected. French President Emmanuel Macron beseeched Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian in a phone call to do everything in his power to avoid a new military escalation that he said would do lasting damage to regional stability.

World leaders have been pushing for a cease-fire in Gaza, and United States President Joe Biden spoke with Egyptian President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi on Tuesday about their hopes for a deal calming tensions in the Middle East.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu told his Cabinet over the weekend that Israel is already in a "multi-front war" with Iran and its proxies.

Resolve Kashmir issue by peaceful means: UN

PTI ■ UNITED NATIONS

A final settlement of the Kashmir issue should be reached by peaceful means under the UN Charter and full respect for human rights, a spokesperson for UN chief Antonio Guterres has said, recalling the 1972 Simla agreement between India and Pakistan which rejects any third-party mediation.

"Our position on Kashmir remains unchanged," Farhan Haq, Deputy Spokesperson for the Secretary-General, said at the daily press briefing here Wednesday. India has repeatedly told Pakistan that the Union Territories of Jammu and

Kashmir and Ladakh "was, is and shall forever" remain an integral part of the country.

The ties between the two countries nosedived after India abrogated Article 370 of the Constitution, revoking the special status of Jammu and Kashmir and bifurcating the State into two Union Territories on August 5, 2019. Haq said this while responding to a question by a Palestinian journalist on the UN Secretary-General's position on Kashmir and the situation there five years after the abrogation of Article 370. Haq said that the final settlement of the issue concerning Jammu and Kashmir "is to be reached by peaceful means

in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations and full respect for human rights." He added that the position of the United Nations is governed by the charter of the United Nations and applicable Security Council resolutions. "The Secretary-General also recalls the 1972 agreement on bilateral relations between India and Pakistan, also known as the Simla Agreement," he said. The Simla Agreement was signed by former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and then Pakistan President Zulfikar Ali Bhutto in 1972 and is a bilateral agreement between the countries and rejects any third-party mediation on the Kashmir issue.

Ukrainian forces make significant incursion in Kursk region

AP ■ KYIV

A top official in the Kursk region of Russia that borders Ukraine said Thursday that fighting is continuing in an area where Ukrainian forces made a significant incursion this week.

Ukrainian officials haven't commented on the scope of the operation around the town of Sudzha. But Kursk's acting deputy governor, Andrei Belostotsky, said that Russian forces are fighting to prevent Ukrainians from advancing further into the region.

"The enemy has not advanced a single meter, on the contrary, it is retreating. The enemy's equipment and combat forces are being actively destroyed. We hope that in the near future...the enemy will be stopped," Belostotsky said, according to state news agency RIA-Novosti.

Russian President Vladimir Putin on Wednesday described the incursion as a "large-scale provocation."

Putin met with his top defence and security officials to discuss what he called the "indiscriminate shelling of civilian buildings, residential houses, ambulances with different types of weapons".

He instructed the Cabinet to coordinate assistance to the Kursk region. The fighting is about 500 km (320 miles) from Moscow. Army chief of staff Valery Gerasimov told Putin at the meeting via video link that about 100 Ukrainian soldiers had been killed in the battle and more than 200 others were

wounded, Russian news agencies reported.

The Ukrainian shelling, meanwhile, killed at least two people — a paramedic and an ambulance driver — and wounded 24 others, Russian Foreign Ministry spokesperson Maria Zakharova said in a statement Wednesday.

It wasn't possible to independently verify the Russian claims. Disinformation and propaganda have played a central role in the war, now in its third year.

John Kirby, the White House's national security spokesman, declined to comment on the operation and said the Biden administration has reached out to the Ukrainians to better understand what happened. If confirmed, the cross-border foray would be among Ukraine's largest since Russia launched its full-scale invasion on Feb 24, 2022, and unprecedented for its deployment of Ukrainian military units.

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FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (POST LISTING) & e-VOTING
The process of sending emails containing link for Annual Report 2024 and notice of First Annual General Meeting (AGM) (Post Listing) of the Company, scheduled to be held on Friday, 06-09-2024 at 10.00 hours through Video Conference/ Other Audio Visual Means ("VC/OAVM") has been completed on 07-08-2024. Members who have not provided their email id or did not receive our email, may download the same from the website of the Company www.jasch.net.in under the link Investors>Annual Reports or that of BSE Ltd. Information as to user id & password and instructions for participating in the AGM through VC/OAVM and remote electronic voting (e-voting), are contained in the aforesaid notice and are equally applicable to persons who have become members of the Company after sending of notice. Only those persons, whose names are recorded in the register of members or in the register of beneficial owners maintained by the depository as on cut-off date 30-08-2024, are entitled to remote e-voting, which will commence at 09:00 hours on 03-09-2024 and will not be allowed beyond 17:00 hours on 05-09-2024. A member may participate in the AGM even after exercising his right to vote through remote e-voting but shall not be allowed to vote again in the meeting. Results will be declared within the time permitted by law and will be posted at the above website of the Company under the link "Notices". Grievances, if any, relating to non-receipt of the notice of AGM or relating to e-voting may be sent by email to ramap@alankit.com.

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Sonipat,
07-08-2024

WRESTLER AMAN ENTERS SEMIFINALS

PTI ■ PARIS
Young Indian grappler Aman Sehrawat rekindled India's hopes of a medal in wrestling, demolishing former world champion Zelimkhan Abakarov of Albania by technical superiority to seal a place in the 57kg free-style semifinal at the Paris Olympics here on Thursday.
Aman was in imperious form as he toyed with Abakarov in the second round. The 21-year-old Indian locked his legs at the start of the second round and turned him over multiple times to earn eight straight points to secure a 12-0 victory.
The bout started with Aman earning a passivity point after his Russian-turned-Albanian opponent did not initiate any attacking move. Moments later, the Indian effected a left-leg hold to earn two more points to showcase his dominance by going 3-0 up at the end of round 1.
Aman was on song in round 2 and Abakarov, world champion in 2022, bore the brunt. The Indian's superb agility against the 31-year-old Albanian was on display as he attacked the left leg to bring him down.

He then effected a 'fitley' (leg lace), turning the Albanian around several times to end the contest with more than two minutes to go. Abakarov contested the last two points awarded to Aman but the referee ruled in favour of the Indian and awarded him a point.
Aman will meet Japanese top seed Rei Higuchi in the last-four round later in the day.
Earlier, Aman ensured himself an easy passage into the quarterfinal with a dominating performance against North Macedonian rival Vladimir Egorov.
The 21-year-old Indian, an Asian Championship gold medalist and the only male wrestler from the country to qualify for the Olympics, was amazingly agile as he kept his defence intact while regularly overpowering his 29-year-old former European champion with leg holds to win the bout on technical superiority (10-0).
Egorov seemed to be in a bit of bother after the first round, requiring medical attention on his knee following Aman's all-out attack.
But the Macedonian could not stage a comeback with Aman effecting a takedown to earn two



more points and go 10-0 up with more than two minutes remaining on the clock.
ANSHU MALIK LOSES: Woman grappler Anshu Malik displayed great determination but could not breach the defence of USA's vastly experienced Helen Maroulis, losing 2-7 in the 57kg pre-quarterfinals.
It was a rematch of the 2021 World Championship final in Oslo where Anshu had to settle for silver against the American.
Anshu's hopes of qualifying for the bronze-medal bout now hinge on 'repechage' provided Helen, the 2016 Rio Olympics gold medalist and Tokyo Games bronze medalist, reaches the final.
Anshu was up against one of the most reputed wrestlers in the world, but she fought with a lot of gumption to concede just two points in the first round. Helen attacked Anshu's left leg and then pushed the Indian to the mat to take a 2-0 lead.
The Indian then held Helen, a three-time world champion, at bay in the first round before the American came back to showcase her pedigree in the second and win despite getting a warning.



AP ■ LE BOURGET (FRANCE)

For many athletes at the Paris Olympics, the fun was just beginning after they were done competing.
During the second full week of the 2024 Olympics, going home wasn't an option. Now that the pressure of having to compete is gone, it was time to become a fan: Enjoy Paris and watch other sports.
"I'm a huge track fan," said triathlete Morgan Pearson, who won the silver medal with the U.S. Team in the mixed relay on Monday. "I hope to go to some of those races. I'm a huge Olympic fan in general."
American sport climber Zach Hammer, who was finished competing on Tuesday, also was headed to the track.
"I would definitely be excited to watch the men's 200-(meter) with (Noah) Lyles. He's one of my favorite athletes," he said.
"I'm definitely excited to get the full Olympic experience, and I'll go watch whatever there is to watch. It will definitely be cool to see Americans competing on the

Athletes stick around Paris Games to watch other sports, get full experience

biggest stage."
U.S. Rower Jacob Plihal was among those who stayed in town after competing during the first week.
"Hopefully I can watch a little handball if that's still going, maybe 3x3 basketball," he said.
"I don't know what the schedules are. I've been focused on the racing but I'm excited to stick around and watch other sports, cheer Team USA on and get to know some athletes at the (Olympic) Village."
Another American sport climber, Sam Watson, who broke the speed world record in an elimination heat on Tuesday, was making the most out of his stay at the village. He was challenging fellow athletes to chess games and trying to get selfies with a member of



every delegation at the Games. Some of the American women rowers who competed last week were at the women's basketball game between the U.S. and Nigeria on Wednesday.
Molly Thompson-Smith, a

British sport climber, was interested in watching some of the other smaller sports that don't often get much attention. She said "it's been really cool to kind of learn how they work and all the weird things about them."
Thompson-Smith added that she "did see a bit of beach volleyball" but "I think everyone wants to see the athletics, just to see something like that and feel the atmosphere of the crowd would be incredible. But I'm open to seeing anything now ... I'm here to make as many memories and see as much as I possibly can."
Rower Viktorija Senkute, who won Lithuania's first medal at the Games last week, was sticking around to watch her boyfriend, Simonas Maldonis, compete in canoe sprint. Athletes can watch their own discipline with their accreditation, but need tickets for other sports. Some said they can get them through their national Olympic committees, or with the

International Olympic Committee, which gives each athlete one free ticket per day. There was an additional Olympic experience for athletes this time in Paris, as for the first time in the Summer Games organizers gave them a place to be closer to fans and celebrate their medals. In the new Champions Park, athletes got a chance to parade with their medals and interact with fans.
"I feel as if this year they've done a really good job of treating after winning athletes with memories that we're going to cherish forever," French rugby player Aaron Grandier Nkanang said after going to the Champions Park. "We're just in front of the Eiffel Tower, and there's thousands of people out to come and cheer us on."

Panghal likely to get three-year ban for indiscipline: Source

PTI ■ PARIS
Wrestler Antim Panghal, who caused embarrassment to the Indian Olympic contingent by trying to facilitate her sister's entry into the athletes village through her accreditation card, is likely to be banned for three years by the IOA, a source told PTI on Thursday.
Panghal had crashed out of the Olympics after losing her opening bout in the women's 53kg category on Wednesday.
"IOA (Indian Olympic Association) officials discussed the issue that caused embarrassment to all. It is considering a three-year ban on everyone involved, including the coaches," a source in the Indian contingent told PTI.
"First, we need to ensure that she reaches home. The decision will be announced only after she reaches India," the source added.
Panghal is set to take a flight to Delhi this evening.
The IOA decided to send her and her support staff back after the disciplinary breach was brought to its notice by the French authorities. The body, however, asserted that the ban has not yet been imposed.
"A ban has not been imposed as yet," said an IOA official. Speaking with PTI before her flight back to India, the 19-

year-old said, "I did not intend to do anything wrong. I was not well and there was confusion. All of this happened due to confusion."
Later, in a video, she admitted that she had to go to the police station but only for the verification of her accreditation card.
"It was not a good day for me. I lost. A lot is being spread about me, that's not true. I had high fever, and had taken permission from my coach to go to the hotel with my sister."
"I needed some some of my belongings which were in the Games Village. My sister took my card and asked the officials there if she could take my belongings. They took her to the Police Station for accreditation verification."
She also denied that her coaches were drunk and got into an altercation with a taxi driver over fare.
"My coaches had stayed back at the venue and when they wanted to come back, we booked a cab for them. My coaches did not have enough cash and due to the language issues, led to an argument with the taxi driver."
"Since they came to collect some Euros from the hotel room, it took some time and led to the situation. I already have had a bad time, please don't spread rumours. Please support me," she said.

Weinberg helps US beat Australia 11-10 in men's water polo quarters

AP ■ NANTERRE
Adrian Weinberg made two blocks in a penalty shootout to help the United States beat Australia 11-10 in the quarterfinals of the men's water polo tournament at the Paris Olympics.
Hannes Daube and Alex Bowen each scored two goals in regulation as the U.S. Reached the semifinals at the Olympics for the first time since 2008. Daube and Bowen also converted their penalty shots in the tiebreaker.
"It was exhausting," U.S. Attacker Marko Vavic said. "Both of us fighting for our country, each trying to get to the semifinal. It's what we've been dreaming about since we were kids. Everyone put it down on the line."
It was the third straight win for the U.S., which will play Serbia on Friday at Paris La Defense

Arena. Serbia is trying to become the third men's team to win three consecutive Olympic gold medals.
Croatia will face Hungary in the other semifinal. Croatia beat Spain 10-8 in the first quarterfinal of the day, and Hungary edged Italy 12-10 in another game that went to a penalty shootout.
Serbia advanced when captain Nikola Jaksic skipped home a perfect shot from deep with 3 seconds left, lifting his country to a 12-11 victory over Greece.
"We finally looked like the team that came here to win it," Jaksic said. "We didn't give up from the first to the last moment."
Angelos Vlachopoulos had just tied the game for Greece with 6 seconds remaining.
"In this moment, I really hope this is a dream right now, just a nightmare and I will wake up



and play again," Greece's Dimitrios Skoumpakis said. "Every guy on this team really tried a lot. We worked very hard, but this is the sport."
The U.S. Rallied after a tough sequence in the first quarter. Max Irving had a goal waved off when the game was stopped for a video review and U.S. Attacker Johnny Hooper received a bru-

scored two straight for Australia. Bowen's man-up goal with 32 seconds remaining tied it at 7. Irving also connected for the U.S. In the tiebreaker before Vavic closed it out for the U.S., beating Australia goaltender Nic Porter after they played together in college at Southern California.
"I didn't even look at him until I went up to shoot," Vavic said. "He was trying to eye me down and talk to me about the pressure before I got there.
"He was chirping me, but I just

tried to keep my composure and luckily I stuck it."
Pavillard scored four times for Australia in regulation on four shots. He also converted his penalty shot in the tiebreaker.
"Full credit to the U.S.," Porter said. "They really pulled it out of the fire there. It was our game to win, and they snatched it from us for sure."
Krisztian Manhercz scored five times for Hungary in its quarterfinal win, and Gergo Zalanki had three goals. Manhercz and Zalanki also made their penalty shots in the tiebreaker.
Francesco di Fulvio and Gonzalo Echenique each scored three goals in the loss. When it was over, Italy's Nicholas Presciutti directed a middle finger toward Hungary's players.

Oleksandr punches his way to Paris Gold

AP ■ PARIS
Oleksandr Khyzhniak was one minute away from winning an Olympic gold medal three years ago when he was rocked by one miraculous punch. Khyzhniak went down, the fight was stopped and the most fearsome boxer in Tokyo had to settle for silver.
The middleweight from Ukraine decided he would wait three years to make it right. Khyzhniak got his epic redemption Wednesday night at the Paris Games with a gold medal finally around his neck - but only after he paid for it in time, sweat and pain.
Khyzhniak beat Nurbek Oralbay of Kazakhstan 3-2 in a thrilling final at Roland Garros, securing the championship that evaded him in heartbreaking fashion in Tokyo. The fighters unloaded on each other for three action-packed rounds, but Khyzhniak clinched the win by dominating a final

three minutes filled with a jaw-dropping number of uppercuts, combinations and power punches for an Olympic fight.
When Khyzhniak's hand was raised, the 29-year-old dropped to his knees in cathartic relief. Even though he is an obvious blue-chip professional prospect, Khyzhniak put any other chapters of his life on hold because he was determined to do what he couldn't in Tokyo. Khyzhniak spent the last three years thinking about his loss to Hebert Sousa of Brazil, a game competitor who clearly wasn't the best middleweight in a stacked division in Tokyo. Khyzhniak was up 20-18 on all five cards after two rounds in their gold medal bout, meaning he only had to avoid a stoppage or a point deduction to win.
But Khyzhniak simply couldn't stop himself from coming forward relentlessly. He knows no way to fight other than to throw as many punches as his



arms can muster for nine minutes of bruising, bleeding pressure.
So Khyzhniak kept coming forward, and the artful Sousa floored him with what might have been just a flash knockdown in the pros but was enough to persuade the Olympic referee to stop the bout.
After the loss, Khyzhniak devoted himself to an Olympic comeback, winning every

reached the semifinals against Arlen Lopez, the two-time Olympic gold medalist from Cuba.
The veteran amateurs put on a memorable show worthy of their combined star power, but Khyzhniak won with another phenomenal third round. He simply wouldn't stop pressuring Lopez, who finally ran out of stratagems to keep the Ukrainian star off him.
In the final, Khyzhniak faced a dynamic prospect in the 24-year-old Oralbay, whose twin brother also fought at Paris. Oralbay had ample skill and punching power to challenge Khyzhniak, and the fighters were essentially even on the scorecards heading to the third round.
And what a round it turned out to be. Oralbay bled from a cut near his right eye early in the third, but the fighters unloaded on each other for three minutes. All five judges favored Khyzhniak, who snapped Oralbay's head back on his

neck multiple times with pinpoint-perfect uppercuts. Khyzhniak was the second gold medal winner at Roland Garros on Wednesday, joining Erislandy Alvarez of Cuba. Alvarez edged Sofiane Oumiha of France 3-2 in an exciting lightweight bout - but it couldn't match the emotion and savagery on display between Khyzhniak and Oralbay, who fights one weight class below his twin brother. Earlier on the card, Lin Yuting of Taiwan advanced to the women's featherweight gold medal bout with her third straight victory while dealing with widespread scrutiny regarding misconceptions about her gender.
Tokyo gold medalist Bakhodir Jalolov of Uzbekistan shut out Nelvie Tiafack of Germany to move within one victory of becoming the first two-time super heavyweight gold medalist in Olympic history. The 30-year-old Jalolov, a 14-0 professional, will fight Ayoub Ghadfa of Spain for gold.

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POWERGRID**

NOTICE

1. The Petitioner above-named has filed a petition before the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission, New Delhi for determination cum tripping up of Transmission tariff for 2019-24 tariff block and determination of transmission tariff for 2024-29 tariff block for Petitioner-1: Asset-1: 01 no. 400KV line bay for NTPC Ltd at Bhadla-II PS Substation under 'Implementation of 400KV Bays for RE Generators at Bhadla-II PS & Fatehgarh-II PS'.

2. The beneficiaries of the Transmission system are: (a) Ajmer Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd. (b) Jaipur Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd. (c) Jodhpur Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd. (d) Punjab State Electricity Corporation Limited (e) Haryana Power Purchase Centre (f) Jammu & Kashmir Power Corporation Ltd. (g) Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Ltd. (h) BSES Yamuna Power Ltd. (i) BSES Rajdhani Power Ltd. (j) Tata Power Delhi Distribution Ltd. (k) Chandigarh Electricity department (l) Uttaranchal Power Corporation Ltd. (m) North Central Railway (n) New Delhi Municipal council (o) Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board (p) Central Transmission Utility of India Ltd. (q) NTPC Ltd.

Particulars	Petitioner-1
Approved capital cost of the project (Rs. in lakh)	351.00 (FR)
Authority which has approved the Capital Cost	Chairman and Managing Director
Scheduled date of commercial operation	31.10.2022
Actual date of commercial operation	Asset-1: 27.07.2022
Capital cost on the date of commercial operation (Rs. in lakh)	Asset-1: 100.16

3. Details of tariff for 2019-24 block and 2024-29 block: (Rs. in lakhs)

Asset	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Asset-1	0.00	0.00	0.00	42.46	75.27
Asset-1	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29
Asset-1	69.40	71.70	73.00	73.84	74.58

4. A copy of the petition made for determination of tariff is posted on the website www.powergrid.in

5. The suggestions and objections, if any, on the proposals for determination of tariff contained in the petition may be filed by any person, including the beneficiary through the e-filing portal of the Commission, with a copy to the Petitioner within 30 days of publication of this notice.

Place: Gurugram
Date: 02.08.2024

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