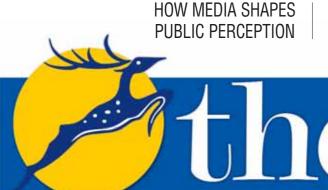
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Jammu or Kashmir, India will not spare Pakistani terrorists



A security personnel keeps vigil during pre-dawn cordon and search operation after reports of suspicious movement, leading to ar exchange of fire, in Rajouri district, on Thursday

MOHIT KANDHARI JAMMU

 $A_{\rm momentum\ across\ different}^{s\ electioneering\ gains}$ parts of Jammu and Kashmir in the run-up to the first round of polling on September 18, the terrorist handlers sitting across the Line of Control (LoC) in Pakistan are hell-bent on disturbing the peaceful conduct of Assembly polls, being held after a

gap of 10 long years. On Thursday, the troops of the Indian army eliminated at least three terrorists while they were attempting to infiltrate inside the

the frontier district of Kupwara. These terrorists were gunned down by the alert troops in two anti-infiltration separate operations along the line of control in the Machhal and

Tangdhar sectors of Kupwara. This is the second major incident involving terrorists after the announcement of the Assembly polls in Jammu and Kashmir on August 16.

On August 19, a heavily armed group of Pakistani terrorists targeted an area domination patrol party comprising jawans of the Central Reserve Police Force Indian territory along the LoC in (CRPF) and Special Operations

Group of Jammu Kashmir Police (JKP) in the remote Duddu Basantgarh area of Udhampur in which one Inspector-rank CRPF officer sacrificed his life in the line of duty

Official sources said troops deployed along the LoC in the anti-infiltration grid could pick up the movement of the terrorists and neutralised them before they could breach the Anti-Infiltration Obstacle system (AIOS).

Meanwhile, efforts are being made to create a conducive atmosphere for holding of election. The Centre has already rushed additional companies of paraground zero to instill confidence among the voters.

During the recently held Lok Sabha polls the Union Territory witnessed over 58 per cent voter turnout across five Parliamentary constituencies. The Election Commission of India is aiming to further improve the voter percentage furnout during the Assembly polls.

In the Jammu region, security forces had also established initial contact with a group of foreign terrorists in the Kheri Mohra Lathi & Danthal areas under the iurisdiction of Budhal police station, Rajouri, past midnight. After a brief exchange of firing as the security forces rushed additional troops to cordon the area the terrorists, taking advantage of the inclement weather, may have fled the area. Residents in the area also claimed heavy firing in the Lathi area of Khwas around midnight.

In Srinagar, Chinar Corps while confirming the killing of two terrorists in the Machhal sector of Kupwara posted on X, "Two terrorists have been eliminated in the ongoing anti-infiltration operation in general area Machhal, Kupwara. Two AK-47 Rifles, one Pistol, four Hand Grenades, and other war-like stores were recovered". The troops were still carrying out the searches in the area to rule out the presence of more infiltrators.



Delhi drowns, yet again

SAUMYA SHUKLA NEW DELHI

Incessant rain since Wednesday midnight in Delhi and its neighbouring areas led to a complete collapse of city's drainage infrastructure causing severe waterlogging and traffic congestions in many parts of the national Capital.

There were reports of tree falling and power outages in several areas. According to reports from civic agencies, most of the low-lying areas underpasses were inundated with rainwater. Visuals showed vehicles struggling to negotiate heavily waterlogged roads and pedestrians wading through ankle to knee-deep water on most roads, with underpasses almost completely submerged. There was also the risk of an overflow of sewers in many

of 34 calls regarding waterlogging and tree falling from different parts of the city in 12 hours till 6 pm. According to the India

The Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) received a total

Meteorological Department (IMD), the Safdarjung Observatory, the city's primary weather station, recorded 77 mm of rainfall bringing the total rainfall for the monsoon season to 825.5 mm. This figure has already exceeded Delhi's annual

average rainfall of 762.3 mm. According to Mahesh Palawat of Skymet Weather Services, Delhi's annual average rainfall is 762.3 mm and the city has already received 825.5 mm so far. August has seen unprecedented rainfall as the number of rainy days shot up to 25 which is the highest number of rainy days reported for the month in the last 13 years, according to IMD record from 2011 to 2024. There were 22 rainy days

which is the second-highest mark in this period. Moreover, the month received 378.5 mm of rainfall, the city's highest in 12 years, according to the IMD, surpassing the previous high of 321.4 mm

recorded in August 2013.

reported in August 2012,

Gujarat flooded with merciless rains

PTI ■ AHMEDABAD

The situation in rain-battered Gujarat improved slightly on Thursday as the rainfall activity subsided, but Vadodara and some other parts of the State are still reeling under a flood-like situation due to overflowing rivers while the authorities continue the rescue and relief operations.

Rain-related incidents have claimed the lives of 26 people in three days till Wednesday, the authorities said earlier. More than 18,000 people have been relocated and around 1,200 people rescued from flood-affected areas in the state. In some cases, choppers were used by the security forces to take people to safer locations, State Emergency Operation Centre (SEOC) said in its latest update.

Vadodara, the worst-hit city due to recent downpour, heaved a sigh of relief as the water level of Vishwamitri river has come down from 37 feet to 32 feet in the morning. However, several lowlying areas are still inundated.

The river had crossed the danger mark of 25 feet on Tuesday morning following heavy rains and the release of water from Ajwa dam. In a post on X, Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel said, "Gujarat has been receiving incessant rains for the last three days. Prime Minister Narendra Modi called me up today on the second straight day and inquired about the situation." Modi spoke to Patel for the second consecutive day and took stock of the situation.

He also asked the CM to ensure that proper steps are taken to prevent the spread of diseases post floods.

Me Too travels from Kerala to Tamil Nadu

KUMAR CHELLAPPAN KOCHI

The MeToo controversy rocking the Malayalam film industry is set to spread over to Tamil Nadu. Vishal Reddy, popularly known as Vishal to fans, said on ay that the would start surfacing in the coming days. "This is not a phenomenon confined to Malayalam films alone. We have many skeletons in the cupboard which will tumble out soon," said Vishal in a brief interaction with media persons at Chennai. Vishal is the president of Tamil Film Producers Council.

Meanwhile, Siddique, veteran Malayalam actor who had to quit as general secretary of Association of Malayalam Movie Artists following allegations by some actresses that they were harassed by him, was in for a shock on Thursday as an young actress filed a complaint against him Thiruvaanthapuram Police for rape and physical assault.

"The incident took place in 2016 after the preview show of a Malayalam film. After the show was over Siddique asked me to accompany him to Mascot Hotel owned by Tourism State Development Corporation where he sexually abused and



assaulted me," said the actress in her complaint.

and reportedly found that the actress and Siddique had stayed in the hotel on the day mentioned in the complaint. If proved correct, Siddique would imprisonment for years. Actor and the CPI(M) MLA Mukesh got a reprieve from the Ernakulam District and Sessions Judge who asked the cops not to arrest the actor till September 3. Mukesh had approached the court on Thursday morning claiming that the allegations were baseless and have been made with ulterior motives. CPI(M)'s Kerala leadership announced that there was no need for Mukesh to resign as the MLA. "This is a mere charge and it is

for the police and court to prove the authenticity of the allegation. There were many The police inspected the hotel serious allegations of rape and assault against Congress party leaders in the past and none of them had resigned. Why you are singling out Mukesh?' asked E P Jayarajan, convener, Left Democratic Front and one of the CPI(M)'s top seven leaders in Kerala.

CPI(M) ideologue MA Baby with interests in Malayalam film industry supported Mukesh on Thursday and other artists involved in the

Marxist leadership pointed out that Congress MLA Eldhose Kunnappillil had raped a schoolteacher in the capital city and had gone underground for weeks to SAUGAR SENGUPTA KOLKATA Police that the place of occurrence had been safely The parents of the victim lady doctor of RG Kar Medical College Hospital rejected the claims of the Kolkata Police that the portions of the seminar hall where the body of the said doctor was allegedly found in a semi-nude condition had been that the daughter outsiders were not allowed to the place of

The lady doctor was allegedly raped and murdered in the early hours of August 9. "First of all we deny and reject the claim made by the Kolkata

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occurrence.

cordoned off because when we reached the place we found no such cordon," said parents of the doctor who was allegedly raped and murdered in the night of August 8, adding, "not only we were kept waiting for more than three hours before we could see the body of our reached there we were told by the staff at that hospital that authorities were inspecting the area before which we could not be let in.'

The mother of the victim said, "They kept us, the parents of the only child who was dead.



Womens participate in a rally to protest against the alleged rape and murder of a postgraduate trainee doctor, in Kolkata, on Thursday

waiting for three hours but they allowed outsiders to vitiate the area leading to destruction of evidence... now

Kolkata horror gets murkier

we wonder what is left for the CBI to find on the sport that could shed light on the crime."

The parents also referred to the

victim's complaining how "the sheet was changed thrice.

bed sheet that was used to

The mother of the victim doctor said, "My daughter had a red chaadar with her... which was changed to blue and then green... these three kinds of sheets were on her on three occasions... is this not an example of destruction of evidence... if it is now then what is.

Meanwhile the audio tape of the telephone call that went to the victim's family for the first time from the hospital on August nine went viral.

Adani outpaces Ambani in race to riches

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ **NEW DELHI**

 $B_{\text{with a net worth of } \text{\ref{11.6}}}^{\text{illionaire Gautam Adani}}$ lakh crore is the richest Indian. He has elbowed out Mukesh Ambani to clinch the top spot in 2024, according to the Hurun India Rich list released on Thursday. Moreover, a new billionaire is being added every five days this year as compared to last year. Interestingly, 2024 had the best for those people whose zodiac sign is cancer, followed by Gemini and Leo. The number of billionaire in India has reached 334 this



year, rising by 29 per cent as compared to 2023. witnessed Cancer astonishing 84 per cent increase in cumulative wealth. Gemini follows closely, with a notable 77 per cent increase

in wealth. In third place is Leo, with a 68 per cent rise in cumulative wealth.

Similarly, Sagittarius, with a 64 per cent wealth increase, and Libra with 61 per cent are also among the top five. Capricorn saw a 58 per cent increase in cumulative wealth followed by Pisces with a 46 per cent increase. Aquarius and Virgo share the eighth spot, each with a 39 per cent increase in wealth. Aries, Scorpio, and Taurus occupy the final spots, with wealth increases of 34 per cent, 33 per cent, and 32 per cent, respectively.

Supreme Court reprimands Telengana CM PNS NEW DELHI

Trked over Telangana Chief ■ Minister A Revanth Reddy's comments towards alleged deal between the BJP and the BRS for securing bail for BRS leader K Kavitha in cases linked to the alleged Delhi excise policy scam, the Supreme Court on Thursday reprimanded him, saying such statements might create apprehensions in minds of people. The top court asked why should they (politicians) drag the court in political rivalry?

The reprimand came as a three-judge bench of Justices

use," said the minutes quoting the Bihar Government officials about

the project being overseeing by the Divisional Forest Officer of

Following deliberations, the

recommended the proposal with

the stipulation that the region's

and fauna remain

Committee

the Nalanda Forest Division.

BR Gavai, PK Mishra, and KV Viswanathan was hearing a plea seeking transfer of the 2015 cash-for-votes case against the Chief Minister to Madhya Pradesh. The petitioners argued he could influence witnesses and tamper with evidence.

"Have you read in the newspaper what he said? Just read what he has stated. What sort of statement is this by a responsible chief minister.

That might rightly create apprehension in the minds of people. Is this a kind of statement which should be made by a chief minister.

Nitish Kumar's dream for Jarasandh moves closer to reality

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

Government's Bihar grand memorial for Jarasandh, a key figure from the Mahabharata and the ancient king of Magadha with his capital at Girivraja (modern-day Rajgir) at lush green Rajgir wildlife sanctuary, has taken a significant step forward. Recently, the Central Wildlife headed bv Union Environment Minister Bhupendra Yadav, approved the project, bringing it closer to realisation. Situated in the protected area in Nalanda district, this project

includes the installation of an 18-

foot tall statue of Jarasandha,

various murals depicting his life

and achievements, as well as

tributes to great freedom fighter

and socialist Lok Nayak

Jayprakash Narayan also known

as IP. Additionally, the project envisions the construction of an art gallery using prefabricated ambitious plan to construct a materials and the renovation of existing park facilities.

The project is part of the Jay Prakash Udyan Park situated within the sanctuary and officials pin hopes that it is expected to boost tourism given that it is around 100 km from the State capital Patna, and cultural interest by highlighting Bihar's rich historical and mythological heritage. Because of the want of approval, many installed structures are in dilapidated condition.

Given that the project falls within the Rajgir Wildlife Sanctuary, it required extensive consideration for wildlife clearance. The Standing Committee of the National Board for Wildlife, which is the highest decision-



making body of the Central Government for projects in protected sanctuaries and reserves, has now endorsed the proposal. This approval signifies that the project has met the requested the diversion of

necessary environmental and regulatory criteria, as confirmed by an official from the Union Environment Ministry.

"The State Government had

approximately 1.8436 hectares of forest land within the Rajgir Wildlife Sanctuary for the installation of the statue and historic murals, alongside the construction of essential facilities such as toilets, a cafeteria, and an art gallery made of prefabricated structures," said the officials. The proposal has already

received recommendations from the State Chief Wildlife Warden, the State Board for Wildlife, and the State Government. According to the minutes of the

meeting of the NBWL, the Chief Wildlife Warden noted that the sanctuary was officially notified in 1978, with park development commencing prior to that and

The ongoing renovation and

provision of basic amenities are

crucial to maintaining and

enhancing the park for public

undisturbed. The Rajgir Wildlife Sanctuary is home to various species, including wild boar, cheetal, jungle fowl, porcupine, hare, langur, monkey, and jackal. The central wildlife panel emphasised that the legal status opening to the public in 1979.

Standing

of the land will remain as part of the sanctuary and will be dedicated solely to eco-tourism purposes. The project proponent has assured that no trees will be cut down as the area falls within an issued in 2017. The park, established in 1979, has been in use since its opening. However, many of its structures are now in disrepair. The planned

which the final notification was

upgrades include the installation of essential amenities such as toilets, seating benches, platforms, drinking water facilities, landscaping, and water drainage systems. These improvements are vital to

prevent further deterioration of the park. "Upgrading the park is aimed at integrating the ecological, cultural, historical aspects of Rajgir," said officials. "This initiative will bring the glory of ancient India to forefront, educational opportunities for park visitors and enhancing their understanding of the region's Eco-Sensitive Zone (ESZ) for rich heritage," he said.

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BEDAKHLI NOTICE

- Singh R/o H.No. 129, Manoli, Teh. & Distt. Sonipat has disowned my both sons Deepak & Kadam from my all movableimmovable property as they are out of my control. In future, if anybody deals with them, he/she will do at their own risk.
- I. Neetu Alias Nitika W/o Late Sh. Anoop Kumar R/o House No.1151, Gali No.2, Sham Nagar, Karnal declare that my son Yatin Chanda and his wife Priyanka are out of my control. I disown them from my moveable and immovable property. They will their responsible transactions, good-bad, legal and Illegal activities.
- I, Balbir Singh S/o Hari R/o #3005-C, Huda Colony, Sector- 15, Panchkula Haryana my son Suraj Bhan and his wife Niharika Bhatia are out of my Control. I disown them from my all moveable/ Immoveable Properties. anybody dealing with them at their own risk.
- I, Rani Wadhawan W/o late Sh. Parveen Kumar R/o House no. 1414 sector 4, Panchkula, Haryana, declare that my son Shivam Wadhawan is out of our control so that I disown him from my all moveable & immovable property. Anybody deals with him, does he at their own risk.
- I, Madan Lal S/o Kishan Lal R/o # 3366 Mauli Jagran colony Chandigarh my son Ashish Masih Alias Ashu his wife Kaial are out of my Control. I disown my moveable/Immoveable Properties. anybody dealing with them at own risk.
- I, Dharam Singh, son of Sh. Om Prakash, resident of village Nara, tehsil Madlauda, district Panipat Halfia, state that my son Ankit and his wife Kusum, who do not listen to me and fight with us. Therefore, I evict both of them from my and immovable property. Both of them will be responsible for any debate and behavior done by them in future.
- Sultan Adhar no. 744315917395. S/o Diwan Singh, and Nirmla W/o Sultan R/o Village Jabhala, Tehsil Assandh, District Karnal, Informs that Our only Son Vikas is now Out of Our Control. We disown Vikas from Our movable and immovable Property. We will not responsible for Vikas'S any matter in future
- I, Harvinder Kaur W/o Sh Dayal Singh R/o H. No. 714, VPO Mohra. Distt. Ambala declare that my grandson Gagan Singh is out of my Control. So i stop relation with him from my Side. In future, anyone who deals with him will be self
- I, am Ranjit Singh son of Shri Darshan Singh resident of M.No. 1121/30 Mahindra Nagar, Ambala City I declare that my daughter Amandeep Kaur, who is out of my reach and has left the house without informing me. Therefore, I evict him from my movable and immovable property. Due to this, the person making the transaction will himself be responsible. There will be no responsibility for me or my family.
- I, Sunehari Devi widow Satpal r/o Village Bajida Rodan, Tehsil & Distt. Karnal inform that my unmarried son Ravinder Kumar is out of control. Therefore I disown him from my movable and immovable properties. My family will not be responsible for his good or bad deeds & transactions in future.
- I, Laddu Shah S/o Dhanik Shah R/o # 1185-C, Small Flats, Dhanas, Chandigarh, my son Amit is out of my control. I disown him from my movable /immovable properties. anybody deals him any type in future shall be self responsible.
- We, Prem Singh S/o Chander Bhan and Gurmati Devi W/o Prem singh R/o House no 394, Sector 28-A, Alpha City Karnal declare that our son Shabee Satsangi and his wife Kavita Banjara both are out of our control, so we disown them from our movable and immovable property. If anybody deals with them, they will be responsible themselves.
- I, Nirmal Devi W/o Late Sh Mehar Singh R/o H.No 1472 Baghshai Bagh Tehsil & Dist Ambala inform that my Son Vinod & his wife Taranjeet Kaur are out of my control . So I disown both of them from my movable and immovable properties. I and my family will not be responsible for any kind of transaction or legal or illegal work done by them.

- I, Nirmala Devi w/o late Jarnail Singh R/o village Sarsa, Pehowa, Kurukshetra, evict my son Sandeep Kumar, his wife Sheetal from all my movableimmovable property because they are beyond my control. Anyone who transacts with them in future will be responsible for it.
- We Roshan Lal Gaba, Vijay Gaba and Purushottam Gaba s/o late Daulat Ram R/o H.No. 62/1 Masita House Tehsil Thanesar District Kurukshetra state that our brother Ramesh Kumar, his wife Jyoti Gaba and their children Ritwik Gaba, Isha Gaba, Simar Gaba are beyond our control. Therefore we break all relations with them. Anyone who transacts with them in future will be responsible himself.
- We, Narender Singh S/o Chanan Singh and Sureet Kaur W/o Narender Singh R/o village Balahi, Tehsil Thanesar, District Kurukshetra, have evicted our son Sandeep Singh, his wife Amandeep Kaur, his son Arman Singh from all our movableimmovable properties, as they are out of my control. Anybody dealing with them at their own
- I, Ramesh S/o Rampat R/o Village Kurar Ibrahimpur, District Sonipat, have evicted my son Jaideep, from 29.08.2024, as he is out of my control and if anybody deals with him it will be at their own risk.
- I. Moti Lal S/o Narata Ram R/O village Tikri Tehsil Pehowa, District Kurukshetra have evicted my son Gourav Kumar from all my movable-immovable properties, as he is out of my control. Anybody dealing with him at their own risk.
- I, Om Dass S/o Saradhu Ram Vill. Bhainsi Majra Tehsil Pehowa, Kurukshetra My Son Anil Kumar and His Wife Shalu is Out of My Control. I, Disown Them From All My Moveable And Immoveable Properties. Anybody Deal With Him At Their
- I, Kulwant Kaur Widow Baldev Singh Vill. Siyana Saida Tehsil Pehowa, Kurukshetra My Son Jasbir Singh And His Wife Manju Rani Is Out Of My Control. I, Disown Them From My Moveable And Immoveable Properties. Anybody Deals With Him At Their Own Risk.
- I Darshan Kumar s/o Ram Ji Das and Pushpa Rani wife Darshan Kumar r/o Civil Hospital dot store, Mehraj Basti, Rampura Phul District Bathinda declare that we our son Jiwan Kumar Goyal his wife Suman Goyal and his two sons Bhuvan Goyal and Keriv Goyal Being evicted from my immovable property for being out of say, it has nothing to do with me and my elder son Sandeep Kumar and his wife Nisha Rani from today, the transactor himself will be responsible. I and my family will not be responsible for the
- I Daljit Singh S/o Tale Ram R/o House No. 122, Saini Vihar, Phase-5, Baltana, Zirakpur, SAS Nagar Punjab declare that my son Nitish and his wife Priti Sharma are out of my control. So I disown them from all my moveable/ immoveable properties. If anybody deals with them they will do their own risk/responsibility.

PUBLIC NOTICE

- I, Army No. 15484501H, Rank DFR, Jhaiya Nand S/o Tara Chand, R/o 62 Cavalry, Tibri Cantt. District Gurdaspur, Punjab, India declare that in my Army Service Record, my wife's Name wrongly recorded as Mamta Devi. Her correct Name
- is Mamta. I. Maninderbir Kaur W/o Satnam Singh R/oVillage Dhariwal Kalan Distt Gurdaspur (Punjab) declare that in my husband Passport, my name wrongly written as Minider Kakur. My correct name is Maninderbir Kaur. Concerned
- I Riya Sharma D/o Rampal R/o vill Mirpur, tehsil Dinanagar distt Gurdaspur declare that in my CBSE 10th class school record (Roll no 2226218 year 2014-2016) written bymistake my father name as Rampal Sharma. But correct name is
- Rampal.Concerned note. I, Sarasu Mother of HAV Anand Kumar.E Army No. 15622406X, R/o Elamana, Parakulam, Perumanna Post office, Distt. Kozhikode, Sate Kerala, Pin-673019 declare that my name written wrongly Sarasu.E & Date of Birth 20-11-1947 in army record of my son, whereas my correct name is Sarasu & Date of Birth 01-01-

- I, Manglesh Kumari d/d Moman Ram & w/o Surject Singh r/o Vill. Devigarh The & Distt. Kaithal declare that in my 10th marksheet no. OS-CS-MC-060690 my name is Manglesh Kumari & in other document it is Kamlesh. Now I have change my name from Manglesh Kumari to Kamlesh for all future
- I Jaspal Singh S/o Dalbir Singh R/o Vpo Tangra Distt Amritsar My father's name is written as Dhira Singh on my Pan card whereas his real name is Dalbir Singh.
- I, Neelam Devi Wife Of Som Nath Resident Of Village Chhotepur, Tehsil And District Pathankot Declare That In My Passport No. V7875233 My Husband's Name Is Wrongly Entered As Som Nath Sharma Instead Of Som Nath.
- I, Bhawana Devi, Is Wife Of 17009642P, Nk, Brajesh Gaur Unit Of 161 (1) Fd Wksp Coy (Recce & Sp) (Wh), C/O 56 Apo Ferozepur Cantt Resident Of Sunhera Road, Ward No. 16, Sabalgarh, Morena, (Mp) 476229 Have Changed My Name From Bhawana Devi To Bhavna Gaur & Dob From 03/07/1992 To 12/03/1992.
- I. Gouravya S Doddapujar Is Mother Of No. 16116854f Hav Basavaraj Doddapujar, Of Unit 22 Eng. Regt C/O 56 Apo Residing Of Killeletar Oni Bhogenagarkoppa, Ganiigatti, Dharwad State Karnataka Pin-581212 Declare That My Name Gouravva And My Date Of Birth 01.07.1961 Wrongly Written In My Son Army Service Records But My Correct Name Is Gouravva S Doddapujar Date Of Birth 12/03/1965.
- Shivamurtepp Doddapujar Is Father Of No. 16116854f Hav Basavaraj Doddapujar R/O Presently Address Of Unit 22 Eng. Regt C/O 56 Apo Residing Of Killeletar Bhogenagarkoppa, Ganjigatti, Dharwad State Karnataka Pin-581212 Declare That My Name Shivamurthyappa And My Date Of Birth 01.07.1958 Wrongly Written In My Son Army Service Records But My Correct Name Is Shivamurtepp B Doddapujar Date Of Birth 19/06/1955.
- I Shaik Sai Baba Is Father Of No. 16114359k Hav Bajishaik Of Unit 22 Eng. Regt C/O 56 Apo Residing Of 4-29-6/1 Dange Vari Veedi, Ithanagar, Tenali, Guntui State Andhra Pradesh Pin-522201 Declare That My Name Sai Baba And My Date Of Birth 01.07.1952 Wrongly Written In My Son Army Service Records But My Correct Name Is Shaik Sai Baba Date Of Birth 01/01/1950.
- I Shaik Khasim Bee Is Mother Of No. 16114359k Hav Bajishaik Of Unit 22 Eng. Regt C/O 56 Apo Residing Of 4-29-6/1 Dange Vari Veedi, Ithanagar Tenali, Guntur State Andhra Pradesh Pin-522201 Declare That My Name Khasim Bee And My Date Of Birth 01.07.1957 Wrongly Written In My Son Army Service Records But My Correct Name Is Shaik Khasim Bee Date Of Birth 01/01/1958.
- I Army No. 16118317p Hav Prasant Kumar Mohanty Of Unit 22 Eng. Regt. C/O 56 Apo Ferozpur Resident Of Village -Goudagan Post Office -Jamapara District - Kendrapara State - Odisha Pin-754244 Declare That My Son Name Pk Shivansh Mohanty Is Wrongly Written In My Army Service Records But My Son Correct Name Is Shivansh Mohanty Vide Affidavit 29 August 2024 Before At Notary Ferozepur.
- Gotham Ramalakshmamma Is Mother Of Army No. 16117080w Hav Yogeswara Rao G Of Unit 22 Engr Regt C/O 56 Apo Ferozepur Permanent Address 5-96, Akaveedu, Akaveedu, Prakasam State Pradesh Pin-523372 Declare That My Name Rama Lakshamma And Date Of Birth 01.07.1976 Wrongly Written In My Son Army Service Records But My Correct Name Is Gotham Ramalakshmamma And Date Of
- I Army No. 16117080w Hav, Yogeswara Rao G Of Unit 22 Engr Regt. C/O 56 Apo Ferozepur Resident Of 8-17-121/6/3b, Nallabanda Street, Lakshmi Narasimha Oil Mill, Giddalur, Giddalur, Prakasam State Andhra Pradesh Pin-523357 Have Changed My Daughter Name In All Documents From Sri Ranga Rama Giridhar To Gotham Sri Ranga Rama Giridhar Vide Affidavit Dated 29 August 2024 Before At Notary Ferozepur.

- Rank Nb/Sub Name Prasada Reddy Sammiti Of Unit 22 Eng. Regt. C/O 56 Apo Ferozpur Permanent Address 2-4-143/1, 7th Ward, Upparapalem, Bapatla Distt. Guntur State Andhra Pradesh Pin- 522101 Declare That My Son Name Sammeta Kushal Kumar Reddy Is Wrongly Written In My Army Service Records But My Son Correct Name Is Sammiti Kushal Kumar Reddy Vide Affidavit Dated 29 August 2024 Before At Notary
- I, Army No. Jc-315390k Nb/Sub Prasada Reddy Sammiti Of Unit 22 Eng. Regt. C/O 56 Apo Ferozpur Resident Of 2-4-143/1, 7th Ward, Upparapalem, Bapatla Distt. Guntur State Andhra Pradesh Pin- 522101 Declare That My Son Name S. Mani Chand Is Wrongly Written In My Army Service Records But My Son Correct Name Is Sammiti Mani Chand Reddy Vide Affidavit Dated 29 August 2024 Before At Notary Ferozepur.
- I, Army No. 15332842k, Hay Ponnanna C S Of Unit 03 Engr Regt C/O 56 Apo, Pin-914003. Yol Cantt. Today Camping At Ferozepur, Have Changed My Mother Name Cs Susheela Koluvanda Subbaiah Susheela & Date Of Birth 12.02.1954 To 28.12.1955.
- I, Army No. 15332842k, Hav, Ponnanna Cs Of Unit 03 Engr Regt C/O 56 Apo, Pin-914003. Yol Cantt. Today Camping At Ferozepur Have Changed My Father Name From Subbaiah Cd To Koluvanda Devaiah Subbaiah & Date Of Birth 24.05.1952 To 04.04.1951.
- I, Pyari Viththal Metkar Is Mother Of Army No. 16114453n, L/Hav, Metkar Jagan Vitthalrao Of Unit 05 Engr Regt C/O 56 Apo Have Changed My Name From Payribai V Metkar To Pyari Viththal Metkar Due Erroneous Mistake In My Son's Service Record. My True And Exact Date Of Birth Is 01.01.1950 But On My Son's Service Record My Date Of Birth Is Mentioned As 01.07.1962,
- I, Vitthalrao Asaramji Metkar Is Father Of Army No. 16114453n, L/Hav, Metkar Jagan Vitthalrao Of Unit 05 Engr Reat C/O 56 Apo Have Changed My Name From Vitthal Rao To Vitthalrao Asaramji Metkar Due To Erroneous Mistake In My Son's Service Record. My True And Exact Date Of Birth Is 01.01.1947 But On My Son's Service Record My Date Of Birth Is Mentioned As 01.07.1949, Which Is Wrong.
- I. Prakash (Old Name) Brother Of No 15824333v Rank L/Nk Name Mukesh Ram Resident Of Village - Nosal, Post Office - Nosal, Tehsil -Roopangarh, District - Ajmer, State - Rajasthan, Pin 305814, Have Changed Name From Prakash & Dob 02 Mar 2004 (Old Name & Dob) To Prakash Choudhary & Dob 26 Nov 2005 (New Name & Dob) Which Is As Per My All School Certificates, Aadhar Card And Pan Card Vide Affidavit Dated 29 Aug 2024 Sworn Before Notary Public Sat Pal, Pathankot. Please Correct It.
- I, Lakhwinder Singh (Old Name) Wife Of Deep Singh Resident Of Village - Sibochak, Post Office - Hajipur, Tehsil -Mukerian, Distt - Hoshiarpur, State - Punjab, Pin Code -144221, Have Changed My Name From Lakhwinder Singh (Old Name) To Lakhwinder Kaur (New Name) Vide Affidavit Dated 29 Aug 2024 Sworn Before Notary Public Sat Pal, Pathankot. Please Correct It.
- I Sushila Mother Of Army No. 15737527I, Rank Sigmn Name Sachin Kumar Unit 16 (I) Armd Bde Sig Coy C/O 56 Apo Have Change Name From Sushila Devi To Sushila Through Vide Document No. In-Pb50718621428137w Dated 29-08-2024

CHANGE OF NAME

- **मैं रमन कुमार** निवासी मुकान नं. 25, गांव एवं डाकखाना पुसियाला, जिला अंबाला ब्यान करता हूँ कि मैंने अपने नाबालिंग बेटे का नाम छारविन से बुदलकर छार्विन सिंह रख लिया है। सभी सम्बंधित नोट करें।
- मैं, तरसेम मांजू पुत्र श्री रणधीर सिंह निवासी मकान नं. 144, माल एंक्लेव, कैमरी रोड, हिसार, हरियाणा 125001 बयान करता हूँ कि मेरे सभी कागजातों में मेरा नाम तरसेम निट्डिंग बेचन करता हुए मेर स्मा कागजातों में मेरा नाम तरसेम (Tarsem) व जन्म तिथि 06.06.1996 दर्ज है जो कि गलत है। मैंने अपना नाम सभी कागजातों में तरसेम मांजू (Tarshem Maanju) तथा जन्म तिथि 07.10.1994 करवा लिया है जो कि सही है।
- I, Naresh Kumar Saini S/o Kewal Krishan R/o V.P.O Bohan Distt. Hoshiarpur 146104 have changed my name to Naresh Kumar. Concerned Note

- I. Pritam Singh S/o Nama Ram R/o H.No.29. Village Bherua, PO Bachhohi, Tehsil Garhshankar, Distt. Hoshiarpur Punjab declare that I Preetu and Pritam Singh is one and the same person concerned note
- I, Kritika Mehta W/o Chakshu Verma R/o H.No. 286, W.No. 04, Sarafan Mohalla Dasuya, Distt. Hoshiarpur Punjab have changed my name from Kritika Mehta to Kritika Verma. Concerned note.
- I. Naginder Singh S/o Bikram Singh R/o House No. 194 Bathinda Barnala Road, Rampura Phul, Bathinda have changed my name from Naginder Singh to Naginder Singh Nakai.
- I, Satinder Kaur W/o Naginder Singh Nakai R/o House No. 194 Bathinda Barnala Road, Rampura Phul, Bathinda have changed my name from Satinder Kaur Nakai to Satinder Kaur. I. Mira Devi Spouse of Om
- Prakash R/o #3682-A, Sector Chandigarh changed my name from Mira Devi to Meera Devi vide Affidavit No CH51854380504398W Dated 28-08-2024 before Notary, Distt. Court at Chandigarh.
- I, Shanti Prasad S/o Sh. Mahaveer R/o House no 3381, Sector 15-D. Chandigarh have changed my name from Shanti Prasad to Suresh Kumar. I, Geeta W/o Suresh R/o
- Nizampur Chandigarh have changed my name from Geeta to Susheela Devi. I. Varinder Kumar S/o Joginder Nath Thapar R/o House No 3247. Sector 27-D.

Chandigarh have changed my

name from Varinder Kumar to

House No. 110, Village Faidan

- Varinder Kumar Thapar. I, Vipin s/o Balraj r/o Village Chhapar, District Jhajjar, Haryana do hereby declare on oath that I have changed my name from Vipin to Vipin Dagar. In future I should be known as Vipin Dagar for all future purpose.
- Late Sh. Piara Singh, R/o # 1171, Sector 18-C, Chandigarh have changed my name to Bhupinder Singh Heera. I, Manjit Kaur w/o Bhupinder Singh, R/o # 1171.

I, Bhupinder Singh s/o

Sector 18-C, Chandigarh have changed my name to Manjit Kaur Heera. I, Gurmeet Singh s/o Narain Singh, R/o # 2043, Sector 37-C, Chandigarh have changed the name of my minor

son from Prabhjot Singh to

- I, Balbir Singh S/o Didar Singh R/o Village Boparai Kalan, Tehsil Lopoke, Distt. Amritsar have changed my name from Balbeer Singh to
- I, Devinder S/o Krishan Lal R/o H.No. 46, Prithvi Nagar-A, Farakpur, Jagadhri workshop. Distr Yamuna Nagar Harvana have changed my name from Devinder to Devinder Kumar.
- It is for general information that I, Amarjit Singh S/O Joginder Singh R/O Kalsian Khurd, Khaira, TarnTaran, Punjab-143305 declare that name of mine has been wrongly written as Amarjeet Singh in my service record. The actual name of mine is Amarjit Singh which may be amended accordingly.
- I, kunti W/o Late Sh. Dinesh Kumar R/o Village Bhainsru Kalan, Teh. Sampla Distt. Rohtak, Haryana declare that in all the documents my name is Kalpana . But now I have changed my name from kalpana to kunti. In future I will be known as kunti.
- I, Simran Verma D/o Pardeep Kumar R/o H.No.1296, Jundla Gate, Khera Colony, Karnal have changed my name Simran to Simran Verma.
- I, Devi Dosta W/o Mr. Satbir Singh Malik R/o House No. 82, Sector-2, District Rohtak 124001, declare that apart from my passport, my husband's name is recorded as Satbir Singh Malik in my other documents. Which is correct. Whereas Satbir Malik is written in my passport. In future Devi Dosta wife will be known as Satbir Singh Malik.
- I, Sonika Rani, D/O Sh. Joginder Singh, W/O Pawan Kumar, R/O # 29, Opp Govt. School, Raipur Khurd, Po Behlana, Distt: Chandigarh, Chandigarh-160003. I Declare That In The Documents Of My Son Rahul Kumar, My Surname Rani Is Missing May I Be Known

Only As Sonika Rani.

- I, Jai Bhagwan S/o Wasaya Ram R/o House no. 925/13, Gandhi Colony, Near Aggarwal Mandi, Panipat, declare that my name in my son Shivam's document as Jai Bhagwan Makkar registered and in my documents registered in my as Jai Bhagwan. Jai Bhagwan and Jai Bhagwan Makkar both are the same person and belong to two names. Make all relevant
- I, Arti W/o Krishan Pal, R/o house no. 45, Street No.1, 8 Satkartar Colony, Panipat, declare that I have changed my name from Arti to Arti Dagar. In future, I should be known as Arti Dagar. Nachhater Sinah
- No.JC502262 X S/O Ghaiya Singh R/O Basarke hereby inform that in my service record the name of my father has wrongly been written as Ghiya Singh while his actual name is Ghaiya Singh, my mother's wrongly written name is Surinder Kaur while her correct name is Sawinder Kaur and my wife's written wrong name Makhdeen Kaur while her correct name is Mehakdeep So the necessary Kaur. amendments be made accordingly in my service record.
- I Satish Chand S/c Sh.Prithvi Pal R/o H.No. 426, Ward No.10, Tehsil Gharaunda, Distt. karnal, I have changed my nane from Satish Chand to Satish Chander for all purpose in
- I Jagir Singh (Aadhaar No. 396184650467) S/o Sh. Thakar Singh R/o Circular Road, Near Gurudwara Akal Ferozepur City have changed my name from Jagir Singh to Jagir Singh Jossan.
- I, Alpana W/o Rajan Gupta R/o H No 238 Village Kot Tehsil & District Panchkula hereby declare that after my marriage I have changed my name from Alpana Bansal to Alpana. I, Inderjit Kaur D/O
- have changed my name from Inderjit Kaur to Inderjeet Kaur. Concerned please note. I, Yuvraj Singh S/o Tarsem Singh R/o Vill. Chhichhrewal, PO Muse, Tarn Taran, Punjab have

changed my name from Yuvraj

Nachhatter Singh R/O Basarke

- Singh to Yuvraj Singh Pannu. I, Manpreet Singh alias Sher Singh S/o Baltej Singh R/o Village Bhoma, PO Wadala Viram, Tehsil Majitha, Distt. Amritsar, Punjab have changed my name from Manpreet Singh alias Sher Singh to Manpreet
- I, Kuldip Singh S/o Inder Singh R/o 321, VPO Khaper Kheri, Distt. Amritsar, Puniab-143105 have changed my name from Kuldip Singh to Singh is my surname and Kuldeep is my given name.
- We Deepanshu Gupta S/o Dinesh Gupta & Rashmi W/o Deepanshu Gupta R/o H.No-1865/B-12,3 Geeta Nagari Ambala City have changed our minor Son Name from Danish Gupta to Raghav Gupta. I. Mukesh Kumar S/o Sh
- Balbir Singh Saini R/o Village Ismailabad, Sub-Tehsil Ismailabad, District Kurukshetra have changed my name from Mukesh Kumar Saini to Mukesh Kumar. In future I should be known as Mukesh Kumar.
- Sood R/o H.No 350 Sonia Colony Ambala city have changed my name from Rajn Bala to Rajni Sood. I. Jagmohan Lamba S/o

I. Raini Bala W/o Amit

- Madan Lal R/o H.No- 5, Near Gopal Mandir, Ram Nagar Ambala city have changed my name from Jagmohan to Jagmohan Lamba. I, Meena Devi W/o Ajay
- Kumar R/o Village Ismailabad, Sub-Tehsil Ismailabad, District Kurukshetra have changed my daughter name from Jessica to Jessica Sinhmar. In future my daughter should be known as Jessica Sinhmar. Artee W/o (No. 4489142W Rank NK) Pardeep
- Singh R/o Geong, District Kaithal declare that my name is Artee in my Aadhar card whereas my name is Aarti in my husband's service record, it should be changed and my name is Artee. If I do any wrongdoing in future then myself will be responsible for it.
- I, Yudhisthir Kumar Sharma S/o Ganesh Pujari R/o Ward No- 7, Salasar PO Salasar Distt Churu Rajasthan have changed my name to Yudhisthir
- I, Goural S/O Sunil Kumar Dureia R/O Thermal Colony, Panipat, Harvana-132105 have changed my name to Goural

- I. hitherto known as Shabnam W/o Vikas Bishnoi residing at house no. 759, Sector 15A, Hisar, Haryana 125001. have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Shabnam Bishnoi.
- I. hitherto known as Vikas S/o Mahender Singh residing at house no. 759, Sector 15A, Hisar, Haryana 125001. have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Vikas
- I, Sonika W/o Shiv Goel, # 251-A, First Floor, Block-A Canvas, Wave Estate, Sector-85 Mohali have changed my name to Sonika Goel.

I. Vinod Kumar S/o Prem

- Parkash, # 17, Police Colony, Sector 39, Chandigarh have changed the name of my minor Son from Deepanshu to Deepanshu Tanwar. I. Vinod Kumar S/o Prem
- Parkash, # 17, Police Colony, Sector 39, Chandigarh have changed the name of my minor Son from Mayank to Mayank Tanwar.
- I, Rishabh Mahajan Son of Ravi Mahaian residing at H.No.18. Golden Avenue. Ram Talai Chowk Opp Ice Factory District Amritsar-143001 Puniab have changed the name of my minor Daughter MISHKA AGED 05 YEARS and she Shall hereafter be known as Mishhka Mahajan.
- I, hitherto Known as Harpreet Kaur Wife of Satveer Singh Brar residing at Mirze Ke, Ferozepur-142052 Punjab have changed my name and Shall hereafter be known as Harpreet Kaur Brar.
- I, Jaspal Singh Son of Jasbir Singh residing at 79, Jaspal Avenue, Amritsar-143001 Punjab have changed the name of my minor Son Eknoor Singh Aged 17 Years and he Shall hereafter be known as Ekknurr Siingh.
- I, hitherto Known as Mehaknoor Kaur Daughter of Jaspal Singh residing at 79, Avenue, Amritsar-143001 Punjab have changed my name and Shall be known as Mehaaknurr Kaurr.
- I, hitherto Known as Sandeep Kaur Brar Wife of Jaskaran Singh residing at Machhi Bugra Tehsil and District Ferozepur-142052 Punjab have changed my name and Shall hereafter be known as Sandeep
- I, hitherto Known as Baliinder Kaur Wife of Malkit Singh Mangat residing at H.No.323, Majitha Road, Green Field Avenue, District Amritsar-143001 Punjab have changed my name and Shall hereafter be known as Baljinder Kaur Mangat.
- I, hitherto Known as Gurmohit Singh Son of Malkit Singh Mangat residing at H.No.323, Majitha Road, Green Field Avenue District Amritsar-143001 Puniab have changed my name and Shall hereafter be known as Gurmohit Singh Mangat.
- I. hitherto Known as Rasanpreet Singh Son of Malkit Singh Mangat residing at H.No.323, Majitha Road, Green Field Avenue, District Amritsar-143001 Punjab have changed my name and Shall hereafter be known as Rasanpreet Singh Mangat.
- I, hitherto Known as Malkit Singh Son of Gurdial Singh Mangat residing at H.No.323, Majitha Road, Green Field Avenue, District Amritsar-143001 Punjab have changed my name and Shall hereafter be known as Malkit Singh Mangat.
- I, hitherto known as Raghbir Kaur wife of Rattan Singh residing at Vill.Ugrewal, PO Dalam Tehsil Batala, Distt. Gurdaspur-143511 Punjab have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Balbir I, hitherto known as Kabul
- Singh Sarkaria son of Dyal Singh residing at 16, VPO Rania, Amritsar-143110 Punjab have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Kabal Singh. I Baljinder Jit Kaur W/o
- Sukhdev Singh Resident of H No. 4892/22, Sultanwind Road, Mohan Nagar, Amritsar have changed my name from Baljinder Jit Kaur Baljinderjeet Kaur. I. Surai Parkash S/o Gehla
- Ram R/o R-510. Balsarai Khurd Dera Baba Jaimal Siingh Amritsar have changed my name from Suraj Parkash to Surai Parkash Madaan

- I, Shivani Sharma W/o Atul Gulati R/o H.No.38 A-Block Lane No.8, Guru Amar Dass Avenue Ajnala Road, Amritsar have changed my name from Shivan Sharma to Shivani Gulati
- I. Mansi Gulati W/o Atul Gulati R/o H.No.38 A-Block Lane No 8 Guru Amar Dass Avenue Ainala Road, Amritsar have

changed my name from Mansi

Gulati to Shivani Gulati

- I, Inderjit Singh Bhui S/o Harjinder Singh R/o H.No.48 Lane No.7, Palah Sahib Road Ajnala Road, Green City Amritsar have changed my name from Inderjit Singh Bhui to Inderjit Singh
- I. No.15577045P Hav Kuldeep Singh S/o Surjan Singh R/o VPO Devi Dasspura Tehsil and District Amritsar have declare that in my army Record my Father's and Mother's Kashmeer Kaur Date of Birth wrongly Written as 30.03.1959 and 30.03.1974 But correct Date of Birth of my Father and Mother is 01.01.1964 and 31.01.1963
- I. Gaurav Bakshi S/o Sharwan Bakshi Alias Swaran Bakshi R/o Vpo Haveli Tehsil Bilaspur Yamuna Nagar at Present residing of Rani Ka Bagh Amritsar have declare that my father was Known by two name Sharwan Bakshi Alias Swaran Bakshi one and and Same person I hitherto known as
- Mandeep S/o Surjit Kumar, residing at Baharli Colony, V.P.O Dosanjh Kalan, Teh. Phillaur Jalandhar-144502 Punjab, India have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Mandeep Kumar. I Seema and Seema
- Sharma R/o 962/1, Gali Shikar Purian, chowk Passian, Amritsar have certified that above both name's are mine one and same I Sakshi Nayyar W/o Sugam Arora R/o H.No.259 R.B.Estate, Loharka Road, Opp.

Sharma W/o Rajesh Kumar

- R.B.Estate Mandir, Amritsar have changed my name to Sakshi Arora. I Dimple Chopra W/o Sanjay Mehra R/o H.No.3/12 Basant Nagar Ghala Mala Chowk Majitha Road Amritsar
- have changed my name to Dimple Mehra I, Parwinder Singh S/o Sukhwinder Singh R/o Village Kotla Bathungarh PO Jabbowal Tehsil Baba Bakala District Amritsar have changed my name from Parvinder Singh to
- Parvinder Singh I. Jasber Kaur W/o Sukhwinder Singh R/o Village Kotla Bathungarh PO Jabbowal Tehsil Baba Bakala District Amritsar have changed my name from Jasber Kaur to Jasbir
- I. Harsirat Kaur D/o Manjinder Singh Gill R/o 40, Dimond Enclave, Ram Tirath Road, PO Wadala Bhitewadh, Amritsar have changed my name Harsirat is my Given name and Kaur is my Surname
- I. Surai Parkash S/o Gehla Ram R/o R-510. Balsarai Khurd Dera Baba Jaimal Singh Tehsil Dera Baba Nanak Amritsar have changed my name from Suraj Parkash to Suraj Parkash
- I, Sudesh Goel W/o Sh Pramod Kumar R/o H. No.554, Sector -32. Near Noor Mahal Karnal declare that Sudesh Goel and Sudesh both names are mine one and same person.
- I, Sulinder S/o Ramdiya R/O House No 100, Badi All Patti, Batta, Kaithal, Haryana-136117 have changed my name from Sulinder to Sulinder Kuma
- I Raman Kumar R/o H.No 25, VPO Pasiala, Distt. Ambala I declare that I have changed my minor son name Chharvin to Chharvin Singh. All Concerned

please note.

- I Kuldeep Chand S/o Sh Ram Sarup R /o village Sotli (57), Shahzadpur, district Ambala, Haryana, declare that my son Bhupinder Kumar is Army no. 3007845K Rank L/Hav Name Bhupinder kumar In the army records of Unit 24 Rajput (Rajpur Regt), my DOB is 15.04.1959, which is wrong that my my date of birth is 15.05.1956 is correct.
- I Premo, W/o Kuldeep Chand, R /o village Sotli (57) tehsil Shahzadpur, distric Ambala, Haryana, declare that my son Bhupinder Kumar is Army no. 3007845K Rank L/Hav Name Bhupinder kumar In the army records of Unit 24 Rajput (Rajput Regt), my name is Premo Devi and date of birth is 25.06.1962 which is wrong that my name is Premo and my date of birth is 01.01.1959 is correct.

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ECI will take final call on demands for postponing Haryana poll: CEO Agarwal

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This issue is now before the

Election Commission of India.

ECI will take a final call regard-

PIONEER INTERVIEW

Haryana Speaker Gian Chand

Gupta met you and raked up

the issue of bogus votes, stat-

ing that many who have died

or shifted out of the con-

stituency continue to figure in

the electoral list. How many

voters were removed and

added to the voter's list after

Lok Sabha election 2024? Can

anyone still get their name

leaders were thoroughly investi-

gated. Action was taken accord-

ingly. About 2.35 lakh new vot-

ers have been added in the final

list published on August 27,

while 1.72 lakh voters were

removed. According to the final

publication of the voter list, 2.02

able to exercise their franchise,

including 1.07 crore males, 95.12

lakh females, and 458 third-

gender voters. Moreover, even if

the name is not on the final voter

list published on August 27, one

can still apply to get their name

added by filling out Form 6

through the BLO or by using the

rore voters in the State will be

Issues raised by any political

added to the voter list?

About a month ago,

ing this issue.

MANOJ KUMAR CHANDIGARH

With Assembly elections barely a month away, Haryana Chief Electoral Officer Pankaj Agarwal said that the officers involved in election duty have been directed to make strenuous efforts at war footing to ensure maximum participation of citizens in the voting for the Assembly Elections scheduled for October 1. Elaborate arrangements are being made to ensure free, fair and transparent Assembly elections in the State. Deployment of 225 Companies of Central Armed Police Forces has been sought from the Ministry of Home Affairs for this Assembly election, out of which 70 have arrived so far, he added. He said that the State Election Commission has received a letter demanding the postponement of the polls, from three political parties including the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) citing long holidays. This issue has been forwarded to the Election Commission of India. ECI will take a final call on demands for postponing the Haryana poll, he added.

In an interview with The Pioneer, Agarwal talks about Assembly Election preparedness; Arrangements and deployment of security forces; Steps taken to increase vote percentage; and notices to Political Parties for MCC violations, among others.

The voting percentage in 2019 Lok Sabha and 2019 Vidhan Sabha elections was recorded 70 per cent and 68.20 per cent respectively in Haryana. However, vote percentage in Lok Sabha Election 2024 has fallen to about 65 per cent. What steps are being taken to increase vote percentage in the upcoming Assembly election?

Due to heatwave conditions, the vote percentage might have fallen during the Lok Sabha election 2024 in the State. Now, the State Assembly election will be held on October



1 and the State may experience pleasant weather on polling day. As people get the opportunity to vote once every five years, we hope that voters will come out in large numbers at polling stations to exercise their vote on polling day.

Moreover, the officers involved in election duty have been directed to make strenuous efforts at the war footing level to ensure maximum participation of citizens in the voting for the Assembly Elections. Officers concerned working hard to complete the necessary arrangements regarding the Assembly election. Every eligible voter must exercise their voting rights, and citizens are being sensitized for this purpose. We appeal to all voters to exercise their voting rights without temptation or fear.

Citing the long weekend, BJP, INLD and other parties have submitted a letter demanding for postponing Haryana poll, to the State Election Commission. What is

Three political parties -Bharatiya Janata Party, Indian National Lok Dal and Haryana Lok Shakti Party have written a letter to the State Election Commission to defer the polling by almost a week, apprehending low turnout given a host of holidays around the polling date (Saturday on September 28; Sunday on September 29; Polling Day - October 1; Gandhi

their names added up until September 2. The voter lists have been uploaded on the department's website, ceoharyana.gov.in, where anyone can download and check their name in the voter list. Furthermore, voters can check their status by calling the Voter Helpline number 1950.

Leaders of some political parties raise the issue of bogus voting in Rohtak and Sirsa involving government officials during the Lok Sabha poll. To avoid this and ensure fair and transparent election, what directions have you given to Government officials deputed on election duties?

All the Government Officers

and employees have been directed to ensure the fair, transparent and smooth completion of election-related tasks. The officers and employees of the State have been directed to keep themselves away from any kind of political activities, such as campaigning for political parties, becoming a booth agent, election agent, or counting agent. According to Section 129 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, no officer or clerk appointed to perform any duty in connection with an election shall in the conduct or the management of the election do any act (other than the giving of vote) for the furtherance of the prospects of the election of a candidate. Under Section 134, anyone found guilty of violating official duties related to elections (election duty) can be punished. Additionally, under Rule 9 of the Haryana Civil Services (Conduct of Employees) Rules, 2016, no government employee shall be a member of any political party or any organisation participating in politics, nor shall they participate in any political movement or activity. If any employee is found violating these rules, appropriate action will be taken against the concerned employee as per the

How many polling sta-

Sukhbir appoints his trusted soldier, Bhunder, as

vulnerable and critical?

A total of 20,629 polling booths have been set up for the upcoming Assembly elections in the State. Senior Police officers are still working in categorising polling stations as vulnerable and critical. Data regarding the same will soon be released. To ensure peaceful elections, we have requested the Ministry of Home Affairs to deploy 225 companies of central armed police forces during the Assembly election in the State. 70 companies of central armed police forces have already arrived. More will soon arrive. Haryana Police and Home Guard personnel will also be deployed to strengthen security during the elections. Moreover, directions have been issued to all Returning Officers to personally inspect polling stations and ensure that all basic public facilities, such as drinking water, electricity, and toilet facilities, are available. Has the State Election

Commission served notices to political parties over violation

District Returning officers have been strictly directed to ensure strict implementation of Model Code of Conduct in their jurisdictional limit. Additionally, we have formed several teams to keep a close watch on YouTube, Instagram, Facebook, WhatsApp groups, and X. A complaint has been received from the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) regarding a recent post on X (formerly Twitter) by the @BJP4Haryana handle. The complaint alleges that a campaign video posted by the BJP features a child, which AAP claims is a violation of Election Commission of India (ECI) guidelines and the Model Code of Conduct. We have taken cognisance of the matter and a show cause notice has been issued to the State President of BJP Haryana, to explain their position in the matter, take corrective action and submit its response by August 29.

Punjab bans party symbols in panchayat elections; Nod to amend panchayat rules

PNS CHANDIGARH

In a significant move aimed at fostering unity and development in rural areas, Punjab Government on Thursday approved an amendment to 'The Punjab Panchayat Election Rules-1994' to prohibit the use of party symbols in elections for sarpanch and panch. The decision, made during a meeting of the Punjab Council of Ministers chaired by Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann, will now be tabled in the Vidhan Sabha for final approval. With elections to 13,241 panchayats expected to be announced shortly, this amendment marks a critical shift in the electoral landscape of the State. Sharing the details after the

meeting, the state Finance Minister Harpal Singh Cheema emphasized that the amendment is designed to prevent the deepening of political divides within villages. Under the current rules, candidates have the option to contest panchayat elections on party symbols by notifying the State Election Commission. However, this practice has often led to the fragmentation of village communities along political lines, hindering effective governance

and development. The Cabinet's decision to amend Section 12 of the Punjab Panchayat Election Rules was informed by the need to promote a more inclusive and cohesive approach to local governance. By eliminating the influence of political parties in these grassroots elections, the Government aimed at ensuring that panchayats function as non-partisan bodies dedicated solely to the welfare and development of their respective communities.

The Cabinet observed that political groupism within panchayats has historically led to several adverse outcomes, including the underutilization of funds and grants. Political affiliations often result in disunity among panchayat members, which can cause delays in decision-making and the non-

utilization of allocated resources. Moreover, the presence of party symbols has sometimes escalated tensions during and after elections, leading to violent clashes and a deterioration of law and order in rural areas.

This amendment, once passed by the Vidhan Sabha, is expected to mitigate these issues by fostering a more collaborative and harmonious environment within panchayats. The Government hopes that, without the pressure of party affiliations, panchayat members will be able to work together more effectively to address the

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needs of their communities. Among other notable decision during Thursday's meeting, the Cabinet approved the construction of ponds along the Ghaggar River in Chandu village. The project, aimed at recharging groundwater levels and providing irrigation water for local farmers, will involve filling the ponds with river water during flood periods and canal water during normal times. This initiative is part of the government's broader efforts to address the state's water scarcity issues.

Cabinet Approves to Expand PCS Cadre Strength After 8

Punjab Government on Thursday approved a longawaited increase in the cadre strength of Punjab Civil Services (PCS) officers, marking the first expansion in over eight years. The number of sanctioned posts will rise from 310 to 369, addressing the state's growing administrative demands, particularly following the creation of new districts and subdivisions. The decision, taken by the State Cabinet, is aimed at boosting administrative efficiency and providing more employment opportunities for the state's youth. The newly-sanctioned posts include critical positions such as Joint Secretaries in the Punjab Civil Secretariat, Chief Minister's Field Officers, Sub-Divisional Magistrates, and Directors. Finance Minister Harpal Cheema confirmed that the recruitment process for these additional posts will begin soon, underscoring the government's commitment to strengthening public service and governance.

36 New Judicial Posts in Malerkotla

To improve access to justice in the newly-formed Malerkotla district, the Cabinet sanctioned the creation of 36 new judicial posts, including that of a District and Sessions Judge. This will enable the establishment of a Sessions Division in Malerkotla, ensuring that residents no longer need to travel to other districts for legal matters, thereby saving time and resources.

Deceased DSP's wife gets

On a humanitarian note, the Cabinet approved the appointment of Rupinder Kaur, the wife of late DSP Sandeep Singh, as a Naib Tehsildar. DSP Sandeep Singh tragically lost his life in a road accident while on duty during elections in April 2024.

GST Amendment

The Cabinet also consented to amend the Punjab Goods and Services Tax (PGST) Act, 2017, to simplify tax compliance and provide relief to taxpayers. Key changes include the exclusion of Extra Neutral Alcohol (ENA) used in the production of alcoholic beverages from the state GST and the reduction of the maximum pre-deposit required for filing an appeal before the Appellate Authority. In the healthcare sector, the Cabinet approved the extension of the engagement policy for House Surgeons and House Physicians for another year. The decision is intended to ensure the continuous provision of quality healthcare services to the residents of Punjab, particularly in the wake of ongoing public

Wish to contest Assembly poll but final decision will be of Cong's High command: Selja

PNS CHANDIGARH

Senior Congress leader and Sirsa MP Kumari Selja on Thursday said that she wishes to contest the Assembly election but the final decision will be of party's high command. Selja said this a day after the Congress told allowed to contest the Haryana Assembly polls.

Amid growing speculations over who will be the Congress's chief ministerial candidate for the upcoming Haryana Assembly elections, senior party leader and Lok Sabha member Kumari Selja asserted that the final decision will rest with the party's high command.

Talking to reporters, she said, "It is my wish to contest the Haryana assembly elections but the final decision will be of party high command. "Being a true soldier of the Congress, I can tell you that the one who gets the blessings of the high command becomes the chief minister. There may be many contenders but the

final approval will be of the high command," Sirsa MP said.

In the statement, she alleged that the BJP Government's political ground has slipped, and those sitting in the government had already sensed this. Fearing defeat, the BJP government has been avoiding conducting urban body elections. The residents of municipal councils, and 21 municipalities are waiting for the elections. As soon as the Congress government is formed in the state, the pending urban

She further said that previously, the Panchayat elections were conducted by the BJP-led Government with a delay of 21 months. Even after the elections, a conspiracy was hatched to snatch the rights of village panchayats under the guise of e-tendering. Due to the absence of a House of elected representatives, development works in municipal corporations, municipal councils, and municipal areas are affected. Even the budget of the bodies cannot be finalized, she added.

body elections will be held.

SAD working president ahead of Sikh clergy meeting MONIKA MALIK CHANDIGARH

 $W^{ith\ the\ Shiromani\ Akali}_{Dal\ (SAD)\ grappling\ with}$ a severe internal crisis, the panthic party on Thursday made a strategic decision to appoint Balwinder Singh Bhunder, a close aide and trusted soldier of party president Sukhbir Singh s its working presi

The move, announced by senior party leader Daljit Singh Cheema via a post on 'X', came in anticipation of a high-stakes meeting of the Sikh clergy scheduled for Friday (August 30). The meeting, led by Akal Takht Jathedar (head priest) Giani Raghbir Singh, is poised to be a turning point for SAD, which has been facing significant internal

and external challenges. The August 30 meeting is expected to be centered on the issue of forgiveness sought by SAD president Sukhbir Badal for alleged mistakes committed during the SAD tenure from 2007 to 2017. The meeting is also likely to address an apology letter — submitted by Sukhbir in response

to the allegations levelled by a faction of SAD's rebel leaders which has been a focal point of contention within the party and among its supporters. Through his letter, Sukhbir acknowledged various errors made by the SADled Government, including controversial decisions and failures that have fueled dissatisfaction and dissent.

highlighted by the party's 'rebel' faction are the revocation of the blasphemy case against Sirsabased Dera Sacha Sauda chief Gurmeet Ram Rahim, the failure to address the Bargari sacrilege adequately, and the appointment of controversial figures such as IPS officer Sumedh Singh Saini, among others.

The rebels also criticized the SAD for giving party tickets to Farzana Alam, the wife of a controversial police officer, and for alleged failures in justice delivery related to fake encounter cases. These issues have been a source of deep division within the party and have significantly tarnished its reputation.

The decision to appoint

Bhunder as working president is seen as a strategic response to the party's internal turbulence and declining political influence. Bhunder, a former minister and taksali leader, is known for his close association with the Badal family. His appointment comes at a time when SAD is experiencing its worst-ever political crisis, marked by unprecedented state assembly and the Parliament. The party has been plagued by rebellion from within, coupled with a series of electoral setbacks that have eroded its

Of late, the creation of a sixmember parliamentary board under Bhunder's leadership is a notable development. The board, which is now handling decisions traditionally made by the Badal family, signifies a shift in the party's internal dynamics. For over two decades, such decisions were centralized, but Bhunder's appointment suggested a move towards a more collective decision-making process.

Additionally, SAD has announced a three-day delegate

meeting at Anandpur Sahib in November — a significant event which is also happening after years, or were previously held only for electing the party pres-

Bhunder's role as working president is also expected to address the party's organizational challenges and restore some semblance of stability. His attempt to navigate through its crisis, with the hope of rejuvenating its image and re-establishing its influence in Punjab politics. The upcoming Sikh clergy meeting will be a critical test for SAD, determining whether the party can reconcile its internal conflicts and regain its standing among its supporters and the broader electorate.

As the August 30 meeting approaches, all eyes will be on the Sikh clergy's decision and its implications for the future of SAD. The outcome will likely shape the party's strategy moving forward and could either pave the way for a renewed political resurgence or deepen its current woes.

Himachal CM, ministers to defer drawing pay for 2 months as financial situation grim

PNS SHIMLA

Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu announced Thursday that he, his ministers, chief parliamentary secretaries and chairpersons and vice-chairpersons of boards and corpotheir salaries and allowances for two months, citing the state's "grim financial situation".

The chief minister made the announcement in the assembly and also urged other members of the House to follow suit. He said the government was making efforts to increase its revenue and reduce unproductive expenditure but it would take some time for the results to be visible.

Expressing concern over the dismal financial position of the state, Sukhu said the Revenue Deficit Grant (RDG) for the year 2023-24 was Rs 8,058 crore, which has been reduced by Rs 1,800 crore to Rs 6,258 crore during the current

financial year. "In 2025-26, the revenue deficit grant will be reduced by another Rs 3,000 crore to a mere Rs 3,257 crore, which will make it even tougher for us to meet our needs," he added. Sukhu said no grants have been released against the Rs Assessment (PDNA) from the Centre for damage to roads, bridges and infrastructure during 2023 monsoon.

He added that Rs 9,200 crore deducted from the employees under the National Pension Scheme (NPS) has also not been refunded so far by the Centre despite repeated pleas of the state government. Further, the compensation on GST from the Centre has been stopped from June 2022, reducing the revenue by Rs 2,500-3,000 crore annually, the chief minister said, adding that the state's borrowing limit has also been scaled down by Rs 2,000 crore after the restoration of the Old Pension Scheme (OPS).

Stubble burning a grave threat, exacerbating air pollution, endangering public health, and eroding soil fertility: Study

MONIKA MALIK ■ CHANDIGARH

In Punjab, a state renowned as India's 'granary', a smoldering environmental catastrophe looms larger with each harvest season. The notorious practice of stubble burning is not just an annual inconvenience but a grave threat, exacerbating air pollution, endangering public health, and eroding soil fertility. The burning of rice stubble, which affects over half the state's harvest, releases harmful pollutants that shroud the region in a toxic haze each year. This dire scenario demands immediate attention, as stubble fires from the 2023 kharif season alone resulted in over 49,000 incidents, leaving districts like Sangrur and Bathinda grappling with skyrocketing PM2.5 levels and deteriorating air quality.

the Center for Study of Science, Technology and Policy (CSTEP), a groundbreaking research, providing a lifeline amid the smog. The report, "Stubble Management: Harnessing Ex-Situ Options and Market Mechanisms", outlined a strategic framework designed to transform Punjab's

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With its comprehensive blueprint, the study proposed actionable solutions to mitigate the stubble burning crisis, offering a beacon of hope for a cleaner, healthier future in one of India's most agriculturally vital regions. **Urgent Need for Effective**

stubble management practices.

Stubble Management

Punjab's agricultural landscape, dominated by the ricewheat cropping pattern, generates a staggering amount of stubble each year. The sheer volume of residue produced during harvest seasons has made stubble burning a routine but disastrous practice. In 2021, over 50 percent of rice stubble was set alight, exacerbating air pollution across the region and leading to severe health repercussions. The practice not only deteriorates air quality but also depletes soil fertility, reducing agricultural productivity in the long term. The environmental impact of stubble burning is profound. During the kharif season of 2023, the state recorded over 49,000 fire incidents, with significant clus-

ters in Sangrur, Firozpur,

Bathinda, and Moga. These fires

contribute to elevated levels of

PM2.5, fine particulate matter known to cause respiratory diseases and other health problems. According to the study, PM2.5 emissions from stubble burning in Punjab reached 91 Gg at the end of the kharif season in 2018, highlighting the scale of the problem and the urgent need for intervention.

Key Findings and Recommendations

The CSTEP study presented a multifaceted approach to address the stubble burning crisis, focusing on both in-situ and ex-situ management solutions. In-situ methods, such as mulching and straw incorporation, involve managing stubble directly on the field, thereby improving soil fertility and increasing crop yields. However, the study emphasized that exsitu management — where stubble is removed from the field and repurposed — offered additional benefits, including job creation and reduced reliance on fossil fuels.

The study stated that establishing a comprehensive infrastructure for stubble management is crucial, which includes setting up straw banks, pelletisation units, and collection cen**Key Recommendations** Develop straw banks

- and pelletisation units Subsidize costs for cutting and transporting
- Focus on mediumand large-scale farmers

stubble

- Create markets for stubble-based products
- Educate farmers on the impacts of stubble burning
- Invest in new stubble management technologies

Set pricing bench-

marks and contracts

- for stubble products Ensure availability and maintenance of stubble management machin-
- Support industries using stubble and develop marketplaces
- Upgrade infrastructure in high-industrial

ters. Public-private partnerships

are essential to create the necessary infrastructure, leveraging both private sector resources and public support. To encourage the adoption of ex-situ management practices, the study recommended subsidizing costs associated with cutting, baling, and transporting stubble. Farmers currently spend between Rs 1,500 and Rs 1,800 per tonne on these activities. Financial support from the government can help offset these costs and make sustainable practices more viable, said the study.

The study suggested focusing on medium- and large-scale farmers, who are more likely to engage in stubble burning. These farmers have larger landholdings and are better positioned to invest in and implement sustainable practices, thus targeting this group can lead to a significant reduction in stubble burning, it added.

In addition, creating a market for stubble-based products, such as pellets for thermal power plants and biomass for industrial boilers, is vital. Developing this market will provide economic value for stubble and incentivize its use as a raw material.

Educating farmers about the environmental and health

impacts of stubble burning, as well as the benefits of alternative management practices, is essential, said the study, adding that increased awareness can drive greater adoption of sustainable methods and reduce reliance on burning. Besides, the study said that investing in research to explore new technologies for stubble management is important. Innovations such as biochar production, which can sequester carbon and improve soil fertility, offer additional benefits and should be explored further.

Establishing a comprehensive regulatory framework to support stubble management is necessary, including setting pricing benchmarks for stubble products and creating longterm contracts between farmers and industries to ensure a stable market for stubble-based prod-

Addressing Challenges of Ex-Situ Management

While benefits of ex-situ management are evident, the study highlighted several challenges associated with its implementation. The study highlighted that current infrastructure is inadequate to support the scale of stubble management

required. It added, Punjab needs at least 1,320 straw banks and 165 pelletisation units to meet its 2024 target of processing 5.96 million tonnes of stubble. Establishing these units, particularly near thermal power plants and brick kilns, is crucial for achieving the desired outcomes. The high cost of cutting, bal-

ing, and transporting stubble presented a significant barrier to widespread adoption. Without adequate financial support, many farmers find it more cost-effective to burn stubble rather than invest in ex-situ management practices. Subsidies or direct payments could help alleviate this burden and encourage more farmers to adopt sustainable methods. It was noted that the demand for stubble-based products currently exceeds the supply. Developing a functioning market for these products is essential for making ex-situ management viable, including promoting the use of stubble in biomass power plants and bioethanol production facilities, as well as supporting start-ups

Strategic Recommendations for Implementation

that develop innovative uses for

ble burning crisis, the study provided several strategic recommendations for the government and other stakeholders, like strengthening machinery and infrastructure, stimulating supply and driving demand, public awareness and education, research and development, and policy and regulatory framework. The study stressed to prioritize the deployment of balers and other machinery necessary for stubble management, besides ensuring the timely availability and maintenance of these machines to increase their utilization rates and improve the efficiency of stubble collection and processing. Engaging medium- and

To effectively tackle the stub-

situ management practices and providing financial incentives and support can encourage them to participate in stubble management programs; support the establishment of new industries that can utilize stubble as a raw material; promote start-ups and businesses that develop innovative uses for stubble; and creating marketplaces for stubblebased products to stimulate demand and ensure a stable market, suggested the study.

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PM Modi to lay stone for ₹76,000 cr Vadhvan Port in M'rashtra today

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday will lay the foundation stone of Vadhvan Port worth over Rs 76,000 crore during his visit to Maharashtra. It aims to establish a world-class maritime gateway that will boost the country's trade and economic growth by catering to large container vessels, offering deeper drafts, and accommodating ultra-large cargo ships. Giving details of his visit,

Office Minister's said here Thursday, Prime Minister Modi will visit Mumbai and Palghar in Maharashtra. He will address Global Fintech

World Convention Centre in Mumbai. Thereafter, Prime Minister will inaugurate and lay the foundation stone of various development projects at CIDCO ground, Palghar. He will lay the foundation stone of Vadhvan Port.

Located near Dahanu town in Palghar district, the port will be one of India's largest deep-water ports and will provide direct connectivity international shipping routes, reducing transit times and

Equipped with state-of-thetechnology infrastructure, the port will feature deep berths, efficient cargo handling facilities, and modern port management



systems. The port is expected generate significant employment opportunities, stimulate local businesses, and contribute to the overall economic development of the

The Vadhvan Port project incorporates sustainable

minimizing environmental impact and adhering stringent ecological standards. Once operational, the port will enhance India's maritime connectivity and further strengthen its position as a

Prime Minister Modi will also

global trade hub.

foundation stone of 218 projects worth around Rs 1,560 crores, aimed at bolstering the sector's infrastructure and productivity across the nation. These initiatives are expected to generate more than five lakh employment opportunities in the fisheries sector. Prime Minister will launch

the National Roll Out of Vessel Communication and Support system at a cost of around Rs. 360 crores. Under project, transponders will be installed a phased manner on mechanised and motorised fishing vessels in 13 coastal States and Union Territories.

and support system is indigenous technology developed by ISRO, which will help in establishing twoway communication while fishermen are at sea and also help in rescue operations as well as ensure safety of our fishermen.

Other initiatives to be inaugurated by the Prime Minister include development of fishing harbours and Integrated Aquaparks, alongside the adoption of advanced technologies such as the Recirculatory Aquaculture System and Biofloc. These projects will be implemented across multiple States and will provide crucial infrastructure

enhance fish production, post-harvest improve management. and create sustainable livelihoods for millions involved in the fisheries sector. Prime Minister will also lav

the foundation stone for important fishery infrastructure projects development, including upgradation modernisation of fishing harbours, fish landing centres and construction of fish markets. This is expected to provide necessary facilities and hygienic conditions for post-harvest management of fish and seafood.

Prime Minister will address a Special Session of Global

jointly organised by the Payments Council of India. the National Payments Corporation of India and the Convergence Fintech Council

speakers, Around including policymakers, regulators, senior bankers, captains, industry academicians, from India and various other countries will address more than 350 sessions in the conference. It will also showcase the latest innovations of the fintech landscape. Over 20 thought leadership reports and white papers will be launched at GFF 2024, offering insights, and in-depth

Centre to unveil simplified pension form for its retiring staff: Official

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

The Centre will unveil a new simplified pension application form for its retiring employees on Friday, according to an official statement. The Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare (DoPPW) had vide its notification dated July 16, 2024 released the simplified pension application 'Form 6-A", it said.

"This form will be available in Bhavishva/e-HRMS (online modules) to all the central Government employees who are going to retire in December 2024 and onwards. The retiring officials, who are on e-HRMS, will fill Form 6-A through e-HRMS (only superannuation cases) and the retiring officials, who are not on e-HRMS, will fill Form 6-A in Bhavishya," statement issued by the Ministry Personnel Thursday said.

According to the statement, this new form and its integration with Bhavishya/e-HRMS will be launched on August 30, 2024 by Union Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions Jitendra Singh. Form simplification has been an important initiative of the

"maximum governance-minimum Government" policy, it said. In this new form, a total of 9

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forms/formats have been merged, the statement said. This new form and related changes in the business process of Bhavishya will be a game changer as on the one hand it simplifies the pension form submission for the employee through "a single sign only" and on the other hand achieves the end-to-end digitisation of the entire process of pension processing till the start of pension payment after retirement, it added. "This paves the path towards paperless working in the whole process of pension, the statement said. It added that with a pensioner-friendly user interface, pensioners no longer need to worry about

the forms they have filled out or might have missed. Ina related development, the Centre has organised a preretirement counselling (PRC) workshop for its employees to them aware retirement benefits, family pension, Income Tax rules and submission of digital life certificates among others, according to an official

More than 750 retirees, who are going to retire up to March 31, 2025, benefitted hugely from this pre-retirement counselling (PRC) workshop held here on Wednesday, it said.

The Department of Pension Pensioners' Welfare (DoPPW) will continue to hold such workshops as part of good governance to ensure a smooth and comfortable transition for the Central Government retirees, said the statement issued by the

Personnel Ministry.
The department is taking all efforts to keep them updated of the Government initiatives being taken so that they can avail all the benefits post retirement, it said. "During the 55th

retirement counselling (PRC) workshop, various sessions on BHAVISHYA portal, portal integrated pensioners portal, retirement benefits, family pension, CGHS process, ANUBHAV, digital life certificate, investment modes and Opportunities etc. Were conducted," the statement said. All these sessions have been curated to make the retirees aware of the process to be followed and forms to be filled pre-retirement and to provide information about the benefits available to them

post-retirement, it added.

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE The Union Ayush Ministry is I mulling to soon launch a nationwide health screening

and checkup programme to detect diseases at an early stage and help maintain people's well-being, said Union Minister of State for AYUSH Pratap Rao Jadhav on Thursday at the three-day 7th International Health and Wellness Expo launched here.

He also emphasised the importance of medicinal plants and announced the Government's goal to raise awareness about their benefits and encourage widespread plantation to make India selfreliant in this sector. After the inauguration, he visited several stalls, including the National Medicinal Plants Board's exhibit, where he gathered insights on various medicinal herbs. The mega expo which is a brain child of



Namo Gange Trust's features stalls by several State and Government Ministries, as well as private

participants include the Ministry of AYUSH, CSIR, MDES, ICAR, NRDC, CDB, the National Medicinal Plants Board, and Uttarakhand Forest Resource Management-JICA, said a

statement here. Speaking on the occasion, the Minister also highlighted that such expos significant opportunities awareness about health and wellness among the public. In

inaugural Minister Jadhav stated that promoting a healthy India is a agenda Government. According following various initiatives taken by the Government in

recent years, the AYUSH market in India has witnessed exponential ballooning from a mere USD 2.85 billion in 2014 to a staggering USD 24 billion in

Passport portal to stay shut for four days for maintenance: MEA

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE **NEW DELHI**

The online platform for passport applications will be closed for the next four days for a maintenance activity, Ministry of External Afffairs (MEA) said in a statement. As a result, no fresh appointments can scheduled during the period, the statement added. However, the already booked

appointments rescheduled. "Passport Seva portal will be down for technical maintenance from 29th August 2024, Thursday hrs IST 20:00 to 2nd September, Monday 06:00 hrs IST. System will not be available during this period



for citizens and for all MEA/RPO/BOI/ISP/DoP/Pol ice Authorities. The already booked appointments for 30th August 2024 will be suitably rescheduled and informed to applicants," the statement read. Contingency plans have reportedly been set in place to keep any public inconvenience at bay.

The Passport Seva portal is for booking appointments at centres across India, whether for new applications or passport

Two YSRCP Rajya Sabha MPs resign

partner,

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE **NEW DELHI**

Two YSRCP members of the Rajya Sabha Beedha Mastan Rao Jadhav and Venkataramana Rao Mopidevi have tendered their resignation from House membership, parliamentary sources said on Thursday.

They said Vice President and Chairman of the Rajya Sabha Dhankhar has Jagdeep accepted their resignation. Mastan Rao, whose term was to end in June 2028, had

switched from the TDP to the Yuvajana Sramika Rythu Congress Party (YSRCP). He is likely to go back to the Telugu Desam Party (TDP). Mopidevi, whose term was till June 2026, may also join the TDP, the sources said.

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Tndia and South Africa here the YSRCP in the Upper House of Parliament has dipped from 11 to nine. The TDP, which is a key NDA representation in the Rajya said on Thursday. Sabha. It has been learnt that Mastan Rao could be fielded by the TDP in the bypoll, but Mopidevi is not keen on entering the Rajya Sabha again. In the resultant bypolls, the TDP could get

the talks were co-chaired by Rear Admiral Nirbhay Bapna, ACNS (FCI) of the Indian Navy, and Rear Admiral David Maningi Mkhonto, Chief Director Maritime Strategy of the South African Navy. The talks underscored mutual commitment to strengthening naval ties and operational synergy. In laying the groundwork for

future cooperation, the talks

The dialogue included opportunities for exchange of best practices in Nuclear, Biological, Chemical Defence including Damage Control (NBCD); and Diving support, through Subject Matter Expert Exchanges (SMEE). A strong emphasis on personnel exchanges, and the potential for availing advanced training courses at respective training facilities

exercises.

India's second indigenously built nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine commissioned

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI

India's second indigenously designed and built nuclearpowered ballistic missile submarine INS Arighaat was commissioned on Thursday thereby adding to country's nuclear deterrence capabilities and boosting operational readiness. The first nuclear powered submarine INS Arihant was commissioned in 2016.

The second Arihant-Class submarine 'INS Arighaat' was commissioned into the Indian Navy at Visakhapatnam in the presence of Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, Defence Ministry said here.

Defence In his address, Rajnath Singh Minister exuded confidence that 'Arighaat' further will strengthen India's nuclear enhance

deterrence, help establishing strategic balance and peace in the region, and play a decisive role in the security of the country.

He described it as an achievement for the nation and a testament to Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led Government's unwavering resolve to achiev 'Aatmanirbharta' in defence. achieve

defence minister commended the Indian Navy, Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and the Industry for their hard work and synergy in achieving this capability. He termed this self-reliance as the foundation of self power. He appreciated the fact that the country's industrial sector, especially MSMEs, have



have been created. Prime Recalling former Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee's political will which put India on a par with a nuclear weapon state, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh said, "Today, India is surging ahead to become a developed country. It is essential for us to develop rapidly in every field, including defence, especially especially MSMEs, have in today's geopolitical received a huge boost through scenario. Along with with this project, and more economic prosperity, we need employment opportunities a strong military. Our strong military. Our

Government is working on mission mode to ensure that our soldiers possess topquality weapons platforms made on Indian

The construction of INS Arighaat involved the use of advanced design manufacturing technology, detailed research development, utilisation of special materials, complex engineering and highly skilled workmanship. It has the distinction of having the

systems and five indigenous equipment which were conceptualised, designed, manufactured and integrated by the Indian scientists, industry and Naval personnel. technological advancements undertaken indigenously

submarine make significantly more advanced than its predecessor Arihant. The presence of both INS Arihant and INS Arighaat will enhance India's capability to deter potential adversaries and safeguard its national

The second submarine INS Arighat was commissioned in Visakhapatnam at Ship Building Centre (SBC).

interests.

The submarine was launched in 2017 at its manufacturing base, Ship Building Centre (SBC), Visakhapatnam. In fact, the SBC is building

nuclear powered submarines. While Arihant is already operational and Arighat commissioned on Thursday, work is now on the remaining two submarines. They are in advanced stage of construction, it was learnt.

INS Arighat is 111.6 meters long and weighs 6,000 tonnes. It plays a crucial role in India's nuclear triad, enabling the nation to launch nuclear missiles from land, air, and

Powered by an 82.5 MW pressurized light water reactor developed with Russian assistance, INS Arighat can achieve a top speed of 24 knots submerged and 10 knots on the surface on the surface.

Its primary armament consists 12 K-15 Sagarika submarine-launched ballistic missiles (SLBMs), each with a exceeding

housed in four large vertical launch system (VLS) tubes and are a testament to India's indigenous development capabilities.

kilometers. These missiles are

seats in the Rajya Sabha. As a

result, the ruling NDA will

have two more members on

The submarine is divided into seven compartments, housing propulsion and combat management systems, a platform management center, and a torpedo room. Additional safety measures include two standby auxiliary engines and a retractable thruster for emergency power

and mobility.

INS Arighat follows in the footsteps of INS Arihant, India's first SSBN, which was commissioned in 2016. A third, yet-to-be-named SSBN was launched in 2021, further solidifying commitment to developing a credible sea-based nuclear

India, South Africa review naval ties, strengthen operational synergy

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Lreviewed their defence ties and ways to further strengthen Navy to Navy collaboration during the 12th India-South Africa Navy Staff Talks on Tuesday and Wednesday, navy

Giving details, officials said

this year focused on several operational training improving readiness efficiency; establishment of secure information exchange protocols between platforms. Additionally, explored operational interactions to address the evolving complexities in the maritime domain, through continued exchanges and

Healthy lifestyle can mitigate Type 2 diabetes side-effects, says study

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

Type 2 diabetes and prediabetes are associated with faster brain aging, causing dementia and Alzheimer's, according to a recent study published in Diabetes Care. However, good news is that adopting a healthy lifestyle can potentially mitigate these effects.

This finding is particularly relevant for India, which has become the Diabetes Capital of the world. The WHO estimates that India has around 77 million people over 18 suffering from Type 2 diabetes and nearly 25 million with prediabetes. The number is expected to surge to 124.9 million by 2045. to 124.9 million by 2045. age.

According to yet another The study found that lead author. "On a positive onset of dementia."



report, one in seven diabetic adults globally lives in India, and one in three households has diabetic patients.

Researchers from Karolinska Institutet in Sweden analysed data from over 31,000 individuals aged 40 to 70 from the UK Biobank who had undergone brain MRI Using machine learning, they assessed brain age relative to chronological

prediabetes and diabetes corresponded to brains that were 0.5 and 2.3 years older than their actual age, respectively. In those with poorly managed diabetes, the brain appeared more than four years older. Additionally, the gap between brain age and chronological age grew slightly over time in diabetic individuals. These effects were less pronounced among those who were physically active and avoided smoking excessive and alcoho consumption. "An older-appearing brain relative to chronological age

may indicate deviations from

normal aging and could be an

early sign of dementia," explained Abigail Dove, from

lifestyle can positively influence brain health in people with diabetes," she added. While repeated MRI data were available for only a small

maintaining a healthy

seems

number of participants, ongoing follow-up scans aim to further explore the link between diabetes and brain aging over time.
"With the rising prevalence of Type 2 diabetes, our research aims to help prevent cognitive

decline and dementia in people with diabetes and prediabetes," stated Dove. The research suggests that managing diabetes effectively and living healthily may help protect against brain aging and potentially delay the

SHe-Box portal to enhance workplace safety for women unveiled

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

A mid growing chorus for safety of women in the country, Union Women and Child Development Minister Annapurna Devi on Thursday launched a centralised platform designed to make workplaces safer for women by addressing and managing complaints of sexual harassment.

'This initiative is a critical step forward in providing a more efficient and secure platform for addressing workplacerelated sexual harassment complaints. It furthers the Government's commitment to creating a safer and more inclusive working environment for women across India," said the Minister. She expressed confidence that the portal will ensure that complaints can be safely registered without personal information being publicly accessible.

The SHe-Box portal is a significant advancement in the Government's ongoing efforts to safeguard women in related to internal committees and local



the workplace. The launch event in Delhi also witnessed the introduction of a revamped ministry website.

Emphasising the importance of the initiative in creating a more secure and inclusive working environment for women, Annapurna Devi maintained that the portal would function as a centralised repository for information

committees across the country, covering both the Government and private sectors. The portal will allow women to file complaints, track their status, and ensure that the grievances are processed in a timely manner. It also features a designated nodal officer

to enable real-time monitoring of complaints, thereby providing a streamlined and assured redressal process, the statement said.

The launch of the SHe-Box portal aligns with the Government's broader vision of Viksit Bharat by 2047, with a strong emphasis on women-led development. The Sexual Harassment of Women at

Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition, and Redressal) Act, 2013, serves to protect women from sexual harassment in the workplace and address their grievances. In line with this commitment, the new SHe-Box portal represents a significant step forward in addressing and managing complaints of workplace sexual harassment," said an official from the Ministry.

ਬਾ-ਅਦਾਲਤ ਸਹਾਇਕ ਕਲੈਕਟਰ ਦਰਜਾ (ਅਵੱਲ ਨਾਇਬ ਤਹਿਸੀਲਦਾਰ, ਮਾਨਸਾ। ਪੱਤਰ ਨੰਬਰ 495/ਰੀ-2 ਮਿਤੀ 28/8/2024 ਵਿਸ਼ਾ -ਦ/ਵ ਪੀਲੂ ਸਿੰਘ ਉਰਫ ਬੁਲਦੇਵ ਸਿੰਘੂ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਕਿਸਨਗੜ ਫਰਵਾਹੀ ਤਹਿ ਵਾ ਜਿਲਾ ਮਾਨ

ਦੇ ਮਾਲ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਵਿੱਚ ਨਾਮ ਦਰੁਸਤ ਕਰਨ ਬਾਰੇ। ਨੋਟਿਸ ਬਨਾਮ ਆਮ ਜਨਤਾ। ਇਸ ਨੋਟਿਸ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਆਮ ਤੇ ਖਾਸ ਨੂੰ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਚ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਇਸ ਅਦਾਲੂਤ ਵਿੱਚ ਪੀਲੂ ਸਿੰਘ ਉਰਫ ਬੁਲਦੇ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸਾਧੂ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਕਿਸਨਗੜ ਫਰਵਾਹੀ ਤਹਿ ਵਾ ਜਿਲਾ ਮਾਨਸਾ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਇੱਕ ਦਰਖਾਸਤ ਪੇਸ ਕਰਰ ਬੇਨਤੀ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਵਾਕਾ ਰਕਬਾ ਕਿਸਨਗ ਫ਼ਰਵਾਹੀ ਦੇ ਮਾਲ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਵਿੱਚ ਮੇਰਾ ਨਾਮ ਪੀਲ ਸਿੰ ਫਰਵਾਹੀ ਦੇ ਮਾਲ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਵਿੱਚ ਮੌਕਾ ਨਾਮ ਪੀਲੂ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸਾਧੂ ਸਿੰਘ ਦਰਜ ਹੈ ਜਦੋਂ ਕਿ ਅਧਾਰ ਕਾਰਡ ਬਇਆ ਹੈ ਉਸ ਵਿੱਚ ਮੌਰਾ ਨਾਮ ਬਲਦੇਵ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸਾਧੂ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਕਿਸਨਗੜ ਫਰਵਾਹੀ ਤਹਿ ਵਾ ਜਿਲ ਮਾਨਸਾ ਦਰਜ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਤਰ੍ਹਾਂ ਮੈਨੂੰ ਦੋਵੇਂ ਨਾਮਾ ਨਾਫ ਥਾਇਆ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ। ਜਦੋਂ ਕਿ ਦੋਵੇਂ ਨਾਮ ਦਾ ਇੱਕ ਹੈਂ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਮੈਰਾ ਨਾਮ ਮਾਲ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਵਿੱਚ ਪੀਲੂ ਸਿੰਘ ਉਰਫ ਬਲਦੇਵ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸਾਧੂ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੰ ਕਿਸਨਗੜ ਫਰਵਾਹੀ ਤਹਿ ਵਾ ਜਿਲਾ ਮਾਨਸਾ ਦਰੁਸਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ।

ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਵ। ਜੇਕਰ ਊਕਤ ਨਾਮ ਨੂੰ ਦਰੁਸਤ ਕਰਨ ਵਿੱਚ ਕਿਸੇ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ ਨੂੰ ਕੋਈ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਹੋਵੇ ਤਾਂ ਉਹ ਨੋਟਿਸ ਛਪਣ ਤੋਂ 15 ਦਿਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ੍2 ਅਸਾਲਤਨ ਜਾਂ ਵਕਾਲ ਸ਼ਾਪਣਾ ਉਜਰ ਇਸ ਅਦਾਲਤ ਵਿੱਚ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕਰ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ ਬਾਅਦ ਗੁਜਰਾਨੇ ਮਿਆਦ ਕੋਈ ਉਜਰ ਕਾਬਲੇ ਸਮਾਇ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ ਅਤੇ ਨਿਯਮਾ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਨਾਮ ਦੀ ਦਰੁਸਤੀ ਕਾ

ਦ ਤ। ਜਾਵਗ। । ਅਜ ਮਿਤੀ 28/8/24 ਨੂੰ ਇਹ ਮੇਰੀ ਮੋਹਰ ਅਦਾਲਤ ਅਤ ਦਸਤਖਤਾਂ ਹੋਠ ਜਾਰੀ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ । ਸਹਾਇਕ ਕੁਲੈਕਟਰ ਦਰਜਾ ਅਵੱਲ ਨਾਇਬ

Public Notice

Public Notice

It is brought to the Notice of the Public at large that At the time of handing over the title deeds of the property it has been found that Original Sale deed No.5937 dated 20.3.1987 executed by Lajwant daughter of Pirthi Chand in favor of Harpal Singh alias Bagga son of Des Raj & Des Raj &

PUBLIC NOTICE I, Alka Devi W/o Rajneesh Kumar R/o H.No. 22 Vill. Sarangpur, Teh. Adampur, Distr. Hisar (Hry.) House No. 22, Bishnoi Colony, Hisar vide sale deed no. 4848 dt. 08.08.2024. & Property ID deed no. 4848 dt. 08.08.2024. & Property ID No. IDGTE6K4. Regarding this above property the original Sale Deed no. 1278 dt. 18.07.1966 infovour of Dhanpat So Jawana Ram So Harjiram Ro Vill. Kalwas. I have not misused the above said document in any bank or any financial institution to get any loan or limit. Now the deponent mortgaging the above cited House with Sarav Gramin Bank, Arya Nagar, Hisar to get loan. If any body have any objection/claim in this regard, may arise his/her objection/claim within 7 day of publication of this notice with Manager, Sarav Gramin Bank, Arya Nagar, Hisar. After lapsation of spetiol no lobjection/claim within 7 day of publication of this notice with Manager, Sarav Gramin Bank, Arya Nagar, Hisar. After lapsation of spetiol poleption/claim will be accepted regarding period no objection/claim will be accepted regarding ction/claim will be accepted regarding Deponent

PUBLIC NOTICE

Khewat no. 2022//1864 (N no. 2184), Khatoni no. 2401 (New Khatoni no. 2543), Khasra no. 552/8(5-16), measuring 0K-2M, situated at Hansi Road Barwala Tehsii Barwala District Hisar as per sale deed no. 2914 dated 27.12.2017. I have lost Sale deed no. 2428 dated 14.12.2005 anywhere in Barwala. A Disabor epistered at Barwala. I also declare that have not taken any type of Loan, CC Limit or the said property. If anybody found and any concern with in this property, please contact Advocate Bhupander Kumar, Ph no 829549981 # 1591 SECTOR 16-17 HISAR WITHIN 7 DAY OF THIS PUBLICATION.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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It is informed to the general public that Moti
Pass S/o Jiwan Passi R/o Chauri Sarak
Ludhiana city declare that my Sale deed
no.2395 dated 294.2008 has been lost at
Ludhiana city on dated 06.08.2024.
Description of the property: House No. B-4712 New and B-2-690 old Measuring 44.15
square Yards situated at Maliganj Ludhiana
Tehsil and Distt. Ludhiana. A sr no
507512/2024 also registered on dated
25.8.2024 at PSOC div no.3 Ludhiana city
anyone who has found or has any objection anyone who has found or has any object regarding the same then he/she may conta to Puneet Sood Advocate, office address 308,3rd floor, k10 tower, feroz gandhi market opp. Distt. court Ludhiana.-9779531200 within 15 days of the notice, after this period objection will not be entertained.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Poonam W/o Mohan Lal in respect of property
Shop having property ID No. 30V3LMfd,
measuring 22.86 sq. yards, situated at Patram
Nagar Narwana Tehsil Narwana District Jind as
per sale deed no. 2789 dated 30.06.2023. I have
lost Sale deed no 1305 dated 09.12.1992

wali gali, Sirsa declare that my origin and 4339 dated 14-07-2010 has bee

PUBLIC NOTICE , Pawan Kumar Sharma S/o Sh. Gugar Ram R/o H.No. 4975, kalu ram Seth sale deed no. 1367, dated - 06-05-2011 lost at Sirsa on dated - 12- 08-2024. It found & any type of objection regarding this may informed to mobile no 9812360123 of which 7 days of the pub-

Public Notice

t is informed to General public that Subhash s/ Manpal Singh R/o Ninan, Kaunt Village, Bhiwani ha lost his Previous Orignal sale deed no. 5301 date 14-9-2010 comprised in Khewet no 662, khasra no.209//19/1(3-11) measuring 15 sq yards (1/2 vned and possessed by me and I am availing loan om Incred Financial Services Limited. If anyone has biection, then he/she may notify with proof to the en contact to Bank's Advocate within 7 days fro

Aashima Dhamija Advocate Office: #3, R.D. City Centre, Railway Road Hisar, Haryana (90348-84484)

ਪਬਲਿਕ ਨੋਟਿਸ

ਪਬਲਿਕ ਨਾਟਸ ਪਬਲਿਕ ਨੇ ਸੰਮੀ ਇੰਡਸਟਰੀ ਨੰ. 1, ਮੰਡੀ: ਪਡੂਰ ਸਾਹਿਬ, ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ: ਅੰਮ੍ਰਿਤਸਰ, ਦੇ ਪਲਾਟ ਦੀ ਮੁਕਲੀਅਤ ਮੀਹੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸੋਹਣ ਸਿੰਘ ਦੇ ਨਾਮ ਤੇ ਹੈ। ਮਹਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸੋਹਣ ਸਿੰਘ ਦੀ ਸੰਤ ਮਿਤੀ: 20.05.22 ਨੂੰ ਹੋਣ ਉਪਰੰਤ ਇਸ ਦਰਡਰ ਵਿੱਚ ਸੁਰਜੀਤ ਕੌਰ ਵਿਧਵਾ ਮਹਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ, ਵਾਸੀ: ਮਕਾਨ ਨੰ. 1531, ਮੁਹੰਲਾ ਮਾਲਕਸਾ, ਜੀਡਾਅਲਾ ਗੁਰੂ, ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਤੇ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਅੰਮ੍ਰੇਤਸਰ, ਵੱਲੋਂ ਇਸ ਪਲਾਟ ਦੀ ਸਲਕੀਅਤ, ਤਹਿਸਲੀਦਾਰ (ਮਾਲ) ਖਡੂਰ ਸਾਹਿਬ, ਦੀ ਵਾਰਸਾ ਦੀ ਰਿਪੋਰਟ ਮਿਤੀ: 19.03.21 ਅਤੇ ਖਾਨਗੀ ਵਾਰਸਾਂਤ ਪ੍ਰਾਹਤ ਹੋਈ ਹੈ।ਉਪਰੇਕਤ ਦਸਤਾਵੰਗ ਦੇ ਅਧਾਰ ਤੇ ਪਲਾਟ ਨੰ. ਸੇਮੀ ਇੰਡਸਟਰੀ ਨੰ. 1, ਮੰਡੀ: ਖਡੂਰ ਸਾਹਿਬ, ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ: ਅੰਮ੍ਰਿਤਸਰ, ਦੀ ਮਲਕੀਅਤ ਤਬਦੀਲ ਕਰਨ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਦਰਖਾਸਤ ਪ੍ਰਾਹਤ ਹੋਈ ਹੈ।ਉਪਰੇਕਤ ਦਸਤਾਵੰਗ ਦੇ ਅਧਾਰ ਤੇ ਪਲਾਟ ਨੰ: ਸੇਮੀ ਇੰਡਸਟਰੀ ਨੰ. 1, ਮੰਡੀ: ਖਡੂਰ ਸਾਹਿਬ, ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ: ਅੰਮ੍ਰਿਤਸਰ, ਦੀ ਮਲਕੀਅਤ ਤਬਦੀਲ ਕਰੀਤ ਸਾਹਿਬ, ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ: ਅੰਮ੍ਰਿਤਸਰ, ਦੀ ਮਲਕੀਅਤ ਤਬਦੀਲ ਕਰੀਤ ਇਸ ਨੇਟਿਸ ਦੇ ਕੰਪਣ ਤੋਂ 30 ਦਿਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ-ਲੰਦਰ ਨਿਆ ਹਸਤਾਖਰ ਨੂੰ ਹੋਠ ਲਿਖੇ ਐਂਡਰੈਸ ਤੇ ਜਾਂ ਈਮੱਲ diccolon ਗੁਰੁਗਗੁਰੇ,ਰੁਹਾਗੇ ਤੋਂ ਵੇਸ਼ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ। ਸਿੱਥੇ ਸਮੇਂ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਅਦ ਕਿਸੇ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ ਦੇ ਕਿਸੇ ਕਿਸਮ ਦੇ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਤੇ ਕੋਈ ਸੁਟਵਾਈ ਨਹੀਂ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾਵੇਗੀ। ਐਂਡਮਨਿਸਟਰੇਟਰ ਨਿਊ ਮੰਡੀ ਟਾਊਨਫਿਸਪਸ, ਪੰਜਾਬ, ਪੰਜਾਬ ਮੰਡੀ ਭਵਨ, ਸੈਕਟਰ-65ਏ, ਫੇਜ-11, ਮੈਹਾਲੀ।

Public Notice

It is hereby informed that House No.1000-0 Housing Board Colony Ph-V Jind stands in the name of Smt. Kalawati W/o late Sh. Satayarayan as per record of this office. Due to death of allottee /purchaser on dated 25-01-1998. Now the legal heir of the deceased Sh.Mahender Kumar S/o late Sh. Satayarayan has submitted the documents to get the allotment/ownership transfer in his/her favour with this office. A opportunity is given through this notice to site any objection regarding the transfer of allotment/ownership of the house with strict documentary proof with his office with in 15 days from the publication of this notice other wise this house will be

MISSING DEED NOTICE

This Notice is issued as per instruction given by HDFC Bank Ltd. one customer Sh. Vipin Jain S/o Sh. Vinox Kumar Jain has sapiled Loan from HDFC BANK LTD. or Property being Shop Old PID no. 96C196U433P2, Nev ID no. 1A8ODV98, Municipal Corporation House Tax no. 9469 Situated at Sarafa Bazar, Ambala City, measuring 30 Sq yd. owned vide Sale deed no. 779 date: 15/05/2024 Fhat as per Owners in old chain Title o property Original Sale Deed no. 4829 dated 29/11/2016 in favor of Boski Jain wid Sh. Vishal Jain and Origin Sale Ceden no. 6578 dated 12/02/2014 in favor of Smt Sale deed no. 6578 dated 12/02/2014 in favor of Sn Divya Gupta w/o Sh. Rahul Gupta, Original Sale de no. 2022 dated 25/05/2005 in favor of Smt. Neela In JULY CHARGE SHOULD IN THE TOTAL MERISTRESS AND A STATE OF THE M

PUBLIC NOTICE

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This is to inform that of Smit. Manjil Kaur wife of Sh. Prem Kumar, R/o 12, Bhattain Bet Ludhiana, is owner of the House measuring 100 sq. yards, Khate on. 634/586/667, comprised under Khasra No 16/1/32/2, 13/3/2, 14/2/1, 17, 16, 18/1, 18/2/2, 24/2, 53, 3/1/1, as per Jamabandi year 20/13-2014, situated at village Bhattian, Loabhana (Punjab). The above said owner is going mortgage the property with the Shriram Housing Finance Ltd., Feroze Gandhi Market, Ludhiana. The owner has misplaced Earlier sale deed dated 12.06.2009, bearing vasika no. 2779, in respect of the property measuring 100 sq. yards as executed and registered by Smit. Seema Rani wife of Sh. Sudish Nanda measuring 72 sq. yards and Noshiyar Singh son of Sh. Hardeyal Singh reasuring 28 sq. yards in favour of Sh. Prem Kumas son of Late Sh. Mehar Chand in Original. AND Sh has not been able to trace out the same. If anybody has any objection regarding the above said property or the creation of mortgage over the said property or the creation of mortgage over the said property or the creation of mortgage over the said property or the creation of mortgage over the said property or the creation of mortgage over the said property or the publication then it will be prevened that days of this publication then it will be prevened that days of this publication then it will be prevened that days of this publication then it will be prevened that will be entertained. Shriram Housing Finance Ltc eroze Gandhi Market, Ludhiana, M: 90232 36436AND Excellent Legal Services, Office no 15/4A/2, Model Gram, Back Side New Distt. Coul Complex Ludhiana. M: 87280-85551

ਤਹਿਸਾਲਦਾਰ, ਮਾਨਸਾ। ਫ਼ੌਤਰ ਨੂੰ 467/ਰੀ-2 ਮਿਤੀ 24/8/2024 ਵਸ਼ਾ -ਦੇਵ ਤਾਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੂੰਤਰ ਹਰਮੇਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਇੀਬਾਘਾ ਲਾਲਾ ਪੱਤੀ ਤਹਿ ਵਾ ਜ਼ਿਲਾ ਮਾਨਸਾ ਮਾਲ ਕਾਰਡ ਵਿੱਚ ਨਾਮ ਦਰੁਸਤ ਕਰਨ ਬਾਰੇ। ਨੋਟਿਸ-ਬਨਾਮ ਆਮ ਜਨਤਾ

ਨਾਟਸ- ਬਨਾਮ ਆਮ ਜਨਤਾ। ਇਸ ਨੋਟਿਸ ਰਾਹੀ ਆਮ ਤੇ ਖਾਸ ਨੂੰ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਕਿ ਇਸ ਅਦਾਲਤ ਵਿਚ ਤਾਰਾ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਹਰਮੇਲ ਸਿੰ ਵਾਸੀ ਭੈਣੀਬਾਘਾ ਤਹਿ ਵ ਜਿਲਾ ਮਾਨਸਾ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਇ ਦਰਖਾਸਤੂ ਪ੍ਰੇਸ਼ ਕਰਕੇ ਬੇਨਤੀ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਵਾ ਵਅਕਤੀ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਮੇਰਾ ਨਾਮ ਮਾਲ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਵਿ ਗਤਾਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਉਰਫ ਤਾਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਭੈਣੀਬਾਘਾ ਤਹਿ ਾ ਜਿਲਾ ਮਾਨਸਾ ਦਰਸਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ।

ਕਿਰ ਉਕਤ ਨਾਮ ਨੂੰ ਦਰੁਸਤ ਕਰਨ ਵਿਚ ਕਿਸੇ । ਵਅਕਤੀ ਨੂੰ ਕੋਈ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਹੋਵੇ ਤਾਂ ਉਹ ਨੋਟਿਸ ਦੇ ਛਪ 15 ਦਿਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ 2 ਅਸਾਲਤਨ ਜਾ ਵਕਾਲਤ ਪਣੇ ਉਜਰ ਇਸ ਅਦਾਲਤ ਵਿੱਚ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕਰ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ ਅਦ ਗੁਜਰਾਨ ਮਿਆਦ ਕੋਈ ਉਜਰ ਕਾਬਲੇ ਸਮਾਇ ਹੋ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ ਅਤੇ ਨਿਯਮਾਂ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਨਾਮ ਦੀ ਦਰੁਸਤੀ ਹ

ਵੱਡੀ ਜਾਵੇਗੀ। ਮੰਜ ਮਿਤੀ 21/8/24 ਨੂੰ ਇਹ ਮੇਰੀ ਮੋਹਰ ਅਦਾਲਤ ਅ ਸ਼ਤਖਤਾਂ ਹੇਠ ਜਾਰੀ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਸਹਾਇਕ ਕੁਲੈਕਟਰ ਦਰਜਾ ਅਵਲ ਨਾਇਬ ਤਹਿਸੀਲਦਾਰ, ਮਾਨਸਾ।

PUBLIC NOTICE PICICI Bank Registered Office: ICICI Bank Tower, Near Chakli Circle, Old Padra Road, Vadodara- 390 007 Corporate Office: ICICI Bank Towers, Bandra-Kurla Complex Mumbai 400051

GOLD E-AUCTION CUM INVITATION NOTICE The below mentioned borrowers have been issued notice to pay off their outstanding amount towards the facility against gold

ornaments. ("Facility") availed by them from ICICI Bank Limited ("ICICI Bank"). We are constrained to conduct an E-Auction of pledged gold ornaments on Sep 09, 2024 as they have failed to repay the dues. ICICI Bank has the authority to remove account /change the E-Auction date without any prior notice. Auction will be held online -https://jewel-auction.procuretiger.com between 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm. For detailed Terms and conditions, please log into given website. In case of deceased borrower,

Loan A/C No.	Customer Name		
Branch Nan	ne: Anantnag		
184605001115	Rizwan Nisar Shah		
184605001113	Asif Nisar Sheikh		
184605000073	Kafeel Ahmad Bhat		
Branch Name:	Bari Brahamna		
255705000787	Ankush Thakur		
Branch Nar	ne: Bijbehara		
261905000520	Shabina Akhter		
261905000495	Nazima O		
Branch N	ame: Chorli		
442805000037	Manjeet Kour		
Branch N	ame: Doda		
256805000315	Firdous Ahmad		
256805000289	Ajeet Singh Parihar		
256805000135	Zeenat Ara		
Branch No	me: Jammu		
694505600609	Nisha Devi		

Loan A/C No. Customer Name Branch Name: Jammu - Gangyal 246905000809 Ravi Kant 246905000801 Aman Singh 246905000592 Sham Lal Branch Name: Jammu - Greater

Loan A/C No. | Customer Name Branch Name: Rajouri 260205000747 | Mohd Rayaz Branch Name: Ramban 264405000294 | Sameer Ahmed Branch Name: Reasi Branch Name: Reasi
26450500054 | Ashwani Kumar
Branch Name: Samba
086305000820 | Hussian Mohd
Branch Name: Srinagar
040705001892 | Sameer Ahmad Beigh Srinagar - Bohri

Branch Name Kadal 252905001141 | Rukhsana Bana Branch Name: Srinagar - Jehangi 252805001645 Rameez Raja 252805001121 Muzaffar Ali Branch Nam

Date : 30.08.2024 Place : Jammu, Kathua, Poonch, Rajouri, Ramban, Reasi, Samba, Srinagar, Anantnag, Doda Authorised Officer For ICICI Bank Limited

COURTROTICE

(UgpRriRuleR) hRCPC)
IN THE COURT OF SHRGURSHERF This is a notice to the general public that SINGHPAdditionalPCivilPJudgeF Gurmeet Kumar S/o Babu Ram R/o Villagi Malikpur, Tehsil thanesar, District Kurukshetra, hereby declared that I am the current owner of (Senior PDivision) dGarhshankar P Canara Bank, a body Corporate constituted under the Banking Lal Dora property through registered deed No. 8719/1 dated 05/01/2024 of title/ ownership / Companies (Acquisition and Transfer certificate that I am the current owner of the property and availing loan from SMFG (Fullerton) with Lead ID No. 7545348. Property of Undertaking) Act, 1970, with its Head Office at 112, J.C. Road, neans 204.94 sq. m (total area) is situated in /illage Malikpur, Tehsil thanesar, District (urukshetra. I have not mortgaged it anywhere Banglore-560002 and having amongst others a Branch office at Garhshankar Tehsil Garhshankar and District the whole of India, if there is any negligence on ny part apart from this, then civil/criminal liability vill arise on me. Even if it is found mortgaged Hoshiarpur, through its Manager, Sh. Harpal Singh a duly constituted agent and attorney of the Bank. with any bank or institutions anywhere or i ffffPlaintiff anyone else has objection or it is found, please VsfP

CNR No.:**PBHOBhehhhl j pej hj q**

Next Date:- j nei i ej hj l PUBLICATIONRSSUEDPTOxR f M/s

Friends Telecom, Opposite Guru

Singh Sabha Gurudwara Railway

Garhshankar.

Garhshankar District Hoshiarpur,

Puniab through its Prop. Naresh

Kumar. jf Naresh Kumar s/o

Shamsher Singh resident of Village

Bharapur Tehsil Balachaur District

defendant(s)/respondent(s) could not

be served. It is ordered that

defendant(s)/respondent(s) should

appear in person or through counse

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COURT NOTICE

(U/o 5 Rule 20 CPC)

IN THE COURT OF Sh. Amit

Bakshi Civil Judge (Junior

Puniab State Power Corporation

Ltd

Vs.

MOHINDER KAUR

CNR No.: PBLD02-008974-2019

PUBLICATION ISSUED TO:

MOHINDER KAUR R/O HOUSE

NO.10198 GALI NO.5, N.S.N

defendant (s)/ respondent (s)

could not be served. It is ordered

that defendant (s) /respondent

(s) should appear in person or

through counsel on 31-08-2024

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Dated, this day of 12-08-2024

CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD, CHANDIGARH.

PUBLIC NOTICE

SH. VANEET KUMAR BAINS,

S/O SH. MANI RAM BAINS r/o

H. No. Village Kashyalu, Tehsil

Arki Giana (45) Solan, Himacha

Pradesh, has approached to the Chandigarh Housing Board for

the issuance of Duplicate copy

Transfer letter No.31440, dated

10/04/2017, in respect of Dwelling Unit No. **3293-1, Cat**

EWS Sector- 47-D, Chandigarh

due to loss of these documents, he

has also furnished S.No.169429

L.A.R No 2024/025056 registered

on dated 16/08/2024, regarding

the loss of above said documents

Any person having any objection

duplicate copy of allotment

letter, Possession letter, No

Due Certificate, Transfer letter No

respect of the above said Dwelling

Unit to the said SH. VANEET

KUMAR BAINS, S/O SH. MANI

RAM BAINS, he/she should file the

objection before the undersigned

in writing within 15 days from the

publication of this notice, failing

which the documents shall be

issued. Further, in case original documents as mentioned above

are found by anyone, the same

should be submitted in the above

noted Police Station or in the

Chandigarh Housing Board

Secretary

Chandigarl

issuance

10/04/2017,

Possession

Certificate.

of allotment letter, letter, No Due

10/04/2017,

against the

31440, dated

(Junior Division), Ludhiana

logon

Division), Ludhiana

Next Date:-31-08-2024

LUDHIANA-141001

at 10:00 a.m.

details

In above tiled case,

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Dated, this day of 28-08-2024

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titled case.

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(Senior Division)

S.B.S Nagar.

districtP

Hoshiarpur PP

above

M/s Friends Telecom, Opposite Guru

Singh Sabha Gurudwara Railway **COURT NOTICE** Road Garhshankar, Tehsil Garhshankar District Hoshiarpur, (U/o 5 Rule 20 CPC) Punjab through its Prop. Naresh IN THE COURT OF Sh. Muneesh Kumar and another. Arora Principal Judge, Family SuitForRecovery Court, Patiala fDefendants

ANITA JYOTI

GENERAL PUBLIC CNR No.: PBPT01-009003-2023 Next Date:-01-10-2024

PUBLICATION ISSUED TO:- R-1 DEEPAK JYOTI Father:- LATE UDHAY KUMAR JYOTI, R/O-VILLAGE BHUSUNDA MUFFASIL DISTT. GAYA.

R-2- KAVIT JYOTI, W/O DEEPAK JYOTI. R/O VILLAGE BHUSUNDA PS MUFFASIL DISTT GAYA

In above tiled case, the defendant (s)/ respondent (s) could not be served. It is ordered that defendant (s) /respondent (s) should appear in person or through counsel on 01-10-2024 at 10:00 a.m.

details logon https://highcourtchd.gov.in/?trs =district_notice & district=

Principal Judge Family Court, Patiala Dated, this day of 17-08-2024

COURT NOTICE

(U/o 5 Rule 20 CPC) IN THE COURT OF Sh. Muneesh Arora Principal Judge, Family Court, Patiala SUKHWINDER SINGH

> Vs. SEEMA RANI

CNR No.:PBPT01-006109-2023 Next Date:-30-10-2024 **PUBLICATION ISSUED TO:-** R-1

SEEMA RANI. Father: - SITA RAM. W/O SUKHWINDER SINGH R/O VILLAGE SHERGARH TEHSIL PATRAN DISTRICT PATIALA. R-2- INDERJIT SAIN S/O

YOGESH KUMAR, R/O VILLAGE BHIRAWATI. TEHSIL NUH DISTRICT MEWAT, HARYANA. In above tiled case, the defendar (s)/ respondent (s) could not be served. It is ordered that defendant (s) /respondent (s) should appear in person through counsel on 30-10-2024 at

10:00 a.m. details logon https://highcourtchd.gov.in/?trs =district notice & district=

Principal Judge, Family Court, Patiala Dated, this day of 17-08-2024

Public Notice

Kumar Singla R/o Tohana, Tehsil, Tohana, Distt. Fatehabad declares that I have lost my Registry Vasika no. 2133 dated 20.08.2013 somewhere in Tohana on dated 28.07.2024 at 11.00 am. If anyone found please inform me on 9896780572

This is to inform that of Sh. Akshay Kumai on of Sh. Pawan Kumar, r/o 154, Golden Phase-2, Hambran Road, Golf Link Judhiana. S.C.O. Shop Commercial Plot udhiana. S.C.O. Shop Commercial Plot no. easuring 328-1/3 sq. yards, Khatta No. 43/43, 1/44, 45, Comprised under Khasra No. 53/18, 2, 23, 46/1/2, 12/1, 53/2/1, 11, 20, 21, sumabandi Year 2015-2016, Situated at Villa liwara, H.B. No. 149, Tehsil & Distt. Ludhia unjab) The above said owner is going mortga e property with the SMFG India Credit Cmiled. (Formerly, known as Fullerton India Cre miled. (Formerly, known as Fullerton India Cre Indied. (Formerly, known as Fullerton India Cre Forgation of the said owner is going inforgate, the property with the SMFG India Credit Co. Imitled. (Formerly, known as Fullerton India Credit Co. Imitled. (Formerly, known as Fullerton India Credit Co. Ltd.), Filth Floor, Fortune Chambers, SCO 16-7, Co. Ltd.), Filth Floor, Fortune Chambers, SCO 16-7, Co. Ltd.), Filth Floor, Fortune Chambers, SCO 16-7, Co. Ltd.), Filth Floor, Floor, Lindia Co. Ltd., Floor, Ltd., Ltd

sniertained.

SMFG India Credit Co. Limited. (Formerly, known as Fullerton India Credit Co. Ltd.)Fifth Floor, Fortune Chambers, SCO 16-17, Feroze Gandhi Market, Jila Kacheri Area, Model Gram, Ludhiana, AND Excelent Legal Services office no. 45/4A/2, Model Gram, Bark Side New Diet Court Compton.

LOST AND FOUND LOST AND FOUND

I, Ashwani Kumar Slo Vidya Singh R/o flat
no. 405, Ghs8, Sector 24 Panchkula
Haryana declare that my Original Property
Receipts of part payment of Purchased flat
no. A604, mystic The lake, New
Chandigarh. 1102235, 1114555, 1206455
1344861 1372758 1633124 1656632 1304861, 1372758, 1693124, 1950632 1970311, has been Lost in sectot-25 market Panchkula on 20/8/24 logged DDR NO-132350202401900 dated

DDR NO-132350202401900

28.08.2025.at Chandimandir Police

COURT NOTICE (U/o 5 Rule 20 CPC)

office of the undersigned.

IN THE COURT OF Sh. Muneesh Arora Principal Judge, Family Court, Patiala AMARJIT SINGH

> Vs. ANU

CNR No.: PBPT01-008465-2019 Next Date:-24-09-2024 PUBLICATION ISSUED TO:-ANU:- SPOUSE:- AMARJIT SINGH ST NO.5 SHAM COLONY NEAR DURGA BUILDER GATE FARIDABAD HARYANA

In above tiled case, the defendant (s)/ respondent (s) could not be served. It is ordered that defendant (s) /respondent (s) should appear in person or through counsel on 24-09-2024 at details logon

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Family Court, Patiala

Office of the Market Committee, **Bhattu Kalan (Fatehabad)**

Public Notice

The general public is hereby informed that Amar Chand, son of Shri Tokharam, resident of Bhattu Mandi, Tehsil and District Fatehabad, Booth No. 22 and 23, Grain Market, Bhattu Kalan, Tehsil and District Fatehabad, Is the registered owner and possessor of booths as per the records of Market Committee Office, Bhattu Mandi, District Fatehabad. Following his demise, the inheritance has been recorded in the names of the following heirs:

1. Sushama Devi Aggarwal, 2. Sunil Kumar Agarwal, 3. Shiv Kumar Agarwal, 4. Seema Goyal, 5. Sunil Bansal, 6. Deepak Kumar, 7. Manju Rani, 8. Usha, 9. Sonia, 10. Monika, 11. Neetu Gupta, 12. Govind, 13. Manju Rani, 14. Renu Bajaj, 15. Sakshi Jain, 16. Vinay Kumar, 17. Satish Kumar. Amar Chand had executed a verbal will on 11/09/1984, prior to his demise on 23/04/1988. As per this will, ownership of the mentioned booths has been recorded in favor of the following heirs: 1. Pyare Lal son of Shri Amar Chand, 2. Atma Ram son of Shri Amar Chand, 3. Satish Kumar son of Shri Amar Chand, 3. Satish Kumar son of Shri Amar Chand. The mother 'Smrt. Rama Devi) of Amar Chand had passed away before his de-Kumar son of Shri Amar Chand. The mother (Smt. Rama Devi) of Amar Chand had passed away before his de mise, and his wife Smt. Mera Devi passed away on 26/01/2012. That Pyare Lal S/o Sh. Amar Chand has passe away on 15/01/2024. Now, his legal heirs are as under:- 1. Sushama Devi Agarwal widow of Shri Pyare Lal, 2 nar Agarwal son of Shri Pyare Lal, 3. Shiv Kumar Agarwal son of Shri Pyare Lal, 4. See daughter of Shri Pyare Lal. That Atma Ram S/o Sh. Amar Chand has passed away on 22/02/2012 and his wif Smt. Lalita Devi W/o Atma Ram has passed away on 11-05-2011. Now, his legal heirs are as under: 1. Sun Bansal, son of Shri Atma Ram, 2. Deepak Kumar son of Shri Atma Ram, 3. Manju Rani daughter of Shri Atma Ram, 2. Manju Rani daughter of Shri Atma Ram, 2. Manju Rani daughter of Shri Atma Ram, 3. Manju Rani daughter of Shri Atma Ram. That Krishan Kumar S/o Sh. Amar Chand has passed away on 12/12/2017. Now, his legal heirs are as under: 1. Usha widow of Shri Krishan Kumar, 2. Sonia daughter of Shri Krishan Kumar, 3. Monika daughter of Shri Krishan Kumar, 5. Govind son of Shri Krishan Kumar, That Shankar Lal S/o Sh. Amar Chand has passed away on 16/10/2023. Now, his legal heirs are as under: 1. Manju Rani widow of Shri Shankar Lal, 2. Renu Bajai daughter of Shri Shankar Lal, 3. Sakshi Jain daughter of Shri Shankar Lal, 4. Minaw Mangara of Shri Shankar Lal, 4. Minaw Ma Shri Shankar Lal, 4, Vinay Kumar son of Shri Shankar Lal, Apart from the mentioned heirs, there are no oth heirs as per the will of Amar Chand. The ownership of the mentioned booths has been registered in the nam of the aforementioned heirs in the records of Market Committee Office, Bhattu Kalan, in accordance with th inheritance. If there are any objections or disputes, anyone concerned may submit their objection or repre-sentation within 30 days from the publication of this public notice. After this period, no claims or disputes wi be entertained, and the ownership of Booth No. 22 and 23 will be officially transferred to the heirs mention This notice is issued today, on _____, by me with my signature and seal.

Secretary-cum-E.O., Market Committee, Bhattu Kalan

DEVINE IMPEX LIMITED

CIN: L51110PB1995PLC017179 REGISTERED OFFICE: THE GROOVE C-157, 1st FLOOR, INDUSTRIAL FOCAL POINT, PHASE VII, MOHALI, PUNJAB 160059 E-MAIL: devineimpex.limited@yahoo.com

NOTICE OF 29th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, E-VOTING AND BOOK CLOSURE INFORMATION

NOTICE is hereby given that the 29th Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of the Company will be held on Tuesday, September 24,2024 at 10.30 A.M. at the registered office of the company at The Groove, C-157, 1st Floor, Industrial Focal Point, Phase VII, Mohali, Punjab 160059, to transact the business as set out in the Notice of the AGM.

In accordance with various circulars of Ministry of Corporate Affairs and SEBI in this regard, copies of the Annual Report containing the Notice of AGM for the financial year 2023-24 are registered with the Company/ Depository Participants ("DP") Link Intime India Private Limited, Registrar and Share Transfer Agent ("RTA") in electronic mode trough emails and through physical copies to the members whose email IDs are not RTAwww.linkintime.co.in.

In compliance with the provisions of the Act including Rules framed thereunder and the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("LODR"), the Company is providing electronic voting facility to its members (remote e-voting) through the RTA Link Intime India Private Limited for transacting all the items of business set forth in the 29"AGM Notice.

transacted through remote voting. The company will also make available the facility for voting through ballot at the venue of AGM which will be applicable for voting by shareholders attending the meeting who have not already cast their voted by remote e-

2024, shall be entitled to cast their votes. 3. The remote e-voting facility shall commence on September 21

time. Once the vote on a resolution is cast by the member, i cannot be changed subsequently.

6. Any person, who acquires shares of the Company and becomes member after dispatch of the Notice and holding shares as on cut-off date may obtain the login ID and password as per the procedure specified in the notes of Notice of AGM.

7. Members who have cast their votes through remote e-voting prior to the AGM may attend the AGM, but shall not be entitled to vote against at the AGM.

an email to instameet@linkintime.co.in. Members may also contact the Company Secretary of the company by writing an email to devineimpex.limited@yahoo.com or at Mobile No.

Rules made thereunder and Regulation 42 of the LODR, the Register of Members and Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from September 18, 2024 to September 24, 2024 (both

10. Members who have not updated their e-mail addresses with the Company are requested to update their email addresses by sending copy of the following documents by email to devineimpex.limited@yahoo.com:

and complete address and Scanned copy of Share Certificate (front and back) in case of shares are held in physical mode. Ir case shares are held in demat mode, please provide request letter along with DPID-CLID (16 digit DPID + CLID or 16 digit beneficiary ID), Name, client master or copy of Consolidated Account statement:

Alternatively, Members holding share in dematerialized mode, may register their e-mail addresses with their DP before cut-off

11. The members who are holding shares in physical form or who have not registered their email addresses with the company can cast their vote through remote e-voting in the same manner by registering their email IDs or getting user ID/ Password as stated in the notes to Notice of AGM

For DEVINE IMPEX LIMITED Date: 12/08/2024 **NEERAJ JAIN** (MANAGING DIRECTOR)



Online tenders (two part bid) are hereby invited for the following works through rates basis form the contractors listed in the appropriate class having A-class Electrical License. The dates of sale in receipt and opening of tenders are as per the detail given below. The detailed tender notification can also be downloaded free of cost from HPSEBL website http://www.hptenders.gov.in

Bidders would be required to register in the website, which is free of cost

Sr. No	Tender No.	Name of Work	NIT Amount (In Rs.)	Completion	Earnest Money Deposit (In Rs.)	Price of tender document i/c of GST
1	HPSEBL/ TED/NIT-15/ 2024-25	Tender for augmentation of existing 100 KVA,11/0.4kv s/stn. Nagwain into 250 KVA,11/0.4kv s/stn. in (E) Section Nagwain, USED, Nagwain.	3,76,251/-	2 Months	3763/-	Rs.560/- only (non- refundable)
2	HPSEBL/ TED/NIT-16/ 2024-25	Revised tender for providing 11KV HT line to the proposed 11/0.04KV 250 KVA S/stn. LWSS to the group of village in (E) section Garsa Under ESD Nagwain (Pump house at Neul Natauad) Stage- 1*. (on turn key basis)	10,29,623-	2 Months	10,296/-	Rs.560/- only (non- refundable)

31.08.2024 11:00 AM

31.08.2024 02:00 PM

10.09.2024 11:30 AM

आवश्यक सूचना नगर परिषद गोहाना के रेन्ट रिकार्ड के

नगर पारवद गाहाना क रन्ट रिकोड क अनुसार किराया दुकान न० 6 म्यू० कॉम्पलेक्स, गोहाना में श्री किशनलाल पुत्र थावर चंद बतौर किरायेदार दर्ज है। हरियाणा सरकार द्वारा जारी मुख्यमंत्री शहरी निकाय स्वामित्व योजना के तहत श्री किशनलाल पत्र थावर चंद द्वारा आवेदन किया गया था। परन्तु किशनलाल पुत्र थावर वंद की मृत्यु उपरांत 1— श्री राजीव कुमार, 2 सुमन रानी 3—पूनम रानी 4 मोनिका रानी द्वारा नगरपरिषद कार्यालय में अपना आवेदन पत्र के साथ किशनलाल पुत्र थावर चंद का मृत्यु प्रमाण पत्र, तहसीलदार गोहाना द्वारा . ससदीक / सत्यापित वारिसान रिपोर्ट व अन्य आवश्यक दस्तावेजों सहित प्रस्तत किया है। अतः आम जन-साधारण को इस नोटिस के माध्यम से सूचित किया जाता है कि यदि इस दुकान की किरायेदारी पर उपरोक्त आवेदकों का नाम दर्ज करने पर कोई एत्तराज/आपति है तो वह इस नोटिस प्रकाशन के 30 दिन के अंदर-अंदर नगरपरिषद कार्यालय गोहाना में अपना एतराज/आपति दस्तावेजो/सबूतों सहित प्रस्तुत करें। अन्यथा नोटिस अवधि गुजरने के बाद उक्त दुकान की किरायेदारी का दावा स्वीकार कर लिया जाएगा तथा सभी उपरोक्त वारसान को उसका लाभ दे दिया जिसके उपरान्त गोहाना की किसी प्रकार की कोई जिम्मेदारी



Public Notice

I, Meenakshi Sharma W/o Kamal Sharma R/o H.No. 2049, Hanuman Colony T.C.P. 3 Hisar Canth; Hisar (Haryana) along with my two sons Yogesh Sharma and Dinesh Ss/o Kamal Sharma are living and occupying the house of my father-in-law Krishna Gopal Pachauri (H.No. 2049, Hanuman Colony T.C.P. 3 Hisar Canth) since my marriage with Kamal Sharma and on the basis of the decision given in the court of Sh. Chandra Shekhar, Additional District Judge, Hisar in Civil Appeal No. 146-CA of 2014 on 30.10.2015 in my and my children sidvour, and if any person purchases the said house from Kamal Sharma S/o Krishna Gopal Pachauri and Manta Sharma W/o Suresh Sharma, then he himself will be responsible for it. I and my children will not be responsible for any action, transaction or action of the police administration in this regard. Applicant

ning to file us at the address filentioned erein below within 7 days from the date which e claim of claims, if any, of such person or ersons will be considered to have been aived and my client shall proceed with the isbursement of loan. (Please contact Ashish oel, Advocate, #2831, Sector-15, nchkula, M. No.98723333331)

So, if any Individual/Institution will claim anything regarding the missing documents, then contact undersigned. Ashish Goel & Associates,

PUBLIC NOTICE hat Sh. Munni Yaday W/o Sh. Uma Nand

adav (the Mortgagor) is purchasing the Booth o. 130-C, Phase-11, Sector-65, SAS Nagar fohali, from Smt. Kamlesh Chauhan W/O Sh. fahabir Singh (the seller), According to the eller, the below mentioned following

document is misplaced.
Original and Copy of Conveyance Deed dated 22.01.2019 bearing Vasika no. 4902 executed by PUDA/GMADA in in favour of Sh. Paras Nath S/o Sh. Shakalu Ram.
Photocopy of GPA dated 03.06.2009 bearing Vasika no. 220 executed by Sh. Paras Nath S/o Sh. Shakalu Ram in favour of Sm. Aprix and Tayour of Sm. Aprix Aprix and Tayour of S

o Sh. Shakalu Ram in favour of Smt. Anita

alon in Name and the min law of Sinth. Amada (an in W) o Sh. Brij Mohan. That Mortgagor has greed to create mortgage in favour of my ellients HDFC Bank Limited., in respect of blove said property. In this regard following DDR on dated 13.08.2024, LR No. 002517 (2024) in Busines Bolkes Station

quitable/registered or otherwise). How so

er are hereby requested to notify the same in

ing to me/us at the address mentioned

NAME CHANGE

I, Digvijay s/o Sh Sumeet Gill r/o House No. 74, Chanakya Puri, Rohtak Haryana, declare that I have added middle & surname to my name from

Digvijay to Digvijay Singh Gill, for all future purposes. Lost & Found

I Raghav Garg S/o Sh. Deepak Kumar Garg R/o Ward No.13, Village Mangtu Dobhi, Tehsil Gharaunda, Distt Karnal, declare that my Conveyance Deed Reg No.1994 dated 03-06-2010 SR Karnal and Sale Deed Reg No.10822 dated 12-03-2013 SR Karnal has been lost on dated 10.08.2024 in Sector-12 Karnal. if anybody found, Kindly return to above address. **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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-PAPER WITH PASSION-

A close contest!

The rural-urban divide and the Jat-non-Jat paradigm could be crucial in deciding the Haryana assembly elections

s Haryana gears up for its upcoming elections, the state's political landscape is rife with complexities that reflect broader societal uiviues. Control of the classical outcome. The recent request by the Bharatiya a crucial role in determining the electoral outcome. The recent request by the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) to the Election Commission of India (ECI) to change the polling date has added another layer of intrigue to an already charged atmosphere. Haryana's political fabric is deeply influenced by the rural-urban divide, a reflection of the state's socioeconomic disparities. The urban areas, particularly key centres like Gurugram, Faridabad, and Rohtak, have traditionally been BJP strongholds. These cities, with their high migrant populations, represent a significant voter base for the BJP. However, the upcoming election is complicated by the timing of the polling date. Scheduled for October 1, the date falls within a period that could easily be extended into a six-day holiday, thanks to over-



lapping weekends and public holidays. The BJP fears that urban voters, particularly those in the NCR, may choose to use this extended break to travel, thereby potentially lowering voter turnout in areas where the party has a stronghold. Historically, rural turnout in Haryana has been higher than urban turnout, which could tilt the scales against the BJP if urban voters

Another crucial factor in the upcoming elections is the Jat-non-Jat divide. Jats, who form a dominant social group in Haryana, have traditionally been aligned with the Congress, especially in rural areas. The BJP, on the other hand, has found support among the non-

Jat communities, particularly in urban regions. This division was evident in the 2024 general elections, where the BJP won all five Lok Sabha seats in non-Jat dominated areas. The BJP's support base in rural areas has been eroded, particularly among Jats, who have been disillusioned by the central government's response to their protests. The Congress is working to capitalise on this discontent by consolidating a Jat-Dalit-Muslim alliance in rural areas, which could pose a significant challenge to the BJP. In light of these challenges, the BJP's request to change the polling date has sparked controversy. The party argues that the potential for a long weekend could lead to lower voter turnout, particularly in urban areas where it has a strong base. The Congress has dismissed the BJP's request for date change as a sign of nervousness. The Election Commission's decision on the date change will be crucial, as it could influence the electoral outcome in a state where every vote counts. With ten years of incumbency and a narrowing margin of victory, the BJP is leaving no stone unturned to secure a favourable result. Whether the ECI will accommodate the BJP's request remains to be seen, but the upcoming elections in Haryana are shaping up to be a closely contest-



Visitors at India Gate enjoy the rains in New Delhi

How media shapes public perception



In a world where sensationalism often trumps substance, it's time to rethink how we engage with the news and what it says about the society we've built.

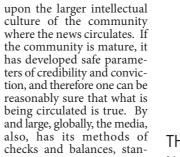
he last few weeks have seen some major convulsions at the basic level of the Indian society The listing can be long, depending upon the predisposition and values of the person making a list, or indeed brief if this person wants to strike a judgmental posture on what he considers important. This debate can merit its own resolution but the common-sense approach would make it obvious that the NEET examination and the Kolkata rape and murder episode have touched a very large number of minds and people who are in touch with the media.

This itself raises another basic question. That has to do with the role of the media in attributing to an episode both circulation and importance. The reach and mode of the media become critical in identifying an issue and formulating it. One of the farthest reach of a media is through the radio. By and large, the radio is controlled by governmental agencies. This is followed by television, which is controlled both by the government and by some powerful private media houses. Both clusters claim a popular following, and both are accused of biases.

Hence, to a fairly complicated question on what constitutes much of the news, there is a plausible answer: that which the media of the day decides to project and sustain as news. Thus it is that the role of governance/ownership of the mode of the media, in the identification of news, and sustaining it becomes critical. This brings us to a basic ques-

tion: what constitutes news and how is it maintained at the frontlines?

What is projected in so-called news is impossible for a private citizen to verify. That raises the question of the creditability of a channel. The creditability of the channel is itself a matter of popular perception, and it is also nurtured by reputation and gravity and implications of the statements and exposures above, which both of these cases conviction. To understand the one has to realize that news is have received, is this the both essential and dependent only news which affected



Hence, whereas it may be a worthwhile debate to consider what constitutes news: origin, sustenance, and dissemination of news has certain standards across the globe. These, are like many things in life, having largely acknowledged standards without much vagouness. These are considered givens of a civil society. Hence the conclusion that if

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the general media projects something, it must be the truth, or at least the truth in good faith. Reference has been made

above to the NEET episode and the Kolkata murder and rape case. The jury is out on both cases, and a conclusions are awaited. The civil society is maintained on such pillars. However, two questions



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the wellbeing of the people, and is there a question of the proportion and inter-se importance of news? To debate the importance of both of the two episodes mentioned above would be a pointless exercise. However, by the same token, it is true that there are other activities effecting every-day living and have been, in a manner

Hence, after resolving the concerns related to creditability arises an issue of the relative importance of the items being reported. It would be a common place to say that sensational news spreads faster and catches more attention than routine news, no matter how important it may be. Good news travels slower and catches less attention.

of speaking, overlooked.

The healthiness of a society needs to be assessed against objective indicators of health, and clearly one of them would be how much mileage does a positive news get as compared to the mileage a negative news gets.

The strength of a society comes not only from handling the unhappy episodes which lead to news but also from giving positive news the importance that it deserves. It is here again that the media need continuous help in introspection. The basic truth

is also that it is not some intransient strength and weakness of the media that sustains its life but the economic forces which nurture its existence.

As indicated above, if the media disseminates sensational information, it is because that kind of information is read more widely and followed more avidly. The problem therefore originates not just with the media but with the people who use the media. Further, it becomes a question of mass contact and mobilization of mass opin-

The time has come when one needs to revisit what constitutes a civil society and how a civil society exercises its choices and preferences. The economic and financial flows merely run in the channels which have been created with such efforts. Essentially, therefore, a question is: what is the kind of society which one has given to oneself and how do its norms get modified and operated, also,

through the media? As indicated above, this is merely the sub-structure to a much larger edifice that the society has built for itself.

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Emotional intelligence: The secret of outstanding leadership



As the next era of leadership unfolds, the demand for emotionally intelligent leaders has never been clearer—are you ready to rise to the challenge?

doday's corporate climate is fast-paced and continually evolving. Emotional intelligence (EI) is the secret weapon that distinguishes great pioneers from average ones; it is accompanied by a long list of excellent technical qualifications. But what precisely is this elu-

sive talent, and why is it becoming a defining characteristic of outstanding leaders?It is the ability to control our emotions and understand and empathise with others. It forms a link between self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, and relationship management.

To speak more specifically to leaders, emotional intelligence is not only desirable but even more crucial for leaders than the desire to influence others and inspire their teams to greatness. This is where EI comes into play, somewhat like the oil that keeps the motor of leadership running. Emotionally intelligent leaders express ideas with clarity and empathy, make judgements based on both logic and emotion and maintain strong team morale and productivity.

storm rather than be tossed by it, and instead look to harness it for growth and innovation.But how do aspiring leaders cultivate this crucial

It begins with reflection. Frequent self-analytical practices, such as journaling or meditation, may promote insight. Encouraging feedback—even the difficult kind—and viewing failures as opportunities for improvement are also important com-

The most critical aspect is empathy and listening to others rather than simply hearing them. This final trait will propel a good leader to new heights. Take, for example, Microsoft CEO Satya Nadella. Since the beginning of his term in 2014, he has been They prefer to ride out the considered as the driving

force behind the company's cultural shift from fierce competitiveness to collaborative innovation. So, what's the magic? A leadership style relies mostly on emotional intelligence. Empathy-driven continuous learning and development mindset not only rebuilt Microsoft's reputation but also its financial performance to unprecedented heights. Another excellent example is Jacinda Ardern, the former Prime Minister of New Zealand.

Ardern's leadership style, which includes speaking with compassion, making clear tough decisions, and uniting the country in the face of tragedy, highlights the importance of emotional intelligence in political leadership. Looking ahead, it is clear that one aspect of good lead-

ership will remain central: emotional intelligence. While the next wave of technology will undoubtedly replace occupations in the future, leaders in any area will need to possess increasingly humane qualities such as empathy, self-awareness, and emotional regulation.The message is clear: to be an effective leader in the twenty-first century, we must continue to improve our emotional intelligence alongside our technical proficiency. Whether you aspire to be an established CEO or a team leader, investing in your emotional intelligence can pay you in terms of career success and personal fulfilment.

Remember that developing emotional intelligence is a lifetime journey that promises to improve not only your leadership style but also your overall approach to life and relationships. As leaders, we commit to leaving a legacy based on how we make others feel and the relationships we build. The future of leadership is in emotional intelligence: isn't it time you took the initiative?

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A STATUE OF POLITICAL EXPEDIENCY Madam — The recently collapsed stat-

ue of Shivaji in Maharashtra, is a grim reflection of political expediency. That a statue of one of the most revered and respected figures of Maharashtra has collapsed barely nine months after its inauguration, speaks volumes about the malpractices that must have gone into the installation of a statue that was expected to last a good part of a centu-

Instead of expressing remorse and regret, the political class is doing what it knows best — ducking responsibility and pointing fingers. The pedestal and all that remains of the statue ought to be cordoned off, and preserved as a reminder of the gross failure of the present day dispensation. Near it, a stone plaque should read — This site is an admission of the government's failure to do justice to the memory of Chatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, whose statue collapsed just nine months after it was dedicated to the people of Maharashtra.

We promise that this will never happen again. We hope to be forgiven by the people of the state with whose money the statue project was commissioned. To atone for our grave mistake, another statue is being constructed nearby. We assure you that it will last many many years and be a fitting tribute to a historical figure who is so dear to our hearts. I know too well that the shameful episode will soon be forgotten by our netas as well as the public.

Avinash Godboley | Dewas

IMPLEMENT MISSION SHAKTI

Madam — Many people are prone to depression due to the harsh realities of life like low income, pollution, bad relationships, lack of education, etc. During this post-depression, if a person does not hope to become well, then it is a sign of mental illness. The consequences of inaction are dire. Without effective support systems, women in the country are left vulnerable to violence, harass- action to fully implement initiatives like

The logic of Changing election date

THE EDITOR



■ aryana BJP's State Election Management Committee has logically put forward the view that there is a weekend holiday before the assembly election date on October

failing our women. The outrage over the

incident in Kolkata should serve as a

wake-up call for the nation. We cannot

afford to delay any longer. We need

immediate action to fully implement

Mission Shakti in a broader sense and

the narrow minded approach of neglect-

In conclusion, addressing the root caus-

es of depression and systemic failures is

crucial to ensuring the safety and well-

being of women in our country. The

recent incident in Kolkata is a stark

reminder that we cannot continue to

ignore the harsh realities faced by

women daily. It's time for collective

ing women must be a priority.

has also agreed to postpone the assembly elections. Opposition parties are hell-bent on condemning every aspect of the ruling party. Chief Election Commissioner Rajiv Kumar has expressed concern over low voting percentage where people use long weekend holidays on the day of polling. Shifting the election dates will definitely help in increasing the voting percentage. Earlier

also, the dates of elections were changed in Rajasthan, Mizoram and Arunachal Pradesh. Therefore, the change of date is not important but the change of mind of voters will be more meaningful. The election Commission is a statutory independent body and should remain firm on its stand rather than bowing to the political pressure which often times is self serving than for the public good.

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ment and exploitation. Every day, sto-Mission Shakti and move beyond narries emerge of women who have been row-minded neglect. Only by prioritizing women's safety and mental health failed by the very systems that were supposed to protect them. These are not just can we hope to create a society where isolated incidents; they are symptoms of every woman is protected, respected, and empowered. The time for change is a much larger problem – a systemic failure to prioritise women's safety. It's time that the country wakes up to the harsh K Subramaniam | Mumbai realities and takes a hard look at where we stand and acknowledge that we are

REVIVAL OF VIVACITY

Madam — As an avid reader of The Pioneer, I am delighted to see that Vivacity is being published regularly for the past few months. I always enjoy reading Vivacity and Agenda, the reviews about art exhibitions, culture and movies being my personal favourites. Your past few features have been great, especially the Rakshbandhan one. Today, I read about the Heritage Walk and I will definitely visit Purana Qila now. The food review section is and has always been

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UKRAINE: INDIA'S DIPLOMATIC TIGHTROPE

PM Modi's historic Ukraine visit signals new foreign policy approach



KUMARDEEP BANERJEE

rime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Ukraine, last week, comes at an interesting churn of events on the geopolitical landscape. The visit, a first, by any Indian PM since Ukraine was first carved out as an independent sovereign nation, had many layers of interpretations regarding India's new foreign policy approach. The timing was significant as this trip came barely six weeks after PM Modi's state visit to Moscow. The Russia trip was widely criticised by India's strategic ally US, primarily due to the timing.

Even as PM Modi was in Moscow, the NATO leaders were huddled together in Washington, discussing military aid for Ukraine. Meanwhile, Russia bombed a children's hospital in Ukraine leading to the loss of lives for civilians and children. President Zelenskyy had condemned India's PM's first visit to Russia during his third term and the US State Department had also issued stern statements regarding the trip. Indian PM had also avoided participating in the Peace Summit organised in June, to find a political solution to the Russia-Ukraine crisis. The recent visit by PM Modi to Ukraine, even as Defence Minister Rajnath Singh was in Washington DC was a statement regarding India's fine balance diplomacy in times of war. President Biden, called up the Indian PM soon after his visit to Ukraine to apprise him of the prevailing situation.

The readout released from the White House read "President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. spoke today with Prime Minister Narendra Modi of India to discuss the Prime Minister's recent trip to Poland and Ukraine, as well as the United Nations General Assembly meetings in September. The



President commended the Prime Minister for his historic visits to Poland and Ukraine, the first by an Indian Prime Minister in decades, and for his message of peace and ongoing humanitarian support for Ukraine, including its energy sector. The Leaders affirmed their continued support for a peaceful resolution of the conflict by international law, on the basis of the UN Charter." Interestingly, the Indian PM also spoke to President Biden regarding the ongoing crisis in Bangladesh and expressed concern regarding the safety of minorities, especially Hindus, which was highlighted in the Indian statement after the telephone conversation.

The Bangladesh situation omission from the White House readout did create some murmurs across Delhi corridors. India is now making efforts to have its own Europe policy, which is not curated with a Russia factor in mind. For several decades post-independence, the Cold War era, the block approach mostly guided India's foreign policy, especially where Russia was involved. Russia has been a long-standing ally of India and is also one of the biggest exporters of defence equipment.

While maintaining silence on sensitive Russia-related topics has been India's long-standing approach, things began to change in the past few years. There is a growing sense of having an independent need-based foreign policy, amongst the top policymakers. PM Modi initiated the concept of "not a time for war" at multilateral platforms such as G20, which started finding global resonance when vocalising concerns regarding Ukraine and Russia. He upped the narrative with his clear message to Russia during his Moscow visit that permanent solutions could not be found on the battlefield. The joint statement issued post PM Modi's meeting with President Zelenskyy read

The Indian side reiterated its principled position and focus on peaceful resolution through dialogue and diplomacy. Prime Minister Modi reiterated the need for sincere and practical engagement between all stakeholders to develop innovative solutions that will have broad acceptability and contribute towards early restoration of peace." The message to global leaders, particularly the US and Russia that the recent PM Modi visit highlighted was that India is willing to engage with any nation, even if they may be in opposite camps, to find the best possible outcomes

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

Prospects of privatisation of PSUs are bleak



UTTAM GUPTA

As the Modi government shifts its strategy towards 'prudent public wealth management' the prospect of privatising PSBs are increasingly unlikely.



nnouncing Modi - government's policy on disinvestment of central public sector undertakings (CPSUs) in her Budget speech for FY 2021-22 the Union Finance Minister, Nirmala Sitharaman had talked of privatizing two public sector banks (PSBs) and one insur-

A CPSU is an undertaking in which the Central government has majority share holding of more than 50 percent. Disinvestment refers to sale of its shares to private investors. When, such sale results in reduction of the government's shareholding in the CPSU to below 50 percent and concomitant transfer of ownership and management control to

private entity, this is termed as privatization. The disinvestment plans have met with disappointing results so far.

During 2021-22, against a target of Rs 175,000 crore, the actual proceeds from share sale of CPSUs were a meager Rs 15,440 crore. During 2022-23, against a target of Rs 65,000 crore, the actual was Rs 31,059 crore. For 2023-24, the actual was Rs 14,564 crore against a target of Rs 30,000 crore which itself was watered down from the budget estimate (BE) of Rs 51,000 crore. privatization, except for the safe of Air India to the Tata Group during 2021-22, the government has little to show. Apart from offloading 3.5 percent of its shareholding in the Life Insurance Corporation (LIC), it is selling its stake in the IDBI Bank. The process of selling the latter that started in May 2021 is likely to get consummated during the current FY.

However, it can't be termed as privatization as already the bank was operating as a private lender even as the Centre became its passive shareholder consequent to capital infusions to manage former's bad debt losses. Currently, the government and the LIC collectively own 94.72 per cent of IDBI Bank with shareholding of 45.48 percent and 49.24 percent respectively (the remaining 5.28 percent is with Public shareholders). Of this, the Centre plans to sell a 60.7 percent stake, comprising 30.5 per cent of its own and 30.2 percent of LIC's.

Will the Centre take up selling of PSBs and an insurance company - as promised in the 2021-22 budget?

It seems unlikely. If, that were to be the case,

AS FOR PRIVATISATION, **EXCEPT FOR THE** SALE OF AIR INDIA TO THE TATA GROUP DURING 2021-22, GOVERNMENT

HAS LITTLE TO SHOW. APART FROM **OFFLOADING 3.5** PERCENT OF ITS SHAREHOLDING IN THE LIFE **INSURANCE CORPORATION**

(LIC), IT IS SELLING ITS STAKE IN THE IDBI BANK.

the government ought to have set a target for 'receipts from disinvestment in its budget for 2024-25. But, it hasn't even as the FM has made a provision for Rs 50,000 crore under the head "miscellaneous capital receipts". This has happened for te first time in a decade. Second, Team Modi is reviewing its

strategy to shift its focus from selling CPSUs to what it euphemistically describes as 'prudent public wealth management (PWM), supporting not-for-profit enterprises, and ensuring strong presence of state-run firms in strategic sectors'. Banking, insurance and financial services (BIFS) were one of the four strategic sectors mentioned by Nirmala Sitharaman in her budget speech for 2021-22.

BIFS also qualifies for not-for-profit enterprises categorization espe-cially when it comes to PSBs which are expected to contribute to realizing social objectives such as reaching out banking services to remote and inaccessible areas; making concessional credit available to small and marginal farmers and other vulnerable/deprived sections of the society; funding infrastructure development particularly in areas (for instance, rural roads, housing for the poor etc) where private banks may not be so keen to come.

Modi - government's commitment to a strong presence of state-run firms in strategic sectors juxtaposed with support for not-for-profit enterprises clearly signals that it has lost interest in privatizing PSBs and insurance companies.

Third, unlike the previous two terms when BJP had an absolute majority in the Lok Sabha on its own, in the third term, it depends on the support from its major allies namely TDP and JD (U) for implementing far reaching decisions such as privatization. Moreover, in the current political environment wherein even a small move such as 'lateral entry' of specialists from the considerations other than merit private sector (the sole intent and got them ever-greened (taking

behind this step was to deliver more effective governance in sync with contemporary challenges) is opposed by the opposition parties forcing the government to retreat, it wouldn't be inclined to make a big move such as privatization of

About a decade back, many of PSBs were on the brink. The present dispensation has made a lot of efforts to them pull back. These included amongst others capital infusion, enactment of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC) for expeditious resolution of non-performing assets (NPAs), banks consolidation into fewer entities for achieving scale and greater efficiencies, computerization of bank branches and so on. Today, they are robust and healthy even as the performance of some of them is even better than private banks. this is fine.

But, we shouldn't miss the big picture. Fundamentally, most of the ills associated with the functioning of CPSUs including PSBs have a lot to do with their continued majority ownership (share holding of more than 50 percent) and control by the government. This brings them under a plethora of controls and monitoring/surveillance/vigilance and has the effect of shack-

ling its management.
Armed with it, the political establishment makes all board level appointments viz. CMD/MD etc and deputes bureaucrats on a bank's board to represent its overwhelming ownership. In other words, the entire board is geared to listen to his master's voice (read the political bosses) when it comes to taking policy decisions or even in its day-to-day running. In the past, meddling in the affairs of PSBs took the form of what came to be known as the cult of 'crony capitalism'.

The businessmen patronized by the ruling class managed loans on

a new loan to payback the earlier one). Neither, the banks insisted on repayment, nor the defaulters had any sense of fear as those who were expected to take action, chose not

In the past, the political brass also rode piggy back on PSBs for absorbing losses/liabilities created by populist policies such as supplying power to farmers and households at subsidized rates, (or even free in some states). Be it a spate of bail-outs given to power distribution companies (discoms) or loan waivers given to farmers etc, these inflicted heavy loss on PSBs. zhe idea of disinvesting PSBs

should be seen as a befitting response to the dire need for reducing bureaucratic interference and granting autonomy to their management for speedy decisions and improved functioning. It was first mooted by the NDA - dispensation under the then, prime minister Vajpayee (1999-2004). It had proposed reduction in government's shareholding in PSBs to less than 50 percent initially and eventually to 33 ercent.

In 2015, a RBI committee headed by P Nayak recommended setting up of a bank investment company (BIC) where all government shares in PSBs will be vested and divestment of its shareholding in all PSBs to below 50 percent. It also proposed setting up of an autonomous Bank Boards Bureau (BBB) to select their top management.

In 2020, the RBI recommended reduction in the shareholding of the government in six top PSBs to 51 percent. In a follow up meeting, it went a step further to recommend reduction in government's stake to 26 percent. The 2021-22 budget announcement to privatize two PSBs was a good step forward, though belated. To put it on the backburner now doesn't bode well for banks' health in the long-term.

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Global interference and India's economic sovereignty

As India rises to become a global superpower, it faces challenges not only from within but also from international entities that aim to disrupt its economic and political stability

⊣he prosperity and progress of a nation hinge on the efficiency of its governance, particularly in upholding the rule of law by those in top constitutional, administrative, and judicial positions. This also involves the transparency and accountability of regulatory regimes across various sectors of law and economy. In our modern era, characterized by freedom, equality, and democracy, many developing countries have emerged from the shadows of colonialism. Despite independence, the remnants of colonialism persist in governance and social structures, and former colonial powers often carry a lingering sense of superiority. This is evident in their interventions in other countries, where they create



political and economic crises under the guise of promoting cosmopolitan values.

These interventions are particularly harmful to independent and dynamic leaders in Third World countries. A recent example is the destabilization of the Hasina Wazed government in Bangladesh, fueled by agitation with foreign backing. In recent years, such external forces have formed an

referred to as the "deep state." This group, supported by a segment of religious extremists and a political elite, acts against their own country's interests for selfish reasons.

This insidious influence is spreading to stable democracies like India. Direct military intervention is difficult in modern times, so these forces resort to destabilizing social, political, and economic fabrics with the help of internal col-

They present themselves as the arbiters of morality, creating narratives to discredit certain groups, undermine social harmony, and ultimately destabilize economies. Their goal is to generate public unrest and overthrow democratically elected governments by erodinternational cartel, often ing the state's capacity to man-

age public welfare. This is a fallout of globalization and an attempt to reassert hegemonic control.

One prominent example is the Hindenburg Research firm, which targeted Adani Enterprises last year, leading to a severe crash in the Indian stock market and a major political storm just before the 2024 Lok Sabha elections. The Congress party seized the

opportunity, and the Supreme Court ordered an inquiry, which eventually discredited Hindenburg's report. However, this month, Hindenburg targeted the SEBI Chairperson, accusing her of investing in Adani companies abroad. Both SEBI and Adani Group denied any wrongdoing, explaining that the investments were made before she took on her



role at SEBI. Similar uproar was seen when the Rafale aircraft deal was signed in 2015. When Hindenburg first targeted Adani, it made a profit of \$4 million, while Adani lost \$153 million in market value. However, this time, the public saw through the ruse, dismissing it as the tantrum of a disgruntled entity.

establish subsidiaries abroad, and such activities are always under regulatory surveillance, operating within the law.

Historically, India lacked a robust private sector, with Tata being the only notable corporate entity during the era of the "license raj." However, thanks to economic liberalization under the Narsimha Rao government, the private sector has grown significantly and now contributes around 27% of the country's GDP. The Indian private sector is now a crucial engine for employment, service delivery, capital flow, and industrial growth. The public sector, on the other hand, focuses on activities serving the general public, funded by tax revenues. Gautam Adani's conglomerate plays a central It is common for companies to role in India's ambition to

become the third-largest economy, with its involvement in key sectors like electricity, port management, mining, natural gas, and infrastructure.

Among the top taxpayers in 2022-2023, only the State Bank of India (SBI) was a public sector entity, with Reliance Industries leading the list, followed by SBI and HDFC. The GDP at constant prices in May 2024 was tentatively estimated by the Indian Statistical Office at Rs173.82 lakh crore, with real Gross Value Added at Rs158.74 lakh crore for 2023-24, marking an 8% increase over the previous year. Various private sector industries played a pivotal role in this growth. Adani Group dominated the list of top value gainers in 2022, adding Rs 8.42 lakh crore to investor wealth.

When any country challenges the supremacy of these foreign powers, they attempt to destroy it by spending vast sums of money. The 'Make in India' initiative is gradually positioning Adani as a global industrial leader, alongside other Indian giants like Ambani, Tata, and Mahindra. India's technological advancements and the so1cietal contributions of companies like Tata are gaining recognition. This is precisely why foreign forces forge alliances with frustrated leaders and antinational elements, funding them to gain control over governance. The current government must take stronger actions rather than merely offering rhetoric.

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Israel kills prominent militant | EU urged to rethink ties

AP TULKAREM

The Israeli military said it killed five more militants, including a local commander, early Thursday in the West Bank as it pressed ahead with what appeared to be the deadliest military operation in the occupied territory since the start of the war in Gaza.

Israel says the simultane ous raids across the northern West Bank — which have killed a total of 16 people, nearly all militants, since late Tuesday – are aimed at preventing attacks.

The Palestinians see them as a widening of the Israel-Hamas war aimed at perpetuating Israel's decades-long military rule over the territory

The Islamic Jihad militant confirmed that Mohammed Jaber, known as Abu Shujaa, was killed during a raid in the city of Tulkarem. He became a hero for many Palestinians earlier in the year when he was reported killed in an Israeli operation, only to make a surprise appearance at the funeral of other militants, where he was hoisted onto the shoulders of a cheering crowd.

The military said he was

killed early Thursday along with

four other militants in a shootout with Israeli forces after the five had hidden inside a mosque. It said Abu Shujaa was linked to numerous attacks on Israelis, including a deadly shooting in June, and was planning more. The military said another militant was arrested in the operation in Tulkarem, and that a member of Israel's paramilitary Border Police was lightly wounded.

Israel launched a large-scale operation in the West Bank overnight into Wednesday. Hamas said 10 of its fighters were killed in different locations, and the Palestinian Health Ministry reported an 11th death, without saying whether he was a fighter or a civilian

The overall toll of 16 killed in less than two days would make it the deadliest Israeli operation in the West Bank since Hamas October 7 attack out of Gaza ignited the war there. The Palestinian Health Ministry says over 650 Palestinians have been killed in the West Bank since the start of the war. Most appear to have been militants killed in gunbattles during Israeli operations like the one this week, but civilian bystanders and rock-throwing protesters have also been

killed, and the territory saw a surge of settler violence. Israel says the operations are required to prevent attacks on its citizens which have also risen since the start of the war. Israel captured the West Bank, the Gaza Strip and east Jerusalem in the 1967 Mideast war, and the Palestinians want all three territories for their future state.

The 3 million Palestinians in the West Bank live under seemingly open-ended Israeli military rule, with the Western-backed Palestinian Authority administering towns and cities. Over 500,000 Jewish settlers, who have Israeli citizenship, live in well over 100 settlements across the territory that most of the international community considers illegal.

The raids have focused on refugee camps that date back to the 1948 war surrounding Israel's creation, in which around 700,000 Palestinians fled or were driven out of what is now Israel. Many of the camps are militant strongholds.

Hamas repeated its calls for Palestinians in the West Bank to rise up, calling the raids part of a larger plan to expand the war in Gaza. The militant group has called on security forces loyal to

the Western-backed Palestinian Authority, which cooperate with Israel, to "join the sacred battle of our people". Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas has also condemned the Israeli raids, but his forces were not expected to get involved.

The war in Gaza erupted when Hamas-led militants stormed into southern Israel and rampaged through army bases and farming communities, killing some 1,200 people, mostly civilians, and abducting around 250. The militants are still holding 108 hostages, around a third of whom are believed to be dead, after most of the rest were released during a November cease-fire.

Israel responded with an offensive that has killed over 40,000 Palestinians, according to Gaza's Health Ministry, which does not say how many were militants. Around 90 per cent of Gaza's population has been displaced, often multiple times, and Israeli bombardment and ground operations have caused vast destruction.

The United States, Qatar and Egypt have spent months trying to mediate a cease-fire that would see the remaining hostages released.

with Israel over Gaza

AP BRUSSELS

The European Union must The European Commerce rethink its relations with Israel as the death toll mounts in Gaza and the West Bank and impose sanctions on some Israeli government ministers accused of fomenting racial hatred, Ireland and the bloc's top diplomat said on Thursday.

At a meeting of EU foreign ministers in Brussels, Ireland's foreign minister accused Israel of deliberately targeting civilians as well as Hamas militants with the military campaign it launched almost 11 months ago.

"This is a war against Palestinians not just against Hamas. The level of civilian casualties and dead is unconscionable," Micheal Martin told reporters. "It's a war on the population. No point in trying to fudge this."

Israel's offensive in Gaza has killed over 40,000 people, according to local health officials, displaced 90 per cent of the population and destroyed its main cities. Hamas has lost thousands of fighters and much of its militant infrastructure.

Violence has also surged in the

West Bank since Hamas' October 7 attack inside southern Israel ignited the war there. Israel launched a large-scale operation in the West Bank this week, in which Hamas said 10 of its fighters were killed in different locations.

Martin said a legal opinion issued by the International Court of Justice that Israel's occupation of Gaza and the West Bank is unlawful obliges the EU to take action. The Palestinians have hailed it as "a watershed moment for Palestine, for justice and for international law'

'It cannot be business as usual," Martin told reporters. "It is very clear to us that international humanitarian law has been broken." Ties between the EU and Israel – which are major trading partners – are governed by a socalled Association Agreement. Ireland and Spain have been pressing their EU partners to examine whether Israel has broken the rules. The EU is the world's top provider of aid to the Palestinians but holds little leverage over Israel, notably because the 27 member countries are deeply divided in their approach. Austria, Germany and Hungary are staunch backers of Israel, while Ireland and Spain are more vocal in their support for the Palestinians. Nonetheless the bloc does have credibility as a European project founded on

EU foreign policy chief Josep Borrell, with the backing of Ireland, urged the ministers to consider imposing sanctions on certain members of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's right-wing cabinet over their remarks about the war in Gaza. 'Some Israeli ministers have been launching hateful messages, unacceptable hateful messages, against the Palestinians and proposing things that go clearly against international law and is an (incitement) to commit more crimes," Borrell said.Borrell did not name the ministers, but earlier this month he criticised Israel's Finance Minister Bezalel Smotrich for suggesting that the starvation of Gaza's population of more than 2 million people "might be just and moral" until hostages captured in the October 7 attack are

HK court convicts two journalists in landmark sedition case

Hong Kong (AP): A Hong Kong court convicted two former editors of a shuttered news outlet on Thursday, in a sedition case widely seen as a barometer for the future of media freedoms in the city once hailed as a bastion of free press in Asia. Stand News former editor-in-

chief Chung Pui-kuen and former acting editor-in-chief Patrick Lam were arrested in December 2021. They pleaded not guilty to the charge of conspiracy to publish and reproduce seditious publications. Their trial was Hong Kong's first involving media since the former British colony returned to Chinese rule in 1997. Stand News was one of the city's last media outlets that openly criticised the government amid a crackdown on dissent that followed massive pro-democracy protests in 2019. It was shut down just months after the pro-democracy Apple Daily newspaper, whose jailed founder Jimmy Lai is fighting collusion charges under a sweeping national security law enacted in 2020.

Chung and Lam were charged under a colonial-era sedition law that has been used increasingly to crush dissidents. They face up to two years in prison and a fine of 5,000 Hong Kong dollars (about USD 640) for a first offense.

Best Pencil (Hong Kong) Ltd., the outlet's holding company, was convicted on the same charge. It had no representatives during the trial, which began in October 2022. Judge Kwok Wai-kin said in his written judgement that Stand News' became a tool for smearing the Beijing and Hong Kong governments during the 2019 protests. He said a conviction is deemed proportional "when speech, in the relevant context is deemed to have caused potential damage to national security and intends to seriously undermine the authority of gies", or smeared the security law and law enforcement offi-

Iran gas leak kills 2, hurts 10

AP DUBAI

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Transan others at an Iranian Revolutionary Guard centre, Iranian state television reported Thursday. The leak occurred on Wednesday night at a workshop belonging to the Guard in Isfahan province, and the injured people were transferred to a hospital for treatment, it

The Isfahan Provincial Guard identified the dead as Capt. Mojtaba Nazari and Lt. Col. Mokhtar Morshedi, the report

The Guard's statement did not say if the two senior officers died from being asphyxiated by gas or if the gas leak caused an explosion. It did not say how the people were injured or give other details

A number of deadly explosions at Revolutionary Guard facilities have in recent years. The most notable came in 2011, when a blast at a missile base near Tehran killed 17 people including Commander Hassan Tehrani Moghaddam, who led the paramilitary force's missile

Initially, authorities described the blast as an accident, though a former prisoner later said the Guard interrogated him on suspicion that Israel caused the explosion.

Tensions have remained high since Hamas' top political leader, Ismail Haniyeh, was killed on July 31 in the Iranian

Iran accused Israel of killing Haniyeh, but Israel has not taken responsibility. Iranian top officials vowed to retaliate against Israel for the death of

Israeli officials rarely acknowledge operations carried out by the country's secret military units or its Mossad intelligence agency. However, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has long considered Iran to be the biggest threat his nation

In April, Iranian air defences at a major air base and at a nuclear site near the central city of Isfahan were employed against an assault in retaliation for Tehran's unprecedented droneand-missile assault on Israel In January 2023, bomb-carrying drones struck a defense fac tory in the central city of Isfahan, while in April 2023, the country's air defence systems shot down a drone strike on an Isfahan defence factory.

Tehran faces challenges as its nuclear programme rapidly enriches uranium closer than ever to weapons-grade levels since the collapse of its atomic accord with world powers.

Iran's central Isfahan province has been of interest to Israel because many of Iran's nuclear facilities are located there. The underground Natanz nuclear facility, located in the province, is the country's main uranium enrichment facility. There, centrifuges rapidly spin uranium hexafluoride gas to enrich ura-

Iran sees Israel as a prime suspect in launching a series of attacks on Iran, including an April 2021 assault on its underground Natanz nuclear facility that damaged its centrifuges. In 2020, Iran blamed Israel for a sophisticated attack that killed its top military nuclear scientist.

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Top Chinese general tells US to stop colluding with Taiwan in meeting with security adviser

A top Chinese military offi-cer, in a rare meeting with a visiting American official, demanded Thursday that the United States stop "collusion" with Taiwan, the selfgoverning island that China says must come under its

Gen. Zhang Youxia, one of two vice chairs of the Central Military Commission, told White House National Security Adviser Jake Sullivan that promoting what China calls the reunification of Taiwan with the mainland is the mission and responsibility" of the military, according to a statement from China's Defence Ministry.

Sullivan was wrapping up a three-day trip to China, his first as national security adviser and one aimed at maintaining communication

spiralling into conflict. Both governments are eager to keep relations on an even keel ahead of a change in the US presidency in January.

Your request to meet with me shows the value you attach to military security and the relationship between our militaries," Zhang said in brief opening remarks. Sullivan said "it is rare that we have the oppor-

tunity to have this kind of

exchange" and underscored 'the need for us to responsibly manage US-China rela-The meeting came one day after the White House said that both countries would plan for a phone call between Chinese President Xi Jinping and President Joe Biden in

the coming weeks. There was

no indication whether the

two leaders might meet in

person before Biden leaves the Oval Office. The announcement followed Sullivan's main talks on this

trip, a day and a half of meetings with Wang Yi, the foreign minister and the ruling Communist Party's top foreign policy official. The US doesn't recognise Taiwan as an independent country but is its main supplier of arms for its defence. China and Taiwan split in 1949 at the end of a civil war that brought the communists to power in China. The rival Nationalists fled to Taiwan, where they set up a government on the island about 160 kilometres across the Taiwan Strait from the Chinese coast. "China demands that the United States stop military collusion between the US and Taiwan, stop arming Taiwan and stop spreading false narratives about Taiwan," the Chinese Defence Ministry statement said, without elaborating on what the false narratives are. A White House statement said the two had "recognised the progress in sustained, regular military-military

past ten months" and noted an agreement announced the previous day to hold a tele phone call between commanders at the theatre-level in the near future. On Taiwan, the US statement said only that Sullivan had raised the importance of cross-Strait peace and stability. China suspended communication between the two militaries and in a few other fields after a senior US lawmaker, then-House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, visited Taiwan in August 2022. Talks were only gradually resumed more than a year later, after Xi and Biden met outside San Francisco in November. A theatre-level call would be between Adm. Samuel Paparo, who heads the US Indo-Pacific Command in Hawaii, and his Chinese counterpart, said Danny Russel, a vice president at the Asia Society Policy Institute in New York.

the Chinese central government or the Hong Kong government, and that it must be stopped". The case was centred on 17 articles. Prosecutors said some promoted "illegal ideolo-

Harris, Walz will sit down for first major TV interview

Vice President Kamala Harris and her running mate, Minnesota Gov. Tim Walz, will sit down Thursday for their first major television interview of their presidential campaign as the duo travels in southeast Georgia on a bus

The interview with CNN's Dana Bash will give Harris a chance to quell criticism that she has eschewed uncontrolled environments, while also giving her a fresh platform to define her campaign and test her political mettle ahead of an upcoming debate with former President Donald Trump set for September 10. But it also carries risk as her team tries to build on momentum from the ticket shakeup following Joe Biden's exit and last week's Democratic National Convention. Joint interviews during an election year are a fixture in politics; Biden and



Harris, Trump and Mike Pence, Barack Obama and Biden — all did them at a similar point in the race. The difference is those other candidates had all done solo interviews, too. Harris hasn't vet done an indepth interview since she became her party's standard bearer five weeks ago, though she did sit for several while she was still Biden's running mate. Harris and Walz remain somewhat unknown to voters, unlike

Trump and Biden of whom voters had near-universal

awareness and opinion. The CNN interview, airing at 9 pm EDT Thursday, takes place during her two-day bus tour through southeast Georgia campaigning for the critical battleground state, a trip that culminates Thursday with a rally in Savannah. Harris campaign officials believe that in order to win the state over Trump in November, they must

holds across the state. Harris, during her time as vice

president, has done on-camera and print interviews with The Associated Press and many other outlets, a much more frequent pace than the president - except for Biden's late-stage media blitz following his disastrous debate performance that touched off the end of his

campaign. Harris' lack of media access over the past month has become one of Republicans' key attack lines. The Trump campaign has kept a tally of the days she has gone by as a candidate without giving an interview. On Wednesday, Arkansas Gov. Sarah Huckabee Sanders, Trump's former press secretary, suggested Harris needed a "babysitter" and that's why

Walz would be there. "They know Kamala Harris can't get through an interview all by herself. There is not a lot of confidence in somebody to

world and ask people to make her president of the United States when she can't even sit down (for) an interview," she said on "Fox & Friends."

Trump, meanwhile, has largely steered toward conservative media outlets when granting interviews, though he has held more open press conferences in recent weeks as he sought to reclaim the spotlight that Harris' elevation had claimed. After the CNN interview, Walz will peel off and Harris will continue the bus tour alone, heading to a rally before going back to Washington. On Wednesday, the duo visited a high school marching band to the delight of students, and stopped by a Savannah barbecue restaurant. Harris campaign communications director Michael Tyler said bus tours offer an "opportunity to get to places we don't usually go (and) make sure we're competing in all communities."

UK's Starmer confirms that his govt mulling crackdown on smoking from the NHS.

AP LONDON

Pritish Prime Minister Keir Starmer confirmed on Thursday that his government is looking at introducing tougher anti-smoking measures, which could potentially see a ban on smoking in outdoor spaces, including at pubs and restaurants. His confirmation came after a report in the Sun newspaper that the government was mulling a ban in pub gardens and outdoor restaurants, as well as outside facilities such as hospitals, universities and sports grounds.

Smoking in the UK has been banned inside pubs, restaurants and most workplaces since 2007. Still, smokingrelated illnesses remain a drain on the National Health Service, costing it over 2.5 billion pounds a year in England alone, according to figures

My starting point on this is to remind everybody that over 80,000 people lose their lives every year because of smoking," Starmer said in Paris while visiting French President Emmanuel Macron. "So, yes, we are going to take decisions in this space, more details will be revealed, but this is a preventable series of deaths and we've got to take action to reduce the burden on the NHS and the taxpayer.

Starmer's Labour government, which was elected in July, has already said it will reintroduce the former Conservative administration's legislation to outlaw the sale of tobacco to anyone born on or after January 2009.

Under that plan, which didn't become law because the election was called early, the legal age that people in England can buy cigarettes

will be raised by one year, every year until it is eventually illegal for the whole population. The number of people who smoke in the UK has declined by two-thirds since the 1970s, but some 6.4 million people in the country — or about 13 per cent of the population — still smoke, according to official figures. In 2007, the legal age of sale for tobacco was raised from 16 to 18 alongside the smoking ban indoors. While health professionals broadly welcomed the prospect of a smoking ban outdoors, others argued that it is a further unnecessary intrusion by the state on people's lifestyle choices and another potential burden on businesses still struggling to recoup the losses during the coronavirus pandemic and the subsequent surge in energy costs following Russia's invasion of

Suspects in foiled plot to attack Taylor Swift shows aimed to kill 'thousands'

AP BERLIN

The suspects in the foiled plot to attack Taylor Swift concerts in Vienna earlier this month sought to kill "tens of thousands" of fans before the CIA discovered intelligence that disrupted the planning and led to arrests, the agency's deputy director said. The CÍA notified Austrian authorities of the scheme, which allegedly included links to the Islamic State group. The intelligence and subsequent arrests ultimately led to the cancellation of three sold-out Eras Tour shows, devastating fans who had travelled across the globe

to see Swift in concert. CIA Deputy Director David Cohen addressed the failed plot during the annual Intelligence and National Security Summit, held this



'They were plotting to kill a huge number — tens of thousands of people at this concert, including I am sure many Americans — and were quite advanced in this," Cohen said on Wednesday. "The Austrians were able to make those arrests because the agency and our community provided them information about what this ISIS-connected group was planning to do.

Austrian officials said the main suspect, a 19-year-old Austrian man, was inspired by the Islamic State group. He allegedly planned to attack outside the stadium, where upwards of 30,000 fans were expected to gather, with knives or homemade explosives.

Another 65,000 fans were likely to be inside the venue. Investigators discovered chemical substances and technical devices during a raid of the suspect's home.

The 19-year-old's lawyer has said the allegations were "overacting at its best", and contended Austrian authorities were "presenting this exaggerin order to get new surpartners in the intelligence veillance powers. Swift broke

her silence about the cancellations last week after her London shows had concluded "Having our Vienna shows

cancelled was devastating," she wrote in a statement posted to Instagram. "The reason for the cancellations filled me with a new sense of fear, and a tremendous amount of guilt because so many people had planned on coming to those shows." She thanked authorities "thanks to them, we were grieving concerts and not lives'

she wrote — and said she waited to speak until the European leg of her Eras Tour concluded to prioritise safety. "Let me be very clear: I am not going to speak about something publicly if I think doing so might provoke those who would want to harm the fans

who come to my shows," she

Denmark has record 25 govt mins after major reshuffle

AP COPENHAGEN

Danish Prime Minister Mette Frederiksen on Thursday appointed six new ministers in a major reshuffle of her threeparty centrist government, bringing the number of ministers to 25 — the largest ever in 30 years. One of the ministers will head a new government office of emergency preparedness, climate change and cyber crimes.

'The world has become more troubled," Frederiksen said as she announced that Torsten Schack Pedersen will be in charge of the new ministry, after the reshuffled cabinet was formally presented to King Frederik X. Denmark now joins Sweden to have such a department. Besides the new emergency office, the government

now has two other new ministries, bringing the total to 25, the largest since the 1993-1994 Cabinet of Social Democratic Prime Minister Poul Nyrup Rasmussen who had 24 minis-

Marie Bjerre left her job as minister for digitalisation and gender equality, to become in charge of the European Union affairs, ahead of Denmark's rotating EU presidency in the second half of 2025.

Jeppe Bruus, the outgoing taxation minister, was brought in to head a brand new ministry, which will be coordinating Denmark's green policy. The Scandinavian country has a goal of 70 per cent emissions reductions by 2030 and achieving net zero by 2050.

sisting of her centre-left Social Democrats, the centre-right Bruus was replaced by Rasmus Liberal Party and the newly cre-Stoklund while Bjerre's previous ated centrist Moderates party.

job was given to Caroline Stage Olsen, who became the digitalization minister. The gender equality portfolio was handed over to Environment Minister Magnus Heunicke. In one of the major surprises

Copenhagen mayor Sophie Hæstorp Andersen was appointed as minister in charge of social affairs instead of Pernille Rosenkrantz-Theil who left the government. Frederiksen, who is the leader of the Social Democratic Party,

announced Wednesday that she was doing a government reshuffle and creating three new min-In 2022, she presented the current majority government, con-

Brazil's top court threatens to suspend **X** operations Rio de Janeiro (AP): A Brazilian

Ukraine.

Supreme Court justice has threatened to shut down the local operations of X, formerly Twitter, unless its billionaire owner Elon Musk names an in-country legal representative within 24 hours. The order from Justice Alexandre de Moraes on Wednesday is the latest development in an ongoing feud with Musk's platform. The company has clashed with de Moraes earlier this year over free speech, accounts associated with the far-right and misinformation, and it claims to be a victim of censorship. Earlier this month, X said it was

removing all remaining Brazil staff in the country "effective immediately," saying de Moraes had threatened its legal representative with arrest.

Russia continues heavy missile, drone bombardment of Ukraine

 $R_{\text{aerial}}^{\text{ussia}} \ \text{conducted} \ \text{a} \ \text{heavy} \\ \text{for the third time in four days}$ Thursday, again launching missiles and scores of drones that mostly were intercepted, Ukraine's air force said.

Russian forces fired five missiles and 74 Shahed drones at Ukrainian targets, an air force statement said. Air defences stopped two missiles and 60 drones, and 14 other drones presumably fell before reaching their target, it said

Authorities in the capital, Kyiv, said debris of destroyed drones fell in three districts of the city. causing minor damage to civilian infrastructure but no injuries. Russia's relentless and unnerving long-range strikes on civilian areas have been a feature of the war since it invaded its neighbour in February 2022.

Ukrainian officials have recently become more vocal in their long-standing insistence that Western countries supporting their war effort should scrap restrictions on what Ukraine is allowed to target inside Russia with long-range weapons they have provided. Ukraine President Volodymyr

Zelenskyy renewed his pleas for Western allies to untie his hands in deciding what to strike on Russian soil

"All our partners should be more active - much more active — in countering Russian terror," Zelenskyy said late Wednesday. "We continue to insist that their determination now — lifting the restrictions on long-range strikes for Ukraine now — will help us to end the war as soon as possible in a fair way for Ukraine and the world as a whole.

The European Union's top diplomat on Thursday backed Zelenskyy's push for international backers to end their limits. Ukraine has deployed domestically produced drones to strike Russia.

The Russian military said on Thursday it had thwarted an overnight attack on Crimea. The Russian Defence Ministry said its forces destroyed three Former Russian defence official detained suspected of fraud

the pioneer

Aformer Russian defence Official was ordered detained on fraud charges on Thursday in the latest high-profile arrest of a senior mili-tary official in what appears a sweeping investigation into abuse of office in the top echelons of the military leadership. Former Deputy Defence Minister Pavel Popov faces up to 10 years in prison if he is to 10 years in prison if he is charged and convicted after being detained on suspicion of committing fraud, Russian state news agencies reported on Thursday.

The case against Popov relates to business activities at a sprawling park in Moscow sometimes called Russia's "military Disneyland."

Patriot Park, a pet project of former Defence Minister Sergei Shoigu, is designed to inspire patriotism in Russia's younger generations and showcases Soviet and Russian weaponry. It has a firing range, air base, museums and conference center and a massive, khaki-colored Cathedral of the Russian Armed Forces, which features mosaics of Soviet and Russian soldiers. Russian President Vladimir Putin personally donated money to commission the main icon for the church, according to the Kremlin.

Popov is now the eighth top military figure to be arrested on charges of fraud, bribery or abuse of office in recent months, including Deputy Defence Minister Timur Ivanov, who was arrested for bribery in April and later dismissed from his position. The

the Black Sea peninsula that Moscow annexed from Ukraine

The Russia-installed governor of Sevastopol Mikhail Razvozhayev added that four Ukrainian aerial drones and



defence minister Sergei Shoigu with an economist, Andrei Belousov. Analysts suggest the arrests are a sign that the most egregious corruption in the defense ministry will no longer be tolerated.

Former deputy defence minister Popov was responsible for developing and maintaining Patriot Park and is accused of renovating his own properties in the Moscow region at the park's expense, Tass said. He is accused of fraud alongside the director of the park and Maj. Gen Vladimir Shesterov, deputy of the Defence Ministry's innovations department, both of whom have already been detained.

Popov forced companies that had contracts with Patriot Park to do work on his "out-of-town apartments without paying for them," Svetlana Petrenko from Russia's Investigative Committee told state news agency Tass.

In addition to a plot of land with houses outside Moscow, Popov and his family own "numerous properties in prestigious areas of Moscow, the

three sea drones were destroyed

"at a significant distance" from

In the meantime, Ukraine's

Army General Staff acknowl-

edged Thursday Ukraine's

the peninsula's shore.

he faces up to 10 years in prison. Bulgakov was deputy defence minister from 2008 to September 2022, when he was dismissed. He was in charge of logistics at the time, and while the ministry had said that he was taking another job, the move was seen as punishment

properties are worth a total of

500 million roubles (\$5.5 mil-

lion) and investigators are establishing whether they were

acquired legally, Petrenko told

Popov was a deputy defence minister from 2013 to June this

vear when he was dismissed by a presidential decree. His arrest

comes shortly after that of Former Deputy Defence Minister Gen. Dmitry Bulgakov who was detained in

According to Tass, Bulgakov is

charged with large-scale

embezzlement. He reportedly

oversaw the creation of a sys-

tem to supply low-quality food

rations to Russian troops at

inflated prices. If found guilty,

Moscow in July.

on oil depots deep inside Russia, where blazes broke out. The attacks in the Rostov and Kirov regions were part of Ukraine's effort to disrupt logistical infrastructure supporting

for flaws in supporting opera-

tions in Ukraine.

EU envoy ramps up pressure on Ukraine's backers to permit strikes inside Russia

Brussels (AP): The European Union's top diplomat on Thursday ramped up pressure on Ukraine's international backers to lift restrictions on the use of weapons they provide the conflict-ravaged country to allow its armed forces to strike targets inside Russia.

The LIS restricts the use of

The US restricts the use of long-range ballistic missiles it provides to Ukraine and some EU members also limit the use of their weapons. Ukraine is desperate to target airfields and other military installations inside Russia that are used to stage attacks on its armed forces and civilians. "We need to lift restrictions on the use of weaponry against Russian military targets, in accordance with interna-tional law," EU foreign policy chief Josep Borrell said as the bloc's foreign ministers gathered in Brussels to discuss Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

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"The weaponry that we are providing to Ukraine has to have full use, and the restrictions have to be lifted in order for the Ukrainians to be able to target the places where Russia is bombing them. Otherwise, the weaponry is useless," Borrell told reporters. told reporters.

Speaking alongside Ukrainian Foreign Minister Dmytro Kuleba, Borrell condemned Russia's attacks on civilians and civilian infrastructure. "Russia wants to bomb a European country into full capitulation," he said. Kuleba said that Ukraine's backers would only have themselves to blame if Russia wins.

'The success of Russia depends on one thing: on the preparedness of partners to make bold decisions. If decisions are taken, Ukraine is successful on the ground. If they are not taken, then do not complain on Ukraine, complain on yourself," he said. Kuleba insisted that Ukraine only wants to attack 'legitimate military targets' inside Russia. "If we are supplied a sufficient amount of missiles, if we are allowed to strike, we will significantly decrease the capacity of Russia to inflict damage on our critical infrastructure and we will improve the situation of our forces on the



'Over 1,000 killed during protests in Bangladesh'

PTI DHAKA

Over 1,000 people have been killed during the protests against the Sheikh Hasina-led government in Bangladesh while more than 400 were blinded by police fire, with some of them losing sight in one or both eyes, a top adviser of the interim gov-

ernment said on Thursday. Health Adviser Nurjahan Begum disclosed this during a visit to the Central Police Hospital in the capital's Rajarbagh where she interacted with the police personnel injured in clashes and spoke to those at the surgical department to ask about their condition. "So far 1,000 people have been killed and more than 400 students and members of the general public have lost their sight. Many have been blind in one eye, while others are blind in both," Nurjahan was quoted as saying by the bdnews24.com news portal. An anti-discrimination student movement against the government started in mid-July over a controversial quota system in jobs. The protests turned violent after crackdown by the forces. Several protesters were killed and injured during clashes with the police in different parts of the country. The protest movement then transformed into an antigovernment movement, demanding prime minister Sheikh Hasina's resignation. Hasina resigned and fled to

India on August 5 following the mass movement against her government. An interim government replaced her regime and 84-year-old Nobel laureate Muhammad Yunus was named its Chief Adviser - a position equivalent to prime minister. Nurjahan told the media that many police personnel who had sought treatment had injuries on their heads and legs.

She said they were speaking to an American-based institution called Sheba regarding the treatment of those who had lost vision in their eyes. A list of those having eye issues had been provided to them. We have given the Sheba

Foundation a list of those who have lost vision in their eyes or are having eye-related issues. They said they would send doctors to our country as soon as possible. They would be treated at the Ispahani Islamia Eye Institute, the National Eye Science Institute and Hospital, the Chattogram Eye Hospital, and in Dinajpur," she said.

She said the government has taken responsibility for the families of those who have died and to provide free treatment for the injured. "Some have had severe leg injuries and even had to have their legs amputated. We are in discussions with various donor organizations and the World Bank to bring in a team of doctors from abroad for proper treatment. We are making efforts in this regard," she said.

SCS aggression: US forces ready with 'range of options'

Awith a "range of options" to deal with increasing acts of aggression in the disputed South China Sea if ordered to carry them out jointly and after consultations with treaty ally the Philippines, a US admiral said on Thursday.

US Indo-Pacific Command chief Adm Samuel Paparo, who heads the biggest number of combat forces outside the US mainland, refused to provide details of the contingency

Paparo's comments came when asked at a news conference what the longtime treaty allies could do to deal with China's socalled gray-zone tactics in the disputed waters.

The "gray-zone tactics" refer to types of assault, like water cannon fire and the blocking and ramming of rival ships in the disputed waters, that are under the threshold of an actual armed attack and wouldn't allow the Philippines to invoke its 1951 Mutual Defense Treaty with the US. The treaty obligates either

range of options and USIN-DOPACOM stands ready, if so called, after consultations in accordance with the treaty to execute those shoulder to shoulder with our ally," Paparo said. Detailing those US military options would allow "the potential adversary" to "build a countermeasure to those," he said. Paparo held a joint news conference with Armed Forces of the Philippines chief Gen Romero Brawner Jr, after both led an annual meeting in the northern Philippine mountain city of Baguio to discuss security challenges and military plans. They include the Balikatan — Tagalog for shoulder to shoulder — the treaty allies' largest combat exercises, which in April involved more than 16,000 American and Filipinos forces and were partly staged in the South China

In response to a question, Paparo repeated that the US military is open, after treaty consultations with the Philippines, to escorting Philippine ships in the South

tilities between Beijing and Such a prospect would risk putting US Navy ships in direct collisions with those of China. Washington and Beijing have been on a collision course over China's increasingly assertive actions to defend its territorial claims in the South China Sea, and Beijing's stated goal of annexing Taiwan, by force if nec-

> Brawner said the Philippines could still fend for itself in the disputed waters, where hostilities with the Chinese coast guard, navy and suspected militia ships have alarmingly spiked since last year.

> "If we exhaust all the options and nothing works, then that's the time we can ask for help," Brawner told reporters. When Filipino forces in the disputed waters "are at the verge of dying," because food supplies were being blocked by Chinese forces, "then that's the time that we are going to seek the help of the United States," Brawner said, but added that "we still have a lot of

Typhoon lashes Japan with torrential rain and strong winds

rain and strong winds Thursday, causing at least three deaths as it started a crawl up the length of the archipelago and raised concerns of flooding, landslides and extensive damage. Typhoon Shanshan made landfall in the morning on the southern island of Kyushu and about 60 centimetres of rainfall had fallen in parts of Miyazaki prefecture, the Japan Meteorological Agency said. That 24-hour total was more than the August rainfall average and swollen rivers were threat-

ening floods, it said. The typhoon was forecast to bring strong winds, high waves and significant rainfall to most of the country, particularly the southern prefectures of Kyushu. Around midday, Shanshan was moving north at 15 kph and its winds had weakened to 126 kph, JMA said. More than a dozen people were injured in Miyazaki, many of them thrown to the ground. One each was also injured nearby Kumamoto and Kagoshima

Tokyo (AP): A typhoon lashed prefectures on their way to Management Agency said.

Nearly a quarter million households were without power across Kyushu, most of them in the Kagoshima precture, the Kvushu Electric Power Co. said Ahead of the typhoon's arrival, heavy rain caused a landslide that buried a house in the central city of Gamagori, killing three residents and injuring two others, according to the city's disaster management department. On the southern island of Amami, where the typhoon passed, one person was injured by being knocked down by a wind gust while rid-ing a motorcycle, the FDMA said. Weather and government officials are concerned about extensive damage as the typhoon slowly sweeps up the Japanese archipelago over the next few days, threatening floods and landslides. The typhoon's impact was yet to be felt in the Tokyo region, where business was as usual and heavy rain was predicted later this

Thai court hands YouTube chef life sentence for murder

AP BANGKOK

court in Thailand on AThursday found Daniel Sancho Bronchalo, a member of a famous Spanish acting family, guilty of premeditated murder and sentenced him to life in prison, in a lurid case that involved the victim being dismembered.

The Koh Samui Provincial Court issued an initial sentence of death for Sancho, but in its ruling commuted it to life imprisonment due to his cooperation during the trial, Police Col Paisan Sangthep, deputy commander of the Surat Thani Provincial Police, who attended the hearing, told The Associated Press.

Sancho, a 30-year-old chef with a YouTube channel, had been charged with the murder of Edwin Arrieta Arteaga, a 44-year-old plastic surgeon from Colombia, when both were vacationing on the Thai holiday island of Koh Pha-ngan in August last

Bangladesh signs int'l convention on forced disappearances

PTI DHAKA

 $B_{\text{signed the UN convention}}^{\text{angladesh on Thursday}}$ against forced disappearance, two days after it formed a commission to trace and identify "each and every" case of forced disappearance during deposed prime minister Sheikh Hasina's nearly 16-year regime.

"It is a historic occasion," the press wing of the interim government chief Muhammad Yunus quoted him as saying after he inked the Instrument of Accession to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearances.

The development comes a day ahead of the UN-declared International Day for the Enforced Victims of Disappearances, observed on August 30, for the convention adopted by the United Nations on December 20, 2006.

"Now, therefore I, Professor Muhammad Yunus, Chief

Adviser, declare that the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, having considered the above-mentioned Convention, accedes to the same and undertakes faithfully to perform and carry out the stipulations therein contained," the instrument

reads. Yunus, 84, who comes from the development sector, took over as the Chief Adviser of the interim government in the country on August 8 after Sheikh Hasina resigned and fled to India on August 5 after protracted violent demonstrations. Later, Yunus posted on X from his official account of the Chief Adviser of the Government of Bangladesh: "Bangladesh on Thursday signed the instrument of accession to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance, demonstrating its commitment to investigate each and every case of

enforced disappearances."

SL Prez offers continuity for eco recovery in election manifesto

Colombo (PTI): Sri Lankan Ranil Wickremesinghe on Thursday offered the continuation of his economic recovery path with the cash-strapped island nation's international partners as the cornerstone of his election manifesto for the presidential election scheduled for next month. The 75-year-old incumbent president is in the fray for reelection in the September 21 polls to continue the recovery programme with his legacy of ending mileslong queues for essentials and guaranteeing livelihoods in a painful reform process. "We must operate within the framework of these agreements," Wickremesinghe, also the finance minister, said, referring

to the economic bail-out agree-

ment with the International

Monetary Fund, the official

creditor committee comprising 17 countries, China, the World and the Asian Development Bank.

Sri Lanka's bankrupt economy has recorded positive growth under Wickremesinghe's leadership after the island nation reported six quarters of negative growth following the unprecedented economic crisis caused by massive forex shortages in 2022. The public protests due to shortages of essentials, power and cooking gas led to the ouster of Wickremesinghe's pre-decessor Gotabaya Rajapaksa who resigned following mass protests in 2022. The IMF-led reform programme has made the president unpopular, resulting in the lead of other front runners — Sajith Premadasa and Anura Kumara Dissanayake in unofficial polls.

'Pak has no plans for talks with TTP'

PTI ISLAMABAD

Dakistan on Thursday said it **■** has no plans to hold talks with the banned Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan and asked Afghanistan's Taliban government to take "robust action" against these terror groups and prevent their activities.

Foreign Office spokesperson Mumtaz Zahra Baloch said that the presence of terror groups, including the Tehreek--Taliban (TTP),

Afghanistan was confirmed by multiple international reports including the United Nations. We expect the Afghan authorities to take robust action against these terror groups and prevent their activities that endanger Pakistan's security, she said at the weekly press briefing here. "Pakistan has no plans to engage in any talks with the TTP," she added.

She said Islamabad has repeatedly raised concerns about the use of Afghan territory against Pakistan. She added that Pakistan also provided intelligence to Afghanistan on terrorism but refused to disclose the details of the intelligence-sharing arrangements.

Pakistan has repeatedly called on the Afghan government to prevent its soil from being used against it by the TTP and other terrorist groups - a claim denied by Kabul

There has been an uptick in the incidents of terrorism in Pakistan since the Taliban took over the government in Kabul in 2021, dashing hopes in Islamabad that a friendly government in Afghanistan would help to tackle militancy. Relations between the two countries have lately become strained, largely because of the TTP but also due to frequent border skirmishes

In March, Pakistani air force jets carried out air strikes against terrorists in the border regions of Khost and Paktika inside the neighbouring country. Baloch said that Pakistan's decision to recognise the Afghan Taliban government would be made in consultation with regional part-

Separately, in a statement issued on the International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism, the Foreign Office paid tribute to those who lost their lives in counterterrorism efforts and reiterated Pakistan's firm stance against the TTP

The spokesperson also condemned the recent terrorist activities in Balochistan, reaffirming the government's commitment to ensuring the safety of its citizens. She also said that the China-

Pakistan Economic Corridor was a transformational project that had contributed positively and transparently to Pakistan's national development. She said the corridor project enjoys support and popularity in all provinces and across the political divide in Pakistan. She clarified that Pakistan's total public debt relating to the CPEC projects is a small percentage of its total debt. Moreover, she said that the public debt obtained from China has a longer maturity period with low interest rates.

The spokesperson reaffirmed Pakistan's commitment to provide full security to all Chinese nationals, projects and instituTHE STATE TRADING CORPORATION OF INDIA LIMITED (A GOVT. OF INDIA ENTERPRISE) (CIN: L74899DL1956GOI002674)

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- I Pukhrambam Pepe Devi W/o Mutum Dhanajit Singh of Patosi Part 3, PO Langjing & P.S Patosi, Imphal West District Manipur. have changed my Name from Mutum Pepe Devi To Pukhrambam Pepe Devi
- I Savitri is legally Wedded Spouse of No. JC 770500F Rank Sub Name Gadikar Suresh Shankar Presently Residing at Village Ravalagondwadi, P.O. Sangli (MH) .have changed my Name from Savitri To Savitri Suresh Gadikar
- I Satish Kumar R/o 31, Sec 9.Urban Estate, Ambala City (HR). Have changed my Name from Satish Kumar To Satish Kumar Bansal
- I No. 2895659Y Ex Hav Satbir Singh R/o Village Shahpur, Post office Shahpur Nurhad Tehsil Naraingarh, Ambala.have changed my Mother Name from Kamally Devi To Kamala Devi and DOB is from 01.01.1959 To 01.01.1955
- I No. 2895659Y Ex Hav Satbir Singh R/o VPO Shahpur Nurhad, Tehsil Naraingarh, Distt. Ambala.have changed Daughter Name from Angel To Angel Rawalay.
- I Balbir Singh S/o Charanji Lal R/o 237 Machhonda, (105) kuldeep Nagar, Ambala, Haryana 133004 have changed my Name from Balbeer Singh To Balbir Singh.
- I, Vijay Kumar S/o Jaspal Singh R/o House No.128, Village & PO Binewal Distt Hoshiarpur Punjab have changed my name from Vijay Kumar to Kumar Vijay. Kumar my Surname Concerned note.
- I, Sarbjit Kaur W/o Subhash Kumar R/o Village Takhni PO Mehangarwal Tehsil & Distt. Hoshiarpur Punjab have changed the name of my minor daughter from Anjali to Anjali Rani Concerned note.
- I. Smt. Balbir Kaur W/o No. 4474234L Ex Nk Harjit Singh R/o Vill. Machhariwal PO Khanpur Sahora Tehsil & Distt. Hoshiarpur Puniab have changed my name from Balbir Kaur to Balvir Kaur and my date of birth from 10-02-1978 to 26-03-1973
- I, No. 4474234L Ex Nk Harjit Singh S/o Sadda Singh R/o Vill Machhariwal PO Khanpur Sahora Tehsil & Distt. Hoshiarpur Punjab have changed the name of my son from Pardeep Singh to Pardip
- Singh. I, Prateet D/o Sh. Raj Kumar R/o #925, Sector-12, Panchkula, Haryana, have changed my name to Prateet Rana
- I Sukhdev Raj S/o Kishan Chand R/o B-45/105/B, Mohalla Faizpur Teh. Batala Distt. Gurdaspur have changed my name from Sukhdev Raj to Sukhdev Raj Kundal. Concerned
- I, Karamjeet Singh s/o Sarwan Singh Village Gunopur Po Saidowal Khurd Tehsil and District Gurdaspur Punjab . I have changed my name Karamieet Singh to Karamjit Singh. All
- I. Paramiit Singh S/o Distt Gurdaspur (Punjab) have changed my name from Paramjit Singh to Paramieet Singh, My correct date of birth is 29/09/1964. Concerned note
- I, Mohammad Igbal Nandan S/o Mohammad Suleman R/o Maler Mohalla Bhumsi Malerkotla Distt Malerkotla have changed my name to Mohammad
- I, Amandeep Singh S/o Daljit Singh, H.No- 101- Sharma Store, Nangal, Tehsil Nangal (Roopnagar) have changed my name from Amandeep Singh to

Amandip Singh.

I, Sudesh Kumari W/o Sh. Vinod Kumar R/o Vinod Nagar, 50 Feet Gali, Mill Gate, Hisar declare that in my daughter Khushbu 10th class DMC. Roll No. 17160528. CBSE, passed in 2023 from Darshan Academy, Hisar, mother name written as Sudesh Her correct name is Sudesh Kumari for all purposes.

I. Simmamma Mother of No.

- 14833802F Rank HAV Name Chiranjeevulu Battini R/o Vill. G Bahadapalli Suvarnapuram, Teh. Mandasa, Distt. Srikakulam, Andhra Pradesh-532243 have changed my name and date of birth in army record from Simmamma (DOB
- Simmamma (DOB 01-01-1967) vide affidavit dated 29-08-2024 before Session Court Hisar. I, Anoop Singh Father of JC-424730X Rank NB SUB
- Name Aftab Singh R/o Vill. Kot Khazana, PO Kala Afgana, Teh Batala, Distt. Gurdaspur, Puniab-143513 have changed my date of birth in army record from 14-05-1958 to 04-04-1965 vide affidavit dated 29-08-2024 before Session Court Hisar. I, Gian Kaur Mother of JC-424730X Rank NB SUB Name
- Aftab Singh R/o Vill. Khazana, PO Kala Afgana, Teh. Batala, Distt. Gurdaspur, Punjab-143513 have changed my date of birth in army record from 01-07-1963 to 01-04-1966 vide affidavit
- dated 27-08-2024 before Session Court Hisar. I, Parveen Kumar Sharma S/o Sh. Parshotam Dass R/o H.No 191 Asa Singh Garden Naraingarh Road Ambala city have changed my Minor Son Name Bharat Bhushan to Bharat

Bhushan Sharma

- I, Mohit Gupta S/o Purar Luxmi Nagar Road, Jandli Ambala City have changed my name from Mohit to Mohit Gupta
- I, Chandermohini Jain alias Chander Mohini Garg alias Mohini Chandra W/o Sanjay Kumar R/o Gali No. 5, Ward No 7B. Hargobind Nagar Road, Kurukshetra, have changed my name to Chandra Mohini Garg.
- I, Ram Ratan S/o Data Ram R/o 110/15 Pranchi Road Model Town Pehowa, Kurukshetra Have changed my name Ram Rattan.

I, Sinder Kaur W/o Binder

- Kumar R/o 110/15 Pranchi Road Pehowa Model Town, Kurukshetra Have Changed My Name Surinder Kaur
- I, Nirmal Devi W/o Khushi Ram Vill Bhainsi Majra, Tehsil Kurukshetra Have Pehowa. Changed My Name Nirmala Devi
- I, Ramo Devi Wife of Satpa r/o Vill.Jurasi Kalan, Teh.Pehowa, Distt. Kurukshetra, Haryana have changed my name Ramo Devi to Rampyari. As per My adhar card & Pan card also my name is Rampyari.
- I, Dharani A R is legally Wife of Service No. 15326457K Rank HAV Name: Shivakumaraswamy residing Bageshapura Post Bageshapura, Taluk Arasikere, Distt. Hassar (State) Karnataka Pin- 573162 have changed my name from Dharani AR to Dharani AR.
- I, Rajdeep Kaur alias Kaur Grewal D/o Singh Bahadur R/o H.No.1868/14/5, St. No. 1-1/2, Barota Road, Guru Gobind Singh Shimlapuri, Ludhiana (Punjab) declare that both above names are mine and of one same
- I, Payal Dhiman D/o Sh. Manjeet Singh Dhiman R/o H.No. 2150, RK Colony, GT Road, Murthal Sonipat- 131039, My name Payal D/o Manjeet is mentioned In All Educational Certificate. But My actual & correct Name Payal Dhiman D/o Sh. Manjeet Singh Dhiman for all future purposes.
- I, Army No. 16114483L Rank: NK Name: Vipin Kumar, Unit: 1 AER C/o 56 APO, resident village Soharkha, Kalanjari, Taluk Meerut, Distt Meerut, State Uttar Pradesh, Pin -250501 have changed my Son's name from Sahil Sangvan to Sahil Sangwan.
- I. Rukmini Vittha Betagavada is legally Mother of Service No. 15323496X Rank HAV Name: Netaji Betagavada residing at Village Zuniawad Post Bekwad, Taluk Khanapur, Distt. Belgaum (State) Karnataka Pin-591120 have changed my name from Rukhamini to Rukmini Vittha
- I, Prema Annaso Gavand is legally Wife of Service No. 16115635N Rank: L/HAV Name Annaso Shrikant Gavand residing Village Hajapur, Dongargon, Taluk Mangalwedha, Solapur (State) Maharashtra Pin -413305, have changed my name from Prema to
- Prema Annaso Gavand. I. Pamabai Shrikant Gavand is legally Mother of vice No. 16115635N Rank L/HAV Name: Annaso Shrikant Gavand residing at Village Hajapur, Post Dongargon, Taluk Mangalwedha, Distt. Solapur (State) Maharashtra Pin -413305 have changed my name from Shanja to Pamabai Shrikant
- Gavand. I, Shrikant Sopan Gavand is legally Father of Service No. 16115635N Rank: L/HAV Name Annaso Shrikant Gavand residing
- Village Hajapur, Post Dongargon, Taluk Mangalwedha, Solapur (State) Distt. Maharashtra Pin -413305, have changed my name from Gavand Shrikant Sopan to Shrikant Sopan
- I, Manish Kumar Jindal S/o Sat Bhushan Jindal R/o 253 New Mehar Singh Colony, Tripuri Town, Patiala (Punjab) have changed my name from Manish Kumar to Manish Kumar Jindal.
- I, Preeti Jindal W/o Manish Jindal R/o 253, New Mehar Singh Colony, Tripuri Town, Patiala (Punjab) have changed my name from Preeti Goel to Preeti Jindal.
- I, Sanni S/o Sh. Raju R/o House No. 458, VPO Alipur Titu Khera, Sirsa, Distt. Sirsa (Haryana). That I have changed my name from Sanni to Sanni Singh, in future my name is to be called as Sanni Singh.
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- I, Km Anu W/O Amit R/O Vill- And Post Office Sadiqpur Sinaoli. Tehsil Baraut, Po-Sadiqpur Sinaoli, Distt- Baghpat, Uttar Pradesh- 250611. My Name Annu Devi Is Registered In My Husband's Service Record Which Is Wrong, My Real Name Is Km Anu Which Should Be Registered
- Husband's Service Documents. Vide Affidavit No.In-Pb50713152598202w Dated 29-08-2024 Before Notary Public Gurdaspur Punjab.
- I Manu Gupta W/O Amit Garg R/O H.No 1393 Sector 40b, Chandigarh Have Changed My Name From Muskan Garg To Manu Gupta

- I, Army No.3405111x Rank Hav Manjit Singh S/O Sulakhan Singh R/O Village Bhundewal, Po- Saidowal Kalan, Tehsil/Distt-Gurdaspur, Punjab, India. Declare That In My Army Record My Wife Name Diljit Kaur And Her Date O Birth 12-05-1985 Is Wrong. But My Wife Name Daljit Kaur And Her Date Of Birth 26-05-1985 Is Vide Affidavit No.In-Pb50794263213263w 29-08-2024 Before Notary Public
- Saleena Lochab Randhir Singh M/O Ancy Resident Of Vill. Sandhwal P.O Ancy Hajipur Teh. Mukerian Distt Hoshiarpur Have Changed My Name From Saleena David Dio Nobel David M/O Ancy David To Saleena Lochab D/O Śh. Randhir Singh M/O Ancy.

Gurdaspur Punjab.

I Balwinder Singh Brar S/O Jarnail Singh R/O Sangu Dhoun (Sri Muktsar Sahib) Have Changed My Name To Balwinder Singh.

Ancy W/O Sh. Randhir

- Singh Resident Of Vill. Sandhwal P.O. Hajipur Teh. Mukerian Distt Hoshiarpur Have Changed My Name From Ancy David W/O Nobel David To Ancy W/O Sh. Randhir Singh.
- I, Rosy Ahuja W/O Rajinder Kapoor D/O Om Parkash Ahuja R/O House No.399 Sector -9 Panchkula Harvana. Have Changed My Name From Rosy Ahuja To Rosy Kapoor
- I Raiinder Singh S/O Sh Village Harbans Singh R/O Pannuan, Po: Cholta Khurd Tehsil Kharar, Dist. Sas Nagar Have Changed My Name To Rajinder Singh Pannu.
- I, Baljit Kaur Spouse Of Jo-152794a Ex Sub Manjit Singh Resident Of Village Malia Khurd Po Kot Todar Mal (Via Quadian) Tehsil & Distt Gurdaspur (Punjab Have Changed My Name From Baliit Kaur To Balieet Kaur And Date Of Birth As 01.01.1957 Vide Affidavit Dated 29.08.2024 Before Notary Public, Batala City (Punjab)
- I Gopal Krishan Sethi Alias Gopal Krishan S/O Sham Sunder Sethi R/O Flat No. 601, Sixth Floor, Tower No. 11, Royal Estate-2, Peermuchalla, Zirakpur, Sas Nagar Punjab Have Changed My Name From Gopal Krishan Seth And Gopal Krishan To Gopal
- I Subodh Garg Son Of Sh Khem Chand Garg R/O H.No. 184 Model Town Yamuna Nagar That I Have Change My Name From Subodh Garg To Subodh Kumar Garg

I. Prithvi Rai S/O Late Sh

- Ram Singh Yadav R/O House No.1041 Sector-26 Panchkula Harvana, Have Changed My Name From Prithvi Raj To Prithvi I Jasvir Kaur Alias Rita W/O
- Amarjit Singh R/O Village Behra Tehsil Derabassi Distt Sas Nagar Have Changed My Name From Jasvir Kaur Alias Rita To Jasvi
- I Seema Narang W/O Vijay Kumar Taneja R/O H. No. Viii-24 St. No. 1. Dr. Beniwal Street Anand Nagri, Abohar Have Changed My Name Seema
- I. Vinav Kumar Saroi S/O Gokam Nath R/O House No.2462,Mouli Jagran Complex Gokam Manimaira Chandigarh, Have Changed My Name From Vinay
- Kumar Saroj To Vinay Kumar. I Kuldip Singh S/O Nachhatter Singh R/O Fateh Singh Ngr. (Barnala) Have Changed My Name Kuldeep Singh. Concerned Note Please.
- I Geeta Kumari W/O Sabhapati Tiwari R/O H.No. 261, Dashmesh Nagar, Nayagaon, SAS Nagar, Mohali, Changed My Name From Geeta Kumari To Geeta Tiwari
- I, Puran Chand Ladi, S/O Sh. Amine Chand, R/O House No.129, Near Malhotra Cloth House, Village Rajiipur, Po, Bcw Surajpur, Distt Panchkula, Haryana, Have Changed My Name From Puran Chand Ladi To
- Puran Chand. I, Saroj Kumari W/O Sh.Fakir Chand R/O House No.129, Near Malhotra Cloth House, Village Rajiipur, Po, Bcw Haryana, Have Changed My Name From Saroj Kumari To
- Saroi Nikita Vats W/O R/O House Abhimanyu Vats No.683 Sector -8 Panchkula, Haryana, Have Changed My Name From Nikita Vats To Nikita Sharma.
- I N.Senthil Kumar S/O Natarajan House No 602, Sector-12, Panchkula, Haryana. Have Changed My Name From N. Senthil Kumar To Senthil Kumar.
- I, S.Thaiyal Nayaki W/O Senthil Kumar House No 602, Sector-12, Panchkula Haryana. Have Changed My Name From S. Thaiyal Nayaki To Thaiyal Navaki.
- I, Shafali W/O Sh.Krishan Gujral R/O House No.1382 First Sector-15 Panchkula Haryana, Have Changed My Name From Shafali To Shafali
- I Hina Dhingra W/O Amandeep Kumar R/ O Bv -994, Ram Bara Bazar, Sri Muktsar Punjab-152026have Changed My Name To Hina Dhamija All Concern Note It
- I, Shafali W/O Sh.Krishan Gujral R/O House No.1382 First Sector-15 Panchkula, Floor Haryana, Have Changed My Name From Shafali To Shafali

- I Neeraj Arora S/O Sh Puran Chand Arora R/O House No. 1272 Sector 17 Huda, Jagadhri, Distt. - Yamuna Nagar Haryana, Hereby Declare That, I Have Changed My Name From Neeraj Arora To Neeraj Kumar
- I Chandrma Chauhan F/O Puneet Chauhan R/O Fada Thimmaya Quarter No 99 Jalandhar Cantt Declared That In My Son's School Record My Name Wrongly Mentioned As Chandrama Chauhan Whereas My Correct Name Is Chandrma
- I. Satvinder Kaur W/O Tarsem Singh R/O Ward No. 31, Dabwali Road, Behind Vishnupuri Colony Dhani Shamshabad Patti Sirsa-125055, Have Changed My Name To Satwinder Kaur
- I. Amit Dhawan S/o Sh. Krishan Kumar R/o Jai Bharat wali gali, Ram Nagar colony, ward - 11. Mandi Dabwali, Distt, Sirsa have changed my name to Amit Kumar Dhawan
- Mall R/o Village Ganna Pind, Po Haripur Khalsa, Tehsil Phillaur. Distt. Jalandhar. Puniab have change my name from Pooja to I, Jangvir Singh s/o Prem

I. Pooia W/o Pardeep Kumar

- Singh r/o Village Balla, P.O. Talhi, Distt. Hoshiarpur declare that Jasbir Singh and Jangvir Singh both are my names and one & the I, Davinder Kaur w/o
- Jangvir Singh r/o Village Balla, Talhi. Distt.Hoshiarpur declare that Daliit Kaur and Davinder Kaur both are my names and one & the same person. I Ravi Talwar S/O Ajudhia
- Ranjit Nagar VTC Rajguru Nagar Ludhiana Have Changed My Name To Ravi Kumar Talwar. I Rajesh Dhingra S/O Jaswant Rai R/O Street No.-6 Heera Singh Nagar Kotkapura

Parshad R/O H.No.-15 St.No.-1

- Distt. Faridkot Have Changed Name To Rajesh Kumar I Inderpreet Singh S/O Kulwinder Singh R/O Khothran Kaulsar Mohalla Phagwara, District Kapurthala Have Changed My Name From Inderpreet Singh To Inderpreet
- Singh Masuta. I Nirmaljit Singh Obrai S/O Balwant Singh R/O Vill. Maur Khurd, P.O Maur Mandi Distt. Bathinda Have Changed My
- Name To Nirmaljit Singh. I Kuldeep Singh Sidhu S/O Karnail Singh Sidhu R/O Talwandi Bhai Tehsil & Distt. Ferozepur Have Changed My Name Kuldeep Singh Sidhu To Kuldip Singh Sidhu
- I Vishal S/O Satish Kumar R/O H.No.-110, Street No.-1D Near Gurudwara Shalimar Nagar Punjab, Hoshiarpur, Have Changed My Name To Vishal
- I Pooja Mehndiratta W/O Vishal Jasuja R/O H.No,- 110, Street No.-1D, Near Gurudwara Shalimar Nagar Hoshiarpur, Punjab, Have Changed My Name To Pooja Jasuja After Marriage.
- I Rupinder Kaur W/O Mandeep Singh R/O H.No.-361/6 Tehsil Road, Vpo. Tanda Urmar (Hoshiarpur) Punjab Declare That My Surname As Kaur.
- I Kuljeet Kaur W/O Hardev Singh R/O Vpo. Khurdpur Distt. Jalandhar 144102 Have Changed My Name From Kuljeet Kaur To
- Kuljit Kaur I. Ram Prasad Father Of No.17003011w Nk Nitin Pal Resident Of Village- Chorgaon, Post- Bankanaganpur, Tehsil-Chourai, District- Chhindwara, State- Madhya Pradesh, Pin-480001, Have Changed My Name From Ram Prasad To Ramprasad Pal Vide Affidavit No.In-Pb49685900316072w Dated 27 Aug 2024 Before Notary
- Public Pathankot I, Pooja Spouse Of No.2812059a Sathe Dnyaneshwar Arjun Resident Of Village- Deolali, Post- Deolali, Kallam, Tehsil-District-Osmanabad, State-Maharashtra, Pin-413508, Have Changed My Name From Pooja To Pooja Dnyaneshwar Sathe Affidavit Pb49396872451428w Dated 24 Aug 2024 Before Notary Public Pathankot
- I, Anushri Chittewan Spouse Of Rajesh Muley Resident Of House No.116 Slice-5, Sector- A, Scheme No.78, Vijay Nagar, District- Indore, (Mp) Pin-452010, Have Changed My Name From Anushri Chittewan To Anushri Muley Vide Affidavit No.In-Pb50504981268732w Dated 28 Aug 2024 Before Notary Public Pathankot
- I, Mati Chanda Bai Mother Of No.17003011w Nk Nitin Pal Resident Of Village- Chorgaon, Post- Bankanaganpur, Tehsil-Chourai, District- Chhindwara, State- Madhya Pradesh, Pin-480001, Have Changed My Name From Mati Chanda Bai To Chanda Pal Vide Affidavit No.In-Pb49683968309257w Dated 27 Aug 2024 Before Notary Public
- I, No.15791029m Hav (Ofc) Bhosale Prashant Daadu Resident Of Village- Karajkheda, Karajkheda, Osmanabad. District-Osmanabad, State-Maharashtra, Pin-413608, Have Changed My Mother Name From Bhosale Bhagirathi To Bhagirathi Dagadu Bhosale Vide Affidavit No.In-Pb50326352890226w Dated 28 Aug 2024 Before

Notary Public Pathankot

- I. No.15791029m Hay (Ofc) Prashant Dagdu Resident Of Village- Karajkheda, Post-Karajkheda, Tehsil-Osmanabad, District-Maharashtra, Pin-413608, Have Changed My Father Name From Dagdu To Bhosale Dagadu Vide Affidavit No.In Ph50315893918614w Dated 28 Aug 2024 Before Notary Public
- I, No.15774181k (Opretor) Pawan Kumar Tiwari Resident Of Village- Deeken, Post- Ratangarh, Tehsil- Jawad District- Nimach, State- Madhya Pradesh. Pin-458226. Have Changed My Son Name From Agrim Kumar To Agrim Tiwari Affidavit No In-Pb50954849409509w Dated 29 Aug 2024 Before Notary Public
- I, No.15774181k (Opretor) Pawan Kumar Tiwari Resident Of Village- Deeken, Post- Ratangarh, Tehsil- Jawad, District- Nimach, State- Madhva Pradesh, Pin-458226, Have Changed My Son Name From Pradhum Kumar To Pradhum Tiwari Vide Affidavit No.In-Pb50955474826396w Dated 29 Aug 2024 Before Notary Public
- I, No.15621187p Hav Mahesh Chand Yadav Resident Of Village- Mundiyakhera, Post-Mundawar, Tehsil- Mundawar, District- Alwar, State- Rajasthan, Pin-301427. Have Changed My Father Name From Mangal Ram Yadav To Mangal Ram Vide Pb50505393448768w Dated 28 Aug 2024 Before Notary Public
- Pathankot No.15622604h Ghayal Nitin Resident Of Village-Nagobachiwadi Post- Guni Tehsil- Ghansawngi, District-Jalna, State- Maharashtra, Pin-431211. Have Changed My Mother Name From Kesarbai Tulsiram Ghayal To Ghayal Kesrabai Tulsiram Vide Affidavit No.In-Pb50506427708401w Dated 28 Aug 2024 Before Notary Public Pathankot
- No.15622604h Ghaval Nitin Resident Of Village-Nagobachiwadi, Post- Gunj, Tehsil- Ghansawngi, District-Jalna, State- Maharashtra, Pin-431211. Have Changed My Father Name From Tulshiram To Ghayal Tulsiram Babasaheb Vide Affidavit Pb50506968380743w Dated 28 Aug 2024 Before Notary Public
- I. Pooia Jain W/O Sh. Puneet Kansal R/O House No. Sector-8, Panchkula (Haryana) Have Changed My Name From Pooja Jain To Pooja Kansal.
- I, Podilapu Butchisetti Am Father Of No 16113212f Rank Nk Name Satti Podilapu Present Residing At 164 Coy, 16 Engr Br Regt (Pms), Chandimandir Panchkula, Haryana Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Buchi Setti To Podilapu Butchisetti And Also Change My Date Of Birth From 01 Jul 1953 To 01 Jul 1956.
- I, Doli Saren Is Spouse Of Army No-6498229I Rank-Nk/Ash Indra Saren, Permanent Address Vill-Popapara, Post-Salua, Distt-Paschim Medinipur, Kharagpur, State West Bengol, Pin- 721145 Have Changed My Name From Doli Saren To Doli Saren Hembram. Vide Affidavit No- 54aa 510950. Dated: 29/08/24
- I, Kamla Tiwari Am Mother Of Army No-15337557p Rank-Hav Name-Vishnu Kumar Presently Posted At Unit: 57 Engr Regt C/O 56 Apo, Permanent Address: Sahnipur, Rasulpur Urf Vaissapur, Fatehpur, Uttar Pradesh-212651 Declare That, I Have Changed My Name From Kamla Tiwari To Kamla. Vide Affidavit No-54aa 510949,
- Dated:29/08/24 I, Army No 6500098m Rank- Nk Name: Kamal Singh Presently Posted At Unit-282 Coy Asc Sup Type D Hq (N) Area Behlana Chandigarh Permament Address: Gali No.04, Kapoor Farm, Gumaniwala, Dehradun, Uttrakhand-249204 Declare That I Have Changed My Daughter's Name From Soumya To Saumya. Vide Affidavit No-54aa 510951, Dated-29/08/24
- I, Seema Saini D/O Sh Prem Singh Saini And W/O Dr. Rajendra Kumar, R/O House No 866, Sector-8, Panchkula, Tehsil Distt. Panchkula, Haryana Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Seema Kumar To Seema Saini. That The Deponent's Name Should Be Referred As Seema Saini For All Purposes In Future.
- I, C Lakshmidevi Am Mother Of No 16118053y Rank Spr Name Chakali Rama Krishna Present Residing At 164 Br Coy, 16 Engr Br Regt (Pms) Chandimandir Cantt Panchkula, Haryana Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Chakali Laxmi Devi To C Lakshmidevi And Also Change My Date Of Birth From 04 Oct 1964 To 24 Mar 1960
- I, Anil Kumar S/O Sh. Kundan Lal R/O H.No. 55/6 Gandhi Nagar, Jind Tehsil And District Jind Have Changed My Name From Anil Kumar To Anil
- I. Sarita Devi W/o Sulinder Kumar Village Haler Janardhan, Tehsil Mukerian Distt Hoshiarpur changed my name from Sarita to Sarita Devi.

- I, JC-168428A Rank: Ex Sub Hony Lt) name Ashok Kumar R/o Vill. Jandiala Po. Tuto Mazara Teh-Garhshankar Hoshiarpur Pb, have changed the Name of my Daughter from Radhika Sharma to Radhika Rani (vide Affidavit dated 20.08.2024 before Executive Magistrate Garhshankar.
- I Rajbeer Kaur W/O Harinder Singh R/O Vpo Mehta Chowk Tehsil Baba Bakala Distt Amritsar Rural Puniab.l Have Changed My Name From Rajbeer Kaur To Rajbeer Is My Given Name And Kaur Is My Surname.
- I Rajbir Kaur W/O Harinder Singh R/O Vpo Mehta Chowk Tehsil Baha Bakala Distt Amritsa Rural Punjab.I Have Changed My Name From Rajbir Kaur To Rajbeer Kaur.

I Jaspinder Kaur W/o

Harjinder Singh R/o W.No.15 Roop Nagar # 509A, Gaushala

- Road Giddarbaha-152101 Distt-Sri Muktsar Sahib have changed my name to Jastinderieet Kaur. I, Rasdeep Singh S/o Randhir Singh R/o Rataul Rohi (Ferozepur) have changed my
- name to Rasdeep Singh Pannu. I. Sukhpreet Kaur W/o Rasdeep Singh Pannu R/o Ratau Rohi (Ferozepur) have changed my name to Sukhpreet Kaur
- Pannu. I, Bikramjit Singh S/c Kuldeep Singh R/o Vill: Behla Po. Rataul Teh-Tarn Taran (Tarn Taran) have changed my name from Birarmjit Singh to Bikramjit Singh.
- I, Asha Mehta W/o Krishna Lal Mehta R/o New Abadi Akalgarh (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Asha Kumari Mehta
- I, Hardeep Kaur Sidhu W/o Balwinder Singh Sidhu R/o Acharwal Teh-Raikot (Ludhiana) have changed my name from Hardeep Kaur to Hardeep Kaur Sidhu. I, Amarjeet Singh S/o Bara

R/o

(Ludhiana) have changed my name to Amarjit Singh. I. Lukhvir Kaur W/o Amarjit Singh R/o Vpoi. Bassian (Ludhiana) have changed my

Vpo.

Bassian

- name to Lakhvir Kaur. I, Babaldeep Kaur Grewal W/o Jagpreet Singh Grewal R/o Vpo. Pakhowal (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Babaldeen
- I, Sukhpreet Singh Saroe S/o Angrej Singh R/o Vill: Basraon (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Sukhpreet Singh.
- I, Muniyaselvi Is Spouse Army No. 16123830a, Nk, Chinna Thambi M Of Unit 05 Engr Regt C/O 56 Apo, Today Camping At Ferozepur, Have Changed My Name From Muniyaselvi R To Muniyaselvi Vide Affidavit Dated 29 August 2024 Before At Notary Ferozepur.
- I Jaswinder Singh S/o Hoshiar Singh R/o Sharin Wala Brar Tehsil Guruharsahai District Ferozepur Have Changed My Name To Jaswinder Singh Brar.
- I, Rozy Monga W/o Sanjeev Monga R/o W.No. 04, Rajghat Road Out Side Kasuri Gate Ferozepur City, Tehsil And District Ferozepur Have Changed My Name After My Marriage From Rozy Kandhari To Rozy Monga. After Marriage
- I Sukhdev Singh Sandhu S/o Jaspal Singh R/o Village Jhari Wala District Faridkot Have Changed My Name To Sukhdev Singh.
- I Chanak Singh S/o Jangir Singh R/o Village Dhandi Qadim Tehsil Jalalabad West District Fazilka Have Changed My Name
- Chanak Singh To Chhanak Singh I, Jitendra Kumar S/o Naresh Pandit R/o W.No.5, H.No.83, Azad Nagar, Khanna (Ludhiana) have changed my name Jatinder Kumar.
- I Rupinder Kaur W/O Baljit Singh Chahal R/O Village Jhakharwala District Faridkot Have Changed My Name To Rupinder Kaur Chahal I, Suman Dahiya W/o Amit
- Solanki R/o J-1267, Second Floor, Block-J, Palam Vihar Choma Gurgaon, Haryana 122017, have changed my minor son's name from Devesh aged 14 years to Devesh Dahiya forever.

I Pardeep Tuli S/o Kewal

Krishan R/o House No.2077/7

Urban Estate, Karnal, (Rural)

- (part) (1), Karnal, Haryana 132001, have changed my name to Pardeep Kumar. I Diwakar S/o Madan Lal Thareja R/o # 1493-B. Modern Colony, Yamunanagar have changed my name from Diwakar
- to Diwaker Thareja I Savita Rani W/o Darshan Lal, R/o Village Chhachhrauli Tehsil Chhachhrauli. Distt. Yamunanagar have changed my name from Savita Mangla to

Savita Rani.

Kumari Anita Devi (existing name) D/o No. 14318715 Ex Nk Jagdish Chander resident Sunariya Khurd, District Rohtak (Haryana) have changed my name in my father Army records/ Discharge Book from Kumari Anita Devi (existing name) to Meena Kumari (Proposed new name) My correct DOB is 05.02.1982 instead of 04.03.1983 as per my Aadhaar /PAN Card In future I shall may be known/written and called as Meena Kumari (DOB 05.02.1982) for all work purposes Vide Affidavit dated 29 AUG 2024 before Magistrate, Rohtak



Transformative Ideas at TEDxSukhna Lake

Chandigarh: TEDxSukhna Lake 2024, was held at The Lalit, Chandigarh in which Shiv Pratap Shukla, Governor of Himachal Pradesh was present. Thought leaders and innovators, each bringing unique perspectives to the theme "Past, Present, and Future" too were present. The event featured a series of talks by speakers, including Subhash Sharma, an advocate and expert in agricultural economics; Dolly Sidana, an award-winning interior designer recognized for her transformative work; Dr. Manju Jain, a spiritual healer renowned for her contributions to holistic well-being; Mrinalini Shrivastava IPS, a dedicated officer with a distinguished career in public service.



living donor and deceased donor transplants

Chandigarh: Fortis Hospital Mohali has successfully performed its first-ever deceased donor and an ABO incompatible Living Donor Transplant in the northern region, it was informed in a press conference. In the first case, the Fortis team successfully transplanted a liver from the donor wife to her husband despite a blood group mismatch. In the second case, the family of a braindead patient donated his liver and kidneys to two recipients with successful outcomes. The Organ Transplant team, comprising Dr Jai Dev Wig, Dr Milind Mandwar, Dr Sunil Kumar, Dr Sahil Rally, Dr Arvind Sahni, Dr. Anna Gupta, Dr Amit Nagpal, Dr Swati Gupta and Dr Jasmeet performed the transplants, and all the recipients were discharged with perfectly functioning organs.



Himachal Pradesh University Shimla, Shimla

Shimla: Awareness and placement campaign was organized in the University Auditorium under the joint aegis of Himachal Pradesh University Shimla, Shimla, the Reserve Bank of India, Shimla and Placement and Career Cell. During this session, the students of the university were informed about the career opportunities to be provided by the Reserve Bank of India Shimla Branch and on the occasion, officials of RBI Shimla branch, including Manager Mr. Yash Verma, Mr. Ayush Rajput and Ms. Shiyani Bahral were present. Stay In addition, the activities were included in the program by launching a web -based portal for placement opportunities for the students of Placement and Career



State Bank of India, Chandigarh

Chandigarh: State Bank of Indiacelebrated the National Sports Day at Local Head Office, Sector 17 Chandigarh on 29.08.2024, to commemorate the birth anniversary of hockey legend Maj. Dhyan Chand. A large number of staff participated in these sports. This event was also celebrated in the various modules of State Bank of India at different centers. The winners were felicitated with trophies. All the participants appreciated the efforts made by



of Punjab Directorate State Lotteries, Chandigarh

Chandigarh: The draw of Punjab State Deer Rakhi Bumper 2024 lottery scheme was conducted at Ludhiana on 24.08.2024 by the Directorate of Punjab State Lotteries. In this scheme, the first prize of Rs 2.50 crore was guaranteed to be drawn only from the tickets sold. In this draw, the prize of 2.50 crores has been awarded to Shri Anita Rani, a resident of Adampur, District Jalandhar. The prize winner works as a scavenger with his family at Adampur itself. The prize claim form was submitted by the prize winner on 28.08.2024 at the office.



Sh. AK Singh, Dir.(Fin.& Pers.), SJVN met Hon'ble Minister of Energy, Govt. of Bihar Shimla: Sh. Akhileshwar Singh, Director, Finance & Personnel SJVN met Hon'ble Minister of Energy, Government of Bihar, Sh.

Bijendra Prasad Yadav. The meeting was also attended by Sh. Pankaj Kumar Pal, IAS, Secretary of Energy Department, Sh. Nilesh Ramchandra Deore, IAS, Managing Director of BREDA and Sh. Vikas Sharma, CEO of Buxar Thermal Power Project. The meeting focused on progress of power projects in Bihar that are being spearheaded by SJVN.

Sensex, Nifty scale all-time high levels

Equity benchmark indices Sensex and Nifty hit their all-time high levels on Thursday, driven by a rally in majors Reliance Industries and Tata Motors.

The 30-share BSE Sensex jumped 349.05 points or 0.43 per cent to settle at an all-time closing high of 82,134.61, extending winning momentum to the eighth day in a row. During the day, it soared 500.27 points or 0.61 per cent to hit a lifetime intraday peak of 82,285.83.

Rallying for the 11th straight session, the NSE Nifty surged 99.60 points or 0.40 per cent to settle at a new closing high of 25,151.95. During the trade, the benchmark climbed 140.55 points or 0.56 per cent to hit a fresh record intra-day peak of 25,192.90.

Among the 30 Sensex firms, Tata Motors jumped over 4 per cent, followed by Bajaj



Finserv, Bajaj Finance, HCL Technologies, ITC, Reliance Industries, Tech Mahindra, Maruti and State Bank of

Reliance Industries climbed nearly 2 per cent after Mukesh Ambani, chairman and managing director of the firm, said the board of the company will meet on September 5 to consider

issuing bonus shares in the ratio of 1:1. 'When Reliance grows, we

reward our shareholders handsomely," Ambani said. Mahindra & Mahindra, Sun Pharma, JSW Steel, Kotak Mahindra Bank, Infosys and Tata Steel were among the biggest laggards.

In Asian markets, Seoul, Tokyo and Shanghai settled in the negative territory while Hong Kong ended

European markets were trading in the positive zone. The US markets ended lower on Wednesday.

Institutional Foreign Investors (FIIs) offloaded equities worth Rs 1,347.53 Wednesday, according to exchange data. Global oil benchmark Brent crude declined 0.60 per cent to USD 78.27 a barrel.

Rising for the tenth straight session on Wednesday, the NSE Nifty went up by 34.60 points or 0.14 per cent to settle at a new closing high of 25,052.35. The benchmark surged 111.85 points or 0.44 per cent to hit a fresh intraall-time peak 25,129,60.

Extending its winning run to the seventh day in a row, the BSE benchmark climbed 73.80 points or 0.09 per cent to settle at 81,785.56.

SEBI proposes mandatory UPI block mechanism facility for secondary marketing trading

Capital markets regulator Sebi has proposed mandating Qualified Stock Brokers (QSBs) to offer the facility of trading in the secondary market using the UPI-based block mechanism to their clients, similar to the ASBA facility. In the UPI block mechanism,

clients can trade in the secondary market based on blocked funds in their bank accounts, instead funds the transferring upfront to the trading member. The facility is currently optional for currently optional for investors, and not mandatory for Trading Members (TMs) to offer as a service to clients. Application Supported by Blocked Amount (ASBA)-like facility already available for the primary market which ensures that money from an investor gets moved only when an allotment happens.

In its consultation paper on Wednesday, Sebi has suggested that QSBs must provide the facility of trading using the UPI block mechanism in the cash

segment for their clients individuals and HUFs with an appropriate glide path for implementation. Also, it has been suggested that QSBs can offer a "3-in-1 trading account facility" as an alternative to making the ASBA-like facility mandatory.

In the case of 3-in-1 trading accounts, the clients would have their funds in their account. earning interest on the cash balances. In addition, the 3-in-1 facility would be available for cash as well as derivatives segment, without amount restrictions, while

the facility of trading using the UPI block mechanism at present shall be available only for cash segment with some restrictions on number of blocks allowed on a daily basis, Sebi said.

"However, compared to UPI facility, the facility of 3-in-1 trading accounts provide albeit adequate, protection to the clients, considering that the pay-in and pay-out of funds are routed through the TMs," it added.

The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) sought public comments September 12 on the

proposals. Trading Members are classified as Qualified Stock Brokers (QSBs) based on factors such as the size and scale of their operations, including the number of active clients, the total assets held by clients with the TM, the end-of-day margin of all clients, and the trading volume of the TM.

Being designated as a QSB, brings with it enhanced responsibilities obligations. Further, QSBs also subjected to enhanced monitoring by Infrastructure Institutions.

The regulator had introduced the use of RBI-approved Unified Payments Interface (UPI) with the facility of blocking of funds, as a payment mechanism for retail investor applications submitted through intermediaries for public issues such as IPO from January 2019

The Beta version of trading through block mechanism for secondary markets was launched on January 1, 2024, for individuals and HUFs and was made applicable only to the cash segment.

India plans repairability index for mobile, electronics to tackle e-waste

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 $I_{\text{repairability}}^{\text{ndia}} \stackrel{\text{is planning}}{\underset{\text{index}}{\text{index}}}$ planning mobile phones and electronic products to address the growing e-waste problem and encourage manufacturers to more repairable items, officials said on Thursday. Affairs Consumer

Ministry is spearheading the initiative, which will provide a score on key parameters to inform consumers about the ease with which a product can be repaired, the officials said at a national workshop on the

Addressing the workshop, Consumer Affairs Secretary Nidhi Khare said: "As India emerges as the third largest economy in the world, we should have a vibrant and tech-savvy repair system." She also added, "India can

become a repair hub for the The proposed index will be

similar to initiatives in other countries, such as France's repairability index. It will rate products on criteria including availability of technical documents, ease disassembly, spare parts availability and pricing.

The workshop was aimed at establishing a consensus among industry stakeholders "key parameters for accessing and evaluating repairability index" besides longevity promoting product design, democratizing repair enhance information to consumer experiences in reusing the mobile and he said.

electronics products they

Additional Secretary Bharat Khera emphasized the need for transparent and affordable repair solutions, increased consumer awareness, and support for local repairers.

Joint Secretary Anupam Mishra highlighted concerns about the lack of genuine spare parts in local markets, compatibility issues with product components, and the absence of information for consumers to repair their own devices.

He also mentioned that the Repairability Index of France rates products on five criteria, while the EU has additional parameters.

HCL Technologies Founder Ajai Chowdhry called for legislation to drive change. Today, most products are not repairable. We need to design products which can be repaired.... Unless we create a law, things will not change,"

Infosys, NVIDIA expand partnership to develop GenAl-powered solutions

Infosys on Thursday said it expanded its expanded partnership with American chipmaker NVIDIA to GenAI-powered develop solutions telecom operators.

The IT major has developed three generative AI solutions powered by its AI-offering Topaz, which make use of NVIDIA NIM inference microservices, NVIDIA NeMo Retriever embedding models, and NeMo Guardrails to customise and deploy generative AI telco domain-specific largelanguage models.

It has also used NVIDIA Riva allow real-time transcription and translations call centre agents, according to a regulatory

"Telcos are increasingly adopting generative solutions to improve the productivity with smarter businesses networks, more efficient operations, and enhanced customer service.

"Leveraging NVIDIA's fullstack accelerated computing and AI platform, Infosys Topaz is delivering a suite of domain-specific solutions that will help telcos accelerate and streamline their adoption of generative AI," Ronnie Vasishta, Senior Vice President of Telecom at NVIDIA, said. These generative-AI solutions

cent lower latency and 22 per cent absolute improvement in accuracy, the filing said. Shares of Infosys settled 0.35 per cent lower at Rs 1,932.40 apiece on the BSE.

have resulted in up to 61 per

Rupee rises 10 paise to close at 83.87 against US dollar

The rupee appreciated 10 paise to close at 83.87 (provisional) against the American currency on Thursday, supported by easing crude oil prices and a firm trend in domestic equities. Forex traders said the market is awaiting cues from the US GDP and the US Personal Consumption Expenditure (PCE) inflation data, as this data point is crucial since it could sway the Federal Reserve's decision on whether to implement a 25 or 50 basis point rate cut at its September meeting. At the interbank foreign

exchange market, the local unit opened at 83.92 and touched an intra-day high of 83.84 against the US dollar. The domestic currency finally settled at 83.87 (provisional), 10 paise higher from its previous close On Wednesday, the rupee 83.97 against the American curr ency. According to Jateen Trivedi, Research Analyst, Commodity and Currency, LKP Securities, the rupee

depreciated 4 paise to close at

gained 10 paise, as expectations of interest rate cuts continue to provide support, preventing the rupee from falling below 84.00. "The strong demand around 84.00 keeps the rupee

buoyant, with resistance seen at 83.75. The rupee is expected to trade in a positive

84.00-83.70, Trivedi said. Meanwhile, dollar index, which gauges strength against a currencies, was trading 0.11 per higher at 101.20.

Brent crude, the global oil benchmark, declined 0.34 per cent to USD 78.38 per barrel. On the domestic equity market front, Sensex rose 349.05 points, or 0.43 per cent, to close at 82,134.61 points. The Nifty closed 99.60 points, or 0.4 per cent, up at 25,151.95 points.

Foreign institutional investors (FIIs) were net sellers in the markets capital Wednesday, as they offloaded shares worth Rs 1,347.53 crore, according to exchange

Final guidelines on project loans likely in 2-3 months: RBI official

The final project loan guidelines are likely to be announced in the next two to three months, a senior RBI official said on Thursday. The norms regarding the

Expected Credit Loss (ECL)based provisioning are in an advanced stage of discussion, the official told reporters

The Reserve Bank of India has proposed to set aside 5 per cent of the total exposure to a project till the construction of the project is

Fearing a hit to profits, banks have been asking for a relook into it, as per reports. The RBI official said up to 60

responses have been received on the project loans draft, and the central bank is going

Gold prices slipped Rs 100 to Rs 74,250 per 10 grams

in the national capital on

Thursday, according to the All India Sarafa Association.

The precious metal had ended at Rs 74,350 per 10

grams in the previous trade. Silver prices also plunged by Rs 600 to Rs 87,200 per

kilogram, extending the

losses in the second straight

session on Thursday from the previous close of Rs 87,800

Meanwhile, gold of 99.5 per cent purity also declined Rs 100 to Rs 73,900 per 10 grams

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Gold slips ₹100;

silver plunges ₹600



through all the suggestions. When asked about the timelines by when the final guidelines will come in, the official said it will take "at least 2-3 months", but did not give a specific answer on whether the guidelines will be implemented from April 1 next year onwards.

To a question on the ECL framework, the official said the norms are in the "advance stages" of discussion. The official admitted that

there is an "overlap" on both the ECL and project finance norms, but seemed non-

on Thursday. It had settled at

Rs 74,000 per 10 grams in the

Traders attributed fall in the gold prices due to reduced demand by jewellers in the

On the global front, comex gold is trading at USD 2,555.10 per ounce, higher by

USD 17.30 per ounce or 0.68

previous trade.

local markets.

committal on whether both the guidelines will come in

These are two concurrent

streams running together, the official said, assuring that the intent of the RBI is to be non-disruptive and take into account all the impact of the guidelines before finalising guidelines before finalising. Meanwhile, on reports of higher delinquencies in microloans, the official said there is no systemic risk and entry-specific concerns are discussed bilaterally as part of

the supervisory framework. some regulatory interventions are required, they are also initiated, the official said, citing the November 2023 regulations hiking risk weights on unsecured leading.

unsecured lending.
There is "nothing on the table" right now on the MFI

If any action is taken, it will be for the entire sector and not entity-specific, the official clarified

Speaking at the annual GFF here, RBI's chief general manager Vaibhav Chaturvedi asked financiers to be more "responsible" while engaging in their core lending activities and the industry to take steps towards this aim.

The offerings need to be transparent and the regulated entities' dealings need to be fair, he underlined.

At the same conference, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research professor Ashima Goyal said the credit deposit ratios in India are much lower than in other countries and the government borrows a lot of

Green hydrogen firm Ohmium bags financial aid for 137-MW capacity under SIGHT scheme evolution as a global Energy hub. These funds will accelerate the expansion of

 $G^{reen\ hydrogen\ firm}_{Ohmium\ on\ Thursday}$ said it has secured financial assistance for setting up a 137-MW electrolyzer electrolyzer manufacturing capac under the SIGHT scheme. capacity Electrolyzer is a device that uses electricity to split water

into hydrogen and oxygen through a chemical process called electrolysis. Ohmium International (Ohmium) has been selected for the second time as a SIGHT Incentive Program

award winner by the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE), a company statement said. "Our selection for this award demonstrates both Ohmium commitment to excellence as well as to decarbonization in India and across the globe," said Arne



Ballantine, Ohmium CEO in the statement.

This award is a continuation of Ohmium's success in Tranche I of the SIGHT program. The tenders, implemented by the Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI) are intended to incentivize 1.5 GW of electrolyzer domestic manufacturing capacity in support of India's India's support sustainability goals.

"India has ambitious green hydrogen goals, and this program supports India's

Ohmium's Gigafactory in Bangalore as well as support future local manufacturing facilities", noted Ballantine.

Ohmium is the PEM electrolyzer leader in India, with partnerships with industry leaders such as NTPC and Tata Projects.

The company has an active green hydrogen project pipeline of over 2 GW across green four continents, serving a diverse range of customers across energy, transportation, steel production, and heavy industry.

Headquartered in the United States with manufacturing facilities in India and operations worldwide, Ohmium has a global green hydrogen project pipeline exceeding 2 GW across three continents.

Fitch retains India rating at BBB with stable outlook

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Global rating agency Fitch on Thursday affirmed India's sovereign rating at 'BBB-' with a stable outlook. India's rating has remained unchanged at 'BBB-', the lowest investment grade, since August 2006. "Fitch Ratings has affirmed India's Long-Term Foreign-Currency Issuer Default Rating (IDR) at BBB-' with a Stable Outlook," the global rating agency said in a statement.

India's ratings are underpinned by its strong medium-term growth outlook, which will continue to drive improvement in structural aspects of its credit profile, including India's share of GDP in the global economy, as well as its solid external finance position, it said in a statement.

Strengthening fiscal credibility from recent achievement of deficit targets, enhanced transparency and buoyant revenues, have increased the likelihood that government debt can follow a modest downward trend in the

medium term, it said. Nevertheless, it said, fiscal metrics remain a credit weakness, with deficits, debt and debt service burden all high compared to 'BBB' range peers. Lagging structural metrics, including governance indicators and GDP per capita, including

also weigh on the rating, it added. Observing that India is set to

remain among the fastest-growing sovereigns globally, it said, "we forecast GDP growth of 7.2 per cent in the fiscal year ending March 2025 (FY25) and 6.5 per cent in FY26, down slightly from 8.2 per cent in FY24."

Tyre exports from India rise 17 per cent in Q1: ATMA added. The rise in exports is a

Tyre exports from India grew 17 per cent year-on-year to reach Rs 6,219 crore in the first quarter of the current fiscal with the US emerging as the biggest market, industry body Automotive Tyre Manufacturers Association

Manufacturers Association (ATMA) said on Thursday.

Tyre exports from India recouped in the first quarter of FY25, increasing by 17 per cent yoy. Tyre exports had declined by 14 per cent in the by 14 per cent in the corresponding quarter in the previous year, ATMA said citing data just released by the Ministry of Commerce. Sustained focus on R&D and



technology products aided by competitive pricing and branding efforts helped Indian tyre manufacturers drive growth in exports despite a challenging environment, ATMA Chairman Arnab Banerjee said in a statement. "Improving demand prospects in key export destinations and expected monetary easing also helped growth," Banerjee testament to the Indian tyre industry's enhanced integration with global supply chains, he added. globally

regulatory environment in the country for manufacturing of tyres also augurs well for increasing the addressable market manufactured tyres," Banerjee

During Q1FY25, the US was the largest export destination for Indian manufactured tyres accounting for 17 per cent share. Other large export destinations included Brazil, Germany, France and Italy, the

LIC hands over ₹3,662 cr dividend cheque to Govt

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State-owned Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) on Thursday handed over a dividend cheque of Rs 3,662.17 crore to Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman.

The cheque was presented by Siddhartha Mohanty, Chief Executive Officer & Managing Director of LIC to the finance minister in the presence of M P Tangirala, Additional Secretary, Secretary, Ministry of Finance. LIC also paid an interim dividend of Rs 2,441.45 crore on March 1, 2024, thus

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totaling Rs 6,103.62 crore dividend paid to the Centre for the year 2023-24. LIC, which completed 68 years since its incorporation, has an asset base of over Rs 52.85 lakh crore.

INDIA'S CHANCES OF WINNING IN AUSTRALIA WILL DEPEND ON BATTERS: JOHN BUCHANAN

ormer Australia coach John Buchanan believes India's chances of completing a hat-trick of Test series wins Down Under will hinge on how the visiting batters, including "ageing' stars Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli, tackle the hosts' battery of pace bowlers.

For the first time since 1991-92, India will tour Australia for a five-match Test series for the Border-Gavaskar Trophy, with the opening game scheduled to be played at Perth from November 22.

Buchanan, who presided over Australia's golden run in all forms in the first decade of this millennium as head coach, said both India and Australia have plenty of ageing players at disposal but that will not be a deterrent to the competition between the sides.

"Australia (has), since losing to India in the last series, the pace bowling attack with (offspinner Nathan) Lyon, backed up now by Cameron Green or Mitch Marsh, is just a really, powerful bowling lineup," Buchanan told PTI on Thursday after the launch of 'Ready Steady Go Kids' multisport program for the CP Goenka International School.

"India's top order, (Yashasvi) Jaiswal, (Rohit) Sharma himself, (Virat) Kohli, possibly Iyer... they've got to bat really well to establish totals and then the likes of (Jasprit) Bumrah, (Mohammed) Shami, (Mohammed) Siraj will come



into their own," he said. Buchanan said there won't be much of a psychological impact of India's wins in Australia on the previous two tours given that two of the mainstays then - Cheteshwar Pujara and Ajinkva Rahane are not likely to be a part of the touring squad for the upcoming series.

The previous series that India won - important from both, Indian perspective and an Australian perspective - a little bit of the mind games will go into the pre-series," he said.
"But for all that, those games have passed, those players are gone and the current players we have both in the Australian side and the Indian side, they're at a stage of their careers where they all want to perform."
"I looked at the ages and India

has got some aging players in that side notably Rohit who's 37 and Kohli is 35, (Ravichandran) Ashwin, if he tours, he's 37 and you look at the Australian side, there's only one or two players who are under 30

"It'll be very much a battle again between the very good pace bowling attacks of both sides and how well the top order players of both sides can deal with the ball that will bounce, seam and probably swing a little bit more in the day-night game in Adelaide," he said.

BATTING FOR LONGER PERIODS: Buchanan said it will be key for India to bat for longer periods in Australia and tire out their bowling attack, Pujara something that executed to perfection in 2018-19 facing 1,258 balls. Two years

later, Pujara faced 928 balls as India once again won the series

"Why Australia plays well at home is they do bat well, they understand their conditions." but that lineup of (Pat) Cummins, (Mitchell) Starc, (Josh) Hazlewood, backed up by Lyon, is just one of the alltime best all-round attacks that world cricket has seen," he said. "Albeit that, Starc is (nearly) 35, Hazlewood is 33, Cummins is 31 - it's a five-Test series - so if India can not only bat well, but bat for long periods of time, then it will test the physical capacities of that Australian bowling attack and therein potentially lies a little bit of a key to how India can look at winning the series," he

Buchanan said the lack of preparation among travelling

teams will be a hinderance that India will face as well.

India will play a two-day pink-ball match against the Prime Minister's XI on November 30 and December 1 ahead of the day-night Test.

"Australia is favourite going into the series right at this stage. When you look around world cricket these days - and it has been (the case) for some time it has been (the case) for some time - it's very difficult to tour other countries," he told

reporters later.
"(The) travelling teams no longer have that preparation in a country. They don't play two or three games prior to playing the first Test match to adjust to a country, because nobody wants to tour for that long.
"That makes it very difficult

when you go to Perth, when it's fast and bouncy, for a side that's coming from, they will have played Bangladesh (and New Zealand) obviously, b Bangladesh at home isn't it?

"The wickets are going to be completely different, albeit it's fantastic lead-in that they're playing some Test cricket, but it's going to be quite difficult to go to Perth to start with," he said. Buchanan added that he was also not in favour of Steve Smith continuing as Australia's

"Not personally. He's made his mark at No 4. But I'm not a selector, and I'm not the captain, and I'm not Steve Smith and so those three people will end up making the decision that they think best fits the make-up of that side,"

Wimbledon champion Krejcikova out of



Paralympic Games opening ceremony starts the final chapter on a long summer of sport in Paris

Just weeks after hosting the Olympics, Paris inaugurated the 2024 Paralympics on Wednesday with a nearly fourhour-long opening ceremony in the heart of the city. Against the backdrop of a

setting sun, thousands of athletes paraded down the famed Champs-Elysées avenue to Place de la Concorde in central Paris where French President Emmanuel Macron officially declared Paralympic Games open.

About 50,000 people watched the ceremony in stands built around the iconic square, which is the biggest in Paris and is visible from afar because of its ancient Egyptian Obelisk. Accessibility for athletes in wheelchairs was facilitated with strips of asphalt laid along the avenue and placed over the square. More than 4,000 athletes with physical, visual and intellectual impairments will compete in 22 sports from Thursday until Sept. 8. Organizers say more than 2 million of the 2.8 million tickets have been sold for the various Paralympic events. The opening ceremony was

held outside the confines of a stadium, just like when the Olympics opened in the city on July 26. Fighter planes flew overhead, leaving red-whiteand blue vapors in the colors of the French national flag, before the delegations entered the square in alphabetical order. Some delegations were huge -more than 250 athletes from

Brazil - and some were tiny less than a handful from Barbados and just three from Myanmar.

Ukraine's delegation got a loud cheer and some of the crowd stood to applaud them.

Flag bearers Steve Serio and Nicky Nieves led the U.S. Team's delegation. The French arrived last and to roars from the crowd, which then sang along to popular French songs, including "Que Je Taime" by late rocker Johnny Hallyday. Throughout the show, directed by Thomas Jolly who also led Olympic opening ceremony, singers, dancers and

musicians with and without disabilities performed on stage together seamlessly, projecting a theme of inclusion and overcoming physical differences. Lucky Love, a French singer who lost his left arm at birth, was joined by performers in wheelchairs. Other acts featured dancers with crutches.

Paralympic International Committee President Andrew Parsons said he hoped the Paris Paralympics would start "inclusion revolution" beyond the field of sport.
"The Paris 2024 Paralympic

Games will show what persons with disabilities can achieve at the highest level when the barriers to succeed are removed," he said in a speech. The fact these opportunities largely exist only in sport in the year 2024 is shocking. It is proof we can and must do more to advance disability inclusion - whether on the field

of play, in the classroom,

concert hall or in the

boardroom." As the ceremony concluded, the Paralympic torch was carried into the area by former Olympic wheelchair tennis gold medalist Michaël who Jérémiasz, surrounded on stage by dozens of torchbearers. Five French Paralympians lit the Olympic cauldron, which is designed to look like a hot air balloon and glowed gold-like in the night.



Nitish-Thulasimathi duo makes winning start in Paralympics

India's Nitesh Kumar and **▲**Thulasimathi Murugesan had little difficulty overcoming country-mates Suhas Yathiraj and Palak Kohli in the opening group stage match of badminton mixed doubles (SL3-SU5) at the Paralympic Games here on Thursday.

However, mixed doubles duo of Sivarajan Solaimalai and Nithya Sre, seeded second, lost their SH6 group play stage match in straight games to the American pair of Miles Krajewski and Jayci Simon.

The Nitesh-Thulasimathi duo won the Group A contest 21-14, 21-17 in 31 minutes.

Nitesh, 29, who hails from Karnal district in Haryana, and young Thulasimathi, a veterinary science student from Tamil Nadu who had won the mixed bronze at the Asian Para Games in Hangzhou, encountered little challenge in the first game and at one stage they were leading by seven points. Unable to counter the pair's net play and deep tosses, Suhas and Palak quickly

found themselves trailing, losing the game in just 14 minutes. similar lines with Palak clearly not able to match the prowess of her senior partner on court and giving away points.

SL3 players have moderate impairment on one side of the body, affecting either both legs or the absence of limbs, while SU5 players have significant impairments in their upper limbs. In Group B, Sivarajan and Nithya gave a tough challenge to the American pair before going down 21-23, 11-21 in 35 minutes in SH6 category. SH6 is for badminton players with short

Sivarajan, who trains at the Pullela Gopichand Academy in Hyderabad, and partner Nithya were equal to the task in the opening game and also took a slander one point lead but the slender one-point lead but the young American pair, who are both in their late teens, were too agile on court and fought for

every point. The second game turned out to be one-sided with the tiring

I'm very proud about it and how I was able to handle everything there," said Krejcikova, who hadn't played a $F^{
m rances}$ Tiafoe is getting the rematch he wants, a second shot at tournament on hard courts since Ben Shelton at the U.S. Open. February.

But there won't be a second straight "I think I was playing quite well, Grand Slam title for Barbora definitely better than in the first match. I think my game was Krejcikova. improving, but it just wasn't enough." The Wimbledon champion was knocked out of the U.S. Open in the second round on Wednesday, No woman has won Wimbledon and the U.S. Open in the same year since defeated by Elena-Gabriela Ruse 6-4,

Serena Williams in 2012.

Tiafoe had short work on the steamiest day of the tournament thus far, with temperatures in New York surpassing 90 degrees Fahrenheit (32 degrees Celsius). Three men's matches ended when an opponent stopped playing, the last one sending defending champion Novak Djokovic to the third round when Laslo Djere amazing. It's a great, great, great result, retired early in the third set with what



appeared to be pain near his hip after they played for more than two hours across the first two sets.

"You know, in the end, not the kind of finish that we players or crowd wants to see, but I think it's probably due to that physical battle that we had in the opening two sets," the No. 2-seeded Djokovic said.

Tiafoe, the No. 20 seed, won the first two sets before his opponent, Alexander Shevchenko, retired after the first game of the third set.

Shelton, the No. 13 seed, later beat Roberto Bautista Agut 6-3, 6-4, 6-4. He ousted Tiafoe last year in the quarterfinals, stopping Tiafoe from what would have been a second straight trip to the U.S. Open

"Obviously he's very much like me in how excited and energetic he is on the

court," Tiafoe said, "and has such a big game and big shots and serves big and gets the crowd going? Well, maybe not quite as well as

Tiafoe does. I know that the people love him here. Probably more than me. He's electric

here, and his crowds are electric here," the 21-year-old Shelton said. "It will be a battle. It will be a war just

like the last two times we've played. Yeah, I'm more than excited to be out there with him again."

They were two of the four American men to reach the third round in the bottom half of the draw. No. 12 Taylor Fritz got there by beating Matteo Berrettini 6-3, 7-6 (1), 6-1, while Brandon Nakashima beat Arthur Cazaux and will next play No. 18 Lozenzo Musetti, the bronze medalist

at the Olympics.

Novak Djokovic reaches US Open third round

U.S. Open match that Novak ADjokovic already expected to be difficult was threatening to become a toss-up as he struggled with his serve. Missing more than he made, Djokovic couldn't get many quick points Wednesday night. He acknowledged that he should have lost the second set, and if his opponent didn't get injured and have to stop, maybe he wouldn't even have won that match.

The No. 8-seeded Krejcikova won her

second Grand Slam singles title this summer, but then she didn't play any

matches after the Paris Olympics. She

acknowledged last week not knowing

Turns out, it wasn't good enough.
"I mean, winning Wimbledon is

where her level of play was.

Once he had, the defending champion was only looking ahead.

"The matches are only going to get tougher from here. I know that, but I'm fine," Djokovic said. "I'll find my way, as I have done many times in my career." Diokovic reached the third round when Laslo Diere had to retire with the No. 2 seed leading his Serbian countryman 6-4, 6-4, 2-0.

Djere was leading 4-2 in the second set when he appeared to be troubled by pain near his hip and was visited by a Indians losing in just 14 minutes. | trainer later in the set. He finished that



set, which lasted 69 minutes after the first one went 60, but didn't last much

"In the end, not the kind of finish that we players or crowd wants to see, but I think it's probably due to that physical battle that we had in the opening two sets," Djokovic said

It was the 90th win at the U.S. Open for Djokovic, making him the first man to reach that total at all four Grand Slams. The 24-time major champion will play No. 28 seed Alexei Popyrin on Friday. Djere was the only player to win a set against Djokovic at last year's U.S. Open, grabbing the first two in their

third-round encounter before Djokovic

"So I knew coming into the match that if I don't serve well, which was the case, I'm going to have to really grind and work for my points a lot," Djokovic said. "That's what I guess caused the two sets

to be played over two hours." Djokovic made only 47% of his first serves and appeared to be struggling physically himself earlier in the match, which was just his second since winning the gold medal in the Olympics. Djere had two chances to break Djokovic's serve for would have given him a 5-2 lead in the second set. Înstead, he wouldn't win another game, with Djokovic breaking to win the set when Djere yanked a forehand out of bounds.

"All in all, of course, I have to be happy with the win," Djokovic said, "and happy that in important moments I managed to play one ball more than him over the net, I guess find the right shots or anticipate well as I did in the set point in the second set.

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the following works: Tender No. 1

Brief Description of work: Galgalia Provision of MEA and Construction of high level platform of Precast RCC Face wall with VDF at Galgalia. Tender Value: ₹3,36,30,942.05/-Earnest Money: ₹3,18,200/-. Tender No. 2. Brief Description of work: At Siliguri Jn. - Extension of BG platform No.5 towards New Jalpaigur end (Balance work) & provision of 10 bay PP shed at PF 4 & 5. Tender Value: ₹3,76,07,800.16/-Earnest Money: ₹3,38,000/-.Tender No. 3. Brief Description of work: Supply of drinking/potable water by Motor truck at Tindharia Works Shop, ADME's office, Railway Hospital, Mahanadi Station, Rongtong Station and Railway colony of Tindharia including maintenance of main pipe ine from source (Pagaljhora) to Tindharia etc for 18 months. Tender Value: ₹ 59,02,218.54/-. Earnest Money: ₹ 1,18,100/-. 4. Brief Description of work: Carrying out slope stability analysis and providing detailed scheme for protection works, Slope stabilisation, remedial measure etc & site supervision of works during execution phase including Soil Exploration and Testing etc in connection with Sukna - Darjeeling: Construction of Retaining wall/Breast wall & slope protection works of DHR (NG)section. Tender Value: ₹ 77,59,370.08/-. Earnest Money: 1,55,200/-. 5. Brief Description of work: Katihar - Renovation of ORH Suite No. A, B, E & F and Room No. 1 & 2 including out side painting etc. Tender Value: ₹ 48,81,109.89/-Earnest Money: ₹ 97,600/-. 6. Brief Description of work: Provision of additional waterways at Km 9/7-8 (1 Nos.) by constructing RCC box in Katihar-Jogbani section under DEN/II/Katihar. **Tender Value:** 3.40,66,297.67/-. Earnest Money:

Messi joins group training with Inter Miami

AP ■ FORT LAUDERDALE (FLORIDA)

Ligroup training with Inter ionel Messi returned to Miami on Wednesday, more than six weeks after the Argentina captain left the Copa America final with a badly sprained right ankle. There is still no official

timetable for when Messi, the eight-time Ballon d'Or winner, will play again for Inter Miami which has the best record in Major League Soccer so far this season. Inter Miami visits Chicago on Saturday, then doesn't return to MLS play until a Sept. 14 match with Philadelphia. If Messi doesn't play this weekend, that means he'd have two more weeks to continue rehabbing before returning to game action.

qualifiers in early September. "To see him on the field is great," Inter Miami goalkeeper Drake Callender said after the Wednesday workout. "I know he's been getting treatment every single day, training every single day, training every single day. He's dealt with things before. He's been there, done that and he's still doing it at the highest level. To see him recoup from the kind of injury we saw at Copa America and be available for us this season, it goes to show the quality of care

we have here." Messi has 12 goals and 13 assists in 12 MLS games with Inter Miami this season. He's missed 14 of the club's league matches, including each of the last eight either because he was playing for Argentina or recovering from the ankle Messi was not selected by injury. Also missed by Messi in Argentina to play in World Cup that span: all four of Inter



Miami's matches in Leagues Cup play, as the team tried to defend the trophy it won a year

ago.
Messi last played on July 14, leaving in the second half of Argentina's win over Colombia in the Copa America final. He was dealing with leg issues throughout that tournament, plus left the field briefly in the first half of the final because of a left ankle issue - then got hurt again in the second half and had to leave for good.

If Messi doesn't play until the Sept. 14 match, he'll have had exactly two months to recover and rehab plus gear up for the MLS playoffs. Inter Miami is the only team so far to have clinched a playoff berth and is currently four points clear with a match in hand - over the LA Galaxy for the best overall record in MLS.

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