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Polls on platter, all eyes on Wayanad



Women from the tribal community give a traditional welcome to a polling official before he leaves for his allotted polling station on the eve of the 1st phase of Jharkhand Assembly elections, in Ranchi, Tuesday

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI/RANCHI/WAYANAD

buoyed by the success of Assembly elections in Haryana right after the Lok Sabha polls, a high voltage campaign led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, several Union Ministers and Chief Ministers has set the tone and tenor of the first phase of Assembly elections in Jharkhand, and bypolls in 31 seats spread across 10 states, and the most watched Wayanad Lok Sabha constituency, which will be held on Wednesday amidst tight security arrangements. The second phase of

Assembly polls and bypolls is scheduled on November 20 which will see second phase of Jharkhand, single phase Maharashtra and several bypoll Assembly pockets including that in Uttar Pradesh. Counting will be held on November 23, as per the Election Commission dateline. Though these by-elections are not going to have any bearing on the governments, they are seen as a big test for the Congress and the INDIA Bloc which failed to put up a united show in the recent Haryana Assembly polls. Most of these seats fell vacant after the sitting MLAs contested the Lok Sabha elections and won

while in some constituencies, the bypolls are being held due to death of the representatives. Congress general secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra is making her electoral debut from Wayanad vacated by her sibling Rahul Gandhi who also won from the Rae Bareilly parliamentary constituency. Voting will be held in seven seats in Rajasthan, six in West Bengal, five in Assam, four seats in Bihar, three in Karnataka, two seats in Madhya Pradesh, and one seat each in Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Kerala and Meghalaya. Votes will be counted on November 23. Though polling was also scheduled for two seats in Sikkim, Soreng-Chakung and Namchi-Singhithang, Sikkim Krantikari Morcha (SKM) nominees Aditya Golay and Satish Chandra Rai have already been declared unopposed after their rivals withdrew from the race. In Rajasthan, bypolls will be held in Jhunjhunu, Dausa, Deoli-Uniara, Khinvsar, Chaurasi, Salumbar and Ramgarh. In Salumbar and Ramgarh, the bye-elections were necessitated due to the demise of the sitting MLAs, Amritlal Meena (Bharatiya Janata Party) and Zubair Khan (Congress) respectively. The ruling Trinamool Congress (TMC) in West Bengal had won five of the six seats, Taldangra, Sitai-SC, Naihathi, Haroa, Medinipur, and Madarihat - in the 2021 Assembly polls. The Madarihat seat was held by the BJP.



ED raids multiple locations in Jharkhand, WB

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ RANCHI

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) on Tuesday raided multiple locations in poll-bound Jharkhand apart from West Bengal in a money laundering investigation linked to alleged illegal infiltration of Bangladeshi nationals, official sources said. A total of 17 places are being covered in the two neighbouring states by the Ranchi office of the federal probe agency, a day before the first phase of polling in Jharkhand. Visuals of Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) personnel positioned outside a hotel located on Bariatu Road in Ranchi and a resort in the city were captured by press teams as ED teams scoured for documents, ledger entries and financial records inside. The ED in September filed a case under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) to probe an instance of alleged infiltration and trafficking of some Bangladeshi women into Jharkhand leading to the generation of alleged slush funds. Prime Minister Narendra Modi and other Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leaders have accused the State Government of aiding such infiltration leading to the altering of the demographic landscape of the tribal-dominated areas of Santhal Pargana and Kolhan regions during the recent poll campaign. Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Monday accused the ruling Jharkhand Mukti Morcha-led coalition of converting Jharkhand into a 'dharmashala' for Rohingyas and Bangladeshi infiltrators.

Overaged vehicles choking NCR

One crore end-of-life cars are still running on Delhi's roads

RAJESH KUMAR ■ NEW DELHI

As there is no letup in worsening air pollution in Delhi and its neighbouring region as the air quality index here remains in the 'very poor' category for the past 13 days, the Commission for Air Quality Management (CAQM) directed to launch actions to remove highly polluting end-of-life (EoL) vehicles (petrol vehicles older than 15 years and diesel vehicles older than 10 years) still reported to be plying in Delhi. The National Capital Region (NCR) still has over one 1.06 Crore 'overage' vehicles (End of Life (EoL) running on the roads illegally and adding to the pollution. Of them, only 26,064 vehicles have been seized in 2023 and 6011 till September 2024. In Delhi, the transport sector is the most significant contributor at 15.496 per cent, as per the Decision Support System data by the Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM). The PM2.5 concentration is currently 40.4 times the World Health Organization (WHO) annual PM2.5 guideline value. Data shows there are 60,14,493 such vehicles in Delhi. Of them, only 24,706 have been impounded so far. A survey by the Delhi government in October estimates there are 15,000-2,00,000 EoL vehicles still on roads. An estimated 1.1 million vehicles enter and exit Delhi daily, further worsening the air quality. The traffic congestion caused by this vehicle influx also intensifies pollution, particularly nitrogen oxides (NOx), which account for 81 per cent of NOx pollution in Delhi. Data shows that during peak traffic hours (5 pm - 9 pm), when average traffic speed drops to 15 km/h, NO2 levels are 2.3 times higher than noon levels (12 pm - 4 pm) when traffic speed averages 21 km/h.



Photo: Ranjan Dimri/Pioneer

These congestion-related emissions worsen air quality, especially during winter when inversion layers trap pollutants close to the ground. According to the Ministry of Road and Transport, Haryana has over 27.50 lakh while Uttar Pradesh has over 12.38 lakh such vehicles. Rajasthan has 6.06 lakh such vehicles. Transport department Officials said that there are a large number of EoL vehicles plying on the roads, causing traffic snarls here. In an order to Delhi, the Commission has directed that EoL vehicles should be denied fuel at petrol pumps and more importantly, immediate legal action should be taken against such vehicles, including impounding and further disposal in accordance with RVSF Rules, 2021 and other extant policies of the respective State Governments and the GNCT Delhi. "As a deterrent measure, all such EoL vehicles are identified through the Automated Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) camera systems at petrol pumps. Delhi has piloted one such innovative and effective solution which envisages Automated Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) camera systems which are in the process of being installed at all 500+

fueling stations in the capital city". "These cameras, besides capturing and displaying the registration details of all the vehicles that enter the premises of the fueling station, also have a provision of integration with VAHAN database and thus the status of "EoL" vehicles or vehicles without valid Pollution Under Control Certificate "PUCC" can be readily captured by the system. The system further has a provision for an audio message which is relayed in respect of such non-compliant vehicles entering the premises of the fueling station," it said. "In view of the high polluting nature of EoL vehicles and considering that such a large fleet, while de-registered, is still reported to be plying, NCR States / GNCT of Delhi, there is an urgent need to launch / intensify drives against such vehicles. While much more intensified "on-road" drives should be taken up to guard against such overage vehicles plying on roads or parked in public spaces, suitable technological interventions and intelligent solutions also need to be employed towards identification / detection of such EoL vehicles still running in the NCR," it said.



Canada temple cancels event amid protest threats

PTI ■ OTTAWA

The Brampton Triveni temple in Canada has cancelled a consular event after the Canadian police warned them of an "extremely high and imminent" threat level of violent protests. The Life Certificate event, organised by the Consulate General of India, Toronto, was scheduled for November 17 at the temple premises. It was part of the consulate's many camps for issuing Life Certificates for pension purposes. On Monday, the temple authorities said the event was cancelled due to "official intelligence from Peel Regional Police, stating that there is an Extremely High and Imminent Threat Level of violent protests". "...We must make the appropriate decision to cancel to ensure the safety of Brampton Triveni Mandir devotees, community visitors, and the general public," the temple authorities said in a statement. "We are deeply saddened that Canadians now feel unsafe coming to Hindu Temples in Canada," it added. Temple authorities called on Peel Police to address the threats being circulated against the temple and provide security guarantees to the Canadian Hindu community and the general public. The cancellation came almost a week after protestors carrying Khalistani flags clashed with devotees at a Hindu Sabha temple and disrupted an event co-organised by the temple authorities and the Indian Consulate at Brampton. Last week, the Consulate General of India in Toronto said it was cancelling some of its scheduled consular camps after the Canadian security authorities conveyed their inability to provide minimum security protection to its organisers. After the protests at the Hindu Sabha temple in Brampton on November 3, the Ministry of External Affairs said that New Delhi remains "deeply concerned" about the safety and security of Indian nationals in Canada. India condemned the attack with an expectation that those indulging in violence "will be prosecuted". The relations between India and Canada have come under severe strain following Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's allegations in September last year of a "potential" involvement of Indian agents in Khalistan extremist Hardeep Singh Nijjar's killing. New Delhi rejected Trudeau's charges as "absurd." Nijjar, a Canadian citizen, was designated a terrorist by India.

Bodies of two Meitei men recovered

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ IMPHAL

Bodies of two elderly men belonging to the Meitei community were recovered on Tuesday morning in Manipur's Jiribam district where a gunfight between suspected militants and security forces broke out a day before, police said. Operations are underway to trace three women and three children, who have been reported missing since the violence erupted in Jiribam on Monday, IGP (operations) I K Muivah said. The bodies of the two men, Laishram Balen and Maibam Kesho, were found lying in debris during a search operation in the Jakuradhor Karong area where a few shops were set on fire by suspected militants on Monday, another senior officer said. "The two elderly men belonging to the Meitei community died after the insurgents torched a few shops in the Jakuradhor Karong area," he said. The Jiribam district administration imposed prohibitory orders to avoid any untoward incident in the area, the officer said. A



shutdown has been observed since five am on Tuesday in Kuki-Zo majority areas in the hills to protest against killing of suspected insurgents in the gunfight with security personnel, another police officer said. The Kuki-Zo Council called for a total shutdown in the hill areas of the state from 5 am to 6 pm on Tuesday to express their "collective grief and solidarity for those who were brutally shot dead". The police had said 10 suspected militants were killed in the fierce gunfight with security forces on Monday after insurgents in camouflage uniforms, armed with sophisticated weapons, fired indiscriminately at a police station and an adjacent CRPF camp in Jiribam district. However, a senior officer had put the toll at 11.

New entrance exam series in January

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan on Tuesday announced that the Centre is introducing various reforms in the entrance examinations in the country beginning January and appealed to the state governments to extend their support for zero-entrance tests. Pradhan said the Radhakrishnan panel has submitted its report outlining reforms in the National Testing



Agency (NTA) and to implement the recommendations of states is essential. "I have appealed to all state government education secretaries. A new entrance exam series for the upcoming year will begin in January. Based on last year's experiences, the government has introduced numerous reforms," he told reporters on the sidelines of a national workshop on higher and technical education attended by secretaries of states and Union territories (UTs).

"The Radhakrishnan committee has submitted its recommendations and to implement it, the states' cooperation is essential. I have appealed to everyone on this matter, especially regarding entrance examinations. "Bringing examinations, especially entrance exams, to zero error is the responsibility of both the Government of India and the state governments. We will work as a team to build confidence in the children of our country," the education minister added.

Retail inflation rises to 6.21 per cent

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Retail inflation rose to 6.21 per cent in October from 5.49 per cent in the preceding month mainly due to higher food prices, breaching the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI's) upper tolerance level, according to official data released on Tuesday. The consumer price index-based inflation was 4.87 per cent in October 2023. The National Statistics Office data showed that inflation in the food basket rose to 10.87 per cent in October from 9.24 per cent in September and 6.61 per cent in the year-ago month. The RBI, which kept the key short-term lending rate unchanged earlier this month, has been tasked by the government to ensure inflation remains at 4 per cent with a margin of 2 per cent on either side.



Tourists play in the snow at a ski resort after season's first snowfall at Kongdoori area of Gulmarg, in Baramulla district, Jammu and Kashmir, Tuesday

Band, baaja, baraat and... traffic jams

Around 50,000 weddings were celebrated on Tuesday, in Delhi

SAUMYA SHUKLA ■ NEW DELHI

Be ready to encounter loud music, people dancing on the streets, and a general euphoria amongst the masses as wedding season officially began on Tuesday, which marked the auspicious occasion of Dev Uthani Ekadashi, when around 50,000 weddings were celebrated in the National Capital. However, what is 'party mode' for some will be a major headache for the commuters traversing through the roads of Delhi, especially through South Delhi and East Delhi. The sounds of celebration will continue until December 16 with the city witnessing around 4.5 lakh weddings across the different venues in Delhi in a

span of 18 days. The day is also seeing a surge in weddings since the day also marks 'Tulsi Vivah', which is considered a highly auspicious day to get married as Goddess Tulsi married Shaligram, a form of Lord Vishnu. As 'baarats', which are the procession a groom takes out via reaching the venue where the marriage is taking place, the commuters faced hardships as the processions led to traffic woes in the city. Areas like Mahipalpur, Mehrauli, Karnal, and Rohini among others saw congestions due to wedding related activities. It took hours to cross even small stretches, as the weddings added to the already existing problem of persistent traffic congestion in different areas across the Capital.



Many a time vehicles parked around these wedding venues also leave the roads narrower, and normal traffic has to wade through the cramped spaces. Shopping related to wedding events will also create a jam around key market areas. According to Confederation of All India Traders (CAIT)

estimates, this wedding season is expected to generate over Rs 6 lakh Crore in trade. In light of these issues, Special Commissioner of Police (Traffic) Ajay Chaudhary spoke about the special arrangements made to avoid any hassles, and keep the load off of the city roads. He said that in addition to the already existing force of about 4,500 traffic personnel, the police department has deployed an additional staff of 250. Addl/CP (Traffic) Satyaveer Singh Katara added that with a special focus on the traffic congestion resulting from the extra flow due to the ceremonies, they have adjusted the duty timings of the staff in a way that the maximum number of police is on the ground, and managing

the flow at the hours when these celebrations usually take place across the city. Highlighting the issue of unmanaged parking around these venues, Deputy Commissioner of Police (Traffic) Shashank Jaiswal shared that the police has held several meetings with wedding organisers to ensure there is ample place to park the vehicles of the attendees and doesn't lead to cramping the roads. "We are doing our best including motorcycling patrolling and deployment of cranes to remove vehicles amid the festive season. We understand that this traffic can also choke important highways, hence the traffic department is fully ready to tackle it."

Cabinet approves land allotment to establish SREC

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

In a Cabinet meeting held at the Mantralaya, chaired by Chief Minister Mohan Yadav, a decision was made to expand the manufacturing area for electrical and renewable energy equipment in the Industrial Area of Mohasa-Babai, District Narmadapuram. As per the decision, 214.42 acres of land have been added to the previously designated 227.54 acres, bringing the total area reserved for this sector to 441.96 acres. The Cabinet approved to the allotting of 21.494 hectares of land located in village Bhauri, district Bhopal to the Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Bhopal for the establishment of Solar and other Renewable Energy Research Centre. According to



the decision, 20.994 hectares of land has been allotted out of total rakba 22,994 hectare which includes Khasra number 66/1 rakba 8.438 hectares, Khasra number 66/2 rakba 2.005 hectares, Khasra number 66/3 rakba 2.005 hectares, Khasra number 69/1 rakba 1.597 hectares, Khasra number 70/1 rakba 1.946 hectares,

Khasra number 73/1 rakba 2.231 hectares and Khasra number 75 rakba 2.772 hectares out of 4.772 hectares has been allotted. The institute is conducting world-class, exceptional research in the field of pure and applied sciences. The primary objective of the proposed research center will be to

enhance the efficiency of solar cells, minimize energy loss, and advance world-class research in other renewable energy sources, including wind energy. The Cabinet has decided to give a hypothetical annual increment to the government servants retiring on 30th June or 31st December for fixing of pension. Under this, the government servants who have retired or are going to retire on 30th June will be given the notional annual increment fixed on 1st July. Similarly, the government servants who retired or are going to retire on 31st December will be given a notional annual salary increment as of 1st January. The benefit of increased pension as a result of notional salary increase will be payable on or after May 1, 2023. The

increased pension will not be paid for the period till 30 April 2023. A decision was also taken to take action regarding government servants who have filed writ petitions in the court and have been successful in view of the government's decision. The Cabinet decided to transfer the newly constructed building located in Indore by Madhya Pradesh Finance Corporation to the Commercial Tax Department at a transfer price of Rs 150 crore. The Commercial Tax Department will be able to start using the building after getting possession of the building, completing the electrical adjustment, general repairs etc. and obtaining the building completion certificate from the Municipal Corporation Indore.



Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Mohan Yadav and BJP MLA Rameshwar Sharma offer prayers on the occasion of Dev Uthani Ekadashi, at Yuva Sadan in Bhopal on Tuesday. Pioneer photo

Annual Sports meet held at Sagar Vidya Niketan

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Students of Sagar Vidya Niketan, a free community school with mid-meals set by the Abhay Sagar Foundation (CSR-Arm of Sagar Group) presented 'TAT-VAMASI' to mark the school's Annual Sports Meet. Pragma Richa Shrivastava, Additional Director General of Police, Bhopal graced the day as the Chief Guest in the presence of Jaishree Kanwar Director Sagar Public School, Aditi Lunawat Director Develpement SISTec, Rashmi Seth Vice Principal Sagar Public School Ratibad, S Bindu Principal of Sagar Vidya Niketan. The school's Head Boy and Head Girl welcomed and accorded the guard of honour to the Chief Guest. The lighting of the torch by students of

various houses presented an impressive and synchronized march past on the tunes played by the school band followed by an oath-taking ceremony of sportsmanship with the release of Balloons by the Chief Guest to declare the meet open. A series of track events with ready-to-school race, obstacle race, ABC train race, 50m and 100m meters Flat race, and Relay race for boys and girls added excitement amongst students and engrossed audiences with cheering for their favourites. Drill by KG Students on song Nanha Munaa Rahi Hoon messaged growing up to take care of motherland. A synchronized drill by Class I and II students with Maypole showcased physical and mental fitness leading to realising the dream of Viksit Bharat. Yoga - Har Roz Ho

was messaged in Yoga Drill showcasing a journey to inner peace as a way of life. The skipping drill with stunts and clapping drill showcased the coordination, agility, speed and strength of students on the song Hai Thaan Liya Humne... messaged hard work is the key to success. A ceremony of prize distribution with scholarships to meritorious students and medals to winners of various track events was conducted with the Chief Guest presenting the award to winners with Sandipani House Lifting the trophy in the meet. Girija Mewada and Tanishq Sunianiya in the Juniors segment and Tulsi Manoria and Arman Maran in the senior's segment were adjudged as the Best Girl and Boy students of SVN and were presented trophies by the Chief Guest.

Minister Krishna Gaur's son falls prey to cyber fraud, loses Rs 3.19 lakh

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Cyber thugs have cheated Minister of State Krishna Gaur's son of Rs 3.19 lakh in the name of getting a labor supply contract; the accused has been nabbed by police. A case of fraud has been reported with the son of Madhya Pradesh minister Krishna Gaur and grandson of former Chief Minister late Babulal Gaur. In this entire case, Bhopal Cyber Crime Branch has registered a case against unidentified people and started investigation. According to the police, Krishna Gaur's son Akash Gaur, who lives with her in 74 bungalows in Bhopal, had reported the cyber crime. In this case, the cyber crime team has arrested accused Saif Ali Chauhan from Bhopal, who created a fake email and mailed to unhold the bank account.

Saif Ali had created a fake cyber crime mail ID and mailed the bank. When the bank took information from the police in this matter, it was revealed. The police said that during the investigation of the case, it was revealed that the fraudster used an account of Bank of India to get the money. After the complaint, before the bank account was put on hold, the cheated money was transferred to the account of another cooperative bank. Later, the cyber crime team froze the account after gathering information about the cooperative bank. Akash Gaur said in his complaint that on March 20, 2024, he received a call for the tender of labor supply in a private company. The caller asked him whether you do the work of labor supply. Akash said that he does contracting. On this, the caller said that he would get the tender for the work. For this, an

entry has to be made on the QR code and the work will be allotted. Akash told the police that the caller introduced himself as RK Yadav and he said that to get the tender, you have to generate the vendor code soon and asked to deposit the prescribed fee for it. Shortly after, the fraudster sent a QR code on his WhatsApp and asked him to deposit the fee. Akash fell into his trap and as per the instructions of the fraudster, on March 20, 2024, he transferred Rs 3 lakh 19 thousand online from different bank accounts. After this, the fraudster switched off the phone. Cyber police said that Saif Ali gave commission to accused Rakesh Yadav after transferring the amount to his bank account. After investigation, the account of Bank of India branch in Mumbai and Apna

Sahakari Bank was put on hold. Both these accounts are used by Saif Ali Chauhan. Accused Saif Ali Chauhan received a notice sent to Cyber Crime Bhopal from Apna Sahakari Bank. After this, the accused prepared an ID dspcrimebho@mpgov.in similar to Cyber Crime Bhopal's ID dspcrimebho@mp.gov.in. After changing the details of the notice for opening the account, he mailed his cooperative bank email ID to open the account. When the bank got suspicious about the mail ID, Cyber Crime Bhopal was informed. After which Saif Ali was arrested by the police from Bhopal. Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police Shailendra Singh said that one accused has been arrested. Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police

Shailendra Singh Chauhan said that Cyber Crime Bhopal has arrested one accused. The accused took the fraud amount of Rs 3.5 lakh in his account and gave it to another accused. A report was made in Cyber Crime a few days ago. In which a Bhopal citizen was cheated of Rs 3.5 lakh in the name of labor contract in Mahindra company. Which was reported in Cyber Crime. We investigated about it. We closed the account of the Mumbai account holder in whose account the money was transferred. To open the account, the operator of this PUS had sent an email by creating a fake email ID of the Crime Branch. On investigation, this email ID was found to be fake and a case was registered against the accused and he was arrested. This is the first arrest in this case. The process of arresting other accused is underway.



A hot air balloon flies in the air over the world heritage site Sanchi stupas during a hot air balloon show jointly organised by Army Adventure Nodal Center, 3 EME Center of Indian Army and Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board at Sanchi, Raizen district Madhya Pradesh on Tuesday. Pioneer photo

Immediately inform police in case of digital arrest: CM

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Chief Minister Mohan Yadav emphasized the importance of promptly informing the police in cases of digital arrest or other cyber crimes. He stated that awareness, courage in facing cyber fraudsters, and swift police action are essential to prevent these crimes. Prime Minister Narendra Modi is also making efforts to raise awareness on this issue. In his recent Mann Ki Baat program, the Prime Minister advised against fear of digital arrest, urging people to pause, think, and take action for protection. Yadav shared these insights with the media during a visit to the State Cyber Police Headquarters. Notably, on November 9, the Cyber Police acted immediately in the case of a digital arrest involving a resident of Arera Colony, Bhopal, conducting a live raid to rescue the indi-

vidual and prevent cyber fraud amounting to crores of rupees. Yadav visited the headquarters to commend the state's Cyber Police. This case is likely one of the first live raids in response to a digital arrest in both the country and the world. Yadav appreciated the efficiency and prompt action of the Cyber Police. Yadav praised DGP Sudhir Saxena, Additional Director General of Police Yogesh Deshmukh, DIG Cyber Cell Yusuf Qureshi and Sub Inspector Cyber Sachin Yadav who quickly reached the spot. Yadav praised the promptness shown by the police team in cyber crime and described it as exemplary and inspiring. Yadav said that the people are often unaware of the proceedings of CBI, ED, etc., and cunning criminals trap such people. Madhya Pradesh Police came into action as soon as the information was

received and took concrete action and set an example to the country and the world in this case of cyber fraud through digital arrest. If timely information is given to the police and prompt action is taken, crime can be avoided and such criminals can also be caught. We are proud of the police officers and employees. Yadav also talked to Rajeev Oberoi, who gave information to the police, on mobile. Yadav said that work is going on to make cyber police hi-tech in the state. Along with starting cyber police station in every district, cyber desk is being established in every police station of the state. Cyber helpline number 1930 will also be made more effective. By running a large-scale cyber awareness campaign in the state, information about measures to prevent cyber crime will be given to the people. The Chief Minister said that

cyber crimes and complaints are increasing every year. In the year 2019, approximately four thousand complaints were received, whereas in the year 2024, approximately five lakh complaints have been received so far. About 24 thousand police officers, judicial officers and public prosecution officers were trained through 259 training programmes in the last five years for prevention of cyber crimes. In the last five years, about 31 lakh citizens including students were made aware through cyber awareness programmes. Cyber Police has been regularly issuing advisories related to fraud in the name of electricity bill payment and custom duty, pension fraud, online telegram task and digital arrest. The state government has also received awards at the national level for awareness regarding the prevention of cyber crimes.

Vision Document @ 2047 will be the basis of Vikasit MP: CM

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Chief Minister Mohan Yadav has said that Vision Document @ 2047 will be the basis of Vikasit Madhya Pradesh. Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has set the target of making India a developed nation by 2047. 'Vikasit Madhya Pradesh @ 2047 Vision Document' is being prepared to make Madhya Pradesh a developed state by 2047. Last week, in this regard, the CEO of NITI Aayog, Shri B.V. R. Subramaniam held a detailed meeting with key state officials. Chief Minister Dr. Yadav instructed the ministers to review the preparation of the vision document in their respective departments. He said that the draft of the document should be presented before the Cabinet in the next three months. Chief Minister Yadav was addressing the ministers before the Cabinet meeting. The meeting of the Cabinet under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Dr. Yadav started with Vande

Mataram in Mantralaya. Chief Minister Yadav directed the Cabinet members to share their suggestions regarding urban development and urban planning in the state with the Urban Development and Housing Department. He said that to free the cities of slums in the state, work is going on under other heads including Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban). 9 lakh 50 thousand beneficiaries were benefited under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban). Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) 2.0 was implemented by Prime Minister Shri Modi in September 2024, in which, like before, getting a grant of up to Rs 2 lakh 50 thousand on one's own land is a major component. Chief Minister Dr. Yadav said that on the birth anniversary of Lord Birsa Munda, which is celebrated as Tribal Pride Day on November 15, there will be state-level programmes in Dhar and Shahdol, which Prime Minister Shri Modi will address virtually.

Lt Gen KH Gawas given heartfelt farewell

Mhow: The school gave a heartfelt farewell to Lt Gen KH Gawas, Param Vishisht Seva Medal, Vishisht Seva Medal, Senior Col Commandant Corps of Signals, Commandant MCTE and Sr Patron APS, Mhow. Shilpa Gawas, was the Guest of Honour on the occasion. The students had prepared a cultural program. The event started with Saraswati Vandana. There were many entertainment programs conducted in the honour of the Chief Guest like dance skating, yoga, martial arts. The Sr Patron appreciated the progress the school has made. He also praised the hard work of the students and encouraged them to explore their talent and reach the pinnacle of success. The Chairman Brig Sunil Fadatore and the Principal Mr PK Tiwari presented a painting prepared by our arts teacher Mr Ganesh Marathe to express our deepest gratitude. The Chief Guest and the Guest of honour were also present with a souvenir as a token of our love, respect and gratitude. The Principal presented the vote of thanks expressing his gratitude for the unwavering guidance and support of the Sr Patron in leading the school towards the path of accomplishments. The program Incharge was Vijay Sharma.

Hydro Thrust Bearing Pad manufactured in the Tool and Gauge department

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

In a simple program held at BHEL's TGM department, the Hydro Thrust Bearing Pad manufactured in the Tool and Gauge Department for the "Polavaram Hydroelectric Project" was handed over to the Head of Logistics Department Pradeep Chandra Kandpal by the Head of the Department VV Khare in presence of SM Ramanathan, Executive Director and Rupesh Telang General Manager Feeders Group. Ramanathan in his address praised the performance of the Tool and Gauge Manufacturing Department. He also encouraged them to increase the company's income by adding new customers to the department's products and making different products as per the requirements of those customers. This is for the first time such a heavy thrust bearing pad of such a large size was manufactured in-house. Despite being beyond the capacity of

SM Ramanathan, Executive Director in his address praised the performance of the Tool and Gauge Manufacturing Department

the departmental machine, production was possible with the help of special fixtures and tools. For this, the lifting methods were also changed. Provision of multiple setting was made in the CNC machine for profile milling. On this occasion, Vikas Khare, General Manager (EM), Shri V. Srinivas Rao, General Manager (Hydro), Shri A. Dixit, (Additional General Manager (HGE)), Shri J. Chatterjee, Additional General Manager (HSS) and all the officers and employees of the TGM department were present.



Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Mohan Yadav with DGP Sudhir Saxena during a meeting with police personnel at State Cyber Police headquarters in Bhopal on Tuesday. Pioneer photo

Pankaj Tripathi made face of Madhya Pradesh Tourism

Bhopal: As someone who believes in the power of travel to open minds and enrich lives, Pankaj Tripathi said. He is excited to help showcase the beauty of the state to the world. "I am deeply honoured to be chosen as the face of Madhya Pradesh Tourism. The State is not just a destination for me—it's a place that holds countless memories and connections,

both personally and professionally." "Having spent so much time here filming projects like Stree, Stree 2, Lukka Chhupi, Oh My God 2 and Ludo, I've experienced firsthand the captivating landscapes, the warmth of the people, and the unmatched cultural richness that define Madhya Pradesh," Tripathi said in a statement.

From the untouched natural wonders to majestic architectural sites and vibrant wildlife, Madhya Pradesh has something for every traveller, he added. As the face of the state's tourism, the Mirzapur star will promote various campaigns to encourage travellers from India and abroad to explore the multifaceted experiences that Madhya Pradesh has to offer.

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Kalidas works will forever inspire values of life: VP

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar highlighted that the timeless creations of the eminent poet Kalidas uniquely exemplify the profound and enduring connection between humanity and nature. He emphasized that these works are an invaluable part of India's cultural heritage. The Madhya Pradesh government's efforts to preserve and celebrate this legacy through the Akhil Bharatiya Kalidas Samaroh deserve high commendation for their role in safeguarding our culture and heritage. The works of the great poet Kalidas will continue to inspire our life values. Vice President Dhankhar, the chief guest, addressed the gathering after inaugurating the Akhil Bharatiya Kalidas Samaroh in Ujjain on Tuesday.

Vice President Dhankhar inaugurated the 66th grand Akhil Bharatiya Kalidas Samaroh in the presence of great scholars. Governor Mangubhai Patel presided over the function. Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav was also present in the ceremony. On this occasion, Swami Govinddev Giri Maharaj, Treasurer of Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust, Ayodhya, were present as special guests. MP Anil Firojia, Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Culture, Tourism, Religious Trusts and Endowments Dharmendra Singh Lodhi, Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Skill Development and Employment, Gautam Tetwal was also present on stage. Dhankhar said that the timeless works of the great poet Kalidas beautifully capture human emotions and serve as a lasting

inspiration for human values. Kalidas's creations reflect a profound and enduring bond between humans and nature, conveying a message of environmental stewardship that remains ever-relevant. He emphasized that we must take inspiration from Kalidas's classic works, such as "Meghdootam", to protect our planet. Serious efforts are essential for environmental and climate protection, as we have no other earth to rely on for our future. Appreciating the event, Dhankhar said that the Akhil Bharatiya Kalidas Samaroh is a symbol of our cultural heritage. Madhya Pradesh government and Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav deserve gratitude for organizing this glorious event. The state government is making significant contribution to the preservation of art, litera-

ture and culture. In a call for preserving our cultural heritage, the Vice President said that we will always have to preserve our cultural heritage. The cultural heritage of the country is very ancient, the roots of our culture are very deep which tells the purpose of life. Emphasizing family management in his address, the Vice President said that only by paying attention to family management, the nation will always remain in our mind and heart. We must always be serious about the character and moral development of our children. Our children should become good citizens and discharge their duties fully along with nation-building. We all have to discharge our civic responsibilities together. Indianness is our identity, and the nation is supreme, for this every citizen

will have to sacrifice himself while discharging his civic duties. Referring to the empowerment of women, the Vice President said that the works of great poet Kalidas are an important example of empowerment of women. His work Abhigyan Shakuntalam can be seen as a reference. Dhankhar said that under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, today every person in the country has an opportunity to showcase his talent. The development of technology in the country is surprising the whole world. "Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam" campaign has been launched by the Prime Minister for environmental protection. This campaign will bring the same revolution as has happened in the field of cleanliness. In the coming year 2047, India will become the leader of the world.



Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar being felicitated by Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Mohan Yadav as Governor Mangubhai Patel looks on at the inauguration ceremony of 66th Akhil Bharatiya Kalidas Samaroh in Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh on Tuesday.



The winners of the gold and silver medals of Maharashtra team celebrate during the 20th Master's National Swimming Championship under the auspices of the Swimming Federation of India at Prakash Taran Pushkar in Bhopal on Tuesday.

Viscera examination confirms presence of Kodo

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Concluding the examination of samples from the ten dead elephants of the Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve, the Indian Veterinary Research Institute (IVRI), Bareilly, has stated that it is indeed the Kodo millet that killed the large mammals. Dr Abhijit Pawde, Principal Scientist at the institute has confirmed that high levels of mycotoxin Cyclopiazonic Acid (CPA) were found in the samples. Kodo, a low-maintenance millet grown by marginal farmers on the periphery of the Bandhavgarh forest, is particularly susceptible to CPA contamination due to damp weather and improper harvesting practices, according to research pub-

lished in the Journal of Ethnopharmacology. Wildlife officials overseeing the post-mortem confirmed that large amounts of Kodo were found in the elephants' stomachs. Local farmers, however, refute the official claims. They assert that they have been eating the millet and feeding it to their livestock for generations. The controversy comes at a time when Kodo millet, a rain-fed crop, was seen as a way to lift farmers from the extreme poverty they have long faced. After decades of being overshadowed by staple grains like wheat and rice, Kodo recently gained prominence when the United Nations declared 2023 the International Year of Millets. Amid a significant expansion of the market for multigrain atta—

to which Kodo is also added—the Madhya Pradesh government announced a Minimum Support Price (MSP) for its production in June this year. Farmers are now worried that the elephant deaths may have killed their hopes of the hardy crop, growing in nearly barren fields, leading them out of poverty. Meanwhile, wildlife officials are still stationed at the neighbouring Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve to monitor the movement of the wild elephants, ten of whom died between October 29-31 while a young calf perished under treatment on November 10. Wildlife officials have categorically denied the possibility of the deaths being caused by human-elephant conflict. They insist that Kodo killed the wild animals.

Mayor for stringent action against road romeos

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Amid rising crimes against young girls, Mayor Malti Rai on Tuesday issued a raft of directives urging stringent action against antisocial elements in the vicinity of schools in the state capital. In a meeting with police officials focused on her pet Swachh Bhopal - Surakshit Bhopal theme, Rai called for strict action against antisocial elements loitering around schools and those peddling drugs near educational institutions. The meeting was attended by Additional Commissioner Devendra Singh Chouhan, rep-

resentatives from all police stations in the city, the Special Juvenile Police Unit, as well as representatives from UNICEF, Arambh, Muskan, Bachpan, and Uday NGOs. During the meeting, Mayor Rai stressed the importance of taking legal action against shops selling narcotics to children and controlling the crowds that gather outside schools during breaks. The Mayor further directed that each police station must maintain cleanliness, with two dustbins for wet and dry waste. Waste should only be collected by designated vehicles. She also instructed the enhancement of cleanliness in toilets at police

premises and urged the prompt disposal of old, unused vehicles that gather dust outside police stations. Additionally, Mayor Rai proposed organising a programme at the district level to administer cleanliness and protection-related oaths to all police officers at their respective stations. P raising the efforts of Safe City partners, she called for better coordination between the civic body, police, and Safe City partners to make Bhopal the cleanest and safest city in the country. Notably, Safe City partners are a group of welfare organisations working for child safety and welfare as part of an initiative launched by UNICEF.

Mayor for resolving long pending complaints within 24 hours

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Conducting a review of the mayoral helpline, Mayor Malti Rai on Tuesday directed officials to resolve outstanding grievances within 24 hours. Since the last review on October 15, a total of 1,009 complaints were received, of which 514 have already been resolved, while work is currently underway for the satisfactory closure of 495 issues. A majority of the civic grievances were related to malfunctioning streetlights and clogged sewage systems. Mayor Rai also spoke to complainants and assured

them of the civic body's commitment to prompt redress of complaints to avoid any inconvenience to residents. "The administration is fully dedicated to addressing these issues swiftly and effectively," she said, emphasising that every complaint will be tackled with urgency. The initiative aims to provide relief to city residents, with the mayor personally overseeing the prompt and satisfactory resolution of civic issues. The review came hours after the mayor toured several areas of the state capital on Monday and directed officials to initiate steps for the smooth flow of traffic in the old city.

Khalistani connection in Dabra murder case comes to fore

Bhopal: A Khalistani connection has emerged in the murder of 45-year-old Jaswant Singh Gill alias Soni Sardar on November 7 in Dabra town, Gwalior. Punjab Police arrested two shooters—Anmolpreet Singh and Navjot Singh—who are linked to a Khalistani terrorist group. The shooters were nabbed from a guest house in Mohali. The duo had used a Canadian driving licence to book the room, which led to their arrest. Jaswant was killed due to an old enmity. In 2016, he had murdered his wife's cousin, Sukhvinder Singh, and injured his parents. The retaliatory move was plotted by Sukhvinder's Canada-based brother Satpal, who hired the two killers for Rs 2.5 lakh. After killing Jaswant, the two had fled to Mohali, where they were arrested on November 9. Their accommodation was arranged by Satpal, who had transferred Rs 1 lakh to Harjeet, his cousin in Gwalior, to help coordinate the murder. Harjeet also conducted a three-day recce of Jaswant's house. Satpal had booked the shooters into the guest house through Airbnb, under the name of

Sukhdeep Singh Sidhu from Ontario, Canada. Police traced them through this booking, leading to their arrest. The shooters were also involved in the October 9 murder of Sikh activist Gurpreet Singh in Faridkot, ordered by Arshdeep Singh (Arsh Dalla), a notorious Khalistani terrorist based in Canada. Arsh Dalla had provided weapons and logistics for the shooters. After murdering Gurpreet, they went into hiding and emerged to kill Jaswant Singh. Arsh Dalla, who is allegedly involved in promoting Khalistani terrorism, is wanted for ordering several killings, including that of Gurpreet Singh. Both shooters are linked to Dalla's terrorist network, which operates in both Canada and India. Dalla is also involved in extortion, terrorism, and other violent activities. He is wanted for several crimes in Punjab. Gwalior police are now interrogating the shooters and working to track down Satpal, the main accused. Interpol is involved in pursuing his arrest through the India-Canada extradition treaty.

Public hearing held at Collector office

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

As per directives of the district collector, senior administrative officials in the state capital conducted the weekly hearing of citizen grievances on Tuesday. Lending a patient hearing, ADMs Bhupendra Goyal and Ankur Meshram, Joint Collector Mohammad Iqbal, Deputy Collector Ajay Sharma, and other officials heard a total of 98 applications at the collectorate office. ADM Goyal and Meshram discussed the issues of each applicant during the public hearing and assured them of a quick resolution. Prominent among the complaints heard on the day were those pertaining to the education and revenue departments.

Future-ready Cambridge edu in Bhopal

Bhopal: VIBGYOR Group of Schools, a leading network of K-12 schools, hosted a much-anticipated orientation session for VIBGYOR World Academy at the Courtyard by Marriott, DB City Mall, which proved to be successful for the city's parents. The event offered a comprehensive introduction to the Cambridge International Education (CIE) curriculum, which will be the cornerstone of the new VIBGYOR World Academy in Bhopal. Founded by Rustom Kerawalla, VIBGYOR Group of Schools has built a legacy of over two decades, establishing a robust network of 39 schools across 15 cities in India. With a strong commitment to providing world-class education, the group is now proud to expand its presence in Bhopal with

Cambridge education, equipping students with the skills and perspectives needed to thrive in an increasingly globalised world. Through this session, parents were given an exclusive opportunity to learn how the Cambridge International framework can provide their children with the skills necessary for thriving in a rapidly changing global landscape. The session featured a distinguished panel of speakers, including Arun Rajamani, Managing Director of Cambridge University Press & Assessment, South Asia; Kiranjit Pannu, Chief Executive Officer, VIBGYOR Group of Schools, and Shim Mathew, Director of Academic Operations, Initiatives & International Partnerships; VIBGYOR Group of Schools.

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Extract of Unaudited Financial Results for the Quarter and Half Year Ended 30th September, 2024
(₹ in lakhs except EPS)

S. No.	Particulars	Quarter Ended		Half Year Ended
		30.09.2024	30.09.2023	30.09.2024
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
1	Total Income from Operations	6,954.73	6,216.93	14,011.06
2	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before tax, Exceptional and / or Extraordinary items)	454.82	90.30	707.02
3	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and / or Extraordinary items)	454.82	90.30	707.02
4	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and / or Extraordinary items)	337.10	67.55	520.79
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period (Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax))	329.86	79.53	519.16
6	Equity Share Capital (Face value of ₹ 10/- per share)	587.00	587.00	587.00
7	Other Equity (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of the previous year	-	-	-
8	Earning Per Share (EPS) (for continuing operation (Equity Shares of ₹ 10/- each) (not annualised) Basic / Diluted EPS	5.74	1.15	8.87

Notes:

- The above results for the Quarter and Half Year ended September 30, 2024 were reviewed and recommended by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors in its meeting held on November 12, 2024. The above results have been reviewed by Statutory Auditors of the Company in terms of Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The Company's Management has exercised necessary due diligence to ensure that the financial results provide a true and fair view of its affairs.
- This statement has been prepared in accordance with the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015 (Ind AS) prescribed under Section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013 and other recognised accounting practices and policies to the extent applicable.
- Segment-wise reporting as defined in Ind AS-108 is not applicable, since the entire operation of the company relates to only one segment.
- The figures of the previous period / year have been re-stated / re-grouped / re-arranged / reclassified and / or re-casted wherever found necessary.

On behalf of the Board of Directors
For Vippsy Spinpro Limited
Sd/-
Piyush Mutha
Managing Director
(DIN: 00424206)

Place : Dewas
Date : 12.11.2024

Two miscreants rob businessman of Rs 20 lakh

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

A businessman moving on a bike at the Polytechnic crossing in the state capital was attacked and robbed of Rs 20 lakh; victim was attacked on Sunday night, police have registered a case of assault while robbery was ruled out. The businessman was accompanied by a companion on the bike. Two miscreants riding a bike first hit the businessman's bike and then fled with the Rs 20 lakh kept in his bag. During this time, some of the miscreants' companions were also present on the spot with bikes. The incident took place on Sunday night. When the victim businessman reached Shyamala Hills police station for complaint, the police only registered a case of assault. Police station in-charge Ghumendra Singh said that CCTV cameras installed in the area are being scanned. After investigation of the incident, a case of robbery will be registered. According to the police, busi-

nessmen Raj and Sunil live in Chunarbhatti area. Both of them also have business in the same area. On Sunday evening, both were going from Polytechnic crossing towards Banganga, when unknown miscreants riding a bike coming from behind first hit their bike and then beat them up and fled. On the other hand, the victim businessmen say that after hitting them, the miscreants also looted their bag, which contained 20 lakh rupees. Also, two other bikes were accompanying them. On the other hand, a truck crushed a bike rider in Gandhinagar area. The youth died on the spot. The incident happened around 12 o'clock on Sunday night. 22-year-old Rajendra Mehra was going from Bairagarh to his house in Sukhisewania. Then a truck coming from behind hit him at the Aerocity Road intersection. Due to this, the bike rider slipped and fell on the road and the wheel of the truck passed over his head. Due to this, he died on the spot. Gandhinagar

police station has registered a case and started searching for the accused truck. The youth used to work in a tractor agency in Sukhisewania itself. Meanwhile the accused who cheated online by creating a fake ID of Police Commissioner Harinarayanchari Mishra used a dozen bank accounts. On checking two of these bank accounts, transactions worth Rs 92 lakh have been revealed, while details of ten bank accounts are yet to come. During interrogation by the Crime Branch Police, the fraudsters also told that all the dozen bank accounts are from Uttar Pradesh, Delhi, Rajasthan, Assam, Odisha and MP. They used different accounts for every kind of fraud. This account was taken on rent. The person who gave the account on rent is being traced. Details of 10 bank accounts are yet to be received. After the completion of the remand of both the accused arrested from Alwar, Rajasthan, they have been sent to jail.

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

Date and Time of E-Auction
16/12/2024 11.00 AM TO 4.00 PM

S. No.	Branch Name Name of the Account Name of the Borrower / Prop./Director/ Partner / Guarantor / Mortgagor	Detailed description of the Property For E- Auction	Amount Outstanding	Reserve Price
			Encumbrances On Property	EMD Amount Bid incremental amount
			Type of Possession	
1.	RDVV, Jabalpur Branch Borrower- Mr. Shiv Shankar Gupta S/o Shri Ram Gupta Block No. E-5, Patwari Halka No. 270/6, Ashtha Parisar Amkhara, Jabalpur (M.P.) Guarantor- Smt. Kushal Mishra W/o Shri Pradeep Mishra R/o R-32, Housing Board Colony, Anand Nagar Colony Adhartal, Jabalpur (M.P.)	Residential Property situated at Part of Khasra No. 270/6, after mutation new Khasra No. 270/53, Mouza: Amkhara, NB No. 4, PH No. 24/80, RNM: Maharajpur, Tehsil: Panagar, Dist.- Jabalpur, Area- 720 Sq.ft. along with all its building and future construction thereon, standing in the name of Shri Shiv Shankar Gupta Bounded: East: Property of Shri Tiwari, West: Side Road, North: Property of Shri Majhar Mohammad Shah, South: Side Road Prop. Id. - IDIB10696295156	Rs. 15,11,055.00/- (as on 05.03.2024) + interest and other expenses Not Known Symbolic Possession	Rs 23,00,000/- Rs 2,30,000/- Rs 10,000/-
2.	Jaruakheda Branch (1) Ms/Deepak Traders (Proprietorship) Unit Address: Halka no 1, Khasra no 196/1/2, 12 no Rail Gate, Jalandhar Road, Jaruakheda, Sagar, 470115(M.P.) (2) Deepak Yadav s/o Shri Shankar Singh Yadav (Borrower & Proprietor) Address: Vill+PO.Chandamau, PS- Narayawali, Dist- Sagar, 470115 (MP) (3) Shri Shankar Singh Yadav s/o Shri Gulabsingh Yadav (Guarantor & Mortgagor) Address: Vill+PO- Chandamau, PS- Narayawali, Dist- Sagar, 470115 (MP)	Property: 1 Commercially diverted property situated at Khasra no: 196 (New No: 196/1), PH No: 01/96 situated at Mouza: Mudra Jaruakheda, Tehsil & District: Sagar, MP, area: 5605 Sq.Mt., with all its buildings and future constructions thereon, standing in the name of Shri Shankar Singh Yadav . Boundaries: East: Jalandhar Road, West: Kachha Road, North: Land of Bhagwandas Rai, South: Land of Seller Property 1: IDIB30471661835 Property: 2 Residential diverted property situated at Khasra no: 196 (New No: 196/2) and PH No: 01/96 situated at Mouza: Mudra Jaruakheda, Tehsil & District: Sagar, MP, area: 595 Sq.Mt., with all its buildings and future constructions thereon, standing in the name of Shri Shankar Singh Yadav . Boundaries: - East: Jalandhar Road, West: Property of Shankar Singh Yadav, North: Land of Bhagwandas Rai, South: Property of Shankar Singh Yadav Property 2: IDIB12027697332	Rs. 17,99,525/- (as on 11.03.2024) + interest and other expenses Not Known Symbolic Possession	Rs. 65,00,000/- Rs 6,50,000/- Rs 10,000/- Rs. 35,00,000/- Rs 3,50,000/- Rs 10,000/-

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BJP's Ravi Shankar Prasad accuses Congress of conspiring with divisive Muslim elements

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

BJP leader Ravi Shankar Prasad on Tuesday alleged that the Congress party was conspiring with divisive elements in the Muslim community, sensing defeat in the upcoming Maharashtra and Jharkhand Assembly polls.



"The BJP is very clear that the Congress party is conspiring with all the conservative, divisive elements in the Muslim community for the sake of votes, as they are apprehensive about their imminent defeat," he said.

"PM Modi says 'Ek rahenge toh safe rahenge,' and they (Congress) are making fun of it and knocking on the doors of the Election Commission," he said. The BJP MP also questioned Congress leader Rahul

trying to take away the rights of the poor OBCs to give them to Muslims. BJP will oppose every attempt to strip the marginalised and backward OBCs of their rights," Prasad said. The BJP had on Saturday claimed that the Maharashtra unit of Congress assured a Muslim body that it would take steps to fulfil its demand of a 10 per cent quota for the community in jobs and education. Prasad said the BJP would like to ask the Congress and INDIA bloc whether the benefits given to Scheduled Castes will also be extended to the Muslims. "It contradicts the principles of the Constitution, we will oppose it completely," he added.

Odisha police tighten security along Jharkhand border ahead of Assembly elections

PTI ■ BHUBANESWAR

Ahead of the first phase of polling for the assembly elections in Jharkhand on Wednesday, the Odisha police have tightened security in the districts sharing the border with the neighbouring state to ensure peaceful voting there, a senior police officer said. Security has been tightened in the borders of Mayurbhanj, Keonjhar and Sundargarh districts close to Jharkhand. Check posts have been installed and armed personnel deployed round the clock to prevent entry of unwanted people and materials to the poll-bound state, said Odisha's ADG Law and Order Sanjay Kumar. "The measures were taken after a meeting with the Election Commission of India (ECI). Odisha has already established 29 check posts in the border districts and intensified patrolling in all the sensitive



areas," the ADG said. Meanwhile, a report from Rourkela said that the Sundargarh police were in touch with the West Singhbhum district police. The objective of the coordination is to ensure that any attempt by Maoists to disrupt the elections is prevented. Sundargarh has 75 km border with Jharkhand and most of the places are forested areas. The security arrangements were made in the wake of Bihar-Jharkhand Special Area Committee of the outlawed CPI (Maoist) outfit asking Jharkhand voters to boycott the election through posters and banners.

Indian Army's Project Akashteer takes flight

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI



The phased induction of control and reporting systems under 'Project Akashteer' of the Indian Army is currently underway and out of a total requirement of 455 systems, 107 have been delivered, official sources said on Tuesday. The project aims to deliver a situational awareness and control for the force to ensure safety of friendly aircraft and engage hostile aircraft in contested airspace. Through this project, a cutting-edge initiative designed to automate air defence control and reporting processes by digitising them, the Indian Army is positioning itself at the forefront of air defence technology, ensuring a secure and vigilant airspace over India, a source said. Project Akashteer's phased induction is already underway. Out of a total requirement of 455 systems, 107 have been delivered, with an additional 105 expected by March 2025. The remaining units will be delivered by March 2027, ensuring comprehensive coverage across the Indian Army's defence units and formations, the source added. This significant achievement underscores the commitment of India's defence forces to innovate and enhance capabilities in response to "ever-evolving security dynamics", the sources said. Recently, a "real-time validation" of Project Akashteer was carried out simulating scenarios as expected in future wars. A senior officer from military hierarchy witnessed the validation and

appreciated the achievements of the project and commended the team involved in developing it, a source said. The officer acknowledged their efforts and mentioned that it has realised a "transformative leap" in the Indian Army's air defence capabilities. In the 'Year of Technology Infusion' (2024), the Army has boosted its air defence capabilities with 'Akashteer Control and Reporting Systems'. The deployment of 'Akashteer' had begun in April with the flagging off of the first batch of control centres from BEL-Ghaziabad. Developed by the Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) as part of the 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' initiative, this project is poised to significantly enhance the operational efficiency and integration of the Army's air defence mechanisms, sources earlier said. Some of the key features of 'Project Akashteer' include comprehensive sensor fusion; automated operations for faster response; decentralised engagement authority; advanced real-time air picture; built-in redundancy and scalability; and flexible deployment across formations, the sources said.

India and Bangladesh strengthen ties: joint infrastructure development plans for shared border



PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

India and Bangladesh on Tuesday decided to enhance cooperation in building infra-

structure and operational efficiency at the various land ports and check-posts located along the 4,096-km long shared international border. The commitment was made

during the 6th Subgroup meeting of the Land Port Authority of India (LPAI) with the Bangladesh Land Port Authority (BLPA) here. The LPAI functions under the Union home ministry. The bilateral meeting aims to strengthen ties and discuss issues related to cross-border infrastructure, connectivity and facilitation of trade between the two nations. The Indian delegation was led by LPAI Member (Planning and Development) Sanjeev Gupta with officials drawn from the border management division of the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), Border Security Force (BSF),

Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), and Customs, among others. The Bangladeshi side was led by BLPA Joint Secretary and Member (Development) Tahmina Yeasmin along with officials from the Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) and ministries of industries and shipping, among others. "Building on the discussions held at the last subgroup meeting in Dhaka in November 2023, the meeting reviewed the progress made on the previous initiatives and identified new areas for cooperation to enhance infrastructure and operational efficiency at the

land ports," an official statement said. The major agenda items discussed included developing port facilities at Gede (Darshna in West Bengal) and Bholaganj (Meghalaya), expediting clearance of Bangladesh's export cargo at Petrapole (West Bengal) and Agartala, prioritising the development of land ports and integrated check-posts (ICPs), and considering a common cargo gate at Bhomra (Ghojandanga in West Bengal), the statement said. The meeting also discussed facilitating the movement of Bangladeshi trucks carrying

exports to Nepal and Bhutan through Burimari and Banglabandha ports in that country, operationalising the land port at Sabroom (Tripura), developing the Tegamukh (Bangladesh)-Kawrupichuah (Mizoram) port, and establishing certain ports operational 24x7, it added. Both sides reaffirmed their commitment to "deepen" India-Bangladesh relations, enhance bilateral trade, and advance shared goals for regional connectivity and economic growth through "collaborative" border management, the statement said.

Principal Secretary to Prime Minister Dr. PK Mishra stresses need to mitigate glacial lake risks for safer communities



PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

Principal Secretary to Prime Minister Dr. PK Mishra, on Tuesday highlighted mitigating risks associated with glacial lakes in order to ensure a safer future for our communities. Mishra was speaking on the occasion of 4th Workshop of the Committee on Disaster Risk Reduction (CoDRR) on Strategies for GLOF (Glacial Lake Outburst Flood) Risk Reduction here today. Complimenting the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) and the Department of Water Resources for organizing the workshop, he focused on international perspectives and experiences, pertinently India's experiences, gaps and challenges in

mitigating the risks and related aspects. Mishra said that the discussions on Sikkim glacial lake outburst flood disaster has brought to focus the enormity of the challenge. Indeed, the South Lhonak GLOF was a wake-up call for all of us. He underscored the urgent need for effective strategies to address risks associated with glacial lakes. Quoting Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's words, "Disaster risk reduction is not just about responding to disasters but also about building resilience." Dr Mishra reiterated PM's emphasis that "the best way to deal with disasters is to prevent them,"

reminding us that proactive measures are essential in safeguarding our communities. Furthermore, he stated, "We must work together across borders and disciplines to create a safer world," highlighting the importance of collaboration in addressing global challenges like GLOF risks. On the International Cooperation side, Dr Mishra emphasized that India's commitment extends beyond national borders; hence the vital aspect of engaging with GLOF experts from countries such as Bhutan, Nepal, Peru, Switzerland and Tajikistan. He iterated that such collaboration is vital to enhancing our understanding of response strategies. Mishra underlined the key contributions from Experts from the country and abroad, who have enriched our understanding of the critical issues. He stressed that the Government of India initiated a coordinating platform named the Committee on Disaster Risk Reduction (CoDRR). He also mentioned that States were encouraged to conduct expeditions to assess all A-category lakes in summer 2024, leading to significant engagement from local authorities.

No oral mentioning, only email or written: says CJI Sanjiv Khanna

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

Chief Justice of India Sanjiv Khanna on Tuesday said no oral submissions for urgent listing and hearing of cases will be permitted and urged lawyers to either send emails or written letters for it. Usually lawyers mention their cases before the CJI-led bench at the outset of the day's proceedings for out of turn listings and hearing of cases on grounds of urgency. "No written or oral mentioning anymore. Only in email or written slip/letters. Just state the reasons for urgency," the CJI said. The CJI has outlined a citizen-centric agenda for judicial reforms and said ensuring easy access to justice and equal treatment to citizens regardless of their status is the constitutional duty of the judiciary. Justice Khanna, who was sworn in as the 51st CJI by President Droupadi Murmu at the Rashtrapati Bhavan on Monday, expressed deep honour in leading the judiciary, the third pillar of democracy. "Judiciary is an integral, yet



distinct and independent part of the governance system. The Constitution trusts upon us the role of constitutional guardian, protector of fundamental rights, and responsibility to fulfil the important task of being a service provider of justice," the CJI had said in his first statement on Monday. He said, "The justice delivery framework in terms of providing equal treatment necessitates fair opportunity to succeed to all, regardless of status, wealth or power, and a just and unbiased adjudication. These mark our core principles." "The responsibility entrusted upon us affirms our commitment as protectors of citizens' rights and as dispute resolvers. It is our constitutional duty to ensure easy access to

justice to all citizens of our great nation," he said. Chief Justice Khanna identified pressing challenges facing the judiciary, including the need to reduce case backlogs, make litigation affordable, and simplify complex legal processes. Recognising that the justice system must cater to all citizens, he outlined a vision to make courts more approachable and user-friendly, said CJI. The CJI aimed to adopt a self-evaluative approach which is receptive and responsive to feedback in its working, the apex court said in a statement. "Making judgments comprehensible to the citizens and promoting mediation will be a priority," it said. With a focus on criminal case management, the CJI pledged to prioritise reducing trial durations, adopting a systematic approach, and ensuring that legal procedures are not gruelling for citizens. He also highlighted the importance of promoting mediation to resolve disputes efficiently and provide timely justice.

PM Modi to lay foundation stone for AIIMS Darbhanga



PTI ■ PATNA

All preparations have been made for the laying of the foundation stone for AIIMS Darbhanga by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday, Bihar Health Minister Mangal Pandey said. The north Bihar town will become the second place in the state, after capital city Patna, to have an All India Institute for Medical Sciences (AIIMS). "Prime Minister Narendra Modi will lay the foundation stone for the second AIIMS in the state in Darbhanga tomorrow. All preparations have been made for the event. It will be a historic moment for the people of Mithila region in particular, and entire Bihar in general. The project will come up on Ekmi Shobhan Bypass at a cost of around Rs 1,700 crore," Pandey told PTI on Tuesday. Chief Minister Nitish Kumar and Union ministers Chirag Paswan and Jitan Ram Manjhi will also be present at the function. "The AIIMS at Darbhanga is a great gift given by the Centre to Bihar and its people. We thank the PM and Union Health Minister J P Nadra for giving the nod for it. "Under the leadership of our prime minister and chief minister, work on improving medical facilities in the state has progressed at a rapid pace and it will continue further. AIIMS Darbhanga will not only provide the best healthcare facilities to the people of Bihar but will also benefit the people of the neighbouring states," Pandey said. The Bihar government had recently transferred over 37 acres of additional land on Ekmi Shobhan Bypass to the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare for the construction of the AIIMS, he said, adding the state government has so far provided 187.44 acres of land to the Union ministry for the project.

Rahul Gandhi vows financial empowerment for women, youth and farmers ahead of Jharkhand elections



PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Tuesday said the INDIA bloc will give more money to women, youth, farmers and poor than the BJP has given to its "billionaire friends", adding that the alliance in Jharkhand has decided to hike the honorarium given to women to meet their needs to Rs 2,500. Rahul Gandhi's reiteration came a day ahead of the first phase of Assembly elections in Jharkhand to be held on November 13. "Yesterday, the fourth instalment of Maiyaa Samman Yojana was credited

to the accounts of mothers and sisters in Jharkhand. This scheme is especially helping women fight inflation and live with self-respect. That is why we have decided to further increase the amount given under this scheme," Rahul Gandhi said in a social media post in Hindi. From December 2024, women in Jharkhand will be given an honorarium of Rs 2,500 under the scheme which is benefiting 53 lakh women in the state, the Congress leader said. "I have said it before and I am repeating it -- INDIA (bloc) will give more money to women, youth, farmers and poor to meet their needs than what the BJP has given to its billionaire friends," the former Congress chief said. The Congress-Jharkhand Mukti Morcha combine is seeking to retain power in the 81-member Jharkhand Assembly, while the BJP is seeking to oust the ruling coalition in the polls to be held in two phases on November 13 and November 20. The results will be announced on November 23.

India eyes \$100 billion Russia trade target ahead of 2030 deadline: EAM S Jaishankar

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

India is confident of achieving USD 100 billion in annual bilateral trade with Russia well ahead of the timeline of 2030 and a more substantive relationship between the two nations has a larger global resonance, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar said here on Tuesday. "There have been challenges to trade, especially with regard to payments and logistics and perceptible progress has been made in that regard, but there is still some work to be done, he said. The external affairs minister was speaking at the 25th India - Russia Intergovernmental Commission on Trade, Economic, Scientific, Technological and Cultural Cooperation (IRIGC-TEC). The Russian delegation at the meeting was led by First Deputy Prime Minister Denis Manturov. In his televised opening remarks at the 25th session of the (IRIGC-TEC), Jaishankar said the trade between the two countries needs to be "more balanced and that would require



addressing current constraints and undertaking greater facilitative efforts." "As two major nations in an increasingly multipolar world, a more substantive relationship between us has a larger resonance," he said. The external affairs minister said New Delhi welcomes and fully reciprocates Moscow's growing interest in exploring economic opportunities in India. "Our economies are not only complementary in many respects but benefit from the trust and confidence built over many years.

The growth in bilateral trade is now estimated at USD 66 billion and it is impressive," he said. "Our goal is that it needs to be more balanced and that would require addressing current constraints and undertaking greater facilitative efforts. Making it easier to do trade should be accompanied by progress in the negotiations on the India-Eurasian Economic Union FTA," he said. Jaishankar said India has noted Russia's growing interest in the Make in India

programme and it would encourage joint ventures and other forms of collaboration between the two sides. "I am confident that we will achieve the trade target of USD 100 billion by 2030, well before that," he said. The external affairs minister also highlighted India's impressive growth rate in the last few decades. "India that has many decades of 8 per cent growth at least ahead of it obviously values a reliable partner when it comes to resources, technology and best practices," he said. Jaishankar also touched upon Russia's supply of fertilizers, crude oil and coal to India. "Russia has emerged as a major source of fertilizers for us. Its supply of crude oil, coal and uranium are indeed important. Similarly, India's pharmaceutical industry has emerged as an affordable and reliable source for Russia." "Looking ahead we are also exploring the mobility of talent, skills, customising them for the Russian market has to be a shared enterprise," he said.

The external affairs minister also talked about the importance of various connectivity projects. "Our joint endeavours in regard to connectivity, such as the International North-South Transport Corridor, the Chennai-Vladivostok Corridor and the Northern Sea Route must go forward," he said. "We will also be discussing cooperation critical for our food, energy and health security," he added. In his remarks, Manturov also delved into fast evolving trade ties between India and Russia. "Over the last five years, the trade turnover of our country has grown more than fivefold. And India is now the second country among all the foreign economic partners of Russia," he said. "Among other things, we confirm our strong commitment on signing the free trade agreement between the EEU (Eurasian Economic Union) and India, as well as the bilateral agreement on services and investments. This fully meets the needs of our business community," he said.

Students protest against UPPSC decision escalates

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The uproar over the Uttar Pradesh Public Service Commission's (UPPSC) decision shows no signs of dying down, as students staged an intense overnight protest. The aspirants, steadfast in their demands, have coined a slogan, "Na Batenge Na Hatenge" (We won't split, we won't leave), which has become the rallying cry of the movement. Thousands of leaflets bearing this slogan were distributed among the protesters, reflecting their determination. Former Inspector General Amitabh Thakur, who had arrived at Prayag station via Prayagraj Intercity to support the protesting students, was taken into custody by the police and brought to Katra outpost. Meanwhile, Samajwadi Party



chief Akhilesh Yadav criticized the BJP government for its handling of the protest. He tweeted, "The BJP's agenda is only 'elections,' while candidates are left with nothing but 'stress'

under BJP rule. The youth say, no more BJP! When BJP leaves, jobs will come." Former UP Chief Minister Mayawati also voiced her support for the students on social media, criticizing the

police action against protesters and UPPSC's failure to organize the PCS and RO-ARO preliminary exams for 2024 on the same day. She noted that it is natural for the news of students' anger and police action to draw widespread attention. The protesting students, through their slogan, are demanding that UPPSC hold the exams over two days and rescind the normalization process. They have vowed not to leave the protest site until an official notice is issued meeting these demands. Many students held placards voicing their dissatisfaction with UPPSC's decision. Throughout the night, students maintained a peaceful protest. Notably, no banners from student organizations or political parties were visible—only the Indian tricolor was

seen. Demonstrators also waved pictures of freedom fighters like Chandra Shekhar Azad, Bhagat Singh, and Mahatma Gandhi, symbolizing their commitment to a peaceful protest. Late at night, Police Commissioner Tarun Gaba and District Magistrate Ravindra Mandar visited the protest site to try to mediate with the demonstrators. However, the talks did not succeed, as students remained firm in their demands. Despite the authorities' assurances, the students showed no inclination to back down. The protest underscores the growing discontent among young aspirants in Uttar Pradesh, highlighting a disconnect between the government and the youth over employment concerns and examination fairness.

Thousands flock to Shree Jagannath temple for Panchuka celebration amidst tight security

PTI ■ PURI/ODISHA

Thousands of devotees on Tuesday visited the Shree Jagannath temple here on the occasion of 'Panchuka', the last five days of the holy month of Kartik, amidst tight security measures, officials said. While at least 30 platoons (1 platoon comprise 30 personnel) of security forces were deployed to man the crowd, the Shree Jagannath Temple Administration was allowing the devotees to enter the 12th-century shrine only through the 'Singhadwar' (Lion's Gate), they said. "As there is a huge rush of devotees on the occasion of Panchuka, the last five days of the holy month of Kartik, the administration allowed

entry into the shrine only through the Singhadwar and exit by three other gates. We seek the cooperation of servitors and devotees for smooth conduct of Panchuka," SJTA chief administrator Arabinda Padhee said. Puri Collector Sidharth Shankar Swain said that the administration has also raised barricades and 'Bada Danda' (grand road in front of the temple) has been declared a no-vehicle zone from municipal market square. The collector said lifeguards and fire services personnel have been deployed on the five km stretch of sea from Chakratirtha to Swargadwar to prevent any drowning incident on the beach as a large number of devotees take holy dip in the sea on

the occasion of Panchuka. Though Panchuka is celebrated for five days every year, this time it is confined to four days as per the almanac. The people of Odisha usually refrain from eating non-vegetarian food during Kartik month. During the Panchuka, the devotees worship Goddess Lakshmi and Lord Narayan. Married women also worship Goddess Vrundavati, the wife of the demon Jalandhara, in the form of the sacred tulsi plant, praying for the long life of their husbands. During the Panchuka, Lord Jagannath is adorned in different Beshas (attires). Lord Jagannath is adorned in Laxmi-Narayan Bhesa on the first day of the Panchuka (Tuesday).

Karnataka CM Siddaramaiah's position weak, Congress Government's lifespan ending: BJP leader R Ashoka

PTI ■ CHITRADURG/KARNATAKA

Leader of Opposition in Karnataka Assembly R Ashoka on Tuesday said the position of the Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has become weak and the lifespan of the Congress government led by him is coming to an end. The BJP leader said repeated assertions of Siddaramaiah that he would continue as CM suggest that his position is no longer strong, raising questions about the stability of the Government, which assumed power in May last year. "D K Shivakumar (Deputy CM) is claiming during the Channapatna by-poll campaigning that he will become the Chief Minister. What is the guarantee that the Congress party will be there (in power). Last time also during the JD(S)-Congress coalition government they (Congress) had claimed no one can shake them for five years, but 14 MLAs quit Congress (resulting in the govt



collapse)," Ashoka said. Speaking to reporters here, he claimed that Congress MLAs themselves have not got a single paisa for development in the last 17 months. "They have started thinking that if they are with Siddaramaiah, they will not even get peanuts." Recently, state BJP President B Y Vijayendra too had claimed that the Chief Minister, facing probe in the MUDA site allotment case, will resign soon. Both Shivakumar and Congress national President M Mallikarjun Kharge are also aware as to when Siddaramaiah will quit, he had said.

Ashoka said speculations regarding the stability of any government should have arisen in normal course during the fag end of its tenure. "But, this government has just come, and already every day there are claimants for the Chief Minister seat, there are allegations of corruption, there are prophecies that the government will collapse. Despite all this, Siddaramaiah is saying that he will remain the CM," he said. Citing that Siddaramaiah has on numerous occasions asserted that he will remain the CM, Ashoka, a former Deputy

Chief Minister, said: "What is the need for it? If strong, no one will keep on saying it (I will remain CM), only when weak, one has to keep on asserting his position." "If strong, no one will question (the stability of the government), neither the media, nor opposition. As his (Siddaramaiah) position is weak, everyone keeps asking about stability. The life span of Siddaramaiah's government is coming to an end," he added. The opposition has been demanding Siddaramaiah's resignation, following charges against him in the MUDA site allotment case. There were also behind-the-scenes political activities within the ruling Congress earlier this year, with a few Ministers in the Siddaramaiah Cabinet holding closed door meetings, fueling speculation about leadership change. But such interactions came to a halt following instructions from the party high command, which sought to crack the whip.

BJP's Kewal Singh Dhillon exudes confidence in winning Barnala bypoll, citing BJP's development track record

PTI ■ BARNALA/PUNJAB

BJP rule is synonymous with development and people are well aware of this, Kewal Singh Dhillon, the party's candidate from the Barnala assembly segment, said, confident he will win the bypoll. Dhillon, a former MLA, said the Bhagwant Mann government in Punjab had "failed" on all fronts and the Aam Aadmi Party and the Congress were "hand-in-glove" with each other. The Barnala assembly seat fell vacant after Gurmeet Singh Hayer, the local MLA from the AAP, was elected from the Sangrur Lok Sabha seat. Hayer won the Barnala seat in 2017 and 2022 assembly polls. Dhillon is facing Congress's Kuldeep Singh Kaka Dhillon, AAP's Harinder Singh Dhaliwal, Shiromani Akali Dal (Amritsar) nominee Govind Singh Mann and AAP rebel and Independent candidate Gurdeep Singh Bath in the bypoll. The 74-year-old became an



MLA from Barnala in 2007 and 2012 on Congress tickets. He joined the BJP in 2022. He lost the Sangrur Lok Sabha bypoll in 2022 and was at the fourth spot. Campaigning for the November 20 bypoll, Dhillon gave himself the credit for the creation of Barnala as a district in 2006. It was because of his efforts, a road from Barnala to Ludhiana was rebuilt to facilitate the people of Barnala, he also claimed. "A railway underbridge and a network of roads were built.

We carried out several development projects in villages," Dhillon told PTI. The BJP candidate alleged the ruling AAP had lost its credibility in the state. "People are already against the AAP government. They also know that the Congress and AAP are hand in glove. People know that wherever the BJP comes to power, be it Haryana and Uttar Pradesh, development takes place there. "People have made up their mind this time to give votes to the BJP in the bypolls. The Lotus (BJP's poll symbol) will bloom in Barnala on November 23," he said. The BJP nominee said the Mann government failed to rein in law and order in the state. "The law and order has collapsed. The financial situation of the state is bad. I have been meeting people who are completely disappointed with the Bhagwant Mann regime," he claimed.

Dhillon blamed the state government for hardships faced by farmers in grain markets because of "tardy" paddy procurement. Farmers also complained of shortage of DAP fertiliser, he said. "They (the AAP government) did not place any order for DAP fertiliser. Farmers could not get it for wheat sowing," said Dhillon. He said he raised the issue with Union Minister J P Nadda, following which the fertiliser was supplied to meet the shortage. Dhillon said the AAP could not run the government, alleging that it remained "ineffective" on all fronts. "There is no section in the society which is satisfied with the AAP government," claimed Dhillon. The bypolls to the four assembly seats - Gidderbaha, Dera Baba Nanak, Chabbewal and Barnala - will take place on November 20 and counting of votes will be held on November 23.

Two drivers killed in freak accident on airport road after verbal altercation



PTI ■ BENGALURU

Drivers of a truck and a car were killed in a freak accident on Airport road here, police said on Tuesday. The concrete mixer truck hit the car - a sports utility vehicle (SUV) - following which the drivers of the two vehicles got down and engaged in a verbal altercation over the minor mishap on Monday night. In the meantime, a Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport

Corporation (BMTC) bus heading towards the Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) From Rajarajeshwari Nagar rammed into the stationary truck on the right side of a flyover, and ran over the two drivers. The truck driver Kuldip Kumar (42) died on the spot while the car driver Jagadish (40) succumbed to injuries at a hospital, a senior police officer said. A case has been registered at Yelahanka traffic

station and further investigation is underway, he said. In a statement, the BMTC said as the bus was approaching the GKKV (Gandhi Krishi Vigyana Kendra) flyover on the airport road, it encountered the previously crashed vehicles parked "dangerously and in an unscientific manner", with their drivers engaged in a verbal altercation. "At this moment, the Volvo bus driver, unable to react in time due to low visibility in the dark in the downhill road of the flyover, could not avoid the collision, resulting in a chain accident," it said. The bus driver, Puttaswamy sustained minor injuries, and the only passenger travelling in the bus escaped unhurt, the BMTC said.

55 held for attacking officials in Vikarabad land acquisition protest

PTI ■ HYDERABAD

As many as 55 people were on Tuesday taken into custody for allegedly attacking officials during a protest in a village against the acquisition of their lands for proposed pharmaceutical companies in Vikarabad district, police said. Three officials—an Additional Collector, Kodangal Area Development Authority (KADA) chairman and a DSP rank police official—were injured after some villagers in Lagacharla village of Dudyala mandal allegedly attacked them on Monday. While a public hearing was proposed to be conducted by the Telangana Industrial Infrastructure Corporation (TGIIC) on the village outskirts, a BRS youth wing leader approached district Collector Prateek Jain requesting him to visit the village, where farmers would give their opinion. The

Collector accepted the request and visited the village along with other officials to listen to the farmers' views, where they were confronted by a mob, police said. The protesters jostled Prateek Jain besides pelting stones on his vehicle and other district authorities vehicles. "Fifty-five people were on Tuesday taken into custody in connection with the incident and police are investigating how many of them were involved in the attack," a senior police official said. A BRS youth wing leader who allegedly instigated the "pre-planned" attack was on the run, the official said. Three FIRs were registered over the incident, and authorities also suspended internet services in Dudyala mandal. The situation is now under control and additional police personnel have been deployed. Further investigation is on.

Home Minister Shah alleges Waqf Board land grabbing, urges reforms and Uniform Civil Code

PTI ■ BAGHMARA/JHARKHAND

Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Tuesday accused the Waqf Board of grabbing land of temples, villagers and others in Karnataka and asserted that it was time to make changes in the body and amend the related Act. He also claimed that no one can stop the implementation of the Uniform Civil Code (UCC), which is "needed to check infiltrators", and assured tribals that they would be kept out of its ambit. "The Waqf Board is in the habit of grabbing land. In Karnataka, it has devoured the assets of villagers...It has grabbed land parcels of temples, farmers and villagers...Tell me whether changes are required in Waqf Board or not. Hemant Babu and Rahul Gandhi say no. I tell you let them oppose it, the BJP will pass the Bill to



amend the Waqf Act. No one can stop us," Shah said while addressing a poll rally in Jharkhand's Baghmara. He also accused the JMM-led coalition of making infiltrators its vote bank and claimed that "trainloads of illegal immigrants will be sent to Bangladesh if the BJP is voted to power in Jharkhand". "No one can stop implementation of Uniform Civil Code aimed at preventing infiltration in Jharkhand, and tribals will be kept out of its ambit," he claimed. Shah alleged that the

Congress was opposed to OBC reservation. "Rahul Gandhi's four generations can't touch your reservation," Shah alleged while addressing the rally. The BJP leader also accused "JMM-Rahul baba of dividing the country on the basis of castes" and claimed that Prime Minister Narendra Modi made only four categories - poor, farmers, youths and women - for the welfare of people. The union home minister promised that if the BJP is voted to power, it would make Jharkhand the most prosperous state in the country in the next five years and "each paisa looted by JMM-Congress leaders will be returned to its treasury." "We will set up mineral-based industries in Jharkhand and create an environment in which no one will migrate to other states," he added.

Indian Army's motorcycle expedition covers 550 km in Arunachal Pradesh to Commemorate Battle of Walong

PTI ■ ITANAGAR

The Indian Army's motorcycle expedition team completed a three-day journey covering 550 km across the scenic and rugged terrain of eastern Arunachal Pradesh to commemorate the Battle of Walong, an official said on Tuesday. The expedition was flagged in at the Walong War Memorial on Monday, where riders paid tribute to the courage and sacrifices of soldiers who fought in the 1962 Battle of Walong, the defence spokesperson said. The expedition, including 20 riders from the Indian Army and local adventure enthusiasts, began from Dibang Valley in the northeastern state on November 9 and traversed through Roing, Tezu, vibrant village of Hayuliang



and finally reached their destination at Walong in Anjaw district. Along the rugged and challenging route, participants navigated mountainous trails and endured varying weather conditions, embodying the resilience of the soldiers who once defended India's northeastern frontier. The expedition was

organised to honour the soldiers who fought for the nation during the 1962 Sino-India conflict and commemorate the Battle of Walong, the spokesperson said. The fierce Battle of Walong unfolded in the unforgiving terrain of Kibithu, Nanti Tri Junction (famously known as Tiger's Mouth), Walong and adjoining

features in the easternmost parts of Arunachal Pradesh, the Army spokesperson said. The route, tracing a historic path through the beautiful landscapes of Arunachal Pradesh, symbolises the Indian Army's commitment to fostering unity and promoting adventure tourism in border areas, the spokesperson said. Each halt was an opportunity for the riders to connect with the local communities, highlighting the strength, resilience and solidarity that define the spirit of the region, and promote national integration, he said. The motorcycle expedition is a part of the month-long celebrations that started on October 17 to mark the 62nd anniversary of the Battle of Walong fought during the 1962 Sino-Indian War.

Omar Abdullah stunned to see the progress of new Assembly complex in Jammu

MOHIT KANDHARI ■ JAMMU

Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah was on Monday taken aback by the poor pace of work when he visited the under-construction Assembly complex after resuming work at the civil secretariat here in Jammu. After attending the brief ceremony in the portico of the civil secretariat building Omar went around the power corridors and interacted with his ministerial colleagues as they resumed working in their offices. Later Omar stepped out of his office chamber and walked on foot to the project site. The security officials hurriedly covered him in different layers of protection as they marched on foot outside the civil secretariat complex. The foundation stone of the multi-floor Assembly complex was laid by Omar himself on July 1, 2011. In the



last over 13 years the successive governments failed to complete the project. Omar toured the complex, where officials from the Public Works Department (PWD) Roads & Buildings (R&B) Division provided a detailed briefing on the project's various stages, timeline, and next steps. During the inspection visit to the project site, Omar asked pointed queries to the senior officers of the project

executing agency to learn more about the reasons behind the delay and the current status of the progress. As Omar went around the assembly complex along with Deputy Chief Minister Surinder Choudhary and other cabinet colleagues he was informed by the officers that the new assembly complex may take at least two more years to get ready. Omar when enquired about the reasons behind the delay

of the project was informed by the senior officials that the non-availability of the funds was the primary reason. Due to prolonged delay the original cost of the project initially pegged at around 110 crores has already exceeded 200 crores. On ground zero, the construction work was started in August 2011. Initially, the project was estimated to be built at a cost of around 113 crores in a stipulated period. According to the project engineers, who remained in charge from time to time the work on the project was going on smoothly till 2015 but the same hit the roadblock during the BJP-PDP alliance government in office. The alliance government raised certain specific queries related to the administrative and financial approval before giving their formal nod to the revised estimates.



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With 2024 set to be the hottest year on record, the stakes for COP29 are higher than ever

The 29th annual UN climate summit, COP29, has officially begun in Baku, Azerbaijan. This year's conference brings together diplomats, climate experts, activists, and political leaders from nearly 200 countries to address critical issues in the fight against climate change. However, the event is already facing challenges, both from the host country's fossil-fuel-centered economy and the re-election of Donald Trump as US President, which could impact future climate commitments from one of the world's largest emitters. COP29 is being held in Azerbaijan's capital, Baku, a decision that has sparked criticism from environmentalists worldwide, with activists like Greta Thunberg referring to the summit as a "greenwash conference." This year's COP has been dubbed the "Finance CoP" due to its focus on securing adequate funding for climate action. Low-and middle-income countries are advocating for significant financial support to help them reduce greenhouse gas emissions and transition to renewable energy. The UN estimates that developing countries, excluding China, need more than \$2 trillion annually by 2030 to make meaningful progress.



The current debate centers on who will finance these initiatives. In 2009, wealthier nations pledged \$100 billion annually in climate financing for developing countries, a goal they only reached two years behind schedule. Now, many of these recipient countries are calling for a new target of at least \$1 trillion per year to effectively address climate challenges. Countries such as China and the UAE, which are still classified as "developing" but are major emitters and fossil-fuel producers, face pressure to contribute more substantially to the climate finance fund. Another core issue at COP29 is the review of Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), the plans each country submits outlining their goals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. With the next round of NDC updates due in early 2025, this summit is a crucial opportunity to solidify targets that align with the Paris Agreement's goal of limiting global temperature rise to 2 degrees Celsius by 2100. The hope is that countries will commit to more ambitious emission reductions and be transparent about their paths toward net-zero emissions. COP28, held in Dubai in 2023, marked the first time a COP agreement openly called on countries to transition away from fossil fuels. However, progress has been inconsistent. The International Energy Agency's (IEA) tracking tool, established in April 2024, shows mixed results, with many countries struggling to meet their renewable energy targets. COP29 in Azerbaijan faces substantial challenges, from balancing climate goals with fossil fuel interests to addressing the financial needs of developing nations. If COP29 is to be a success, it must result in tangible commitments to climate finance, renewable energy, and unity among nations. This will be essential to ensuring that COP29 is remembered as a turning point in the global response to climate change—not as a missed opportunity.

PICTALK



Students pass by a wall painting depicting a scene from 'Krishna Leela', in Prayagraj

Domestic tensions add to Oli's predicament



ASHOK K MEHTA

Amid a mounting internal criticism, Nepal's Prime Minister KP Oli faces daunting challenges, from managing a coalition to dealing with China

My Diwali and Tihar vacation in Nepal is continuing. Here is a flash report from Pokhara. After a turbulent 18-month rule, in which former Prime Minister Prachanda had to seek a vote of confidence five times, the two leading parties Nepali Congress and Unified Marxist Leninist unholy alliance ended CPN(Maoist) kingmaker Prachanda's rule of just 32 seats in a 205-member house. PM KP Oli-led coalition is short of a two thirds majority. They share 4 to 3 in NC's favour in ruling the seven provinces. The promise of Ram-Rajya is unlikely to materialise. Two things stand out: an uneasy stability in government; and Oli's apparent unpopularity. Oli's only claim in his first 100 days is a positive stock market. And breaking the tradition of a Nepalese PM's first overseas visit to India by going first to China from 2 to 6 December, which high profile foreign minister Arzu Rana is organising. India not inviting Oli to become PM is a deliberate omission which was served to late PM Sushil Koirala also a decade ago.

Oli's standing as a leader has diminished because he is a junior partner to NC which is seen favoured by India, and due to his apparent loss of control and power over UML. A front-page report in Kathmandu Post (5 November) illustrates this. But alleged corruption cases against him and his supporters including the super department store chain Bhat Bhateni owner Min Bahadur Gurung have dimmed his reputation. On occasions, he was greeted with the chant "Oli chor, desh chhod". Still, Oli retorted: "wait and watch my party perform during 2027 elections". He is hoping to resuscitate his image from his visit to China. His stock with India is low. While Rana was given a red carpet welcome in India - meeting PM Modi, NSA Ajit Doval and Secretary to Prime Minister PK Misra - Oli's meeting with Modi on the sidelines of UNGA was low-key. The China visit will have the Oli hallmark. He will meet President Xi Jinping, his counterpart Li



Qiang and Foreign Minister Wang Yi. He will try to convert the USD 250m loan from the Exim Bank of China for the China-constructed Pokhara International Airport - a white elephant like Hambantota in Sri Lanka - to grant though China has insisted it is part of the BRI loan. Oli is expected to sign the BRI implementation plan which China has been pressing but so far, Nepal has resisted as Kathmandu wants BRI to come under a grant scheme and not a high-interest loan. The BRI deal has been pending since 2020. Oli during his 2018 China visit had outlined 35 projects which were trimmed to nine projects under BRI. If Oli can persuade China of his 'grant scheme for BRI' or place some of the nine projects under it, he will have made a big breakthrough. Strangely few protest about Chinese intrusions in the north. The Jeevan Bahadur Shahi report which had recently mapped Chinese encroachments, missing border pillars and illegal construction, has been quashed. Nepali leaders willingly oblige Beijing over the One China policy that has ensured the 'Great Wall of China' on the border to prevent Tibetan infiltration and migration to Dharamsala. Only one or two Tibetans slipped through this year. China wants Nepal to sign and ratify 'the Border



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Management System' which Kathmandu has not done so far. But Beijing hopes Oli will. China-Nepal relations were upgraded to Strategic Partnership during Xi's historic 2019 visit. The Xi visit was unique because none of the agreements signed had been implemented. A power trade agreement may be facilitated now after the completion of the 220 KVA transmission line from Rasuwagarhi to Kirung to sell power from Chinese hydro projects. It is in the energy sector that Nepal will eventually prosper. Bangladesh, Nepal and India signed a tripartite agreement for the 40MW sale of Nepal electricity to Bangladesh in the rainy season. India holds the key to the development of Nepal's power sector. Nepal is complaining about the Bureau of Indian Standards withholding certification of exports, especially with Chinese components which will hit Kathmandu, not Beijing. The opposition is in disarray with former Home Minister, once a rising star, Rabi Lamichhane, back in jail for the Pokhara Cooperative fraud. His party and his image have taken a beating though independents like Kathmandu Mayor, Balen Shah and Dharan Mayor, Harka Sampang, are progressing relentlessly to clean politics. While King Gyanendra's pop-

ularity may appear to be rising, a return to constitutional monarchy is unlikely despite his recent visit to Bhutan which triggered unusual speculation. It is India that is making quiet gains, the embassy keeping a low profile, letting PMO Delhi run the show. Lingering negativity about Indian interference has all but vanished. On Agniveer, the feeling among Indian Gorkha ex-servicemen is that Nepal should lift the embargo on it. "Something (even four years service) is better than nothing". Foreign Minister S Jaishankar's remarks in July on Agniveer (relating to Nepal) were clear. "India's foreign policy is determined by its national interest. Not by any other country". The message reportedly conveyed to Arzu Rana in Delhi was: "no change in terms of engagement on Agniveer" even as a review is ongoing. COAS Gen Dwivedi is arriving here on November 21 for a ceremonial appointment as Honorary Chief of Nepal Army which has lost its lustre because not a single Nepali has been recruited in the Indian Army for five years. (The writer, a retired Major General, was Commander, IPKF South, Sri Lanka, and founder member of the Defence Planning Staff, currently the Integrated Defence Staff; the views expressed are personal)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

CHADRACHUD'S IMPACTFUL TENURE

Madam — Apropos your editorial, "A rich legacy," published on November 11. Justice DY Chandrachud's tenure as the CJI of India, which concluded on last Sunday, was marked by transformative rulings and substantial reforms, carving out a unique legacy in the Indian judicial history. The list of judgements penned by him is long and covers almost all aspects of law. They blend scholarship and jurisprudence and are likely to inform both future decisions and how the law is studied. Striking down the Electoral Bonds Scheme and upholding the abrogation of Article 370 are among his influential verdicts that stand pillars of his legacy. His decisions resonate not only within the corridors of the Supreme Court but also in the lives of countless Indians whose rights and freedoms he defended. Through humour, resilience, and an unwavering dedication to constitutional ideals, Chandrachud exemplified judicial leadership. As India's judicial landscape evolves, his tenure will be remembered as a testament to the power of law to uphold equality, integrity, and the spirit of democracy. Ranganathan Sivakumar | Chennai

PRIORITISE MENTAL WELLBEING

Madam—Apropos to "Creating a workplace culture that truly supports mental health," published on November 11. It is good that they chose to focus on mental health in the workplace on Mental Health Day on October 10. Because the way few professionals in both the private and government sectors have taken their lives due to undue work pressure in the last few months is alarming, to say the least. Now a days, whoever is entering the corporate world is expected to be mentally strong to cope with the rising pressure and huge mismatch in work-life balance, but how would we justify the death of a young girl who has done well academically to clear CA and get into one of the top 4 consulting firms in the country and was forced to take her life in Pune? We in India have a very abysmal psychiatrist-patient

A boost to women entrepreneurs



The Finance Minister launched five Nari Shakti branches of Union Bank of India for women entrepreneurs in a step to boost women's power. Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman virtually inaugurated five Nari Shakti branches of Union Bank of India

from Bengaluru. She urged the bank to develop technology-driven, cluster-based schemes specifically tailored to support women, aiming to empower female entrepreneurs and strengthen financial inclusion for women across the country. Furthermore, she encouraged women entrepreneurs to make use of these schemes and contribute to job creation. The Nari Shakti operates with a focus on extending credit to women entrepreneurs. In addition to financing women-owned manufacturing and service units, the bank will also focus on advisory services, workshops on start-ups, skill development programs, mentorship, networking, and collaborations. Union Bank of India has opened Nari Shakti branches in Bengaluru, Chennai, Visakhapatnam and Jaipur. It is a right step in the right direction. Akhilesh Krishnan | Mumbai

ratio. We have 0.75 psychiatrists per 100,000 mental patients against the prescribed 3 psychiatrists. Though things are changing a bit and people are approaching mental health professionals after many celebrities have opened up about this, we still need to cover a long distance in terms of enhancing mental health infrastructure and speak openly about this. Go! would need to go all out to open thousands of mental health education institutes and hospitals to bridge this huge gap and encourage young students to take up this profession. We will have to teach our children about the importance of mental and emotional health and need to bring a drastic change in our society when it comes to talking about mental health issues. There should not be any stigma attached to it. Bal Govind | Noida

SMOKING BAN

Madam — The decision of the Karnataka government to ban smoking and tobacco consumption in government offices

and on its premises, though laudable, boils down to its efficacious implementation. Moreover, the state government circular has said precious little about the punishment for flouting rules. Having said that, the move is indeed praiseworthy because it will send a strong message to all stakeholders about the perils of smoking and chewed tobacco. Furthermore, passive smokers can heave a sigh of relief as they stand to suffer as well from smoke. It is also time the Centre revisits COTPA and contemplates better execution of the Act. By "The Cigarette and Other Tobacco Products (Prohibition of Advertisement and Regulation of Trade and Commerce, Production, Supply and Distribution) Act 2003," also referred to as COTPA, smoking and consumption of other tobacco products in public places is prohibited nationwide. This Act also encompasses other requirements like displaying signage and enforcement. Ganapathi Bhat | Akola

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Organic farming: Cultivating a climate-conscious future

Organic farming is emerging as a sustainable agricultural solution, offering an eco-friendly alternative to conventional farming practice

With a growing focus on environmental issues, organic farming has emerged as a powerful ally in the fight against climate change. As global temperatures climb and natural ecosystems deteriorate, there is a shared conviction among scientists, environmental activists and farmers about the pressing need to create sustainable methods for food production. Organic agriculture holds significance not just for cultivating food without synthetic pesticides and fertilisers, but also for fostering farming systems that harmonise with nature. Could organic farming be the answer to the climate crisis? The fundamentals of organic farming lies in its significant potential to greatly diminish greenhouse gas emissions. The production of these, in conjunction with chemical pesticides, demands significant amounts of fossil fuels, whereas organic farms prioritise natural fertilisers and composts that enhance soil health over time. Environmental scientists, states, "Soil in organic farms often contains more carbon



because of the organic matter used." Healthier soil retains more moisture and serves as a carbon sink, effectively capturing CO2 from the atmosphere. Organic farming promotes a rich variety of life forms. The importance of biodiversity cannot be overstated when it comes to creating resilient ecosystems. Traditional monoculture farming strips the soil of essential nutrients, reduces the diversity of habitats, and leaves crops vulnerable to numerous pests and diseases. Organic farming often embraces a variety of crops, fosters the growth of wild plants in and around the farm, and supports pollinators like bees and butterflies. Organic farms can have as much as 30 per cent greater species richness than conventional farms, allowing for a greater diversity of birds, insects, and other wildlife to flourish alongside agricultural activities. This is similarly true regarding the conservation of water. Organic farms utilise techniques such as mulching and crop rotation to effectively conserve water. These methods enhance the soil's composition and increase its ability to retain moisture. This is why the organic farm is more adept at managing droughts, as numerous regions impacted by climate change are grappling with this issue. Through organic farming, we're cultivating more than just crops; we're fostering a sustainable water cycle. While there are several advantages to consider, some contend that relying solely on organic farming may not suffice to nourish the global population, as it tends to produce lower yields compared to traditional practices. Incorporating organic practices, such as crop rotation and minimising reliance on chemicals, into extensive agricultural operations significantly impacts the fight against climate change. Organic farming may not be a perfect solution, yet its environmental advantages are clear: reducing carbon emissions, conserving water, and boosting biodiversity are integral components of a comprehensive strategy in sustainable agriculture. As consumers, we can contribute by opting for organic products whenever we have the chance. Together, we can achieve significant strides towards a more sustainable world. The path to achieving climate resilience is intricate; nonetheless, by embracing organic farming, we can certainly sow the seeds for a greener future. (The writer is a motivator and a freelance writer; views are personal)



RACHNA LAKHPATRI



FIRST COLUMN

BLESSINGS OVER BILLIONS

If we want to be happy, then we should earn blessings which is our real wealth



RAJYOGI BRAHMA KUMAR NIKUNJ JI

We all love money ...don't we? It's a fact that money makes the world go round because it can make the impossible possible and the unimaginable real. Hence, it won't be an exaggeration to say that money can do almost everything. (At least those who have it feel so for sure) There is a famous Hindi film song that says "The whole thing is that ki bhayi Sabse Bada Rupaiya". We all have experienced how money can make people change their moods and colours in a jiffy. Haven't we? It can close the eyes, seal the mouth and deafen the ears wherever needed. We have seen in many scenes of movies how witnesses of crime turn a blind eye and a deaf ear and maintain a stony silence even though they know the truth. Similarly in the world of business, money is the prime force behind the movers and shakers of mega deals, mergers and break-ups. Whether it's sports, entertainment or any other business, money can make cut-throat competitors get into cooperative mode in mutual interest. Money can match the mismatched, miss targets and change roles. At present it is observed that money has a considerable clout even in matters of faith. Like, it can gain you easy access to the holy citadels of godmen who may anoint you as their ardent follower. With money, you can also have a quick darshan of your favourite lord at the temple without having to wait in long queues. The list is unending. In short, money can buy anything and everything under the sun that can be bought. Though money creates this illusion that we are living in paradise money cannot



do any of the following for us. Like, money can buy us a beautiful house but not a happy home; it can buy us delicious food and expensive healthcare but not good health; it can provide us with high security but it cannot guarantee even minimum safety; it can buy us countless things for entertainment but not cheer and joy; it can buy us a comfortable bed but not sound sleep; it can buy name and fame but not real respect; it can buy the best contacts and relations but not true and honest love; it can buy crowns and thrones but not real power; it can buy good education but not intelligence and wisdom & lastly it can bail us out from the worst crimes but it cannot help us escape divine justice & buy us liberation from our sins and sufferings.

So, no matter if money does make the world go round, at the end of all the going round, we reach nowhere and get nothing substantial and real and end up being more impoverished than ever. Since ages, our scriptures and sages have spoken about the vices and virtues. Of all the vices like lust, anger, attachment, greed and ego, the most dangerous and subtle is "Greed". It is said that greed is such a kind of hunger that's never satisfied. Our desire for food ends when our hunger is appeased, our anger also subsides when its purpose is achieved, but! Greed is not satisfied even if we get the kingdom of the whole world. Hence, it is this tendency, which is created by wealth, in a person who possesses it, that leads to corruption at all levels. So, does it mean one should not recognise the importance of money? Not really! Instead, we must understand that money or wealth is merely a tool that has to be used wisely and without greed, attachment or selfishness to create happiness for all. Hence, as long as we use it as a master's, it will bring us benefit and happiness. As soon as we become slaves to it, it will bring loss and misery. An enlightened person would always use money for the maximum good of a maximum number of people, whereas for a spiritually empowered soul, money becomes a tool to create good karma and a good destiny for the self and others. So, the story's moral is that money has never made man permanently happy, nor will it. Hence if we want to be happy, then we should earn blessings which is our real wealth and which would go along with birth after birth. Think about it!

(The writer is a spiritual educator and popular columnist; views are personal)

IFFI 2024: A global stage for cinema, culture and talent



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This year's edition reaffirms IFFI's role as a powerful force in global cinema, connecting storytellers, industry leaders and audiences in a shared appreciation of the cinema



The 55th International Film Festival of India (IFFI) is set to bring a fresh wave of cinematic celebration to the scenic coast of Goa from November 20th to 28th, 2024. This year's festival promises to be more than just a film showcase; it's a convergence of global cultures, a launchpad for emerging voices, and a profound tribute to India's cinematic legacy. IFFI 2024 is a bold step forward, not only in its evolution but as a distinctive international film festival that celebrates both India's vibrant culture and the art of cinema on a global stage. This year, IFFI spotlights Australia as its "Country of Focus," emphasising the festival's commitment to bridging cultures and fostering international understanding. This section invites Indian audiences to dive into the heart of Australian cinema, exploring a curated selection of films that range from gritty dramas to adventurous comedies and reflective documentaries.

Through this focused lens, audiences will experience the unique and evolving cinematic language of Australia, making IFFI a powerful platform for cross-cultural appreciation and dialogue. In doing so, IFFI 2024 goes beyond traditional film screening to create an immersive experience that positions the festival as a bridge between the stories, people, and cultures of the world. IFFI 2024's newest addition, the "Best Debut Director of Indian Feature Film" award, shines a spotlight on the next generation of Indian filmmakers. This award isn't just a recognition; it's a pivotal moment in a young director's career, marking a path for fresh perspectives in Indian cinema.

By dedicating this category to first-time directors, IFFI signals its commitment to nurturing innovative voices and helping them gain visibility in an increasingly competitive industry. While many international film festivals focus on established talents, IFFI's recognition of debut filmmakers reflects its dedication to fostering growth and embracing the future of Indian cinema. This year's festival also pays homage to four towering icons of Indian cinema: Raj Kapoor,



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Tapan Sinha, Akkineni Nageswara Rao (ANR), and Mohammed Rafi. These legends shaped India's cinematic legacy and captured the hearts of audiences across generations. By featuring restored classics and specially curated presentations, IFFI brings their artistry to life for a new generation and provides international attendees with a meaningful glimpse into India's rich cinematic history. This tribute serves as a reminder of the depth of Indian cinema, its transformative impact on culture, and the enduring relevance of these trailblazers. IFFI's Film Bazaar, now in its 18th year, stands out as a dynamic marketplace that brings together filmmakers, financiers, distributors, and international industry leaders.

With over 200 films featured in its Viewing Room, Film Bazaar is where stories find investors, films connect with distributors and collaborations are born. This dedicated platform sets IFFI apart from other festivals focused solely on screenings by creating opportunities for projects to grow and flourish beyond the festival circuit. For both Indian and international filmmakers, Film Bazaar represents a gateway to global audiences and a rare chance to network and secure support for future projects. The Indian Panorama section of IFFI has become a hallmark of the festival, offering audiences a diverse selection of contemporary Indian cinema. With 25 feature films and 20 non-feature films selected for their cinematic excellence, thematic resonance and aesthetic creativity, Indian Panorama showcases the vibrancy and diversity of Indian storytelling.

For international attendees, it provides an authentic insight into India's socio-cultural landscape, spotlighting everything from regional narratives to avant-garde experiments. This section rein-

forces IFFI's mission to present Indian cinema in all its depth and diversity, making it an invaluable part of the global film conversation. One of IFFI 2024's standout initiatives is "Creative Minds of Tomorrow" (CMOT), a program me by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting and the National Film Development Corporation (NFDC) dedicated to nurturing young filmmakers. CMOT provides a platform for emerging voices to showcase short films, documentaries and animations, facilitating connections with seasoned industry professionals. Through CMOT, IFFI is not only showcasing young talent but also empowering the next generation of Indian filmmakers with the resources and connections to succeed.

This initiative solidifies IFFI's role as a festival that goes beyond celebration to become a nurturing ground for creativity and growth. In line with the essence of Bharat Parv, which captured the world's attention at Cannes 2024, IFFI brings forth a celebration of India's diverse cultural heritage. Bharat Parv, a campaign highlighting India's rich traditions and unity in diversity, finds its cinematic expression at IFFI, where films, events, and programming reflect India's multifaceted identity. This celebration of Indian culture provides international visitors with an immersive experience and a deeper understanding of India's story, offering a window into its heritage through the powerful lens of cinema.

IFFI 2024 arrives at a transformative moment for Indian cinema, serving as a platform to elevate Indian filmmakers onto the world stage. The festival's emphasis on emerging talent, global collaboration, and cultural exchange aligns with India's aspirations to be a global leader in the arts. IFFI's unique combination of industry

initiatives, recognition of fresh voices and celebration of cinematic heritage enables it to play a pivotal role in the growth of Indian cinema and its reception on the global stage. This year's edition promises to leave an indelible impact on the industry, redefining IFFI as a festival that doesn't just reflect India's cinematic culture but actively shapes its future. For international filmmakers, IFFI 2024 offers an unparalleled opportunity to connect with India's vibrant cinematic landscape.

By providing exposure to a diverse Indian audience, access to Film Bazaar's resources and engagement with sections like the Australian showcase, IFFI offers international filmmakers insights into India's tastes, trends, and opportunities. IFFI's homage to iconic Indian artists also provides a rich cultural context that enables international guests to appreciate the legacy and contributions of Indian cinema. Through these interactions, IFFI creates a unique, collaborative environment that enriches both Indian and global cinema.

The 55th IFFI is a festival that seamlessly merges tradition with forward-thinking innovation, paying tribute to the giants of Indian cinema while embracing the voices of tomorrow. From the spirit of Bharat Parv to the debut of a new award for emerging talent, IFFI 2024 embodies the evolving nature of cinema and celebrates the power of storytelling as a tool for connection. As the festival draws international filmmakers, industry leaders, and audiences together, it positions India as a key player in global cinema and reaffirms IFFI as a festival of lasting impact and vision.

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Staying grounded: Lessons from the 1984 elections and anti-Sikh riots

Both politicians and journalists risk misjudgment when they distance themselves from the realities on the ground

The 1984 election results were a shock to many. Rajiv Gandhi won a record-breaking 414 seats, toppling major political figures. Veteran leaders like Atal Bihari Vajpayee and Chandra Shekhar faced unexpected defeats—Vajpayee in Gwalior and Chandra Shekhar in Ballia. But this story is less about the triumphs or losses and more about a crucial lesson this journalist learned from an open-hearted conversation with Chandra Shekhar. In an interview, this journalist asked the seasoned leader if he had anticipated the wave that swept away even stalwarts like himself. Chandra Shekhar replied candidly: "To be honest, I had become



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disconnected from the grass roots. I didn't realise there was such a wave." This realisation left a lasting impact on the journalist, shaping their perspective going forward.

The same kind of shock had reverberated through the nation during the 1977 elections, but in the opposite direction. Indira Gandhi was

ousted from power, losing her own seat in Rae Bareilly, while her son Sanjay Gandhi lost in Amethi.

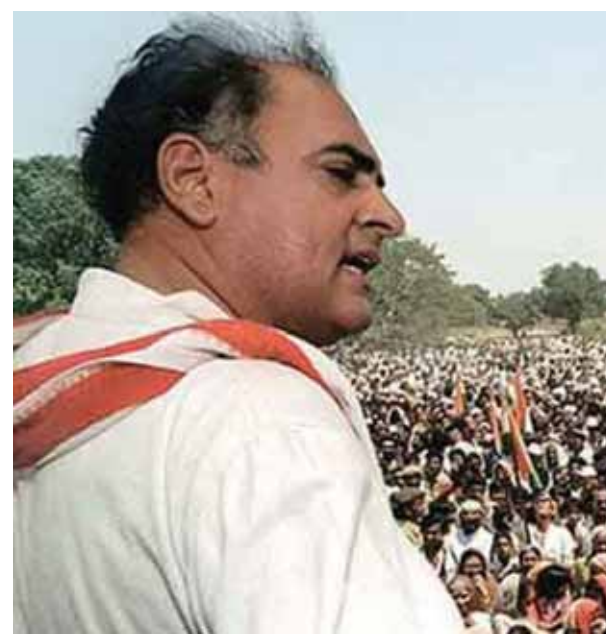
The Congress party was routed, failing to win a single seat in Uttar Pradesh or Bihar. Despite her stature and the counsel of her closest advisors, Indira Gandhi had also become detached from grassroots sentiment. This disconnect was something this journalist later witnessed in the field of journalism itself. During the 1984 anti-Sikh riots, this journalist returned from the field after witnessing the violence firsthand.

His editor, Ayub Syed, was discussing the events with a senior journalist, OP Sabherwal, who was analysing the riots from afar.

Sabherwal likened the situation to 1947, predicting that the riots would continue indefinitely.

The journalist respectfully intervened, sharing what he had observed in RK Puram: a Gurdwara under attack, granthis being rescued by the army, looters scattering when a single soldier raised his hand, and a crowd dispersing with just a shout. He explained to his seniors that the violence was being stoked by the Congress government, with rioters emboldened by police assurances of impunity.

The journalist conveyed that the riots were far from uncontrollable and could be stopped whenever the government chose. And he was proven right; the violence



ceased once the government decided it had gone too far. The lasting lesson? Whether a politician or a journalist, detachment from reality clouds judgment. Without a connection to the ground, even the most obvious forces at play can go unseen.

The 1984 election and subsequent events taught a vital lesson about staying connected to the grassroots. Rajiv Gandhi's landslide victory, which swept aside prominent leaders like Atal Bihari Vajpayee and Chandra Shekhar, highlighted how even seasoned politicians could lose touch with public sentiment.

In a candid interview, Chandra Shekhar admitted his own disconnect from the grassroots, mirroring

the misjudgment that cost Indira Gandhi the 1977 election. This theme resonated again during the 1984 anti-Sikh riots, where a journalist's firsthand observations clashed with distant analyses in the newsroom. The violence, stirred by political agendas, was ultimately controllable when authorities chose to act.

The takeaway? For both politicians and journalists, a disconnect from on-the-ground realities can obscure clear judgment, leaving critical forces unrecognized. Staying rooted is essential to understanding and addressing the true dynamics at play in any situation.

(The writer is a senior journalist; views expressed are personal)

Trump taps Rubio as Secretary of State

PTI ■ WASHINGTON
US President-elect Donald Trump has tapped Florida Senator Marco Rubio as his Secretary of State and Congressman Mike Waltz as his National Security Advisor. Rubio, 53, is considered to be a friend of India and has been an advocate of the India-US relationship, while Waltz, 50, is an old-India hand and has been co-chair of the Congressional Caucus for India and Indian Americans for years. By picking Rubio and Waltz as his top diplomat and NSA guarantees a continuation of bi-partisan support and further strengthen-

ing of India-US relationship under the second Trump administration. The news of these two major appointments came as the Republican party won a majority in the House of Representatives, thus giving Trump control over both the wings of the US Congress. The role of NSA does not require Senate confirmation. There has been no official statement from the Trump Transition Team. "I'm thrilled for my friend, Florida colleague, and our next Secretary of State Marco Rubio. He will restore American leadership around the world, especially in Latin America, as he represents the United States with dignity and courage!" Florida Senator Rick Scott said. Scott is seeking to be the Senate Majority Leader, which is currently being held by Democratic Senator Chuck Schumer. "I am thrilled that President Trump has chosen Rep. Mike Waltz to serve as his National Security Adviser. There is no one more capable or qualified for this crucial role," said Congressman Mike Rogers, Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, "As a Green Beret, Rep. Waltz bravely fought to defend our nation. As a leader on the House

Developing countries must not leave Baku empty-handed: UN Secretary-General

PTI ■ BAKU
UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres Tuesday urged world leaders to ensure that COP29 must tear down the walls of climate finance, warning that "developing countries must not leave Baku empty-handed". Addressing the opening ceremony of the World Leaders Climate Action Summit at COP29 here, Guterres sought urgent measures to support developing nations, which are bearing the brunt of climate-fueled catastrophes despite contributing relatively little to global emissions. "The rich cause the problem, the poor pay the highest price," Guterres said, pointing out that developing nations face disproportionate impacts from climate change, such as food insecurity, infrastructure damage, and biodiversity loss. "Developing countries must not leave Baku empty-handed. A deal is a must and I'm confident it will be reached," he said. With 2024 on track to be the hottest year on record, he described climate change as a "masterclass" in destruction, devastating communities and driving up global food and energy prices. In his address, Guterres out-



lined three priorities essential to achieving climate goals, particularly stressing the role of developed nations in ensuring that developing countries have the necessary resources to adapt and transition to cleaner energy. He called for developed countries to lead emissions reductions by providing emerging economies with technology and financial aid to enable climate action. Guterres highlighted the staggering financial gap in adaptation financing, which could reach \$359 billion annually by 2030, and urged developed countries to fulfil promises to double adaptation funding by 2025. "These missing dollars are not abstractions on a balance sheet; they are lives taken, harvests lost, and development denied," he said, advocating for rapid progress in establishing effective finance solutions for vulnerable nations. The UN Secretary-General further advocated a new climate finance structure to ensure developing countries receive

adequate support. He proposed a five-point finance plan that includes boosting concessional public finance, tapping into innovative revenue sources, and transforming multilateral banks to channel greater investment into these regions. Guterres warned that without significant support, COP29 risks ending without meaningful results for developing countries. He also emphasised that climate finance is an essential investment in global stability and resilience.

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Sale notice for sale of immovable properties
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002
NOTICE is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd., Noida Branch, will be sold by holding e-auction on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 03-12-2024, for recovery of Rs. 32,07,344/- (Rupees Thirty Two Lakh Seven Thousand Three Hundred Forty Four Only) due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. from Mr. Vinod Kumar and Mrs. Soniya (Borrowers) and Mr. Dalbir Singh (Guarantors), as on 11-11-2024, together with further interest and other charges thereon. The reserve price will be Rs. 8,10,000/- (Rupees Eight Lakh Ten Thousand Only) and the earnest money deposit will be Rs. 81,000/- (Rupees Eighty One Thousand Only)
(Description of the immovable property)
Residential Flat No. FF-4, Back Side, First Floor (L.I.G. Type, Without Roof Right), Plot No. G-52 & 53, Khaska No. 1458, Balaji Enclave Colony Hadobast Village-Raispur, Pargana-Dasna, Tehsil and District Ghaziabad
Boundaries G-52 and 53: East- Plot No. G-48 and 49, West - Road 20 FT Wide North-Plot No. G-4, South-Plot No. G-51
Known Encumbrance- Nil
The detailed terms and conditions of the sale are provided in the official website of Can Fin Homes Ltd., (https://www.canfinhomes.com/SearchAuction.aspx).
Link for participating in e-auction: https://sarfaesi.auctionright.net
Place: Noida Authorised Officer
Date: 11-11-2024 Can Fin Homes Ltd

MANIBHAVNAM HOME FINANCE INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED
REGISTERED OFFICE:- Farm No. 10, Tropical Drive, Ghitorni, M.G Road, New Delhi - 110030
Mob-9310100001, Email: customercare@manibhavnam.com
PUBLIC NOTICE
This is to inform the public in general, and the customers in particular, that the management of the Company has decided to close the following branch:
Name Manibhavnam Home Finance India Private Limited
Current Address Office No. 02, Jawahar Nagar, A.B. Road, Dewas, M.P.-455001
Contact Details +919910705878
of Closing Branch vipin.gupta@manibhavnam.com
Tentative Date of Closing 20th February, 2025
It is clarified that due care is being taken by the Company to ensure that no inconvenience whatsoever is caused to the Company's customers during the process of closing. The loan accounts of all the valued customers shall continue with another branch from new address (i.e., Office No-309, Horizon Apartment, Nath Mandir Road, South Tuko Ganj, Indore-452003) Customers are hereby requested to kindly take note of the aforesaid change, which will be effective tentatively from 20th February 2025.
In case any further clarification is required and/or in case of any difficulty, the customer may contact the officials of Manibhavnam Home Finance India Private Limited (+91 9910705878, Mr. Vipin Gupta).
Date : 13.11.2024 Place: Dewas

Emaar India Limited
Regd. Office: 306-308, Square One, C-2, District Centre, Saket, New Delhi - 110017
CIN - U45201DL200PLC133161
Email ID - bharat.garg@emaar.ae Website - www.in.emaar.com
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 (Rs. in million)
S. No. Particulars For the quarter ended For the half year ended For the year ended
September 30, 2024 30 June 2024 31 March 2024 September 30, 2024 September 31 March 2024
Unaudited Unaudited Audited Unaudited Unaudited Audited
1 Total Income from Operations 2,840.83 2,941.72 5,716.65 5,782.55 15,989.32 27,565.67
2 Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items) (1,160.84) (1,113.43) (1,553.37) (2,274.25) (668.37) (2,385.20)
3 Net Profit / (Loss) for the period Before Tax (after Exceptional and / or Extraordinary Items) (1,160.84) (1,113.43) (1,553.37) (2,274.25) (668.37) (2,385.20)
4 Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and / or Extraordinary Items) (1,160.84) (1,113.43) (1,553.37) (2,274.25) (668.37) (2,385.20)
5 Total Comprehensive Income for the period (Comprising profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and other Comprehensive income (after tax) (1,159.10) (1,120.40) (1,557.75) (2,279.48) (664.95) (2,382.86)
6 Paid-up equity share capital (Face value of Rs. 10/- each) 1,693.87 1,693.87 1,693.87 1,693.87 1,693.87 1,693.87
7 Other equity (Reserves excluding revaluation reserves) - - - - - (39,951.20)
8 Net worth - - - - - (38,257.33)
9 Paid up debt capital / Outstanding debt 81,063.45 80,531.93 78,485.34 81,063.45 77,590.33 78,485.34
10 Outstanding Redeemable Preference Shares - - - - - -
11 Debt / Equity Ratio (2.04) (2.08) (2.15) (2.04) (2.15) (2.10)
12 Earnings per share (EPS) (Face value of Rs. 10/- each)
1. Basic (6.85) (6.57) (9.17) (13.43) (40.36) (14.08)
2. Diluted (6.85) (6.57) (9.17) (13.43) (40.36) (14.08)
13 Capital Redemption Reserve - - - - - -
14 Debenture Redemption Reserve 738.13 738.13 738.13 738.13 738.13 738.13
15 Debt Service Coverage Ratio 0.18 0.04 0.03 0.14 0.25 0.21
16 Interest Service Coverage Ratio 0.37 0.37 0.09 0.37 0.75 0.65
Notes:
1. The above is an extract of the detailed format of financial results filed with stock exchange under regulation 52 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosures Requirements) Regulation, 2015. The full format of financial results are available on the website of the stock exchange www.bseindia.com and on the Company's website www.in.emaar.com.
2. For the other line items referred in regulation 52(4) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosures Requirements) Regulation, 2015, pertinent disclosures have been made to the Stock Exchange and can be accessed on the website of stock exchange www.bseindia.com.
3. The above financial results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors of the Company at their meeting held on November 11, 2024.
For and on behalf of Board of Directors of Emaar India Limited
Sd/-
Jamal Majed Khalifa Bin Taniyah
Director
DIN - 07534810
Place : Gurugram
Date : November 11, 2024

PUBLIC NOTICE
This is to bring in common notice that Vinod and Subhash Chand Yadav S/O Ramchandra is owner in Property having Details IX/6592 Nehru Gali, Dharim Pura, Near Geeta Gali, Gandhi Nagar, East Delhi - 110031. Purchased this property vide Sale Deed Reg no - 8015, Book Vol no - 3876. Date - 10/08/2023. I have lost surviving Member Certificate in the name of Satya Devi. This is to confirm that we are the absolute owner. In anyone has any disputes Please inform within 15 days to Mr Ashok Singh +91-9312306881
DCB Bank Limited, Ground & 1st Floor, Plot No. 23/24, Mahila Colony, Gandhi Nagar, Delhi-110031
PUBLIC NOTICE
General public is hereby informed that We (1). Dr. Partho Protim Barman S/o Shri Manindra Chandra Mallabarm, (2) Mrs. Sutapa Barman W/o Shri Bishwa Pratim Barman Daughter in law of Shri Manindra Chandra Mallabarm, (3) Mrs. Manmita Mandal D/o Shri Manindra Chandra Mallabarm are filing application in L&DO for substitution of the property No. J-1973, Chittaranjan Park, New Delhi-110019 in the name of (1). Dr. Partho Protim Barman, (2) Mrs. Sutapa Barman, (3) Mrs. Manmita Mandal on the grounds of Legal Heirs. If there are any objections/claims from the general public on this application, the same shall be communicated to L&DO with supporting documents through registered post or by visiting L&DO at Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi or through an email at ldo@nic.in, within 30 days of publication of this notice.
Name : Dr. Partho Protim Barman
Address: J-1973, Chittaranjan Park, New Delhi-110019
Phone : 882042890
PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that my client Azad Khokhar is in process to purchase the Ground Floor of Property bearing No. F-6155 without Right of Way area measuring 50 Sq. Yards, i.e. 41.80 Sq. Mtrs out of Khaska No. 47 & 48 situated in the Abadi of F-Block, Pandav Nagar in the area of Village Gharonda, Neem Ka Bangar alias Patpar Ganj, Hagi, Shahdara, Delhi-110001 (availing loan from PDWL) from Kavita Sharma, having acquired the said property vide Sale Deed dated 29/6/2019 (Document No. 4320) executed by Smt. Meena Chopra. He confirmed that his seller i.e. Kavita Sharma is not having the below documents pertaining to the property in question. Original Sale Deed dated 25.05.2017 executed by Mr. Shankar Mulwani in favour of Mrs. Neeru Chopra Doc no.2558
All persons having any claim against or in respect of the said Property, or any part thereof, by way of sale, exchange, mortgage (equitabligated/registered or otherwise), gift, trust, inheritance, family arrangement, maintenance, bequest, partnership, possession, lease, sublease, tenancy, license, lien, charge, pledge, assignment or otherwise howsoever, are hereby requested to notify the same in writing to us with supporting documentary evidence at the address mentioned below within 7 days from the date hereof, failing which the claim or claims, if any, of such person or persons will be considered to have been waived and/or abandoned.
Kamal Kant Gupta (Advocate)
Unit No. FF-2, First Floor, Mahalaxmi Metro Tower, Sec-19, Vashi, Dist. U.P., Mob. 9810963951

ADITYA BIRLA CAPITAL
PROTECTING INVESTING FINANCING ADVISING
ADITYA BIRLA FINANCE LIMITED
Registered Office: Indian Rayon Compound, Veraval, Gujarat-362266
Branch Office: 2nd Floor, Vijaya Building, 17, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi-110001
APPENDIX IV Rule 8 (1) POSSESSION NOTICE (FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY)
Whereas, the undersigned being the authorized officer of M/S ADITYA BIRLA FINANCE LIMITED under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 19-06-2024 calling upon the borrower M/s. Empire Furniture Co. Through Proprietor, Mr. Gurpreet Singh Bhatia, M/s. B. J Corporation, Through Proprietor, Mrs. Sonia Bhatia, Loan Account No. ABND_LAPO0000604092 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs. 6,56,29,368/- (Rupees Six Crore Fifty Six Lakh Twenty Nine Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Eight Only) as on 14-06-2024 within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice.
The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub section (4) of section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 on the 11th day of November of the year 2024.
The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and all dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of M/S ADITYA BIRLA FINANCE LIMITED, for an amount of Rs. 6,56,29,368/- (Rupees Six Crore Fifty Six Lakh Twenty Nine Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Eight Only) as on 14-06-2024 and interest thereon.
The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of the section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.
Description of the Immovable Property
Northern Side Portion of First Floor, Second Floor and Third Floor with roof rights, Part of Property bearing No.59, Motia Khan Dump Scheme, M.M. Road, Rani Jhosi Road, Delhi-110055
Place: New Delhi, DATE: 11.11.2024 Authorised Officer, (Aditya Birla Finance Limited)

KOVALAM INVESTMENT AND TRADING CO. LIMITED
Regd. Office: Premises Oswal Woolen Mills Limited G.T. Road, Shergarh, Ludhiana-141003 PB
CIN:L65910PB1981PLC023055, Ph: +91-61-5066605
Website: www.ovmahar.com/kovalam, Email:kovalam@ovmahar.com
Statement of Unaudited Financial Results for the Quarter/Half Year Ended 30/09/2024 (Rs in Lacs, unless otherwise stated)
Sr. No. Particulars Quarter Ended Half Year Ended Year Ended
30.09.2024 30.06.2024 30.09.2023 30.09.2024 30.09.2023 31.03.2024
(Unaudited) (Unaudited) (Unaudited) (Unaudited) (Unaudited) (Audited)
1 Total Income from operations (net) 177.97 109.02 86.82 286.99 177.87 361.00
2 Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before tax) 175.14 106.63 83.07 281.77 171.11 349.33
3 Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (after tax) 161.92 101.83 75.31 263.75 155.35 305.15
4 Total Comprehensive Income/(Loss) for the period (Comprising Profit/(Loss) for the period (after tax) and other Comprehensive Income/(Loss) (after tax) 864.98 1,231.32 932.11 2,096.30 3,134.10 1,546.64
5 Equity equity share capital (Face value : Rs.10/- per share) 222.39 222.39 222.39 222.39 222.39 222.39
6 Reserves (excluding revaluation reserve as shown in the per audited balance sheet of previous year) - - - - - 8,568.41
7 Earning per share (EPS) (Rs.) Basic and Diluted EPS 7.28 4.58 3.39 11.86 6.99 13.72
Notes: 1. The Unaudited financial results of the Company for the Quarter and Half Year ended 30th September, 2024 have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and subsequently approved by the Board of Directors in their meeting held on November 12, 2024. The financial results have been subjected to Limited Review by Statutory Auditors of the Company.
2. The above is the extract of the detailed format of Unaudited Financial Results for the quarter and half year ended September 30, 2024 filed with the Stock Exchanges under regulations 33 of the SEBI (Listing and other disclosures Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of Unaudited Financial Results for the quarter and half year ended September 30, 2024 are available on the Stock Exchange website i.e. www.bseindia.com and Company's website: http://www.ovmahar.com/kovalam/investor.php
For Kovalam Investment & Trading Co. Ltd.
Naveed Sharma
Date: 12.11.2024 Non-Executive - Non Independent Director
Place: Ludhiana DIN : 00454285

ROTOGRAPHICS (INDIA) LIMITED
CIN : L74899DL1976PLC008036
Regd. Off.: Unit No 8, Ground Floor, Pocket M, Sarita Vihar, New Delhi 110076
Telephone: 011-47366800 E-mail: info@rotoindia.com in Website: www.rotoindia.co.in
Extract of Statement of Standalone Unaudited Financial Result For The Quarter And Half Year Ended 30th September, 2024
Particulars Quarter Ended Half Year Ended Corresponding 3 Months Ended Previous Year Ended
(30/09/2024) (30/09/2024) (30/09/2023) (31/03/2024)
(Unaudited) (Unaudited) (Unaudited) (Audited)
(Refer Notes Below)
1. Total Income from Operations 1.27 2.54 1.27 43.30
2. Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extra Ordinary Items) -3.88 -4.26 -2.14 -6.83
3. Net Profit/(Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extra Ordinary Items) -3.88 -4.26 -2.14 -6.83
4. Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items) -3.89 -5.00 -2.14 -6.07
5. Total Comprehensive Income for the period (Comprising Profit/(Loss) for the period (after tax) and other Comprehensive Income (after tax)) -3.89 -5.00 -2.14 -6.05
6. Equity Share Capital 360.13 360.13 360.13 360.13
7. Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of the previous year. 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.17
8. Earning Per Share (of Rs.11/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations)
1. Basic: (0.11) (0.14) (0.06) (0.17)
2. Diluted: (0.11) (0.14) (0.06) (0.17)
Notes:
1. The above results were reviewed by the Audit Committee and reviewed by the Board of Directors in their meeting held on 11th November, 2024.
2. These financial results have been prepared in accordance with recognition and measurement principles laid down in the Indian Accounting Standards 34 Interim Financial Reporting (Ind AS-34) prescribed under Section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with relevant rules issued thereunder and other accounting principles generally accepted in India.
3. The Statutory Auditors have carried out a Limited Review of the unaudited standalone Financial Results for the quarter and half year ended 30th September, 2024.
4. The Company is primarily engaged in Single Business segment 'Vr. Trading, there is no other reportable segment in terms of Ind AS-102 'Operating Segments'.
5. Previous period figures have been regrouped/ reclassified wherever necessary, to conform to this period's classification.
For ROTOGRAPHICS (INDIA) LIMITED
Sd/-
Manish Kumar Kori
Date: 11.11.2024 Whole Time Director Cum CEO
DIN : 10428839

ADITYA BIRLA FINANCE LIMITED
Notice is hereby given that the original share certificate bearing No. 510255, 510256, 510257, 718012, 718013 & 718014 of 150 shares with Folio No: ESC0130639 of ESCORTS KUBOTA LIMITED. Standing in the name of Pravinaben Vinubhai Patel & Vinubhai Vithalbai Patel have been lost or misplaced and undersigned have applied to company to issue duplicate certificates in lieu thereof. Any person who has a claim in respect of said shares should lodge such claim with company at its Administrative Office at ESCORTS KUBOTA LIMITED Company Address : 15/5, Mathura Road, Faridabad, Haryana - 121001 within 21 days from this date, else the company will proceed to issue duplicate share certificate.
Folio No. Certificate No. Shares Distinctive Numbers From Distinctive Numbers To
510255 25 24159884 24159908
510256 25 24159909 24159933
510257 25 24159934 24159958
718012 25 30409884 30409908
718013 25 30409909 30409933
718014 25 30409934 30409958
Date: 13-11-2024
Name(s) of the shareholder (s) : Vinubhai Vithalbai Patel

SAR Televature Limited
(Formerly SAR Televature Private Limited)
CIN: L45202HR2019PLC080514
Regd. Off.: Plot No. 346 A, 2nd Floor, Udyog Vihar, Phase-4, Gurugram-122016 Haryana
Contact: +91-8587050050, Email: info@sar-televature.com
EXTRACT OF STATEMENT OF CONSOLIDATE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED 30.09.2024 (Rs. in Lacs)
Sr. No. Particulars 6 Months Ended on 30.09.2024 30.09.2023 31.03.2024 31.03.2024 31.03.2023
Unaudited Unaudited Audited Audited Audited
1 Total Income from Operations 11813.54 3581.49 8835.48 12416.97 3251.63
2 Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or extraordinary Items#) 1635.64 419.03 1187.57 1606.6 427.32
3 Net Profit/(Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or extraordinary Items#) 1635.64 419.03 1187.57 1606.6 427.32
4 Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or extraordinary Items#) 1599.01 405.88 1160.29 1566.16 388.36
5 Total Comprehensive Income for the period (Comprising Profit/(Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)) 1599.01 405.88 1160.29 1566.16 388.36
6 Equity Share capital 742.85 210 300 300 65.29
7 Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of the previous year 53068.71 2673.14 823.13 6880.43 1115.09
8 Earning per Share (face Value of Rs. 10/- each) (not annualised)
1. Basic 4.31 5.09 11.94 16.12 91.08
2. Diluted 4.31 5.09 11.94 16.12 91.08
NOTES:
1. The above is an extract of the detailed format of half year financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing and other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the half year financial Results are available on the Stock Exchange website www.nseindia.com. The same is also available on the Company's website www.sartelevature.com.
2. The above results duly reviewed by the Audit Committee, were approved by the Board of Directors in their meeting held on 11.11.2024.
For SAR Televature Limited
Sd/-
Pankaj Nagpal
Date: 11.11.2024
Place: Haryana Director

SAR Televature Limited
(Formerly SAR Televature Private Limited)
CIN: L45202HR2019PLC080514
Regd. Off.: Plot No. 346 A, 2nd Floor, Udyog Vihar, Phase-4, Gurugram-122016 Haryana
Contact: +91-8587050050, Email: info@sartelevature.com
EXTRACT OF STATEMENT OF STANDALONE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED 30.09.2024 (Rs. in Lacs)
Sr. No. Particulars 6 Months Ended on 30.09.2024 30.09.2023 31.03.2024 31.03.2024 31.03.2023
Unaudited Unaudited Audited Audited Audited
1 Total Income from Operations 538.46 321.94 320.74 640.97 642.99
2 Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or extraordinary Items#) 178.72 54.23 92.81 147.04 117.73
3 Net Profit/(Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or extraordinary Items#) 178.72 54.23 92.81 147.04 117.73
4 Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or extraordinary Items#) 142.09 41.08 60.17 106.61 78.78
5 Total Comprehensive Income for the period (Comprising Profit/(Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)) 142.09 41.08 60.17 106.61 78.78
6 Equity Share capital 742.85 210 300 300 65.29
7 Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of the previous year 49795.67 2673.14 5128.89 5128.89 823.13
8 Earning per Share (face Value of Rs. 10/- each) (not annualised)
1. Basic 0.38 0.52 0.41 0.73 18.47
2. Diluted 0.38 0.52 0.41 0.73 18.47
NOTES:
1. The above is an extract of the detailed format of half year financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing and other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the half year financial Results are available on the Stock Exchange website www.nseindia.com. The same is also available on the Company's website www.sartelevature.com.
2. The above results duly reviewed by the Audit Committee, were approved by the Board of Directors in their meeting held on 11.11.2024.
For SAR Televature Limited
Sd/-
Pankaj Nagpal
Date: 11.11.2024
Place: Haryana Director

Amsterdam police warn of fresh unrest a day after rioters torch tram

AP ■ THE HAGUE
A senior police officer warned Tuesday of calls for more rioting in Amsterdam, after dozens of people armed with sticks and firecrackers set a tram on fire Monday night as the city faces tensions following violence last week targeting fans of an Israeli soccer club.



In this image taken from video, police officers patrol in riot gear on the streets of Amsterdam as the city is facing tensions following violence last week.

Police said the fire Monday was quickly extinguished and riot officers cleared the square. Images online showed people damaging property and setting firecrackers. There were no reports of any injuries.

Police noted the tense atmosphere since five people were treated in the hospital and dozens detained Thursday following a Maccabi Tel Aviv-Ajax match. Youths on scooters and on foot went in search of Israeli fans, punching and kicking them and then fleeing to evade

police, according to Amsterdam's mayor. Pro-Palestinian demonstrators were banned by local authorities from gathering outside the stadium. Before the match, Maccabi fans also tore a Palestinian flag off a building

in Amsterdam and chanted anti-Arab slogans on their way to the stadium. There were also reports of Maccabi fans starting fights. Dutch police announced five new arrests Monday in their investigation into that earlier

arrested last week would remain in custody while the investigation continues. Two of those are minors, a 16-year old and a 17-year old from Amsterdam. The other two men are from Amsterdam and a nearby city. Police said they have identified over 170 witnesses and have taken forensic evidence from dozens. Prime Minister Dick Schoof said they were also examining videos posted to social media. Schoof was meeting with community leaders Tuesday afternoon to discuss antisemitism. Reports of antisemitic speech, vandalism and violence have been on the rise in Europe since the start of the war in Gaza, and tensions mounted in Amsterdam ahead of Thursday night's match. The mayor has banned all demonstrations in the city and declared several parts of Amsterdam risk zones where police can stop and check anyone. Dozens were detained on Sunday for taking part in a pro-Palestinian demonstration in central Amsterdam that had been outlawed. A small demonstration was ended by police Tuesday outside Amsterdam City Hall during a debate about the unrest, Dutch broadcaster NOS reported.

UK supports India for permanent UNSC seat

PTI ■ LONDON
The UK has reiterated its support for permanent membership for India in the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) as part of an expansion of the international panel to ensure it can continue to rise to the pressing challenges faced by the world. In an address to a UN General Assembly plenary in New York on Monday, UK Ambassador to the General Assembly Archie Young reflected upon Prime Minister Keir Starmer's statement at the UNGA back in September calling for UNSC reforms to ensure the global multilateral system is "more representative and more responsive". Besides India, Young stressed that the UK wants permanent representation for Africa, Brazil, Germany and Japan. "The UK believes that a reformed Council, coupled with a collective, renewed commitment to the UN Charter, would strengthen the Council, so it can continue to rise to the challenges the world is facing; that is why we remain a strong supporter of UN Security Council Reform. The Council must be expanded, to better reflect the world today," said Young.

"We continue to support an expansion in both the permanent and non-permanent categories of membership to a total in the mid-twenties. We want to see permanent African representation, and permanent seats for Brazil, Germany, India and Japan," he said. Reflecting on the 2023 Security Council reform agenda at the UN General Assembly, Britain's UN representative recalled the perilous and dangerous state of the world at the time and the challenge this posed to the multilateral system. He noted: "A year later, the situation is even more acute, and the need to strengthen our multilateral system through reform, ever more pressing." "During his address to the UN General Assembly in September, my Prime Minister reflected on the increasingly complex and interconnected challenges the world, and our multilateral system, are facing," he said. "Conflict touches more countries now than at any time in the history of the United Nations, exacting a terrible human toll in Ukraine, Gaza, Sudan, and elsewhere in the world. The Security Council's role - and its responsibility for international peace and security - is as important now as it has ever been," he added.

Young admitted that agreeing on a model of reform for the Security Council will be "difficult" but asserted the importance of tackling the issue. "It is incumbent on all of us to work together, in the spirit of compromise, to deliver the change we know is needed. The UK is committed to doing just that, and we look forward to detailed and constructive discussions in the intergovernmental negotiations, which we hope will move us forward towards text-based negotiations," he added. The UK's intervention came as India's Permanent Representative to the UN Parvathaneni Harish also focused his address at the plenary session on urgent UNSC reform. "As we begin this year's deliberations, we note that the reform of the UN Security Council was once again identified as a critical and immediate priority at the summit of the future discussions by our leaders. However, in spite of several decades of collective reiteration of this sentiment, it is disheartening that we have had no results to show in this regard since 1965 when the Council was last expanded in the non-permanent category alone," he said.

Haiti's main airport shuts down as gang violence surges

AP ■ PORT-AU-PRINCE
Haiti's international airport shut down on Monday after gangs opened fire at a commercial flight landing in Port-Au-Prince, prompting some airlines to temporarily suspend operations as the country swore in a new interim prime minister who promised to restore peace. The Spirit Airlines flight headed from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, to Port-Au-Prince was just hundreds of feet from landing in Haiti's capital when gangs shot at the plane striking a flight attendant, who suffered minor injuries, according to the airline, the US Embassy and flight tracking data. The flight was diverted and landed in the Dominican Republic. Photos and videos obtained by The Associated Press show bullet holes dotting the interior of a plane. The shooting appeared to be part of what the US Embassy called "gang-led efforts to block travel to and from Port-

au-Prince which may include armed violence, and disruptions to roads, ports, and airports." Spirit, JetBlue and American Airlines said Monday they were cancelling flights to and from Haiti. In other parts of Haiti's capital, firefights between gangs and police broke out. Rounds of gunfire echoed through the streets as heavily armed officers ducked behind walls and civilians ran in terror. In other upper-class areas, gangs set fire to homes. Schools closed as panic spread in a number of areas. The turmoil comes a day after a council meant to reestablish democratic order in the Caribbean nation fired the interim prime minister Garry Conille, replacing him with businessman Alix Didier Fils-Aimé. The council has been marked by infighting and three members were recently accused of corruption. As he was sworn in, Fils-Aimé said his top priorities were to restore peace to the crisis-

stricken nation and hold elections, which haven't been held in Haiti since 2016. "There is a lot to be done to bring back hope," he said before a room of suit-clad diplomats and security officials. "I'm deeply sorry for the people ... that have been victimized, forced to leave everything they own." The country has seen weeks of political chaos, which observers warned could result in even more violence in a place where bloodshed has become the new normal. The country's slate of gangs has long capitalized on political turmoil to make power grabs, shutting down airports, and shipping ports and stirring chaos. The United Nations estimates that gangs control 85% of the capital of Port-au-Prince, while a UN-backed mission led by Kenyan police to quell gang violence struggles with a lack of funding and personnel, prompting calls for a UN peacekeeping mission.

35 killed as man rams car into crowd in China

PTI ■ BEIJING
Thirty-five people were killed and 43 others injured when a 62-year old man rammed his car into a crowd in China's Zhuhai City on Monday, official media reported on Tuesday. Zhuhai is currently hosting China's prestigious airshow. The 62-year-old driver, a divorced man identified as Fan, rammed his car at around 7:48 pm Monday, when citizens were exercising at the sports centre in Zhuhai City, about 2,200 kms south of Beijing, state-run Xinhua news agency quoted Zhuhai public security bureau as saying. He was detained soon after the incident, Xinhua said. It was, however, not immediately clear whether it was an accident or an attack. Chinese President Xi Jinping has urged all-out efforts to treat the people injured in the car ramming case and also demanded punishing the perpetrator in accordance with the law, the Xinhua added.

Mauritius Opposition gets landslide win in polls

AP ■ JOHANNESBURG
Mauritius' opposition coalition has won the country's election by a landslide, taking all seats in the country's 21 constituencies. The Alliance for Change coalition's win will see the return of Navin Ramgoolam as the country's prime minister. He served as prime minister from 1995 to 2000 and again from 2005 to 2014. Jugnauth, in office since 2017, had been seeking another five-year term in the Indian Ocean island nation, but his govern-

ment faced corruption allegations after recordings of politicians and business people were leaked online. "The population has decided to choose another team. I wish good luck to the country," Jugnauth said on Monday. Official results that will include two seats from Rodrigues Island are expected to be released Tuesday, but the opposition has already won all 60 seats that have been announced. Another eight lawmakers will be nominated by the Electoral Supervisory Council to make it

a total of 70 parliamentary seats. At least 1 million people were registered to vote on Sunday in the 12th election since Mauritius gained independence from the United Kingdom in 1968. Mauritius, which sits about 2,000 kilometers (1,240 miles) off Africa's east coast, is recognized as one of the continent's most stable democracies and has developed a successful economy underpinned by its finance, tourism and agricultural sectors since gaining independence.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
It is to inform to the public at large that Mr. Prem Shankar Mishra had acquired Plot no. 105/B, area measuring 37.5 Sq. yds. out of khasra no. 24/20, situated at Village Dabri, Block C, Dabri Ext. New Delhi vide GPA Dt. 28.01.1983 along with ATIS executed by Mr. Kamwar Lal and Now Mr. Prem Shankar Mishra is the undisputed owner of the said property.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
General public is hereby informed that I/We SH. DHEERAJ TANDON am/are filing application in L&DO for substitution / mutation of the property no.231 Front side Bharat Nagar, Ashok Vihar, North West Delhi-110052 in the name of LATE SH.DARSHAN LAL TANDON on the grounds of LEGAL HEIR If there are any objections / claims from the general public on this application, the same shall be communicated to L&DO with supporting documents through registered post or by visiting L&DO at Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi or through an email at ldo@nic.in, within 30 days of publication of this notice.

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CHANGE OF NAME
I, Manoj Kumar Singla S/o Suresh Chand and F/o Sameer Singla R/o 137/3 Patparganj, Village Ghronda Neem Ka Bangar Delhi-110091, solemnly affirm and declare that Manoj Kumar Singla and Manoj Kumar is one and same person.

FORM NO. NCLT 3A
Advertising Detailing Petition BEFORE THE NATIONAL COMPANY LAW TRIBUNAL BENCH-II NEW DELHI
In the matter of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 And In the Matter of Section 7 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 read with rule 4 of the insolvency and Bankruptcy Rules, 2016 And In the Matter of Central Bank of India Stressed Assets Management Branch, Jeevan Tara Building, 5, Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001 Vs M/s. Indian Technometal Co. Ltd. CIN- U27205DL2009PLC192248 Registered Office: 1107, Vikrant Tower 4, Rajendra Place, New Delhi-110008, India Company Petition / No.(IB) 676 of 2024 NOTICE OF PETITION
A petition/application/reference (Case Title: Central Bank of India Vs M/s. Indian Technometal Co. Ltd.) under section 7 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 read with rule 4 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority) Rules, 2016 for initiating an insolvency proceedings, was presented by BKM & Associates on the 10th Day of June 2024, and the said petition is fixed for hearing before Bench-II of National Company Law Tribunal, New Delhi on 09.12.2024. Any person desirous of supporting or opposing the said petition / application/reference should send to the petitioner's advocate, notice of his intention, signed by him or his advocate, with his name and address, so as to reach the petitioner's advocate not later than two days before the date fixed for the hearing of the petition / application /reference. Where he seeks to oppose the petition /application / reference, the grounds of opposition or a copy of his affidavit shall be furnished with such notice. A copy of the petition / application / affidavit will be furnished by the undersigned to any person requiring the same on payment of the prescribed charges for the same. (Sd./-) BKM & ASSOCIATES Advocates, Solicitors & Consultants, Counsel for the Financial Creditors 206, A.J, Chambers, Naiwala Bank Street, Karolbagh, New Delhi-110005. Mobile: 9868113796, E-mail: bkmdelhi@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE
In terms of the Order dated 07-11-2024, passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Civil Appeal No. 7777/2023, it is stated that M/s Maniyata Pristine Partnership Firm owns following unencumbered lands in which Respondent No. 7 namely Reddy Veeranna has 90% share and the partnership firm has passed a resolution that the land shown hereunder will be furnished as security in terms of the Order dated 03.10.2024 passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India:

ReNew Wind Energy (JAMB) Private Limited
CIN No. U40106DL2012PTC242743
Regd. Office : 138, Ansal Chambers II, Bikkaji Cama Place, Delhi-110066 India
Corporate Office : ReNew Hub, Commercial Block-1, Zone-6, Golf Course Road, DLF City Phase-V, Gurugram 122009, Haryana, India Phone No. : 124 489 6670/80
Statement of Unaudited Financial Results for the quarter and half year ended September 30, 2024
(Amounts in INR millions, except share and per share data, unless otherwise stated)

Vistara flies final journey as it merges with Air India

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

After operating for nearly 10 years, full service carrier Vistara flew into the sunset on Tuesday early morning operating its last flight from the national capital to Singapore.

Vistara a joint venture between Tata and Singapore Airlines has now merged with Air India, creating an enlarged entity that is now the country's largest international carrier and second-largest domestic carrier.

UK115 flight from Delhi to Singapore was the last flight of Vistara with the code 'UK' while UK986 from Mumbai to Delhi was the carrier's last domestic flight.

Starting a new chapter in India's fast-growing civil aviation space, the merged entity operated its first flight with the code 'AI2286' from



Doha to Mumbai. In the domestic sector, the integrated entity's first flight AI2984 took off from Mumbai to Delhi. All the four flights landed at their respective destinations early in the morning on Tuesday, according to information available on the flight tracking website

Flightradar24.Com. According to an official, the two airlines have been merged, passengers are being issued Air India boarding passes and check-in counters of Vistara at airports have become that of Air India. The code 'AI2XXX' is being used for Vistara flights that are being operated by Air

India post the merger to help passengers identify the Vistara flight at the time of booking. On Monday, an official said the integrated entity will be operating services on 103 domestic and 71 international routes. With the merger, first announced in November 2022, Singapore

Airlines will have a 25.1 per cent stake in the integrated entity, which will operate more than 5,500 weekly flights on local and international routes.

A formal announcement about the merger is expected later in the day, as the group has led the consolidation wave in Indian aviation with two major mergers in less than two months AIX Connect was integrated with Air India Express on October 1 and now the merger of Vistara with Air India.

Air India, Vistara and AIX Connect together had a domestic market share of little over 29 per cent in September, as per latest official data. Together, the Air India group has an operational fleet of 298 aircraft around 208 with Air India and about 90 with Air India Express.

Nirmala Sitharaman to meet state FMs for pre-Budget

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman is likely to meet her state counterparts on December 21-22 for pre-budget consultations and meeting of the GST Council, an official said. The meeting assumes significance as states finance ministers would present their recommendations for 2025-26 Budget to be unveiled on February 1, 2025.

The 55th GST Council meeting would be held during one of these two days in which the much awaited decision on exemption or lower GST rate on health and life insurance would be taken.

The Council may also take up some rationalisation exercise and reduce tax rates on a host

of common items from 12 per cent to 5 per cent as per the recommendations of a panel of state ministers.

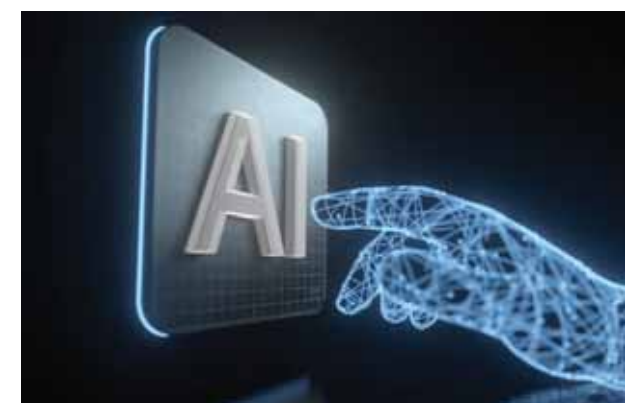
The two-day meeting is slated to take place in Rajasthan, either in Jaipur or Jodhpur, the official added.

Last month, the group of ministers (GoM) on health and life insurance GST broadly agreed on exempting insurance premiums paid for term life insurance policies, and senior citizens' health insurance from GST.

Also, GST on premiums paid by individuals, other than senior citizens, for health insurance with coverage of up to Rs 5 lakh is proposed to be exempted. However, 18 per cent GST will continue on premiums paid for policies with health insurance cover of over Rs 5 lakh.

The GST Council in its 54th meeting on September 9 had tasked the GoM to finalise the report on GST levy on insurance by October-end.

Separately, the GoM on GST rate rationalisation has also suggested that the GST Council re-jig tax rates on a host of goods, including packaged drinking water, bicycles, exercise notebooks, luxury wrist watches, and shoes. This rate re-jig is expected to result in revenue gain of about Rs 22,000 crore. The GoM on rate rationalisation proposed reducing GST on packaged drinking water of 20 litre and above to 5 per cent from 18 per cent. If the GoM's recommendation is accepted by the GST Council, GST on bicycles costing less than Rs 10,000 will be reduced to 5 per cent from 12 per cent.



Majority of Indian businesses invest in AI but only 39 per cent ready to fight ransomware attacks: Report

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Spotlighting a critical vulnerability in the country's cybersecurity landscape, a recent report has said while Indian businesses are actively looking to capitalise on AI and investments are rising, only 39 per cent of them are prepared to survive a prolonged ransomware attack.

Cybersecurity firm Sophos on Tuesday unveiled the "Cybersecurity Playbook for Partners in Asia Pacific and Japan", which stressed the urgent need for enhanced security measures as organisations increasingly face sophisticated cyber threats, especially those augmented by artificial intelligence (AI).

The findings revealed that while 70 per cent of Indian organisations have implemented cloud security strategies and over half of the respondents surveyed are investing in AI-driven security measures, a significant gap remains in overall preparedness.

"Only 49 per cent have established security maturity frameworks and 44 per cent report meeting security standards. Additionally, just 39 per cent feel prepared to withstand a prolonged ransomware attack, underscoring the ongoing need for robust cybersecurity advancements," the report said.

While Indian businesses are embracing AI to enhance operations, they also recognise its dual nature both

as an asset and as a potential security risk, it added.

The research, conducted in July 2024, surveyed 900 companies across India, Australia, Japan, Malaysia, the Philippines, and Singapore, of which 200 were from India.

Commenting on the dual nature of AI in cybersecurity, Sunil Sharma, Vice President of Sales for Sophos in India, said enterprises are taking AI seriously, both as a powerful ally and a potential threat.

"The fact that organisations are significantly boosting their cybersecurity budgets is a great sign that the country is committed to protecting its digital infrastructure. The growing investment in key areas such as threat detection, incident recovery, and data protection not only reflects the proactive stance of Indian businesses but also highlights their readiness to tackle the complex challenges posed by AI-driven cyber risks," he said.

Further, the survey revealed that only 5 per cent of Indian firms depend on a single security vendor, while 71 per cent utilise three or more to handle their cybersecurity demands. Multi-vendor setups are anticipated to increase as businesses look for specialised, adaptable solutions.

The increasing investments in cybersecurity and the preference towards multiple expert vendors present a significant opportunity for MSPs to help enterprises improve their customers' defences with a customised approach, Sharma said.

IndiGo seeks extension of Boeing 777 lease amid rising international demand

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman is working with the civil aviation ministry to explore the possibility of extending the wet lease of wide-body Boeing 777 planes from Turkish Airlines, as the existing lease period is ending this week.

Currently, IndiGo is operating two wet-leased Boeing 777 planes for flights from Delhi and Mumbai to Istanbul. These are also the only two wide-body aircraft that are in the fleet of the airline, which is India's largest carrier with a domestic market share of over 62 per cent.

These aircraft were wet-leased to cater to the rising demand for international travel from

India.

IndiGo started operating its first wide-body Boeing 777 aircraft on the Delhi-Istanbul route from February 1, 2023, and began operating the Boeing 777 plane on the Mumbai-Istanbul route from May 17, 2023.

Sources in the know said the airline has not received an extension for continuing with the wet lease of the aircraft. When contacted, an IndiGo spokesperson on Monday told PTI that the airline is "working with the ministry to explore solutions to extend the wet lease as our AOG (Aircraft On Ground) related capacity constraints, while improving, are not entirely behind us".

The two Boeing 777 planes will be operated by IndiGo till



November 14 for the flights from Delhi and Mumbai to Istanbul.

From November 15, the airline will be deploying A321 aircraft for operating these flights, according to information available on

flight tracking website Flightradar24.Com.

Wet lease of an aircraft by an Indian carrier involves the leasing of foreign aircraft, along with crew, maintenance and insurance. The plane is also under the

operational control of the foreign operator (lessor) and subject to regulatory requirements of the foreign civil aviation authority concerned.

The safety oversight of such operations is also under the purview of the foreign authority concerned, and the role of Indian carriers is limited to commercial aspects of operations.

While announcing the induction of the second Boeing 777 plane into its fleet in May 2023, IndiGo CEO Pieter Elbers said the new aircraft will not only increase capacity on the route but also help keep the fares affordable. The Boeing 777 aircraft has a seating capacity of 400 passengers in a dual-class configuration with 24

business and 376 economy class seats, the airline said.

In the wake of Pratt & Whitney engine issues, the airline has grounded many aircraft, impacting its capacity.

Last month, IndiGo, which also became India's first airline to have more than 400 aircraft, said the number of grounded aircraft has reduced to the high 60s from the mid-70s and will further come down to the sub-60 level by the year-end.

At the end of September, the carrier had a fleet of 410 planes. As part of expanding its international network to long-haul destinations, IndiGo, in May this year, placed a firm order for 30 Airbus A350-900 aircraft.

NSE inks pact with Zomato to empower delivery partners with financial literacy

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The National Stock Exchange of India (NSE) on Tuesday said it has inked a pact with online food delivery platform Zomato to promote financial literacy and investor awareness programmes among the gig economy workers.

This partnership aims to launch an extensive financial literacy and investor awareness drive, specifically designed for Zomato's delivery partners, impacting the lives of over 50,000 gig workers across the country, NSE said in a statement.

As a part of the pact, fundamental aspects of personal finance management and the basics of investing will be covered. Topics will include budgeting, saving, investing, debt management, and insurance, among others. To ensure accessibility and inclusivity, the programme will be conducted in multiple regional languages, catering to a diverse audience among the gig workforce.

"This partnership with Zomato is a significant step in expanding our outreach to a



critical segment of the workforce that drives the digital economy. By equipping delivery partners with financial skills, we aim to contribute to their financial independence and overall financial well-being," Sriram Krishnan, Chief Business Development Officer, NSE, said.

Rakesh Ranjan, CEO, Food Delivery, Zomato, said, this programme has been curated to suit delivery partners' needs to equip them with the right knowledge and skill-set to become financially independent. "Over 2,000 delivery partners have already taken a step toward financial literacy, and we're looking forward to scaling this further in the next few months."

Rupee closes all-time low against US dollar

PTI ■ MUMBAI

The rupee fell 1 paise to a new lifetime low of 84.39 (provisional) against the US dollar on Tuesday as persistent foreign fund outflows and a strengthening greenback against major crosses overseas dented investor sentiments.

Forex traders said the rupee is likely to trade between 83.80 and 84.50 in the medium term, with the Reserve Bank of India likely limiting any significant downside, aided by its robust foreign exchange reserves.

At the interbank foreign exchange, the rupee opened at 84.39 against the US dollar. During the session, the local currency touched a high of 84.39 and a low of 84.41. It finally settled at 84.40 (provisional), a decline of just 1 paise against the US currency, registering a loss for the fifth straight session.

On Monday, the rupee dropped 1 paise to hit a new lifetime low of 84.38 against the US dollar. In the last five sessions, the local unit has lost 32 paise against the greenback.

"The rupee traded weaker as foreign funds continued their selling spree in the Indian market. However, the rupee received some relief from



falling crude and gold prices, as the reduced pace of decline could potentially improve India's import bill in the coming months," said Jateen Trivedi, VP Research Analyst - Commodity and Currency, LKP Securities.

Despite this, the dollar index's continued strength above 105 is expected to maintain pressure on the rupee, limiting any significant recovery in the near term. "With resistance near the 84.25-84.30 zone and support is seen lower at 84.55. This week's focus will be on the US CPI data release, which could influence the dollar's trajectory. Additionally, US Fed Chairperson Jerome Powell's upcoming speech is expected to provide insights

that may drive price action in the dollar, currently trading at a four-month high of 105.75," Trivedi said.

Meanwhile, the dollar index, which gauges the greenback's strength against a basket of six currencies, was trading 0.06 per cent higher at 105.60. Brent crude, the global oil benchmark, rose 0.60 per cent to USD 72.26 per barrel in futures trade.

In the domestic equity market, the 30-share BSE Sensex fell 820.97 points, or 1.03 per cent, to close at 78,675.18 points, while Nifty fell 257.85 points, or 1.07 per cent, to settle at 23,883.45 points.

Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs) were net sellers in the capital markets on Monday, as they offloaded shares worth Rs 2,306.88 crore, according to exchange data.

Meanwhile, an SBI research report on Monday said that the rupee may depreciate 8-10 per cent against the US dollar during the Trump 2.0 regime. The report, titled US Presidential Election 2024: How Trump 2.0 Impacts India's and Global Economy, emphasised that the rupee can have a brief spell of depreciation against the US dollar, followed by appreciation.

Sensex, Nifty slump one per cent



PTI ■ MUMBAI

Equity benchmark indices Sensex and Nifty slumped 1 per cent each on Tuesday due to widespread selling pressure amid uninterrupted foreign fund outflows and sluggish global trends. The BSE benchmark Sensex tumbled 820.97 points or 1.03 per cent to settle at 78,675.18. During the day, it plunged 948.31 points or 1.19 per cent to 78,547.84.

Falling for the third day running, the NSE Nifty tanked 257.85 points or 1.07 per cent to 23,883.45. From the 30-share Sensex pack, NTPC, Asian Paints, HDFC Bank, State Bank of India, Tata Motors, JSW Steel, Maruti and Power Grid were among the major laggards. On the other hand, Sun Pharma, Infosys and ICICI Bank were the gainers.

Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs) offloaded equities worth Rs 2,306.88 crore on Monday, while Domestic Institutional Investors (DIIs) infused Rs 2,026.63 crore in shares, according to exchange data. "Two strong factors have been at play in this consolidating market. One, the relentless selling by FIIs has been favouring the bears and pulling the market down.

Two, the sustained buying by DIIs has been supporting the market preventing a crash in the market. How the market will trend in the coming days will depend on the relative strength of these two factors," VK Vijayakumar, Chief Investment Strategist, Geojit Financial Services, said. In Asian markets, Seoul, Tokyo, Shanghai and Hong Kong settled in the negative territory. European equity markets were also trading in the red. Wall Street ended higher on Monday.

SEBI extends deadline for comments on proposed specified digital platform

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Markets regulator Sebi on Tuesday extended the deadline for public comments till November 26 on the proposal concerning requirements for recognition as specified digital platforms (SDPs).

Earlier, the comments from the public were sought till November 12.

"Based on the representations received by Sebi from some of the entities/organisations, it has been decided to extend the timeline to submit the public comments on the consultation paper till November 26, 2024," the regulator said in a statement. In its consultation paper, Sebi proposed requirements for recognition as specified digital platforms whereby such platforms should proactively prevent fraud, impersonation, unauthorised claims, and unregistered



entities from operating. The regulator suggested that specified digital platforms use artificial intelligence or machine learning (AI/ML) tools to identify content or ads related to securities, ensuring the entity is Sebi-registered or permitted, no unauthorised advice, recommendations, or performance claims are made.

The platform should ensure that genuine investor education content is allowed and content does not redirect users to other media such as WhatsApp or Telegram for unauthorised activities, Sebi stated. Also, the platform should share data with the regulator when requested and act on its inputs. It should provide badges to

Sebi-registered entities to help users identify authorised participants. The regulator proposed that only Sebi-registered entities, permitted advertisers, or educational content providers can post securities-related content on the platform. Additionally, such platforms can remove fraudulent or non-compliant content and

penalise offenders.

On October 22, Sebi provided a three-month window to entities registered with it, and their agents, to terminate their existing contracts with unregistered financial advisors.

This was part of Sebi's move to curb unauthorised financial advice and performance claims in the securities market.

The rule restrains intermediaries, their agents, or associated persons from having direct or indirect ties with any entity that provides investment advice or recommendations without being registered or permitted by Sebi or makes performance or return-related claims unless specifically authorised by the regulator to do so.

However, if these interactions occur through specified digital platforms, they will not be subject to these restrictions.



Industrial output up in September: Government data

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

India's industrial production expanded by 3.1 per cent in September, mainly due to improvement in the manufacturing sector, according to official data released on Tuesday. The factory output, measured in terms of the Index of Industrial Production (IIP), witnessed a growth of 6.4 per cent in September 2023.

However, it was in the negative territory in August 2024 at (-) 0.1 per cent. "The IIP growth rate for the

month of September 2024 is 3.1 per cent which was (-) 0.1 per cent in the month of August 2024," an official statement said.

The data released by the National Statistics Office (NSO) showed that the growth in mining, manufacturing and electricity for September 2024 stood at 0.2 per cent, 3.9 per cent and 0.5 per cent, respectively.

In April-September this fiscal, the IIP grew 4 per cent against 6.2 per cent in the year-ago period.

Deepika's brace hands India 3-2 win over South Korea

PTI ■ RAJGIR (BIHAR)

Striker Deepika converted a penalty stroke three minutes from the final hooter to lead India to a tense 3-2 win over South Korea in the women's Asian Champions Trophy, here Tuesday.

India raced to a 2-0 lead in the first half through goals from Sangita Kumari (3rd minute) and Deepika (20th, 57th) before Korea mounted a strong comeback in the third quarter and drew parity with goals from Yuri Lee (34th) and skipper Eunbi Cheon (38th).

The match headed for an exciting finish with both teams pushing for that deciding goal and it was Deepika, who scored from the spot to seal India's second consecutive victory in the tournament.

India had defeated Malaysia 4-0 in their tournament-opener on Monday. The hosts will next play Thailand on Thursday.

In the first match of the day, minnows Thailand held Japan to a 1-1 draw, while reigning Olympic silver medalist China defeated Malaysia 5-0 to register their second consecutive win.

The Indians started from where they left on Monday and continued to play attacking hockey from the onset.

India's dominance can be gauged by the fact that the Koreans didn't have a single shot at the Indian goal in the first two quarters.

India, on the other hand, attacked the Korean defence relentlessly and created chances which resulted in two field goals.

It didn't take long for the Indians to surge ahead as they opened the scoring in the third minute through Sangita.



Neha Goyal initiated the move and passed it on to Navneet Kaur, who found Sangita inside the circle. The striker beautifully received the ball, sidestepped her marker and then found the back of the net with a fine reverse hit. India kept up the pressure on the Korean defence and their efforts bore

fruit in the 20th minute when Deepika slammed one home from close range from Beauty Dung Dung's pass from the right flank.

A minute later Preeti Dubey's reverse hit was saved by an outstretched right leg of Korean goalkeeper Seoyeon Lee.

In the 24th minute, Sangita came tantalisingly close to scoring her second goal of the day, but her push from a Deepika pass went just wide of the post.

If the first half belonged to India, Korea came out all guns blazing after the change of ends and secured back-to-back penalty corners in the 34th minute and Lee pulled one back for her side from a rebound.

Motivated by the goal, the Koreans put pressure on the Indian defence and four minutes later secured a penalty stroke after an Indian defender unnecessarily brought a Korean striker inside the circle. Skipper Cheon stepped up and made no mistake to level the scores. Penalty corner conversion continued to haunt the Indians as they failed to make use of the eight set pieces they secured in the match -- four consecutively in the 39th minute. In the last match also India earned as many as 11 penalty corners but converted just three.

Held to a 2-2 draw, the Indians decided to throw numbers upfront and mounted raids after raids on the Korean citadel and in the process secured penalty corners in quick succession but they lacked variation from the set pieces and the efforts were mostly one dimensional.

But the Indians got a chance in the 57th minute in the form of a penalty stroke, which Deepika converted with ease.



World's first high-altitude parasports centre to come up in Leh ahead of 2028 Paralympics

PTI ■ LEH (LADAKH)

The world's first high-altitude para sports centre will be established in Leh, Ladakh, aiming to advance the skills and confidence of athletes ahead of the 2028 Paralympics.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to this effect was signed by the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council (LAHDC), Leh, and the Aditya Mehta Foundation (AMF).

"It is a very proud feeling for us that Leh will be establishing the world's first-ever high-altitude centre for para sports. Indian para-athletes have won 29 medals, including seven gold, in the 2024 Paralympics in Paris and it is a testament of the talent we have in our country," said Advocate Tashi Gyalson, Chief Executive Councillor (CEC) of LAHDC.

Till the time the centre is getting completed, the AMF

will identify 15 Children with Special Needs (CwSN) from the Leh-Ladakh UT region and they will undergo screening, counselling and training at their Infinity Parasports Academy and Rehabilitation Centre in Hyderabad.

"The opening of Leh Ladakh as a hub for para sports marks a new era not just for the region, but for India's future in international competitions," said Aditya Mehta, Founder, AMF.

List of Sports to be included: Para Sports: Archery; Athletics; Badminton; Blind Football; Boccia; Canoeing; Cycling; Equestrian; Goalball; Judo; Powerlifting; Rowing; Shooting; Volleyball; Swimming; Table Tennis; Taekwondo; Triathlon; Wheelchair Basketball; Wheelchair Fencing; Wheelchair Rugby and Wheelchair Tennis.

Winter Games: Para Alpine Skiing; Para Biathlon; Para Cross-Country Skiing; Para Ice Hockey; Para Snowboard and Wheelchair Curling.

Alcaraz struggles with stomach issue in loss to Ruud at ATP Finals

AP ■ TURIN (ITALY)

Carlos Alcaraz struggled with a stomach issue and looked far from the player who won two Grand Slams this year while losing to Casper Ruud 6-1, 7-5 at the ATP Finals.

It marked Ruud's first victory over Alcaraz in five career meetings, and the result could make it difficult for Alcaraz to advance from the round-robin stage at the season-ending event for the top eight players.

"I didn't feel well on court," Alcaraz said. "A few days before coming here, I got sick at home. ... This morning, I feel uncomfortable in the stomach."

In the same group, Alexander Zverev began his bid for a third ATP Finals title by beating Andrey Rublev 6-4, 6-4.

The top two finishers from each group advance to the semifinals.

On Sunday, top-ranked Jannik Sinner and U.S. Open finalist Taylor Fritz beat Alex de Minaur and Daniil Medvedev, respectively, in the other group.

Alcaraz won the French Open and Wimbledon to boost his career total to four Grand Slam titles. But he also struggled at the Paris Masters recently and dropped behind Zverev to No. 3 in the rankings this week.

"I have no experience playing on indoor courts,"



Alcaraz said. "I'll be a really good player on indoor courts, I'm sure about it. But I think it's about time, about getting experience. ... A lot of players are better than me on indoor court."

Ruud reached the 2021 semifinals and 2022 final in his first two appearances at the finals. But he has struggled recently, too, losing his first or second match in his last seven events.

"I'm not full of confidence," Ruud said. "A match like today might be able to change it."

Alcaraz was broken when he served for the second set at 5-4. Alcaraz led 25-16 in winners but committed 26 unforced errors to Ruud's 10.

Ruud converted all four of his break points while

Alcaraz was just one of six in that category.

"I'm tired mentally," Alcaraz said. "Obviously a lot of matches, really tight schedule, really demanding year with not too many days off."

ZVEREV ROLLING AFTER PARIS MASTERS TITLE

Zverev, who won the finals in 2018 in London and 2021 in Turin, extended his winning streak to six matches following a title run at the Paris Masters.

Rublev is making his fifth consecutive appearance at the finals but hasn't won a match at the event since 2022.

Zverev served nine aces and dropped only 10 points on his serve in 10 service games.

"He served wide 220 (kph) on the deuce side," Rublev

said. "Normally everybody serves slice and it's 190. He find(s) a way to serve 220 wide on the deuce side. It's not easy."

"Even if you catch the direction, when the flat serve comes 227, slice serve comes 219, 215, it's tough to just see the ball."

SINNER RECEIVES NO. 1 TROPHY

Before the Zverev-Rublev match, Sinner received the trophy for finishing the year at No. 1 in the rankings.

"There's no place better to celebrate this trophy," Sinner said as his mom, Siglinde, looked on in tears. "Thanks for all of your support."

Sinner is playing at home for the first time since it was announced before his U.S. Open title that he tested positive in two separate drug tests this year.

A decision to clear Sinner of wrongdoing was appealed by the World Anti-Doping Agency in September.

Sinner awarded trophy for finishing year at No. one in the ATP rankings

AP ■ TURIN (ITALY)

Jannik Sinner was awarded the trophy for finishing the year at No. 1 in the rankings before his home fans at the ATP Finals.

Sinner won the Australian Open and U.S. Open for his first two Grand Slam titles. He mathematically secured the year-end No. 1 a month ago.

"There's no place better to celebrate this trophy," Sinner said as his mom, Siglinde, looked on in tears. "Thanks for all of your support."

The 23-year-old Sinner is the 19th different player to claim the year-end honor and the 29th man overall to be No. 1.

"I think he's the man to beat for a long time," said former No. 1 Boris Becker, who took part in the trophy presentation.

Sinner beat Alex de Minaur in his opening match on Sunday at the year-ending event for the top eight players and meets Taylor Fritz on Tuesday in a rematch of the U.S. Open final.

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नाम परिवर्तन

मैं इश्वरी जोतवानी (Ishwari Jotwani) सर्वसाधारण को सूचित करती हूँ की मेरे सभी शासकीय/अर्धशासकीय/अन्य दस्तावेजों में मेरा नाम रजनीश जैन (Rajnish Jain) पत्नी श्री नरेंद्र कुमार जैन (Narendrakumar Jain) है जो कि सही है परंतु त्रुटि से मेरे श्रेयर्स में मेरा नाम Ishu Jotwani अंकित हो गया है जो कि गलत है। इस प्रकाशन के बाद मुझे इश्वरी जोतवानी (Ishwari Jotwani) के नाम से ही जाना, पहचाना, लिखा, पढ़ा एवं पुकारा जाए।

गलत नाम: Ishu Jotwani
सही नाम: इश्वरी जोतवानी (Ishwari Jotwani)

आनंद भवन 24, 25 कृष्ण एनक्लेव तारामंज लक्ष्म समाधिवा कॉलोनी गिर्द ग्वालियर म.प्र. 474001

नाम परिवर्तन

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गलत नाम: रजनी जैन Rajni Jain
सही नाम: रजनीश जैन (Rajnish Jain) पत्नी श्री नरेंद्र कुमार जैन

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नाम परिवर्तन

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गलत नाम: तिलक जैन (Tilak Jain)
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Manassero looks to cap career revival in Dubai as McIlroy eyes season-ending title

AP ■ DUBAI

Matteo Manassero quit golf five years ago at the age of 26, tormented by a sport that gave him so many highs but no longer making him feel happy.

On Sunday, he could punch a ticket to play across the Atlantic on the lucrative PGA Tour and be back in the big time, where so many think his game belongs.

The 31-year-old Italian will look to cap his career revival this week by becoming one of 10 players from the European tour to be eligible to claim dual membership and a PGA Tour card for the 2025 season.

The season-ending World Tour Championship starts on Thursday in Dubai and only an unlikely turn of events will deny Rory McIlroy from

being crowned as the European tour's best player for a sixth time, leaving him two off Colin Montgomerie's record haul.

There will be more suspense elsewhere, though, notably in that race for those PGA Tour cards — a structural tweak created in 2022 in the wake of the so-called strategic alliance between the European tour and PGA Tour in the face of mounting pressure from the breakaway LIV Golf series.

The presence of Manassero in the 10-man list, as it stands, only elevates the interest level. Blessed with a smooth swing and a deft touch, Manassero was a golfing prodigy, winning the British Amateur in 2009, the silver medal at the British Open for low amateur the same year, and also becoming the No. 1

amateur in the world.

By 2013, he'd won four events on the European tour — including the BMW PGA Championship, the flagship event on the tour, to move into the world's top 25.

Then came the career dip, which plunged him into self-doubt and ultimately retirement — albeit for only a few months while he assessed where to go with his life.

He eventually decided to give golf another go, beginning his rebuild on the lowly Nordic Golf League and the Alps Tour, which is on the third tier of European golf.

His talent shone through and last year he sealed a return to the European tour with a win at the Jonsson Workwear Open in March being universally celebrated in the golf fraternity.

APPENDIX IV (See Rule - 8 (1))
POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the Star Housing Finance Ltd (Earlier Known as AKME Star Housing Finance Ltd) under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated 05.05.2022 calling upon the Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor 1.) Sh. Keshav Ram Dangi S/O Chokha Ram Dangi 2.) Smt. Indra Dangi W/O Keshav Ram Dangi 3.) Sh. Kailash Dangi S/O Kanhaiya Lal Dangi to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs. 1446643/- (in words Rupees Fourteen Lacs Forty-Six Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Three Only) as on 21.04.2022 with further interest & charges until payment in full within 60 days from the date of notice/date of receipt of the said notice together with further interest and other charges from the date of the demand notice till the date of payment/realization.

The Borrower/Co-Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor despite being served with the said notice and having failed to repay the entire notice amount together with further interest and other charges, notice is hereby given to the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken physical possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on this 09 Day of Nov of the year 2024.

The Borrower/Co-Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Star Housing Finance Ltd (Earlier Known as AKME Star Housing Finance Ltd) for an amount of Rs. 1446643/- As on 21.04.2022 together with further interest and other charges till the date of payment/realization. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the immovable property
All that part and parcel of the Land & Building situated at 1. Aaraji Number 4841/1798 Vill - Mavli Tehsil Mavli Dist - Udaipur (Raj.) in the name of Sh. Keshav Ram Dangi S/O Chokha Ram Dangi Total Area - 1619 sqft

Property Boundaries:
Date: 09-11-2024
Place: Udaipur

(Authorised Officer)
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निविदा प्रपत्र ऑनलाइन प्रस्तुत करने की अंतिम तिथि 29.11.2024 (उपराह 06:00 बजे तक) है।

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3rd T20I: India eye batting revival against SA at Centurion

PTI ■ CENTURION

Indian batting line-up needs to get its mojo back against a resurgent South Africa to regain the lost ground on rather unfamiliar SuperSport Park conditions when the two teams clash the third T20I here Wednesday. Since 2009, India have played only one T20I at this venue, which they lost by six wickets in 2018 and have only one survivor from that squad in this side -- Hardik Pandya. Along with that unfamiliarity factor, India will also grapple with the ordinary form of their batters, particularly when the pitch here is touted to be similar to the one at Qqeberha -- quick and bouncy. In the second T20I, India batters struggled against South African pacers upfront, getting restricted to 124 for six, and Centurion has similar characteristics. The problem starts from the top -- more precisely with Abhishek Sharma, whose extended lean run with the bat has now snowballed

into a serious concern. He is in desperate need of a good outing here before the management thinks of juggling the combination. Even now, they can think of giving the job of partnering Sanju Samson at the top to Tilak Varma and bring in Ramandeep Singh in the middle to add more muscle to the unit. However, the senior batters like skipper Suryakumar Yadav, Pandya and Rinku Singh too cannot absolve themselves of the blame entirely for India's struggles. Both Suryakumar and Rinku have shown only fleeting images of their prowess here while Pandya made 39 in the second match but he consumed 45 balls for it. In fact, the power-hitter took 28 balls to find his first boundary and, again, could not find the ropes between balls 39 and 45. So, these three batters will have to chip in more to support in the in-form Samson or to carry India to a strong total even when the Kerala man has a rapid day.



Similarly, pacers Arshdeep Singh and Avesh Khan had two contrasting games. Arshdeep returned with figures of 1 for 25 at Durban, but in the second game he had stats of 1 for 41. The left-arm pacer's third and fourth overs which went for 28 runs -- including four fours in an over against Tristan Stubbs -- made a deep impact on the low-scoring match. So, they will be eager to change the script here, unless the management looks at other options such as Yash Dayal or Vysakh Vijaykumar. However, the efforts of Varun Chakravarthy, who bagged a maiden fiver in the previous match, and Ravi Bishnoi over the last two matches have been outstanding and the spinners will be looking for an encore in the third match to hand back the advantage to India. The expected bounce and pace on the pitch here will be an encouraging factor as well for the Indian duo. From a batting perspective, South Africa too face a similar issue as

senior pros skipper Aiden Markram, David Miller and Heinrich Klaasen are yet to fire in this series. They required runs from less-pedigreed batters Tristan Stubbs and Gerald Coetzee to get over the line in the second contest, and the Proteas will certainly cherish a heftier contribution from their veterans, especially against Indian spinners. Teams (Suryakumar Yadav (c), Abhishek Sharma, Sanju Samson (WK), Rinku Singh, Tilak Varma, Jitesh Sharma (WK), Hardik Pandya, Axar Patel, Ramandeep Singh, Varun Chakravarthy, Ravi Bishnoi, Arshdeep Singh, Vijaykumar Vyshak, Avesh Khan, Yash Dayal. South Africa: Aiden Markram (c), Ottneil Baartman, Gerald Coetzee, Donovan Ferreira, Reeza Hendricks, Marco Jansen, Heinrich Klaasen, Patrick Kruger, Keshav Maharaj, David Miller, Mhlabi Mpongwana, Nqaba Peter, Ryan Rickelton, Andile Simelane. Lutho Sipamla, Tristan Stubbs.

Perth pitch to have really good pace and bounce: Curator cautions India

PTI ■ PERTH

India will be accorded a tough welcome to Australia as the Optus Stadium pitch for the opening Test of the Border-Gavaskar Trophy has been prepared to offer "good bounce and pace" true to the tradition of the fiery tracks in Perth. India will enter the Perth Test, beginning from November 22, without playing any practice match as the visitors had cancelled an intra-squad side game that was scheduled to be played behind closed doors from November 15 to 17. Now, India will focus on centre-wicket training at the nearby WACA stadium, where Australia will also polish their skills. "This is Australia, this is Perth... I'm setting ourselves up for really good pace, really good bounce and really good carry," Western Australia Cricket head curator Isaac McDonald told ESPNcricinfo. McDonald is trying to prepare a pitch that has similar traits of the one



that he readied for the first Test against Pakistan in December last year. In that match, Pakistan were bundled out for 89 in the second innings as the Aussies celebrated a massive 360-run victory. The pitch too had developed cracks as that match wore on and batters like Marnus Labuschagne copped blows on their hands. Overall, the three Aussie pacers -- Pat Cummins, Josh Hazlewood and Mitchell Starc -- grabbed 12 of the 20 Pakistan wickets. More recently, Pakistan pacers Shaheen Shah Afridi, Naseem Shah and Haris Rauf

tore through Australian line-up, bowling the hosts out for 140 in the third ODI here. McDonald said he is looking to leave some grass on the pitch to make it a bit spicier. "It's (10 mm) a good starting point. Ten millimetres was pretty comfortable with the conditions that we had (last year) and that held the conditions together nicely for the first few days. Live grass on the pitch is speed. "Both bowling units (Australia and Pakistan) were pretty rapid last year and hoping for much the same this year (for India match)," he added.

Australian opener McSweeney braces for 'unique' Bumrah challenge

PTI ■ ADELAIDE

Australia opener Nathan McSweeney, who is set to debut against India in the Border-Gavaskar Trophy, said he has been preparing for the "unique" challenge of facing star pacer Jasprit Bumrah. McSweeney was drafted into the Australia squad after a slew of impressive performances in the Sheffield Shield tournament and in the recent 'A' series against India. The 25-year-old South Australian will partner Usman Khawaja at the top in the series opener in Perth and during the upcoming five-Test series. "There's probably not (much) I can do to replicate how Bumrah bowls. Obviously, he's got a unique action. He's one of the best bowlers in the world." So, it's going to be hard to mimic that. I'm just looking forward to all of that and I can't wait," McSweeney told SEN. McSweeney, who captained



the Australia A side in the 2-0 series win against India A, said he has been watching the bowling clips of Indian quicks including Bumrah and Mohammed Siraj to be hard to mimic that. "I'll definitely dive a lot deeper into it when I get to Perth. I've looked at a few clips of what they're bowling

attack stacks up like. I'm just trying to visualise how I'm going to go about it. Facing a new bowler can be a slight challenge to just pick up their action," he said. "I've got a whole week before I head off to Perth, so, I can get mentally ready and I guess it starts now in preparation to hopefully start

really well," he added. However, a quiet confidence runs through the young batter ahead of the important series. "In the last month or so I really feel like I'm batting the best I ever have. I think I'm the best I've ever been prepared to take this opportunity, so hopefully I

can do that. "No doubt there's plenty of learning and experiences that I haven't experienced yet and I'm looking forward to learning all about the challenges of Test cricket and challenging my game against the very best," he said. McSweeney will step into the shoes of David Warner, who retired from international cricket after the home Test series against Pakistan in January this year, and the Adelaide man realises the enormity of the job. The right-hander has a plan for it. "Being an opening batter, it's making sure I'm leaving the ball well and making the bowlers are bowling to me. Then being ready and positive to score when they miss is as simple as I want to make it. "If I'm reacting well and doing those things well, hopefully, it equates to me spending time in the middle and chipping away at the scoreboard," he said.

Blind T20 WC: Indian team eyes clearance from MHA, MEA; Sports Ministry clears travel to Pakistan

PTI ■ NEW DELHI/KARACHI

The Sports Ministry has given NOC, with no cost to the government, to a 17-member Indian cricket team to travel to Pakistan to participate in the T20 World Cup for the Blind, and the side now awaits clearance from Home and External Affairs ministries. The fourth edition of the Blind World Cup, in which India are the reigning champions, is scheduled to be played at Lahore and Multan from November 22 to December 3. Upon receiving the clearance from the ministries concerned, the squad is scheduled to travel to Pakistan via the Wagah Border on November 21. The development came in the backdrop of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) informing its Pakistan counterpart that the Men in Blue will not travel to the neighbouring nation for next year's Champions Trophy. The BCCI sent a mail to the International Cricket Council to that



effect, leaving the future of the marquee event in limbo. Meanwhile, Shailender Yadav, General Secretary of the Cricket Association for Blind in India (CABI) said the 17-member Indian squad for the T20 WC was picked after 26 players underwent a 12-day selection trials in Gurugram. "The team has been training in

Gurugram. The players now await an NOC from the Ministry of External Affairs and remain hopeful for a positive response," said Yadav. Apart from India and Pakistan, the T20 World Cup features teams from Afghanistan, Bangladesh, South Africa, Nepal and Sri Lanka. India won the three previous events, defeating

Pakistan twice and Bangladesh once. Tournament as scheduled: PBCC The Pakistan Blind Cricket Council (PBCC) said the tournament will go ahead on schedule irrespective of India's participation. "Pakistan will be hosting the event on schedule and it makes no difference whether the Indian team comes or not," PBCC chairman Syed Sultan Shah said. Shah said arrangements for hosting the World Cup had been completed by the PBCC. "All the other teams in the event have also sent confirmation that they have no issues playing in Pakistan," he said. Indian team for T20 Blind WC: Ajay Kumar Reddy, Debaraj Behera, Nareshbhai Tumda, Nilesh Yadav, Sanjay Kumar Shah, Praveen Kumar Sharma, Venkateswara Rao, Pankaj Bhue, Loksha, Rambir Singh, Irfan Diwan, Durga Rao Tompaki, Sunil Ramesh, Sukhrum Majhi, Ravi Amitti, Dineshbhai Rathva, Dhingar Gopu.

Mohammad Nabi to retire from ODIs after 2025 Champions Trophy

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Afghanistan all-rounder Mohammad Nabi has announced that he will retire from One-Day Internationals after next year's Champions Trophy in Pakistan. After Afghanistan's 2-1 series win over Bangladesh here on Monday, the 39-year-old said he had been pondering about quitting the format since last year's ODI World Cup. "In my mind, from the last World Cup, I was retired. But then, we qualified for the Champions Trophy, and I felt if I could play that, it would be great," he told the official broadcaster after being adjudged the Player-of-the-Series.



Nabi has featured in 167 ODIs since 2009, scoring 3,600 runs in 147 innings at an average of 27.48 and a strike rate of 86.99, including two centuries and 17 fifties, with a top score of 136. With the ball in hand, he has bagged 172 wickets in 161 innings at an average of 32.47 and an economy of 4.27, including four four-

wicket hauls and a fiver (5/17). Afghanistan qualified for the Champions Trophy, thanks to their sixth-place finish during last year's World Cup. It would also be Afghanistan's first-ever appearance in the eight-team competition scheduled to be held in Pakistan in February next year.

Players believing in our style of play is the key, says Manolo Márquez

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Indian football team head coach Manolo Márquez on Tuesday said it is critical for his players to follow a synchronised approach while representing the country, in order to start getting results in the international arena. The Indian senior men's national team began its training camp ahead of the friendly match against Malaysia on November 18 in Hyderabad. His boys put up an improved showing, especially in the second half, against Vietnam in a 1-1 draw last month in Nam Đnh. The Spaniard has continued the trend of calling up new players in each FIFA window so far. This time, Hmingthanmawia Ralte, Vibin Mohanan, Irfan Yadwad and Thoiba Singh Moirangthem earned their first national team call-ups. The latter was a last-minute arrival after Anirudh Thapa suffered an injury during the match between Mohun Bagan Super Giant and Odisha FC on

as well. "I feel it's necessary to prepare for not just the game against Malaysia but the official matches which will come in March," Márquez said. Márquez had a rough start to his coaching stint with the national team as India were held 0-0 by Mauritius in September and beaten 0-3 by Syria in the Intercontinental Cup, also in Hyderabad. His boys put up an improved showing, especially in the second half, against Vietnam in a 1-1 draw last month in Nam Đnh. The Spaniard has continued the trend of calling up new players in each FIFA window so far. This time, Hmingthanmawia Ralte, Vibin Mohanan, Irfan Yadwad and Thoiba Singh Moirangthem earned their first national team call-ups. The latter was a last-minute arrival after Anirudh Thapa suffered an injury during the match between Mohun Bagan Super Giant and Odisha FC on



Sunday. Since taking charge in July, Márquez's priority has been to utilise the friendly matches and training sessions to find the best group of players for the 2027 AFC Asian Cup Qualifiers, scheduled to start in March 2025. "It's true that we want to check some new players. But obviously it's impossible to change the whole group and call 40 players in March. It's true that we are finding the group. It means that we have maybe 14, 15, 16 players who will be there, but we don't know exactly. And there are a lot of players who can get there," the coach said. "Obviously, it's still four months, and the situation can change with a lot of things unfortunately with injuries and the players' domestic form. But, I repeat again, as a coach you need to find the group which can play the style that we want. "I am fully focussed on the Malaysia match at the moment.

In a way, it's a dangerous game because the players are in the middle of the fight for the ISL and this is just one friendly game in November, and the next camp will be in four months. "But I am very confident in this group and I feel we will have a good performance next Monday," said Márquez. Still awaiting his first win with India, Márquez remains patient. For now, the key is to find the groove with the right bunch and get results where they matter the most. "Obviously everyone wants to win every game. But the feeling we got after the draw with Vietnam was completely different from what we got after drawing with Mauritius or losing to Syria. "In some moments, we played superb. The one key thing is that the players have to believe in our style of play. I want to win every game and even every training session. The Malaysia game is the last friendly window before the official games."