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# Delhi deluged as incessant rains bring Delhi-NCR to a grinding halt

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Incessant rain on Thursday brought the national Capital and adjoining areas including Noida, Ghaziabad and Gurugram to a screeching halt with severe water logging, potholes and breakdown of buses witnessed in several parts of the city amid the India Meteorological Department issuing an orange alert for the

An orange alert denotes heavy rainfall and also potential disruptions to rail, road and air transport. This is the second consecutive day when the commuters and daily office goers were stuck in traffic jams and waterlogging in the Capital Besides torrential downpours since late night, the breakdown of buses on jam's during the morning and evening peak hours.

metro ongoing construction works have also worsened the situation including disruptions in the Khanpur area. Traffic around Lutyens' Delhi was affected due to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to the Asia-Pacific second Ministerial Conference on Civil Aviation in Pragati Maidan.

Some of the Resident Welfare Associations (RWAs) had to issue caution to the locals to be alert while moving out from the colonies. With the traffic situation becoming a regular menace, the Sainik Farms Welfare Association in south Delhi took to its social media groups to issue alerts and updates particularly the disruption due to metro work and rains in the area that has



Khanpur metro work led to traffic jam from Panchsheel to the Sheikh Sarai road amid monsoons in New Delhi on Thursday

disrupted the resident's daily

According to the MET department, in the past 24 hours till 8 am on Thursday,

of rainfall, Delhi University five mm of rainfall, Lodi road

city's primary weather station Safdarjung received 16 mm of rainfall, Narela 1.5 mm of rainfall, Palam nine of rainfall, Ayanagar 15.7 mm mm of rainfall, Ridge 11 mm of rainfall, Pitampura 13 mm

Salwan Public School 13 mm of rainfall.

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Delhi-NCR, of including India Gate, Janpath

Indirapuram, Laxmi Nagar, Dwarka, Connaught Place, Noida, Safdarjung, Uttam Nagar, East of Kailash and Rohini witnessed light to moderate showers.

Moti Nagar flyover, which was inaugurated in March this year by Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal, was waterlogged along with potholes in several places. Public Works Department (PWD) pumps were also not working, irking commuters who were caught in major

, Mundka, Dhaula Kuan, Moti Bagh, Mehrauli-Bagarpur road, Lajpat Nagar, Karol Mehrauli-Badarpur Bagh, Punjabi Bagh, Khanpur, ITO, Jahangirpuri Jahangirpuri, Safdarjung, Kashmere Gate ISBT and Okhla Estate among other areas were flooded after the showers causing slow

movement

deep water.

Taking to social media platforms, Delhi police said that traffic was affected on Old Pankha Road in the carriageway from T point Uttam Nagar East Metro Station towards Pankha Road due to a large pothole on the Road. "Traffic is affected on GTK Road on both the carriageway from Mukarba Chowk towards Azadpur chowk and vice versa due to water logging near GTK Depot," Delhi Traffic Police

In another post, they said that traffic is affected on MB Road in the carriageway from Khanpur T Point towards Mehrauli and vice versa due to potholes and waterlogging. Similarly, potholes and waterlogging caused traffic jams on Rohtak Road.

wrote in a post on X.

# plea todav

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the verdict.

The Supreme Court will deliver its verdict today on the plea filed by Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) convener and Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal seeking bail and quashing of arrest by the Central Bureau Investigation (CBI) in the Delhi Excise Policy case. As per the cause list of September 13 uploaded on the apex court website, a bench headed by Justice Surya Kant is slated to pronounce

The bench, also comprising Justice Ujjal Bhuyan, had on September 5 reserved its verdict on the pleas. Kejriwal has filed two separate petitions challenging the denial of bail and against his arrest by the CBI in the corruption case filed by the central agency. Kejriwal was arrested by the CBI on June 26. Manish Sisodia, K Kavitha, Vijay Nair and several other accused in the excise policy scam case have been given bail by the courts.



AAP Rajya Sabha MP Raghav Chadha said they "hopeful" and are waiting for the Supreme Court's decision on Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal's bail. "We are very hopeful. We are waiting for tomorrow, Chadha told reporters.

AAP convenor has challenged in the apex court the Delhi High Court's August 5 order which upheld his arrest in the corruption case. Kejriwal contended that his arrest was a strategic move. Senior advocate Abhishek Singhvi argued that the arrest, which followed Kejriwal's bail in a related money laundering case, was unexpected after nearly two years without action from the CBI.

The high court had noted that the loop of evidence against Kejriwal was closed after the collection of relevant evidence following his arrest by the CBI and it cannot be said that it was without any justifiable reason or illegal.

The high court had also granted him the liberty to approach a trial court with his plea seeking bail in the case. The matter relates to alleged corruption in the formulation and execution of the Delhi government's excise policy for 2021-22, which has now been scrapped.

# SC verdict on Kejriwal bail PM at CJI's residence; **BJP** plays defensive



Prime Minister Narendra Modi attends 'Ganpati Poojan' at the residence of Chief Justice of India DY Chandrachud, in

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rime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to the residence of Chief Justice of India (CJI) DY Chandrachud on Wednesday to attend 'Ganpati Puja' celebration has sparked a controversy with senior Supreme Court judges and some opposition leaders expressing concern over the event, the BJP and its ally hit out at the opposition parties on Thursday, calling their reactions "reckless" and said casting "baseless aspersions" on the highest court sets a dangerous precedent. The BJP reminded the Congress of the time when in 2009, former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh invited then CJI, KG Balakrishnan, to attend an Iftaar party.

The video of Narendra Modi attending the Puia celebration alongside the CJI and his wife Kalpana Das has gone viral. In a video, Chandrachud and his wife Kalpana Das were seen welcoming Modi at their house. In a post on X, PM Modi shared his experience stating, "May Bhagwan Shri Ganesh bless us all with happiness, prosperity, and wonderful health".

Addressing a press conference at the BJP headquarters here, Lok Sabha and national spokesperson Sambit Patra hit back at the opposition and asked if the then Chief Justice of India (CII) did not attend the Iftar party hosted by then Prime Minister Manmohan

Singh.
"They do not have any objection to the prime minister meeting the chief

justice of India but Ganpati Puja," he said and accused the Opposition leaders of indulging in politics. "I am surprised that if the prime

minister meets the chief justice of India, you raise an objection. But when he (Rahul Gandhi) meets (US lawmaker) Illhan Omar, who is with Pok in America, you have no objection," Patra added. Sharing pictures of Singh in a

candid laugh with Balakrishnan, BJP leader Shehzad Poonawalla, in an X post, wrote, "Judiciary is safe". ʻPM Modi attends Ganesh Puja at current CJI House -God Judiciary compromised," Ponawalla mocked the Congress in his

Ganpati Utsav is being celebrated and people visit each other's house... I don't have information whether the

Prime Minister has visited anyone's house," Shiv Sena (UBT) leader Sanjay Raut

Ganpati Utsav is being celebrated at several locations in Delhi and Maharashtra Sadan, he said. "However, the Prime Minister visited the CJI's residence. They performed 'aarti' together. We think that people will have doubts if guardians of the Constitution meet political leaders," Raut added.

In a post on X, senior lawyer Indira Jaising said the Chief Justice of India has compromised the separation of powers between the executive and the judiciary. "Lost all confidence in the SCBA (Supreme Court Bar Association) must condemn publicly displayed compromise of Independence of the CII from the executive." she said in her post. Shiv Sena Rajya Sabha MP Milind Deora also flayed the critics and said it's unfortunate to see "reckless commentary" on Prime Minister Modi's visit to the CJI's residence for Ganapati Aarti.

When verdicts favour them, the opposition praises the Supreme Court's credibility. but when things don't go their way, they conveniently claim judiciary compromised," he charged in a post on X.

Casting such baseless aspersions on the highest court sets a dangerous precedent, he added. "This reckless attempt undermine the credibility of the CJI by the opposition is not only irresponsible but damaging to the institution's integrity. India's politics is taking an ugly turn," Deora said.



External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar visits the replica of the East Gate of the Sanchi Stupa outside the Humboldt Forum, in Berlin

### Militarisation of frontier a big issue with China, says EAM

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With tension persisting at the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in eastern Ladakh for the last four lisengagement problems" with China are sorted out but the bigger issue has been the increasing militarisation of the frontier. His remarks came in the backdrop of China trying to alter the LAC in May 2020 in Ladakh leading to a violent clash between the two armies in Galwan valley on June 15. Twenty Indian army personnel including the commanding officer were killed in the fight and more than 40 Chinese soldiers also

Elaborating upon the current situation regarding the Ingering border row, Jaishankar also said the Galwan Valley clashes affected the "entirety" of India-China ties, asserting that one cannot have violence at the border and then say the rest of the relationship is insulated from it. He made these assertions during an interactive session at a think-tank in Geneva. The external affairs minister said negotiations between the two sides to find a

solution to the problem are underway. "Now those negotiations are going on. We made some progress. I would say roughly you can say about 75 per cent of the years, External Affairs disengagement problems are Minister S Jaishankar has sorted out," he said at the said roughly 75 per cent of Geneva Centre for Security Policy things to do," Jaishankar said, responding to a question. But there is a bigger issue that both of us have brought forces close up and in that sense, there militarisation of the border, he said. The external affairs minister

indicated that relationship can improve if there is a resolution to the row. "We hope that if there is a solution disengagement and there is a return to peace and tranquility, then we can look at other possibilities," Jaishankar said.

The Indian and Chinese troops are locked in a standoff in certain friction points in eastern Ladakh even as the two sides completed disengagement from several following extensive diplomatic and military talks. India has been maintaining that its ties with China cannot be normal unless there is peace in the border areas.

### **Indian-origin Israeli soldier** killed near **West Bank**

**PTI** ■ JERUSALEM

24-year-old Indian-origin AIsraeli soldier from the Bnei Menashe community was killed in a vehicle-ramming attack close to the West Bank's Beit El settlement, community members said on Thursday. Staff Sergeant Geri Gideon Hanghal was a resident of Nof HaGalil and a soldier in the Brigade's Nahshon Battalion, the Israeli Army



Community members told PTI that they were "in shock at the news of the loss of a young life' on Wednesday near Asaf Junction. Footage from the scene of the attack showed a truck with a Palestinian licence plate veering off a busy highway and barrel full speed into an Israel Defence Forces (IDF) guard post adjacent to a bus stop before coming to a halt. The suspect was named by Israeli security sources as 58-year-old Hayil Dhaifallah, from the central West Bank town of Rafat. Sergeant Hanghal's funeral will be held

on Thursday, they said. Hanghal immigrated to Israel from the northeastern part of India in 2020. Some 300 Bnei Menashe youngsters are said to be doing Army duty during the current war, most of them serving in combat units. The Bnei Menashe, hailing from India's north-eastern states of Manipur and Mizoram, are believed to have descended from the Israelite tribe of Menasseh, one of the "lost tribes" of ancient times.

# Veteran CPI(M) leader Sitaram Yechury breathes his last at AIIMS

KUMAR CHELLAPPAN KOCHI

The CPI (M) finds itself The CPI (1917) manufacted by the unexpected demise of 72-year-old Sitaram Yechury, the general secretary of the party. It is not going to be an easy task for the comrades to find a suitable replacement for Yechury, considered to be suave and quite accommodative in the Left parties. Even his rivals held him in esteem for his soft manners accessibility approachability.

The first time he was seen in an embarrassing situation was during the Press meeting convened by the CPI(M) immediately after the 2016 Assembly Election in Kerala. Yechury, with an anguished look, announced that Pinarayi Vijayan would be the Chief Minister of the State. Though it was widely believed that V S Achuthanandan would be appointed as chief minister, the bigwigs in the party including the proprietor of a publishing house in Chennai had other ideas and they ensured the coronation of Vijavan

Yechury, who was highly critical of Vijayan's crony capitalist friends, wanted the mantle to be given to VS while others chose Vijayan. As a disciplined comrade, Yechury had no other option and he never forgot his crestfallen face during the presser.

Though highly critical of the NDA Government at the Center, Yechury was open in private conversations about the good things done by the Vajpayee government (1998-2004).

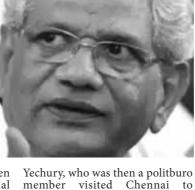
When India conducted a nuclear explosion at Pokhran in May 1998

there was an uproar in the USA,

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Pakistan and China. The US even blacklisted India from dual technology deals and Indian address a Press meeting. "Pakistan scientists were denied permission assembled and exploded a nuclear to attend any international bomb in such a short time only conferences on science and because of India. There was no need for India to conduct an pronounced enemies of the



was asked how a country (Pakistan) could assemble a nuclear bomb within 10 days. A smiling Yechury quipped: "Yaar, these are all to score some brownie points. You just report what I told in the press meet." During his younger days, Yechury was the superstar of the CPI(M). He was at ease while dealing with

experiment at this juncture," said

Yechury. He was adamant in his

stance that India was responsible

for Pakistan going nuclear soon

After the Press meeting, this

writer got the opportunity for a tete-a-tete with Yechury when he

after India did it.

political leaders including rivals which had earned him the reputation that "Sitaram is always at a different level". Even RSS leaders, the only

CPI(M) held Sitaram Yechury in high regard. Yechury, hailing from Telangana remained a popular politician in Tamil Nadu.

Yechury's major achievement is the research paper "Oil Pool Deficit or Cesspool of Deceit" published in 1997 in which he questioned the propriety of the government hiking petroleum prices regularly citing the oil pool deficit account.

With his demise, what the CPI(M) has lost is the best bridge between the party and the intellectuals as well as the common man. Yechury surpassed all his predecessors in his dealings with the public through his man next door image. He was tasked with selling an outdated ideology to the new generation which was impossible

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# Bharadwaj directs better arrangements for resident doctors



**STAFF REPORTER** ■ NEW DELHI

Delhi Health Minister Saurabh Bharadwaj on Thursday instructed officials to arrange better chairs, tables and water dispensers in the doctor's room built in the hospital for resident doctors.

During the meeting with resident doctors of Maulana Azad Medical College, who are undergoing training at Lok Nayak Jaiprakash (LNJP) hospital, Bharadwaj inspected the classrooms in the hospital where written training is given to the doctors

He told the hospital administration officials present on the spot that better chairs and tables should be arranged for the doctors and all the necessary equipment for written training and practical training should be made available to all the resident doctors as soon as possible. "So that all of them can get the best possible training and our country and Delhi can get better doctors who can treat the public in the best

possible way," he said. Talking to the senior AAP leader, resident doctors raised the issue of CCTV cameras missing from some places while some cameras are lying defunct, which need to be

repaired. The Delhi Minister directed the hospital administration to identify such places where cameras not installed, and do it immediately

'The defunct CCTV's should also be repaired as soon as possible so that the security of doctors and other people can be ensured in the entire hospital," he stated. In a recent interaction with doctors, Delhi Health Minister Saurabh Bharadwai reviewed the various facilities provided by the Delhi government in the hospital and dis-cussed issues of potential harassment or other challenges, particularly with female doc-

"Any doctor facing challenges or harassment from the hospital administration can directly approach him and share their grievances. The resident doctors appreciated the Minister's considerate approach and expressed their gratitude for his concern for their wellbeing," he said.

"Along with theoretical training, practical training is also provided in the hospital. There are dedicated classrooms for theoretical training in the hospital, and senior doctors thoroughly explain while treating patients, ensuring complete training," a senior AAP leader

# Growing involvement of Irani in city politics creates buzz ahead of Assembly polls

**STAFF REPORTER** ■ NEW DELHI

The growing involvement of former Amethi MP Smriti Irani in BJP activities in Delhi has created a buzz within the party's city unit over her possible "role" in local politics ahead of next year's assembly elections

Born and raised in Delhi, the former Union minister has been actively involved in programmes related to the party's membership drive in the city that was launched on September 2.

She has been assigned "supervision" of the membership drive in seven out of the Delhi BJP's 14 district units, party leaders said.

Party insiders also claimed Irani had purchased a house in south Delhi, hinting at her further involvement in the city unit's activities.

These developments come amid a section of party leaders pushing for the projection of a face who would lead the charge in the Delhi Assembly polls to give a tough fight to AAP led by Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal," said a senior BJP

In the 2020 assembly polls, the BJP contested without a face or declaring any leader as its chief ministerial candidate. It managed to win eight out the 70 seats while AAP won the

remainder, he noted. Another top Delhi BJP leader said if the idea of going to the polls with a chief ministerial candidate gained currency in the coming weeks, the question over a suitable leader for the responsibility would naturally come up.

"In such a scenario, Irani, along with other leaders such as MPs Manoj Tiwari and Bansuri Swaraj, Delhi BJP president Virendra Sachdeva, and former



West Delhi MP Parvesh Verma, could be potential contenders for the role," he said.

The entire party rallying behind one leader will send a message of "unity" and also streamline campaigning, he claimed.

The BJP had contested the 2015 assembly polls with Kiran Bedi as its chief ministerial candidate but failed miserably, said some leaders who believe it was not a good idea to have a face for the elections.

The debate is still open. The national leadership is aware of the matter and may take a call on it later on, they said.

The party leaders maintained that the debate on a chief ministerial face could intensify in the coming days if AAP chief Kejriwal -- currently under judicial custody in Tihar jail in the excise policy case -- got bail. The Supreme Court is due to pronounce its order on Kejriwal's bail plea on Friday. If Kejriwal comes out and becomes involved in political activities, the BJP's task becomes even tougher, they

Irani, who participated in a membership programme in Chandni Chowk along with local MP Praveen Khandelwal, emphasised on strengthening the BJP atwith pi and supporters in Naveen Shahdara, Karol Bagh and New Delhi, the lead-

# HC asks CBI to inform it reason behind waterlogging leading to IAS aspirants' deaths

**STAFF REPORTER** ■ NEW

The Delhi High Court on Thursday asked the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) to inform it the reason behind the heavy waterlogging in central Delhi's Old Rajinder Nagar on July 27 following which three civil services aspirants died after drowning in a flooded coaching basement.

The co-owners of the basement including Parvinder Singh, Tajinder Singh, Harvinder Singh and Sarbjit Singh had moved the high court last month for bail on the ground that they are merely the landlords of the basement which was let out on rental basis to the coaching centre and, therefore, they had no role whatsoever in the unfortunate event.

What was the reason on that day? Delhi has witnessed heavy downpours. Why so much waterlogging on that day? Was it the rain or something else," questioned Justice Dinesh Kumar Sharma while hearing the bail pleas of the jailed co-owners of the basement.

The bench reserved order on the bail pleas and asked the agency to file a status report explaining the reason for the waterlogging in the area, the amount of rainfall received on the day of the incident as well as on the aspect of installation of heavy gates at the entrance of the coaching centre to "block" any water from the road.

The case of the drowning of three students, being probed under the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), including section 105 (culpable homicide not amounting to murder), was transferred from the Delhi Police to the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) by the high court.

"I am in custody. I have suf-

fered enough. Please consider... At this stage, I am only asking for liberty. I will face the trial, the senior lawyer appearing for the four accused, who are brothers, said.

Opposing the bail pleas, the CBI said investigation was at initial stages and no relief should be given until the independent witnesses are examined as they may be influenced. On being queried by the bench, the CBI counsel said a charge sheet is expected to be filed in 10 days against the pre-

sent accused persons.
The court told the CBI that it was investigating a "very important case" and asked it if other buildings near Rau's IAS Study Circle were also flood-

The counsel for the father of the deceased victim Nevin Dalvin also made submissions in favour of rejection of the bail pleas and said the coaching centre was running in vio-lation of building and safety norms, and the owners had the knowledge that deaths could occur on account of the noncompliance.

During the hearing, the court asked the senior counsel for the accused persons if they would pay any damages or compensation to the family of the deceased aspirants.

The senior lawyer appearing for the four accused said their father will contribute to the noble cause, as has been done by some coaching centres that have announced a monetary compensation.

The CBI counsel said according to the statement of the witnesses, 35-40 students were present in the basement at the time of the incident and water rose within seconds in a "dam failure" like manner after the gates broke down. He also said there was 58 mm rainfall on the day of the incident. Senior advocate Mohit Mathur, appearing for the accused persons, emphasised that the

storm water drain on the road was not functional and despite allegations of misconduct, the CBI was yet to take any action against the Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) employees.

It was also claimed that the allegations of fraud to obtain safety clearances were not relevant to them as when they had purchased the premises, all such clearances were provided by the earlier owner. Asserting that no knowledge or intention with respect to the deaths can be attributed, the senior lawyer said if on similar days of rain such an incident did not happen, how the accused should be expected to contemplate such a consequence when they do not even stay there. "They (students) were asked to leave (according to a witness statement). Some left, some did not.

"It is an unfortunate situation, no doubt about that... (but) whom do you attribute that to? They (CBI) are still contemplating action to be taken against public servants," he submitted.

"We all have become very casual. When tragedies happen, our eyes open," the judge lamented.

On August 23, a trial court had rejected the bail applications of the co-owners and said it was not necessary that the exact happening or precise incident must be in the knowledge of the offender to invoke the offence of culpable homicide not amounting to murder.

In the application filed in the high court, one of the co-owners has said the trial court while denying them bail, failed to consider that they had let out the basement and the third floor of the building on lease for running the coaching centre, an activity permissible under the MCD norms, and they never intended to commit such an offence nor had any knowledge of it.

# Government has launched Business Blaster programme for third successive year: Atishi

He added that our doctors are

continuously engaged in serv-

ing the patients for many hours.

In such a situation, fatigue is a

normal thing. "In this situation,

it is very important for the doc-

tors to have better arrange-

ments for cold water and sitting

to remove fatigue in between,

so that our doctors can treat the

patients coming to the hospi-

tal with new energy. He told the

hospital administration to

make these arrangements,

During the meeting, some res-

ident doctors also raised con-

cerns with the Minister regard-

ing the quality of food provid-

ed in the hostel, mentioning

that it was not satisfactory

Additionally, some male doc-

tors also complained about the

poor condition of the hostel

toilets. "The Minister immedi-

ately directed the hospital

administration officials pre-

sent on-site to address these

issues promptly. He instructed

that the cleaning of the toilets

should be improved immedi-

ately and that better quality

food should be provided in the

Bharadwaj also warned that if

swift action is not taken, strict

measures will be taken against the hostel.

hostel," a senior AAP leader.

Bharadwai said.

**STAFF REPORTER** ■ NEW DELHI

Education Minister Atishi on Thursday said that the Delhi Government has announced the 'Business Blaster' programme for the 2024-25 academic session for the third successive year and seed money of Rs 40 crore will be provided for this programme. Meanwhile, Delhi BJP President Virendra Sachdeva called Atishi's claims 'hollow and laughable'. ence, Atishi shared that they are enthused with the success of the programme for the last two years. Launching the programme for 2024-2025, Education Minister Atishi shared, "With 2.45 lakh student entrepreneurs, seed money of Rs 40 crore and more than 40,000 startup ideas, the Business Blasters program will once again prove to be a superhit."
She added that if the children



who have passed class 12 and have left school can provide employment to the youth of our country, lakhs of jobs can be created across the country. "I am happy to announce today that this year in 2024-25 also, the Business Blasters Program is being started in all the schools of Delhi Government," Atishi stated, adding that under the

Business Blasters program, our children will not become job seekers but job providers even before completing their

studies. The senior AAP leader said approximately 40,000 ideas and startups have begun working under the programme, including perfume, chocolate, eco-friendly products, and technology. She also mentioned that this year too, the government school students will become job providers before completing their studies. "This programme aims to

promote entrepreneurship and self-employment among students, enabling them to become job creators rather than job seekers," Atishi said. Attacking the BJP, she claimed, "On one hand unemployment is increasing, youth need jobs, on the other hand, is being made for the youth by the BJP-ruled central gov-ernment. On the other hand, the Delhi government is trying to make the youth who emerge from the education system of Delhi not job seekers but job providers,"

In response to a question, Atishi said that some private schools have voluntarily participated in this, so the Delhi government is also providing opportunities for this program to those schools that want to participate in this. Hitting out at the AAP leader, the Delhi BJP chief stated, "It is disgraceful that Minister Atishi is claiming to develop business ideas from students by giving them merely Rs 136 per month and presenting this as her government's

achievement. He demanded clarification from her about how many people have got jobs through the 'Business Blasters Scheme' claims of employment are completely false, and the truth is that Arvind Kejriwal's government has ruined the lives of thousands of youths under the pretense of contractual jobs like bus marshals. The Kejriwal government distributed contractual jobs to youths without following proper administrative procedures, and today, most of them are unemployed," he

# Court grants bail to middleman linked to excise policy scam case

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

A city court on Thursday granted bail to "middleman" Vinod Chauhan in a moneylaundering case linked to the alleged excise scam.

Special Judge Kaveri Baweja granted the relief to Chauhan, who was accused of transferring cash sourced through alleged kickbacks given by the "South Group" to the AAP, for

Chauhan was given bail on a personal bond of Rs 10 lakh. He was arrested by the Enforcement Directorate (ED)

On June 28, the ED filed a supplementary chargesheet against Chauhan in the case.

He was the 18th person to be arrested by the ED in the case, in which the federal agency had also taken into custody Delhi Chief Minister



and Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) supremo Arvind Kejriwal, his party colleague and former deputy chief minister Manish Sisodia, AAP MP Sanjay Singh, BRS leader and former Telangana chief minister K Chandrashekar Rao's politi-

cian daughter K Kavitha, several liquor businessmen and

others.
The ED had mentioned Chauhan's alleged role in the case in an official document submitted before a court in relation to Kavitha's arrest.

## **Metro introduces** multiple journey QR ticket

**STAFF REPORTER** ■ NEW DELHI

Delhi metro on Thursday introduced 'Multiple Journey QR Ticket' (MJQRT) to enhance passenger convenience by eliminating the need for purchasing daily QR tickets.

Delhi Metro's Principal Executive Director Anuj Dayal said, "As part of its ongoing 'Ease of Booking' initiative through digitaliza-tion, the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) today launched the Multiple Journey QR Ticket (MJQRT), a cutting-edge technology designed to offer greater convenience for passengers by eliminating the need for purchasing daily QR tickets."

DMRC's Managing Director

Dr. Vikas Kumar launched the new feature at Metro Bhawan in the presence of other senior officials. Kumar, while launching the initiative, said, "We are pleased to launch the Multiple Journey QR Ticket (MJQRT) as part of our 'Ease of Booking' initiative. MJQRT simplifies travel with a single QR code, enhancing convenience and offering ecofriendly benefits. This innovation reflects our commitment to improving the passenger experience on Delhi



revolutionary digital initia-tive, marking the first time in India that a QR-based multiple-journey product is being introduced

It is available exclusively on DMRC's Delhi Metro Sarathi (Momentum 2.0) app and the feature will be available for

App users mom Friday." Passengers will be able to view their journeys, including fare payments and recharges, directly on the app. To avail the MJQRT, users must register on the app and start with an initial amount of Rs. 150, which can be used for metro travel," Daval added. Further, users can easily add value in multiples of Rs. 50 through digital payment methods such as UPI, credit in on another device.

maximum balance limit of Rs. 3,000. "There is no security deposit required for the MIQRT.

A minimum balance of Rs. 60 is required to travel using the MJQRT," he said.

This feature also offers passengers a 10 per cent discount during peak hours between 8 am to 12 pm and 5 pm to 9 pm and a 20 per ent discount during off-peak hours. "MJQRT serves as an eco-friendly and economical alternative to the traditional smart cards currently in use," he said, adding that in case of theft, loss, or damage to the mobile device, the remaining balance will remain intact and passengers can continue using the MJQRT by logging

## Woman stabbed to death by brother-in-law in Kapashera area Accused found injured on railway track

**STAFF REPORTER** ■ NEW DELHI

28-year-old woman was Astabled to death by her brother-in-law in southwest

Delhi's Kapashera area. According to the Delhi Police on Thursday, a PCR call was received at 10.38 pm on Wednesday regarding the murder of a lady in Kapashera. After receiving the call, the police reached the spot and the woman's body was recovered in a house with stab injuries.

After receiving the call, police reached the spot and it was found that one lady namely Rita Yadav has been murdered by her brother in law namely Shivam by stabbing her with a knife," DCP Southwest Rohit Meena said.

The 32 year-old accused, who is the victim's brother-inlaw, was found absconding from the spot.

The spot was inspected by the crime team and FSL team and exhibits were lifted from the spot, the officer said. "A case under section 103(1) (Punishment for murder) of

During investigation, it has

come to the notice that the

BNS was registered.

tionship with his brother's wife," he said, adding that on the day of the incident a quarrel took place between them and in anger, allegedly stabbed her with a knife. Deceased was working in a

private company as a receptionist while husband Ambuj Yadav and accused are working in a Flipkart company at Bamdoli. "The police constituted sev-

accused had an illicit rela-Meena stated.

On Thursday at 8.30 am

another information was received from the Delhi Cantt Railway Police Station that one unknown person has been found injured on a railway track near Bijwasan Railway Station and he has been admitted in the Safadarjung Hospital. "After inquiry, he was identified as the same accused, who allegedly killed his sister-in-law in Kapashera," another offieral teams, which were sent to the possible whereabouts of the accused to nab him," cer said.

## BJP MP from Chandni Chowk conducts thorough inspection of constituency

**STAFF REPORTER** ■ NEW DELHI

Delhi BJP MP Praveen Khandelwal on Thursday conducted a thorough inspection of Chandni Chowk, Bhagirathi Place, Fountain, Nai Sadak, Dangal Maidan, Railway Station Road, Church Mission Road and Khari Baoli in his constituency.

Speaking on the purpose of his inspection, Khandelwal said, "Chandni chowk is the center of various trade in the country and is a historical place too, hence I will do everything to restore its cultural heritage and

dignity." He added that he is planning the restructuring of the Shahjahanabad Redevelopment Corporation which he said 'will single handedly look after this historical place. "The current situation is getting worst as various agencies are taking care of the place and they are doing nothing except putting blames on each other, Khandelwal asserted.

He took stock of various issues plaguing the area, including encroachments, potholes, and poor sanitation and water logging. During the inspection, Shri Khandelwal noted significant concerns about the



emphasized that roads littered with dirt, unresolved potholes, and unauthorized encroachments were not acceptable and needed to be urgently addressed. The Chandni Chowk MF

instructed the concerned officials to take detailed notes of all the identified issues and prepare a comprehensive action plan to ensure that every point of concern is tackled without

Khandelwal added that he plans to revisit Chandni Chowk in an unannounced manner to personally verify the progress of the remedial measures. "I will silently monitor the situation to see if the work has been completed satisfactorily.

If the issues persist or if the work is incomplete, strict action will be taken against the responsible officials," he said.

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# **CM** makes thorough assessment of flagship schemes

**CM holds Collector Conference at New Circuit House** 



STAFF REPORTER

Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Vishnu Deo Sai on Thursday urged officials to work towards achieving saturation targets in all flagship schemes.

He also emphasized that more dedicated efforts were required to realize the vision of a developed Chhattisgarh.

Speaking at Collectors' conference in Raipur, he said significant efforts have been made to transform the state in the past nine months by implementing Prime Minister Narendra Modi's guarantees.

The Chief Minister told the Collectors to ensure that all government schemes were implemented with full transparency, ensuring that their benefits reach the last eligible individual.

Sai expressed strong displeasure over reports of misconduct by government officials towards the general public and school students in some districts.

He directed the officials to address public grievances with utmost sensitivity and resolve them at the earliest.

Sai further stated that local issues must be resolved at the district level itself to avoid unnecessary travel by citizens to the state capital

over minor problems.

The Chief Minister also expressed dissatisfaction over the slow pace of resolving revenue cases in the districts of Sarangarh-Bilaigarh, Bastar

Chhuikhadan-Gandai. He said that problems in

panchayats be addressed through extensive inspection and emphasized the need for rapid construction of houses under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana.

He also stressed the need for effective measures to combat kidney diseases in the Supebeda region of Gariaband district and suggested bringing specialists

from Delhi if necessary. The Chief Minister expressed displeasure over delays in the distribution of bicycles under the Saraswati Cycle Scheme in some districts by the Education Department.

### Four Maoists with Rs 12L bounty surrender

STAFF REPORTER

Four Maoists carrying a cumulative reward of Rs 12 lakhs on their heads on Thursday surrendered to security forces in Kanker district in Chhattisgarh.

The four are Sitaay Korram alias Surjanna and Sarita Sori alias Anju, Lukku Punem alias Naresh and Ganga Dirdo alias Sagar, Kanker Superintendent of Police Indira Kalyan Elesela

Surjanna was the Kuemari Local Organisation Squad (LOS) Commander under the North Bastar Division of the outlawed Maoists and carried a bounty of Rs 5 lakh on her



She was involved in several instances of Maoist violence between 2007 and 2024 including the 2010 Maoist attack in Kosalnar-Mahrabeda in Narayanpur district in which 27 security personnel were killed.

Naresh, who also carried a reward of Rs 5 lakh on his head, was a Kuemari Area Committee member, the official said.

Sagar and Anju, who carried a bounty of Rs 1 lakh each, were members of Kuemari LOS.

Naresh, Sagar and Anju were also involved in several Maoist incidents.

#### **ACB** nabs five for accepting bribes

STAFF REPORTER ■

The Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) on Thursday arrested five Chhattisgarh government officers for accepting bribes at four places in the state.

Lily Pushplata Baig, posted as Deputy Registrar at the office Deputy Registrar in Mahasamund district, and her assistant Shatrughan Tadi were caught while accepting a bribe of Rs

Baig sought Rs 35,000 to enter a land record in the revenue record book after

fresh registry. Omprakash Navratan at in Bodla village.

the Khamhar Government Higher Secondary School in Raigarh sought Rs 25,000 to clear the pending medical bills worth Rs 4 lakh from

the complainant. Ved Pandey, Lokpal, Pendra Janpad Panchayat, Gaurela-Pendra-Marwahi district, sought Rs 25,000 from a programme officer for inspection of digging of

pond. Narendra Kumar Rautkar, Assistant Accounts Officer, Bodla Janpad Panchayat, Kabirdham district, sought Rs 1 lakh from a village sarpanch to sanction remaining funds for an Anganwadi building

## Salary of Contractual Doctors hiked in Chhattisgarh

**STAFF REPORTER** RAIPUR

 $T^{\text{he Health Department in}}_{\text{Chhattisgarh has hiked}}$ the salaries of Senior Residents, Demonstrators (PG), Assistant Professors, Associate Professors and Professors in government

medical colleges.

The order will be effective from September 1 in all government medical colleges in the state.

According to an order from the Department of Medical Education, the salary of Professors in medical colleges located in nonscheduled areas has been increased from Rs 1.55 lakh to Rs 1.90 lakh.

The salary of Associate



Professors has risen from Rs 1.35 lakh to Rs 1.55 lakh, that of Assistant Professors from Rs 90,000 to Rs 1 lakh and those of Senior Residents and Demonstrators (PG) from Rs 65,000 to Rs 75,000.

There has been a salary hike of some 46 percent in scheduled areas and 23 percent in non-scheduled areas. Health Minister Shyam Bihari Jaiswal stated that there would be no compromise

Cong seeks CBI probe into Balodabazar arson

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when it comes to expanding healthcare facilities in the state. He said it was the right of future doctors studying in government medical colleges to receive high-quality education from well-qualified

### Odisha to release Hirakud water to save **Chhattisgarh villages**



STAFF REPORTER RAIPUR

On the request of Chief Minister Vishnu Deo Sai, the Odisha government has agreed to release water from the Hirakud dam in Sambalpur to avoid flooding in submergence area in Chhattisgarh.

Due to heavy rains every year, more than two dozen villages of Chhattisgarh face flood because after coming into the submergence area of the dam.

This year, there was unprecedented coordination between the two states. Accordingly, the areas in both the states that used to be severely flooded every year are safe.

Sai discussed the issues with his Odisha counterpart Mohan Charan Majhi on Wednesday night.

Sai has expressed his gratitude to the Chief Minister of Odisha.

# Maoists kill two civilians on spy charges

**STAFF REPORTER BIJAPUR** 

Maoists killed two villagers, accusing them of being police spies, in Bijapur district of Chhattisgarh, police said on Thursday.

The deceased were

identified as Madvi Suja and Podiyam Kosa, Bijapur Superintendent of Police IItendra Kumar Yadav said. The Maoists abducted

Madvi, Kosa and a school student from Jappemarka

village on Tuesday. The Maoists later hanged Madvi and Kosa to

death from a tree after holding a 'jan adalat' (kangaroo court) but released the school student.

Maoist The Bhairamgarh Bhairamgarh Area Committee has claimed responsibility for the



Noted Bollywood actress Meenakshi Seshadri on Thursday performed Bharatnatyan

dedicated to 'Ghunghroo' at the 10-day Chakradhar Mahotsava at Raigarh in Chhattisgarh.



**STAFF REPORTER** 

Congress delegation led Aby PCC chief Deepak Baij on Thursday met Chhattisgarh Governor Ramen Deka and demanded a CBI probe into the Balodabazar arson and immediate release of opposition leaders arrested on fake charges.

The Congress, citing several incidents of crime

including the Balodabazar arson, rise in rape and molestation cases, and mob lynching in Arang, alleged that the state government had failed in controlling the crime rate. In a memorandum to the Governor, the Congress said the BJP government in the state was giving these cases a political twist.

The state government was misusing the administrative machinery and targeting Congress leaders in fake cases,

the delegation said. The Congress leaders urged the governor to take action against government.

It also demanded a probe by the CBI probe or a judge of the Chhattisgarh High Court into the Balodabazar arson. The Congress delegation

included former Ministers Dhanendra Satyanarayan Sharma, Shiv Kumar Daharia and Amitesh Shukla among others.

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# Why so many young people dying by suicide in India?

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m ore}$  young people die by suicide in India than in other countries, said experts on World Suicide Prevention Day on Tuesday.
World Suicide Prevention Day is observed every year on

September 10 to raise

awareness and fight stigma.

The theme this year is "Changing the narrative on suicide". It has been estimated that suicide is the fourth leading cause of death among the late adolescent age groups (15–19 years) in India. According to data from the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), more than 40 per cent of all cases of suicides are among

young adults below the age of

"In India, the magnitude of the young people dying by suicide is unfortunately very high. The number of young people who died by suicide in Îndia is almost double in

"Suicide, a leading cause of death among individuals aged 15 to 39, is one of the most pressing public health crises we face globally and in our country"

comparison to the global average. Approximately 160 young persons die by suicide daily in India," Prof Nand Kumar, from the Department of Psychiatry at AIÎMS told

IANS. "Some of the common

reasons that precipitate the idea of suicide to death by suicide are: stressful family environments; unstable emotional health; substance use, failed relationship; poor bonding between the friends, and loneliness," he added. The NCRB data showed

that 1.71 lakh people died by suicide in 2022.

"Suicide, a leading cause of death among individuals aged 15 to 39, is one of the most pressing public health crises we face globally and in our country," Dr. Shyam Bhat, Psychiatrist and Chairperson, LiveLoveLaugh, told ÎANS.

Dr. Jyoti Kapoor, Founder-Director and Senior Psychiatrist, Manasthali said that the government has launched initiatives like the National Mental Health Programme and the Kiran Helpline to address the mental health crisis and prevent suicide.

"However, greater awareness, access to care, and

addressing underlying socioeconomic issues are essential to reducing suicide rates. We also need to change the narrative of suicide to have open, compassionate conversations that break the stigma surrounding mental health struggles," she told IANS.

The experts stressed the need for collective participation of society to prevent suicides and to help those struggling with emotional challenges to easy access to support, free from stigma and shame.

Prof Kumar said the effective suicide prevention strategy must include steps focusing on factors beyond the screening for the person at risk of suicide.

"The policy needs to emphasise various interventions to enhance the social and emotional connectivity, physical and emotional activity, and mindfulness," he added.

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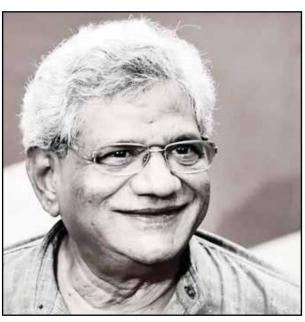
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# President Murmu, PM Modi condole Sitaram Yechury's demise



PIONEER NEWS SERVICE **NEW DELH** 

President Droupadi Murmu and Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday expressed condolence on the demise of CPI(M) General also made a mark as an effective parliamentarian. My thoughts are with his family Secretary Sitaram Yechury. The President said Yechury, a committed ideologue, won and admirers in this sad hour. Om Shanti," the Prime Minister

friends cutting across the party lines. "Saddened to learn about the demise of CPI (M) General Secretary Shri Sitaram Yechury. First as a student leader and then in national politics and as a parliamentarian, he had a distinct and influential voice. Though a committed ideologue, he won friends cutting across the party lines. My heartfelt condolences to his family and colleagues," said Murmu.

Modi said Yechury was a leading light of the Left known for his ability to connect across the

**NSA Doval meets** 

**Vladmir Putin** 

amid Ukraine

conflict talks

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

Ajit Doval on Thursday met Russian President Vladmir

Putin amid renewed efforts to

find a solution to the Ukraine

conflict. The meeting took

place on the margins of a con

clave of national security advi-

sors of the BRICS (Brazil

Russia-India-China-South

Africa) nations in S

Petersburg.
In the talks, Putin hoped that

Prime Minister Narendra Modi

will travel to Russia's Kazan

next month to attend the annu-

al BRICS summit. The Russian

President also proposed a bilat-

eral meeting with Modi on

October 22 on the sidelines of

the BRICS summit to analyse

bilateral engagement and to

"We are waiting for our good friend Modi and best regards to

him," the Russian media quot-

ed Putin as saying in the meet-

On Wednesday, the NSA held

wide-ranging talks with his

Russian counterpart Sergei Shoigu and discussed impor

tant issues of "mutual interests' It is understood that Modi's talks with Ukrainian President

Volodymyr Zelenskyy in Kyiv

on August 23 figured in the

"Both sides reviewed progress

in bilateral cooperation and

discussed important issues of mutual interest," the Indian

embassy in Russia said on the

talks between Doval and

Doval's visit to Russia comes

two-and-a-half weeks after

Modi paid a high-profile trip to

In his talks with Zelenskyy

Russia should sit together with

out wasting time to end the

ongoing war and that India was

ready to play an "active role" to

The prime minister said India

was on the side of peace since

the beginning of the conflict and he would even like to

contribute personally for a

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restore peace in the region.

Modi said both Ukraine and

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political spectrum. "Saddened by the passing away of Shri Sitaram Yechury ji. He was a leading light of the Left and was known for his ability to connect across the political spectrum," Modi said in a post on X. "He

Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi said that Yechury was a protector of the idea of India with a deep understanding of the country. Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge condoled Yechury's demise and said he was an excellent parliamentarian and an outstanding intellectual who served the people of India with pragmatism blended with ide-

West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee said that





Yechury death is a loss to national politics. "Sad to know that Sitaram Yechury has passed away. I knew the veteran parliamentarian that he was and his demise will be a loss for national politics. I express my condolences to his family, friends and colleagues," she posted on X.

Yechury's family has donated his body to AIIMS for teaching and research purposes, the hospital said in a statement. "It is with profound grief that we announce the passing away of CPI(M) General Secretary, our beloved Comrade Sitaram Yechury, at 3.03 pm today, 12th September, at the AIIMS, New Delhi. He was suffering from a respiratory tract infection which developed compli-cations," CPI(M) said in a post

We thank the doctors, nursing staff and the Director of the Institute for the excellent

Comrade Yechury. Details of public viewing and homage will be informed," the CPI(M) said. In a statement, the CPI(M) said Yechury's body will be kept at the party headquarters here between 11 am and 3 pm on Saturday for public viewing and paying homage. Subsequently, the body will be taken to AIIMS, where it will be donated for medical research according to his wishes.

Yechury was admitted to AIIMS on August 19 for treatment of a pneumonia-like chest infection. He was critical and on oxygen support. Doctors said he had a fungal infection in his lungs. Yechury is survived by his wife Seema Chishti, an editor with news portal The Wire

He has three children -- two sons and a daughter. One of his sons Ashish Yechury passed away due to Covid-19 in 2021. His daughter Akhila Yechury teaches at the University of Edinburgh and University of St

Son Danish working in UK Yechury was earlier married to Indrani Mazumdar. The leader, who started from the student's union of Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) as a member of the Students' Federation of India (SFI) and went on to become a member of the Central Committee of the CPI(M) in 1984, got elected to the Politburo in 1992.

He served as a Rajya Sabha MP for 12 years, from 2005 to 2017. He became the fifth General Secretary of the CPI(M) at the 21st party congress in Visakhapatnam on Ápril 19, 2015, and took over from Prakash Karat. He also played a significant role in the joint opposition's INDIA bloc.

# VP Dhankhar condemns Rahul Gandhi's US remarks as unpatriotic, accuses of treason



PIONEER NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI

Tice President Jagdeep V Dhankhar on Thursday said there was nothing more condemnable and intolerable than one in constitutional position becoming part of enemies of the Nation, in an apparent attack on Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi over his remarks made in the United States.

Dhankhar's assertion came a day after the BJP hit out at Rahul Gandhi over his meeting with US lawmaker Ilhan Omar and others during his visit to the country, alleging that the Congress leader is indulging in "dangerous and mischievous" activities by reaching out to people abroad who are known for their anti-India stand.

Addressing participants of the third batch of Rajya Sabha Internship Programme here, Dhankhar, also the chairperson of the upper house, said he was pained and disturbed that some people in position have no idea of national interest. The vice president did not name anyone in his address. He said, "If we are true Indians, we will never side with the enemies of the nation." The BJP has attacked Rahul Gandhi over his remarks on reservation

and religious minorities in India and China.

"I am pained and disturbed that some people in position have just no idea of Bharat. They have no idea of our Constitution, they have no idea of our national interest... I am sure your heart must be bleeding at what you see," the vice president said.

He said people have given supreme sacrifice in getting freedom. "Mothers have lost their sons, wives have lost their husbands. We can't ridicule our nationalism," he

Dhankhar said every Indian outside the country has to be an ambassador of the nation. 'How painful that one who holds a constitutional position is doing just the reverse of it. Nothing can be more con-demnable, despicable and intolerable than that you become part of enemies of the nation," he said.

such people do not understand the value of freedom as also that the country has civilisational depth of 5,000 years. The vice president asserted that the Constitution is sacred and was structured over three years of painstaking work by the founding fathers of the doc-

Dhankhar was of the view that

He said the members of the Constituent Assembly met without disruption, disturwithout disruption, disturbance, sloganeering and any posters being raised. "And now, some people want to divide our nation. This is ignorance in extremity," he said. In a press conference at the National Press Club in Washington on Tuesday, Rahul Gandhi criticized the Narendra Modi government over its hen

Modi government over its handling of the conflict with China, telling reporters that it is a disaster that 4,000 square kilometres of Indian territory is occupied by troops from the neighbouring country.

But the leader of the opposition in Lok Sabha indicated that the Congress is in broad agreement with the BJP-led government on other major foreign policy issues, including relations with the US, no talks with Pakistan unless terrorism ends and concerns over extremist elements in Bangladesh.

Answering a question about China, Gandhi said, "Well, if you call having Chinese troops in 4,000 square kilometres of our territory handling some-thing well, then maybe. We've got Chinese troops occupying land the size of Delhi in Ladakh. I think that's a disaster. Media doesn't like to write about it."

Meanwhile, the BJP on Thursday upped the ante against Rahul Gandhi, saying the Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha has committed "treason" with his remarks in the US.

<sup>°</sup>Rahul Gandhi has committed 'rashtradroh' (treason) in the US. The entire country is hurt by the kind of image of India he has projected in the US," BJP national spokesperson Sambit Patra said at party headquarters here while replying to media



### Rajnath Singh urges global unity amidst wars

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE NEW DELH

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Thursday said India's aim is to walk hand in hand together at a time some countries are at war with each other. He also asked friendly nations to elevate their part-nership and collaboration to new heights in view of the evolving global challenges.

"Today, there is a race in the world to get ahead of each other, wars are going on between countries at different places. In this changing situation, India's goal is that we hold each other's hands and walk together," he said while speaking at 'Tarang Shakti' -- the largest multilateral air exercise in India hosted by the Indian Air Force (IAF) at the air base

Seeing the way the world is changing and new challenges are emerging, we need to take our partnership and collaboration to new heights," the defence minister said.

His remarks come in the back drop of calls for India's potential role in pushing peace talks between Russia and Ukraine as New Delhi has good relations with both the nations.

The minister said India is collaborating with friendly nations on a range of advanced and high-tech projects. While exercises like Tarang Shakti have significant tactical value, they also serve as a platform to foster greater mutual cooperation, coordination, and trust among participating countries, he

"Such initiatives build confidence among our partners, reinforcing our collective commitment to stand united when needed. Through Tarang Shakti, we have further solidified our defence relationships with partner nations," he said. Rajnath Singh urged the foreign dignitaries present on the occasion to thoroughly explore and study Indi

sector. will provide insight into the rapid advancements and try. It is an excellent opportunity to discuss how we can advance our collaboration in

The minister said India is

'We want our cooperation to be not limited to just political or technical synergy but to

transform into a heart-to-heart synergy," he said. The defence minister said

armed forces.

# SC displeased with Punjab, Haryana HC inaction on judicial officer's reinstatement

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

The Supreme Court has expressed displeasure over the Punjab and Haryana High Court's decision of not reinstating a judicial officer, sacked for an alleged affair with a lady judicial officer, despite the top court setting aside his termination letter in 2022.

The issue has been moving between the high court and the apex court since 2009.

Nath and Justice P B Varale, in its recent order, noted that the apex court on April 20, 2022, set aside the high court's October 25, 2018, order dismissing the male judicial officer's plea against his termination from service.

It had directed the full court of the high court to reconsider its decision of sacking the judicial

The Supreme Court had also noted that on October 26, 2018, the same division bench of the high court allowed the petition of the lady judicial officer and set aside the termination order, after disbelieving the allegations of an illicit rela-

"Once the termination order is set aside (by SC in 2022) and the judgement of the high court dismissing the writ petition challenging the said termination order has also been



set aside, the natural consequence is that the employee should be taken back in service and thereafter proceeded with as per the directions," the top court bench said recently.

The apex court bench said that once the termination order is set aside then the employee s deemed to be in service.

'We find no justification in the inaction of the high court and also the state in not taking back the appellant (judicial officer) into service after the order dated April 20, 2022.

'No decision was taken either by the high court or by the state of taking back the appellant into service and no decision was made regarding the back wages from the date the termination order had been passed till the date of reinstatement which should be the date of the judgement of this court," the bench said. It added the judicial officer

would thus be entitled to full salary for the period from the date of judgment dated April 20, 2022, till a fresh termination order was passed on April 2, 2024, to be calculated with all benefits admissible treating the appellant to be in continuous The bench directed that inso-

far as the period from December 18, 2009, that is December 17, 2009, was passed till April 19, 2022, the date prior to the judgement and order of this court, "we are of the view that ends of justice would be served by directing that the appellant would be entitled to 50 per cent of the back wages treating him to be in service continuously

It added such back wages to be calculated with all benefits admissible under law to the appellant as if he was in service. The bench granted liberty to the judicial officer to challenge before the high court, the resolution of the full court of the high court dated August 3, 2023, and the termination order dated April 2, 2024.

The judicial officer joined Punjab Civil Services (Judicial Branch) in 2006. At the time of joining the service in December 2006, the appellant was already married.

### BJP slams Congress for Police lathi-charge, violence in Himachal, Karnataka



PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

The BJP on Thursday police lathi-charge in Himachal Pradesh on protesters demanding demolition of an alleged illegal portion of a mosque in Shimla, asking the party to stop appeasement politics.

Addressing a press conference at the BJP headquarters here, Lok Sabha MP and party national spokesperson Sambit Patra also flayed the Congress over violence in Mandya district of Karnataka, alleging that stones were pelted and slippers were thrown at Lord Ganesh's idol at the behest of the party.

The Congress rules both Himachal Pradesh and Karnataka.

Protesters demanding the demolition of an alleged illegal portion of a mosque in Shimla's Sanjauli area clashed with security personnel on Wednesday, breaking barricades and pelting stones as the police used water

cannon and charged batons to disperse them. About 10 people including police and women were injured. Violent clashés broke out

between two groups during Ganesh idol procession in Nagamangala town of Mandya in Karnataka. The police have arrested 46 people in connection with the incident, authorities said on Thursday. Accusing the Congress of pur-

the two states under its rule, Patra said, "Rahul Gandhi's 'mohabbat ki dukan' is not only getting lathi charged and tear gas fired on Hindus in Himachal Pradesh, it is also engaged in getting stones pelted and slippers thrown at Lord Ganesha's idols in Karnataka." Love for an illegal mosque and lathi-charge on Hindus will obviously happen when Rahul Gandhi meets (US law-maker) Ilhan Omar," he added.

The BJP leader condemned the incident of police lathicharge and demanded that the mosque in Shimla should be done away with if it is illegal. 'It's surprising that the local municipal court has served several notices seeking documents but the mosque administration is yet to do so," he said. "Lathi-charge Hindus and recharge of the mosque will not

### IMD warns of extremely heavy rain in Uttrakhand, Uttar Pradesh

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

The India Meteorological Department (IMD) said on Thursday a depression that originated over central India is expected to bring heavy to extremely heavy rain in Uttrakhand and Uttar Pradesh and their adjacent region over the next two to three days. update issued at 1 pm, the sys-

tem was located around 50 kilometres south-southeast of Agra and 50 kilometres northnortheast of Gwalior. It is expected to continue moving towards the north-northeast direction and gradually weaken on Friday. The IMD said Uttarakhand is likely to experience light to moderate rainfall from September 12 to 14, with heavy to extremely heavy rainfall in isolated areas. Haryana is expected to see

light to moderate rain, with heavy rainfall at times between September 12 and 15. East and west Uttar Pradesh may experience heavy to extremely heavy rainfall during this peri-

In Madhya Pradesh, heavy rainfall is expected on September 12, followed by moderate to heavy rain over the next few days.

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enthusiastic about working together and aims for partner ship to extend beyond political and technical realms.

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# **Niti Aayog suggests Public Health Emergency Management Act for future pandemics**

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE **NEW DELHI** 

With Covid-19 pandemic exposing significant gaps in global health preparedness, a report by Niti Aayog expert group has underscored the need for responding in the first 100 days of an outbreak and suggested enacting separate legislation to handle public health crises if any in future. The report, "Future Pandemic Preparedness and Emergency Response – A Framework for Action," proposes the creation of a Public Ĥealth Emergency Management Act (PHEMA), which would facilitate a holistic approach to health management, covering prevention, control, and disaster response. The report which provides a blueprint for the country to prepare for any future public



ic and have a rapid response system comes amid WHO warning to tackle the unknown deadly 'Disease X, which could be 20 times deadlier than COVID-192

Led by Dr. Renu Swarup, with members including Dr. Soumya Swaminathan and Dr. Sujeet Singh, the expert group's proposals aim to better equip India and the global commuhealth emergency or pandem- nity for future pandemics and

health emergencies. "It will allow a holistic

approach to health management, covering prevention, control, and disaster response, the report added. "The Act would also provide for the creation of skilled public health cadres at national and state levels," said the report which also outlines recommendations for establishing a dedicated Pandemic Preparedness and Emergency Response (PPER) fund and creating institutionalised and empowered governance mechanisms.

'The report highlights the need for a well-structured scorecard mechanism to regularly monitor progress on key preparedness targets, especially in light of WHO warnings about potential new zoonotic outbreaks. As countries and international organizations work to enhance their readiness for novel pathogens, the WHO has identified approximately 30 viral and bacterial families with potential epidemic or pandemic risk

These targets necessitate focused research, development of advanced diagnostic techniques, and effective countermeasures. The report's recommendations align with global efforts to bolster pandemic preparedness and response capabilities.

# Entod Pharmaceuticals to challenge suspension of PresVu

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI

Mumbai-based Entod Pharmaceuticals said on Thursday that it has decided to move the court to challenge the national drug regulator's suspension of permission to manufacture and market its pilocarpine hydrochloride ophthalmic solution formulation,

branded as PresVu. The company denied the regulatory authority's allegation that it has engaged in unauthorised promotion of the product through media.

Nikkhil K Masurkar, CEO of the pharma firm, in a press statement said that this action is against a pharma company in the MSME sector, which is purely research and innovation driven and attempts to bring new therapeutic options to the Indian market.



challenge this suspension in the court of law to get justice," said Masurkar.

"Our fight will not only allow innovative medicines to be available in India but also encourage other pharmaceutical entrepreneurs and companies in the MSME sector to continue the research drive in India without facing similar obstacles," he said.

The company also said that it has not made any unethical or false presentation of facts to the media or public when it comes to PresVu eye drops. All facts disclosed to the media were strictly on the basis of the recent approval by the Drugs Controller General (India) for

treatment of presbyopia in adults and the results of the phase 3 clinical trial conducted by us in India. "Announcing the new product launch to the media is a routine

industry practice followed by all pharma companies in India and in the recent past, many such announcements have been made. In our case, media reports went viral and public imagination led to an unusual escalation for which Entod Pharmaceuticals is not responsible," he said. The approval by DCGI was

based on a valid controlled clinical trial in 234 patients which was successful in showing efficacy and safety of these eye drops in patients of presbyopia, who used these drops without eye glasses and could read additional lines on Snellen's chart which is a yardstick of near vision improve-

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# Political Parties to recalibrate poll strategy to nullify impact of AIP on vote bank

With the arrival of the Chief of Awami Ittehad Party (AIP) and Parliamentarian Baramulla, Sheikh Abdul Rashid, in Kashmir Valley on Thursday the mainstream political parties may have to recalibrate their poll strategy to nullify its impact on their traditional vote bank in the run-up to the first phase of polling on September 18.

Rashid, lodged in Tihar jail since August 2019, was granted interim bail till October 2 in the terror funding case on Wednesday. Soon after stepping out of the Tihar jail in New Delhi on Wednesday Sheikh Abdul Rashid announced his party intends to contest between 35 to 40 seats in the upcoming and Kashmir Jammu Assembly elections without forming coalitions with any

three dozen Around candidates have filed their nomination papers from

political party.

His presence during the campaign period is set to boost the poll prospects of his party candidates. On the other hand, it may also

force the other key players to calibrate their campaign strategy to counter his campaign, especially in his strong bastion of North

Rashid's party emerged ahead of National Conference during the Lok Sabha polls on at least 14 Assembly segments. He handed over a crushing defeat to former Chief Minister Omar Omar Abdullah by a margin of over 2 lakh votes.

As was expected, soon after landing in Srinagar, Rashid played to the galleries at every step. Moving out of the airport premises, he deboarded from his fourwheeler and went on his knees to kiss Mother Earth. Returning home after more than five years in prison, to

than the people of Kashmir but they want it on their conditions and not on terms set by the Centre.

"We want to tell (Prime Minister Narendra) Modi that no one needs peace more than we do. But that peace will come at our conditions, not yours.

Expressing gratitude to his supporters who assembled outside the airport welcome him, Rashid, in his first remarks Baramulla MP said he wants said no one needs peace more to convey to the people of

Kashmir that they are not weak at all.

"The people of Kashmir will win as the people of Jammu and Kashmir are on the path

He later drove straight to Delina, Baramulla where he addressed a public rally. In his trademark style, Rashid attempted to woo the jubilant crowd amid loud slogan shouting and passionate

He called for an end to imprisoning Kashmiris in

Tihar Jail while urging the centre to resolve the Kashmir issue once and for all. 'Tihar bhejna bandh karo,

Kashmir ka masla hal karo." (Stop sending us to Tihar, resolve Kashmir's issue), he said as his supporters kept cheering. Later addressing a press conference Sheikh Abdul Rashid claimed his party would extend full support to the INDIA alliance it brought a resolution about restoration of Article "Let me clarify this. If the INDIA alliance gives me written assurance that it will introduce a resolution in the Parliament about restoration of Article 370, I along with my party leaders will extend full support to it,"

Seeking people's support Rashid appealed to the people to give him at least 40 seats in the upcoming elections in J&K.

Targeting the National Conference Vice President Omar Abdullah, Er Rashid said that the NC has released a detailed manifesto promising this and that. "Why couldn't the party do the same when they were in

power," he asked.

He also attacked PDP chief Mehbooa Mufti continuously. Rashid said that it was the then PDP patron Mufti Muhammad Sayeed who said that voting for PDP was a must to stop BJP's entry into J&K. "Then what happened? The same PDP provided a launching pad to BJP who bulldozed our dreams," Er Rashid said.



## Two men held for attack on young Army officers near Mhow in MP

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

Police on Thursday said they have arrested two of the six persons who allegedly assaulted two army officers and raped their female friend near Mhow in Madhya Pradesh.

Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi and Congress general secretary Priyanka Gandhi slammed the BIP over the incident.

The incident took place near Mhow-Mandleshwar road, 30 km from Mhow in Indore district in the wee hours Wednesday. The six men assaulted the two young army officers and raped one of their two female friends, police

The army officers, aged 23 and 24, undergoing the Young Officers course at the Infantry School in Mhow cantonment town, had gone out for a picnic along with their two female friends. A search is underway for the other four persons allegedly involved in the attack and rape, police said.

The group of six reached the picnic spot around two a m and started assaulting one of the officers and his female friend, who were sitting in the car, police said. Upon hearing the commotion, the other officer and his woman friend, who were on a hilltop, reached the spot.

After police reached the spot, the army officers and their female friends were brought to Mhow civil hospital, where a medical examination confirmed that one of the women was raped, an official

A case has been registered under sections 70 (gang rape), 310-2 (dacoity), 115-2 (extortion) and

the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita and under sections of the Arms Act based on the complaint filed by the officer. One of those arrested reportedly has a case of loot registered against him in

Wednesday's incident took place in Jam Gate area of the hilly region surrounded by forests, Superintendent of Police (Rural) Hitika Vasal said. Badgonda police station in-charge Lokendra Singh Hirore said the accused held one of the couples captive while beating them up, and told the other couple that the hostages would be released only when they give them Rs 10 lakh.

"The complainant has told us that the accused took his woman friend away to a place and he suspected that she was The raped. woman's statement is yet to be recorded," the official said. Rahul Gandhi slammed the BJP over the attack, saying the negative attitude of the BJP government communicreasing crimes against is "extremely

worrying". Priyanka Gandhi Vadra said the prime minister talks big about women's safety, but women across the country are still waiting for a serious effort for their safety.

In a social media post, Rahul Gandhi said the violence against the two army men and the rape of their female companion in Madhya Pradesh is enough to shame the entire society.

In her social media post, Priyanka Gandhi said the incidents of gang rape of a woman after holding army officers hostage in Madhya Pradesh and finding of the naked body of a woman on the highway in Uttar Pradesh

# CPI(M) in quandary over next party chief election

 $\underset{a head \ of}{Race \ for \ the \ top \ job \ in}$ Sitaram Yechury, the general secretary of the party. M A Baby, the polit bureau member from Kerala is the front runner for the post as he has set his eyes on the post of general secretary. Baby, who had won the

assembly election once from Kerala and became the education minister in the government led by E K Navanar was addressed as the Second Mundassery as he had tried to replicate the reforms initiated by the first education minister of the Prof Joseph Mundassery (1957-1959).

"While Joseph Mundassery revolutionized the education sector in Kerala, Baby could not make any impact other than making things worse," said A Jayasankar, Kerala's veteran political critic. Baby is known more as Prakkulam Che Guevera (Prakkulam being the village where he



was born and Guevera, his

P Sujathan, a close observer of the CPI(M) politics, is of the view that it would be a tough job for the CPI(M) to find out an alternative to Yechury. "Sitaram Yechury is known for his articulation, communication skills and was a master strategist. The truth is that there is no one in the party who could take up the position held by him, said Sujathan.

The names being heard are that of Brinda Karat and Prakash Karat. "The latter may continue till the next party congress scheduled for April-May 2025 and then the cadre.

dissolves the State Assembly

We do not know how the Marxists will view the possibility of Brinda Karat becoming the party boss," said Sujathan.

said Sujathan.
The death of Yechury comes at a time when the CPI(M) is facing severe crisis in Kerala, the one and only State which is ruled by the party. There is a strong move in the party ousting Pinarayi Vijayan from the Chief Minister's post and it is widely believed post and it is widely believed that Baby is the main force behind this mission. Hence the chances of Vijayan and his cohorts supporting Baby for the job look bleak. The names of Mohammed

Salim , the Bengal State secretary and Surjya Kant Mishra are also circulation. Salim being a member of the minority better community has than prospectus others because of his standing in the party. The truth is that there are no other members in the party's polit bureau who has wider acceptability among

# Former Congress MLA breaks down as party denies ticket

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Former Haryana Congress
MLA Lalit Nagar
Thursday broke down in tears on being denied a ticket for the October 5 Assembly polls, saying even though he worked hard to strengthen his party, he was "stabbed in the back".

Addressing a gathering of his supporters in Faridabad's Tigaon, Nagar said, "I had invited you all thinking I will perform a 'havan' and then go to file my nomination today as a Congress candidate. But some of our enemies conspired and attempted to commit my political murder." Lalit Nagar was a ticket hopeful from the Tigaon assembly segment, but the Congress has fielded a new face Rohit Nagar from the seat.

Other ticket hopefuls who were not picked by the Congress for the elections, Sharda Rahore and Jitender Bhardwaj, Kumar expressed anger over the



After the BJP, the Congress too is facing resentment in the state from some of the aspirants who have been denied tickets. told his Lalit Nagar

supporters that he was hoping to get a ticket but "some conspirators stabbed me in the back".

On the Congress picking Rohit Nagar instead to contest from Tigaon, the former MLA said, "Had my party filed a strong candidate, I could have understood. But such a candidate has given a ticket whom people don't even know."

He also sought suggestions from his supporters who asked him to enter the fray as an Independent candidate. "Now, you will have to fight my election," Lalit Nagar

# Rathore, a former MLA and Rathore, a former MLA and ticket hopeful from Ballabhgarh, also broke down in tears in front of her supporters after she was denied a ticket by the Congress. Her supporters alleged that she had been "betrayed" by her party. Resentment also came to the Resentment also came to the

party leader Jitender Kumar Bhardwaj was not given a Sorry friends, today, service, dedication and devotion have lost," Bhardwaj posted in

fore in the Sohna assembly

segment in Gurugram where

strong contender and senior

Hindi on social media. The Congress Thursday announced the candidature of new joinee Rohtash Khatana, who has been associated with JJP previously, as the party candidate from Sohna.
The ruling BJP in Haryana

also faced rebellion on a few seats after the party denied tickets to some leaders. Voting for the 90 assembly seats in Haryana will be held on October 5 and votes will be counted on October 8.

### (voluntarily causing hurt) of are "heart-wrenching". Haryana Governor Bandaru Dattatreya | Congress, BJP leaders file their nominations for Haryana Assembly polls

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE CHANDIGARH

Haryana Governor Bandaru Dattatreya on Thursday dissolved the state Assembly with immediate effect, a day after the state cabinet recommended the move to avoid summoning the House before the expiry of the six-month period from the last

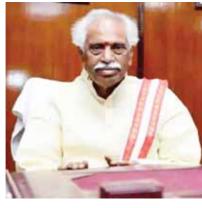
According to a notification issued by Haryana Vidhan Sabha secretariat, the Governor has dissolved the assembly with immediate effect in exercise of the powers conferred under Article 174 (2) (b) of the Constitution of India, which gives the Governor of a state the power to dissolve the state's legislative assembly. The Harvana cabinet had on Wednesday

recommended to Governor Dattatreya to dissolve the Assembly to avoid summoning the House before the expiry of the six-month period from the last sitting.

The term of the current Vidhan Sabha expires on November 3.

After the governor's move to dissolve the assembly, the Nayab Singh Saini government will continue as a caretaker government till a new one is formed,

Official sources had earlier said that



The Haryana Assembly's last session was held on March 13 when the Saini government had won the trust vote and the next session had to be convened by September 12.

Saini replaced Manohar Lal Khattar as chief minister in March. Khattar is now a Union Minister.

summoning of the House before the end of the six-month period from the last session is a constitutional requirement. The cabinet move to recommend assembly's dissolution appeared to avert any constitutional crisis.

Earlier, the Haryana Cabinet had met here Wednesday evening and accorded

approval to a proposal regarding the dissolution of the 14th Haryana Vidhan Sabha, an official release had earlier said. The proposal will now be sent to the Haryana governor for approval," it had

Polls have already been announced in Haryana which are scheduled to be held on October 5 and the results are slated to be out on October 8.

The government has been summoning the monsoon session in August, mostly after Independence Day. However, polls were announced on August 16 after which the government did not summon a session.

In the 90-member Assembly, which has been dissolved now, the present strength of ruling BJP members was 41 including the Speaker, Congress 28, JJP 6, Haryana Lokhit Party and Indian National Lok Dal 1 member each, Independents 4, while 9 seats are vacant.

Among the nine seats, while seven fell vacant as legislators across parties resigned after joining other outfits, Badshahpur seat is vacant after Rakesh Daulatabad. Independent representing the seat died in May while Mulana seat is lying vacant after Congress' Varun Chaudhary, who represented it, fought parliamentary polls and got elected from Ambala.

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Congress react.

Surjewala's son Aditya Surjewala, BJP's Shruti Choudhry, granddaughter of former Chief Minister Bansi Lal, and Kurukshetra MP Naveen Jindal's mother Savitri Jindal were among several leaders who filed their nominations on Thursday for the Haryana Assembly polls.

Indian National Lok Dal (INLD) leader Abhav Chautala filed his papers from Ellenabad while BJP nominee and minister Mahipal Dhanda and former Haryana deputy chief minister Chander Mohan, a Congress candidate, filed their nominations from Panipat Rural and Panchkula

seats, respectively.
Polling for the 90 assembly seats in Harvana will be held on October 5 and votes will be counted on October 8. Thursday was the last day for filing nominations

nomination papers will be done on September 13 and nominations can be withdrawn till September 16. Aditya Surjewala filed his papers from the Kaithal assembly seat. He was accompanied by his father

Randeep Sabha MP Surjewala. Shruti Choudhry filed her papers from the Tosham seat in the presence of her mother and Rajya Sabha MP Kiran Choudhry and the BJP's Haryana in-charge Biplab

and the Congress' Rajya

Kumar Deb. The BJP's Kurukshetra MP Naveen Jindal's mother Savitri Jindal, who was an aspirant for a poll ticket from the party for the Haryana Assembly elections, filed her nomination from the Hisar seat as an Independent.

She had aspired for a BJP ticket to contest the polls from Hisar but the party renominated sitting MLA and state minister Kamal Gupta from the seat.

scrutiny of the Forbes India has listed Savitri, the wife of noted industrialist late O P Jindal, as the richest woman in the country this year having a net worth of USD 29.1 billion.

> Savitri was elected as an MLA from the Hisar seat twice. She represented Hisar in the Haryana Assembly for the first time in 2005 as a Congress MLA and was reelected from the seat in 2009. She was made a minister in the Bhupinder Singh Hooda government in 2013.

> March this year when her son Naveen Jindal also left the party and later joined the BJP. After filing her nomination, she said, "I have pledged to serve Hisar for its development and transformation. The people of Hisar are my family and Om Prakash Jindal had

She quit the Congress in

established my relationship with this family." "The Jindal family has always

served Hisar. I am fully

dedicated to living up to the expectations of the people and maintaining their trust," Savitri Jindal said.

Congress nominee Ashok Arora, accompanied by senior party leader and former Haryana chief minister Bhupinder Singh Hooda, filed his papers from the Thanesar seat in Kurukshetra district.

Party nominee Nirmal Singh filed his papers from Ambala City, Akram Khan from Jagadhri, Bharat Singh Beniwal from Ellenabad, Ram Niwas Rara from Hisar. Anita Yadav from Ateli and Dass Bhagwan

Nilokheri. The scrutiny of the nomination papers will be conducted on September 13 and nominations can be withdrawn till September 16. The ruling BJP is eyeing a hat-trick in the assembly polls but faces a stiff challenge from a resurgent Congress, which is looking to cash in on the antiincumbency factor.

# Four states join Kerala's push for reform in Central funding

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The finance ministers of I four opposition-ruled states expressed solidarity with Kerala on Thursday in its quest for fiscal flexibility and a performance-based share of funds from the Central government

The non-BJP-ruled states --Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Punjab -- took part in the conclave organised by the Left-ruled Kerala here, which was also attended by the senior officials of the participating states.

Finance Kerala Assembly, V D Minister and Minister, Bhatti Vikramarka Mallu, Tamil Nadu Finance Minister Thangam Thennarasu, Karnataka Revenue Minister, Krishna Byre Gowda, and Punjab Finance Minister Sardar Harpal Singh Cheema took part in the conclave and raised voices against the fiscal policies of the BJP-led Central

government. Earlier, Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan inaugurated the conclave presided over by Finance Minister K N Balagopal and attended by

Satheesan. Addressing the gathering, Karnataka Minister Gowda said there was no reciprocation from the union was government for the states that have been contributing to the Centre. Punjab Minister Cheema said

he expects the 16th Finance Commission to devise a formula for the allocation of the divisible pool that not only incentivises states to perform better on the development matters but also allocates ample resources to



situation where Telangana Minister Mallu said the Centre often exceeds responsible states are Telangana Deputy Chief Leader of Opposition in the the states that need support to its own fiscal deficit target restricted in their borrowing

government enjoys greater financial flexibility.

capacity, while the union

"It is necessary that the Kerala interpretation of Article 293 is followed and the powers of Centre are redefined in favour of state fiscal autonomy. The framers of our Constitution never intended centralised financial control. The Finance Commission was established to ensure fair and equitable distribution of resources between the Centre and the states.

"I suggest that we study the impact of devolving more

that we can explore changes if necessary," Mulla said. The Telangana Dy CM said

there should be an increase in the states' share in Central taxes from 41 per cent to 50 per cent, resisting the Centre's increasing use of cesses and surcharges, reducing the Centrally sponsored schemes and allowing the states to spend on their local priorities. He said it was not just about technical adjustments but was about justice, equity and the

future of Indian federalism. 'We must ensure our states have the resources and funds to the poorest states so autonomy needed to chart

their own development path," Mulla said. Meanwhile, Tamil Nadu Minister Thennarasu said the Indian polity has an "inherent

imbalance" distribution of powers and responsibilities between union and the states. He said while the states are entrusted with the majority of

responsibility related to the development of society and delivery of public services, including education, health, agriculture, and social welfare, the union retains the majority of the powers of revenue generation.

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## **Ayushman bhav!**

The Union Cabinet extends Ayushman Bharat to senior citizens Above 70; a move that would benefit six crore people

n a significant move the Union Cabinet has approved the extension of the Ayushman Bharat health insurance scheme to all citizens above 70 years of age, regardless of their income or social standing. The Cabinet's decision fulfils a key promise made by Prime Minister Narendra Modi during the 2024 Lok Sabha election campaign. This move is expected to transform healthcare for senior citizens, providing much-needed relief to millions who have been struggling with rising medical costs and insufficient insurance coverage. Since its launch over five years ago, Ayushman Bharat has provided healthcare access to millions across India, covering hospitalisations and treatments for families that otherwise couldn't afford medical care. However, data has shown that nearly every fourth person admitted to hospitals under this scheme has been a senior citizen, highlighting their disproportionate need for medical support. Out of over one crore admissions, 24% were of citizens aged 60 and above, demonstrating how

essential this safety net is for the elderly. The latest decision to extend coverage to all citizens over 70 is particularly significant as this age group is often neglected by private insurers. Most health insurance companies either refuse to offer policies to those above 70 or charge prohibitively high premiums. Even when insurance is available, pre-existing conditions are often excluded for the first two to three

years, leaving many senior citizens without immediate access to treatment for serious ailments like heart disease, kidney issues, and diabetes. With the new policy, six crore people over 70 years of age are expected to benefit, receiving health insurance coverage up

to Rs 5 lakh per year. This applies on a family basis, ensuring that elderly individuals, even those abandoned by families or facing financial hardships, can now access free or affordable medical care. The extension of Ayushman Bharat to all citizens above 70 comes at a critical time. Procedures like dialysis, heart surgeries, and cancer treatments are not only expensive but also frequent among senior citizens. The new policy provides a safety net for seniors who have, until now, been forced to bear these expenses themselves or rely on insufficient public health programs. Rs 5 lakh coverage under Ayushman Bharat will lift much of this financial burden, enabling families to access quality healthcare without worrying about their savings. Apart from the direct medical benefits, this policy could have far-reaching social implications. India's senior citizens, especially those in rural or economically disadvantaged areas, often face neglect and abandonment when they become ill. This policy not only promises improved healthcare outcomes but also offers dignity and security to millions of older Indians at a time when they need it most. As this initiative rolls out, its impact on families, communities, and the healthcare system at large will likely be profound, marking a significant leap toward inclusive and accessible healthcare for all.



# Resignation shakes Trinamool Congress SIDHARTH MISHRA



### Jawahar Sircar's resignation from Rajya Saha highlights growing discontent in Bengal over the State's response to crimes against women

rinamool Congress Member of Rajya Sabha and former Chairman of Prasai Bharati Jawahar Sircar has resigned both from parliament and the party. Sircar tendered resignation to protest the 'mishandling' of the traineedoctor rape-cum-murder case at RG Kar Medical in Kolkata. The resignation is significant as Sircar is part of 'Kolkata Bhahdralok' which has so far remained steadfast in its support of West Bengal chief minister Mamata Banerjee. The move also indicates that the West Bengal assembly passing a 'very stringent anti-rape law' bill has not cut much ice with the people, who so far have resisted condoning the errors committed by the Mamata government in the mat-

The West Bengal bill, which has now been referred by the Governor to the President, has also not found much echo outside the state. The Aparajita Woman and Child (West Bengal Criminal Laws Amendment) Bill, 2024, passed by the West Bengal Assembly is not the first of its kind. In the past five years, Andhra Pradesh (Disha) and Maharashtra (Shakti) passed similar bills with a death penalty clause against the rapists but they are still to bring any change in the matter. All these bills were preceded by Criminal Law (Amendment) Act, 2013 through which Capital Punishment for rape made its entry into the Indian Penal

This followed the public outrage after the brutal gang rape and murder of a woman on a moving bus in Delhi on December 16, 2012, which shook the collective conscience of the nation. Parliament passed the Criminal Law (Amendment) Act, 2013 to allow the death penalty in rape cases where the accompanying brutality leads to death or leaves the victim in a persistent vegetative state. Whatever name you ive Aparajita, Disna or Shakti, these bills are meaningless as long as cases about rape remain pending in the courts for only the organs of the State



bined with those brought in the previous years, courts had around 2 lakh cases for trial. However, trials could be completed in only a little over 18,000 cases, which was less than the number of incidents as well as police charge sheets filed that year. Finally, the conviction rate of 27.4% in rape cases means seven out of every 10 accused persons were acquitted. So just making the laws doesn't help. Speaking at a function some months back, Chief Justice of India DY Chandrachud had quoted BR Ambedkar saying, "However bad a Constitution may be, it may turn out to be good if those responsible for its functioning happen to be a good lot." Maker of the Constitution in the concluding speech before the Constituent Assembly had said, "However good a Constitution may be, it is sure to turn out bad because those who are called to work it, happen to be a bad lot. However bad a Constitution may be, it may turn out to be good if those who are called to work it, happen to be a good lot.

The Constitution can provide years together. In 2022, com- such as the Legislature, the



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Executive and the Judiciary. The factors on which the working of those organs of the State depends are the people and the political parties they will set up as their instruments to carry out their wishes and their politics."If the rapes are not stopping in this country or if the anti-rape laws are not proving to be effective in punishing the rapists, its a failure of culture more than the law. Our society is not very forthcoming the accommodating the woes of a rape victim, and in most cases, the survivor and the family are subjected to terrible humiliation. Those tasked with implementing the Constitution have to possess the spirit of public service rather than political expediency. There is a recent case study carried out by the Uttar Pradesh Police in Ghaziabad district which reiterates the a for emention ed premise. There is an existing government policy for establishing Pink Police Outposts under every police station. The rules have been there but not much work has been anti-rape law. done beyond the customary (Sidharth Mishra is the author

decided to implement the programme in mission mode. and 20 Pink Booths exclusively manned by female police personnel were established in September 2023.

A year later the results were for all to see. The mere presence of a force for women's safety had its impact. According to the data released by Crime and Criminal Tracking Network & Systems of Uttar Pradesh Police, crime against women which included dowry deaths, dowry-related cases, molestation, rape and kidnapping came down by approximately 24 per cent. The biggest fall of over 36 per cent was in dowry deaths thus at least securing women inside their homes. If such an initiative by Ghaziabad Police can achieve such results one is sure at the state government level such steps can be taken more effectively. One is not sure how effectively have these pink police outposts been functioning in West Bengal, where the government has just brought a more stringent

& president Centre for Reforms, Development and Ghaziabad Police last year Justice; views are personal)

# The erosion of local cultures and the rise of digital colonisation



**DHARMAPALAN** 

We are increasingly relying on digital platforms which have a huge impact on local cultures and thought processes. This raises critical concerns about the future of our cultural identity

There was a time when people from a village knew each other. A minute change in a person's behaviour shall bring to the attention of others. Children were safe in that society. Every town or every place in our country has a uniqueness in its culture, traditions, language, food habits, products produced, and even a story to tell. Colonisation, both external and internal, characterised by the exercise of control by one group over another, has profoundly impacted rewrit-

ing history. The motivations behind it have been many, encompassing economic profit, territorial expansion, religious conversion, and geopolitical power, among other considerations. In earlier times, it was foreigners who intruded into the local community; now, the movement of native people from one place to another has changed the demographic profile of a region.For many individuals, the consequences of colonialism have been devastating, resulting in the deliberate destruction of cultural customs, the exploitation of

displacement of populations. The cultural erasure caused by colonisation is one of its most enduring impacts. Colonizers often portrayed their own cultures as superior, leading to the suppression of indigenous languages, religions, and customs. In that process, we even lost the ocal economies that were thriving in our society.

Even the different dialects spoken by people of a state or region have been lost because of outside interaction. This has even been reflected in the literary works created during the time. Unfortunately, with colonisation, we made our society a homogeneous one. This can be observed when we travel across the country. The uniform way we built our infrastructure in our cities has

made every city look the

in our country was known by some unique geography, a specific market, or even the presence of a person. Nevertheless, colonialism has also led to the exchange of knowledge, culture, food habits, concepts, and technology between the native and

colonised populations. In the 21st century, the internet has brought about a new type of colonisation that has begun infiltrating our society. This new form of colonisation is known as digital colonisa-

The term "digital colonisation" refers to the dominance of numerous multinational technology businesses, the majority of which are based in the United States and a few wealthy nations, over the digital infrastructure and data of the entire world. For all of our day-to-day requirements, we began to rely more on digital platforms, reducing the amount of personal interac-

This new digital culture has infiltrated even the remotest parts of our country.

These digital titans prioritise everything in our lives. including what we should individuals, and the forced Until the late 90s, every place buy, who we should be friends

with, where to study, which course to study, and even where to give birth. This can potentially destroy local traditions and languages, as most language formats used today are designed to suit digital platforms. People started believing blindly whatever is available on digital platforms. The addiction is so severe that the auto and taxi drivers of Delhi-NCR, who had excellent navigation skills earlier using the brain, have shifted

to Google Maps. Global IT giants promote a universal digital culture for various reasons, many of which are tied to their business models and growth strategies. Although this digital culture promotes global connectivity, information accessibility and collaboration, it also has the potential to obscure regional diversity and traditional lifestyles. The concentration of power in the hands of a few tech companies, cultural erasure, and privacy are all concerns raised by the dominance of these

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#### **PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS** Madam — The news on Niti Aayog's

response to future public health crisis (12-9-24) recommending a legislation is strange. Legislations cannot solve these problems. The status of healthcare, access to nutrition and hunger relief puts India at a shabby bottom line in the global index. Without improving these factors planning to face a likely pandemic can only be an act of humour. Healthcare is made a commodity as understood from levying GST on availing medicines, medical devices and even on life and health insurance policies. Productivity of the nation depends on the productivity of its people. A sane idea would be to improve the health condition of the people by offering the best healthcare to all in the public healthcare institutions. If done so it would take care of major issues connected with pandemics. We have many legislations not implemented with enough seriousness. Therefore Niti Aayog should get down to understand the ground realities and plan accordingly.

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#### **CHIP MAKING IN INDIA**

Madam—Prime Minister Narendra Modi has said that resilience of supply chains is critical for the economy. During his speech at the SEMICON 2024 conference the PM made a pitch to boost investments in domestic manufacturing of semiconduc-

A Year ago the Union Cabinet had approved a production linked incentive(PLI) scheme for semiconductor and display board, production in the

Heavy surge in sales of electronic devices during the pandemic and the indefinite closure of giant chip companies during the lockdown had infact given rise to a crisis of scarcity of semi conductors in the global market. These chips are infact the 'life of millions of products in our daily life, ranging from automobiles to fridges and washing machines to computers and smartphones and so on. Insufficiency of these chips had slowed down the produc-

### Differently abled deserve a better deal

THE EDITOR

launching of the programme

with much fanfare. However,



n a world where able-bodied individuals are often seen as the norm, people with disabilities (PWDs) are frequently perceived as inferior. Can India's remarkable performance at the Paris Paralympics challenge this view? The answer is a resounding yes. With each Paralympics, athletes with disabilities continue to break barriers, proving that strength and resilience transcend physical limitations. India's

tion of all these devices and machines. Though chip companies around the world have increased its production it's not quite enough

showcased India's reformist The PM regime, stable policies and a market that has tasted technology to make a strong pitch for investments in semiconductor manufacturing. He has also assured the world that when the chips are down, the world can bet on India

India is all set to play a big role in driving the global semiconductor industry as work has already begun in a positive way. Chip manufacturing in India no doubt will help many of our tech industries, cater employment and also make the nation self reliant and sufficient in chip manufacturing. Several sectors that are now lagging behind because of shortage of these chips will get an opportunity to thrive once again thereby helping to boost our economy and enhance our GDP. Besides, these companies can also attract global buyers as Indian products have now an image of their own in the global market.

M Pradyu | Kannur

18th place finish, with 29 medals, is a testament to this shift, showcasing their growing impact

### in sports and society The Paralympics not only highlights athletic achievements but also emphasizes the right to participate in sports as a fundamental human

right. Athletes like Avani Lekhara, Sumit Antil, and 17-year-old Sheetal Devi have become global icons, demonstrating that perseverance can lead to greatness. Their success is supported by initiatives like Khelo India and the Sports Authority of India, ensuring that they receive the same recognition as their Olympic peers, such as Neeraj Chopra and Manu Bhaker. This triumph inspires both the 2.66 crore dis-

abled individuals in India and able-bodied people, showing that true strength comes from within. Learning from these athletes can benefit all sports and help reshape perceptions worldwide. Vijay Singh Adhikari | Nainital

#### **REWRITING HISTORY AND SCIENCE**

Madam — Should we trust the BJP or the facts proven by history and science? Some pseudo-nationalist leaders in India have cultivated a loyal following that supports their every claim, no matter how questionable. For instance, Madhya Pradesh's Higher Education Minister Inder Singh Parmar recently claimed that Indian ancestors, not Christopher Columbus, discovered America. He also asserted that students have been taught "wrong history," alleging that the Indian hero Vasulun reached America in the 8th century and built temples in Santiago. Such statements reflect a broader attempt to reshape both history and science. Previously, leaders have made bizarre assertions, here's even a claim that Rishi Kanad tested an atomic bomb millions of years ago. Despite the absurdity of these claims, experts remain silent, as dissent is neither allowed nor encouraged in this new system.

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# DIPLOMATIC BOOST TO SEMICONDUCTORS

India and Singapore are building a resilient semiconductor supply chain



KUMARDEEP BANERJEE

omestic politics may be a key issue for the ruling NDA alliance, however, it has not taken away Prime Minister Narendra Modi's focus on constantly working on fine-tuning India's foreign policy. PM Modi recently was in Brunei a first for any Indian Prime Minister on a bilateral state visit, to a country located strategically in the South China Sea.Brunei's visit was topped by the PM's visit to Singapore, an important technology ally for India in the region. India and Singapore will be entering into the 60th year of diplomatic relationship next year and both countries have decided to upgrade their existing bilateral partnership to a Comprehensive strategic partnership, which would in turn expand the

One of the key focus, during PM Modi's visit to Singapore was expanding the digital cooperation between the countries. The joint statement released read "Both Prime Ministers welcomed the signing of the MoU on cooperation in the field of Digital Technologies and affirmed common interests in data, Al and cybersecurity. Building on this, both Prime Ministers agreed to deepen collaboration in the digital space, including in facilitating trusted cross-border data flows, cybersecurity, and the interoperability of digital systems." A crucial element of the partnership was a demonstration under the trade trust framework. Singapore is home to many large Technology companies, many of whom have regional headquarters in the island state, with the business geography, spread all across Asia primarily India.



Advance technology manufacturing and semiconductors formed another crucial element of the PM's visit. The statement read "Both Prime Ministers agreed to explore cooperation in the area of critical and emerging technologies. Both Prime Ministers agreed that advanced manufacturing, particularly in developing resilient semiconductor supply chains, can be a new pillar of bilateral cooperation.

Both Prime Ministers welcomed the signing of the MoU on the India-Singapore Semiconductor Ecosystem Partnership. Immediately after the PM visited Singapore the US government also announced a new partnership with India to explore supply chain opportunities in India. Funded under the International Technology Security and Innovation (ITSI) Fund, created by the CHIPS Act of 2022 (CHIPS Act) of the US, it allows the department to spend some money on developing a trusted supply chain ecosystem with partners and allies. A US State Department press release read, "The initial phase includes a comprehensive assessment of India's existing semiconductor ecosystem and regulatory framework, as well as workforce and infrastructure needs. The state anticipates that key Indian stakeholders, such as state governments, educational institutions, research centres, and private companies, will participate in this analysis steered by the India Semiconductor Mission. The insights gained from the assessment will serve as the basis for potential future joint initiatives to strengthen and grow this critical sector. The United States and India are key partners in ensuring the global semiconductor supply chain keeps pace with the global digital transformation currently underway. Manufacturing of essential products ranging from vehicles to medical devices relies on the strength and resilience of the semiconductor supply chain."

This week India also hosted SEMICON a global conference that attracts investments in the Indian semiconductor ecosystem. India is trying to attract investments for a crucial component of most modern equipment and machinery called chips. The recent visits by the PM to Singapore and the Memorandum of Understanding with the US may provide the much-needed kickstart for India's semiconductor ecosystem.

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# India's Paralympic journey of resilience and triumph



Through sheer determination and perseverance, para athletes have steadily overcome the odds, earning global recognition and bringing glory to the nation



he Paris Paralympics unfolded as a captivating display of athletic excellence, particularly for the Indian contingent. It was a spectacle, with each athlete embodying a harmonious blend of strength, determination, and skill - almost like poetry in motion. As an avid follower, I found myself engrossed in nearly every performance, regardless of the challenging (IST) time difference that saw events commence under the glowing silhouette of the Eiffel Tower. On the rare occasions when I could not watch live, social media provided timely updates, fuelling my enthusiasm and admiration for these remarkable ath-

Their tenacity and commitment to realizing their dreams on the global stage were evident as they competed and excelled across multiple disciplines, leaving an indelible mark on the world of sports. India delivered its best-ever performance at the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games, achieving a historic 29-medal haul that included seven gold, nine silver, and 13 bronze medals. This outstanding achievement surpassed the 19medal tally from Tokyo 2020, where India had won five golds, and marked a significant milestone as the country crossed the 00-medai mark in its Paralympic nistory. A record 84 para-athletes represented India across 12 disciplines, including the debut participation in para-cycling, para-rowing, and blind judo. Among the shining stars, Avani Lekhara became the first Indian woman to win two golds at the Paralympic Games, defending her title in the women's 10m air rifle standing SH1 shooting event with a world-record score. Meanwhile, India saw its first-ever one-two finish in athletics, with Dharambir and Parnav Soorma clinching gold and silver in the men's club throw F51 event. Dharambir also set a new Asian record of 34.92m.In athletics, several Indian para-athletes etched their names in the record books.

Praveen Kumar set an Asian record en route to winning the high jump T64 title, securing India's sixth gold medal — their highest total at the Paralympics. Javelin thrower Sumit Antil made history as the first Indian man to defend his Paralympic title, winning gold in the men's javelin throw F64 with a stunning throw of 70.59m, breaking his record from Tokyo 2020 not once but



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Mariyappan times. Thangavelu, with a bronze in the high jump T42 class, became the first Indian to win medals at three consecutive Paralympic Games, having previously won gold at Rio 2016 and silver at Tokyo 2020. Preethi Pal secured India's first-ever medal in a track event at the Paralympics with a bronze in the women's 100m T35 race and won another bronze in the 200m, becoming India's most successful athlete at the Games with two medals. The track events also saw Deepthi Jeevanji become the first intellectually impaired Indian athlete to win a Paralympic medal with a bronze in the women's 400m T20 class.India's achievements extended beyond the track and field to other disciplines. In archery, armless archer Sheetal Devi briefly set a world record in the ranking round and later teamed up with Rakesh Kumar to achieve a world record score in the compound mixed team qualification event. It was a perfect example of poetry in

At just 17, Sheetal made history as India's youngest Paralympic medal-list by winning a bronze in the mixed team event. Moreover, India's dominance in archery was further confirmed when Harvinder Singh became the country's first-ever Paralympic archery champion. The outstanding performances by Indian para-athletes at the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games underscored India's emergence as a formidable contender on the global stage. Originating in 1948 with a sports event for World War II veterans with spinal injuries, organized by Sir Ludwig Guttmann in Stoke Mandeville, England, the Paralympics evolved into an international event in 1960 in Rome with 400 athletes from 23 countries. Since then, the Games have grown significantly, challenging stereotypes and promoting inclusivity, while celebrating the exceptional

with disabilities. India began its Paralympic journey in 1968, overcoming numerous challenges such as limited resources, inadequate facilities, and low public awareness. Despite these hurdles, Indian para-athletes gradually rose to prominence on the global stage. A pivotal moment came in 2004 when Devendra Jhajharia won India's first Paralympic gold, setting a world record in the F46 javelin throw. This achievement heralded a new era for Indian para-sports, culminating in 35 medals across 12 Paralympic Games. The Paralympics exemplify India's commitment to inclusiveness, reflecting a broader national strategy to promote equity in sports. Government initiatives such as the 'Target Olympic Podium Scheme' (TOPS), 'Khelo India,' and increased funding for para-sports

provide athletes with special abilities access to advanced training facilities, coaching, and financial support. To foster a more inclusive sports ecosystem, India regularly hosts events like the National Para Games and Para Athletics Championships, enhancing visibility and opportunities for para-athletes. What is needed is corporate sponsorships and media coverage which are crucial in transforming societal perceptions of disability, empowering athletes and promoting social inclusion and awareness. Globally, several countries have successfully promoted inclusiveness

through sports.
The United Kingdom, for example, has been a pioneer in fostering an inclusive sports culture. Looking back at the success of Team GB at the London 2012 Paralympics, where they ranked third with 120 medals, which stemmed from years of investment in para-sports proves

The UK government, along with organizations like the British Paralympic Association, provided substantial funding, advanced trainsupport for athletes.

The extensive broadcasting and marketing of the London 2012 Paralympics also helped transform public perceptions of disability, inspiring a new generation of paraathletes. Similarly, Australia has excelled in promoting inclusivity in sports through the Australian Paralympic Committee, which focuses on talent identification, athlete development, and grassroots inclusivitv.

Further, Japan's efforts during the Tokyo 2020 Paralympics highlighted its commitment to accessibility, with significant investments in inclusive infrastructure, such as accessible public transport, venues, and accommodations, demonstrating a strong commitment to parasports.

Moreover, the Paralympic Committee's 'I'mPOSSIBLE' program, an educational initiative by the Agitos Foundation, was introduced in schools across Japan to educate children about the Paralympic values of courage, determination, inspiration, and equality, fostering a culture of inclusivi-ty from a young age.In India, the road to achieving inclusiveness in sports has been long and challenging, but progress is evident.

The success of para-athletes at the Paralympics 2024 has helped break down barriers and challenge stereotypes, paving the way for a more inclusive society. However, there is still much work to be done to ensure that people with special abilities have equal access to sports and the opportunity to compete at the highest level.

The future of Indian para-sports looks promising, as it is a powerful reminder that success in sports is not limited by physical ability but defined by determination, skill, and the spirit to overcome adversity. WE CAN is the catchword.

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# Ozone Therapy: A holistic approach to enhancing health and wellness

### Ozone therapy's ability to complement and enhance conventional therapies makes this old treatment a modern-day tool

e live our healthiest when we can balance the demands life places on us with opportunities that heal our bodies. Ozone therapy is emerging as a key wellness treatment that is a transformative addition to conventional medical practices with a multitude of health benefits. The growing concern over managing lifestyle diseases finds a hopeful answer in ozone therapy with doctors appraised of the latest and

most effective practices. Developed over 100 years ago in Germany, this complementary medical treatment is proving to be a highly effective integrative treatment that is pocket-friendly and safe for several clinical conditions. Ozone therapy, with judicious doses of ozone administered by a



doctor, brings powerful antioxidant capabilities to restore tissues and body fluids.

Harnessing Ozone's Power: Ozone therapy involves the administration of ozone gas (O3), a reactive form of oxygen, into the body to stimulate healing and improve overall

Ozone therapy enhances traditional medical treatments, offering a synergistic approach to health and wellness, where cause chronic pain that is dif-

pain and the side effects of conventional treatment are alleviated by it. It has shown promise in managing chronic diseases such as diabetes, cardiovascular diseases, and autoimmune disorders. For instance, in diabetes management, ozone therapy can improve oxygen utilisation and glucose metabolism, helping stabilise blood sugar levels. In cardiovascular ailments, ozone therapy can enhance blood circulation and reduce oxidative stress, improving

heart health. **Pain Alleviation** 

Ozone therapy's analgesic and anti-inflammatory properties make it effective in pain management. Conditions like arthritis, fibromyalgia, and musculoskeletal injuries often ficult to manage with traditional methods. Ozone therapy can alleviate pain by reducing inflammation and promoting tissue repair. For example, in arthritis, ozone

therapy helps decrease joint inflammation and improves mobility. Compared to conventional pain management techniques, ozone therapy offers a less invasive option,

with fewer side effects. **Detoxifying with Ozone** 

Ozone therapy supplies the body with potent oxygenation, increasing the life-giving gas' availability for cells, and improving their functioning and energy production. The resulting detoxification eliminates toxins, harmful free radicals and waste from the minutest units of our bodies. The result: Rejuvenated,



healthy and energetic selves.Stress Reduction Ozone therapy can aid in stress reduction by increasing oxygen delivery to tissues, promoting relaxation and a sense of calm. This is particularly beneficial in our fast-paced world where stress is a common issue.

**Athletic Performance:** Ozone therapy's unique restorative abilities are also extremely relevant to meeting the high performance and health needs of athletes. The increased oxy-

genation provided by ozone therapy improves endurance, enhances recovery, and boosts overall performance.

**Skin Rejuvenation:** The skin, the body's largest organ, is happiest when we have healthy cells and tissues. Ozone therapy, in promoting healthy cells, leads to several skin benefits. It is effective in treating skin conditions such as acne, eczema, and fungal infections due to ozone's antimicrobial and anti-inflammatory prop-

Ozone therapy promotes skin healing by increasing oxygen supply to the affected areas. Additionally, it has anti-ageing benefits. By improving blood flow and stimulating collagen production, ozone therapy can enhance skin elasticity and reduce wrinkles, resulting in a more youthful and vibrant appearance.

Multiple Ozone Therapy **Applications:** Ozone therapy can be administered in various ways, including rectal insufflation, intravenous ozone mixed with saline, and major autohemotherapy. These methods help activate cellular circulation, enhancing overall health. With over 20 different applications, ozone therapy offers versatile treatment options for a wide range of disorders, promoting healing and wellbeing through improved oxygen utilization and cellular

function The Science of Ozone Therapy: The scientific reason ozone therapy works is its ability to stimulate the mitochondria, the energy powerhouse of the tiniest units of our

bodies - cells. By providing a fresh supply of oxygen, ozone therapy boosts cellular health, bodily functions and energy production. Ozone therapy also helps neutralise free radicals, reducing oxidative stress and preventing cellular damage. Ozone therapy is safe when administered correctly and has been supported by numerous studies demonstrating its efficacy and safety. Ozone therapy's ability to complement and enhance conventional therapies, combined with its wide range of applications, makes the centuries-old treatment a modern-day tool in the quest for holistic health

(The writer is trustee of Bisleri Charitable Trust and president Ozone Forum of India; views are personal)

# Israel's crackdown on West Bank insurgency killing youths

As the world's attention focuses on the deadly war in Gaza, less than 80 miles away scores of Palestinian teens have been killed, shot and arrested in the West Bank, where the Israeli military has waged a months-long crackdown. More than 150 teens and chil-

dren 17 or younger have been killed in the embattled territory since Hamas' brutal attack on communities in southern Israel set off the war last October. Most died in nearly daily raids by the Israeli army that Amnesty International says have used disproportionate and unlawful force.

Amjad Hamadneh lost son Mahmoud when the 15-yearold's school dismissed students at the start of a May raid.

"He didn't do anything. He didn't make a single mistake," says Amjad Hamadneh, whose son, a buzz-cut devotee of computer games, was one of two teens killed that morning by a sniper. "If he'd been a freedom fighter or was carrying a weapon, I would not be so emotional. says his father, an unemployed construction worker. "But he was taken just as easily as water going down your throat. He only had his books and a pencil case?

It is clear from statements by the Israeli military, insurgents and families in the West Bank that a number of the Palestinian teens killed in recent months were members

protests or when they or someone nearby threw rocks or home-made explosives at military vehicles. Still others appear to have been random targets. Taken together, the killings raise troubling questions about the devaluation of young lives in pursuit of security and autonomy.

The Israeli army said in a statement to the AP that it has apprehend militants suspected of carrying out attacks in the West Bank and that "the absolute majority of those killed during this period were armed or involved in terrorist activities at the time of the incident."

year-old Issa Jallad was killed, video from a neighbor's security camera shows, he was on a friend's motorbike with an Israeli armored vehicle in close pursuit. Days later, a poster outside his family's home in Jenin showed him cradling an assault rifle and declared him a holy

after the raid, and others from nearby cameras do not explain where he fit in the conflict. The Israeli army said that its soldiers had spotted two militants handling a powerful explosive

of militant groups

Many others were killed during

stepped up raids since Oct. 7 to On the June afternoon that 17-

But the grainy tape, reviewed by the Associated Press days



device. When the pair tried to flee, troops opened fire and "neutralized them."

But an Israeli human rights group, B'Tselem, says its review of multiple security camera videos showed Jallad and his friend posed no threat.

'We all expected to be in this situation," said the teen's brother, Mousa Jallad. "It could happen to any of us. Jenin's refugee camp has long

been notorious as a hotbed of Palestinian militancy, raided repeatedly by Israeli forces

who have occupied the West Bank since seizing control in their 1967 war with neighboring Arab states.

The embattled territory was already seeing deadly clashes before the war began. But Israeli forces, which police about 3 million Palestinians while assigned to protect 500,000 Jewish settlers, has significantly stepped up raids in the months signed. the months since

Youths represent almost a quar-700 ter of the nearly Palestinians slain in the West Bank since the war began, the most since the violent uprising known as the Second Intifada in the early 2000s. More than 20 Israeli civilians and soldiers have been killed in the territory since October.

A military spokesman said the Israeli army makes great efforts to avoid harming civilians dur-ing raids and "does not target civilians, period." He said human rights group focus on a few outlier cases.

Military operations in the West Bank are fraught because forces

are pursuing militants, many in their teens, who often hide among the civilian population, said the spokesman, Lt. Col. Nadav Shoshani.

"In many cases many of them are 15, 16 years old who are not wearing uniforms and might surprise you with a gun, with a knife," he said.

Critics say the crackdown is shaped by retribution, not only military strategy.

When sirens erupted at the start of the May raid, Amjad Hamadneh says, he called Mahmoud on his cell phone and was relieved to hear that ment until he could confer with police. the brothers had reached their school. But then Mahmoud's twin brother, Ahmed, called

Four bullets hit Mahmoud as he fled, and another pierced his

skull. He was the third student from his school killed in a raid

since the war began. A former classmate, Osama

Hajir, who had dropped out of

school to work, was also killed

along with a teacher from a nearby school and a doctor from the hospital down the street. "Now when I hear the sound of sirens I go to my room and stay there," says Karam Miazneh another class-

Karam Miazneh, another class-mate, who was shot during the

raid but survived. "I'm still in fear that they will come to

Immediately after the May raid, a spokesman for the army said it had carried out the operation with Israeli border police and the country's internal country against the country's

internal security agency,

destroying an explosive device

laboratory and other struc-

tures used by militants. But

police recently declined to comment, and three weeks

after the AP asked the military

to answer questions about the

May raid, an army spokesman

said he was unable to com-

shoot me and kill me."

When Amjad Hamadneh heard his son had been wounded, he sped through Jenin's twisting streets, drawing gunfire as he neared the hospital. back to say that the principal had dismissed classes. As students poured into the street, the But Mahmoud was already brothers were separated in the

Nearby, Osama's father, Muhamad, broke down as he leaned over his son's body. Months earlier he'd snapped a photo of the smiling teen beside graffiti touting Jenin as "the factory of men," tirelessly cranking out fighters in the resistance against Israel. Now, he pressed that same, still-smooth face between his hands. "Oh, my son. Oh, my son," he sobbed. "My beautiful son."
Since Mahmoud Hamadneh was killed, his siblings ask fre-

quently to visit his grave. His younger sister now sleeps in his bed so her surviving brother, Ahmed, will not be in the room alone.

"I feel like I cannot breathe. We used to do everything together," Ahmed says. His father listens closely, despairing later that such said grief could drive the teen into militancy. If the risk is so clear to a Palestinian father, he says, why don't Israeli soldiers see it?

They think that if they kill us that people will be afraid and not do anything," he says. "But when the Israelis kill someone, 10 fighters will be created in his

# Starmer plans 'major surgery' to reform country's health service

PTI ■ LONDON

British Prime Minister Keir Starmer on Thursday announced plans for "major surgery" that is needed to reform the National Health Service (NHS) after a damning new review warned that the country's state-funding health service is in "serious trouble". Starmer pledged the "biggest reimagining of our NHS since its birth" in a speech after for-mer surgeon Lord Ara Darzi's probe concluded the service is in a "critical condition" amidst surging waiting lists and a deterioration in the nation's underlying health, identifying serious and widespread problems for people accessing ser-

Based on Darzi's diagnosis of the challenges facing the NHS, Starmer outlined greater digitisation, reducing care burden on the hospitals and a greater focus on prevention rather than cure as the fundamental areas of reform.

to deliver long-term reform major surgery not sticking plaster solutions," Starmer said in his major speech at the healthcare charity King's Fund in London

"The NHS is at a fork in the road, and we have a choice about how it should meet these



rising demands. Raise taxes on working people to meet the ever-higher costs of aging population, or reform to secure its future," he said

We have to fix the plumbing before turning on the taps. Hear me when I say this: No more money without reform," he added. The rapid review into the taxpayer-funded service, which employs a large number of Indian doctors and nurses. had been commissioned by the newly elected Labour government soon after the July 4 problems in the NHS and themes for the government to incorporate into a 10-year plan for reforming the health service."This government is working at pace to build a 10-year plan; something so different from anything that has come before. Instead of the topdown approach of the past, this plan is going to have the finger-prints of NHS staff and patients all over it," said Starmer. "And as we build it together, I

want to frame this plan around three big shifts - first, moving from an analogue to a digital

A tomorrow service not just a today service. Second, we've got to shift more care from hospitals to communities... and third, we've got to be much bolder in moving from sickness to prevention. Only fundamental reform and a plan for mental reform and a plan for the long term can turn around the NHS and build a healthy society. It won't be easy or quick. But I know we can do it,"

Darzi is an independent House of Lords peer and practising surgeon with 30 years of experience in the NHS. He examined over 600 pieces of analysis from across the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC), NHS England and external organisations during deterioration in the nation's health over the past 15 years with a substantial increase in the number of people living with multiple long-term condi-

At the same time, NHS waiting lists have swelled and waiting times have surged.

# UK waives settlement fees, unveils new visas for bereaved partners

London (PTI): Eligible foreign nationals dealing with the death of a partner and facing financial hardship will soon be able to apply to have the appliance of the statement in cation fee for settlement in the UK waived, under new rules laid out in Parliament this week.

Currently, people who wish to apply for settlement in the UK following the death of their British citizen partner are required to pay a GBP 2,885 fee, irrespective of a change in financial circumstances following a loss. Indian-origin migration and citizenship minister Seema Malhotra told Parliament on Tuesday that this fee will now be waived from October 9 as part of a "fairer and more compassionate approach" to those wishing to stay in the UK and facing acute financial vulnerability during times of grief. "Losing a loved one is a deep and often compounded by the immense financial strain faced by those left behind," said Malhotra.

"Widows, widowers, and their dependent children who had become integral parts of our communities can now apply for a fee waiver if facing destitution, in order to settle and keep the life they have built. This marks a fairer and more compassionate approach to those unable to afford the settle ment fees, but who have often worked, paid their taxes and contributed to life here in the UK, including the partners of our military veterans," she said. Those who qualify include partners on a family visa who meet the criteria for destitution, if their partner had either been a British citizen, had indefinite leave to remain in the UK, or was from the European Union (EU), Switzerland, Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein and had pre-settled status. Bereaved partners of members of the Armed Forces, Gurkhas or Hong Kong military unit veterans – discharged before July 1997, may also benefit from such a fee waiver. In her written statement in the

House of Commons, Malhotra announced the introduc tion of a new diplomatic visitor visa process as part of the UK border being transformed to include digital pre-travel checks. Under this, the current Diplomatic Visa Waivers (DVWs) will be phased out in favour of a "Diplomatic Visa Arrangement".

### US to sell anti-submarine sonobuoys to India

Washington (PTI): The US has decided to sell High Altitude Anti-Submarine (HAASW) Warfare sonobuoys worth USD 52.8 million to India, a move that would enhance New Delhi's capacity to conduct anti-submarine operations.Sonobuoys are airlaunched, expendable, electro-mechanical sensors

designed to relay underwater sounds to remote processors. These are effective and affordable antisubmarine warfare (ASW) that are capable of being used by airborne ASW warfighters.

threats by enhancing its capacity to conduct anti-sub-Defence

# N Korea has fired

warfare

"The proposed sale will improve India's capability to meet current and future

marine warfare operations from its MH-60R helicopters. India will have no difficulty into its armed forces," the Security Cooperation Agency said in a notification to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee

this week. As per the Arms Export Control Act, Congress has 30 calendar days to review the sale.

# ballistic missile toward sea: South

North Korea fired multiple short-range ballistic missiles toward the sea on Thursday, South Korea's military said, days after North Korean leader Kim Jong Un vowed to put his nuclear force fully ready for battle with its rivals.

South Korea's Joint Chiefs of Staff said it detected the missiles launched from North Korea's capital flying 360 kilometers (about 220 miles) before landing in the waters between the Korean Peninsula and Japan. Japanese Prime Minister Fumio Kishida instructed officials to ensure the safety of ships and aircraft, but there were no immediate reports of damage.

The reported fight distances suggest the missiles were Korea. The South Korean Joint Chiefs of Staff condemned the launches as a provocation that poses a serious threat to peace on the Korean Peninsula.

The launches were North Korea's first public weapons firing activities in more than two months. On July 1, North Korea claimed to have tested a new tactical weapon capable of delivering a "super-large" 4.5 ton-class warhead.

In a Monday speech marking his government's 76th foundation anniversary, Kim said he would redouble efforts to make his nuclear force fully ready for combat with the United States and its allies. Kim made such a pledge saying North Korea faces "a grave threat" because of what he called "the reckless expansion" of a U.S.-led regional military bloc that is now developing into a nuclear-based

Kim has made similar vows numerous times, but his latest threat came as outside experts believe North Korea could carry out a nuclear test explosion or long-range missile testlaunches ahead of the U.S. presidential election in November to boost its leverage

in future dealings with the U.S. On Sunday, North Korea's state media published a photo of Kim inspecting a 12-axel vehicle that would be the the country's biggest missile launch platform. That sparked specu-lation that the North could be developing a more powerful intercontinental ballistic missile designed to strike the U.S. mainland.

Recent commercial satellite images indicate that North Korea's northeastern nuclear test site incurred minor damage from heavy summer rains in recent weeks and that no notable recent work was detected at its tunnels, 38 North, a North Korea-focused website, said an analytical piece published Wednesday.

Thursday's launches also came after North Korea flew hundreds of huge balloons carry-Korea for five straight days through Sunday.

Since 2022, North Korea has

sharply ramped up its weapons testing activities in part of its efforts to perfect its capabilities to launch strikes on the U.S. and South Korea. The U.S. and South Korea have responded by expanding military drills that North Korea calls invasion rehearsals

Last month, Kim had still held off from missile tests or other provocative military demonstrations as the United States and South Korea conducted large-scale summertime military exercises. North Korea has previously reacted with other major U.S.-South Korean military training with its own weapons tests.

But prior to the U.S.-South Korean exercises, Kim staged a big ceremony in Pyongyang to mark the delivery of 250 nuclear-capable missile launchers to frontline military units and called for a ceaseless expansion of his country's nuclear program.

The Aug. 4 event added to concerns about Kim's pushes to deploy battlefield nuclear weapons along the tense border with South Korea.

### Billionaire takes pvt spacewalk from SpaceX capsule

Cape Canaveral (AP): A bil lionaire stepped out for the first private spacewalk Thursday teaming up with SpaceX on the daring endeavour hundreds of miles above Earth. Tech entrepreneur Jared Isaacman and his crew waited until their capsule was depressurised before popping open the hatch. Isaacman emerged first, joining a small elite group of spacewalkers who until now had included only professional astronauts from a dozen countries. "Back at home, we all have a lot of work to do. But from here, it sure looks like a perfect world," said Isaacman The commercial spacewalk was the main focus of the fiveday flight financed by Isaacman and Elon Musk's company, and the culmination of years of development geared

SpaceX's new spacewalking suits to protect themselves from the harsh vacuum. They launched on Tuesday from Florida, rocketing farther from Earth than anyone since NASA's moonwalkers. The orbit was reduced by half — to 460 miles (740 kilometres) for the spacewalk. This first spacewalking test, expected to last close to two hours, involved more stretching than walking.

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All four on board donned

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#### Spanish PM meets exiled Venezuelan opp leader government to recognise the for "the immediate rupture ernment, consider him the Venezuelan opposition's de of all diplomatic relations, of

**AP** MADRID

Tenezuela's opposition presidential candidate Edmundo González met with Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sánchez on Thursday, four days after fleeing to the European country in a negotiated deal with Nicolás Maduro's government.

González's flight to exile after weeks of seeking refuge in the embassies of the Netherlands and Spain in Caracas — had dealt a major blow to millions who placed their hopes in his opposition campaign. His supporters in Venezuela and beyond, along with the United States gov-

legitimate winner of the July 28 presidential election. Sánchez, who was on a trip

to China when González arrived, posted a video of their meeting Thursday on the social media platform X. The two are seen strolling together in the Moncloa Palace gardens in Madrid. Spain has welcomed González as a sign of its "humanitarian commitment solidarity with

Venezuelans," Sánchez said

in his post. On Wednesday, the Spanish Parliament approved a proposal from the conservative Popular Party urging Sánchez's left-wing coalition

opposition leader as the elected president Venezuela. The motion is non-binding. Spain's government supports

the European Union position of demanding that Maduro make public the raw polling results before the bloc recognises a winner.

will debate the outcome of the Venezuelan elections on Tuesday in Strasbourg, France. González's arrival has further

strained relations between

Madrid and Caracas. On

Wednesday, Jorge Rodríguez, president of Venezuela's

National Assembly, asked

justifying the exclusion of those

on the margins from benefiting

"These workers contribute a

The European Parliament

egation leave, and let us bring our own," Rodríguez said in the Assembly and also called for "the immediate closure of all commercial activities of Spanish compa-González, Venezuela's former ambas-

sador in Argentina during the presidency of late Hugo Chávez, landed Sunday at a military airport near Madrid. He travelled aboard a Spanish military plane. Following the election,

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facto leader, María Corina Machado, went into hiding "Let all the representatives of as security forces rounded up more than 2,000 people the Spanish government delmany of them young Venezuelans — who spontaneously took to the streets to protest Maduro's alleged theft of the election. With his flight into exile,

González joined the swelling ranks of opposition stalwarts who once fought Maduro before seeking asylum abroad in the face of a brutal crackdown. In Spain, he joins at least four former presidential hopefuls who were imprisoned or faced arrest for defying Maduro's

#### Pope lauds S'pore's skyscrapers, calls to remember migrants **Singapore (AP):** Pope Francis the National Parks Board. lence at all costs, a reference to great deal to society and should Francis arrived in Singapore Singapore's highly competitive Thursday

praised Singapore's economic strength as a testament to human ingenuity but urged the city-state to look after the weakest, too, especially foreign workers, as he opened the final leg of his tour through some of Asia's poorest countries in one of the world's richest.

Singapore celebrated his arrival by unveiling a new hybrid orchid named for him, the "Dendrobium His Holiness Pope Francis." Presented during an official welcome ceremony, the orchid "exudes a serene and pure beauty" of ivory white petals with a pink tinge at the center, according to

from East Timor and began his official program Thursday by meeting with President Tharman Shanmugaratnam and Prime Minister Lawrence Wong before addressing government authorities and the diplomatic corps at the National University of Singapore.

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from progress," he said. In a common appeal from his-There, Francis marveled at tory's first Latin American Singapore's modern skyscrappope, Francis called especially ers "that seem to rise from the for dignified pay and conditions for migrant workers, who have helped build Singapore sea" and the government's commitment to providing public housing and quality education into one of the world's most and health care to its people. advanced economic power-But he urged authorities to houses

be guaranteed a fair wage,' work and educational culture. Francis said. Singapore has no minimum "I would like to highlight the risk entailed in focusing sole-

wage policy for locals or forly on pragmatism or placing merit above all things, namely Singapore is the last stop of the unintended consequence of

Francis' 11-day tour that is the longest and farthest of his papacy after earlier stops in Indonesia, Papua New Guinea and East Timor. The economic disparities were obvious upon arrival Wednesday as Francis landed in Singapore's high-tech airport aboard the lone aircraft belonging to Aero Dili, the national carrier of East Timor, where around 42% of its people live below the poverty



Pope Francis gestures to attendees after presiding over a holy mass at the SportsHub National Stadium in Singapore on Thursday AP/PTI

# Blinken wraps up Europe trip with arms request

US Secretary of State Antony Blinken is wrapping up a three-nation, Ukraine-focused European tour in Poland after hearing repeated appeals from Ukrainian officials to use Western-supplied weaponry for long-range strikes inside Russia.

Blinken traveled to Warsaw on Thursday after spending a day in Kyiv with British Foreign Secretary David Lammy during which they pledged to bring the Ukrainian requests to their leaders. President Joe Biden and British Prime Minister Keir Starmer are to meet in the United States on Friday and London are growing more receptive to allowing the Ukrainians to use their arms to hit targets farther inside Russia than previously okayed. NATO member Poland, which shares a border with Ukraine, has been supportive of the Ukrainians and Blinken is likely to hear further requests for easing weapons-use restrictions from Polish President Andrzej Duda, Prime Minister Donald Tusk and Foreign Minister Radoslaw Sikorski. On Wednesday, Blinken and

Lammy announced that the United States and Britain had pledged nearly \$1.5 billion in additional aid to Ukraine during their visit to Kyiv.

who once represented the late

Russian opposition leader

Alexei Navalny went on trial

Thursday in Russia, part of the

Kremlin's unrelenting crack-

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amid signs both Washington Blinken announced more than \$700 million in humanitarian aid. while Lammy confirmed that his country would provide another \$782 million in assistance and loan guarantees. Much of the effort was aimed at bolstering the energy grid that Russia has repeatedly pounded ahead of an expected difficult winter. Ukraine's wish list is long and non-military assistance is certainly on it, but Ukrainian officials made clear their most important ask is for easing restrictions on where Western weapons can be used. Air-raid sirens sounded repeatedly during the visit, causing delays in their schedule and forcing them to cancel a wreath-laying ceremony.

Blinken said he would bring the discussion with Ukrainian Volodymyr President Zelenskyy about the missiles back to Washington to brief the president" and that Biden and Starmer will "no doubt" talk about the issue when they meet in Washington. "Speaking for the United States, we have adjusted and adapted as needs have changed, as the battlefield has changed. And I have no doubt that we'll continue to do that as this evolves, Blinken told a news conference. His language was very similar to that which he used in May, shortly before the U.S.

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Court seeks clarification on Imran's military trial PTI ISLAMBAD A Pakistani high court on Thursday asked the gov-

ernment to clarify the uncertainty surrounding the possi-ble military trial of jailed former prime minister Imran

The Islamabad High Court (IHC) was hearing a petition filed to prevent Khan's possible military custody and trial over his involvement in the May 9, 2023 violence in which supporters of his Pakistan

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The court raised concerns over the potential trial of a civilian in a military court, emphasising that the issue is a matter of serious concern for both the petitioner and the judiciary.

During the hearing, Justice Miangul Hassan Aurangzeb asked Assistant Attorney General Azmat Bashir Tarar to seek directions from the Attorney General's office over the issue and provide a clear

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response to the court. "You are saying there is no case now, but could there be one later?" the judge asked, highlighting the uncertainty surrounding the matter.The court adjourned the hearing until September 16, giving the federal government time to submit its response.PTI in a WhatsApp message also confirmed that the IHC ordered the government to file a reply on "possi-ble military trial of Imran

However, if such a trial is under consideration, the court will proceed to hear and decide the case. The 71-year-old PTI party founder has been in jail since August last year after being convicted in some of the nearly 200 cases slapped on him since his ouster in April 2022. Various government officials have been indicating about holding the military trial of Khan, but any such

Khan by Sep 16". If the governdecision will depend on the ment denies any plans for a final judgment of the Supreme military trial, the petition will **PARADIP PORT AUTHORITY** 

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### Lawyers for Kremlin's foe Navalny face trial Petushki (AP): Three lawyers

AP PETUSHKI

Three lawyers who once represented the late Russian opposition leader Alexei Navalny went on trial Thursday in Russia, part of the Kremlin's unrelenting crackdown on dissent that has in recent years reached levels unseen since the Soviet times. The three — Vadim Kobzev, Igor Sergunin and Alexei Liptser — were arrested in October 2023 on charges of involvement with an extremist group. The case has been widely seen as a means to ramp up pressure on the Kremlin's fiercest foe at the time and to discourage defence lawyers from taking on political cases.

When they were arrested, Navalny was already serving a 19-year prison term on several criminal convictions, including extremism. The extremism charges against the opposition politician stemmed from a 2021 court ruling that outlawed his organisations in Russia the Foundation for Fighting Corruption and a vast network of regional offices — as extremist groups.

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I, hereto known as Manoj Singh S/o. Mr. Kanwar Singh, R/o. 62, F1, Masjid Moth, South Ex-2, South Delhi, Delhi-110049 changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Manoj Kumar for all future purposes. PD(746)A

#### MECHANIZED CLEANING OF COACHES OF THROUGH PASSING TRAINS

E-Tender Notice No: GEM/2024/B/ 5371559; Dated: 06-09-2024. Open ender in "Two Packet System" are nvited by the undersigned for the following work. **Name of work:** Mechanized cleaning of coaches of nrough passing trains at New Jalpaiguri latform during halt under "Clean Train Station" (CTS) scheme for a period of four years. **Tender Value: ₹**20,77,14,613.60 Earnest Money: ₹11,88.600.00. Eender will be closed at 19:00 hrs. on 27-09-2024 and Opened at 19:30 hrs. on 27-09-2024. The complete information with the tender document of above e ender will be available in website http:// www.gem.gov.in.

Sr. DME/Katiha NORTHEAST FRONTIER RAILWAY

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Re: Property Bearing No. 222, area measuring 50 sq. yds., Out of Khasra No. 38/45, situated in the abadi of Shastri Nagar, in the area of Village/Khureji Khas, Illaqa Shahdara, Delhi. (Hereinafter referred to as the Said Property").

the Said Property).

Notice is hereby given to the general public including Banks, Financial Institutions, etc. that, as informed by our clientess, Ms. Shama Praveen, she is the sole and absolute attorney Praveen, she is the sole and absolute attorney holder of the said property vide POA documents viz., GPA, ATS, and Will dated 03/10/2005 executed by Mr. Azam Ali in her favour. Mr Azam Ali has owned the said property vide POA documents viz., GPA, ATS, and Will dated 12/10/1998 executed by Mr. Manish Arora in his favour. Now our clier intends to mortgage the said property with SMFG India Home Finance Company Ltd., fo vailing loan facility

availing loan facility. If any person, society, bank, financial institution or other institutions have any objection against the ownership of our clientess on the said property and subsequently rightful mortgage of the said property in favour of SMFG India Home Finance Company Ltd., by our clientess, may raise his/her/their objection/s, in writing, by Registered AD post, to the undersigned, within 07 days, on address mentioned below. Otherwise after expiry of 07 days from the date of publication of this notice, the said property shall be mortgaged by our clientess roperty shall be mortgaged by our clientess favour of SMFG India Home Finance ompany Ltd.,and no objection shall be cceptable against such mortgage. SHIVKANT ARORA, ADVOCATE FOR M/S INTELLECTIVE LAW OFFICES,

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

SHREEYA PRASAD

Reg. Old House Bearing No. 84 & New No. 118, area measuring 109.64 sq. mtrs., situated in Mohalla Mirzajaan, Ghaziabad, Tehsil & District Ghaziabad, U.P. (Hereinatter referred to as the "Said Property"). Be it known to all that our clients, Mr. Mohd. Amir & Mrs. Raseeda(hereinafter called the "Purchaser") intend to purchase the said property from Mr. Vipin Kuma Garg, Mr. Sachin Garg, Mr. Pranshu Sharma (hereinafter called the "Seller"). In this connection, the seller has informed the purchaser that they are joint owners of the said property. The seller further informed the purchaser that the said property was owned by Mrs. Neeru Garg vide Saie Deed registered as Document No. 15613, Book No. 1, Volume No. 7726, pages 311-336, on 22.10.2013. Mrs. Neeru Garg expired and the said property devolved on her legal heirs viz., Mr. Vipin Kuma Garg, Mr. Sachin Garg, Mr. Sachin Garg, Mr. Sachin Garg, Mr. Sachin Carg. In Vigin Kuma Garg, Mr. Sachin Garg, Mr. person including Bank/s, Financi

Institution/s, relative/s having any claim, right title or any interest of any nature whatsoeve nto or upon the aforesaid property is hereb called upon to make the same known, i American upon to make the same known, writing, with documentary evidence, I Registered AD Post, to the undersigned at the address mentioned herein below within the days of publication of this notice and ays or publication of this notice and ne event of no response having been receive the notice, the title of the sell to the said property shall be deemed to be lear of any charge or encumbrance ny nature whatsoever and any subseque laim shall not bind our clients/Purchaser, ny manner whatsoever.

M/s Intellective Law Offices A-74, LGF, Defence Colony New Delhi-110024

Re: Pvt. Flat Bearing No. 204, on First Floor without roof rights, (Hereinafter referred to as the "Said flat"), Built upon Property of Land area measuring 104.5 Sq. Mfrs., Out of Khasra No. 37/2, situated Village Shahbad Daulat Pur, abadi known as Shahbad Extr., Shahbad Part III, Delhii, (Hereinafter referred to las the "Said Property"). as the "Said Property")

Notice is hereby given to the general public including Banks, Financial Institutions, etc. that including Banks, Financial Institutions, etc. that, as informed by our clientess, Ms. Tiny Mohanty, she is the sole and absolute attorney holder of the said flat vide POA documents viz., GPA, ATS, and Will dated 28/06/2023 executed by Mr. Bhawani Singh in her favour. Later on, an Authorization Slip dated 12.08.2024 was executed by President of India through Delhi Development Authority in her favour, in spect of the said flat of the said property respect of the said flat of the said property. The said authorization slip is registered as Document No. 2024/20/I/2154, Book No. 1, Volume No. 1023, pages 159-68 on 20.08.2024 (SRO-VIE). Thus the said flat is owned by her. Now ordientess intends to mortgage the said flat with SMFG India Home Finance Company Ltd., for availing loan facility.

If any person, society bank, financial institution

If any person, society, bank, financial institution or other institutions have any objection against the ownership of our clientess on the said flat and subsequently rightful mortgage of the said flat in favour of SMFG India Home Finance Company Ltd., by our clientess, may raise his/her/their objection/s, in writing, by Registered AD post, to the undersigned, within 07 days, on address mentioned below. Otherwise after expiry of 07 days from the date of publication of this notice, the said flat shall be mortgaged by our clientess in favour of SMFG India Home Finance Company. It did and no phierction shall be company Ltd., and no objection shall be coeptable against such mortgage.

SHIVKANT ARORA, ADVOCATE FOR M/S INTELLECTIVE LAW OFFICES, A-74. LOWER GROUND FLOOR. DEFENCE COLONY, NEW DELHI-110024

# Plaintiff's Advocate Mr. B.G.Rajpurohit

In the Court of Small Causes at Ahmedabad
Court No.6
New Small Cause Court Summary Suit No.-5/2023
[Old City Civil Commercial Civil Suit No.-232/2021]
(Old Small Cause court Commercial Civil Suit No.-358/2020
[Old City Civil Summary Suit No.-304/20213

M/s. "MAGRAJ KANTILAL FAB PVT LTD." . IMAS-KAY ANN HALFAB FV I LID.
Office At: 705/1, Rangwala Market, Sakar Bazar, Kalupur, Ahmedabad-38000 Usual office at: 272, New Cloth Market, Sarangpur, Ahmedabad **Through** director Shri KANTILAL S/o MAGRAJ SANGHAVI Age: 66 Yrs, Occu: Business, religion: Hundu.

Versus : (1) M/s. "SHREE BHAGVATI APPARELS INDIA LTD."

(Registered Under the Provision of Company Act) <u>OFFICE:</u> 73, G.Fir., Gagan Vihar, DELHI. PIN:110051. FACTORY: C-2/3, Sector-58, NOIDA, (U.P.) PIN:201301 (2) Shri AMIT K. MITTAL managing Director of M/s. "SHREE BHAGWATI APPARELS INDIA LTD." OFFICE: 73, G. FLR., Gagan Vihar, DELHI. PIN: 110051 FACTORY: C-2/3, Sector-58 NOIDA. (U.P.) PIN:201301 RESI: 45, Defence Enclave, Vikas Marg, Delhi-110092. (3) Shri PUJA MITTAL a Director of M/s. "SHREE BHAGWATI APPARELS

OFFICE: 73, G. Fir., Gagan Vihar, DELHI, PIN: 110051 FACTORY; C-2/3, Sector-58, NOIDA (U.P.)PIN: 201301.
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(4) Shri RAKESH KUMAR SHARMA a Director of M/s. "SHREE BHAGWAT APPARELS INDIALTD."

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FACTORY: C-2/3, Sector-58, NOIDA. (U.P.) PIN: 201301
RESI: 1/3098, Kunj Gali, Ramnagar Shahdara, DELHI-110032.

SUIT valued at Rs. 19,58,422/

You, The Defendant is hereby informed that the above named Plaintiff has instituted the above named Summary Suit against you for recovery of sum of Rs. 19,58,422/- and interest. The court has tried to serve the summons as well as the court process was returned unserved. In the bove circumstances, the Public Summons is hereby issued by way of publication in the daily ews paper as per the Order passed below Exh-22 by the Hon'ble Court. Where the Plaintiff above named has instituted a suit against you, the Defendant under Order XXXVII of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, for Rs. 19,58,422/- and interest. You are hereby summoned to cause

n appearance to be tendered for you, within 10 days from the date of the publication of this public summor In the News paper, in default whereof the plaintiff will be entitled, after the expiration of the said period of ter lays, to obtain a decree for any sum not exceeding the sum Rs. 19,58,422/- and such amount as the cour

If you, the Defendant cause an appearance to be entered for you, the Plaintiff will thereafter, serv on you a summons for judgment at the hearing of which you will be entitled to move the court for leave to seen the suit. Leave to defend may be obtained if you satisfy the court by affidavit of otherwise that there is

(D.C. Chokshi)

fence to the suit on the merits, or that is reasonable that you should be allowed to defend suit. Given under my hand and the seal of the Court, this 07th day of August, 2024. Prepared by Sd/-(K.S. Vyas) Compared by SEAL

Sd/-(J.H. Nayak) Registrar Small Cause Court, Ahmedabad.

On the East by On the West by Dated: 13.09.2024 Place: Faridabad

Mohd. Ibrahim Khan who is the owner of the Residential Plot area measuring 655Q. Yards, Khasra No. 51/2, Village Chotpur, Dadri, Gautam Budh Nagar, Unower vide Sale Deed dated 23.02.2017 (Vide Doc No.1078) executed by Mr. Chandra Prakash and same to be financed by Grihum Housing Finance Limited, Ghaziabad. That, Original Sale Deed dated 24.03.2006 (Vide Doc No.2421) executed by Mr. Sunder Singh in favour of Mr. Chandra Prakash has lost. If any Person having any type of claim/right/title/interest over the said property, may inform in writing, at the address mentioned below, about his objections, within 7 days from today, failing which it shall be presumed that the said property is free from all type of at Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi or through an email at Ido@nic.in, within the said property is free from all type of Encumbrances, lien etc. Lucem Legal LL B-93B, Second Floor, Opp. SBI Ban Sector 2,Noida,UP-201301Contact#0120-426937 30 days of publication of this notice

**PUBLIC NOTICE** Public Notice
This is to inform general public that Mrs. Ashimal Grover has acquired the Third Floor, Front Side, LHS, with roof rights, area measuring 60 sc, yds., built on Property bearing No. C-15, out of khasra no. 333, situated in the area of village Bindapur, Delhi State colony known as Subhash Park, Ultam Nagar, New Delhi -110059 by way Sale Deed dated 10.11.2022 pocno. 28501.

Documents related to the above said property has been misplaced i.e. Original Sale Deed dated 10.11.2022 executed by 1. Mr. Kanhiya Lal (having 25% undivided share), 3. Mr. Ram Prasad (having 20% undivided share), 3. Mr. Ram Prasad (having 20% undivided share), 4. Mr. Naveen Kumar (having 25% undivided share), 4. Mr. Naveen Kumar (having 25% undivided share), 4. Mr. Naveen Kumar (having 25% undivided share), 6. Mr. Vinay Kumar (having 10% undivided share), in favour of Mrs. Ashima Grover in respect of the above Said Property, vide Document No. 28501, 100 mlm No. 2801, 2022, 2039 No. 172 to 182 on 10.11.2022, duly registered in Sub Registrar IIB Delhi. anyone who find the said documents shall handover the same to the Manager of Hinduja Housing Finance Ltd. Office Address: Office No. 167-169, 3rd Floor, Little Mount, Saidapet, Chennai 600 015 or handover the same to Mrs. Ashima Grover Wio. Hemant Grover Rio. C-33-34, Subhash Park, Uttan Nagar, New Delhi 110059. This is to inform you that the Original Allottee of a Residential Flat No. A- 159, First Floor, Jalvayu /ihar Sector-21 Noida, WG, CDR, H.K. NAGPÁI Vinar Sector-21 Notice, Wg. Cur. H.K. NAGPAL (RETD.) S/O. B.D. NAGPAL R/O. A-159, SECTOR-21 NOIDA had executed a General Power of Attorney in favour of MRS. BEENA MATHUR W/O. SHRI RAKESH S. MATHUR R/O. A-301 GARIMA WHAR, SECTOR-35 NOIDA vide COR. Detail 4/08/10/09/docate be come use disk GPA Dated 14/08/1992and the same was duly registered in the office of Sub-Registrar Noida in favour of MRS. BEENA MATHUR W/o. SHRI RAKESHS. MATHUR which is not registered. On the basis of the abovesaid General Power of Attorney BEENA MATHUR wants to transfer the of MRS. BEENA MATHUR W/o. SHR Authrey beckin with the wallis to dailiste in favour of SHRI ABHISHEK SHARMA S/o. LATE SHRI HARI SHANKER SHARMA R/o. A-158, JALVAYU VIHAR, SECTOR-21 NOIDA. Because the abovesaid Agreement to Sell is not registered. So with the help of this notice it is informed that on the transfer of the abovesaid Residential Flat if any one has/have any objection he/she will if any one has/have any objection, he/she will submit his/her objection in the Office of AGM/OSD (Group Housing) Noida Authority along with the proofs within 30 days of this publication of this notice.

Beena Mathur W/o. Shri Rakesh S. Mathur R/o. A-301 Garima vihar Sector-35 Noida.

केन्द्रा बैंक Canara Bank 📣 🛮 REGIONAL OFFICE, WEST DELHI, PHONE: 011-2845099, 9821711328

ANNEXURE - 10 POSSESSION NOTICE [SECTION 13(4)] (For Immovable property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the Canara Bank under Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") 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 02.07.2024 calling upon the Borrower Mr. Braham Prakash (Borrower) and Mr. Bhupender Sharma (Guarrantor) and Mrs. Savita W/o Mr. Braham Prakash (Guarantor) :- to pay the amount mentioned in the notice, being Rs. 1,73,39,629.11 (Rupees One Crore Seventy Three Lakhs Thirty Nine Thousand Six Hundred Twenty Nine and Paisa Eleven only) 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 / her under section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule on this 11th day of September

The borrower 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 Canara Bank for an amount of Rs. 1,73,39,629.11 (Rupees One Crore Seventy Three Lakhs Thirty Nine Thousand Six Hundred Twenty Nine and Paisa Eleven only) and interest thereon w.e.f. 28.06.2024 The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in

respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

#### DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

EMT of all the part & parcel of the Residential Property at PLATINUM HEIGHTS bearing HIG Flat No. 172, On Second Floor, Block -B, Type- C, Sector 18-B, Entry/174, SOUTH-Road

Date: 11-09-2024, Place: Delhi

Authorised Officer, Canara Bank

#### ndian Overseas Bank SECTOR 46- FARIDABAD BRANCH

(Address : SCOF 63, Sector 46 - Faridabad, Faridabad Phone No: 0129-2438938 & E-mail: iob1836@iob.in) SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

(For Immovable Property) [Rule 8(1)] The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the Indian Overseas Bank

SECTOR 46- FARIDABAD, Faridabad, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act. 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 20/05/2024 Calling upon the borrowers/ mortgagors/ guarantors Shri

I. M/S OSM Projects Private Limited (Borrower) Mr. Lokesh Sharma (Director)

Mr. Surender Sharma (Director/Mortgagor/Guarantor) Mr. Dinesh Sharma (Director/Guarantor)

Mr. Munesh Sharma (Mortgagor/Guarantor)
 Mrs. Poonam Sharma (Mortgagor/Guarantor)

7. Mr. Ajay Vikram Singh (Mortgagor/Guarantor 8. Mr. Susheel Sharma (Mortgagor/Guarantor)

Mrs. Suman Sharma (Mortgagor/Guarantor)
 Mr. Om Prakash Sharma (Mortgagor/Guarantor)

11. Mr, Vipin Shandilya (Mortgagor/Guarantor) 12. Mr. Ramesh Chand Sharma (Guarantor)

Hereinafter referred as 'borrower/g mentioned in the notice being Rs.31,20,35,423.71 (Rs. Thirty one Crore twenty lakh thirty five thousand four hundred twenty three and seventy one paisa) including bank guarantiees as on 17/05/2024 with further interest a ractual rates and rests, charges etc. till date of realization within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

(1) The borrowers 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/ her under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the aid rules on this 11th day of September the year (2024)

(2) The borrowers 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 Indian Overseas Bank for an amount of Rs.31,91,53,920,06 (Rs. Thirty one Crore ninety one lakh fifty three thousand nine hundred twenty and six paisa only) including unrealized bank guarantee as on09/09/2024 with interest thereon at contractual rates & rests as agreed, charges etc., from the aforesaid date mentioned in the demand notice till date of payment less repayment, if any, made after issuance of Demand Notice. The dues payable as on 31.08.2024 is Rs.31,91,53,920.06 (Rs. Thirty one Crore ninety one lakh fifty three thousand nine hundred twenty and six paisa only) including unrealized bank guarantee payable with further interest at contractual rates & rests, charges etc., till date of payment.

 The Borrowers attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of the ection 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to them, to redeem the

#### DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY Residential property - Flat No 771/F-8, Sagar Presidency, 7th Floor, Sector 5th

Noida in The Name Of Mr. Ajay Vikram Singh S/o Shri Janardhan Singh Area of the property as per Title deed - 146.87 Sq. mtr. All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Plot no/Flat No 771 7th Floor

n survey No F-8 Sagar Presidency //City or Town Survey No-/Khasra No withi the registration sub-district Noida and District Noida (UP) On the North by

> Sd/- Authorised Officer Indian Overseas Bank

After expiration of notice period, the claims, if any, of such person shall be treated null and void and also treated as waived and not binding on our client. Ajay Kumar Giri (Advocate) H No. 26/161, Basement ramod Kumar Singh, Partner of AccuLaw Source LLP, Contact No. 9560309909 Vikram Vihar, Lajpat Nagar 4, New Delhi -110024

Having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is issued to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described below, by exercising powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property. Any dealings

Sr. Name of the No. Borrower(s)/Loan Account Number		Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)	Name of Branch	
1.	Anubhav Pandey/ Shailja Mishra/ LBNOD00006098201/ LBNOD00006262683	Unit Bearing No.C-305, 3rd Floor (Alongwith One Covered Car Parking), Tower-C, Nri Residency, Built On Plot No.GH-01, Situated at Sector-Omega-II, Greater Noida, District Gautam Budh Nagar, Uttar Pradesh- 201307/ September 9, 2024	May 31, 2024 Rs. 57,03,591/-	Delhi/ NCR	
2.	Minni Tiwari/ Sanjay Kumar Tiwari/ Vivek Tiwari/ LBDEL00003876309	Flat No.147, 1st Floor, New LIG Flats, Village Kondli Gharoli, Mayur Vihar, Phase-3, Delhi- 110096/ September 10, 2024	March 22, 2024 Rs. 15,88,929/-	Delhi/ NCR	
3.	Shyam Nandan Yadav/ Kaushlya Devi/ TBGHZ00006263585	Lig Flat No.A-2, First Floor, Without Roof Rights, Plot No.324, Situated at Residential Colony Shalimar Garden Extension-1, Village-Pasonda Tehsil and District Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh- 201005./ September 10, 2024	May 22, 2024 Rs. 14,75,945/-	DELHI/ NCR	
4.	Ratnesh/ Pramesh/ LBDEL00002377176	Flat No.24, Ground Floor, Sector G- 8, Pocket 3 Block B4 Narela Delhi- 110090/ September 10, 2024	February 08,2024 Rs.6,36,353/-	Delhi/NCR Sonepat	
5.		Flat No-S-2, Plot No-C-1/93 (SF Front Side LHS) DLF Dilshad Ext2, Ghaziabad/ September 10, 2024	June 19, 2021 Rs. 5,03,188/-	Delhi/ NCR	

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/guarantors(s) is/are hereby issued a 30 day Notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold after 30 days from the date of publishing this Notice, as per the provisions under Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002. Date: September 13, 2024 Place: Delhi/NCR Sincerely Authorised Signatory For ICICI Bank Ltd.

**Piramal** 

PIRAMAL CAPITAL & HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED Registered Office Address: Unit No.601, 6th Floor Piramal Amiti Building, Piramal Agastya Corporate Park, Kamani Junction, Opp Fire Station, LBS Marg, Kurla (West), Mumbai- 400 070

CIN: L65910MH1984PLC032639, Webside:www.piramalfinance.com Branch Address: Dhiraj Baug, Building "A" Ground & 1st Floor, Beside Axis Bank, Opp. Monalisa Building, Agra Road, Hari Niwas Circle, Naupada, Thane (West) – 400 602.

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rule 3 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The undersigned is the Authorised Officer of **Piramal Capital & Housing Finance Limited (PCHFL)** under Security Interest Act, 2002 (the said Act). In

xercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, the Authorised Officer has issued Demand Notices under Section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the following Borrower(s) (the "said Sorrower(s)"), to repay the amounts mentioned in the respective Demand Notice(s) issued to them that are also given below. In connection with above, notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower(s) top ay to PCHFL, within 60 days from the publication of this Notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest as detailed in the said Demand Notice(s), from the date(s) mentioned below till the date of payment and/or realization, payable under the loan agreement read with other documents/writings, if any, executed by the aid Borrower(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following assets have been mortgaged to PCHFL by the said Borrower(s) respectively

Name of the Borrower(s)/ Demand Notice Property address Date and Amount with NPA date (LC No. 11900001237 of Noida Branch) Indu Bala (Borrower) Rohit Goyal (Co Borrower 1) 17-08-2024 /₹ 1931193 /-(₹ Nineteen lakh Thirty One Thousand One Hundred Ninety Flat No-1009 Ground Floor Pocket Gh -5&7 Paschim Vihar New Delhi New Delhi Delhi ree Only) NPA (09-08-2024) 110063 17-08-2024 / ₹ 2657798.22 /- (₹ Twenty Six lakh Fifty Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Eight Only and Twenty Two Paise) NPA (03-11-2019) 110063 lat No 3316 First Floor Block C33, Tvh Svaya riperumbudur Village Kancheepuram hennai Tamil Nadu :- 602105 (LC No. 01000004950 of Chennai Branch Mohan V (Borrower) Vanitha M (Co Borrower 1) 17-08-2024 /₹ 1407203.02 /-(₹ Fourteen Oda Janta Flat No. 62 second Floor Sunrise (LC No. 24900000225 of Delhi Janakpuri Branch) Hari Prasad Nath (Borrower) Beauty akh Seven Thousand Two Hundred Three Only and Two Paise) NPA (09-08-2024) partments,pocket 6 Nasirpur.,dwarka New elhi New Delhi Delhi :- 110045 Moni Saikia (Co Borrower 1) (LC No. 19800041484 of Delhi - Pitam Branch) Parveen Kuamr Hans (Borrow Shanti Devi Hans (Co Borrower 1) 37.7-08-2024 /₹ 3991402.66 /-(₹ Thirty Nin akh Ninety One Thousand Four Hundred wo Only and Sixty Six Paise) NPA 09-08-2024) 7-3/0302,tower-3,third Floor,second Flat akeside Heights,lake Grove City Kundli ionepat Sonepat Sonipat Haryana :- 131028

(LC No. 13300000610 of Cannaught Place Branch) Jitendra Omare (Borrower) Alka Devi (Co Borrower 1) 17-08-2024 /₹ 2338328 /-(₹ Twenty Three akh Thirty Eight Thousand Three Hundred Iwenty Eight Only) NPA (09-08-2024) 7-08-2024 /₹ 780865 /-(₹ Seven lakh Eight (LC No. 23400002205 of Agra Branch) Uday Bir Singh (Borrower) Sashi Devi (Co Borrowe 1) Amit Kumar (Co Borrower 2) (LC No. 196DEL36759 of Delhi - Safdurjung Branch) SANDEEP GUPTA (Borrower) Pooja housand Eight Hundred Sixty Five Only) NPA (09-08-2024)

17-08-2024 /₹ 1343902.6 /-(₹ Thirteen la forty Three Thousand Nine Hundred Two Only and Sixty Paise) NPA (09-08-2024) Gupta (Co Borrower 1) 17-08-2024 /₹ 3090111.24 /-(₹ Thirty lakh (LC No. M0268962 of Noida Branch Branch) Zahidur Rahman (Borrower) Taslima Rahma Thousand One Hundred Eleven One Hundred Fleven One Hundred Fleven One Hundred Fleven Onenty Four Paise) NPA (03-08-2024) Co Borrower 1)

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(LC No. M0095709 of Noida - Sector 2 Branci Rajesh Rajesh (Borrower) Rishabh Bartala (Co 17-08-2024 /\* 2291442.06 /-(\* Twenty Two akh Ninety One Thousand Four Hundred orty Two Only and Six Paise) NPA 30-08-2024 / 17-08-2024 /\* 640715.91 /-(\* Six lakh Forty Thousand Sopus Hundred Effton Only and ijesh Rajesh (Borrower) Rishabh B orrower 1) Shilpa (Co Borrower 2)

LC No. M0103938 of Noida Branch Branch) ishant Sharma (Borrower) Pinki Sharma (Co nousand Seven Hundred Fifteen Onl inety One Paise) NPA (03-08-2024) orrower 1) 17-08-2024 /₹ 9778520 /-(₹ Ninety Seven LC No. 11900002654 of Noida - Sector 2

ranch) Harjinder Singh Oberoi (Borrower) ashpal Kaur Oberoi (Co Borrower 1)

(Guarantor) Rajiv Puri (Co-Borrower and Legal Heir of Late Kamlesh Puri) Rajesh Puri (Legal Heir of Late Kamlesh Puri) Avtech Digital Equipment Private Limited (Co-Borrower)

iurmeet Singh Oberoi (Guarantor 1)

LC No. BLSA00003ADC of Delhi Branch) Ms. Dhanwati (Borrower) Mr. Manish Kaushik (Co Borrower 1) Ms. Anu Sharma (Co Borrower 2) 16-08-2024 /₹ 6294141 /-(₹ Sixty Two lakh Ninety Four Thousand One Hundred Forty One Only) NPA (03-08-2024)

akh Seventy Eight Thousand Fiv Twenty Only) NPA (09-08-2024)

(LC No. 196D5600210 of Gurugram - MG Road 31-08-2024 /₹ 121913238 /-(₹ Twelve Crore Branch) Mr. Rahul Puri (Borrower and Legal Heir of Late Kamlesh Puri) Ms. Tripta Puri Nineteen lakh Thirteen Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Eight Only) NPA (03-02-2016)

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WEST - PLOT NO. 275 SOUTH - PLOT NO. 291

If the said Borrowers shall fail to make payment to PCHFL as aforesaid, PCHFL shall proceed against the above secured assets under Section 13(4) of the Act and the applicable Rules, entirely at the risks of the said Borrowers as to the costs and consequences. The said Borrowers are prohibited under the Act from transferring the aforesaid assets, whether by way of sale, lease or otherwise with the prior written consent of PCHFL. Any person who contravenes or abets contravention of the provisions of the said Act or Rules made there under, shall be liable for imprisonment and/or penalty as provided under the Act. Sd/- (Authorised Officer)

Date: 13-09-2024 Place: Delhi

Piramal Capital & Housing Finance Limited

It is to inform to the public at large that Mr. Ayush Gupta had acquired Plot No. 22, area 200 sq. yrds., MPL No. HPU/W-30/174 Khasra No. 65Mi, situated at Mohalla Pakka bagh Hapur in the area of It is to inform to the public at large that Mr. Orn Prakash Ray had acquired Back side portion of Prakash Ray nad acquired back side portion of Ground Floor without roof rights, measuring 60 sq. yds, built on Property No. A-515, Khasra No. 773, situated at Budha Marg Mandawali, Village Mandawali, Ezalpur, Illaas Ashadrar, Delhi vide GPA, ATS & Will, dt. 07.08.2014 executed by Mr. Municipal Corporation Hapur, Pargana, Tehsil & Distt. Hapur vide Gift Deed dt. 23.08.2022 executed by Mrs. Kunta Devi and Sale Deed dt. 07.08.1974 Devi in respect of the said property lost in Original.

OR

Any person / firm / institution / company having any Bam Parkash Sharma and Now Mr. Om Prakash Ba is the undisputed owner of the above said property.

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Any person mini-discussion / company naving and claim or right in respect of the said Property by way of inheritance, share, sale, agreement, lease, license, gift, possession, legal heirs, partners or encumbrance howsoever or otherwise is hereby required to Intimate in writing to the undersigned within 07 days from the date of publication of this claim or right in respect of the said Property by way of inheritance, share, sale, agreement, lease, cense, gift, possession, legal heirs, partners or noumbrance howsoever or otherwise is hereby equired to intimate in writing to the undersigned within 07 days from the date of publication of this notice of his/her/their share or claim, if any, with all otice of his/her/their share or claim, if any, with all supporting documents at below mentioned address. supporting documents at below mentioned address. fter expiration of notice period, the claims, if any o such person shall be treated null and void and also treated as waived and not binding on our client. Ajay Kumar Giri (Advocate) H No. 26/161, Basement Vikram Vihar, Lajpat Nagar 4, New Delhi -110024

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE Pranch Office: ICICI Bank Limited Plot No-23, Shal Tower, 3rd Floor, New Rohtak Road, Karol Bagh, New Delhi-110005

The Authorised ICICI Bank Officer under the Securitisation, 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 Demand Notices to the borrower(s) mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice.





# AU SMALL FINANCE BANK LIMITED (A SCHEDULED COMMERCIAL BANK)

Regd. Office: 19-A, Dhuleshwar Garden, Ajmer Road, Jaipur - 302001, Rajasthan, (India). (CIN:L36911RJ1996PLC011381)

#### APPENDIX-IV-A- [See proviso to rule 8(6)] Sale notice for sale of immovable properties

E-auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s)/Co-Borrower (s)/Mortgagor (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of AU Small Finance Bank Limited (A Scheduled Commercial Bank), the same shall be referred herein after as AUSFB. The Secured Assets will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis through E-Auction for recovery of amount mentioned in the

Authorised Officer of AU Small Finance Bank Limited (A Scheduled Commercial Bank), the same shall be referred herein after as AUSFB. The Secured Assets will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis through E-Auction for recovery of amount mentioned in the table below along with further interest, cost, charges and expenses being due to AUSFB viz. Secured Creditor.  It is hereby informed you that we are going to conduct public E-Auction through website https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net																			
	Date & Amount of 13(2) Demand Notice	Date Of	Description of Property	Reserve	Earnest Money For Property	Date &	Date of Bid Submission	E-Auction	Contact Person and Property Visit Date	Loan A/c No./ Name of Borrowers/Co Borrowers/ Mortgagors/Guarantor	Date & Amount of 13(2) Demand Notice	Date Of Possession	Description of Property	Reserve Price For Property	Earnest Money For Property	Date & Time Of E-Auction	Date of Bid Submission	E-Auction Place of Tender Submission	Contact Person and Property Visit Date
(Loan A/C No.) L9001060113784080, Sanjay Kumar Patley S/O	24-Sep-19 Rs. 4,90,067/- Rs. Four Lac	31-Aug-20	Property Situated At, Survey No. 429/3, Ward No. 2, Patle	Rs. 32,70,000/- Rs. Thirty-	Rs. 3,27,000/- Rs. Three	06-Nov- 24 2.00 PM	On or Before <b>04-Nov-</b>	AU Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch Address:-	Ravi Singh & Dhiraj Pandey	(Loan A/C No.) L9001060713713875, Sahas Ram Sarwa S/O	14-Sep-22 Rs. 18,59,744/- Rs. Eighteen Lac	20-Feb-23	Gram Panchayat Ph No 05 429 2 Gram	Rs. 19,15,000/- Rs.	Rs. 1,91,500/- Rs. One	06-Nov- 24 2.00 PM	On or Before <b>04-Nov-</b>	AU Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch Address : -	Praveen Yedla & Dhiraj
Atma Ram (Borrower & Mortgagor), Smt. Rashmi Bai W/O Sanjay Kumar Patley (Co-Borrower)	Ninety Thousand Sixty Seven Only As		Para, Near Police Station, Pachpedi, Tehsil. Masturi, Dist.	Two Lakh Seventy Thousand	Lakh Twenty Seven	to 4.00 PM with unlimited	24	1st Floor, Shop No. 4, 5, 6, Mittal Chambers, Main Road, Vyapar Vihar,	9773306876 7389923795 auctions@ aubank.in	Ramesh Kumar (Borrower), Bindeshwari Sarwa S/O Baldau (Co- Borrower) Davendra	Fifty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-		Panchyat Dhamtari Gurur Chattisgarh Admeasuring	Nineteen Lakh Fifteen Thousand	Lakh Ninety One Thousand	to 4.00 PM with unlimited extension	24	Vijay Plaza, Beside Menonote Church, Bastar Road, Dhamtari CG	Pandey 7389949287 7389923795 auctions@
	On 30-Aug-19		Bilaspur, Chattisgarh Admeasuring 1155 Sq. Ft.	Only.	Thousand Only.	extension of 5 minutes		At & Post-bilaspur, C.G, PIN-495001	23-Oct-24	Kumar Sarwa S/O Sahas Sarwa (Co-Borrower)	Four Only As On 12-Sep-22	3	363 Sqft	Only.	Five Hundred Only.	of 5 minutes		493773	aubank.in 23-Oct-24
(Loan A/C No.) L9001060718488569, Rikhi Dona Pattal Through	23-Apr-21 Rs. 18,75,808/- Rs. Eighteen Lac	14-Sep-21	Residential Plot At Survey No-262/10, Block Bilha, Patwari	Rs. 21,40,000/- Rs. Twenty-	Rs. 2,14,000/- Rs. Two	06-Nov- 24 2.00 PM	On or Before 04-Nov-	AU Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch Address : -	Ravi Singh & Dhiraj Pandey	(Loan A/C No.) L9001060719884811, Belmati Bag Yadav S/O	14-Sep-22 Rs. 12,03,117/- Rs. Twelve Lac	15-Dec-22	Property Situated At Municipal Corporation Ph No	Rs. 21,00,000/- Rs. Twenty-	Rs. 2,10,000/- Rs. Two	<b>06-Nov-</b> <b>24</b> 2.00 PM	On or Before <b>04-Nov-</b>	AU Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch Address : -	Ravi Singh & Dhiraj Pandey
Its Proprietor Rikhi Ram Kashyap (Borrower & Mortgagor), Bhagwat Prasad Kashyap S/O Jhadu	Seventy Five Thousand Eight Hundred Eight		Circle No 23 30, Mouja Sirgitti, R I Circle, Tehsil & Dist- Bilaspur, Chattisgarh	One Lakh Forty Thousand	Lakh Fourteen Thousand	to 4.00 PM with unlimited	24	1st Floor, Shop No. 4, 5, 6, Mittal Chambers, Main	9773306876 7389923795 auctions@ aubank.in	Trinath Yadav (Borrower), Shiv Bag Yadav S/O Kumno Bag Yadav (Co-	Three Thousand One Hundred Seventeen Only		32/34, Kh No 687/ 132, Ph No 32, Priyadarshini Ward, Tipupara, Dist-	One Lakh Only.	Lakh Ten Thousand Only.	to 4.00 PM with unlimited extension	24	1st Floor, Shop No. 4, 5, 6, Mittal Chambers, Main	9773306876 7389923795 auctions@ aubank.in
Ram Kashyap (Co- Borrower)	Only As On 02-Apr-21	16 Can 21	Admeasuring 1488 Sq. Feet.  Residential Plot At	Only.	Only.	of 5 minutes	On or	Road, Vyapar Vihar, At & Post-bilaspur, C.G, PIN-495001 AU Small Finance	23-Oct-24	Borrower) Kumna Bagh Yadav S/O Phutka Bag Yadav (Co-Borrower)	As On 12-Sep-22		Bilaspur, Chattisgarh Admeasuring 105.11 Sqyds			of 5 minutes		Road, Vyapar Vihar, At & Post- Bilaspur, C.G. 495001	23-Oct-24
(Loan A/C No.) L9001060714361412, Ashok Ramani S/O Keemat Mal Ramani	23-Apr-21 Rs. 26,79,896/- Rs. Twenty Six Lac Seventy	16-Sep-21	Survey No-75 /23, Ward No-12, Village & Tehsil- Bilha, Dist-	16,90,000/- Rs. Sixteen Lakh Ninety	Rs. 1,69,000/- Rs. One Lakh Sixty	24 2.00 PM to 4.00	On or Before 04-Nov- 24	Bank Ltd., Branch Address: - 1st Floor, Shop No.	& Dhiraj Pandey 9773306876	(Loan A/C No.) L9001060117096775, Shailendra Kumar Soni	07-Oct-22 Rs. 11,54,985/- Rs. Eleven Lac	23-Dec-22	Property Situated At Kh. No. 3024 Part , Part Near	Rs. 21,90,000/- Rs. Twenty-	Rs. 2,19,000/- Rs. Two	06-Nov- 24 2.00 PM	On or Before <b>04-Nov-</b>	AU Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch Address : -	Ravi Singh & Dhiraj Pandey
(Borrower & Mortgagor), Bharat Ramani S/O Late Mr Kimatrm Sindhi (Co-	Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Six Only		Bilaspur Chattisgarh Admeasuring 1534 Sq. Feet.	Thousand Only.	Nine Thousand Only.	PM with unlimited extension	2-4	4, 5, 6, Mittal Chambers, Main Road, Vyapar Vihar,	7389923795 auctions@ aubank.in	S/O Pyarelal Soni (Borrower), Rajendra Kumar Soni S/O Pyarelal	Fifty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-		Laxminarayan Mandir, Vill - Baloda Phn 21, Tehsil	One Lakh Ninety Thousand	Lakh Nineteen Thousand	to 4.00 PM with unlimited	24	Ground Floor, Tiwari Complex Kera Road Naila	9773306876 7389923795 auctions@
Borrower) Smt. Chandani Ramani W/O Bharat Ramani (Co-Borrower & Mortgagor). Suresh	As On 02-Apr-21					of 5 minutes		At & Post-bilaspur, C.G, PIN-495001	23-Oct-24	Soni (Co-Borrower) Pyare Lal Soni S/O Prasad Ram Soni (Co-Borrower)	Five Only As On 06-Oct-22		Janjgir, Dist -Janjgir- Champa, CG Admeasuring 108.5 Sqyds	Only.	Only.	extension of 5 minutes		Janjgir - 495668	aubank.in 23-Oct-24
Relwani S/O Mannamal Relwani (Guarantor) (Loan A/C No.)	29-Apr-21	17-Sep-21	Property Situated At	Rs.	Rs.	06-Nov-	On or	AU Small Finance	Ravi Singh	(Loan A/C No.) L9001061121066526, Madan Lal Mishri Lal	10-Oct-22 Rs. 1,85,328/- Rs. One Lac	16-Feb-24	Property Situated At Kh No 403 Plot Of Mohanlal Pc No 05	Rs. 34,10,000/- Rs. Thirty-	Rs. 3,41,000/- Rs. Three	06-Nov- 24 2.00 PM	On or Before <b>04-Nov-</b>	AU Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch Address : -	Ravi Singh & Dhiraj Pandey
L9001060118472693, Vikki Pratap Singh Narnam S/O Avadh Bihari Narman	Rs. 13,85,508/- Rs. Thirteen Lac Eighty Five	10.400.000.000	Khasra No. 608 & 609 , Vill-Masturi , Tehsil- Masturi ,	15,30,000/- Rs. Fifteen Lakh Thirty	1,53,000/- Rs. One Lakh Fifty	24 2.00 PM to 4.00	Before 04-Nov- 24	Bank Ltd., Branch Address: - 1st Floor, Shop No.	& Dhiraj Pandey 9773306876	Through Its Proprietor Mohan Lal Khatri (Borrower), Mohanlal	Eighty-Five Thousand Three Hundred		23 Lormi Mungeli Chattisgarh 495115 Admeasuring 4309	Four Lakh Ten Thousand	Cakh Forty One Thousand	to 4.00 PM with unlimited	24	1st Floor, Shop No. 4, 5, 6, Mittal Chambers, Main	9773306876 7389923795 auctions@
(Borrower & Mortgagor), Vikram Pratap S/O Avadh Bihari Nirala (Co-Borrower & Mortgagor) Narseh	Thousand Five Hundred Eight Only As On		District- Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh Admeasuring 5227	Thousand Only.	Three Thousand Only.	PM with unlimited extension		4, 5, 6, Mittal Chambers, Main Road, Vyapar Vihar, At & Post-bilaspur,	7389923795 auctions@ aubank.in 23-Oct-24	Khatri S/O Mishrilal Khatri (Co-Borrower) Pawan Khatri S/O Mishri Lal Khatri (Co-Borrower)	Twenty-Eight Only As On 10-Oct-22		Square Feet	Only.	Only.	extension of 5 minutes		Road, Vyapar Vihar, At & Post- Bilaspur, C.G. 495001	aubank.in 23-Oct-24
Singh Narman S/O Avadh Bihari Narman (Co- Borrower & Mortgagor).	29-Apr-21		Sq. Ft.			of 5 minutes		C.G, PIN-495001	**************************************	(Loan A/C No.) L9001060117806631, Bhushan Jaiswal S/O	07-Nov-22 Rs. 1,97,434/- Rs. One Lac	20-Feb-23	Property Situated At Gram Panchayat 59, 1, Medium Janjgir-	Rs. 7,41,000/- Rs. Seven	Rs. 74,100/- Rs.	06-Nov- 24 2.00 PM	On or Before <b>04-Nov-</b>	AU Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch Address : -	Ravi Singh & Dhiraj Pandey
Avadh Bihari Narman S/O Doojram Narman (Co- Borrower)							Was a series		<b>■</b> nidenastu:	Daras Ram Jaiswal (Borrower), Darasram Jaysval S/O Seloo Ram	Ninety-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-		Champa, Malkharoda, CG. Admeasuring	Lakh Forty- One Thousand	Seventy Four Thousand	to 4.00 PM with unlimited	24	Ground Floor, Tiwari Complex Kera Road Naila	9773306876 7389923795 auctions@
(Loan A/C No.) L9001060120736013, Oms Delicious Point 23 (Borrower), Arjun Ram	15-Dec-21 Rs. 8,67,666/- Rs. Eight Lac Sixty-Seven	13-Jan-23	Property Situated At P H No 03, Khasra No 250/2, Gram C.B. Nawagaon,	Rs. 7,66,000/- Rs. Seven Lakh Sixty-	Rs. 76,600/- Rs. Seventy	24 2.00 PM to 4.00	On or Before 04-Nov- 24	AU Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch Address: - Ward No 5, Plot No	Praveen Yedla & Dhiraj Pandey	Jayswal (Co-Borrower)	Four Only As On 05-Nov-22	10 -	339.11 Sqyds	Only.	One Hundred Only.	of 5 minutes		Janjgir - 495668	aubank.in 23-Oct-24
Sahu S/O Chunu Ram Sahu (Co-Borrower) Omprakash Sahu S/O	Thousand Six Hundred Sixty- Six Only As On		Rnm Kherdha, Te Daundilohara, Dist Balod, Chattisgarh	Six Thousand Only.	Six Thousand Six	PM with unlimited extension	24	7, GE Rd, near Ghadi Chowk, Dakshin Gangotri,	7389949287 7389923795 auctions@	(Loan A/C No.) L9001060118174090, Jai Maa Baglamukhi Traders (Borrower), Pramila Singh	07-Nov-22 Rs. 11,51,205/- Rs. Eleven Lac Fifty-One	16-Feb-23	Property Situated At Freehold - Municipal Limit Semi Urban And Rural 5 3284/3	Rs. 9,65,000/- Rs. Nine Lakh Sixty-	Rs. 96,500/- Rs. Ninety Six	24 2.00 PM to 4.00	On or Before 04-Nov- 24	AU Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch Address: - Ground Floor,	Ravi Singh & Dhiraj Pandey 9773306876
Arjun Sahu (Co- Borrower). Yogesh Kumar Sahu S/O Arjun Ram Sahu (Co-Borrower)	14-Dec-21		Admeasuring 1089 Sq. Ft.	J,	Hundred Only.	of 5 minutes		Supela, Chhattisgarh 490001	aubank.in 23-Oct-24	S/O Umesh Chandel (Co- Borrower) Umesh Chandel C/O Jaleshwar Singh	Thousand Two Hundred Five Only As On		Kosa ,Janjgir- Champa, Pamgarh, CG. Admeasuring	Five Thousand Only.	Thousand Five Hundred	PM with unlimited extension	24	Tiwari Complex Kera Road Naila Janjgir - 495668	7389923795 auctions@ aubank.in
(Loan A/C No.) L9001060714550730, Sanjay Kumar S/O Mishra	15-Dec-21 Rs. 11,80,972/- Rs. Eleven Lac	12-Apr-22	Property Situated At Kh No111/3, 111/4, Ph.No-24,	Rs. 12,70,000/- Rs. Twelve	Rs. 1,27,000/- Rs. One	06-Nov- 24 2.00 PM	On or Before 04-Nov-	AU Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch Address: -	Praveen Yedla & Dhiraj	(Loan A/C No.)	05-Nov-22 11-Nov-22	16-Feb-23	Property Situated At Ph No 161, Survey	Rs.	Only. Rs. 1,61,500/-	of 5 minutes 06-Nov-	On or	AU Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch	Praveen Yedla &
Devgun (Borrower), Smt. Sulochana Bai W/O Mishra Devgun (Co-	Eighty Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Two		Vill & Gram Panchayat Hathoud, Tal. &	Lakh Seventy Thousand	Lakh Twenty Seven	to 4.00 PM with unlimited	24	Vijay Plaza, Beside Menonote Church, Bastar Road,	Pandey 7389949287 7389923795	L9001060114536952, Santosh Sharma S/O Bharat Sharma (Borrower), Smt. Ramavati	Rs. 12,65,245/- Rs. Twelve Lac Sixty-Five Thousand Two		No.705/4-6, Ward No 7, Near Water Tank, Gobra	16,15,000/- Rs. Sixteen Lakh Fifteen Thousand	Rs. One Lakh Sixty One	24 2.00 PM to 4.00 PM with	Before 04-Nov- 24	Address : - Plot No. 22, Sheet No. 9, Near Daga	Dhiraj Pandey 7389949287
Borrower) Mishra Devgun S/O Than Singh Devgun (Co-Borrower), Pooran Lal	Only As On 14-Dec-21		Distt Balod, CG. Admeasuring 2200 Sq. Feet	Only.	Thousand Only.	extension of 5 minutes		Dhamtari 493773	auctions@ aubank.in 23-Oct-24	Sharma W/O Bharat Sharma (Co-Borrower)	Hundred Forty- Five Only As On 10-Nov-22		Nawapara, Tehsil. Abhanpur, Dist. Raipur, Chattisgarh Admeasuring 933	Only.	Thousand Five Hundred Only.	unlimited extension of 5		Petrol Pump, Fafadik Chowk, Raipur CG. 492001	7389923795 auctions@ aubank.in 23-Oct-24
Devgun S/O Radheyshyam Devgun (Guarantor) (Loan A/C No.)	15-Mar-22	18-Jun-22		Rs.	Rs.	06-Nov-	On or	AU Small Finance	Praveen	(Loan A/C No.)	11-Nov-22	16-Feb-23	Sq.Ft	Rs. 27,10,000/-	Rs. 2,71,000/-	minutes 06-Nov-	On or Before	AU Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch	Ravi Singh & Dhiraj
L9001060121345645, Maa Santoshi Krishi Kendra (Borrower), Jivan Lal Mande S/O Dayaram	Rs. 18,19,356/- Rs. Eighteen Lac Nineteen Thousand Three		Gram Rohina, Ph No 36, Vikas Vikas Khand Fingeshwar Kh No 798/2,	Rs. Nineteen	1,98,000/- Rs. One Lakh	24 2.00 PM to 4.00 PM with	Before 04-Nov- 24	Bank Ltd., Branch Address: - Plot No. 22, Sheet No. 9, Near Daga	Yedla & Dhiraj Pandey 7389949287	L9001060722411404, Maniram Kaiwart S/O Manrakhan Kaiwart (Borrower), Smt.Pramila	Rs. 23,14,419/- Rs. Twenty- Three Lac Fourteen		206, R.N.M Masturi, Te Masturi, Dist	Rs. Twenty- Seven Lakh Ten	Rs. Two Lakh Seventy	24 2.00 PM to 4.00 PM with	04-Nov- 24	Address : - 1st Floor, Shop No. 4, 5, 6, Mittal	Pandey 9773306876 7389923795
Mande (Co-Borrower) Dayaram Mande S/O Lakhan Lal Mande (Co-	Hundred Fifty- Six Only As On 15-Mar-22		Tehsil - Rajim , Dist Gariaband , C.G. <b>Admeasuring</b>	Lakh Eighty Thousand Only.	Ninety Eight Thousand Only.	unlimited extension of 5		Petrol Pump, Fafadik Chowk, Raipur 492001	7389923795 auctions@ aubank.in	Bai Kaivart W/O Chamru Kaivart (Co-Borrower)	Thousand Four Hundred Nineteen Only As On 10-Nov-22		Bilaspur, Chattisgarh Admeasuring	Thousand Only.	One Thousand Only.	unlimited extension of 5		Chambers, Main Road, Vyapar Vihar, At & Post-	auctions@ aubank.in 23-Oct-24
Borrower), (Loan A/C No.) L9001060122717806,	13-Apr-22 Rs. 7,32,141/-	20-Dec-22	Property Situated At Kh No. 757/11 &	Rs. 14,65,000/-	Rs. 1,46,500/-	06-Nov- 24	On or Before	AU Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch	Ravi Singh & Dhiraj	(Loan A/C No.) L9001060113317446 &	15-Dec-22 Rs. 2,73,852/-	17-Mar-23	Property Situated At Phn. 2 , Kh. No.	Rs. 11,50,000/-	Rs. 1,15,000/-	minutes 06-Nov- 24	On or Before	Bilaspur, C.G. 495001 AU Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch	Ravi Singh & Dhiraj
Shyam Kharra S/O Chhedilal Kharra (Borrower), Vichitr Kharra	Rs. Seven Lac Thirty-Two Thousand One		757/14, Phn 22, Ward No 2, Kaser Para Ward, Tehsil- Sakti, Dist-Janjgir	Rs. Fourteen Lakh Sixty-	Rs. One Lakh Forty Six	2.00 PM to 4.00 PM with	04-Nov- 24	Address: - Ground Floor, Tiwari Complex Kera Road Naila	Pandey 9773306876 7389923795 auctions@	L9001060817634936, Narendra Kumar Sahu S/O Ganga Ram Shau	Rs. Two Lac Seventy-Three Thousand Eight		596 , New Phn. 10 , Rnm Beltara, Bilaspur,	Rs. Eleven Lakh Fifty Thousand	Rs. One Lakh Fifteen	2.00 PM to 4.00 PM with	04-Nov- 24	Address : - 1st Floor, Shop No. 4, 5, 6, Mittal	Pandey 9773306876 7389923795
S/O Chhedi Lal Kharra (Co-Borrower) Chhedilal Kharra S/O Shankarlal Kharra (Co-Borrower)	One Only As On 12-Apr-22		Champa, C.G. Medium Janjgir- Champa Sakti	Five Thousand Only.	Thousand Five Hundred	unlimited extension of 5		Janjgir - 495668	aubank.in 23-Oct-24	(Borrower), Smt. Ganga Bai Sahu W/O Narendra Kumar Sahu (Co- Borrower)	Hundred Fifty- Two Only & Rs. 2,29,392/- Rs. Two Lac		Chhattisgarh Admeasuring 2180 Sqft	Only.	Thousand Only.	unlimited extension of 5		Chambers, Main Road, Vyapar Vihar, At & Post- Bilaspur, C.G.	auctions@ aubank.in 23-Oct-24
			Chattisgarh Admeasuring 121.56 Sq.Mtr.		Only.	minutes					Twenty-Nine Thousand Three Hundred					minutes		495001	
(Loan A/C No.) L9001060123494916, Santram Verma S/O Ramsvarup Verma	17-May-22 Rs. 5,32,229/- Rs. Five Lac Thirty-Two	17-Feb-23	Property Sitauted At Ph No 43, Kh No. 485/1, R.N.M Aarang, Vill	Rs. 8,80,000/- Rs. Eight	Rs. 88,000/- Rs. Eighty	24 2.00 PM to 4.00	On or Before 04-Nov-	AU Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch Address: - Plot No. 22, Sheet	Praveen Yedla & Dhiraj Pandey	(Loan A/C No.)	Ninety-Two Only as on 13-Dec-22 12-Jan-23	19. Apr. 22	Property Situated At	Rs.	Rs.	06-Nov-	On or	AU Small Finance	Praveen
(Borrower) , Yogeshwari Verma S/O Khom Lal Varma (Co-Borrower)	Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Nine		Kodapar, Te Arang, Dist Raipur, Chattisgarh	Lakh Eighty Thousand Only.	Eight Thousand Only.	PM with unlimited extension	24	No. 9, Near Daga Petrol Pump, Fafadik Chowk,	7389949287 7389923795 auctions@	L9001060119551231 & L9001061124515381, Wali Traders Through It's	Rs. 23,34,407/- Rs. Twenty- Three Lac Thirty-	16-Apr-23	Ph No. 54, K. No. 400/4, 400/5, 4Rth Floor, Unit No. C-	23,75,000/- Rs. Twenty- Three Lakh	2,37,500/- Rs. Two Lakh	24 2.00 PM to 4.00	Before 04-Nov- 24	Bank Ltd., Branch Address : - Plot No. 22, Sheet	Yedla & Dhiraj Pandey
(Loan A/C No.)	Only As On 16-May-22 17-May-22	16-Dec-23	Admeasuring 222.2 Sqyds Property Situated At,	Rs.	Rs.	of 5 minutes	On or	Raipur 492001  AU Small Finance	aubank.in 23-Oct-24 Praveen	Proprietor Aziz Husain Aziz (Borrower), Aziz Husain Aziz S/O A.A. Aziz	Four Thousand Four Hundred Seven Only &		401, Block C, Vinayak Residency, Ward No. 13, Sahid	Seventy- Five Thousand	Thirty Seven Thousand	PM with unlimited extension	52	No. 9, Near Daga Petrol Pump, Fafadik Chowk,	7389949287 7389923795 auctions@
L9001060113476245, Rakesh Kumar Sinha S/O Ganeshu Ram Sinha	Rs. 1,89,458/- Rs. One Lac Eighty-Nine		Survey No. 321 , Ph No.40 , Ward No. 45 ,Vill -Sirrabhata ,	15,60,000/-	1,56,000/- Rs. One Lakh Fifty	24 2.00 PM to 4.00	Before 04-Nov- 24	Bank Ltd., Branch Address: - Vijay Plaza. Beside	Yedla & Dhiraj Pandey	(Co-Borrower) Smt.Anis Fatima D/O Mohammad Ali (Co-Borrower)	Rs. 4,12,231/- Rs. Four Lac Twelve Thousand Two		Bhagat Singh Ward, Tatibandh, Te. & Dist- Raipur,	Only.	Five Hundred Only.	of 5 minutes		Raipur CG. 492001	aubank.in 23-Oct-24
(Borrower) , Ganeshu Ram Sinha S/O Laxminarayan Sinha (Co-Borrower)	Hundred Fifty- Eight Only As		Tehsil - Gundardehi , Dist Balod, Chattisgarh Admeasuring	Thousand Only.	Six Thousand Only.	PM with unlimited extension of 5		Menonote Church, Bastar Road, Dhamtari CG, 493773	7389949287 7389923795 auctions@ aubank.in		Hundred Thirty- One Only As On 10-Jan-23		Chhattisgarh Admeasuring 1060 Sq. Ft.						
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L9001060118036368 & L9001061124320848, Bhupesh Kumar Dahire S/O Gavakchh Kumar	Rs. 8,82,695/- Rs. Eight Lac Eighty-Two Thousand Six		Khasra No 179/3, Vill- Gorakhpur, Pc No 34, Ric & Teshil- Lorni Dist- Mungeli,		Rs. Two Lakh Three	2.00 PM to 4.00 PM with	04-Nov- 24	Address : - 1st Floor, Shop No. 4, 5, 6, Mittal	Pandey 9773306876 7389923795	Through It'S Proprietor Laxmi Singh (Borrower), Laxmi Singh Banjare S/O Shyam Lal Banjare (Co-	Seventy-Nine Thousand Forty Only As On 10-Feb-23		111/4,111/5 Vill - Cheuddih, Tehsil - Pamgarh, Dist -	Two Lakh Ninety-Five Thousand	Lakh Twenty Nine	to 4.00 PM with unlimited	24	Ground Floor, Tiwari Complex Kera Road Naila Janjgir - 495668	9773306876 7389923795 auctions@ aubank.in
Dahire (Borrower), Bhupendra Dahire S/O Gavakchh Dahire (Co-	Hundred Ninety- Five Only & Rs. 1,68,481/-		Chattisgarh Admeasuring 871.11 Sqyds	Thousand Only.	Thousand Five Hundred	unlimited extension of 5		Chambers, Main Road, Vyapar Vihar, At & Post-	auctions@ aubank.in 23-Oct-24	Borrower) Smt.Anita Singh Banjare W/O Laxmi Singh Banjare (Co-Borrower),	10-7-60-23		Janjgir-Champa , Chattisgarh Admeasuring	Only.	Thousand Five Hundred	extension of 5 minutes		Janjgir - 493008	23-Oct-24
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(Loan A/C No.) L9001060116900707 & L9001060823543710,	06-Aug-22 Rs. 4,69,438/- Rs. Four Lac	18-Jan-23	Property Situated At Pc No. 31, Kh No Part Of 9/2,9/2, 9/4,	Rs. 12,00,000/- Rs. Twelve	Rs. 1,20,000/- Rs. One	06-Nov- 24 2.00 PM	On or Before 04-Nov-	AU Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch Address: -	Ravi Singh & Dhiraj Pandey	Topshanakr Kosrewada (Borrower), Smt. Shanti Bai Banjare W/O Bajant Banjare (Co-Borrower)	Thousand Forty- Two Only As On 10-Feb-23		Renumbered Khasra No- 1035/59, P H No- 78/16/24,	Five Thousand	Six Thousand Five	to 4.00 PM with unlimited	24	Ward No 5, Plot No 7, GE Rd, near Ghadi Chowk, Dakshin Gangotri,	7389949287 7389923795 auctions@
Rambharosa Lahare S/O Bahoran Lahare (Borrower), Devanand	Sixty-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-		Mouja Parbhatola, R.I.C Rajnarnawagaon,		Lakh Twenty Thousand	to 4.00 PM with unlimited	24	1st Floor, Shop No. 4, 5, 6, Mittal Chambers, Main	9773306876 7389923795 auctions@	Smt. Gaytri Chaturvedi W/O Mahesh Chaturvedi (Co-Borrower), Smt. Sona	4.00		Mojha- Luchkipara, R.I.C. Durg, Tehsil & Dist Durg, Chattisgarh	Only.	Hundred Only.	extension of 5 minutes		Supela, Chhattisgarh 490001	aubank.in 23-Oct-24
Lahare S/O Rabharosa Lahre (Co-Borrower)	Eight Only & Rs. 4,66,728/- Rs. Four Lac		Rnm Bodtala, Block & Te Bodtala, Dist Kabirdham,		Only.	extension of 5 minutes		Road, Vyapar Vihar, At & Post- Bilaspur, C.G. 495001	aubank.in 23-Oct-24	Bai Dahariya W/O Devkaran Dahariya (Co- Borrower), Smt. Manju			Admeasuring 598 Sq. Ft.						
	Sixty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Eight		Chattisgarh Admeasuring 120.77 Sq. Mtr.							Kumar Ratre W/O Ashok Kumar Ratre (Guarantor), Topshanakar Korsewada S/O B D Korsewada									
(Loan A/C No.)	Only As On 05-Aug-22 16-Aug-22	20-May-23	Property Situated	Rs.	Rs.	06-Nov-	On or	AU Small Finance	Ravi Singh	(Guarantor) (Loan A/C No.) L9001060122658291,	13-Feb-23 Rs. 4,05,646/-	16-Dec-23	Property Situated At Freehold -	Rs.	Rs.	06-Nov-	On or	AU Small Finance Bank Ltd., Branch	Ravi Singh & Dhiraj
L9001060123619821, Vijay Kumar Suryawanshi S/O Ramji Suryawanshi	Rs. 5,02,164/- Rs. Five Lac Two Thousand One		At Ph No 48, Kh No Part Of 332/3, Rnm Masturi,	7,95,000/- Rs. Seven Lakh	79,500/- Rs. Seventy	24 2.00 PM to 4.00	Before 04-Nov- 24	Bank Ltd., Branch Address : - 1st Floor, Shop No.	& Dhiraj Pandey 9773306876	Shrawan Kumar Sahu S/O Shyam Kumar Sahu (Borrower), Shyam Kumar	Rs. Four Lac Five Thousand Six Hundred Forty-		Municipal Limit Semi Urban And Rural 936/9	29,40,000/- Rs. Twenty- Nine Lakh Forty	2,94,000/- Rs. Two Lakh Ninety	24 2.00 PM to 4.00 PM with	Before 04-Nov- 24	Address : - Ground Floor, Tiwari Complex	Pandey 9773306876 7389923795
(Borrower), Sobindra Banjare W/O Firta (Co- Borrower) Maneshri Banjare S/O Agar Das	Hundred Sixty- Four Only As On 12-Aug-22		Mouja Kenvtara, Te Masturi, Dist Bilaspur, Chattisgarh Admeasuring 3485	Ninety-Five Thousand Only.	Nine Thousand Five Hundred	PM with unlimited extension of 5		4, 5, 6, Mittal Chambers, Main Road, Vyapar Vihar, At & Post-	7389923795 auctions@ aubank.in 23-Oct-24	Sahu S/O Kunjram Sahu (Co-Borrower) Vikash Kumar Sahu S/O Shyam Kumar Sahu (Co-	Six Only As On 10-Feb-23		Medium, Janjgir- Champa Dabhra, Chattisgarh Admeasuring 484	Thousand Only.	Four Thousand Only.	unlimited extension of 5		Kera Road Naila Janjgir - 495668	auctions@ aubank.in 23-Oct-24
(Co-Borrower) The terms and conditions		:-	Sq. Ft.		Only.	minutes		Bilaspur, CG 495001		Borrower)			Sqyds			minutes			

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# THE LIFE AND TIMES OF NANDINI SATPATHY RETOLD

NANDINI SATPATHY, former union minister and chief minister of Orissa was one who lived during the days of titans of Indian politics. Though not a leader in the true sense of the word, she too had her successes and failures. Nandini's life sketch is introduced to the readers 18 years after her demise but she had disappeared from public life much earlier. Author PALLAVI REBBAPRAGADA deserves kudos for bringing Nandini back amongst us.

BY KUMAR CHELLAPPAN

■he art of writing a book, whether it is novel, essays, short stories, poetry or history is a job of creativity. It is the writer's hands-on experiences or tough realities he/she faced in life that come out as literary works. Lessons one learnt from the course of life, certain incidents which leave unforgettable experiences in the mind and conversations with individuals who leave an impact in the heart are the epicenters of these literary works. One who sets out to write the life-sketch of eminent persons should have first hand interaction with the subject. Those experiences alone would help the writer to come out with something new that would remain etched in the minds of readers for decades to come.

Dr Samuel Johnson is rated as the most distinguished man of letters in English history. Johnson (1709-1784) was a literary critic par excellence and he was the trendsetter in this field. His style and thought process has resulted in the Samuel Johnson's school of criticism and continues to be the benchmark of this field of literature.

But what is equally important is the biography of Johnson authored by James Boswell, a lawyer and writer. Scotland-born James Boswell wrote "Life of Samuel Johnson" which was published in 1791 based on the series of interviews and dialogues he had with Johnson. This biography stands out as

the "most famous single work of biographical art in the world of literature" even after 223 years after it hit book stalls across Europe and

It cannot be stated that Boswell was a genius as not much has been heard or discussed about his other literary pursuits. Literature students were told by the English lecturers to compulsorily read "Life of Samuel Johnson", a complete guide on how to write biographies. What Boswell did was to write the biography in a style which could be comprehended by even ordinary people. Thus was born a great literary work.

In India, there is no shortage of biographies and life-sketches on freedom fighters, social leaders and politicians. But most of the works are hagiographies and blare out qualities of the subjects even the latter themselves would be shocked to hear. Books on the

Father of the Nation, first Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru, his daughter and late Prime Minister Indira Gandhi are proof of this kind of works. Dhananjay Keer (1913-1983) is unique among the Indian biographers and he his subjects chose meticulously. His works on Veer

Savarkar and Dr Ambedkar are path

breaking books as he had personal not be read even by the persons who contacts with these great sons of India. Those who lambast Savarkar for

reasons known to them only should take time and read Keer's

The biography of the great freedom fighter Dadabhai Naoroji , Pioneer of Indian Nationalism, authored by Dinyar Patel is an outstanding work as the author has been successful in maintaining a strict balance in describing Naoroji. Naoroji, was the real Father of the Nation. But he was sidelined with the honorific Grand Old Man of India! It was gross

Similarly, the biography of JRD Tata "Beyond The Last Blue Mountain" by R M Lala is a splendid work. Lala could not have retired from the scene without presenting the unknown JRD to the world. There is no sycophancy or prolix throughout this book and this

made it interesting. The book remains memorable as it was written by Lala, a close associate of the Grand Old Man of Indian Corporates.

Of late our politicians and businessmen have made it a point to publish their biographies by hiring writers. Needless to say that these works would

review the same. There are people whose biographies and life-sketches should be written. This is because they serve as a beacon of light for the

A biography of Nandini Satpathy, the former chief minister of Orissa has been published by Simon and Schuster and authored by Pallavi Rebbapragada, a journalist and public policy consultant based in New Delhi. It is a good mission as nothing much has been heard about Nandini Satpathy since 1980 as she withdrew from active politics and faded out since her rejoining the Congress. Nandini had an uneventful career at the

Center as deputy minister for information and broadcasting. Those were the days when Akashwani was described as Indirawani because the babus in Mandi House preferred to pay obeisance to the Prime Minister than their profession as broadcasters.

Nandini returned to Orissa in 1972 and was crowned as chief minister at the instance of Indira Gandhi. Her tenure saw hundreds getting imprisoned for questioning the declaration of internal emergency. By December 1976, towards the fag end of emergency, Nandini quit the Congress along with Jagjivan Ram, Chandra Sekhr, Mohan Dharia and Hemavati Nandan Bahuguna to form Congress For Democracy. The slogan coined by the opponents of Indira Gandhi at that period read like this: "Jagjivan Poyi, Jivan Poyi, Bahuguna Poyi, Gunavum Poyi, Nandini Poyi,

Nanavum Poyi" which was the Malayalam for "With Jagjivan's exit, the party lost its life, With Bahuguna's exit, the party lost quality and with Nandini gone, the party lost the last vestige of whatever reputation". To be candid, Nandini Satpathy's name hogged the national limelight when she left the Congress party. Had she been effective as chief minister

of Orissa, the State should have made

giant strides in development and progress. But Orissa remains one of the least developed regions in India. A thorough probe should be held on how the politicians managed to make Orissa remain as a poverty stricken State despite its vast natural resources and sufficient assistance from the Center. The author has used theatrics in the narration to sell Satpathy to the readers. Her claim that Nandini Satpathy was the Iron Lady of Orissa is far-fetched. The designation Iron Lady was used by international experts to describe Gold Meir, the fourth Prime Minister of the State of Israel (1969-1974). Perhaps, the over dependence on TV anchorpersons might have put the author in a

minefield of wrong information. Biju Patnaik would have been an ideal topic for her to write about since not much has been written about the titan from Eastern India.

NANDINI SATPATHY Pallavi Rebbapragda Publisher: Simon & Schuster India



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#### **Autocrats: Charisma, Power and Their Lives**

**RAJIV DOGRA** 

Raiiv Dogra's Autocrats: Charisma, Power. and Their Lives offers a penetrating exploration into the world of authoritarian leaders. The book dissects how such leaders' cults of personality take root and endure, revealing their psychological profiles, private lives and the progression of tyranny through history. It poses uncomfortable questions about the nature of autocrats and their impact on their nations. This meticulously researched work blends elegance with depth, exposing the dark

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forces behind authoritarian rule and the societal fears they evoke. A must-read for those seeking to understand the global phenomenon of

(Price: INR 795, Pages: 352)

#### **A Billion Dreams: Decoding Flipkart's Growth Story**

Varadharaju Janardhanan and M.H. Bala Subrahmanya

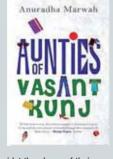


A Billion Dreams charts the extraordinary growth of Flinkart, from its humble beginnings as an online bookstore founded by Binny Bansal and Sachin Bansal to becoming a major player in India's ecommerce sector. The book reveals how Flipkart's innovative approach and culture of corporate entrepreneurship propelled it from a start-up to a decacorn. It highlights the company's impact on India's startup ecosystem, including its strategic acquisitions and role in fostering new

ventures. This engaging account is perfect for those interested in entrepreneurship and the secrets behind Flipkart's success. (Price: INR 395, Pages: 176)

#### **Aunties of Vasant Kuni ANURADHA MARWAH**

Aunties of Vasant Kunj by Anuradha Marwah humorously follows three women- Shailaja, Mrs. Gandhi and Dini- whose lives intersect in the bustling Delhi neighborhood of Vasant Kunj. As they grapple with personal challenges like a predatory boss, a cheating spouse and an irresistible but unsuitable lover, they find themselves navigating a whirlwind of Buddhist chanting, activism, and fermented drinks. This witty and engaging novel offers a vibrant peek into middle-class Delhi, exploring how these



women confront their identities and desires amidst the chaos of their

(Price: INR 395, Pages: 304)

# The Silent Contributors to India's Economic Growth

Suhanaa Setty reveals the vital vet unrecognised labour of women in India. Her book Invisible - Hands of the Indian Economy challenges traditional economic measures, spotlighting the essential contributions of unpaid work that support both families and the economy, writes **SAKSHI PRIYA** 

NANDINI SATPATHY PALLAVI REBUTIONS

Suhanaa Setty's debut book, Invisible - Hands of the Indian Economy, is a compelling and insightful examination of the oftenoverlooked contributions of women to India's economy. At just 16 years old, Setty offers a critique powerful of traditional frameworks, highlighting how the labour of countless women remains unrecognised standard economic work is both a poignant exploration of personal stories and a significant challenge to conventional notions of economic value. The book focuses on the lives of 22 women from diverse backgrounds whose essential, yet unpaid, work is crucial to the functioning of both their families and the broader economy. Setty uses personal anecdotes and striking blackand-white photography to vividly illustrate these stories. Through these narratives, she contrasts the visible, often well-compensated labour found in offices and factories with the invisible, unpaid labour performed in homes

and informal sectors. This

approach serves as a powerful

of recognising and valuing work that sustains the economy but is frequently taken for granted. A central strength of the book

lies in its critique of the National Income Accounting (NIA) systems, which fail to economic account for the economic contributions of women's unpaid labour. Setty adeptly demonstrates how traditional economic measures overlook measures such as GDP. Her crucial aspects of economic business owner balancing her activity, particularly those related household management caregiving. By highlighting these gaps, Setty challenges readers to rethink what constitutes economic value

and to consider a more inclusive definition of productivity encompasses all forms of labour. personal a poignant emotional

Setty's reflections on her mother's sacrifices add depth to the She narrative. recounts how her mother left promising career to manage the household and care for the family

profoundly shaped Setty's understanding of the value of care work. These personal insights enrich the book and provide a lens through which the broader issue of undervalued

featured in the book, such as who is paid less than her male counterparts and Garima, a

labour examined.

The stories of the 22 women the book more than just an academic critique, it serves as Ratna, a construction worker a tribute to the resilience and strength of women who significantly contribute to facing considerable barriers.

> book, including evocative black-and-white photographs, enhance its impact by providing a tangible connection to the stories being told. The images capture moments of both work and reflection, helping readers appreciate the real, everyday labour performed by these women. This visual storytelling underscores the book's central message: that behind every overlooked contribution is a person whose work deserves recognition and respect. While Setty's book does not specific policy recommendations,

with unpaid family care, are

presented with empathy and

respect. Setty portrays these

women not as just statistics

but as individuals with their

own struggles, aspirations and

humanising approach makes

contributions.

question entrenched societal norms and economic assumptions. By raising questions about why certain types of work are valued over others, the book encourages a broader discussion on how to more accurately reflect the value of all forms of labour in economic metrics.

Invisible- Hands of the Indian Economy is a significant and thought-provoking addition their communities despite to the discourse on gender, economics, and social justice. The visual elements of the Setty's ability to blend emotional storytelling with a critical examination of economic systems makes this book a powerful call to action. It urges readers to

acknowledge and value the invisible labour that supports both families and the broader economy. For anyone interested in gender equality, social justice and the future of economic measurement, Setty's debut is an essential read that promises to challenge and inspire.

INVISIBLE HANDS OF THE INDIAN ECONOMY **Author**: Suhanaa Setty Publisher: NotionPress Price: INR 799

# DRAUPADI'S MEMOIRS A new perspective on mythic fiction

In *The Empress of Indraprastha*, Sonali Raje brings a refreshing contemporary voice to one of the most complex female characters in Indian epics - Draupadi writes SANJAY CHANDRA

Through her first-person narrative, Raje explores the first-person layers of Draupadi's life, from her enigmatic marriage to the five Pandavas to her strategic foresight in a hostile world. With easy-to-follow language and modern mythic fiction style, Raje's debut offers a fresh take on ancient tales, appealing to readers of all ages.

Draupadi is one of the most polarizing characters in Indian epics—adored and maligned in equal measure. Her silent acceptance of her mother-in-law Kunti's words, which made her the shared wife of five men, remains puzzling to many. Equally difficult to comprehend are her dismissive remarks towards Karna, rejecting him as low-born

during her swayamvar, despite her intelligence.

The Empress of Indraprastha, the first book in Sonali Raje's five-part series, opens with preparations for Draupadi's wedding. Draupadi recalls her mother's empowering words: she has the right to refuse any suitor, even if they succeed in the challenges set for her swayamvar. Her mother's strength leaves a deep impression on Draupadi, shaping her into a strong-willed woman. The story also introduces her twin brother Dhrishtadyumna, both born from a sacred fire, and Shikhandi, her older transgender sibling, who leads the army—an indication of the gender inclusivity of their times. The swayamvar becomes a pivotal

THE EMPRESS OF INDRAPRASTHA

moment when Draupadi refuses to let Karna attempt the challenge, leading to Arjuna's triumph. However, Draupadi's life takes an unexpected turn when Kunti unknowingly orders her sons to share whatever they have brought home, including Draupadi. While shocked by this command, Draupadi soon realizes the deeper need for unity among the brothers to navigate a dangerous world. Her acceptance is portrayed as both strategic and pragmatic. As the story unfolds, Draupadi's

foresight comes into play. She repeatedly urges her husbands to seek partition, a move that eventually grants them a kingdom though not as they imagined. The

Khandavaprastha, wasteland, but with confidence in their abilities, they set out to build a mighty empire. Sonali Raje's The Empress of

Indraprastha is told in the first person, offering Draupadi's own perspective on the events of her life. The 138-page book, part of a new genre of contemporary mythic-fiction, is accessible and engaging for readers of all ages. Raje's scientific background and experience as an associate professor of chemistry add a unique depth to her storytelling, especially in revisiting a subject that has been explored by many authors before her.

# PRAGGNANANDHAA, VAISHALI STAR IN INDIA'S STRONG START AT OLYMPIAD

PTI ■ BUDAPEST (HUNGARY)

Praggnanandhaa set the tone on the top board as tone on the top team blanked Morocco 4-0, while the women romped home against Jamaica, conceding just a draw in the process, in the first round of the 45th Chess Olympiad here. With world championship

challenger D Gukesh taking a break in the opening round, Praggnanandhaa delivered the goods against Tissir Mohamed out of a Sicilian defense game while Vidit Gujrathi, Arjun Erigaisi and P Harikrishna also pulled off comfortable wins to start off confidently on Wednesday.

In the womens section, R Vaishali and Tania Sachdev scored fine victories in the first time control itself. However, on the other two boards there was stiff resistance as Divya Deshmukh had to sweat hard for a much-needed victory while Vantika Agarwal was forced to concede a draw in the endgame against her rival.

It was business as usual for the top guns despite the occasional hiccups. Top seeded United States also won 3.5-0.5 against Panama. Wesley So was the



lone American who unable to force matters and had to be content with a draw. Armenian-American Levon Aronian came out of an early mishap to turn the tables and ensure smooth sailing for the American team into round

As many as 99 teams in the open section started off with wins giving them all two points

each. A total of 182 teams were paired while 15 teams were still grappling to reach Budapest.

Praggnanandhaa was ur against a Sicilian by top Moroccan Mohamed who had only himself to blame after the opening got over.

The Indian teen had a stronghold on the king side that he utilised to the fullest to take the first point home for

far behind was Not very Gujrathi who was clearly in his elements. He also got an opening advantage out of a King pawn game against Jacques Elbilia as he knocked down a pawn and never looked back.

the team.

Erigaise may have had to work harder but the Indian youngster, who is currently

ranked number four in the world, was never far from

winning his game. Harikrishna faced some initial resistance from Anas Mosyad in a closed Sicilian but his superior understanding of the structure gave him the vital point. The second round will see the Indian men clash with a spirited Iceland.

In the womens competition,

Vaishali had no trouble in converting her position with black pieces as D Harika was rested on the top board. Sachdev was

command right through and despite a little mess-up, she did not let the advantage slip through her hands playing on board four.

On the second board, there were some serious issues for Divya Deshmukh but the recently-crowned world junior girls champion proved her mettle out of an equal position. The same, however, was not the case with Vantika as she was forced in a drawn queen and pawns endgame.

The womens event features 178 teams as of now with 19 still awaited to join the extravaganza from round two onward.

Indian results round 1: R Praggnanandhaa beat Tissir Mohamed; Jacques Elbilia lost Arjun Erigaisi; Vidit Gujrathi beat Ouakhir Mehdi Pierre; Anas Moayad lost to P Harikrishna

Women: R Vaishali beat Adani Clarke; Divya Deshmukh beat Miller; Raehanna Rachel Brown drew with Vantika Agrawal; Tania Sachdev beat Gabriella Watson.

This time around, Kohli will tour

Australia under longtime India

"Their fast-bowling depth is great. The leadership in the last 6-7 years

Ponting also praised the Indian

Premier League for producing players who like to play fearless cricket.

"For the last 10 years being around

the IPL, Ive noticed that a lot of the

young guys (play aggressively without fear) as the IPL is high-pressure. It is

Their batsmen are all very aggressive

stroke-making players. They are not

scared of failing," he concluded.

like a World Cup for them.

colleague Rohit Sharmas captaincy.

has been strong.

consecutive win at the Hero Asian Champions Trophy here on Thursday. Olympics Paris quarter. medallist India had defeated After an impressive first China 3-0, Japan 5-0 before

Harmanpreet's brace

hands India 3-1 win over

thrashing last years runner-up Malaysia 8-1. Already assured of a semifinal berth, India will play archrivals Pakistan on Saturday in their last league match in the

PTI ■ HULUNBUIR (CHINA)

Skipper Harmanpreet Singh scored a brace as defending

champions India beat Korea

3-1 to register their fourth

six-team competition. The top four teams from the league stages will qualify for the semifinals scheduled on Monday, while the final will be played next Tuesday.

Îndia continued their fine form and struck twice early in the first quarter to take a 2-0 lead. Araijeet Singh Hundal, who scored a brace against Malaysia, scored the first goal in the eighth minute before Harmanpreet, regarded as one of the worlds best dragflickers, converted two penalty corners in the ninth and 43rd minutes. Koreas lone goal was scored by Jihun Yang in the 30th minute

from a penalty corner. As has been the case in the tournament so far, the Indians started on an aggressive note with Araijeet handing his side the lead with a brilliant strike after being fed by Sukhjeet Singh.

A minute later, the promising Rai Kumar Pal, who struck a hat-trick against Malaysia on

Korea in ACT hockey Wednesday, earned a penalty corner for India and captain Harmanpreet converted the chance with a powerful dragflick.

Indias reserve goalkeeper Suraj Karkera was impressive under the bar, denying Korea on a few occasions in the second

quarter, the Indians seemed to have gone into a shell in the next 15 minutes as Korea dominated the proceedings with continuous forays on the rival citadel. The Indian defence stood tall

until Korea pulled a goal just at the stroke of half-time through Yang whose effort went into the net after getting a deflection from Manpreet Singhs stick from a penalty corner opportunity.

The Koreans secured back-toback penalty corners in the minute but India defended bravely.

India secured their second penalty corner two minutes later but wasted the chance.

The holders managed to restore their two-goal lead in the 43rd minute when Harmanpreet scored with a powerful low flick to the left of

the Korean goalkeeper Jaehan At the start of the fourth quarter, Jarmanpreet Singh conceded a penalty corner but

the Indian defence was up to the task the Indians Thereafter,

controlled the proceedings and did not let Korea create any scoring opportunity.

### Virat Kohli played a big role in turning the cricket around: Ricky Ponting in draws out of the 68 Tests they

**PTI** ■ SOUTHAMPTON

ustralian great Ricky Ponting Ahailed former captain Virat Kohlis "big role" in revolutionizing Test cricket in India and said the countrys batters dont fear the big stage anymore, evidence of which is success in challenging conditions overseas.

Ponting also lauded the contributions of former head coach Rahul Dravid, who stepped down from the post after guiding India to the T20 World Cup title triumph in June.

"Going back to Kohlis start of captaincy, (he) played a big role in turning the cricket around, and (Rahul) Dravid has continued the same in the recent four years. The influence of someone like that (Kohli) around a team would be great, and theyve got star players," Ponting told

Under Kohlis captaincy, India became the first Asian side to win a Test series

avelin throw star Neeraj Chopra will have lofty

expectations to live up to, while

the field features top athletes

from all continents, including

an unprecedented number of

Olympic medal winners, who will be vying for the top

Pole vault world record holder

Armand DuPlantis, American

sprint queen ShaCarri Richardson, and superstar

honours in 32 disciplines.

**PTI** BRUSSELS



in Australia, besides recording some memorable wins elsewhere.

With his aggressive captaincy, Kohli made everyone believe that the Indian team can win overseas as well. and his confidence rubbed on the side even when he was not around.

During the last Test series in Australia in 2020-21, Kohli left for India after

the first match due to the birth of his daughter Vamika. But India, under the captaincy of Ajinkva Rahane. battled injuries and the absence of key players to eke out a historic 2-1 series

won a game at the Gabba, which just doesnt happen. I think their batters adapt to overseas batting conditions very well.

"I dont think theyre as daunted by the Gabba or the Optus Oval as they maybe once were. Maybe it is a selection thing, or they just dont fear the big stage anymore," observed Ponting.

During Kohlis tenure, India won 40 matches and lost 17, with 11 ending

The Aussies have failed to win the Border-Gavaskar Trophy since their

last series victory in 2014-15 at home. The Indians have claimed the title on four successive instances since then winning twice each at home and

#### Chopra, Sable spearhead Indian challenge in Diamond League season finale रेक्ट बैंक होम फायनेन्स लिमिटेड Cent Bank Home Finance Limited

**SALE NOTICE-30.09.2024** 

APPENDIX-IV-A

[Rule 8(6)]

**TENDER CUM AUCTION** 

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 Rule 8(6) 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 Possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Cent Bank Hom Finance Ltd. Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" Basis on 30.09.2024 for recover

Name of the Borrower/		Amount	Date of	Reserve Price (< )					
Co-Borrower &	Details of the Properties	Outstanding as on date of Demand	<b>Demand Notice</b>	Earnest Money					
Account No.		Notice (₹)	Possession	Deposit (₹ 10%)					
Mr. Aditya Tlwari, And Mrs. Sapna,	All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Flat No. LIG - 655, Block No. 41, 3rd Floor,	+ interest and	28.06.2018	4,22,100/-					
Tiwari LAN : 00302070002816	Housing Board Colony, Boriyakala, Raipur (C.G.) Area 487 Sq.Ft., Bounded: East: LIG - 653, West. LIG - 669, North: LIG 656, South: Road		23.07.2021 (Physical)	42,210/-					
ERMS & CONDITIONS:- (1) The Auction is being held on "As is where is" "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" Basis.									

tender form in a closed envelope separately for each property, with The Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) amount (not below the 10% of Reserve Price) by means of Demand Draft (Nationalized Bank)/ RTGS / Online Transfer drawn in favour of Cent Bank Home Finance Ltd. payable as Raipur on or before 30.09.2024 up to 4.00 PM at above address of Cent Bank Home Finance Ltd. Raipur Branch. (4) The sealed envelope will be opened by the Authorised Officer at Raipur Branch at 5.00 PM in the presence of eligible/ available Intending Bidders who have deposited EMD amount Through Demand Draft (Nationalized Bank)/ RTGS/ONLINE TRANSFER to participate in Auction sale on 30.09.2024 deposited EMD amount Through Demand Draft (Nationalized Bank)/ RTGS/ONLINE TRANSFER to participate in Auction sale on 30.09.2024 upto 4.00 PM (5) To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorized Officer, there is no encumbrance on the properties under sale. However, the intending bidders should make their own independent inquiries regarding the encumbrances, title of properties put on auction and claims/ rights/ dues/chain/ effecting the properties, prior to submitting their bid. The Auction advertisement does not constitute and will not be deemed to constitute any commitment or any representation of the Company. The property is being sold with all the existing and future encumbrances whether known or unknown to the Company. The Authorized Officer/ Secured Creditor shall not be responsible in any way for any third party claims/ rights/ dues. (6) It shall be the responsibility of the bidders to inspect and satisfy themselves about the asset and specification before submitting the bid. The inspection of properties put on auction will be permitted to interested bidders at sites on 23.09.2024 to 24.09.2024 between 11.00 AM to 4.00 PM (7) The Earnest Money Deposit(EMD) of the successful bidder/ highest bidder shall be retained towards part sale consideration and the EMD of unsuccessful bidders shall be refunded. The Earnest Money Deposit shall not bear any laters of the sale shall be confirmed in favour of the purchaser who has offered the highest sale price in bis hid or tender to the Authorised interest. The sale shall be confirmed in favour of the purchaser who has offered the highest sale price in his bid or tender to the Authorise Officer and shall be subject to confirmation by the Secured Creditor. The highest bid will be subject to approval of the secured creditor. Authorised Officer (8) The successful bidder shall have to deposit 25% of the sale price, (inclusive of EMD paid), on the same day or with in 24 Hours. 75% of the sale price will be paid to the Authorised Officer on or before 15th day of confirmation of sale by the Secured Creditor. In 24 Hours. 75% of the sale price will be paid to the Authorised Officer on or before 15th day of commation of sale by the Secured Creditor. In case of default of payment within the period mentioned above all the amount deposited till then shall be forfeited including Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Amount and the property shall be resold and the defaulting purchaser shall forfeit all the claim to the property or any part of the sum for which it may be subsequently sold. (9) The purchaser shall bear the applicable stamp duties/ additional stamp duty/ transfer charges, fee etc. and also all the statutory Dues, taxes, rates, assessment charges, fees etc. owing to anybody. (10) The Authorised Officer is not bound to accept the highest offer and the Authorised Officer has the absolute right to accept or reject any or all offer(s) or adjourn/ postpone/ cancel the Auction without assigning any reason thereof. (11) This is also a notice to the Borrower/Guarantor/Property owner of the aforesaid loan in respect of the sale of the above mentioned secured Asset(under SARFAESI Act2002 (under Rule 8(6). Place : Raipur, Date : 12.09.2024 Authorised Officer, Cent Bank Home Finance Ltd.

louse No A -54, Beside Gupta Dental Hospital, Street No 1, Near Netaji Hotel Chowk, Katora Talab, Raipur- 49200 Ph. No. 0771-2225088

#### for steeplechaser Avinash Sable, it would be an opportunity to make up for a Olympic Games, will be in disappointing Olympics, when action on Friday in his maiden the the star-studded Diamond appearance in the DL season CADIE League season finale begins — in the Paris leg of the Diamond League on July 7. He here on Friday, featuring the Chopra, who added a silver to (injured) of Ethiopia, Geordie best of world athletics. his Olympic medal tally in Beamish of New Zealand, The showpiece is spread over two days for the first time and

Paris following a historic gold in the Tokyo Games, will be aiming to end his season on a high on Saturday. It is for the first time that a DL

hurdler Sydney McLaughlin-

Levrone are among the big names who will light up the

King Baudouin Stadium here.

3000m steeplechaser Sable, after finishing 11th in the

National

record-holding

finale features two Indians. Sable finished 14th in the overall Diamond League standings with three points from two meetings. But four athletes ranked higher than Lamecha Girma

Ryuji Mura of Japan and Hillary Bor of the USA pulled out, allowing him to sneak inside the top 12 cut-off. Five meetings out of the 14 in the DL series across the world this season had mens 3000m

steeplechase event. The 29-year-old Sable had finished sixth with a national record time of 8:09.91 bettering his own earlier mark

was 14th at the Silesia leg with a time of 8:29.96 on August 25. Chopra, on the other hand, made the DL final cut after finishing fourth in the overall standings with 14 points from his two second-place finishes in the one-day meets held in Doha and Lausanne.

Each Diamond League season finale champion is awarded a Diamond Trophy, USD 30,000

10m air rifle), Arjun Singh Cheema (mens 10m air pistol)

Anish and Vijayveer Sidhu

(mens 25m rapid-fire pistol),

Shreyasi Singh and Rajeshwari

Kumari (womens trap), Maheshwari Chauhan

(womens skeet) and Anant Jeet

THE INDIAN SQUAD:

Air Rifle Men: Divvansh

Air Rifle Women: Sonam

Singh Panwar, Arjun Babuta

Singh Naruka (mens skeet)

points behind Czechias Jakub Vadlech. Grenadas Anderson Peters and German star Julian Weber took the top two spots with 29 and 21 points respectively. Chopra has been struggling with his fitness this season and

prize money and a wild card for the World Athletics

Championships. The runner-up gets USD 12,000.

Chopra skipped the last series meet in Zurich last week.

The 26-year-old finished two

is expected to meet a doctor to rectify a groin injury that has affected him all season and came in the way of his quest to hit the 90m mark. He had won the Lausanne leg

in 2022 and 2023 and finished second behind Vadlejch in the winner-takes-all finale Eugene, USA, last year.

# Bhaker rested, Rhythm to compete in two events in ISSF World Cup Final Paris Olympians in the squad include Arjun Babuta (mens

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

 $R^{\rm hythm\;Sangwan\;will\;be\;the}_{\rm only\;\;Indian\;\;shooter\;\;to}$ compete in two events in the season-ending ISSF World Cup Final here after double Olympic-medallist Manu Bhaker opted for a threemonth rest following her exploits in the Paris Games.

The National Rifle Association of India (NRAI) on Thursday announced a 23-member Indian squad for the tournament that will be held across rifle, pistol and shotgun categories from October 13 to 18 at the Dr Karni Singh Shooting Range.

The squad features nine members from the Paris Olympics team which returned

with three bronze medals. A total of 11 Indian Olympians will gun for the title of the best shooter of the year along with

the worlds best in 12 individual

Olympic events. The 22-year-old Bhaker scripted history for India in Paris as she won a bronze each in the womens 10m air pistol and 10m air pistol mixed team event paired with Sarabjot Singh in the latter), and the Indian shooters participating in the prestigious tournament in the national capital will look to carry on the momentum at the familiar range. "We have a strong squad of proven performers for the ISSF

year-ender and look forward to a strong performance. Expectations from the sport have reached sky-high after the Paris performance...," said Sultan Singh, secretary general,

NRAI. Four shooters — Divyansh Singh Panwar (mens 10m air rifle), Sonam Uttam Maskar (womens 10m air rifle), Rhythm (womens 10m air pistol & 25m pistol) and Besides Rhythm, the other



skeet) have been selected by ISSF directly, while the rest of the members have been picked on the basis of their Olympic

trials rankings.
The 20-year-old Rhythm will have Surbhi Rao for company in the womens 10m air pistol competition.

shooters and Seasoned Olympians Mairaj Ahmed Khan (mens skeet) and Chain positions) have returned to the team.

Singh (mens 50m rifle 3

Uttam Maskar, Tilottama Sen **50M Rifle 3P Men:** Chain Singh, Akhil Sheoran 50M Rifle 3P Women: Ashi Chouksey, Nischal Air Pistol Men: Arjun Singh Cheema, Varun Tomar Air Pistol Women: Rhythm Sangwan

Surbhi Rao

25M Rapid Fire Pistol Men: Anish, Vijayveer Sidhu 25M Sports Pistol Women:

Simranpreet Kaur BrarTrap Men: Vivaan Kapoor, Bhowneesh MendirattaTrap Women: Rajeshwari Kumari, Shreyasi Singh Skeet Men: Anantjeet Singh Naruka, Mairaj Ahmad KhanSkeet Women: Ganemat Sekhon. Maheshwari Chauhan.

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