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INDIA'S FOREX RESERVES DROP

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ndia's forex reserves dropped by USD 5.693 billion to USD 634.585 billion in the week ended January 3, the Reserve Bank of India said on

In the previous reporting week, the overall kitty had declined by USD 4.112 billion to USD 640.279 billion.

The reserves have been on a declining trend for the last few weeks, and the drop has been attributed to revaluation along with forex market interventions by RBI to help reduce volatility in the rupee. The forex reserves had increased to an all-time high of USD 704.885 billion in end-September.

For the week ended January 3, foreign currency assets, a major component of the reserves, decreased by USD 6.441 billion to USD 545.48 billion, the data released on Friday showed.

Modi talks Godhra.

US visa refusal in

debutant podcast

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi, in his first-ever

podcast, opened up about

significant moments from

including his experiences during the 2002 Godhra

riots and the United States

decision to deny him a visa

in 2005. The podcast, hosted

Nikhil Kamath, was released

surrounding the 2002 Godhra riots, Modi shared,

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Minister described the

challenges he faced in

visit Godhra.

Zerodha co-founder

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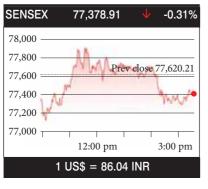
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political journey,

NEW DELH

on Friday

Recalling



Expressed in dollar terms, the foreign currency assets include the effect of appreciation or depreciation of non-US units like the euro, pound and yen held in the foreign exchange reserves. This comes in the backdrop of

increasing pressure on the rupee. The rupee declined 14 paise and touched the crucial 86.00-mark (provisional) for the first time against the US dollar on Friday as it failed to resist pressure from a stronger American currency and huge outflow of foreign funds. Surging crude oil prices overseas and

negative sentiment in domestic equity markets also weighed down the Indian currency, forex traders said. Also, dollar strengthened increased demand amid anticipation of restrictive trade new measures by the Donald administration after Trump takes over as president on

At the interbank foreign exchange, the rupee opened at 85.88, hit the intra-day peak of 85.85 before settling at the lowest-ever level of 86.00 (provisional) against the greenback, 14 paise lower from its previous close.

January 20.

SC orders status quo on Sambhal Mosque

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

Ordering status quo, the Supreme Court on Friday asked the Uttar Pradesh authorities, the Archaeological Survey of India and others not to take steps over a "private well" near the Mughal-era Jama Masjid mosque in Sambhal. Considering a plea of the management committee of Shahi Jama Masjid, Sambhal, a bench comprising Chief Justice Sanjiv Khanna and Justice Sanjay Kumar issued notices to the Centre, the Director General of the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI), Sambhal District Magistrate and other private individuals from the Hindu side led by Hari Shankar Jain. "Issue notice returnable on February 21. In the meanwhile, a status report to be filed by the respondents in two weeks. The respondents shall not give effect to any notice in relation to the well, the bench ordered. The mosque committee, in a fresh plea, said the Sambhal district administration, conducting a purported drive to revive old temples and wells in the city with reports indicating at least 32 old unused temples were revived

for public use and prayers. "In the list of wells being sought to be revived by the district administration is also a water well situated in the precincts of the mosque itself," it said. The plea therefore sought a direction magistrate to ensure a status quo over the private well located near the mosque entrance besides any future action without the Supreme and used for worship

and 19 wells were identified



Court's permission While a covered half of the well was said to be inside the mosque, the other half protruded outside on a curved platform. Water from the well, situated at the junction of three narrow lanes leading to the main entrance of the mosque, was being used by the mosque, the plea said. It was argued that the survey led to violence and loss of lives, prompting the urgent intervention of the

Senior advocate Huzefa

Ahmadi, representing the

committee, referred to the

management

top court.

mosque

well's historical significance and said, "We have been drawing water from the well since time immemorial." Ahmadi raised concerns over a notice referring to the site as "Hari Mandir" and plans for starting religious activities there. "No such activities will be permitted. Please file a status report," the CJI said. The bench said the status quo concerning the well must be maintained, and no such to the Sambhal district notices would be given effect to. Advocate Vishnu Shankar Jain, representing the Hindu party, said the well was outside the mosque's purview

historically. Ahmadi said the well was partly within and partly outside the mosque premises, citing Google map imagery to buttress his claim. The mosque committee had challenged a November 19, 2024 order by the Sambhal senior division civil Judge allowing the appointment of an advocate commissioner to survey the mosque. The mosque committee said the plea for survey was allowed without hearing it on the same day it was filed.

The top court, on November 29 last year, ordered a Sambhal trial court to halt proceedings in the case over the mosque and its survey at Chandausi while directing the UP Government to maintain peace and harmony in the violence-hit town. The bench had directed "peace and harmony must be maintained" and took note of the statement of additional solicitor general K M Nataraj, appearing for the state administration. It directed the proposed report of the advocate commissioner following the mosque survey to be kept in a sealed cover, till the appellate court including the Allahabad High Court heard the appeal of the



2024: hottest year, global temp above pre-industrial levels

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI

The year 2024 was the hottest year on record, and the first with a global average temperature 1.5 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels, European climate agency Copernicus said on Friday.

Every month from January to June 2024 was the warmest ever recorded for those months. From July to December, except for August, each month was the second warmest on record, behind 2023, it said.

According to scientists at the Copernicus Climate Change Service (C3S), 2024 was the hottest year since global temperature tracking began in 1850. The average global temperature was 15.1 degrees Celsius -- 0.72 degrees above the 1991-2020 average and 0.12 degrees higher than that in 2023, the previous record-

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Delhi to begin renovation of T2, to shift operations to T1

RAJESH KUMAR
NEW DELHI

Delhi airport's Terminal 2 (T2) will remain closed for about six months for refurbishment works in the next financial year. Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) has unveiled an

refurbish Terminal 2 or T2 of the Indira Gandhi International Airport which was built by the Airports Authority of India (AAI) four According to DIAL, the

decades ago.
During the renovation, T2
will temporarily close for four to six months, with operations being shifted to the newly expanded Terminal 1 to minimise disruption. Sources said the refurbishment work is set to commence in the 2025-26 financial year, with completion targeted by the The quarter. upgrades are expected to be completed by the second quarter of Financial Year

The Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has asked the operator of IGI airport to undertake a comprehensive overhaul of Terminal 2 (T2). The



According to DIAL, the closure will not significantly impact airport operations as Terminal (T1) will accommodate the additional load of passengers.T2, which was constructed 40 years ago by the AAI, will undergo extensive renovations to improve the passenger experience and increase capacity for future growth. T1 and T2 currently serve domestic flights while Terminal 3 (T3) handles international flights.

The decades-old terminal will undergo significant upgrades aimed at elevating the passenger experience and increasing the airport's capacity to meet future growth demands," said DIAL in a Press statement.

Delhi student held for bomb threats at 23 schools

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

With fear looming over the national Capital since May last year due to a spate of bomb threats, the Delhi Police on Friday revealed that they have for allegedly sending bomb threats to more than 23 schools in the city over the past few weeks as he did not

want to write his exams. More than 15 educational institutions including Lady Shri Ram College across the national Capital received bomb threats, which later turned out to be hoaxes. Since May last year, more than 100 schools have been receiving bomb threats through mails.

Police sources said the south

district police apprehended the Class 12 student, a minor, Thursday evening connection with the threats. According to police sources, the content of the mail received on Wednesday mentioned that since exams are going on in the schools, this will be the best time to strike and create maximum

AAP promises funds for RWAs to hire guards RAJESH KUMAR ■ NEW DELHI The political discourse in Delhi is currently being dominated by conversations

around "freebies" ahead of Assembly polls overshadowing other major issues including pollution,

law and order, crimes against women and infrastructure. Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) Arvind announced his 10th freebies on Friday, pledging to provide Resident Welfare Associations (RWAs) with funds to hire private security guards if the party is voted back into power, as he took digs at the BJP for turning

the city into a "crime capital". This was his 10th guarantee of the ongoing freebies being offered by his government.
Announcing funds for security guards in RWAs, Kejriwal said if the AAP forms the government, all RWAs will be provided with appropriate funds from the Delhi government to appoint security guards in their areas. "A systematic approach will be developed to ensure implementation," he added. Reacting to the new poll promise by AAP, the BJP

accused him of making

slammed



AAP national convener Arvind Keiriwal addresses a press conference

"false" promises on the RWAs Kejriwal's BJP rival again. New from the constituency, Parvesh Verma, in a post on X, asked the AAP supremo if he supremo if he remembered his previous promises to the RWAs in 2018 and 2022. Ahead of the MCD polls in 2022, Kejriwal promised to grant "financial and political powers" to the eir own councillors".

mosque committee.

Earlier, before the 2015 Assembly elections, he promised local area development funds after giving legal status to the RWAs by passing a bill in the

CCTV cameras and colony gates. The security guard proposal is based on feedback received from people. It is timely as due to a spurt in crime in the city," he said, accusing the BJP's Central government of not doing enough to check crime in the city. 'The BJP may not be

would enhance public security which has been a

priority for the ruling party

that had earlier installed

worried about the residents of Delhi but for us citizens are like family, and we want to give them a sense of security," he said. AAP chief said now the Delhi government will fund RWAs for hiring private security guards and the number of security guards in each colony will be based on the number of families in the RWA.

Meanwhile United Residents



Water cannons being used to disperse agitators during a protest by BJP members against AAP for allegedly making "fake" claims regarding registration of voters from Uttar Pradesh and Bihar in Delhi's electoral rolls ahead of Kejriwal and Assembly polls in the Capital

Joint Action (URJA) president Atul Goyal said, appreciate the announcement but some promises were made earlier as well, which makes it difficult to fully trust this

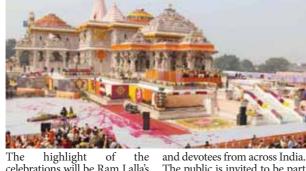
Ayodhya readies for first Pran Pratishtha anniversary

KAMLESH SRIVASTAVA

reaching the site.

Preparations are in full swing in Ayodhya to celebrate the first anniversary of Ram Lalla's Pran Pratishtha at the grand Ram Mandir. The Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Tirtha Kshetra Trust, in collaboration with the district administration, is organising a three-day celebration from January 11 to 13, 2025. The festivities will begin with Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath performing the sacred Abhishek of Ram Lalla on January 11.

Ram Lalla will be adorned in a specially crafted Pitambari outfit woven with gold and silver threads, symbolizing divine splendor. This outfit, crafted in Delhi, will arrive in Ayodhya on January 10 and will be used during the Abhishek. Devotees will have the opportunity to witness the sacred darshan.



celebrations will be Ram Lalla's Maha Aarti at 12:20 PM on January 11. Cultural performances, devotional rituals, and Ram Katha discourses will follow. Champat Rai, General Secretary of the Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Tirtha Kshetra Trust, stated that the event is a special opportunity for those who missed last year's consecration ceremony to participate. "We have made extensive arrangements to

The public is invited to be part of these historic celebrations, he said.

The Shri Ram Mandir Trust has confirmed the presence of 110 VIPs and thousands of devotees. Invitations have been extended to prominent saints and spiritual leaders from across the country. Public events at Angad Tila will continue throughout the three days, offering everyone a chance to participate in the welcome saints, dignitaries, celebrations.

WHY THE ANNIVERSARY **IS ON JANUARY 11**

While the original Pran Pratishtha ceremony took place on January 22, 2024, this year's anniversary is being observed on January 11, 2025. The shift aligns with Hindu Vedic traditions, which follow the lunar calendar. According to the traditional calendar, Paush Shukla Dwadashithe same auspicious day as the original consecrationfalls on January 11 this year. This year's celebration is significant, as it coincides with ten auspicious yogas. It is believed that worshipping Lord Rama on this day fulfills devotees' deepest desires. The day offers a rare spiritual opportunity, as devotees can perform puja and seek blessings from Lord Ram Lalla.

Explore Supreme Court of India with guided tours every Saturday

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

Opening its doors for public awareness, the Supreme Court has allowed guided tours for general public on designated days. The drive aimed at augmenting engagement and awareness, allows people to put to rest their curiosities on the court's mystique, and stroll through its majestic corridors every working Saturday — except the second and the fourth and declared holidays.

"Opening of the secured apex court premises will provide a great opportunity to the public to gain inside access to the interiors of the building and admire the majestic structure in its full glory," said an official. A circular issued on January 9 by Registrar Mahesh T Patankar (court and building) read, "In pursuance of the directions of the competent authority, the guided tour shall be conducted on every working Saturday, except second and fourth Saturdays and declared holidays in four slots from 10 am to 11.30 am; 11:30 am to 1 pm; 2 pm to 3.30 pm and 3.30 pm to

Officials would accost the public during the tour and introduce them to the various



the guided tour smoothly, a pre-online booking would be mandatory. "A visitor can arrange pre-planned escorted visits with online booking made in advance," the official said, "and will be accompanied throughout the premises and introduced to parts of historical importance and they will also get a chance to see the courtrooms.

LA wildfires: 10 dead, thousands of buildings destroyed

PTI ■ LOS ANGELES

The two biggest wildfires ravaging the Los Angeles area have killed 10 people so far and burned at least 10,000 homes, buildings and other structures, officials said Thursday. The fast-moving Kenneth Fire started in the late afternoon in the San Fernando Valley just 3.2 km from a school serving as a shelter for fire evacuees and then moved neighbouring areas by the evening. Officials expressed encouragement after firefighters aided by calmer winds and help from crews from outside the state saw the first signs of successfully beating back the region's devastating wildfires that have killed 10 people so far. Detail story on page 8

MP is first State in the country to implement cyber tehsils: CM

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

hief Minister Mohan Yadav said that true officers are ✓ those who work in the interest of the public, as entering government service comes with the responsibility of serving society. He noted that Prime Minister Narendra Modi considers himself the Pradhan Sevak, and similarly, the Madhya Pradesh Cabinet functions as public servants through mutual cooperation. Dr. Yadav stressed that holding a position of power requires shedding ego and dedicating oneself to the welfare of society and the development of the state. The Chief Minister was addressing a program at Ravindra Bhawan on Friday, where appointment letters were distributed to 362 newly selected government officers and employees in the Agriculture, Animal Husbandry, and Revenue

departments. He congratulated the officers and their families, recognizing their success as a result of collective hope, effort, and family support. Dr. Yadav wished the young officers a bright future, urging them to harness their potential and abilities to fulfill their responsibilities with excellence. He encouraged them to make both themselves and the administration proud by contributing meaningfully to the state's progress and public welfare.
At a programme attended by Revenue Minister Karan Singh Verma, Farmer Welfare and Agriculture Development Minister Aidal Singh Kansana, and Animal Husbandry and Dairy Minister Lakhan Patel, Chief Minister Mohan Yadav distributed appointment letters to newly selected government officers. The appointments included 256 Agriculture Extension

Officers in the Agriculture Department, 70 Assistant Veterinarians in the Animal Husbandry and Dairy Department, and 36 Naib Tehsildars in the Revenue Department.

Yadav said that Madhya Pradesh

is the first state in the country, to

have taken the initiative to establish cyber tehsils in all the districts of the state. This is a major achievement towards making citizen services accessible by using technology. Madhya Pradesh ranks third in milk production in the country. Our target is to increase the milk production capacity from 9 percent to 20 percent. This will strengthen the farmers and rural economy of the country. Gaushalas are being expanded for better care of cows in the state. In this sequence, the state government is committed to operate cow-sheds of 10 thousand

capacity in all major cities including Bhopal. Milk production plays the most important role in increasing the income of farmers. In the efforts to increase the income of farmers, encouraging milk production is the priority of the state government as farmers get direct and immediate benefit from this. He said that grants will be provided to those who rear more than ten cows. Due to the availability of facilities like roads in villages, and tap water in every house, cow rearing has also

become easier. Yadav said that the newly selected officer is expected to continuously improve his talent and ability. Officers should enter service with a commitment for new possibilities of development. We have resolved to take the agricultural area in the state from 48 lakh hectares to one crore hectares in the next 5 years.

With this objective, we have to ensure appointments of revenue officers besides expansion in the staff of the agriculture and animal husbandry department. The new education policy will ensure that the state government expands education facilities in agriculture and veterinary medicine.

Chief Minister Yadav provided appointment letters to Agriculture Extension Officer Priyamvada Dwivedi, Kamlesh Wati, Rajesh Meena, Babli Bagri, Archana Gaur, Assistant Veterinary Doctor Pooja Solanki, Nitesh Suryavanshi, Rahul Yadav and Naib Tehsildar Bharti Solanki, Ravi Patel, Kapil Gurjar etc. In the programme, Revenue Minister Verma, Farmer and Agriculture Development Minister Kansana, and Animal Husbandry and Dairy Minister Lakhan Patel gave information about departmental



Students of Government schools perform at a cultural programme "Anugoonj" organised by MP School Education Department, i Subhash School of Excellence in Bhopal on Friday.

Chief Minister inaugurates two-day IFS Meet and Forestry Conference

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

hief Minister Mohan Yadav commended the ✓remarkable efforts of forest officials in reviving wildlife in areas like Panna, where wildlife had once completely disappeared. He stated that this revival reflects their

unwavering dedication and deserves high praise. Yadav highlighted the state's rich natural heritage, noting that Madhya Pradesh is home to diamonds, cheetahs, and now even elephants are making their way to the state. He shared that the forest cover in the state has expanded by 1,063 square kilometers between 2003 and 2021. Additionally, he proudly mentioned that Bhopal is the only capital city in the country where tigers can be easily spotted nearby, marking a significant environmental mile-

Minister shared these insights while addressing the inaugural session of the two-day Indian Forest Service (IFS) Meet and Forestry Conference at the Pandit Khushilal Ayurveda Mahavidyalaya Auditorium. CM Dr. Yadav inaugurated the conference by lighting the lamp and garlanding the statue of Maa Saraswati. Minister of State for Forest and Environment Dilip Ahirwar, Additional Chief Secretary Forest Ashok Barnwal, Principal Chief Forest Conservator and Head of Forest Force Shri Asim Srivastava and other IFS officers were present at the conference. Yadav was welcomed by presenting him a Rudraksha

Chief Minister Dr. Yadav said that such meets are necessary for mutual dialogue, friend-

stone for the state. The Chief and developing a better work culture. Madhya Pradesh has abundant forest wealth and there is immense potential for study and research in many disciplines including archaeology, geology, environment, botany. The Forest Department will have to take initiative to encourage and support studies in these areas. Similarly, activities should also be expanded to promote the tourism sector. He appreciated the forest staff for effectively facing the challenge of displacement of villages in the context of Ratapani. CM Dr. Yadav said that the state government will provide all possible support for the development of forests and conduct of

> innovative activities. State Minister for Forest and Environment Dilip Ahirwar said that the forests and wildlife of Madhya Pradesh,

our identity. He said that the government is committed to their conservation and development. Many activities and programmes are being run in the state keeping public participation at the centre. State Minister Ahirwar said that the result of the honest and effective initiative taken by the state government for the conservation and development of forests is that along with sta-bility in the forest cover of the state, the efforts made towards the management of wild animals have been appreciated. Minister Ahirwar congratulated the Indian Forest Service officers on this occasion. In the two-day IFS meet, there will be four sessions on the subject of scientific management of forests, joint forest management, welfare of forest dwellers etc. Along with this, sports and cultural programmes will also

Dietetics Day 2025: Focus on balanced nutrition and wellness

STAFF REPORTER BHOPAL

nder the guidance of AIIMS Bhopal's Executive Director, Prof. (Dr.) Ajai Singh, the Department of Dietetics celebrated Dietetics Day on January 10, 2025, in line with the annual observance organized by the Indian Dietetic Association. This year's focus is on 'Fueling Health and Guiding Towards Balanced Nutrition,' which emphasizes the importance of mindful eating, nutri-tion awareness, and the prevention of lifestyle-related diseases.' The event featured multiple activities leading up to Dietetics Day, including a no-flame cooking competition for kids and a nutritional health screening booth for pre-teens, conducted in collaboration with the Department of Pediatrics. A panel discussion on 'Nurturing Healthy Habits: The Importance of Mindful Eating in Child



Development' was also organized, engaging both experts and the community.

Prizes were distributed to children who actively participated and won in various competi-

Prof. (Dr.) Ajai Singh, in his address, highlighted the importance of the event by saying, "Dietetics Day serves as a crucial platform to educate the community about the significance of balanced nutrition and mindful eating. Such initiatives help in fostering healthier lifestyles, particularly among children, and play a vital role in the prevention of nutrition-related disorders." The event was graced by esteemed dignitaries, including the Guest of Honour, Prof. (Dr.) Rajnish Joshi Academics), Col. (Dr.) Ajit Kumar ,Deputy Director

The event was meticulously organized under the leadership of Organizing Chairperson Prof. (Dr.) Amit Agrawal (Faculty In-charge, Dept. of Dietetics) and Organizing Co-Chairperson Dr. Anjan Sahoo (Associate Professor, Dept. of ENT & DMS). Keynote addresses and panel discussions featured insights from prominent speakers including Ms. Amita Singh (Consultant, Nutrition and Dietetics, National Hospital, Bhopal, and Executive Committee member, IAPEN Bhopal Chapter), Prof. (Dr.) Pankaj Goel (Head, Dept. of Dentistry), Prof. (Dr.) Seema P. Mahant (Professor, Dept. of General Medicine), Dr. Anuradha Kushwah (Child Psychologist, Dept. of Psychiatry), and Prof. (Dr.) Shikha Malik (Chairperson,

Shashank Purwar (Officiating

Medical Superintendent).

SUV veers to save tiger, rams into tree at Chandanpura वानिकी सम्मेलन - 2025

STAFF REPORTER BHOPAL

ays after members of a cycling expedition were accosted by a tiger in the Chiklod forests, an SUV veered and hit a tree as the driver lost control after sighting a tiger in the Chandanpura area of the state capital on Friday morning.

Authorities have barricaded the road, closing the route for both pedestrians and vehicular traffic, after the incident sent a scare through the area.

Two bovines have also perished due to tiger attacks in hours, confirmed Forest Range Officer Shivpal

Divisional Forest Officer (DFO) Lokpriya Bharti said, "Picketing and patrols are continuing in the area to trace the movement of the predator. Cameras will be installed to enhance monitoring in the area where the attacks on livestock have been reported."

Piparde said the bovines were killed in the vicinity of the 13 Shutter area of the Kaliyasot reservoir. Notably, the stretch between

the Kolar-Kaliyasot-Kerwa dams has long been known for the presence of tigers. Recent building activity in the area is believed to have disturbed the tranquillity preferred by the striped carnivores.

Large tracts Chandanpura, where the tigers were spotted, were acquired as part of the eral decades ago, but the land was later restored to the

original landowners. Wildlife watchers say the area surrounding the three dams covers large stretches of forests and water bodies that form an age-old tiger corridor, which has witnessed significant development in recent years. Municipal and forest authorities have put up

warning signs in the area to

inform residents and walk-

(Administration), and Prof. (Dr.)

ers of the presence of the big cats, who perhaps view the locale as their own turf. The tiger sighting comes less than a week after a group of around 35 cyclists, passing through the vicinity of the

Bhojpur Temple as part of an expedition through the Chiklod forests, sighted a tiger that emerged from the The tiger lurked for a couple of minutes before stepping back into the shruband merging into the landscape. No one was hurt

in the incident, which has since gone viral on the inter-Meanwhile, forest authorities have taken strong note of the cycling expedition, which they describe as a

breach of forest and wildlife

The video shows the children

Head, Dept. of Pediatrics). 2 boys beaten up, video goes viral

Bhopal: A disturbing video has surfaced from Amarpatan, in Maihar district, showing two young children being brutally beaten by a group of individuals. The video, which has gone viral, captures the children crying and pleading for mercy while being verbally abused by the assailants.

The incident reportedly occurred near the bypass on National Highway-30, although the exact time of the event remains unclear. The children, believed to be between 8 and 10 years old, were allegedly caught on suspicion of stealing wires, prompting the mob to take mat-

being physically assaulted while the perpetrators film the entire incident, which has raised widespread concern and outrage in the local community. It is reported that the children, who are residents of the old colony in Amarpatan, have no parents and live with their elder sisters.

Alok Sharma for 24-metre wide road from Lalghati to Neori temple

Residents from the residential

localities surrounding the pro-

posed road were also present on

the occasion. They agreed that

the width of the road should not

be reduced. The Gufa Mandir

hosts an annual fair during the

month of Sawan, and large

events like Annakoot also take

place there, causing traffic jams

Collector Kaushalendra Vikram

Singh assured Sharma that the

road would be constructed in

accordance with the original

Singh instructed ADM Siddharth

Jain to inspect the proposed road and directed PWD officials

to ensure the road is built to the

full proposed width. He also

instructed the officials to pay spe-

cial attention to the quality of the

construction and to ensure thor-

ough quality checks.

on the road.

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Badocated for the proposed 24-metre width of the road from Lalghati to Neori Temple, emphasising its importance for traffic flow, security, and future planning, despite pressure to reduce its size. Stressing the need for the road

the original plan, Sharma said development work and public welfare projects should be undertaken with a vision for the Sharma was addressing the dis-

to be built in accordance with

trict administration at a meeting attended by Mayor Malti Rai, Priyanka Mishra, and Manoj Rathore. Police and PWD officials were also present.

Sharma was speaking in response to a PWD proposal to reduce the width of the proposed road to 17 metres. In this regard, Infantry Brigade Commander had also discussed the issue with the MP. He mentioned that large military trucks, school vehicles, and army personnel frequently travel on this road. The road often experiences traffic jams, and from a security perspective, it should be widened to ensure smoother



ladhya Pradesh Chief Minister Mohan Yadav greets forest officials after a group photograph during Vaniki Sammelan and Indian Forest Service (IFS) Meet-2025, in

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

■he City police on Friday inaugurated two new police posts in the Old City areas of the state capital. The police posts at the Idgah EWS multi-storey complex and Hamidia Hospital will strengthen law and order enforcement in the

Parliamentarian Sharma inaugurated the police post at Hamidia Hospital in the presence of Commissioner of Police Harinarayan Chari Mishra and a host of senior law enforcement officials.

The post at Hamidia Hospital primarily deals with medicolegal cases reported at the hospital, while the post at the EWS multi-storey complex will strengthen policing in the locality, which came in for stringent criticism after the gruesome rape and killing of a minor last year. A string of public representatives, including MLA Atif Ageel, had called for enhanced picketing and combing in the area, which they had described as a hotbed of criminal activities.

Vishwas leads battle against land grab in Karond neighbourhood

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

ours after the Minister for Co-operation, Vishwas Sarang, blew the cover off alleged land-grab activity in the Karond area of the state capital, a large district administration posse descended on the area on Friday and dismantled infrastructure belonging to those encroaching on government land.

Leading from the front, Minister Sarang remained present to oversee the drive. He said that encroachment on government land would not be tol-

Sub Divisional Magistrate (SDM) Ravish Kumar Srivastava led a team comprising the district administration, police, and the municipal corporation to free the land of encroachments.

A heavy police deployment was witnessed at the site, where a JCB was pressed into action to pull down the unauthorised construction.

Reviewing the demolition activity, Minister Sarang urged the district administration to immediately remove unauthorised construction from government land and initiate steps to prevent the recurrence of

SDM Ravish Kumar Srivastava led a team comprising the district administration, police, and the municipal corporation

such incidents in the future. He said that land mafias capture government land and sell it to gullible buyers, causing a loss to both the public and the gov-

Minister Sarang directed officials to conduct a thorough survey of the area to identify encroachments on government land and free the area of the menace.

On Thursday evening, the minister had conducted surprise checks in the area after receiving complaints about the illicit sale of government land in the Karond, Badwai, Rusalli, and Palasi areas of the state capital. The builders had run away, leaving behind their vehicle upon seeing the minister's cavalcade approach them. The vehicle remains confiscated by the police.

To commit suicide, youth climbs tower, rescued **STAFF REPORTER** BHOPAL

youth climbed a tower Alocated at Polytechnic Square in Bhopal, causing panic among onlook-

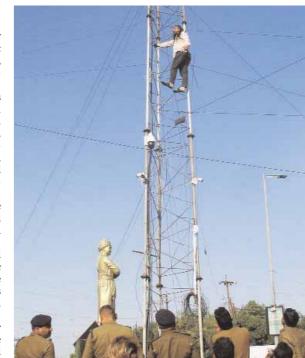
The youth, later identified as Vinod Kumar Teji, was seen at a height of about 80 feet. Alarmed by the situation, people immediately contacted the police, who, in turn, called the Municipal Corporation team for assis-

Police Station In-charge Ghumendra Singh engaged with the young man via a

microphone. The man revealed that he had climbed the tower with the intent of committing suicide due to financial distress caused by harassment from his employer.

He explained that the owner of the company where he worked as a private guard had not paid him his salary of Rs 16,000 for the past two months, leaving him in a dire financial situation. After receiving counseling and assurance from the authorities, the young man agreed to descend from the tower in about 15 minutes.

The Municipal Corporation team then used a lift to safe-



ly bring him down. ÁCP Anita Prabha Sharma mentioned that the police would investigate the situation further by contacting the employer. If it was found that the salary had indeed been withheld, steps would be taken to ensure the man received the payment.

As the incident unfolded, a large crowd gathered at the scene, with many people filming the event on their phones. Fortunately, the young man came down safely after the intervention of the police and Municipal Corporation team, averting a tragic out-

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PSC vacancies will be filled in a single year: CM

STAFF REPORTER BHOPAL

hief Minister Mohan Yadav has said that **✓** under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, the tradition of celebrating 12 January Swami

. Vivekananda Jayanti as Youth Day has been started. The state government is ready to take all necessary steps so that the youth can realise their dreams, move ahead in life, take the state and society forward. A new dawn should emerge in the life of the youth, they should make their life extraordinary, use their energy in the interest of the society, this is the appeal to the youth in the context of Youth Day. In the same sequence, the state



the implementation of Swami Vivekananda Yuva Shakti Mission in the state from 12th of January.CM Yadav said this in a message issued to the media.

Chief Minister Yadav said that on the occasion of Youth Day, the grant amount for the month of January will be transferred to the Ladli Bahnas of the state from Kalapipal district Shajapur. The state government is conducting multi-dimensional activities with the aim that the youth get all the opportunities for advancement and progress. Chief Minister Yadav said that the state government is going to fill the backlog posts in the state. It has also been decided to fill the posts of the last three years under the PSC by conducting three separate examinations in a single year.

\ Chief Minister Yadav said that the main basis of the Regional Industry Conclave is the youth power of the

Skill upgradation and training activities are being conducted with the aim that the youth get employment opportunities in the state itself. Through other IT parks started in the state

including Rewa, Ujjain, the youth have got employment opportunities within the state on the basis of their qualification and ability. Chief Minister Yadav said that as a result of the expansion of industrial activities, the process of recruitment in government departments is going on along with an increase in employment opportunities. Many innovations are being done in the field of health and education in the state. In this sequence, 55 PM Excellence Colleges have been launched. Colleges of Ayurveda, Allopathy, Homeopathy are being started in the field of health education. Incorporating the PPP model, 25 medical colleges will be started in 2

Bhopal: At a review meeting held

in Ĝwalior, Madhya Kshetra

Vidyut Vitran Company

(MKVVCL) Managing Director

Kshitij Singhal, on Friday, told

officials to ensure the immediate

replacement of faulty and nonfunctional meters in consumer

He also directed that applications

for load enhancement and new

connections be processed with-in the stipulated time, ensuring new connections and load

increases are implemented

The meeting, attended by Chief

General Manager Rajeev Gupta, General Manager Nitin Manglik,

theft, including disconnecting ser-

Centenary celebrations of SB Bose Library from Jan 12

premises.

accordingly.

College student dies in mishap

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

tragic accident occurred Ain Bhopal on Friday after-noon when a speeding truck collided with a college bus, dragging it for a long distance. The incident, which took place near NIFT College in Bhauri, resulted in the death of one student and left two others seriously iniured.

Around 2 pm, a group of 55 people, including 51 students and four staff members from People's Engineering College, were returning from a visit to IISER College. While traveling on the road, the truck, bearing the registration number RJ17GA8818, hit the bus, number MP04ZH3229, from behind. The impact was so severe that the rear portion of the bus was badly damaged, and several students were trapped inside.

vices for defaulters who have

reconnected illegally, in line with

Sections 135 and 138 of the

Electricity Act 2003. He also urged

improvements in billing efficien-

cy, collection efficiency, and the

reduction of technical and com-

Singhal stressed the importance of

expediting the installation of smart

meters, informing consumers of

their benefits. He directed better maintenance of distribution transformers to reduce failures and minimise tripping on 33kV and

11kV feeders. Additionally, he

called for an uninterrupted power

supply to high-voltage consumers and the timely resolution of their

mercial losses.



Senior Congress leader and Rajya Sabha MP Digvijaya Singh with Congress State President Jitu Patwari during state Congress management committee meeting at PCC headquarters in Bhopal on Friday.

government is also starting

Parking attendants overcharge. refuse digital payments at Hamidia

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

n a blatant violation, parking attendants at the govern-**⊥**ment-run Hamidia Hospital are charging double the stipulated fare printed on the slips they hand out after hurriedly scribbling the receipt numbers. Though the slips mention Rs 10 as the charge for two-wheelers, attendants insist on collecting Rs 20, which ironically is twice the amount the college hospital charges outpatients for treat-

Not surprisingly, the parking attendants refuse to accept digital payments and insist on cash transactions, often adding to caregivers who have to walk a considerable distance to arrange for the cash before they can retrieve their vehicles. Adding to visitors' woes, the

irreverent parking staff refuse to

listen to reason, simply shutting up people by saying, "Pareshani hai toh upar baat kar lijiye (If you have a problem, speak to the higher-ups)."

When contacted, the parking contractor maintained that the parking charges are collected as per the agreement with the hospital management. These charges are calculated on an hourly basis. "We are working as per the instructions. For further details, please contact the higher authorities," he says, but refuses to divulge details of the hospital official responsible for the park-

In the absence of a designated official to speak to the media, the unavailable for comment on the matter. Parking at Hamidia is charged hourly and can go up to Rs 200. Additionally, parking in non-designated areas results in fines of up to Rs 500.

defaulter issues. (RDSS), he instructed that projects Singhal emphasised the need for be completed as per the contract effective action against electricity terms, with action taken against Private school owners stage a protest against heavy taxes on their school buildings and other basic facilities, at Rajya Shiksha

MD for immediate replacement of faulty meters

arking 100 years of the Siddhi Bala Bose Library Association, City Bengali Club is organising a centenary celebration which will include various events spanning the next 12 months.

commence on January 12, to coincide with Vivekananda Iavanti. The Minister for Public Works Department, Rakesh Singh, will be the chief guest at the inaugural function. Institution office bearers and

promoting the culture, art, lanserving this rich heritage.

It was named in honour of Siddhi Bala Bose—the wife of Rai Bahadur Prabhat Chandra Bose. The land registration of the institution was completed on January 24, 1925. The first president of the institution was Rai Bahadur SN Varat (1925-1929), and the first secretary was NL Mukherjee (1925-

Over the years, several prominent personalities have served the institution as office-bearers and members, including former President Pranab Mukherjee, Rai Bahadur Prabhat Chandra Bose, Tulsi Das Banerjee, Manaranjan Chatterjee, SC Varat, Dr RN Chatterjee, SK Mukherjee, JB Sen, KC Niyogi, and Justice CP Sen.

will feature the unveiling of the centenary balloon, logo, and flag, the launch of a centenary song, the honouring of distinoffice-bearers from other Bengali institutions in the city, along with a music programme by renowned singer Rajshekhar

the postal department will release a special cover on January 24. The centenary year will also witness tree plantation,

On this occasion, a centenary pillar will be erected in the institution's premises, and a statue of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose will be installed. The Kali temple will be adorned with attractive lighting, and the institution's building will be decorated. This year, preparations are underway to celebrate Durga Puja in a grand manner.

Professor Gayatri Sinha, Chief Coordinator Dr Abhijit Mukherjee, Secretary Prakash Saha, and a host of office bearers and members presented the precursor to the year-long celebrations.

and other senior field officials, issues. Regarding ongoing elecfocused on improving revenue generation and addressing trical works under the Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme

negligent agencies.

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The centenary celebrations

organising committee members inform that the institution was established with the aim of guage, and literature of the

The centenary inauguration

Marking the centenary year,

a performance of the famous play Lajja by the New Palli Theatre Group of Delhi on March 2. A number of social, literary, and cultural events will also be held throughout the

Rajaji Club shooters shine in National Championship

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he Rajaji Shooting Club is celebrating a wave of success for its talented shooters. In a remarkable display of skill and dedication, seventeen out of twenty shooters from the club have qualified in the prestigious 67th National Championship, underscoring the club's commitment to fostering excellence in shooting sports.

Nine outstanding shooters have advanced to the rigorous selection rounds- Dushyant Kumar in the Senior Category for Air Rifle Men, Bilal Khan in both Junior and Senior Categories for Air Rifle Men, Harshit Patider in Youth, Junior, and Senior

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Categories for Air Rifle Men, Jayesh Patider in Youth Category for Air Rifle Men, KS Sanjana in Junior and Senior Categories for Air Rifle Women, Avnish Giri Goswami in Youth, Junior, and Senior Categories for Air Pistol, Yashveer Sharma in Sub-Youth Category for Air Pistol Men and Tanisha Patider in Sub-Youth Category for Air Pistol Women.

Adding to these impressive

results, three promising young shooters are currently competing in the Khelo MP Games: Harshit Patider, Param Yadav, and Angel Naik participating in Air Rifle or Air Pistol competitions in the

Youth category. Furthermore, two exceptional shooters, KS Sanjana and Bilal Khan, are representing their universities at the esteemed All India Inter University Games. The Rajaji Shooting Club extends its heartfelt congratulations to all the shooters on their outstanding achievements. These successes are a testament to the club's dedication to providing world-class training and unwavering support to its shooters. The club wishes all the shooters continued success in their future competitions.

Makarand, Nitish Bharadwaj, Pankaj Kapur to perform in city this March

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

¬he Indimoon Arts Festival will take place from March 4-9 at Rayindra Bhayan. The six-day event, dedicated to the late Alok Chatterjee, will showcase performances focused on theatre, literature, and music. Organised by Rang

Theatre, in collaboration with the Madhya Pradesh Department of Culture, the festival will feature notable personalities from the arts world. The highlight of the opening day will be

Chakravyuh—based on

the 13th day of the epic battle of the Mahabharata, featuring Nitish Bharadwaj.

On the second day, Makarand Deshpande's Sar Sar Sarla will be staged, followed by Sharman Joshi in Raju Raja Ram on the third day. Pankaj Kapur will perform his own novel, Dophari, on the fourth day.

On March 8, a Mumbaibased contemporary band, Euphony, will perform, and the festival will conclude with a live performance by Euphoria, India's first indigenous band, on March 9. All performances will begin at 7 PM.

New intiative to check cyber crimes

Haryana police register murder case against MP ATS **STAFF REPORTER** ■ BHOPAL

he investigation into the death of 23-yearl old Himanshu, who fell from the third floor of a hotel in Sohna, Gurugram, has taken a serious turn, with Madhya Pradesh's Anti-Terrorism Squad (ATS) facing increasing scrutiny.

Himanshu, a resident of Bihar, was one of six individuals linked to a terror funding and cybercrime case in Madhya Pradesh.

Following his death, Haryana Police, upon a complaint from Himanshu's uncle, Chandan Kumar, has registered a murder case against the MP ATS. The Sohna Police are reviewing CCTV footage from the hotel to determine the true cause of

The ATS claims that Himanshu, while in their custody, tried to escape from the hotel. They assert that Himanshu went to the gallery on the pretext of using the bathroom and attempted to flee by climbing down using an electricity cable.

However, he allegedly lost his grip and fell, hitting his head. The ATS team quickly took him to the hospital, but he succumbed to his injuries. Contrarily, Himanshu's family has accused the ATS of murder. Chandan Kumar, his uncle, alleges that Himanshu was illegally detained by the ATS without

any warrant and that he was thrown from the third floor, resulting in his death. In response to the incident,

launched a judicial inquiry, and Madhya Pradesh ADG Intelligence Yogesh Deshmukh has suspended nine members of the ATS, including inspectors, head constables, and constables. The MP ATS team was reportedly at the hotel immediately after the incident.

Meanwhile, the investigation into the cybercrime and terror links of the accused continues. MP ATS has recovered significant evidence, including 14 laptops, 41 mobile phones, one tablet, and 85 debit cards from the six accused. Authorities are also probing the possibility of terrorist connections involving the individuals under investigation.

Bhopal: Shahdol Superintendent of Police (SP) Ramji Srivastava has launched an initiative to prevent cyber fraud and enhance

communication within the district by creating WhatsApp groups through 15 police stations and three police posts. This initiative connects local villages, fostering better information sharing and coordination between the police and the community.

So far, 524 WhatsApp groups have been formed, with over 1.25 lakh participants. Each group includes local residents and police personnel, from beat in-charges to station heads, who serve as admins. SP Srivastava himself is involved in these groups, ensuring direct interaction with the public.

The WhatsApp groups serve multiple purposes: sharing cyber fraud prevention tips, distributing

security awareness videos, providing important updates, and establishing direct communication with villagers. SP Srivastava stressed the importance of raising awareness about cyber fraud and ensuring the public is informed. Daily awareness videos are shared, with community members encouraged to spread them fur-

In addition to addressing cyber crimes, the groups are used for disseminating information about road safety, traffic rules, and emergency procedures. The initiative has also strengthened the district's information system by sharing photos of unknown individuals, accident victims, and fraudsters for identification. Contact numbers for police officers, including beat in-charges and the SP's office, are provided, making it easier for residents to report incidents.

BANK OF MAHARASHTRA Jabalpur Zonal Office: Wright Town, Jabalpur- 482001, Tele: 0761-2480065 E-mail: dzmjabalpur@mahabank.co.in [Rule-8(1)] **POSSESSION NOTICE** (For Immovable Property)

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the Bank of Maharashtra under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Sub-section (2) of Section 13 read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 Issued Demand Notice. 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 properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under section 13(4) of said Act read with the Rule 8 of the said rules.								
S No.	Name & Address of Borrower &		Details of Immovable Property of	Demand Notice Date				
	Guarantor	as per notice	which possession taken by the bank	Possession Date				
1.	Branch - Tilhari	Rs. 2865850/- +Unapplied interest	All those pieces & parcel of property with construction & fixture there being & lying at Mouza -Surtalai,	01/10/2024				
	Borrower - Mr.Vinod Sahu S/O Mr.Ram Gopal Sahu, Mrs.Sapna Sahu W/O Mr. Vinod Sahu	+ penal interest + penal interest thereon and other charges and expenses w.e.f 01.10.2024	N.B419,PH.NO.New75(old22)Patwari Halka, Surtalai, R,N.M, Maharajpur, The. Panagar, Sanskar City, Plot No.276, Area 800 Sq.Ft. Khasra No.41 Dist: Jabalpur Bounded as: North: Plot No.277B & 277, South: Plot No.275, East: Road, West: Plot No.269 Owner of Property: Mr.Vinod Sahu & Mrs.Sapna Sahu					
		Rs. 2526801/- +Unapplied interest	Equitable mortgage of Lay out Plot No.42 Divya Jyoti					
		+penal interest	Parisar Firm,Vill: Binaki, N.B 296,Tah Patan,Phase II, Admesuring Plot area 946 sqft	09/01/2025				
		thereon and other charges	Bounded as follows: North: - Plot No.43, South: - Road, East: - Colony Road, West: - Road	Physical				
		and expenses	CERSAI ASSET ID: 200063761802					
Th		w.e.f 21.10.2024		lines with the				
ıın	The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the							

properties will be subject to the charge of Bank Of Maharashtra for an amount hereinabove me mortgaged to the Bank and taken possession by the Bank are as above. The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets. **CHIEF MANAGER & AUTHORIZED OFFICER** Place: Jabalpur, Date: 11/01/2025



E-AUCTION (SALE NOTICE) (Under Sarfaesi Act 2002)

Zonal Office: Bank of India Bhawan, Arera Hills, Jail Road, Bhopal-462004 Tel.: 0755-2556770 / 2555169 E-mail: bhopal.assetrecovery@bankofindia.co.in

Appendix-IV-A [See provisio to rule 8(6)]
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF MOVABLE / IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES E-auction Sale Notice For Sale of movable/ Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rules 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) & guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged / charged to the secured creditor, the **Physical/Symbolic possession** of which has been taken by the authorised officer the **Bank of India (secured creditor)** will be sold on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS, AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" & WHAT EVER THERE IS BASIS " on 27-01-2025 for recovery of bank dues to the Bank of India (secured creditor) Bidding will be done online through e-auction plateform http://BAANKNET.com

Name of Borrower/ Guarantor Notice Amount	Description of Mortgaged Properties & Name of Property Owner	EMD Bid Incremen Amt.
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Borrower: M/s My Equipment Pvt. Ltd. through its Director Late Mr. Saurabh Garg	Immovable property Plot No. B-21 to B-40 situated at My city, K.N. 281/2/2,282/1/2 and	Lakh
S/o Mr. Beni Madhav Garg& Mrs. Manju Garg W/o Late Mr. Saurabh Garg Guarantors: Late Mr. Saurabh Garg S/o Mr.	281/2/1, 282/1/1,291, 292,311,376, 377,378, 373,374, 245,305,306,307,309, P.H. No. 31 old 36 Village- Kalapani, Kolar road, Bhopal,	₹ 20.20 Lakh
Mr. Beni Madhav & Mrs. Manju Garg W/o Late Mr. Saurabh Garg	Mortgaged by : shri. saurabh Garg (director of the company) (present owner legal heir of late Shri Saurabh Garg)	
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Physical Possession Borrower: M/s Vishnu Vilas Shiksha Evam Jan Open Plot admeasuring 1210.00SqMt situated at Kh. No. 491 & 492, (New Kh Kalyan Samiti No. 491/2), P.H. no. 34 (old) New no. 46 Secretary: Mr. Rituj Alia S/o Shri Jagdish Kumar Alia Near International School, Swaroop Vice President: Mr. Harish Patel S/o Mr. Indraject Patel Nagar, Lal Pathat Road, Batoli, Basoda Guarantors : (1) Mr. Rituj Alia (2) Mr. Harish Patel Dist. Vidisha, (M.P.) Owned by Shri (3) Mr. Ravindra Kumar Upadhyay

Ravindra Kumar Upadhyay Surroundings Demand Notice Amount: ₹ 4,20,46,260.35 North: Other's land, South: Other's land + interest w.e.f 28.03.2017 & charges Fast: Other's land, West: Road, Demand notice Date: 04.04.2017 Possession Date: 19.09.2017 Borrowers: M/s Aditya Road Lines Prop. Mr. EQM of Housing Property Residential

Guarantors: 1. Mrs. Manda Vishwakarma W/o Mr. Kamlesh Vishwakarma 2. Miss Ragni Chourasia D/o Mr. Subhash Chourasiya

Kamlesh Vishwakarma S/o K. D. Vishwakarma

Demand Notice Amount: ₹ 1,27,28,153.73 + interest w.e.f 26.08.2024 & charges Demand notice Date: 27.08.2024 Possession Date: 13.11.2024

Borrower: M/s Simran Traders

Demand notice Date: 03.07.2024

Place: Bhopal, Date: 10.01.2025

Demand Notice Amount: 33.61 Lakhs +

interest w.e.f. 12.03.2024 & other charges

Possession Date : 04.11.2024 (Physical)

(Prop. Mr. Rakesh Chhipa)

Possession Date: 28.02.2018

Flat No. 601, Sixth Floor, Block No. 05, Wing D, MIG Regal Town Gram Khajur Kalan, Ward No. 58, Teh- Huzur, Dist-Bhopal (M.P.) Area- 62 Sq.Mt. owned in the name of Mr. Kamlesh Vishwakarma & Mrs. Manda Vishwakarma BOUNDRIES:-East by - Corridor, West by-Flat No. 602 North by -Flat No. 604, South by Symbolic Possessio

kapoor, East- other land / plot of owner, West-

Plot No. B-13 to B-20

Berasia Branch, Berasia Tel.: 07565-282234, 9424727991 A/c to Deposit Auction Sale Proceeds 901690200000033 IFSC Code: BKID0009016 Residential plot situated at Khasra No. 69/2/4, Near Exide Batteries Shop, Village-Tikankhedi, Ward no.

₹ 19.55 13, Tehsil-Berasia, Dist-Bhopal (M.P.) belong to Mr Kamlesh Chhipa, Area: 1375 Sqft, Surroundings ₹ 2.00 North: Remaining land of seller, South: Remaining land of seller, East: Plot of Mr. Deewan Singh Meena West: Proposed 20' wide Road

₹ 10,000/

₹ 24.96

₹ 25,000

18.70

₹ 1.87

₹ 25,000

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2) The property can be inspected on or before 24.01.2025 between 10 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. with prior permission from Bank Manager of Concern

The Successful tenderer shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on the allotment of tender in his her favour and balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale in above mentioned branch's account number. If the tendere fails to pay the sale price as stated above, the deposit made by him/her shall be forfeited without any notice.

The bidding will start at a price higher than that of fixed reserve price.

For sale proceeds of Rs. 50 Lacs (Rupees Fifty lacs) and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at the rate 1% on the Sal proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the Bank.

All statutory dues/non-statutory dues/applicable stamp duty/additional stamp duty/transfer charges/all fees/assessment charges/other dues including registration charges, stamp duty, taxes, applicable TDS etc. shall have to be borne by the purchaser.

Authorised Officer reserve the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and condition of the e-auction without assigning any reason

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Authorised Office, Bank of India

Date and Time of e-auction: 27/01/2025, 11.00 A.M. to 5.00 P.M

Rajnath calls for enhanced cohesiveness of global community

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Friday here called for enhanced cohesiveness of the global community in view of the current security environment which, he said, is in a state of flux with multiple con-

flicts and challenges.
Addressing Ambassadors'
Round-Table, organised as a prelude to Aero India 2025, he stressed on the need to overcome the present geopolitical tensions for ensuring mutual prosperity and global peace. This 15th edition of Aero India is scheduled to be held at the Air Force Station, Yelahanka in Bengaluru, Karnataka from February 10 to 14.

"It is of paramount importance that the like-minded countries should strive together for collective actions for peace and prosperity. Without these, our future generations will not be able to take advantage of economic growth or technological innovations that we are experiencing in today's

the Ambassadors and High Commissioners of various countries attending the event. He pointed out that India is emerging as a leading voice for the Global South, and it advocates for a multi-aligned policy approach, which ensures that diverse views are considered in the collective pursuit of prosperity.
"Prime Minister Narendra

Modi has articulated India's commitment to addressing global challenges through five guiding principles: Respect, Dialogue, Cooperation, Peace and Prosperity. In today's geopolitical landscape, fostering unity among like-minded nations is essential for ensuring mutual prosperity and peace, while addressing contemporary challenges. India has always championed shared prosperity and shared responsibility based on the fundamental principle of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam, 'One Earth, One Family', which was also the theme for G-20 Summit in



Rajnath Singh described Aero India, Asia's largest aeroshow, as one such event, where nations come together and form bonds beyond boundaries. Elaborating on the vision behind the biennial event, he stated that it has proven itself to be the meeting ground for the aerospace and defence sectors showcase products/technologies.

He defined it as a forum to forge strategic partnerships towards increasing opportuni-ties for business, Transfer of Technology, joint development and co-production between various industries. The defence minister empha-

sised that, today, India possesses one of the largest defence industrial ecosystems in Asia and the government is committed to further enhancing the capabilities. He added that the Indian aerospace and defence sector represents an attractive opportunity for foreign companies seeking to establish new ventures and partnerships. He cited the significant milestone of setting-up of the manufacturing facility of C-295 transport aircraft for the Indian Air Force through collaboration between Tata Advanced Systems Limited and Airbus Defence & Space.

Rajnath Singh asserted that India has emerged as an attractive destination for investment, and Aero India 2025 presents an opportunity for friendly nations to jointly explore strengths and capabilities in the defence sector, addressing both strategic needs as well as tactical requirements. He added that the event will

facilitate industry captains, technology leaders, intellectuals and entrepreneurs with new avenues for collaboration in defence industrial enterprises. "Aero India 2025 will serve as a vital forum for exploring partnerships that will from the base for future challenges. Together, we can create pathways for growth that are inclusive and sustainable," he said. The defence minister emphasised that air and space power have become pivotal elements in shaping strategies as such assets,

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

The fourth edition of Project 'Veer Gatha 4.0', a joint ini-

tiative by Ministry of Defence

and Ministry of Education as

part of Republic Day celebra-

tions, has garnered an incred-

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2024, Project Veer Gatha 4.0

presented a variety of thoughtprovoking topics for essay and

paragraph writing. Students

had the opportunity to write

about their chosen role mod-

els, particularly focusing on

They were also encouraged to

freedom fighters such as Rani

Laxmibai, the 1857 First War

of Independence, and the sig-

nificant role of Tribal Uprisings

in India's Freedom Struggle.

This diverse array of topics not

only enhanced the quality of

the entries, but also deepened

participants' understanding of

Gallantry Award recipients.

Intelligence and Machine Learning systems, provide an unprecedented advantage in battle-field scenarios. He described Aero Space Power as the new frontier of military dominance which acts as strategic deterrence.

During the Round-Table, Ambassadors and High Commissioners of various countries were briefed on the major events of Aero India 2025, and extended a personal invite from defence minister for their senior most leadership. Chief Defence Staff(CDS)General Anil Chauhan, Chief of the Army Staff General Upendra Dwivedi, Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Dinesh K Tripathi, Chief of the Air Staff Air Chief Marshal AP Singh, Defence Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh, Secretary (Defence Production) Sanjeev Kumar and other senior officials of the Ministry of Defence as well as the Government of Karnataka attended the Round-

No tree felling in Mumbai's Aarey without our nod: SC

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

The Supreme Court on Friday directed the tree authority of Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation not to allow any further tree felling in Mumbai's Aarey colony without its permission.

A bench comprising Justices Abhay S Oka and Aravind Kumar said the authority could process the applications and then seek orders from the

The order came after the Mumbai Metro Rail Limited Corporation (MMRCL) informed the bench there was no pending proposal to cut of more trees in the

The top court posted the hearing on March 5.

The apex court had directed the Maharashtra government to inform if there was any proposal to fell more trees in Aarev forest.

The court in 2023 permitted some forest-dwelling communities to move the Bombay High Court with their grievances over felling of trees in the forest for the metro rail

On April 17, 2023, the apex court came down heavily on Mumbai Metro for trying to "overreach" its order permitting the felling of only 84 trees in the



forest for a car shed project and directed it to pay Rs 10 lakh as On N

penalty.
The court said it was improper on the part of the MMRCL to move the tree authority for felling of any trees in excess of

The top court, however, permitted the company to remove 177 trees from Aarey forest, saying a stay on tree felling would bring the public project to a standstill which was not

The apex court in 2019 took suo motu cognisance of a letter petition addressed to the chief justice of India by law student Rishav Ranjan seeking a stay on the felling of trees in the

On November 29, 2022, the apex court permitted Mumbai Metro to raise its plea to fell 84

trees at Mumbai's Aarey Colony with the authority con cerned. The top court had directed MMRCL to strictly abide by its undertaking on no tree felling

and warned of strict action in case of violation. The apex court had restrained the authorities from felling any more trees after the solicitor

general submitted on behalf of Maharashtra government no more trees would be cut. The felling of trees in the

colony was opposed by green activists and Aarey residents.

ible nationwide response. This year, approximately 1.76 crore students from around 2.31 for national-level evaluation, lakh schools participated in the where top 100 entries were competition, defence ministry selected as SUPER-100 winsaid here on Friday. One hundred (100) winners These winners will be feliciare selected at the national

Project 'Veer Gatha 4.0' as part

of R-Day celebrations garners

incredible nationwide response

tated jointly by the Ministry of level. The winners are divided Defence and Ministry of into four categories, with 25 Education in New Delhi. Éach winner will receive a cash each: prize of Rs 10,000. În addition to the 100 nation-

VEER GATHA

al-level winners, eight winners at the State/UT level (two from each category) and four winners at the district level (one from each category) will be selected and honoured by State/UT/District authorities. Project Veer Gatha was launched in 2021 as part of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' to commemorate India's 75th year of Independence. The project aims to raise awareness of Gallantry awardees' acts of bravery and the life stories of

these heroes.

otism and civic values in students. The journey of Project Veer Gatha from Édition 1 to Edition 4 has been inspiring, expanding the reach of the competition across the length and breadth of the country. In the first two editions of Project Veer Gatha, 25 winners were selected at the national level, with around eight lakh

The third edition marked a significant milestone, with the selection of 100 national winners for the first time and an increased participation of 1.36 crore students. The momentum continued to grow in Veer Gatha 4.0, reinforcing the

Shah to chair regional conference on 'Drug Trafficking and National Security'

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation Amit Shah on Saturday here will chair a regional conference on "Drug Trafficking and National Security" National Security. The conference, organized by

the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB), aims to address the growing concern of drug trafnational security, with a special focus on eight states and Union Territories of northern India, home ministry said here on

During the event, Shah will launch the Drug Disposal Fortnight, inaugurate the new office complex of the NCB's Bhopal zonal unit and extension of the MANAS-2 helpline to all 36 states and Union Territories.

The conference will focus on the sharing of real-time information from the National Narcotics Helpline 'MANAS' portal with the Anti-Narcotics Task Force (ANTF) of States and Union Territories, evaluating the progress of States in combating drug trafficking, and assessing the effectiveness of the Narcotics Coordination



Mechanism (NCORD) It will also address strengthening and enhancing the functionality of State Forensic Science Laboratories (SFSLs), utilizing the NIDAAN database to bolster efforts against drug trafficking, implementing provisions of the Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (PIT-NDPS) Act, establishing special NDPS courts for the speedy trial of drug-related cases, and fostering a Wholeof-Government approach to ensure comprehensive collaboration among all agencies to combat drug trafficking and abuse effectively. During the drug disposal fort-

night starting from January 11-25, a total of 44,792 kilograms of seized narcotics, whose international market value is Rs 2,411 crore, will be disposed of.

Under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the Government of India has adopted a Zero Tolerance Policy against drug trafficking. The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) is implementing a three-pronged strategy to achieve a drug-free India by 2047.

This includes strengthening institutional frameworks, enhancing coordination among narcotics agencies, and launching a massive public awareness

DG NCC inaugurates 'Idea and Innovation Competition' for cadets

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

Director General National Cadet Corps (DG NCC) Lt General Gurbirpal Singh here on Friday inaugurated 'Idea and Innovation Competition', to provide cadets with tools and guidance to develop solutions to real-

This unique initiative which was taken up for the first time in NCC Republic Day Camp (RDC) provided cadets with the tools and guidance to think critically and develop solutions to real-world challenges, defence ministry said. Before the competition, the NCC organised a series of workshops and contests pan India under the aegis of all 17 NCC State Directorates, with the aim to inspire and meet the aspirations of cadets.

The initiative yielded remarkable results, with cadets generating an impressive 256 innovative ideas and solutions. Out of these, 56 top innovations were shortlisted and showcased during the Republic Day Camp 2025. The innovations highlighted



the cadets' ability to think outside the box, demonstrated creativity, teamwork, and a commitment to nation-build-

The Idea and Innovation competition resonated deeply with the cadets, emphasised entrepreneurship, problem-solving, and the spirit of innovation in the cadets. These initiatives not only underlined the NCC's dedication to nurture future leaders but also boost the potential of young minds in addressing pressing

societal challenges.
The aim of the initiative was to align NCC training with contemporary aspects and give exposure & opportunities to cadets towards 'Yuva Setu' and prepare them for 'Viksit

Former UP **Police DG** appointed president of IPF PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

Former Uttar Pradesh Police
director general O P Singh
has been appointed the new
president of the Indian Police
Foundation (IPF), an inde-

ership make him the ideal choice to further the vision and mission of the Foundation." According to the message, Singh was "unanimously" elect-

ed as the IPF president and CEO during a meeting of the executive council held here on The 1983-batch Indian Police

Service (IPS) officer retired from service in January 2020. Apart from heading the Uttar Pradesh Police, he served as the director general of two central forces -- the Central Industrial Security Force and the National Disaster Response Force.

winners Preparatory Stage (Grades 3-5), Middle Stage (Grades 6-8), Secondary Stage (Grades 9-10) and Secondary Stage (Grades 11-12). The first 100 winners will witness the traditional parade at Kartavya Path as Special Guests. Launched on September 05,

pendent think tank on policing

A message shared by outgoing with other members of the organisation said Singh's skills and "team building" abilities apart from "remarkable contributions and visionary lead-

India's historical and cultural The project involved schools conducting activities at the local level, nationwide interaction programmes by Gallantry awardees (both offline and online), and the submission of top entries via MyGov portal.

The school-level activities concluded on October 31, 2024. Following evaluations at the State and District levels, nearly 4,029 entries were submitted



widespread impact of this ini-

India marks significant milestone in journey towards achieving climate goals with launch of Bharat Climate Forum

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE **NEW DELHI**

India marked a significant milestone in its journey toward achieving climate goals and economic self-reliance with the launch of the Bharat Climate Forum on Friday. A national platform dedicated to unifying stakeholders from policy, industry, finance, and research to accelerate cleantech manufacturing in India, the Bharat Climate Forum aims to drive sustainable economic

growth and innovation. Hosted by the Centre for Economic Indigenous Understanding (CIEU) and Dalberg Advisors, the Bharat Climate Forum is supported by the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE), NITI Aayog, and International Solar Alliance (ISA).

Addressing the launch, Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said Atmanirbhar Bharat embodies India's drive for eco-



nomic sovereignty and technological leadership through innovation and collaboration. "Our 4G-5G telecom stack showcases this spirit which the cleantech sector can imbibe, with public-private partnerships enabling world-class, competitive solutions. I thank the Bharat Climate Forum organizers for highlighting India's commitment to clean-

tech innovation for a sustain-

able future," he said in a state

The forum comes at a time when India is pursuing ambitious climate targets, including achieving net-zero emissions by 2070 and scaling up nonfossil fuel capacity to 500 GW by 2030. Despite progress in renewables, challenges such as reliance on imports for solar and wind infrastructure persist. Ashwani Mahajan, National

Co-Convener of Swadeshi Jagran Manch and Member-Secretary of the Bharat Climate Forum, emphasized the need for a comprehensive manufacturing policy to address these The forum also spotlighted

the economic opportunities in cleantech. By 2030, Dalberg estimates suggest that cleantech manufacturing could create a domestic market worth \$120-150 billion annually and generate export opportunities of \$40-45 billion while generating 50 million new jobs by 2070. Jagjeet Singh Sareen, Partner, Global Climate Practice at Dalberg Advisors and Member-Secretary of the Bharat Climate Forum mentioned, achieving the 1.5degree target requires urgent

acceleration in our efforts. The inaugural event witnessed the launch of Bharat Cleantech Manufacturing Platform by Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal an initiative to strengthen India's clean tech value chains-spanning solar, wind, hydrogen, and battery storage. The Forum launch was also addressed by several distinguished attendees including Amitabh Kant, India's G20 Sherpa who provided insights into delivering cost-competitive clean tech solutions. Bharat Climate Forum 2025 is

an influential platform that brings together key stakeholders from the government, industry, and global community to accelerate India's clean energy transition. CIEU is committed to fostering comprehensive research, facilitating dialogues, and curating innovative ideas that address the needs of diverse communities. Dalberg Advisors is a strategic advisory firm that combines the best private sector strategy skills and rigorous analytical capabilities with deep knowledge and networks across emerging and frontier

New FIR against Karti Chidambaram

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI

CBI has registered a fresh case against Congress MP Karti Chidambaram, accusing accepting bribes for lifting the ban on liquor manufacturer Diageo and FDI clearance for Sequoia Capital and routing bribe money through Vasan Eye Care and his own firm Advantage Capital. As per the CBI FIR, Karti got around Rs.87 crore on these deals by misusing father and former Minister Finance

Chidambaram's office. Apart from Karti, other accused are Chidambaram family's Chartered Accountant S Bhaskararaman, Vasan Eye Care promoter (late) Dwarakanathan, bribe givers liquor company Diageo Scotland and venture capital firm Sequoia Capital and Karti controlled firms Advantage Strategic Consulting, Vasan Eye Care, which is now

CBI FIR charges Karti and his firm Advantage for accepting



bribe of 15,000 Dollars for lifting ban on liquour company Diageo Scotland which supplies famous brand Johnnie Walker Whiskey. CBI FIR says more than 86 crore was routed by Karti controlled firms Vasan Eye Care and Advantage Strategic Consulting in providing Foreign Direct Investment clearance for Mauritius based venture capital firm Sequoia Capital's proposals from Finance Ministry headed by Chidambaram. Detailing the money trail, CBI FIR says these

2008 to 2010. Karti is currently facing three

CBI cases - Aircel Maxis deal, INX Media bribery and Chinese Visa case. This is his fourth case, facing corruption, misusing his father former Finance Minister Chidambaram. He is also facing Enforcement Directorate's case in Aircel Maxis and INX Media bribery case. In Aircel Maxis deal and INX Media bribery case, Karti is a Co-Accused with his father P Chidambaram.

Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw unveils upgraded **Amrit Bharat trains with 12 key enhancements**

The Ministry of Railways has added 12 major improvements on the Amrit Bharat Version 2.0 trains and 50 such trains will be manufactured at ICF over the next two years. Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said on Friday. Vaishnaw, who inspected the

Integral Coach Factory (ICF) along with its General Manager U Subba Rao, said the state government should place service to people above politics and the Centre and his Ministry is committed to take measures for the welfare of the

people.
"Very happy to see the Amrit
Bharat Version 2.0 (being manufactured here). As you can recall, the Amrit Bharat Version 1.0 was launched by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi last January 2024 and based on the experience in the year, many improvements have been made in the Amrit Bharat Version 2.0," Vaishnaw told reporters at the ICF here. Sharing some of



the salient features that have been improved in the Amrit Bharat trains, he said, "12 major improvements have been done in the entire train. Semi-automatic couplets, modular toilets, chair pillars and partitions, emergency talk back feature, emergency brake system, continuous lighting system like Vande Bharat trains, seats and berths with

new ergonomic design have been improved.

He said the entire pantry car in the Amrit Bharat Version 2.0 trains have been built using a new design. Targeted at low income and low middle income families, he said, "50 such Amrit Bharat Version 2.0 trains would be manufactured in the coming two years (at the Integral Coach Factory.). This

will provide a very affordable service and very high quality of travelling experience to people travelling long distances.

Responding to a query about the apprehension raised by the Commissioner of Railway Safety on the construction of the historic Pamban bridge in Rameswaram, he said the designing of the bridge was done based on the Research

Standards Organisation (RDSO). "When you do the RDSO

standard, such a standard of designs is done for bridges which are constructed in large numbers. This is a unique bridge. Pamban Bridge is once in a lifetime that you design and construct a bridge of this type," he said.

He cleared the air that the Commissioner of Railways Safety was explained that this is not a standard bridge and uniquely designed bridge and the services of the best international experts have been taken for designing. "The CRS has understood and they have now given the clearance on the bridge design. Panel report has also come," he said. The minister said the Railways has installed the KAVACH (a facility to help prevent train accidents) locomotives and 15,000 km of track side fittings are also being

"Telecom towers are also being installed. Cameras are being installed on the front of the

Trinidad, Tobago President Christine Carla Kangaloo wins Pravasi Bharatiya Samman award by President Murmu



PIONEER NEWS SERVICE BHUBANESWAR

Trinidad & Tobago President Christine Carla Kangaloo and 26 others were conferred the prestigious Pravasi Bharatiya Samman award by President Droupadi Murmu on the last day of the 18th Prayasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD) convention here.

Murmu congratulated all the awardees and appreciated them for working for the society in different fields. She said that their success

pride for India, but they also inspire millions across the world to strive for excellence. Murmu said Kangaloo's outstanding contributions in leading her nation, with a special focus on women and the Indian diaspora, have set a high benchmark on the world stage. The Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Award is the highest honour conferred on overseas Indians. The awardees excellence represent the achieved by the Indian diaspora in various fields.

Trinidad & Tobago President got the award in the public affairs category Other awardees included Ajay Rane (Australia, community service), Marialena Joan

Fernandes education), Swami Sanyuktanand community service), Saraswati Niketan (Guvana community service), Lekh Raj Juneja (Japan, science and technology), Prem Kumar (Kyrgyz Republic, medical science) and Soukthavy Chowdhury (Laos, business).

BSF foils cattle smuggling attempt on India-Bangladesh border, recovers 10 bulls

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

 B^{SF} jawans were attacked by Bangladeshi cattle smugglers on the India-Bangladesh border in West Bengal's North 24 Parganas district on Thursday night, a statement from the paramilitary force said. In a retaliatory action carried out in self-defence, the jawans successfully foiled the smuggling attempt and recovered 10 bulls, it added.

The incident took place at Khutadah border outpost (BOP), where BSF personnel saw smugglers approaching



the border fence from the Indian side with cattle. Simultaneously, smugglers from the Bangladesh side crossed the international border into India.

When the BSF jawans challenged them to stop, the smugglers ignored the advanced warning and aggressively, wielding sharpedged spears while attempting to cut the border fence. In response to the threat, a BSF jawan fired a blank round as a warning. "Taking advantage of the darkness and uneven terrain, the smugglers fled back to Bangladesh. A subsequent search of the area led to the recovery of 8 bulls of Haryana origin and three sharp-edged spears left behind by the attackers," the statement by BSF South Bengal Frontier

Previous incidents of similar smuggling attempts and assaults have been reported at Pipli BOP (Kolkata sector) and BOPs HC Pur and Nawada (Malda sector), where BSF jawans were forced to defend themselves using grenades and other weapons,

the statement added.

A BSF spokesperson said despite frequent flag meetings with the Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) to raise concerns about these attacks no concrete action has been taken by Bangladeshi

Assam coal mine tragedy: 'Sardar' of trapped miners arrested as rescue efforts continue

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE **GUWAHATI**

The 'sardar' of workers of the coal mine in Assam's Dima Hasao district, where eight minhe 'sardar' of workers of the ers remained trapped, was arrested, even as a dewatering exercise continued in the quarry to facilitate the resumption of rescue operations, police said on

The fate of the trapped miners appeared to be grim with personnel involved in the rescue operations racing against time to bring them out of the ill-fated quarry, while the body of one labourer,

hailing from Nepal, has been recovered from there, an official said. "The 'sardar' (head) of the miners, who had fled the quarry site soon after the incident on January 6, was arrested on Thursday night from a place after an extensive search operation. This is the second arrest in connection with the case," said a senior officer who did not divulge the

place of arrest. The arrested person has been identified as Hanan Laskar, and Punish Nunisa, the leaseholder of the quarry, was held on the second day of the incident in connection with

labourers were on Monday trapped inside the 3-Kilo Coal Quarry in Umrangso area, around 250 km from Guwahati, after a sudden gush of water flooded the site.

the case, the official said. The

A case was registered in connection with the incident at the mine which appears to be Chief 'illegal', Himanta Biswa Sarma had

Nine labourers were trapped inside the mine after a sudden gush of water flooded the quarry, and the body of one labourer has been recovered so

AAP's Sanjay Singh assures Goa court he will refrain from defaming CM's wife

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

Aam Aadmi Party's Ràjya Sabha MP Sanjay Singh has assured Goa court that he will refrain from making any defamatory statements against CM Dr. Pramod Sawant's wife Sulakshana Sawant, Sanjay Singh's lawyer submitted in Bicholim Judicial Magistrate of First Class (JMFC) court that his client will refrain from commenting against CM Dr. Pramod Sawant's wife Sulakshana Sawant.

The court in Goa had issued a notice to Sanjay Singh in a Rs 100-crore defamation case filed against him by Chief Minister Dr. Pramod Sawant's wife for allegedly naming her in the cash-for-jobs scam. The court had sought Singh's reply by January 10, 2025. Next hearing on the matter is kept anuary 202

Pramod Sawant's Sulakshana Sawant had filed a case in the court of Civil Judge Senior Division, Bicholim, North Goa. Sulakshana Sawant, in her complaint, had requested the court to direct Sanjay Singh to publish an apology clarifying that the said defamatory video/article and interview are false, not based on facts, and tender an unconditional apology. The complainant had also urged the court to restrain Sanjay Singh from making any public statements maligning her by injunction

Farmer leader Dallewal challenges Punjab BJP: meet Modi instead of Akal Takht Jathedar to end fast

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

The Punjab BJP has appealed to the Akal Takht but should approach Prime Minister Narendra Modi if they want him to end his hunger strike, Dallewal said on Friday as his fast-unto-death entered day 46. In a three-minute video message released on Friday, the 70-year-old farmer leader asserted he will end his fast only after the Centre accepts farmers' demands which include a legal guarantee for Minimum Support Price for crops. A BJP delegation, comprising Sukhminder Pal Singh Grewal and Sarchand Singh, appealed to Akal Takht Jathedar Giani Raghbir Singh on Thursday to intervene to end the indefinite fast of the farmer leader. The delegation expressed concern Dallewal's deteriorating health.



In his video message Dallewal said, "We have got information that the leaders of the Punjab unit of BJP appealed to the Akal Takht to intervene in order to end Dallewal's fast-unto-death. (They appealed to the Akal Takht that) a direction be given so that he should end his fast. I respect the Akal Takht." "But the Punjab BJP should approach (PM) Modi ji, the vice president (Jagdeep Dhankhar), Agriculture Minister (Shivraj Singh Chouhan), (Home Singh Chouhan), (Home Minister) Amit Shah ji. Instead

approaching the Akal Takht Jathedar," he said. Farmer leaders camped at the Punjab-Haryana border also burnt effigies of the central

government on Friday.
Dallewal, who is the convener of the Samvukta Kisan Morcha (Non-Political), has been on the indefinite hunger strike at the Khanauri border point between Punjab and Haryana since November 26 last year over farmers' various demands including seeking a legal

Gurugram police busts international scam: two airtel employees arrested for aiding Indonesian and Chinese fraudsters PARVESH SHARMA

cybercrime team of the Acyberchine team police has arrested two Airtel company employees who had provided and Chinese fraudsters to cheat people through WhatsApp/Telegram in the name of part-time job/investment.

As per the instructions of Priyanshu Diwan, Assistant Commissioner of Police Cyber Crime, (ACP) Gurugram, the police team of Cyber East, Gurugram and the joint team of Indian Cyber Coordination Center (I4C), MHA, Govt of India, took action based on technical analysis and nabbed the suspects on Thursday.



resident of District Baghpat (Uttar Pradesh), and Hemant Sharma. The accused were arrested as per rules in the case under sections 318(4), 319, 61(2) BNS at Police Station Cyber Crime East, Gurugram.

According to the police, the complainant filed a complaint that he received a call from a landline number landline

complainant/victim had to post reviews of different On completing the task, Rs

200 were transferred to the landline number in the name victim's bank account. After the Telegram group by the accused. After that, while giving him the task, small amounts were transferred to his account 2-3 times.

Later on, money was transferred from him in the name of investing for these tasks. After that, more money was demanded to withdraw this money.

During police interrogation, it was found that Neeraj works as a site verifier in Airtel company and Hemant is his team leader.

The accused had issued the number/DID

above company not being present on the mentioned site, the accused violated TRAI rules and issued a of the above company,"

Using the above number, the

companions of the accused

Services Pvt Ltd. Despite the

cheated people in the name of task-based investment. The accused also disclosed that, in connivance with the operational manager of Ekamdarsh Services Pvt Ltd, a company registered at a fake address, had provided many more numbers to an Indonesian person apart from the above landline number/DID number.

"In connection with the matter further investigation is underway. The accused have been taken on police for

number used in the crime in guarantee on the minimum The accused have been on social media or other in Gurugram in which he remand identified as Neeraj Walia, a of meeting them, they are support price (MSP) for crops. was offered a part-time job. the name of Ekamdarsh interrogation," he added. Prayagraj transforms into mega tent city for Maha Kumbh 2025

BISWAJEET BANERJEE PRAYAGRAJ

The Maha Kumbh 2025 has I transformed the sandy banks of Prayagraj's Sangam into a spectacular tent city, a temporary settlement capable of accommodating more than 20 lakh devotees at a time. With over one lakh tents ranging from basic to luxurious, this extraordinary project represents a harmonious blend of engineering, tradition, and spiritual fervor.

The scale of this undertaking is staggering. Approximately 68 lakh wooden poles have been used, their combined length exceeding 20,000 kilometers-greater than the distance from Prayagraj to Washington, D.C. Washington, Additionally, 100 kilometers

of fabric and 250 tonnes of CGI sheets were used for roofing. Over 3,000 workers have been laboring in three for months, meticulously converting these raw materials into a vast, functional city. Each tent is crafted with care, employing durable fabrics



often lined with polythene to ensure protection against

A project of this magnitude owes its success largely to the expertise of Lalluji and Sons, a company with a 104-year legacy of managing Kumbh preparations. Known as the "Vishwakarma of Kumbh," the company has constructed 75% of the tent city. like cotton and terrycot, According to Deepanshu deadlines.

Agarwal, Managing Partner Lalluji preparations began months ago, encompassing tasks such as crafting new tents, repairing structures, and executing extensive logistical planning. Despite challenges, including delays caused by prolonged monsoons, the team has worked tirelessly to meet the

Kumbh is not just an event but a lifelong calling. Rambachan, a 60-year-old veteran, reminisced about the days when wages were ?10 per day. "Now we earn ?500 daily, but the joy of contributing to something this significant is priceless, he said. Younger workers like Kuldeep echoed his sentiments, describing the pride they feel in their work. The tent city is a marvel not only in its scale but also in its offerings. While some tents cater to Kalpwasis, who live in simplicity and gather around bonfires for prayers, others provide modern Premium luxuries. accommodations include flooring, marble Wi-Fi, electric blankets, and even televisions, blending comfort with tradition. Pilgrims like Raghunath, a 68-year-old from Rajasthan, and Sushila, a 50-year-old from Varanasi, expressed awe at the modern

amenities, describing the

Spanning 3,200 hectares-800

the Maha Kumbh 2025 tent

hectares more than in 2019-

experience as unparalleled.

administrative offices, and facilities for millions, it stands as a testament to human ingenuity, devotion, and the enduring spirit of one of the world's largest spiritual gatherings.
CM inaugurates 'Kumbhvani' Minister Chief Adityanath inaugurated

Prasar Bharati's FM channel 'Kumbhvani' at the Circuit House on Friday, during the second day of his Prayagraj Expressing his best wishes for the success of the channel, CM Yogi stated his

confidence that 'Kumbhvani' will not only reach new heights of popularity but also extend the spirit of Mahakumbh to remote villages where many people, despite their desire, cannot physically attend the event. He emphasized that the channel would serve as a vital medium to deliver all relevant information about Mahakumbh to these distant communities.

Highlighting the importance comprehensive information

many workers, the city is twice the scale of its of live broadcasting, CM Yogi a lifelong calling. police stations, enable those in far-flung areas to experience and understand the grandeur of Mahakumbh. He said this would allow

> them to share the pride of this grand celebration of Sanatan Dharma with future generations. He also thanked Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the Ministry of Information Broadcasting, and Prasar Bharati for their efforts in launching Kumbhvani.

> "It is a remarkable moment, and Prasar Bharati has beautifully captured its essence through Kumbhvani," he said.

> The Kumbhvani FM channel will not only broadcast live coverage of the daily events but will also share religious references and stories related to the Mahakumbh in remote villages, making the spiritual essence of the event accessible to all.

> Kumbhvani on 103.5 MHz Prasar Bharati has launched the OTT-based Kumbhvani FM channel to disseminate

about the Maha Kumbh. Broadcasting at a frequency of 103.5 MHz, the channel will be on air from January 10 to February 26, operating daily from 5:55 AM to 10:05

Kala Kumbh' serves as an authentic document of Kumbh's developmental journey

In another development Minister Chief Adityanath inaugurated the Kala Kumbh in Sector 7. After opening the UP State Pavilion, CM Yogi visited the Kala Kumbh, a unique camp created by the Uttar Pradesh Culture Department, located right across from the pavilion.. Chief Minister

proceeded to the exhibition hall, where he admired the distinctive artworks, temple replicas, and thematic exhibitions. Praising the initiative, he described Kala Kumbh as an authentic documentation of the developmental Kumbh's journey. On this occasion, Principal Secretary of Tourism and Culture,

Mukesh Meshram, presented

the Chief Minister with a memento.

Spanning approximately 5 acres within the fairgrounds, the Kala Kumbh features an exhibition gallery and a stage for cultural performances. The gallery displays photographs, replicas, and exhibits tracing the journey of Bhatkhande Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya, monuments of Pradesh, protected heritage sites, manuscripts, and artefacts.

A key highlight of the Kala Kumbh is the section dedicated to the historical perspective of Mahakumbh. This eighth segment of the exhibition delves into administrative insights from all Kumbh events held in Prayagraj between 1866 and 1954, through government letters, records, and official documents. This section includes correspondences administrative orders, and other records, offering a comprehensive view of Kumbh over the last 150 www.dailypioneer.com

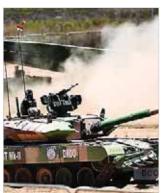
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-PAPER WITH PASSION-

Transforming defence

The 'Year of Transformation' can give necessary momentum for defence manufacturing and innovation

India's defence landscape is set to undergo a transformative shift in 2025, as the Ministry of Defence (MoD) embarks on an ambitious overhaul aimed at modernising procurement processes, expanding indigenous manufacturing capabilities and boosting research and development (R&D). The year has been declared as the 'Year of Transformation,' with Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and other top officials outlining a vision to address long-standing challenges while positioning the country for greater self-reliance and competitiveness in defence. One of the key focus areas for the government is to revamp the Defence Acquisition Procedures (DAP). These procedures, which have been criticised for their complexity and inefficiency, are set to be replaced with a more streamlined, lighter, and faster version. The aim is to cut down delays in procurement timelines and eliminate bureaucratic hurdles that have long impeded defence modernisation. The new framework will not only make the system more efficient but will also create a level play-



ing field for both established players and newcomers in the defence sector. In addition to reforming procurement, the government has placed a strong emphasis on boosting indigenous manufacturing and R&D.

While India is the world's fifth-largest manufacturing economy, its defence manufacturing capacity remains relatively small in comparison to its overall economic standing. To address this gap, the government plans to allocate more resources to defence R&D, with the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) targeting an increase in R&D spending from 5 per cent to 15 per cent of the defence budget in the coming years. One area that has garnered particular

attention is the development of aero engines. India has faced challenges in developing these critical technologies domestically, and the government has signaled that joint ventures with foreign Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) will be essential for progress. With significant investments required—potentially as high as Rs 50,000 crore—the government is determined to make the necessary commitments to build the infrastructure and expertise required for successful co-development of aero engines and related technologies. Another significant initiative is the creation of a more competitive defence industry ecosystem. Currently, India's defence sector is largely dominated by Public Sector Undertakings. The government aims to level the playing field by encouraging the participation of startups and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises through policy changes. Despite these ambitious plans, India's defence ecosystem still faces several challenges. One of the most significant hurdles is the relatively small manufacturing base in sectors like aerospace, where India's ability to scale production and develop cutting-edge technologies has been limited. Besides, archaic policies, delays in preparing Requests for Proposals and overly complicated procedures have often led to extended timelines. This must change if defence sector is to become competitive and innovative.



Devotees carry 'kalash' during 'Hindu Rashtra Seva Mela' at Goregaon

The trust factor in human interaction



The temperament and conviction of individuals play a pivotal role in shaping trust, whether in personal relationships or organisational dynamics

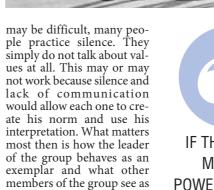
here is a general feeling that if something is committed on paper, with other things being equal, it is reliable evidence that it will be carried out. If it is on a legal document, the credibility quotient is still higher, and if there are clauses that recognise the punitive element of violation, the feeling of reliability further goes on. This, like many truths, goes a certain distance.

This cannot be the place to explore the veracity of such belief, but there is an occasion to look at certain other aspects of reliability, especially the temperament of the people involved. Some people take their words seriously, and others casually. This attitude permeates their entire behaviour. and in certain matters, it becomes even more evident that they take their words seriously.

Other types of people are quite figuratively the opposite, and they take their own words so lightly that when they utter them, they are not sure what conviction they carry. Between these two extremes, the larger part of the population rests with varying degrees of reliability and different levels of conviction.

This simple truth makes the entire range of human conviction open to many shades of possibilities and makes dealing with each other either at a direct level or at a group level, an extremely dubious proposition wherein liability is concerned. This even affects official interaction as indeed it does personal interaction. It is therefore necessary in a group culture to inculcate the correct values of interpersonal dynamics.

People cannot be 'taught' to be reliable. This is because the fundamental principles of values, like eternal values, remain the same. Every domain of human life talks about what is right, what is beautiful, and what is essential to keep groups sustainable and harmoniously together. In such circumstances always dangers of somebody where it is recognised that calling the bluff or indeed observing pristine standards power slipping out of his



behaviour. Positive or negative recognition then follows. For this, the informal and formal leaders of the group must agree on certain examples and set an example collectively. It is difficult, especially when there is no clear reference point and no way of verifying what rules the roost.

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If the group has a powerful man, his behaviour is noticed and others try to imitate him. If the powerful man acquires power by formal position, it is one story. If, however, he acquires power through organising cliques



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IF THE POWERFUL MAN ACQUIRES POWER BY FORMAL POSITION, IT IS ONE STORY. IF, HOWEVER, HE ACQUIRES POWER THROUGH **ORGANIZING CLIQUES AND FACTIONS AND THROUGH** MANIPULATIONS, THERE ARE ALWAYS DANGERS OF SOMEBODY CALLING

All this is not conducive to organisational stability or, for that matter, even clarity. It makes the job of a new entrant particularly complex. The complexity would be enhanced if the new entrant could not navigate his way intelligently with perspicacity and shrewdness. If the group has a large number of turnovers, then the complexity is further compounded. Under the circumstances, it's perhaps best to recognise that, like all truths, simplicity is the best approach. Being truthful, simple, and straightforward is the foundation of sound behaviour, stable relationships, and the achievement of goals constructively and dependably. Like all foundations of a sound civil society, positive thinking, straightforward action, and dependable follow-up is the way to go for-

It is the human mind that creates complications. Legality and other elements gate one's way. that try to substitute the basic character of depend-ability, without the right ambience, will remain halfway houses. It can lead to

quibbling, litigation, and, at times, disappointment. However, stability will remain a matter of character, and that is where civil societies need to pitch. Whether this is in a formal organisation or an informal civil setup, it would hardly make a difference. Truth remains the truth and for the best way, it is important to follow it up relentlessly with simplicity and dignity. Like many tales, this too has a tailpiece.

There is a Sanskrit dictum, "Satyam bruyat, priyam bruyat naa bruyat satyam apriyam". A free translation of this shall be "Speak the truth, speak the pleasant; do not speak the truth which is unpleasant".

There can be many views on this, and each will have its assumptions and derivations. If assumptions vary, as do the derivations, conclusions would be also varied. That is the nature of truth: multifaceted, each appearing right in its way. One has to navi-

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Breaking barriers: The rise of women investors in India's equity markets



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Among the most notable trends in the equity market is the surge in women investors, whose participation has grown 6.8 times since 2015

¬he Indian equity mar-ket has radically transformed over the past two decades. The advent of smartphones, digital trading platforms, and increased financial literacy has ushered in a new era of investors young, financially aware, and open to taking calculated risks. Recent data from the National Stock Exchange (NSE) reveals that women now constitute over 22 per cent of equity market investors in India, a 6.8X growth since 2015.

This surge in female participation is particularly noteworthy given the tepid adoption of demat trading in its early days. It could be attributed to women enjoying greater financial independence, a growing interest in equities, and a disciplined approach to sustainable wealth creation. The rise in women's financial awareness has also been a critical driver of this growth. A study by CRISIL and DBS found that 47 per cent of women now make independent financial decisions.

This newfound autonomy is reflected in the increasing number of women investing

in mutual funds. According to AMFI data, women's share in industry AUM rose to nearly 21 per cent by the end of December 2023, against 15.2 per cent in March 2017. Importantly, this trend is not limited to major cities; women in smaller towns show equal enthusiasm for capital market investments. However, the same CRISIL and DBS study revealed that women still allocate 51 per cent of their investable assets to fixed deposits and savings bank accounts, 16 per cent to gold, 15 per cent to mutual funds, 10 per cent to real estate, and just 7 per cent of their investible corpus—being the least preferred option. Given the proven potential for substantial market returns, women's risk-averse attitude towards equities is particular-

ly perplexing.

Over the past five years, benchmark indices have delivered over 100 per cent returns. For instance, based on a daily rolling return analysis, the Nifty 50 Total Returns Index has shown positive returns of approximately 93 per cent over three vears.

These double-digit returns from long-term equity investments have far outpaced the single-digit interest rates offered by traditional savings accounts and fixed deposits. However, women tend to be cautious when it comes to equities. The potential impact of increased women's participation in equity markets is substantial. A BCG study found that women contribute \$5 trillion annually to the global wealth pool. Encouraging more significant equity investment among women and prudent risk management practices is crucial for building a stronger financial future for individuals and the nation.

Regulators are already implementing measures to create a safe and transparent market environment for women investors. For instance, initiatives like the Women's

Awareness Investor Programme actively educate and empower women by simplifying stock market concepts and encouraging them to take control of their financial futures. Simultaneously, the industry complements these efforts by developing accessible and informative content in regional languages and diverse formats, such as podcasts and video tutorials, to make complex financial concepts easier to understand. Women themselves must actively participate in the stock market by engaging in discussions, seeking knowledge, and taking the initiative to invest. Starting with a systematic investment plan is a smart approach to building over Additionally, consulting financial experts can help women navigate the market with confidence. It is time for women to seize this opportunity, take control, invest wisely, and contribute to rebuild-

financially robust India. (The writer is Director & Chief Business Officer at m.Štock by Mirae Asset Capital Markets; views are personal)

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TWO TIER SYSYEM IN TEST CRICKET Madam — There are talks between

Australia, England, and India and the International Cricket Council's (ICC) new chair, Jay Shah to split Test (cricket) playing nations into two tier, with Australia, England and India in one tier and the rest in a different tier. The concept has gained impetus post the BGT series, where the attendance and TV viewership touched new records. If agreed upon by the ICC council, this will come into effect post-2027 after the present commitments are met by these nations. The objective is that these three nations will play against each other twice in three years as against the present four-year schedule. While the idea may have sprung up from the revenue point of view, ICC must focus on its unwritten objective of improving the quality and skill level of the weaker member nations and making all the members play competitive cricket.

The choice of three nations-India, Australia, and England-also in the upper tier, is arbitrary if it is on the basis of the quality of cricket displayed. If it is so, India has not displayed quality cricket, both in the home series against the Kiwis and down under in the BGT series recently. Also, the Windies have stunned the Aussies in Gabba in a pink ball test in 2024. The recent entrants to the test-playing nations, like Sri Lanka, Zimbabwe, Bangladesh, and Afganisthan have also displayed talents and enthusiasm. Hence such an idea of an arbitrary split must be shunned. If the ICC is serious about splitting, it must be based on the performance in a given time period, say between 2025-28, on the number of points scored by each nation on the number of test wins/losses and can consider having two or three divisions amongst the twelve member countries. Having done that on the basis of points scored, one can consider promotion or demotion of the first and last two, respectively, which will also instill a sense of competitiveness and thereby sus-

tain interest in the test cricket. Gopalaswamy J | Chennai

A policy shift for Afghanistan



a major and surprising development India's Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri met Afghan Acting Foreign Minister Mawlawi Amir Khan Muttagi in Dubai on Wednesday. Though its relations with Afghanistan had nosedived after the Taliban seized power in the mountainous, landlocked republic in 2021, New Delhi, in a smart move, kept providing humanitarian and economic assistance to Afghanistan. The Taliban also requested the Indian delegation to reopen its diplomatic mission in Afghanistan. Now, Misri's meeting marks a major shift in New

HONOURING INDIAN DIASPORA

Madam—The city of Odisha turned out to be the venue for the 18th Pravasi Bhartiya Diwas this year. In order to honour the immense contribution of the Indian diaspora, it is particularly required to appreciate the exceptional contribution of Indians overseas. For many decades, millions of Indians have paid $\dot{\text{v}}\textsc{isits}$ to foreign countries to grab vibrant opportunities in different spectrums of life.

Indians made exceptional contributions to the economic success of the different nations, assisting India to create its own niche soft power on the basis of its people settled overseas. Indians are globally renowned for contributing the world's highest remittance back to India with 129 billion USD in 2024. The spirit of the Indian diaspora is ever vibrant and zealous, and this celebration at Odisha's Bhubaneswar for appreciating Pravasi Bhartiya is a welcoming initiative. Let's take a moment to thank & appreciate the Indian diaspora, who are continuously extending the legacy of India all around the world. Kirti Wadhawan | Kanpur **MAHAKUMBH MELA IN PRAYAGRAJ**

Delhi's policy towards the Taliban. This meet-

ing has taken place at a time when Afghanistan

is witnessing heightened tensions with Pakistan

concerning the Durand Line-the border between

Afghanistan and Pakistan-as well as regarding the Tehrik-e Taliban Pakistan (TTP).

By condemning Pakistan's airstrikes in

Afghanistan, New Delhi has played a well-cal-

culated diplomatic move. Besides the Pakistan

factor, Iran's Chabahar Port is also going to play

a major role in India-Taliban relations as Kabul

is looking to leverage its ties with India by using

the Chabahar Port. Thus, both the Taliban and

New Delhi have realised that bilateral ties are

mutually beneficial for both countries. By play-

ing a vital role in restoring peace, stability, and

development in Afghanistan, New Delhi can

secure geopolitical leverage over Pakistan at the

Manoj Parashar | Ghaziabad

crossroads of South and Central Asia.

Madam — The Great Mahakumbh Mela 2025, set to take place in Prayagraj, which is held only once in a period of 144 years, which is beginning from January 13 to February 26, is much more than a religious gathering-it is a profound celebration of spirituality, culture, and cosmic alignment. This ancient festival, rooted in the Sanatan tradition, is believed to influence not only human affairs but also cosmic and terrestrial energies.

The event is centred on the holy confluence of three rivers-the Ganga, Yamuna and the Saraswati. The Mahakumbh exemplifies India's rich cultural diversity, drawing millions of devotees, ascetics, and pilgrims from all walks of life. Through practices like ritual bathing, chanting, meditation, and spiritual discourses, it becomes a unifying force, blending traditions and beliefs into a harmonious

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HOMESCHOOLING: AN OPTION WORTH EXPLORING

While it comes with challenges, its benefits make it an increasingly compelling choice



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nildhood is a short season, and homeschooling gives a child more time to truly enjoy it. In recent years, homeschooling has seen a significant rise in popularity as parents increasingly opt to educate their children at home rather than through traditional schooling systems. This shift reflects a combination of concerns about conventional education and the desire for more tailored learning experiences. One of the primary reasons parents choose homeschooling is the ability to customise education to suit their child's unique needs.

There is no denying that curriculum is a valuable tool but at the same time a terrible master. Traditional classrooms often struggle to accommodate different learning paces and styles, whereas homeschooling allows parents to tailor lessons, fostering deeper understanding and engagement. Many parents cite dissatisfaction with public or private school systems as a motivator for homeschooling. Issues such as overcrowded classrooms, underfunding, and lack of individual attention can negatively impact the quality of education. Additionally, concerns over bullying, peer pressure, and exposure to harmful influences prompt parents to

Homeschooling allows families to integrate their cultural, ethical, or religious values into the curriculum. Parents can teach their children in alignment with their personal beliefs, creating an educational experience that reflects their family's principles. Unlike traditional schooling, homeschooling offers flexibility in schedules and teaching methods. Families incor-



porate travel, extracurricular activities, or non-traditional subjects into their routine, enhancing the learning experience. This adaptability appeals to families seeking a more balanced lifestyle.

Unlike traditional schooling, homeschooling offers flexibility in schedules and teaching methods. Families can incorporate travel, extracurricular activities, or non-traditional subjects into their routine, enhancing the learning experience. This adaptability appeals to families seeking a more balanced lifestyle. While homeschooling offers many benefits, it is not without its challenges. Parents often need to dedicate significant time and effort to planning and teaching. Additionally, concerns about socialisation can arise, as homeschooled children may have fewer opportunities for peer interaction. However, many families address this by participating in extracurricular activities, and community events. Homeschooling is not a new phenomenon.

In olden times, education often took place at home, with parents or private tutors guiding the learning of their child. The rise of formalised schooling in the 19th and 20th centuries shifted education to institutions, but homeschooling remained a choice for families who sought alternatives. Modern homeschooling driven by educational reformers and parents seeking greater control over their children's education began gaining traction in the 1970s and 1980s. Today, it continues to evolve, integrating technology and innovative teaching practices. Technology undoubtedly has played a pivotal role in making homeschooling more accessible and effective. It has also enabled collaboration and connection among homeschooling communities. Online learning platforms, virtual classrooms, and educational applications such as Scholastic Kids, Udemy, Duolingo, Funbrain and many more provide parents with resources to create comprehensive curricula. The shift to homeschooling reflects a broader desire among parents to take control of their children's education and provide a more personalised, values-driven learning environment. While homeschooling comes with its challenges, the benefits of flexibility, individualised attention and alignment with family priorities make homeschooling an increasingly appealing choice for families worldwide. (The writer is an educator; views are personal)

Junta faces collapse amid escalating defeats



Losses across key regions, coupled with mass defections and severe military setbacks, suggest a crumbling grip of Military on power in Myanmar



y all indications, 2025 is going to be, militarily, a dismal year for Myanmar's ruling junta. It is clearly losing its war against the opposition National Unity Government (NUG) and its armed wing, the People's Defence Force (PDF), ethnic armed organisations (EROs), and the Three Brotherhood Alliance (Henceforth the Alliance). Comprising the Myanmar National Democratic Alliance Army (MNDAA), active in the Kokang Special Region of northern Shan State, the Ta'ang National Liberation Army (TNLA), also active in the Shan State and the Arakan Army (AA), based in the Rakhine State in the country's western part, the alliance has been acting in close cooperation with the PDF and other ethnic armies.

Crystal-gazing is a hazardous business. Nevertheless, a fling at it is warranted by the unfolding events in that star-crossed country. A report under the headline, 'Junta's Writ Only Runs in One-third of Myanmar: NUG,' (datelined January 6, 2025), in the news website The Irrawaddy, cited the NUG as stating that the military regime controlled only of the country's 330 townships. The PDF and EROs fully or partly controlled 144 townships or 44 per cent of the country. The website, which enjoys a high-measure of credibility, carried an article by Maung Kavi (datelined January 8, 2025) under the headline, 'Myanmar Junta Boss warns resistance as Regime Loses Ground Nationwide,' saying that the NUG had further claimed that nearly 1,500 of the junta's soldiers and police personnel had defected to the civil disobedience movement and 480 of them had taken up 'revolutionary duties.'

The report titled 'Junta's Writ Only Runs in One-third of Myanmar: NUG,' further states that 315 officers were killed and 127 injured in course of the last year. In the same period, 53 senior officers ranging in rank from colonel to major general, were either killed, injured, or taken prisoner. Among the rank and file, 14,093 soldiers and border guard policemen were killed and 7,363 injured. Anti-regime groups seized 741 junta



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positions. They were mostly captured by ethnic armies, but 162 were taken by PDF and People's Defence Teams in Sagaing, Magwe, Mandalay, Bago and Tanintharyi regions. The military lost in 2024 some

140 battalions and two regional commands-Northeastern Command in northern Shan State and Western Command in Rakhine-plus one regional operations command, five military operations commands, six operational bases, two airbases, 17 border guard police bases, as well as many infantry and light infantry battalions, and artillery, logistics, signal, and military

engineering units.
While one should not take the NUG's claims at face value reports from the ground indicate that the Sit-Tat (as the junta's army is called) has suffered severe body blows during the last year. The Three Brotherhood Alliance has gained significant ground since AND OTHER named Operation 1027, on ARMOURED October 27, 2023. The AA had established control over almost the entire Rakhine State by April, 2024. In a major development, the MNDAA claimed on July 31, 2024, that it had captured Sit-Tat's military base in Lashio, a city in Shan State close to the border with China, and its airport. This was a major loss for the junta. As Vivek Shankar has pointed out in a piece in The New York Times datelined August 5, 2024, the 'city of Lashio and its airport lie on a crucial trade corridor to Yunnan Province in China, which is spending hundreds of mil-DOMINATED BY lions of dollars on a high-speed rail link and other infrastructure

> Besides gains in the north, the anti-junta forces had captured

projects on both sides of the bor-

According to a report by Andrew Nachemson published in Al Jazeera dated September 23, 2024, their capture had placed them within striking distance of the city of Mandalay, Myanmar's second largest urban centre, with a population of nearly two million.

On October 8, 2024, the Sit-Tat suffered a serious reverse with the fall of the township of Pinlebu to the Kachin Independence Army (KIA), an important part of the coalition of forces fighting the junta, and its allies. Located on the border of the Sagaing Region and Kachin State, its capture opened up to the opposition forces the routes leading to the Kawlin township and the surrounding areas.

Besides its geo-strategic significance, the township's fall is important for what it revealed of the Sit-Tat's state. A report by Saw Lin, published in the news website, The Irrawaddy, on October 14, 2024, cites the NUG as claiming that the juntas troops, numbering 800, were defeated despite 670 airstrikes and the dropping of over 5,000 bombs, that around 70 junta soldiers were killed, 275 were missing, 225 were wounded, 48 surrendered and 102 captured during the fighting. Around 400 firearms and other military equipment were seized.

In keeping with the trend, the Junta had ceded three townships and the Western Command headquarters in Rakhine State in December, 2024, as the ethnic Arakan Army gained control over 14 of the 17 townships in the westernmost state. On January 1, 2025, the Sit-Tat retreated from a heavily-fortified police station in Sagaing Region's Budalin Township after a yearlong siege by regional resistance forces, making it easier for the latter to operate in the region. According to Maung Kavi's report

cited earlier, the junta, which has been losing towns and bases to EROs in Rakhine, Chin, Kachin and Karen states, has not been able to launch any military operation to retake the northern Shan State, almost the whole of which it had lost in 2024. The Sit-Tat is in a bad way.

Its morale is low. There is internal discord. Several three-stars generals have been removed. Many younger officers are unhappy as they recognise that almost the entire country is against them. According to a piece by Ye Myo Hein (datelined May 4, 2023) featured by the United States Institute of Peace, it was found the Sit-Tat, whose "head-count," showed a "strength of a total 300,000-400,000 before the coup," showed that it currently "had a strength of about 150,000 personnel.

Roughly 70,000 are combat soldiers. At least 21,000 service members have been lost through casuaities, desertion and defec tion since the coup. At this troop level, the Sit-Tat is barely able to sustain itself as a fighting force, much less a government.

The odds are now rapidly stacking up against the Junta. No doubt, the latter has tanks and other armoured vehicles, artillery and air force. Tanks and armoured vehicles are very difficult to deploy in the areas dominated by the ethnic forces. With densely forested mountainous terrains, deep gorges and steep climbs, these are ideal for staging ambushes. Moreover, air-strikes and artillery do not win wars, even when backed by heavily armed and trained infantry. Otherwise, the United States would have swept to a victory in

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Real-time travel assistance: Transforming the Indian travel experience

From the integration of cutting-edge technology to the emergence of unique destinations, the way we explore has been redefined

⊣he travel industry in tions, exploring India can be as India has undergone a significant transformation in the past decade. The advent of technology, the emergence of unique destinations, and travellers' shifting preferences have reshaped the way we experience travel. While convenience and connectivity have expanded exponentially, so have the challenges that come with travelling through this vast and diverse country.

In such a scenario, the idea of real-time travel assistance is much more than a luxury, gradually becoming a necessity. India is a land of incredible diversity, which often presents challenges for travellers, both domestic and international. With 28 states and countless languages, customs, and tradioverwhelming as it is enrich-

A misplaced document, a language barrier, or a medical emergency in an unfamiliar city can turn a dream vacation or a crucial business trip into an overwhelming ordeal. This is where the concept of realtime assistance steps in, bridging the gap between exploration and ease.

The Need for Immediate Support: Travelers today demand solutions that are immediate, efficient, and humanised. The expectations from travel experiences are no longer confined to curated itineraries and luxury stays. Safety, comfort, and resolution to unexpected issues are just as critical to creating memorable journeys. Whether it's assis



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tance in locating a nearby pharmacy late at night, navigating bureaucratic hurdles in foreign environment, or finding reliable medical aid during emergencies, travellers increasingly rely on services that ensure a smooth journey. Real-time assistance goes beyond static travel guides or

pre-recorded helplines. It operates as a different system where timely, empathetic, and

accurate support becomes a part of the travel experience. It is this proactive approach that helps mitigate common traveller challenges and allows for a seamless journey, irrespective of the destination.

Empathy in Assistance: A game-changer at its core, real-time travel assistance is about offering humanised solutions. Travellers often find themselves in vulnerable situations where a touch of empathy can go a long way. Imagine being stuck at a remote train station with no one to guide you to your next stop or dealing with a sudden health scare in a busy urban centre where you don't know the language.

These are moments when an empathetic, knowledgeable professional on the other end



just solutions, but also reassurance. It is this empathy paired with technology that is revolutionising travel assistance in India. Real-time support services aim to address the emotional and logistical needs of travellers in equal measure. Utilising Technology to

Enable Seamless Experiences: The amalgamation of technology and travel assistance has unlocked possibilities previously deemed unattainable. Advanced algorithms, live As India continues to grow as ties. Real-time assistance also

tracking, and geo-location services now enable assistance providers like India Assist to respond with precision and speed. Right from helping a traveller recover a lost wallet, guiding them to the best transport options, or facilitating emergency care, technology serves as the backbone of realtime assistance.

Moreover, AI-powered systems can predict and preempt potential challenges, ensuring that travellers are equipped with solutions even before they face a problem. Combined with human expertise, such systems provide an unprecedented level of service that adapts to the ever-changing needs of travellers.

A Vision for the Future of Indian Travel

a preferred travel destination for global tourists and a thriving market for domestic explorers, the need for reliable, real-time support systems will only increase. From first-time solo travellers to seasoned professionals on the move, everyone stands to benefit from a travel arena where assistance is no longer a reactive measure but an integral part of the journey. The impact of such assistance

goes beyond individual convenience. It enhances the overall travel ecosystem, fostering trust and confidence among travellers. When individuals feel supported, they are more likely to venture into lessexplored destinations, bolstering local economies and creating new tourism opportuni-

aligns with India's vision of creating a more inclusive and welcoming travel environment. Addressing the unique needs of every traveller, be it accessibility, safety, or cultural understanding - opens the doors to a more diverse and enriching travel experience. As we move forward, the travel industry must imbibe the ethos of real-time assistance, not as an add-on service but as a core pillar of the travel experience. After all, the most unforgettable journeys are not just about the destinations we visit — they are about the challenges we overcome and the moments of human connection that transform challenges into memories.

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Over 10,000 structures lost in LA blaze

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¬he two biggest wildfires ravaging the Los Angeles area this week burned at least 10,000 homes, buildings and other structures, officials said Thursday as they urged more people to heed evacuation orders after a new blaze ignited and quickly grew.

The fast-moving Kenneth Fire started in the late afternoon in the San Fernando Valley near the West Hills neighbourhood and close to Ventura County. Only hours earlier officials expressed encouragement after firefighters aided by calmer winds and help from crews from outside the state saw the first signs of successfully beating back the region's devastat-ing wildfires that have killed

seven people so far. "We are expecting this fire to rapidly spread due to high winds," Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass said, echoing the forecast that called for winds to strengthen Thursday evening through Friday morning.

The orders came as Los Angeles County officials

announced the Eaton Fire near Pasadena that started Tuesday night has burned more than 5,000 structures, a term that includes homes, apartment buildings, businesses, outbuildings and vehicles. To the west in Pacific Palisades, the largest of the fires burning in the LA area has destroyed over 5,300 structures. Between the Eaton and Palisades fires, more than 10,000 structures have burned. All of the large fires that have broken out this week in the Los Angeles area are located in a roughly 25-mile band north of downtown. The Kenneth blaze ignited less than 2 miles (3.2 kilometers) away from the El Camino Real Charter High School, where people are sheltering from the fire in Palisades. The two fires are about 10 miles (18 kilometers) apart.

Dozens of blocks were flattened to smoldering rubble in scenic Pacific Palisades. Only the outlines of homes and their chimneys remained. In Malibu, blackened palm strands were all that was left above debris where oceanfront homes once stood. At least five churches, a

synagogue, seven schools, two libraries, boutiques, bars, restaurants, banks and groceries were lost. So too were the Will Rogers' Western Ranch House and Topanga Ranch Motel, local landmarks dating to the 1920s. The government has not yet released figures on the cost of the damage or specifics about how many structures burned.

AccuWeather, a private company that provides data on weather and its impact, on Thursday increased its estimate of the damage and economic loss to USD 135-USD 150 billion. Firefighters made significant gains Thursday at slowing the

spread of the Eaton and Palisades fires, though both remained at 0% containment, officials said. Crews also knocked down a blaze in the Hollywood Hills, allowing an evacuation to be lifted Thursday. The fire that sparked up late Wednesday near the heart of the entertainment industry came perilously close to igniting the famed Hollywood Bowl outdoor concert venue. "While we are still



(Above) President Joe Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris lead a briefing regarding the federal response to the spread of wildfires in the Los Angeles area, in the Roosevelt Room at the White House in Washington. (Right) An emergency vehicle drives through a neighborhood devastated by the Eaton Fire in Altadena

facing significant threats, I am hopeful that the tide is turning," Los Angeles County Supervisor Kathryn Barger said Thursday. Water dropped from aircraft helped fire crews quickly seize control of the fires in the Hollywood Hills and Studio City, officials said. Much of the widespread destruction occurred Tuesday after those aircraft were grounded due to

high winds. Fire officials said Thursday that they don't yet know the cause of the fires but are actively investigating.

Enormity of destruction emerges: Earlier in the week, hurricane-force winds blew embers, igniting the Southern California hillsides.

Right now, it's impossible to quantify the extent of the destruction other than "total

devastation and loss," said Barbara Bruderlin, head of the Malibu Pacific Palisades Chamber of Commerce. There are areas where everything is gone, there isn't even a stick of wood left, it's just dirt," Bruderlin said.

Of the seven deaths so far, Los Angeles Fire Chief Kristin Crowley confirmed two were in the Palisades Fire. County offi-

cials said the Eaton Fire had killed five. Cadaver dogs and search crews are searching through rubble, Los Angeles County Sheriff Robert Luna said. Anthony Mitchell, a 67year-old amputee, and his son, Justin, who had cerebral palsy, were waiting for an ambulance to come, but they did not make it out, Mitchell's daughter,

Hajime White, told The

Washington Post. Shari Shaw told KTLA that she tried to get her 66-year-old brother, Victor Shaw, to evacuate Tuesday night but he wanted to stay and fight the fire. Crews found his body with a garden hose in his hand. On Thursday, recovery crews pulled a body from rubble of what was a beachfront residence in Malibu on the scenic Pacific Coast Highway.

Imran warns of plan to impose 10-year dictatorship in Pak

PTI LAHORE

Pakistan's incarcerated former prime minister Imran Khan has said that economic progress can never happen as long as the current "fascist system" is in place and warned that there is a plan to impose a "10-year dictatorship" in Pakistan. Khan, 72, has been lodged at the Adiala Jail in Rawalpindi since mid-2023 in

multiple cases and his party

Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) has been at loggerheads with the federal government since the general elections in

February 2024. Several leaders of the PTI are currently in talks with the gov-ernment and Khan on Wednesday said his party will participate in the third round of talks to help ease the political tension in the country.

"There is a plan to impose a ten-year dictatorship in

Pakistan, of which two years have already passed. Judges or police officers who become a party to oppression are rewarded with promotions here,"

Khan said in a tweet on X on

Thursday.

"Judge Humayun Dilawar, who gave an illegal verdict against me was promoted, while judges from Rawalpindi and Sargodha, who gave fair decisions, were dismissed," he pointed out and added, "Such actions have obliterated merit and rule of law in the country." Khan, who often interacts with journalists and also seen posting several times on his social media handle, further said that economic progress in the coun-

try can never happen as long as

the current "fascist system" is in place.

"Economic prosperity requires investment, which is impossible without institutions adhering to their boundaries and responsibilities as defined by the Constitution. Surging terrorism in the country is causing irreparable damage to the confidence of the investors.

In an apparent reference to the military, Khan further said, Tragically, those responsible for countering terrorism are using all their resources and energy to corner our party.

He suggested rising above personal egos and temporary gains and focus on the decency and prosperity of the country

The PTI supremo reminded that many of his party men who took part in the November 26 protest in Islamabad are still missing. "These individuals disappeared from D-Chowk in Islamabad, not from some remote tribal area. The government has neither produced them in court nor taken any serious measures to

recover them," he said. This clearly reflects the government's lack of seriousness regarding his party's demands and the negotiation process, he added.

He also reiterated his demand to the government to form a judicial commission to probe May 9, 2023 and November 26, 2024 incidents till the next meeting between the government but said the PTI will discontinue the negotiation

नीट पी०जी० 2024 उत्तराखण्ड राज्य केन्द्रीयकृत काउसिलिंग सम्बन्धी महत्वपूर्ण सूचना

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Biden admin succeeds in temporarily blocking plea deal for accused 9/11 mastermind

PTI WASHINGTON

The Biden administration succeeded Thursday in temporarily blocking a guilty plea by accused 9/11 mastermind Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, stalling a plea deal that would spare him the risk of the death penalty for al-Qaida's September 11, 2001, attacks on the United States. Administration lawyers had urged a federal appeals panel to block Mohammed's guilty plea from going forward as scheduled Friday at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Defence lawyers described the attempts to throw out the agreement as the latest in two decades of "fitful" and "negligent" mishandling of the case



The federal appeals panel agreed Thursday evening to a temporary stay. It stressed that the stay would hold only as long as it took to more fully consider arguments in the government's request, and should not be considered a final ruling. It stalls an attempt to wrap up more than two decades of military prosecu-tion — beset by legal chal-lenges — in one of the deadliest attacks in US history. Thursday's legal action marked a last-ditch government request to prevent

guilty plea Friday.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, RAINA GUPTA W/o Dwarika Prasad Gupta R/o RZ-179, Gali No.4 Dabri Vaishali Dabri South West Delhi-110045 have changed my name to RITU GUPTA for all future purposes

PD(1225)C I, Shahzadi Khatoon W/o Imamuddin R/o A-384, New Panchwati Colony, Ghaziabad have changed my name to Shahiadi Khatoon. PD(1227)A

I, Mohd Imamuddin S/o Ajijshah R/o A-384, New Panchwati Colony, Bairiya, Ghaziabad have changed my name to Imamuddin.

PD(1228)A I, here to known as Buggu Jain D/o. Rahul Jain, R/o. B-8/ 224, Sector-5, Rohini, Delhi, 110085 changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Raaisha Jain for all future purposes.

I, No. 15437480M NK Deoraj Bishwakarma, R/o- Ord Terai Tea Garden Po-Belgachi, Ps-Naxalbari, Teh-Siliguri, Dist-Darjeeling, W.B.- 734423,

PD(1229)A

PD(1230)C

declare that Hira Kami is my father, in my service document's his name is wrongly written as Hira Bishwakarma, whereas his correct name is Hira Kami, affidavit dated 10/01/2025 before Notary

Public Delhi

I, No. 15437480M NK Deoraj Bishwakarma, R/o- Ord Terai Tea Garden Po-Belgachi, Ps-Naxalbari, Teh- Siliguri, Dist-Darjeeling, W.B.- 734423, declare that Lachmi Kami is my mother, in my service document's her name is wrongly written as Laxmi Bishwakarma, whereas her correct name is Lachmi Kami, affidavit dated 10/01/2025 before Notary Public Delhi.

PD(1231)C I, Isita Karmakar, W/o No.3200947F Hav Chanchal Kumar Betal, R/o- Vill-Ramnagar PO- Ramnagar Mobarakpur, P.S- Arambagh, Dist- Hooghly, W.B.- 712616, have changed my name from Isita Karmakar to Isita Karmakar Betal, vide affidavit dated 10/01/2025 before

Notary Public Delhi. PD(1232)C I, Mansaram Betal, Father of-No.3200947F Hav Chanchal Kumar Betal, R/o- Vill-Ramnagar PO- Ramnagar Mobarakpur, P.S- Arambagh, Dist- Hooghly, W.B.- 712616. have changed my name from Betal Mansaram Manasharam Betal. affidavit dated 10/01/2025 before Notary Public Delhi.

PD(1235)C I, Jagmal Singh, Father of- No. 16012348K Hav Rajesh Mitharwal, R/o- Ward No.- 15, Kotri Luharwas, Kotri, Dist-Sikar, Rajasthan- 332709, have changed my name from Jagmal Singh to Jagmaal Singh vide affidavit dated 10/01/2025 before Notary Public Delhi.

PD(1236)C Earlier, my name was BEERMATI TYAGI (बीरमति त्यागी) and BRAHAMAVATI (ब्रह्मावती) and now I have changed my name to BARMAWATTI. In the future, I want to be recognized and identified by this name. BARMAWATTI, Wife of Late Shri Prempal Tyagi, Resident of A-545, Ganeshpuri, Near Shiv Shalimar Garden, Sahibabad, Ghaziabad.

I, Sudeep Punia S/o Umed Singh R/o k-2/25 Dharam Market, krishan Vihar, Nithari, North West Delhi -86, have changed my name Sudeep Kumar to Sudeep Punia for all purposes. PD(1238)C

PD(1237)C

I, Rajni Gupta W/o Sandeep Gupta R/o B-14 First Floor, Hargovind Vihar, Sector 4, Rohini, Delhi - 85, have changed my name Rajni Bala Garg to Rajni Gupta for all purposes. Rajni Bala Garg and Rajni Gupta Both are same person.

PD(1239)C I, Smt Arti Betal, Mother of-No.3200947F Hav Chanchal Kumar Betal, R/o- Vill-Ramnagar PO- Ramnagar Mobarakpur, P.S- Arambagh, Dist- Hooghly, W.B.- 712616, have changed my name from Smt Arti Betal to Arati Betal, vide affidavit dated 10/01/2025 before Notary Public Delhi.

PD(1234)C I, Raj Kumari, W/o Satinder Singh, R/o- RZ- 46 J, Street No. 2, Main Sagar Pur, Delhi -110046, declare that Abhishek Singh is my son, in his educational Certificate, my name is erroneously written as Shashi Singh, whereas my correct name is Raj Kumari, both names pertain to one and same person, i.e. myself. PD(1233)C

NORTHERN RAILWAY

TENDER NOTICE Invitation of Tenders through E-Procurement systems

Principal Chief Materials Manager, Northern Railway, New Delhi - 110001, for and on behalf of the President of India, invites e-tenders through e-pro system for supply of the following items:-

S. No.	Tender No.	Brief Description	Qty.	Closing Date
01	18241073	CONTINUOUS PAPER COMPUTER STATIONERY	3750 REAM	03-02-25
02	19242115	GEAR WHEEL 65 TEETH	66 NOS	05-02-25
03	14250835	REFRIGERANT R-407C,	13264 KGS	06-02-25
04	77246604	37 DEGREE ANGLE PROBE	288 NOS	10-02-25

Note: 1. Vendors may visit the IREPS website i.e. www.ireps.gov.in for details, 2. No Manual offer will be entertained Tender Notice No. 88/2024-2025 Dated:- 10.01.2025 SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE







APPENDIX IV [See rule 8(1)] POSSESSION NOTICE (For immovable property)

The undersigned being the Authorised officer of "The Kangra Co-operative Bank Ltd.", Head office at, C-29,Community Centre, Pankha Road, Janak Puri, New Delhi - 110056, having its registered office at 1916, Chuna Mandi, Pahar Ganj, New Delhi-110055, under The Securitisation and Reconstruction of the Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule [3] of The Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, the Bank had issued a demand notice on dated 10-10-2024, cal the borrower & mortgagor Smt. Mamta Dangwal, Wio.Sh.Deepak Mahindru R/o. C-104, Street No.8, West Vinod Nagar Delhi-110092 also at Smt. Mamta Dangwal Wio.Sh. Deepak Mahindru C/o. New Saraswati House (India) Pvt. Ltd. 2" Floor, MGM Tower, 19, Ansari Road, Darya Ganj New Delhi-110002, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs.8,30,584/- (Rupees Eight Lakhs Thirty Thousand Five Hundred and Eighty Four Only), together with further interest, pena interest and other charges as are applicable to this Loan account from time to time, from the date of the otice till the date of payment, with in 60 days from the date of receipt of the notice.

The above mentioned borrower & mortgagor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower, mortgagor and the public in general that the Bank has taken Symbolic possession of the property described here in below in exercise of powers conferred under sub-section (4) of section 13 of The Securitisation and Reconstruction of the Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security sterest Act, 2002, read with rule IBI of The Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, on this 07th

The borrower & mortgagor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to dea with the mortgaged property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of "The Kangra Co-operative Bank Ltd.", for an amount of Rs.8,30,584/- together with further nterest, penal interest and other charges as are applicable to this Loan account from time to time, from the date of notice till the date of realization together with all the costs incurred by the Bank in

The borrower & mortgagor attention is also been invited towards provisions of Sub-Section (8) or Security Interest Act, 2002, in respect of time available, to redeem the below mentioned mortgage

DISCRIPTION OF THE PROPERT

The property under All that part and parcel of the BUILT UP ENTIRE FIRST FLOOR, UPTO consideration is a THE EXTENT OF CEILING LEVEL, HAVING ITS PLINTN/COVERED AREA Built-up Entire 41.80 SQ. METERS, i.e. 50 sq. yds. COMPRISING OF TWO BED ROOMS, First Floor without ONE DRAWING CUM DINING ROOM, ONE KITCHEN AND roof rights, area TOILET/BATHROOM, WITH COMON RIGHTS TO USE STAIRCASE measuring 50 Sq. PASSAGE, ENTRANCE AND ROOF/TERRACE OF TOP FLOOR, BUILT ON PART OF PROPERTY BEARING NO.C-104, OUT OF KHASRA NO.811, SITUATED AT ABADI OF C-BLOCK, GALI NO.8, KUMAON SQUARE, WEST VINOD NAGAR, IN THE AREA OF VILLAGE MANDAWALI FAZAL PUR, ILLAQA SHAHDARA, DELHI-110092. Falling Under the Registration of Sub-Registrar-VIIIA, Preet Vihar, Delhi.

Bounded as under which is bounded as:- EAST : PROPERTY OF OTHERS, WEST : PROPERTY OF OTHERS
NORTH: ROAD, SOUTH: PROPERTY OF OTHERS. (HARISH SHARMA) (HARISH SHARMA) **AUTHORISED OFFICER** THE KANGRA CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD. HEAD OFFICE AT, C-29, COMMUNITY CENTRE

DATED: 07-01-2025 PANKHA ROAD, JANAKPURI, NEW DELHI-58. NAME OF BOARD/CORP./AUTH

🟡 Indian Overseas Bank

Wazieabad Branch (Shyam Chowk, Near Girls, Govt. High School, Wazirabad, Gurgaon, Haryana 122003,

APPENDIX IV POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property) [Rule 8(1)]

Phone - 0124-2577240, E-mail Id : lob3714@iob.in

The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Indian Overseas Bank Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred nder section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 29.03.2022 Calling upon the borrowers/ mortgagors/ guarantors Shri Dipankar Das H. No. 1206, Spring Green Apartment, Anora Kala, Faridabad Road, Lucknow-226028 (Give full in the notice being Rs.1,01,03,795.80 as on 28.02.2022 with further interest at m the date of receipt of the said notice

1) The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to he borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taker conferred on him/ her under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the aid Rules on this 9" day of January of the year 2025.

(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 the Indian Overseas Bank for an amount of Rs. 1.01.03.795.80 as n 28.02.2022 with interest thereon of contractual rates & rests as agreed harges etc., from the aforesaid date mentioned in the demand notice till date of ent less repayment, if any, made after issuance of Demand Noti Dues payable as on the date of taking possession is Rs. 1,32,54,610.90 (Rupees One Crore Thirty-Two Lakh Fifty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Ten and Paisa Ninety Only) payable with further interest at contractual rates & rests, Charges etc., till date of payment.

(3) The Borrowers attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of the

ction 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to them, to redeem the

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Flat No. 1203, 12th Floor (Haryana), 122003, within the registration sub-district Gurgaon and District Gurgaon

On the North by: Swimming Pool and Tower No-5 On the South by : Flat No 1204/ Entry On the East by : Left & Flat no 1201 On the West by : Road

Dated: 09.01.2025 Sd/- Authorised Office Indian Overseas Bank

Khalid Sheikh Mohammed

by the US military and successive administrations.

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NORTHERN RAILWAY E-NOTICE INVITING TENDER

For and on behalf of President of India, Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer (RSO) Northern Railway, Delhi Division, New Delhi invites E- Tender' in prescribed tende form for the following work.

Name of Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning, and integration of comple Equipment's of Terminal Support System (Hardware) & allied accessories for computerized crew management system application at various lobbies Shakurbasti, Delhi Sarai Rohilla, Delhi, Meerut City, Rohtak, Jind & Jakhal over DLI division as per CRIS Specification no. 2007/CRIS/

IJ.	INDES-HQ/CMS/Floje	3CUROIIOUI-11/0030/P1-11 date 20.07.2024.				
	Approx. Tender value (Rs.)	Rs. 48,51,137.89/- (including GST)				
3.	E.M.D (Rs.)	Rs. 97,100/-, Note:- Online payment mod available on IREPS website.				
4.	Date & time of tender opening (immediately when tender submission ends)	03.02.2025 on 15:00 hrs.				
5.	Website particulars where	www.ireps.gov.in				

documents can be seen

ENDER NOTICE No. -NIT-04-2024-25-Elect-RSO, Dt. 09.01.2025

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PUBLIC NOTICE

(In case there is no will)

Plot / Property No-APARTMENT NO. CM633A, 33RD FLOOR, BLOCK 6A, THE CAMELLIAS, DLF 5, GURUGRAM, HARYANA, ALONG WITH CAR PARKING NOS.633A-PB1-1, 633A-PB1-2, 633A-PB1-3, 633A-PB1-4 AND 633A-PB1-5 was registered in the name of Mr. RAJIV KRISHAN LUTHRA S/o Late. Mr Anirudh Krishan Luthra, R/o 3/15 Shanti Niketan, New Delhi : 110 021, who has expired on 10th May 2023. Accordingly the name of Mrs Gayatri Luthra, Ms. Sanaa Krishan Luthra and Ms. Arshia Krisha Luthra are being noted in DLF's record in respect of the captioned Plot / Property. anybody has any objection to this, he or

Luthra and Luthra Law Offices India 1st & 9th Floor Ashoka Estate 24 Barakhamba Road New Delhi - 110001

she may approach M/s DLF Ltd or the

undersigned within 21 days of publicatio

of this notice.

PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public is hereby informed that my client Mr. Harish Chander Chopra, S/o Late Sh. Mohan Lal has retired from oartnership firm M/s Mohan Lal Harish Chander having its office at C-98, New Subzi Mandi, Azadpur, Delhi, w.e.f. 16.12.2024 and he is not a partner in the said firm anymore. All the liabilities of the firm existing at the time of his retirement in the books of accounts have been taken over by the continuing partners of the firm. Anybody, person body corporate dealing with the said firm or continuing partners shall do so with he knowledge of fact that my client has already retired from the firm and shall not be liable for any act or liability of the firm or its continuing partners. Amit Kumar (Advocate)

Narang & Associates D-28, Jangpura Extension, New Delhi-110014.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Village Tahirpur Delhi-110095 be a now to public at largs debarred serave relations with his son Pramod Kuma and his Wife Taruna Pal and his son Dharvik Pal and Vedant Pal fron

movable-immovable properties due to

their misconduct my client will not be responsible for their illegal acts and any

MANISH KUMAR (Advocate) Ch. No. 646-A Western Wing, Tis Hazari Court, Delhi-54

PUBLIC NOTICE

A notice of intended marriage has bee received from Mr. Abhik Deb S/o Mr. Biswajit Deb R/o B1 -2/3, Awas Vihar, Road No-(Extn.), Kajalnagar, Sonari, Jamshedpur 831011 Present Address D-39, Sector-52 Noida, Gautambuddha Nagar and Ms. Asmita Nandy D/o Mr. Somnath Nandy R/o 13/2 Sri Gopal Mullick Lane, Muchipara, Kolkata, Wes Bengal-700012 Present Address 1905 Tower-10, Lotus Panache, Sector-104, Market Sector-110 Noida in The office of the undersigned, any person interested Therein, may file objections to it on any day upto 26-01-2025 in the office of The undersigned. Deputy Collector/ I/C City Magistrate

Marriage Officer Noida Gautam Budh Nagar

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given on behalf of ANUJ TYAGI AND POOJA TYAGI who are purchasing the Apartment No.D-083on 8th Floor, Tower-D, having super area measuring 166.93 Sq. Mtrs. (1796.17 Sq. ft.), project known as "RAHEJA VEDAS", situated in the scheme named "Raheja's Vedaanta", Vedas & Vedanata Floors", situated at Sector-108, Tehsii Kadipur, District-Grungram, Haryana, from Mr. Devendra Goswami and Mr. Amit Bharti, initially the subject property was purchased by WG CDR Rajan Jaisinghani & Mona Jaisinghani from Mr. Raheja Developers Limited vide Conveyance Deed dated 18.11.2019 (bearing document no.9472), further WG CDR Rajan Jaisinghani (Mrej Ashish Jaisinghani (son) both Ro 1001, Yawane, Nahar Amrit Shakti, Andheri East, Mumbai, Maharasthra-400072, (3) Adin Jaisinghani (Son) Rio 10 Narpat Niwas, Airforce Road, Jodhpur-342011, Rajasthan), turda Ashish Jaisinghani and Adin Jaisinghani had issued Consent Letter (Nos-2) dated 19.12.2023 (read with Will dated 25.05.2022) to their mother Mona Jaisinghani, finally Mona Jaisinghani had issued Consent Letter (Nos-2) dated 19.12.2023 fread with viril deaded 20.05.202 to their mome Mona Jaisinghani, finally Mona Jaisinghani solc the subject property to Mr. Devendra Goswam and Mr. Amit Bharti, vide Sale Deed dated 01.08.2024, bearing document no.5788, now ANUJ TYAGI and POOJA TYAGI intend it.

ANUJ TYAGI and PODJA TYAGI intend to purchase the same and mortgage against the financial assistance from IDBI Bank Limited. To comply the requirements of BANK/NBFC, we give this public notice that if any Person having any type of claim/right/title/interest/creating mortgage 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 Encumbrances, lienetc. Lucem Legal LLP Plot No.136, (Basement) Uday Park, New Delhi-110049, Contact # 011-40046316

GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA TENDER NOTICE WEBSITE OF THE BOARD CORP./AUTH NODAL OFFICER/CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL 5.30 LACS DE-SILTING OF STORM WATER LINES AND REMOVAL OF MALRA / DEERIS BY USING SUPER SUCKER MACHINE NEAR PLOT NO. 30 TO 342, 273 TO 295 IN SECTOR- 17, HSIIDC, I.E, BAHADURGARH. 14.01.2025 HSIIDO 14.69 LACS 9416767348 ia.bahadurgarh@hsiidc.org.in HIRING OF JCB FOR REMOVING GARBAGE CLEANING OF REEN BELTS/PARKS, UNWANTED BUSHES AND SARKAND IN OPEN AREAS AND MISC. WORKS IN SEC. 17 HSIDC, INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, BAHADURGARH 9416767348 durgarh@hsildc.org.in HSIIDC **B.92 LACS** 9416767348 adurgarh@hsiidc.org.in HSIIDO FOR FURTHER INFORMATION KINDLY VISIT: www.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in or www.etenders.hry.nic.ir

Canada's Indian-origin MP Chandra Arya says he'll run for prime ministership

PTI OTTAWA

¬anada's Indian-origin MP Chandra Arya has announced that he is running to be the next Prime Minister. hours before his Liberal Party announced that their next leader will be chosen on March

The development comes days after Justin Trudeau announced to step down but said he will continue to be the prime minister till the next leader is chosen. Arya, the MP from Nepean, Óttawa, who was born in Karnataka, made the announcement on X Thursday morning ahead of the Liberal Party's meeting later in the

evening. "I am running to be the next Prime Minister of Canada to lead a small, more efficient government to rebuild our nation and secure prosperity for future generations," he said in the post on X and added a long statement with it.

Stating that Canada is "facing

significant structural problems" that haven't been seen for generations, Arya said, adding that solving them will require tough choices. "For the sake of our children and grandchildren, we must make bold decisions that are absolutely neces-

The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC) highlighted that Arva wants to lead a small, more efficient government "with a cabinet selected on merit and not on (diversity, equity and inclusion) quo-

Arya was first elected to the House of Commons in 2015. His multi-page announcement includes a list of policy proposals, including increasing the retirement age by two years in 2040, introducing a citizenshipbased tax system and recognising Palestine as a state, it added.

"It's time for Canada to take full control of its destiny," he wrote in the statement and promised to make the country "a sover-



eign republic." It would require replacing the monarchy as the head of state.

After the meeting of the National Board of Directors, Sachit Mehra, president of the Liberal Party of Canada, said in a statement: "After a robust and secure nation-wide process, the Liberal Party of Canada will choose a new leader on March 9, and be ready to fight and win the 2025 election.

The National Board of Directors formally met on

Thursday evening to discuss and outline the initial rules of the up-coming leadership race, the party statement added.

After the party's announcement, another CBC report said that former central banker Mark Carney has also said he's interested and added that former finance minister Chrystia Freeland, former B.C. premier Christy Clark and House Leader Karina Gould are said to be gathering supporters,

Prior to Thursday's meeting along with Arya, former Montreal MP Frank Baylis both said they will be running, it said.

The CBC report also pointed out how the new leader chosen on March 9 will have a tight timeline as the Gov Gen Mary Simon has prorouged Parliament untill March 24. The main three opposition parties have vowed a 'No Confidence' vote after Parliament resumes, other media reports said.

relations as possible for Trump

Kremlin welcomes possibility of Trump-Putin meeting

PTI WASHINGTON

The Kremlin has welcomed US President-elect Donald Trump's readiness to meet with Russian President Vladimir Putin, a senior Moscow official said on Friday.

Russia attaches no conditions to the possibility of face-to-face talks, Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov told reporters during a conference call.

Trump said on Thursday that "Putin wants to meet" and that a meeting is being set up. He indicated that efforts to end the almost three-year war between Russia and Ukraine

were behind the overtures for talks. "We have to get that war over with," Trump said when referring to his possible meet-

ing with Putin. Trump, who has criticised US aid for Ukraine's war effort, has called Putin "pretty smart" for invading Ukraine and has praised Russia's military record in historical conflicts. Putin has been accused of war crimes by the International Criminal Court. Ukrainian officials are alarmed at the possibility that the US, its single biggest donor, could reduce or stop providing aid. Without Western support, its fight against Russia's inva-

Director (Education)

NEW DELHI MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

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EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

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in NDMC for the academic session 2025-2026. For detail of educational qualification, age limit, terms & conditions and other

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Director (Education), Room No. 1009, 10th Floor, Palika Kendra,

Sansad Marg, New Delhi in person or through e-mail

Applications received after closing date i.e. 20.01.2025 will not be

information, log on to NDMC website www.ndmc.gov.in

jd.education@ndmc.gov.in latest by 20.01.2025

sion could be doomed.

The outgoing Biden administration is providing Ukraine with as much military support as it can, including approving a new USD 500 million package of weapons, with the aim of putting Ukraine in the strongest position possible for any future negotiations to end the war. 'We are aware that the (Biden)

and his team," Peskov said. Ukraine's President Volodymyr Zelenskyy has said that in any peace negotiation his country would need assurances about its future protection from Russia, its much bigger neigh-

bour, which has invaded Ukraine twice since the turn of the century. Europe alone cannot provide that guarantee, he administration will try to leave as difficult legacy in bilateral said late Thursday.

Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot Ph: 01639-256232-256236

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PUBLIC NOTICE

I, (Ex JCO) Phool Chand S/o Late Prabhu Dayal Singh, Vill-Jonawas, Teh & Distt. Mahendergarh (HR) My son Abhishek Yadav who is out of control of me and dispossessed or ousted from my movable and immovable property.

My client Ms. Suman Wo Late Sh. Gurbachan Singh R/o H.No. FD-20, Ground Floor Shivaji Enclave, New Delhi-110027, her son Mr. Nawal and her Daughter in law Ms. Upasna Trikha have been doing acts and deeds against the wish and will of my client and they do not give any respect to my client, her family members and relatives. My client hereby disowns her son & Daughter-in-law from all movable and immovable properties and my client is left with no relation and concern with her son & Daughter-in-law. My client shall not be responsible for any acts and deeds done by her son & Daughter-in-law in any manner whatsoever.

Whatsoever.

V.K. DAHIYA, Advocate Chamber No. 204, Chander Shehar Azad Block. Distt. Courts, Gurugram 122001.

square meters), located in Pratap Vinar, Khoda Colony, Pargana Loni, Tehsil & District Ghaziabad, U.P., from Mr. Mohd. Sager, son of Mr. Sheikh Yakub. The property was purchased by Mr. Sager from Mr. Abdul Rauf through a Sale Deed dated 02.12.2010. This same property is being financed by RBL Bank Limited, located at Af 19, 20, 21 Ff. Aditya Mall, Indirapuram, Ghaziabad, U.P. 201012. The original Sale Deeds, Regd. No. 1458 Book No. 01, Vol. No. 1930, on Pages 159-165, dated 28.02.2005, SR-II Ghaziabad, along with the notarized General Power of Attorney, Agreement to Sell, and Will dated 12.11.2009, have been lost. An Online FIR (Application Number: LR. No: 2479236/2025, dated 09.01.2025) has been filled with the PS: Grime Branch, Delhi, regarding the loss of these documents.Any person having information of these documents. Any person having information bout the lost documents is requested to inform the ndersigned or the local police station. If an undersigned or the local police station. If any person(s) objection Regarding subject property, then kindly may submit his/her objection within 07 days from the date of the Notice in writing. The said objection may be kindly sent to the undersigned by way of the Registered Post on the address given below and by E-mail failing which, the claim as per forecast the line terrors. foresaid shall be treated as null and void in respe

f the subject property. Ashwani Kumar (Advocate) Chamber No. 122, Tehsil Compound, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh

THE JAGRITI NAGAR CO-OPERATIVE HOUSE **BUILDING SOCIETY LTD.**

REGN NO. - 2183 Jagriti Enclave, Vikas Marg, Delhi-110092

PUBLIC NOTICE

In terms of the provisions of Schedule-VII of DCS Rules 2007, the general public is hereby informed that Smt. Ratna Mohla w/o Late Shri Pratap Kishan Jetley (Membership No. 668) of The Jagriti Nagar Co-operative House Building Society Ltd. is being forwarded by Managing committee of the society for draw of lots in her name through RCS/DDA as per the provisions of DCS Act 2003 & Rules 2007 framed thereunder & guidelines thereof. Any person/member having any objection, may file before the President/Secretary of The Jagriti Nagar Co-operative House Building Society Ltd. (Regn. No. 2183) at Regd. Office Jagriti Enclave, Vikas Marg, Delhi-110092 or before the office of the Registrar, Co-operative Societies, Govt of NCT of Delhi, Old Court's Building, Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001 within 3 days of publication of this notice and no objections shall be entertained, thereafter in any manner whatsoever and the society will proceed further accordingly.

> For & on behalf of The Jagriti Nagar Co-operative House Building Society Ltd. President/Secretary

Yaari Digital Integrated Services Limited

(CIN: L51101HR2007PLC077999) Extract of Consolidated Unaudited Financial Results for the quarter and nine months ended 31 December 2024

		(Ks. III Clores				
Particulars		Quarter ended 30-Sep-24	Quarter ended 31-Dec-23	Year to date 31-Dec-24	Year to date 31-Dec-23	Year ended 31-Mar-24
	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Audited
Total Income from Operations	-	-	2.57	0.50	2.87	3.15
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Minority Interest and Share of						
Profit / (Loss) of Associate, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(5.54)	(5.59)	(3.67)	(16.41)	(14.91)	(21.61)
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Minority Interest and Share of						
Profit / (Loss) of Associate (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items))	(5.54)	(5.59)	(3.67)	(16.41)	(14.91)	(21.61)
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after Tax, Minority Interest and Share of						
Profit / (Loss) of Associate (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(5.54)	(5.60)	(3.67)	(16.42)	(14.91)	(21.61)
Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss)						
for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	27.95	(3.75)	(6.13)	28.54	(4.97)	(12.31)
Equity Share Capital	19.74	19.74	19.74	19.74	19.74	19.74
Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve)						
as shown in the audited Balance Sheet						(253.50)
Earnings per Share (EPS) before extraordinary items						
- Basic (Amount in Rs.)	(0.55)	(0.56)	(0.37)	(1.63)	(1.48)	(2.15)
- Diluted (Amount in Rs.)	(0.55)	(0.56)	(0.37)	(1.63)	(1.48)	(2.15)
Earnings per Share (EPS) after extraordinary items						
- Basic (Amount in Rs.)	(0.55)	(0.56)	(0.37)	(1.63)	(1.48)	(2.15)
- Diluted (Amount in Rs.)	(0.55)	(0.56)	(0.37)	(1.63)	(1.48)	(2.15)

1) The above results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and subsequently approved at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on 10 January 2025

Particulars	Quarter ended 31-Dec-24	Quarter ended 30-Sep-24	Quarter ended 31-Dec-23	Year to date 31-Dec-24	Year to date 31-Dec-23	Year ended 31-Mar-24		
	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Audited		
Total Income	0.09	0.09	2.87	0.77	3.20	3.57		
Profit/(Loss) before Tax	(10.69)	(10.69)	(8.05)	(32.60)	(29.01)	(43.37)		
Net Profit/(Loss) after Tax	(10.69)	(10.69)	(8.05)	(32.60)	(29.01)	(43.37)		
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Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly/ Nine months Financial Results are available on the Company's websit (https://yaari.com/api/static/Investors/1736510327305Quarterly-Results Dec2024.pdf) and on the website of BSE (https://www.bseindia.com) and NSE (https://www.bseindia.com)

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Place : Gurugram
Date : 10 January 2025 Kubeir Khera **Executive Director & CEO**

Equinox India

Equinox India Developments Limited

(formerly Indiabulls Real Estate Limited)

Statement of Unaudited Consolidated Financial Results for the quarter and nine months ended 31 December 2024 (₹ in million)

SI. No.	Particulars	3 months ended	Preceding 3 months ended	Corresponding 3 months ended	Year to date figures for current period ended	Year to date figures for previous period ended	Previous year ended
		31 Dec.2024	30 Sept. 2024	31 Dec.2023	31 Dec.2024	31 Dec.2023	31 March 2024
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
1	Total income from operations	3,096.1	2,874.1	1,118.5	10,004.1	4,292.1	4,687.5
2	Net Profit / (Loss) for the year/period (before Tax, Minority Interest and Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	268.5	337.9	(283.3)	382.4	(926.8)	(3,937.2)
3	Net (Loss) / Profit for the year/period before Tax and Minority Interest (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	268.5	337.9	(283.3)	382.4	(7,217.5)	(10,227.9)
4	Net (Loss) / Profit for the year/period after Tax and Minority Interest (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	223.9	242.7	(385.0)	184.2	(7,360.7)	(10,383.5)
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the year/period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the year/period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	223.0	242.6	75.1	374.2	(6,035.6)	(9,072.0)
6	Earnings per Share (of ₹ 2/- each) - Basic (Amount in ₹) - Diluted (Amount in ₹)	0.35 0.34	0.38 0.35	(0.71) (0.71)	0.29 0.25	(13.61) (13.61)	(19.20) (19.20)
7	Paid up Equity Share Capital	1,271.7	1,271.7	1,082.2	1,271.7	1,082.2	1,082.2
8	Other equity				1		26,571.8

1. The above consolidated results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and subsequently approved at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on 10 January 2025. These financial results have been subjected to limited review by the statutory auditors of the Company.

Equinox India Developments Limited

(formerly Indiabulls Real Estate Limited)

Statement of Unaudited Standalone Financial Results for the quarter and nine months ended 31 December 2024

SI. No.	Particulars	3 months ended	Preceding 3 months ended	Corresponding 3 months ended	Year to date figures for current period ended	Year to date figures for previous period ended	Previous year ended
		31 Dec.2024	30 Sept. 2024	31 Dec.2023	31 Dec.2024	31 Dec.2023	31 March 2024
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
1	Total Income from Operations	51.4	74.7	83.8	212.8	278.5	802.1
2	Net (Loss) / Profit for the year/period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(145.5)	(117.6)	(2.7)	(383.5)	(65.1)	31.1
3	Net (Loss) /Profit for the year/period before Tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(145.5)	(117.6)	(2.7)	(383.5)	(65.1)	(35,798.3)
4	Net (Loss) / Profit for the year/period after Tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(152.6)	(110.4)	(3.1)	(384.0)	(66.0)	(35,802.3)
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the year/period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	(152.6)	(110.4)	457.0	(193.0)	1,259.3	(34,482.5)
6	Earnings per Share (of ₹ 2/- each) -Basic (Amount in ₹) -Diluted (Amount in ₹)	(0.24)	(0.17) (0.17)	(0.01)	(0.62) (0.62)	(0.12) (0.12)	(66.17) (66.17)
7	Paid-up equity share capital (face value of ₹ 2 per equity share)	1,271.7	1,271.7	1,082.2	1,271.7	1,082.2	1,082.2
8	Other equity						31,839.9

Notes to the standalone financial results::

Place: Mumbai

Date: 10 January 2025

- 1. The above results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and subsequently approved at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on 10 January 2025 These financial results have been subjected to limited review by the statutory auditors of the Company
- 2. The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly / Annual Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly / Annual Financial Results are available on the Company's website (https://equinoxindia.com) and on the website of BSE (https://www.bseindia.com) and NSE (https://www.nseindia.com).

Registered Office: Office No 01-1001, WeWork, Blue One Square, Udyog Vihar Phase 4 Rd, Gurugram, Haryana 122016 (CIN): L45101HR2006PLC095409

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors

Executive Director

FOR TENDER NO. N_11_HQ-IDS_2024-25 DATED: 09-01-2025 Tender Notice No. N 11 HQ 2024

-25 Name of work: Provision of Elephant Intrusion Detection System for detection of elephant movemen with tracking and Level crossing alerts to increase Safety and capacity enhancement over N.F. Railway Rangiya Division. Date & Time of closing of Tender: 15.00 hrs. on 24-01-2025. For details of the corrigendu please visit www.ireps.gov.in General Manager (S&T), Maligac

NORTHEAST FRONTIER RAILWAY

PUBLIC NOTICE Notice is hereby given that my client Manisha Rana is the owner as well as Proprietor of M/s Chetak Spices Industries is in process to avail the working capital from HDFC Bank against her DDA Built-up-flat Bearing No. 195, on Third Floor, area measuring 42.10 sq. mtrs, LIG Category, in Pocket-D Sector B-2, situated in the layout plan of Narela Residential Scheme, Narela, Delhi - 110040 purchased from Vijay Kumar, vide Sale deed dated 14/12/2018 (doc. No. 6325) whereas Vijay kumar acquired the said property by virtue Relinquishment Deed dated 11/12/2018 Doc no. 6227

sale, exchange, mortgage (equitable/registered or otherwise), gift, trust, inheritance, family parrangement, maintenance, bequest, partnership, possession, lease, sublease, tenancy, license, lien, charge, pledge, easement or otherwise howsoever, are hereby requested to notify the same in writing to us with supporting documentary evidence at the address mentioned below within 07 days from the date bereaf failing which the plains of claims if any date hereof, failing which the claim or cla of such person or persons will be considered to have en waived and/or abando

Kamal Kant Gupta (Advocate)
Unit No. FF-2, First floor, Mahaluxmi Metro Tower
Sec-4, Vaishali, Gzb., U.P., Mob. 9810063351

FOR RIVER TRAINING AND OTHER PROTECTION WORK

E-Tender Notice No. SCL/ ENGG/08 of 2025 Dated: 08-01 2025. E-Tenders are invited by the undersigned for the following works: Brief Description of Item Construction of Spurs for River Training and other protection work in river Dhaleswari at Br. No. 133 between Jamira-Bhairabi section under ADEN/ Badarpur Ghat, Tender Value ₹6,28,41,472.69/-, Earnest Money: ₹4,64,200/-. Date & Time of closing of Tender: 15.00 hrs on 30-01-2025 & opening at 15.00 hrs. of 31-01-2025. The complete information of the tender document of above e-tender will be available upto 15.00 hrs on 30-01-2025 in the website www.ireps.gov.in

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Equinox India Sylvanus Properties Limited

(CIN: 1170109DI 2006PI C150229) **Extract of Unaudited Financial Results**

for the guarter and nine months ended 31 December 2024

SI. No.	Particulars	Quarter ended 31 December 2024	Corresponding quarter ended 31 December 2023	Previous year ended 31 March 2024
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
1	Total Income from Operations	49.4	34.7	210.5
2	Net (Loss) / Profit for the period			
	(before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(22.6)	(55.8)	(1,286.5)
3	Net (Loss) / Profit for the period before Tax			
2022	(after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(22.6)	(55.8)	(1,286.5)
4	Net (Loss) / Profit for the period after Tax,			
	(after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(24.2)	(56.1)	(1,285.9)
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period			
	[Comprising (Loss) / Profit for the period (after tax)	Na. 12 (42)		
	and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	(24.2)	(56.1)	(1,287.9)
6	Paid up Equity Share Capital	100.0	100.0	100.0
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve)	(6,858.1)	(5,649.7)	(6,755.8)
8	Securities Premium Account		(*)	-
9	Net Worth	(6,758.1)	(5,549.7)	(6,655.8)
10	Paid up Debt Capital / Outstanding Debt	10,085.2	9,653.7	9,906.6
11	Outstanding redemption preference share	(+)	-	-
12	Debt Equity Ratio	(1.49)	(1.74)	(1.49)
13	Earnings per Share (EPS)			
	(Face value Per Share ₹10 each)			
	- Basic (Amount in ₹)	(2.42)	(5.61)	(128.59)
	- Diluted (Amount in ₹)	(2.42)	(5.61)	(128.59)
14	Capital Redemption Reserve		-	-
15	Debenture Redemption Reserve		1.675	-
16	Debt Service Coverage Ratio	(2)	121	-
17	Interest Service Coverage Ratio	1.7	37.0	-
18	Current ratio (In times)	0.43	0.49	0.45
19	Total debts to total assets	1.96	1.76	1.81
20	Long term debt to working capital (In times)		(*)	-
21	Bad debt to account receivable ratio (In %)	74	4	-
22	Current liability ratio (In times)	1.00	1.00	1.00
23	Debtor turnover ratio (In times)	0.31	1.24	1.91
24	Inventory turnover ratio (In times)	0.01	0.01	0.26
25	Operating margin (In %)	(8.07)	(24.39)	(491.51)
26	Net profit margin (In %)	(48.90)	(161.75)	(610.75)

Notes: 1 The above results have been reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors ('the Board') at its meeting held on 10 January 2025.

2 The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly / Annual Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 52(8), read with 52(4) of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly/ Annual Financial Results are available on the Company's website (https://equinoxindia.com/sylvanus/) and on the website of BSE (https://www.bseindia.com) and NSE (https://www.nseindia.com).

Registered Office: Office No. 202, 2nd Floor, A-18, Rama House, Middle Circle, Connaught Place, New Delhi- 110 001

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Place: Mumbai

Date : 10 January 2025

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors

Rikesh Kirtikumar Lakhani Whole-time Director



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/ / निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना / /

POSSESSION NOTICE RULE 8 (1) FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Whereas The undersigned being the authorised officer of IDBI Bank Limited under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financia

Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(12) rear

with rule 3 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 28.10.2024 calling upon the borrowe

Shivanshi Pulses (Borrower) and Shri Paras Agrawal (Propritor & Mortgagor) to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being

Rs.1539565.16/- (Rupees Fifteen Lakh Thirty Nine Thousand Five Hundred Sixty Five and Sixteen Paisa Only) within 60 days

from the date of the receipt of the said notice. The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower an

the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below, in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this the 07th day

of January of the year 2025. The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and

any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of IDBI Bank Limited for an amount of Rs.1539565.16/- (Rupees Fifteen

Lakh Thirty Nine Thousand Five Hundred Sixty Five and Sixteen Paisa Only) and interest thereon. The borrower's attention is

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcels of Diverted Land measuring-800sq.ft.-74.34sq.ft (Part of Area-0.020hec) bearing part of Kh No.-47/22 After

mutation in revenue record allotted Kh No. 47/22/K at Moja Indira Gandhi Ward Murwara Katni in Pc. No. 42, S.N. no-493 in Tahsil 8

Dist Katni (MP), Measurement- From East to West 40 Sqft. And From North to South 20 Sqft (Total 800 Sqft) (in the name of Shri Paras

Agrawal) Together with undivided share in the land and all the structures thereon and which is bounded as under: - On or towards the

East: Property of Vendor & Co- owner (Sukhman Prasad) after that 3 feet wide galiyara, On or towards the West: Property of Daya

nvited to provisions of sub section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Singh, Balram Sindhi, On or towards the North: Property of Sindhi, On or towards the South: Property of Rajkuma

Together with all and singular the structures and erections thereon, both present and future

Place: Katni, Date: 11 / 01 / 2025

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IDBI BANK LTD., WTC Complex, Cuff Parade, Mumbai, Website: www.idbibank.in

IDBI BANK LTD., Saraogi Mansion, Hanuman Ganj,

Ramleela Ground, Ghanta Ghar, Katni - 483501 M.P.

निम्नलिखित कार्य हेत् केन्द्रीय ई-रजिस्ट्रेशन प्रणाली से पंजीकृत समस्त ठेकेदारों से ऑनलाइन निविदा आमंत्रित की जाती है। निविदा का विस्तृत विवरण

The Indian economy is consumption and investment, World Economic Situation projected to expand by 6.6 according to a United Nations and Prospects 2025' was

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Authorised Officer

IDBI Bank Ltd.

12/02/2025

It also said that the near-term outlook for South Asia is expected to remain robust, with growth projected at 5.7 per cent in 2025 and 6.0 per cent in 2026, "driven by strong performance in India as well as economic recovery in a few other economies'

The Indian economy grew by 6.8 per cent in 2024 and is forecast to expand by 6.6 per cent in 2025. The Indian economy is projected to return to the 6.8 per cent growth in 2026.

including Bhutan, Nepal and

Sri Lanka.

The economy of India, the



region, is forecast to expand by 6.6 per cent in 2025,

primarily supported by robust largest in the (South Asia) private consumption and Additionally, investment.

infrastructure development is expected to have strong multiplier effects on growth in the coming years," the report said.

It added that strong export growth in services and certain goods categories, particularly pharmaceuticals and electronics, will bolster economic activity for India. On the supply side, expansion in the manufacturing and services sectors will keep driving the economy throughout the forecast period.

Meanwhile, favourable monsoon rains in 2024 have improved the summersowing areas for all major crops, boosting agricultural output expectations for 2025. Investment growth has remained particularly strong in East Asia and South Asia partly driven by domestic and foreign investments in new supply chains, particularly in Indonesia, and

Vietnam, the report said. In India, the public sector continues to play a pivotal role in funding large-scale projects, infrastructure and physical digital connectivity, and social including infrastructure, improvements in sanitation and water supply. Strong investment growth expected to continue through

Consumer price inflation in India is forecast to decelerate from an estimated 4.8 per cent in 2024 to 4.3 per cent in 2025, staying within the 2–6 per cent medium-term target range set by the central bank. While decreasing energy prices have contributed to the ongoing decline, adverse weather conditions have kept prices of vegetables, cereals, and other staples elevated in 2024, resulting in spikes in the country's headline inflation in June and September.

It said that several developing economies, including China, India, and Mexico, have maintained robust investment growth, while African nations have faced limited public investment due to high debt servicing burdens, Western Asia has experienced low investment growth amid subdued oil revenues.

Global economic growth is forecast at 2.8 per cent in 2025 and 2.9 per cent in 2026, largely unchanged from the rate of 2.8 per cent recorded in 2023 and estimated for

The positive but moderately slower growth projected for the two largest economies— China and the United States complemented by mild Bangladesh, India, Pakistan, recovery in the European and Sri Lanka—experienced Union, Japan, and the United Kingdom and strong performance in several large developing economies, notably India and Indonesia, it said.

China is facing the prospect gradual economic moderation, with growth estimated at 4.9 per cent in 2024 and projected at 4.8 per cent in 2025. Public sector

export performance are partly offset consumption growth and lingering weakness in the property sector.

The Chinese authorities have stepped up policy support to lift property markets, address local government challenges, and boost demand; domestic impacts of relevant initiatives

over time, it said. The shrinking population and rising trade and technology tensions, if unaddressed, could threaten the country's medium-term

are expected to be manifested

prospects, it said. Among developing countries, robust momentum in India growth Africa, modest acceleration in Western Asia, and Latin America and the Caribbean will offset a slight moderation of growth in China.

The report noted that weaker

external demand, persistent debt challenges, and social unrest and political turmoil in some economies undermine the outlook for the South Asian region. "However, risks" to the outlook are tilted to the downside owing to the possible escalation geopolitical tensions. deceleration in external demand, ongoing

highly vulnerable to the impact of climate hazards, extreme weather events pose a significant risk," it said. It said that the labour market situation in developing countries remains challenging, with significant variations in the outlook driven by differing economic conditions and policy responses. Some economies have exhibited resilience, it said adding that employment indicators in India have

challenges, and social unrest.

In addition, as the region is

remained robust. India, employment indicators have remained strong throughout 2024, with labour force participation near record highs, the report said, citing the Reserve Bank of India data.

Urban unemployment stood at 6.6 per cent during this period—virtually unchanged from the rate of 6.7 per cent recorded in 2023. Although there has been progress in female labour market participation in the country, substantial gender gaps

remain. Climate-related shocks have battered South Asia in 2024. During the first half of the year, several of the region's countries — in cl heatwaves, droughts, and irregular rainfall patterns, which led to reduced crop vields and elevated food prices.

Additionally, extreme weather events disproportionately affected poor rural households, leading to reductions in income and widening income

inequality, the report said.

its grounded MAX fleet.

SpiceJet has 28 aircraft, of the

total 62 in the fleet, in

operations, comprising 20

B737, six De Havilland Canada DHC-8 Dash 8 and

two Airbus A320, as on

January 10 as per flight

The remaining 34 aircraft -- 16 B737s and 18 De Havilland

Canada DHC-8 Dash 8 -- are

on the ground due to various

The return of 10 grounded

aircraft back into operations will help the airline significantly increase its

current fleet of 28 aircraft,

even as some of these planes are redelivered to lessors

during the same period,

Over the past three months,

SpiceJet said its network

expansion strategy has

resulted in the addition of

enhancing

reasons, as per the website.

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planespotter.Com.

राज्य आपदा आपातकालीन मोचन बल मुख्यालय म.प्र पुलिस ऑफिसर मैस के सामने, नूरबाग कैम्प, भोपाल.-462008

क्रमांक:-/05/जे.क्र./आ.प्र./2025

भोपाल, दिनांक :- 03.01.2025 ई-निविदा सचना

महानिदेशक, होमगार्ड, नागरिक सुरक्षा तथा आपदा प्रबंधन मध्य प्रदेश की ओर से संभागीय सेनानी, आपदा प्रबंधन, म.प्र. भोपाल, पुलिस ऑफिसर मैस के सामने, भोपाल द्वारा नीचे दर्शित तालिका अनुसार निम्नलिखित सामग्री हेतु ऑनलाईन ई-निविदा आमंत्रित की जाती है :-

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होमगार्ड मध्यप्रदेश की वेबसाईट (www.homeguard.mp.gov.in) पर निविदा प्रपत्र एवं विस्तृत जानकारी डाउनलोड की जा सकती है।

> (मनीष कुमार अग्रवाल) उप पुलिस महानिरीक्षक, होमगार्ड /एसडीआईआरएफ म.प्र

G-21425/24

Picici Home Finance Registered office: ICICI Bank Towers, Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai- 400051 Corporate Office: ICICI HEC Tower, IB Nagar, Andheri Kurla Road, Andheri East, Mumbai- 400059

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of ICICI Home Finance Company Limited 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 upon the borrowers mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60

days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

As the borrower 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 said rules on the below-mentioned dates

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of ICICI Home Finance Company Limited.

The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time

Sr. No	Name of the Borrower/ Co-borrower/ Loan Account Number	Description of property/ Date of Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs.)	Name of Branch
	(Borrower), Poonam Sharma (Co-Borrower),	Na Flat No. 601 Navneet Enclave Situated At Plot No. 130 Silicon Village Bypass Road Rau Indore Indore Na Indore Madhya Pradesh- 452001 (Ref LAN No. LHZMG00001418721). Bounded By- North: Mos, South: Flat No.602, East: Passage, West: Mos./	14-08-2023 Rs. 22,47,094/-	Indore Main- MG Road-B

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/ guarantors(s) are hereby given a 30 day notice to repay the amount else the mortgaged properties will be sold on the expiry of 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice, as per the provisions under the Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

कार्यालय अधीक्षक केन्द्रीय जेल भोपाल म.प्र.

क्रमांक/..../निर्वाह/2025

ई-टेण्डरिंग निविदा सूचना वर्ष 2025-26 हेत् (प्रथम आमंत्रण)

क्षेत्रीय जेल प्रबंधक एवं शोध संस्थान भोपाल में पदस्थ अधिकारियों के उपयोग हेतु किराये से वाहन लिये जाने हेतु निविदायें ई-टेण्डरिंग पद्धति (Online System) के माध्यम से निम्नानुसार आमंत्रित की जाती है। विस्तृत जानकारी सेन्ट्रल वेबसाईट https://www.mptenders.gov.in पर देखी जा सकती है।

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	2.	निविदा फार्म क्रय करने की अंतिम तिथि	दिनांक 27.01.2025 समय शाम 5:30 बजे तक	वेबसाईट https://www.mptenders.gov.in
		- (निविदा फार्म का मूल्य 500 रूपयें		पर ऑनलाईन स्वीकार की जायेगी
		प्रतिफार्म – राशि लेखा शीर्ष 0056,		
		जेलें-800 अन्य प्राप्तियां में ऑनलाईन		
		जमा की जावेगी)		
	3.	निविदा प्रस्तुत करने की अंतिम तिथि	दिनांक 27.01.2025 समय शाम 5:30 बजे तक	वेबसाईट https://www.mptenders.gov.in
				पर ऑनलाईन स्वीकार की जायेगी
	4.	तकनीकी निविदा खोलने की तिथि-	दिनांक 28.01.2025 को समय दोपहर 12:30 बजे	जेल अधीक्षक केन्द्रीय जेल भोपाल कार्यालय में
	5.	वित्तीय निविदा खोलने की तिथि-	दिनांक 30.01.2025 समय दोपहर 12:30 बजे	जेल अधीक्षक केन्द्रीय जेल भोपाल कार्यालय में

निविदा फार्म ऊपर दर्शित वेबसाईट पर (Online System) क्रेडिट कार्ड या ऑनलाईन भुगतान कर ही क्रय किये जा प्तकते है। निविदा एवं उससे संबंधित समस्त जानकारी ऊपर दशाई गई वेबसाईट पर देखे। निविदा के संबंध में किया जान वाला कोई भी संशोधन संबंधित वेबसाईट पर किया जायेगा। जिसका प्रकाशन पृथक से समाचार पत्रों में नहीं किया जायेगा

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जेल अधीक्षक केन्द्रीय जेल भोपाल म.प्र.

भोपाल, दिनांक01.2025

OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE ENGINEER CAPITAL DIVISION NO. 2., PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, E-5, ARERA COLONY, BHOPAL Phone- 0755-2465467

No. 09/SAC/C-2/2024-25

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Bhopal, dated: 07-01-2025

Online Tenders are invited from registered contractors under centralized registration system in MP PWD

S. No.	NIT No. & Date	System Tender No.	Name of Work	Probable amount of contract	Amount of Earnest Money	Cost of Tender Document	Office in which Documents are to be submitted Physically
1	50/SAC dt 07.01.2025	2024_CPA _393725	Annual repair, Special repair and maintenance work of Mantralaya Vallabh Bhawan-1, Bhopal	Rs. 39.80 Lakhs (Thirty Nine lakhs eighty thousand)	Rs. 50,000/-	Rs. 5,000/-	Online submission only
2	51/SAC dt 07.01.2025	2024_CPA _393727	AR and SR work in MLCP, Utility blocks. STP Parking police barrack and record room at Mantralaya Vallabh Bhawan-II, Bhopal	Rs. 40.00 Lakhs (Forty lakhs)	Rs. 50,000/-	Rs. 5,000/-	Online submission only
	52/SAC dt 07.01.2025	2024_CPA _393728	Cleaning of overhead amd sumpwell water tank by Ecofriendly and Bio degradeable Chemical Treatment at Vallabh Bhawan, Bhopal	Rs. 46.20 Lakhs (Forty six lakhs twenty thousand)	Rs. 50,000/-	Rs. 5,000/-	Online submission only
4	53/SAC dt 07.01.2025	2024_CPA _393729	Annual repair, Special repair i/c interior and furniture related work at Mantralaya Vallabh Bhawan-II, Bhopal	Rs. 60.00 Lakhs (Sixty lakhs)	Rs. 60,000/-	Rs. 10,000/-	Online submission only
5	54/SAC dt 07.01.2025	2024_CPA _393731	Annual repair, Special repair i/c interior and furniture related work at Mantralaya Vallabh Bhawan-III, Bhopal	Rs. 60.00 Lakhs (Sixty lakhs)	Rs. 60,000/-	Rs. 10,000/-	Online submission only
6	55/SAC dt 07.01.2025	2024_CPA _393734	Comprehensive contract for operation and maintenance of fire fighting system at Vallabh Bhawan 2 and 3, MLCP, Police barrack and record room at Mantralaya Vallabh Bhawan, Bhopal	Rs. 230.75 Lakhs (Two crore thirty lakhs seventy five thousand)	Rs. 2,30,750/-	Rs. 15,000/-	Online submission only
	56/SAC dt 07.01.2025	2024_CPA _393866	Renovation and interior work for establishment for G.S.T.A.T. (first floor) at wing "b", Satpura Bhawan, Bhopal	Rs. 373.07 Lakhs (Rs Three Crores Seventy three lakhs seven thousand)	Rs. 3,73,070/-	Rs. 15,000/-	Online submission only

Tender form (documents) can be downloaded after online payment of the cost of the form from the above The last date of purchase, down load and online submission of tender form shall be 22/01/2025 upto 5.30 PM. Detailed NIT and other details are available on the website **EXECUTIVE ENGINEER**

CAPITAL DIVISION NO. 2 Resident: Gurunanak Marg PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT E-5, ARERA COLONY, BHOPAL Tapalchal, Ward No. 15, Khandwa PH: 0755-2465467 Tehsil and District Khandwa, M.P.

SpiceJet to fly 10 grounded aircraft by mid-April

PTI ■ MUMBAI

Domestic carrier SpiceJet on Friday announced plans to bring back into operations 10 of its grounded aircraft, including four Boeing B737 Max, by mid-April.

The airline said it has added 10 planes to its fleet since October 2024 -- three grounded aircraft that were brought back into service and seven inducted on lease. The move comes close on the

heels of SpiceJet signing a pact with US-based engine MRO StandardAero Inc last month for the restoration of

Change of Name

This is to inform the general public that earlier my name was Kalicharan Pawar, father Bhagwat Pawar. Which has been changed to Paras Pawar, father Bhagwat Pawar. Hence, in future I should be known and recognized by the name of Paras Pawar, father Bhagwat Pawar. in all my government/semi-government documents, Paras Pawar should be recorded in place of Kalicharan Kalicharan Pawar, father Shri Bhagwat Pawar.

more than 60 new flights, further connectivity and service options for its passengers.

SpiceJet said.

This pact with StandardAero Inc followed successful partnerships with CFM International, Inc, the OEM for LEAP-1B engines, and a key lessor, paving the way for the un-grounding and return to service of three Boeing 737 MAX aircraft, SpiceJet said.

E-AUCTION (SALE NOTICE) **BANK OF INDIA** (Under Sarfaesi Act 2002) Zonal Office: Bank of India Bhawan, Arera Hills, Jail Road, Bhopal-462004 Tel.: 0755-2556770 / 2555169 E-mail: bhopal.assetrecovery@bankofindia.co.in Appendix-IV-A [See provisio to rule 8(6)] SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF MOVABLE / IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES E-auction Sale Notice For Sale of movable/ Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rules 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) & guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged / charged to the secured creditor, the Physical/Symbolic possession of which has been Bidding will be done online through e-auction plateform http://BAANKNET.com

taken by the authorised officer the Bank of India (secured creditor) will be sold on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS, AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" & WHAT EVER THERE IS BASIS " on 27-01-2025 for recovery of bank dues to the Bank of India (secured creditor) Description of Mortgaged Properties & EMD Bid Increm Name of Property Owner Amt

inde Ki Chawani, Gwalior Tel.: 0751-2373578, 780 idia.co.ir IFSC Code: BKID0009054 Account to Deposit auction sale Proceeds 905490200000033 Immovable property Part of survey No. 916/2, Ward No 35, Borrower: Ms. Neetu Singh W/o ₹ 10.75

Thakur Gali-Gopal pura, Near of Traveni Dharamshala-Bank Mr. Devendra Singh hedi Road, Mauja Jaura Khurd, District-Morena(M.P.) belong **Demand Notice Amount** ₹ 1.08 Lakt to Mr. Omprakash Gurjer S/o Mr. Sughar Singh Gurjer Area ₹ 15.39 Lakhs + interest & 800.00 Sqft Surroundings: North :Plot of Mr. Hari Singh, South Land of Shri Bhadoriya, East: House of Shri Gopal, West ₹ 10,000/ (Symbolic possession)

Date and Time of e-auction: 27/01/2025, 11.00 A.M. to 5.00 P.M.

Date: 11.01.2025

Auction Sale/bidding would be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" and " AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" and "WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS" through the website: http://baANKNET.com Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed ter and conditions before taking in the e-auction sale proceeding. The property can be inspected on or before 24.01.2025 between 10 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. with prior permission from Bank Manager of Conc

The Successful tenderer shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on the allotment of tender in his her favour and balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale in above mentioned branch's account number. If the tendere fails to pay the sale price as stated above, the deposit made by him/her shall be forfeited without any notice.

The bidding will start at a price higher than that of fixed reserve price.

For sale proceeds of Rs. 50 Lacs (Rupees Fifty lacs) and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at the rate 1% on the Sale

proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the Bank.

All statutory dues/non-statutory dues/applicable stamp duty/additional stamp duty/transfer charges/all fees/assessment charges/oth dues including registration charges, stamp duty, taxes, applicable TDS etc. shall have to be borne by the purchaser.

7) Authorised Officer reserve the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and condition of the e-auction without assigning any reason

8) For further details contact Concern branch Manager at above Phone No. or Zonal Office Bhopal, Bhopal Phone: 0755-2556770/2555169 Note: This publication is also 15 days notice to Borrower/Guarantors/Mortgagors as required under Proviso of rule 8(6) of Security Interes

Place : Bhopal. Date :10.01.2025 Authorised Office, Bank of India

Aadhar Housing Finance Ltd.

Corporate Office: Unit No. 802, Natraj Rustomjee, Western Express Highway

and M.V. Road, Andheri (East), Mumbai - 400069 Sagar Branch: 1st Floor, Sakhi Baba Matrix, Makronia road, Sagar - 470004 (Madhya Pradesh) Damoh Branch: 1st Floor, Matra Chava, Killai Naka Chouraha, Balakot Road, Damoh - 470661 (Madhya Pradesh) Chhatarpur Branch: Ward No-33, PHN-51, Ground Floor, Gangotri Puram, Behind Kanha Restaurant, Chhatarpur

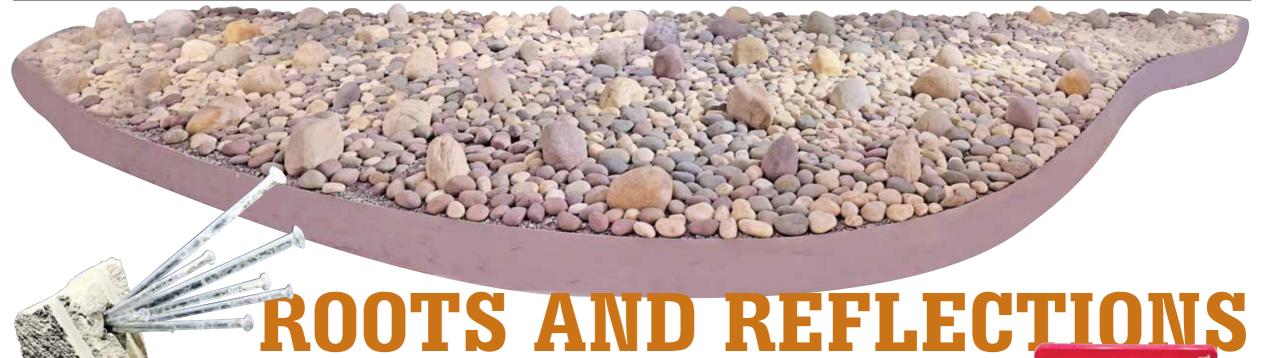
POSSESSION NOTICE Appendix IV (for immovable property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Aadhar Housing Finance Limited (AHFL) under the Securitisation 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 Demand Notice(s) issued by the Authorised Officer of the company to the Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s) mentioned herein below to repay the amount mentioned in the notice 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(s) / Guarantor(s) and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-Section (4) of the Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement rules, 2002. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets. 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 AHFL for an amount as mentioned herein under with interest thereon.

Name of the Borrower(s)/ Co Borrower(s) (Name of the Branch)	Description of Secured Asset (Immovable Property)	Demand Notice Date & Amount	Date of Possession
(Loan Code No. 02300000962 / Sagar Branch) Ramsewak Sen (Borrower) Rohit Sen (Co-Borrower) Manoj Yadav (Guarantor)	All that part & parcel of property bearing, 269 1 PO Kh No 269 1 new 109 1 Old P H No 79 Mouja Bhainsa Behind Saraswati Shshi Mandir, Sagar, Madhya Pradesh, 470002. Boundaries: East - Hathi Patel, West- 15 Ft Wide Road, North- Land of Seller, South- Land of Seller	07-10-2024 & ₹ 5,49,132/-	08-01-2025
(Loan Code No. 02310000040 / Sagar Branch) Saiyad Rashid Husain (Borrower) Shahjadi Khan (Co-Borrower)	All that part & parcel of property bearing, House No.191 Damoh Road Ward No.13, Maharana Pratap Garhakota Sagar M.P. 470229. Boundaries: East - House of Iqbal, West- House of Sharafat Hussain, North- House of Fhallal Hussain, South- C C Road	07-10-2024 & ₹ 4,20,665/-	07-01-2025
(Loan Code No. 13100000388 / Damoh Branch) Manoj Sahu (Borrower) Neha Sahu (Co-Borrower)	All that part & parcel of property bearing, Po Kh. No.187 6 P h No 14 17 Mouja Hidepur Sagar Bypass Road, Damoh, Madhya Pradesh, 470661. Boundaries: East - Plot of Pateriya Ji, West- Land of Maya Patel Kurmi, North- Road, South- Land of Ghanshyam Patel.	07-10-2024 & ₹ 4,65,375/-	07-01-2025
(Loan Code No. 30410000069 & 30410000070/ Chhatarpur Branch) Suneel Peepar (Borrower), Rajni Peepar (Co-Borrower)	All that part & parcel of property bearing, H.No. 359/1 Bulera Road, P.H.No. 32, R.N.M. Rajnagar Ward No.2 Ravidas Ward Rajnagar Chhatarpur Madhya Pradesh, 471625. Boundaries: East- Kishori Dhobi House, West-Plot of Jagdish Sahu, North-Road, South-Road	09-10-2024 & ₹ 11,19,192/- & ₹ 14,52,431/-	09-01-2025
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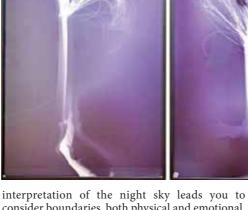
At KNMA's The Elemental You, artists explored Earth's essence through works reflecting nature's intricate narratives and connections, says **SAKSHI PRIYA**

> "To see a world in a grain of sand, and a heaven in a wildflower...

hese words by William Blake come alive as you enter The Elemental You, an exhibition at the Kiran Nadar Museum of Art. Curated by Akansha Rastogi, it brings together the works of Simryn Gill, Neha Choksi and Hajra Waheed, each exploring the element of "Earth" with a vision that is both timeless and urgent. The experience engages your senses on multiple levels. Neha Choksi's Porous Earth series draws attention to limestone cast in kiln-glass, revealing stories of geological change and human fragility. Her work highlights the delicate interplay between the permanence of Earth's materials and the fleeting nature of human life.

Simryn Gill shifts focus to Port Dickson, an industrial port town in Malaysia. Her long-term photographic documentation captures moments of transformation and decay, inviting viewers to reflect on what persists and what

fades with time. There is a quiet, poignant beauty in her images that speaks of history and memory. Hajra Waheed's

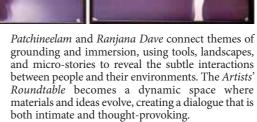


consider boundaries, both physical and emotional. Her drawings evoke the vastness of Kashmir's starlit skies, working together with personal and collective narratives. It's as though the heavens hold untold stories, offering a sense of both wonder and loss.

The exhibition is unhurried, encouraging visitors to take their time with each piece. The pathways, "To Think Like a Mountain," "Survival as Revival," and "Clearing", are designed to deepen understanding of the intricate relationship between humans and

collaborative project, The Working Space, extends the exploration further. Ārtists like Vijai

the natural world.



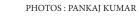
The exhibition does not shy away from hard truths. It juxtaposes beauty with unsettling realities, showing the scars left by mines alongside the

mangroves or

lifelessness of dead snakes beside the enduring strength of mountains. This contrast challenges visitors to confront the environmental challenges of today while appreciating the artistry that brings these narratives to life. The simplicity of the presentation allows the works

to speak for themselves. The museum provides a space for these artists to explore their deep engagement with the natural world, leaving visitors with a sense of introspection and a renewed connection to the Earth. The Elemental You offers a thoughtful exploration of how we relate to our environment. It reminds us of the fragility of our planet and the enduring beauty found in its details. As you leave the exhibition, the reflections it inspires remain, offering a quiet yet powerful

reminder of our place within the larger story of the Earth.







rt has a unique ability to reach deep within us, stirring Lemotions, provoking thought and creating a connection with the world around us. In the Echoes of Elegance exhibition, this dynamic is brought to life through a collection of works that challenge, engage and captivate. Curated by Shekhar Jhamb, the exhibition brings together a range of India's leading artists, each offering their own unique voice through various mediums. It is a show that not only highlights the diversity of the Indian art scene but also delves into the deeper connections between art, culture and

One of the standout pieces in the exhibition is Trust Feat, an acrylic on canvas. The piece draws the viewer in with its vibrant colours and intricate patterns, evoking a sense of complexity





Echoes of Elegance presents a unique exploration of India's vibrant art scene through its diverse creators, says SAKSHI PRIYA

that mirrors human relationships. It's a work that encourages reflection, inviting the viewer to interpret its layers of meaning. Similarly, Keep ones end up, another acrylic on canvas, uses bold strokes and vivid hues to explore themes of balance and stability in an ever-changing world. The fluidity of the painting offers a sense of movement, making it feel as if the artwork is alive. Parody II, a striking fiberglass piece, challenges the viewer's perception with its playful yet thought-provoking

commentary on modern life. The use of fiberglass in this piece gives it a dynamic quality, blurring the line between reality and illusion. It's a work that not only entertains but also encourages a deeper contemplation of society and its contradictions.

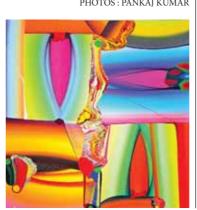
Alongside these, the exhibition showcases a range of works by renowned artists such as Bose Krishnamachari, Dileep Sharma, Farhad Hussain, George Martin, Jyothiraj Moyampilly and Mukesh

Sharma. Each of their pieces brings forth unique perspectives on culture, identity and contemporary issues. Whether it's through abstract expressionism, surreal imagery or figurative forms, the diversity of styles on display ensures that there is something for everyone to connect

The exhibition invites viewers to move beyond admiring art from a distance, encouraging them to understand the creative process and engage with the ideas behind each piece.

Echoes of Elegance is a journey into the heart of Indian contemporary art. It's an opportunity to witness the talent, vision and passion of some of the country's finest artists, offering a deeper understanding of the dynamic and ever-evolving art scene.

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Art as a Language of Love

By TEAM VIVA

¬he 10th edition of *Vividh Mat*: Perspectives, presented by Devyani Jaipuria in collaboration with ASAVARI, focused on the theme Shringara: Rang Anurang. This edition explored Shringara, a concept that embodies love, beauty and the depth of the human experience.

The event began with an engaging discussion led by Padmashri Shovana Narayan, SNA awardee and Ambassador Dr Suresh Goel, former DG of ICCR. The panel also included Jatin Das, the renowned artist and sculptor, celebrated poet Sudeep Sen and actor-director Sohaila Kapur. Together, they shared their insights into Shringara, highlighting it as more than just an aesthetic concept, but an essential

Jatin Das explained that Shringara is not only about visual beauty but is also the very pulse of life. He described it as a delicate balance between form and emotion, where art touches the soul. Sudeep Sen further elaborated by describing Shringara as "the poetry of the senses," a celebration that speaks directly to the heart, connecting art, love and life. He emphasised how Shringara invites us to reflect

on the deepest layers of the human soul. Sohaila Kapur added to the discussion by describing Shringara as a means of capturing the essence of beauty through performance. She noted that it is the emotional core of art, brought to life through movement, offering an experience that connects the audience directly to the emotions conveyed. The conversation highlighted how Shringara is not only a visual or emotional experience but also a spiritual one, bridging cultural and philosophical perspectives.

Shovana Narayan, deeply connected to classical Indian dance, shared her personal view of Shringara, describing it as a language that speaks directly to the heart. For her, the evening was a celebration of beauty; it was the culmination of





years of dedication, creating a space where everyone could to the rhythm of life.

The event concluded with a Baithaki Bhaav dance performance by Madhura Phatak. The classical dance embodied Shringara beautifully, giving the audience an immersive experience.

Vividh Mat: Perspectives combined intellectual discussion and artistic expression, highlighting how art connects us to humanity, bridging cultures and emotions.

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India pacer Varun Aaron retires from 'representative cricket'



ndia pacer Varun Aaron, who was once regarded as the country's fastest country's before injuries hampered his promising career, announced retirement from "representative cricket' on Friday after his home state Jharkhand's campaign ended in the ongoing Vijay Hazare Trophy.

The 35-year-old Aaron made the announcement on social media after Jharkhand failed to go beyond the preliminary stage of the marquee domestic one-day event. After a dazzling start, Aaron struggled with erratic form, Aaron which was made worse by injury breakdowns, and he had not represented India since 2015. "For the past 20 years, I have lived, breathed,

and thrived on the rush of bowling fast. Today, with immense gratitude, I officially announce my retirement from representative cricket," Aaron posted on his Instagram account At just 21, Aaron burst onto the scene during the 2010-11 Vijay Hazare Trophy, showcasing his raw pace and making a mark with a blistering 153kph delivery against Gujarat in the

His ability to consistently bowl at speeds exceeding 150kph quickly caught the attention of the Indian cricketing fraternity and he soon made his international debut in an ODI against England in Mumbai in 2011. This was followed by a Test debut at the same venue against the West Indies, again

Cricket Association) , Red Bull, SG Cricket, and MRF Tyres for their invaluable support during critical junctures in my career. "As I bid farewell to a pursuit

that has consumed me completely, I now look forward to savouring the smaller joys in life while staying deeply connected to the game that has given me everything.

"Fast Bowling has been my first love, and though I step off the field, it will always be a part of who I am," he added. Among his memorable moments in the game, he had grabbed headlines breaking Stuart Broad's nose with a bouncer during a Test match in 2014.

Broad had tried to pull the delivery but the ball took the edge and sneaked inside the grill of his helmet to hit him on the nose.

Despite not making the Indian team since 2015, Aaron continued to bowl in domestic cricket. He picked 141 wickets at an average of 26.47 and an economy rate of 5.44 in 88 List A matches. He also snared 93 wickets at an economy rate of 8.53 in the 95 T20s he played.

Aaron also played nine seasons of the IPL between 2011 and 2022, turning out for with Delhi Daredevils, Kings XI Punjab, Kolkata Knight Riders, Rajasthan Royals, Royal Challengers Bangalore and Gujarat Titans. In his final season, he won the Academy. title "I'd also like to thank the 2022. title with Gujarat Titans in



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"प्रदेश में सिंचाई रकबे में ऐतिहासिक वृद्धि हुई है। 2003 में यह लगभग 3 लाख हेक्टेयर था, जो अब बढ़कर 50 लाख हेक्टेयर हो गया है। वर्ष 2028-29 तक 1 करोड़ हेक्टेयर करने का लक्ष्य है।"

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Travis Head could open in Sri Lanka Tests, says chief selector George Bailey

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Australian big-hitter Travis Head could open in the two-Test series against Sri Lanka where "quick learner" Sam Konstas is also likely to get more opportunities to showcase his audacious skills, chairman of selectors George Bailey has said.

Head, who wreaked havoc with the bat during the recently-concluded Border-Gavaskar series against India in the middle order, has been tested in the opener's role in the sub-continent.

He had come in for an injured David Warner during the 2023 tour of India and scored 223 runs at 55.75 in five innings at

"Trav's an option (to open). We've got a number of options and there's been a few preliminary discussions around where that may land, and that may depend on the makeup of that first XI," Bailey told cricket.Com.Au.

"I think (head coach) Andrew (McDonald,) and (stand-in captain) Steve (Smith) will settle on that in due course, once we hit Sri Lanka," he added. Australia announced a 16-member squad on Thursday with several fresh faces added to the group that played India in the fifth and final Test at Sydney last week. Australia won the marquee series

Smith is leading the squad as regular captain Pat Cummins is on leave for the

birth of his couple's second child. With 19-year-old Konstas turning heads with his refreshing style of batting during the Border-Gavaskar Tests, Bailey said the youngster's ability to read match situations quickly would help him excel in Sri Lanka, his maiden international



demands of bowling at high

speed took a significant toll

on his body. He played nine

ODIs and as many Tests,

taking 29 wickets across the

Over the course of his career,

he endured as many as eight

back stress fractures and three

foot fractures, which severely hampered his progress.
Injuries had forced him to

give up red-ball cricket last

year. "Over the years, I've had

to push both my physical and

mental limits to recover from numerous career-threatening

injuries, having to come back

time and again, this was only possible thanks to the

relentless dedication of the

physios, trainers, and coaches

at the National Cricket

two formats for India.

"What we have seen is he's (Konstas) a quick learner. (He) absorbs a lot of information," Bailey said.

"So (we're) expecting him to get to get a lot out of it. I know from his spin play in Australia, and the opportunities he's (had) in different parts of the world, we think he's got a game that's well suited, and a technique that can stand up.

"But that's one of the exciting things about this tour – we will learn a bit more about his game in different conditions to what he's just faced in Australia," he

Bailey feels that Nathan McSweeney, who is there in the Sri Lanka-bound squad, handled his exclusion from the last two BGT Tests quite well and he wil remain in the scheme of things despite the unimpressive show as an opener.

The debutant had a trial by fire against Indian pace spearhead Jasprit Bumrah, failing to put up a decent score in the first three games. "We still view (McSweeney) as a great Test prospect, and a long-term Test prospect.

I think at times when someone is left out of a team or squad, there's a view that they fall out of favour, or down the pecking order, but that wasn't the case with Nathan," said Bailey.

'I think it shows the character... And the sort of person he is, the way he responded and spoke so well about (being dropped) publicly pretty soon after it happened.

Real Madrid walks into Spanish Super Cup final with a 3-0 win over Mallorca

Jude Bellingham scored again to lead Real Madrid into the Spanish Super Cup final with a 3-0 win over Mallorca in Saudi Arabia on Thursday.

The England midfielder, who led Madrid in scoring last season, started this campaign slowly but has netted seven

slowly but has netted seven goals in his last eight Spanish league games.

He notched another goal in 63rd minute of the Super Cup semifinal when he finally broke down a tough Mallorca that until his goal had imposed its defensive style on the star-studded Madrid.

Bellingham blasted in the third shot in a row by Madrid after Rodrygo initially hit the post and goalkeeper Dominik Greif blocked a follow-up by Kylian Mbappé. Bellingham collected the



rebound and slotted his shot from just outside the six-yard box under the on-rushing Greif and past three defenders who were trying to protect the goalmouth. third

Madrid tacked on two goals late in stoppage time. Bellingham slapped the back Mallorca's Martin Valjent scored an own goal when he inadvertently turned a pass Bellingham slapped the back of the neck of Mallorca defender Pablo Maffeo, who had had an intense duel with

by Brahim Díaz into his net Rodrygo then took Madrid's

The match ended with a short scuffle after the final whistle before calm was restored. It started when Bellingham slapped the back Vinícius Júnior during the Barcelona awaits Madrid in Sunday's final.

Madrid lost Tchouaméni, a midfielder playing as a central defender, in the 54th after he took a hard knock to the head during a collision with a Mallorca player. Youth player Raúl Asencio replaced him. Madrid was competing as last season's Spanish league champion, while Mallorca was invited as the runner-up in the Copa del Rey.

Former Madrid striker Karim Benzema, who now plays in the Saudi Arabian league, was in attendance.

The minor trophy has become a major cash maker for the federation and competing clubs since the federation struck a deal in 2019 to hold it in the Middle Eastern kingdom.

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