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Rain, winds improve Capital's AQI to 117

A view of Kartavya Path after light rain in New Delhi. Strong and gusty surface winds filtered out pollutants and aided the Capital in recording its cleanest day in terms of air quality in 137 days on Saturday, according to the IMD. Delhi recorded a 24-hour average air quality index reading of 117 (moderate) at 4pm, the lowest since October 17, 2023, when it read 89 (satisfactory). >P6 ARVIND YADAV/HT

CENTRE SIGNS TRIPARTITE AGREEMENT IN TRIPURA

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AGARTALA: The Centre, the Tripura government and the Tripura Indigenous Progressive Regional Alliance, popularly known as Tipra Motha, on Saturday signed a tripartite accord over a host of demands raised by the Opposition over the last three years for a constitutional solution to the problems faced by tribal people in the state.

Under the accord, signed in the presence of Union home minister Amit Shah, Tripura chief minister Manik Saha and Tipra Motha founder Pradyot Kishore Manikya Debbarma, a joint working group or committee will be constituted to "amicably resolve all issues of the indigenous people of Tripura relating to history, land rights, political rights, economic development, identity, culture, language, etc". →P8

Spanish tourist raped by 7 men in J'khand

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DHANBAD: Three men have been detained and a hunt is on four of their accomplices after they allegedly raped a Spanish woman in Dumka district of Jharkhand, beat up her husband, and stole some of their belongings, police officers said on Saturday.

The woman, 30, is a Spanish national and her husband, 64, is a Brazilian national. The two were touring South Asia on a motorcycle, officers said. They had already travelled to Pakistan and then Bangladesh, and on the third leg of their Asia tour entered India through West Bengal, the officers said. From here, they were to go to Bihar and then Nepal.

Around 5pm on Friday, the couple reached Dumka, and set up a tent in the forest of Kunji Basti, about 2km from Kurmahat. The seven men attacked the couple near their tent, the officers said.

THE INCIDENT LED TO WIDESPREAD OUTRAGE AFTER THE COUPLE PUT OUT A VIDEO NARRATING THE CRIME

When the couple tried to resist the rape bid, the accused thrashed the man, and later fled with their belongings, the officers said.

The incident came to light at around 11pm, when a patrolling team from Hansdiha police station spotted the couple near the Dumka-Bhagalpur road near the forest where they were camping. The woman used Google translate to narrate the incident to the police, and the patrolling team rushed them to Saraiyahat Community Health Centre where doctors confirmed assault.

"The patrolling team sensed that something had happened to them. Since they were speaking in Spanish, the police could not understand what they were saying. The policemen brought them to a local hospital," Dumka superintendent of police Pitambar Singh Kherwar said.

While the police did not say why the accused attacked the couple in the first place, a video of the two narrating the crime has been shared widely on social media where they alleged that the main motive of the accused was to rape the woman.

"They have beaten us and robbed us although not many things because what they wanted was to rape me," the woman said, in Spanish in a

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MUMBAI: Security agencies intercepted a ship from China bound for Karachi, Pakistan, at Mumbai's Nhava Sheva port on the suspicion that it contained a dual-use consignment that could be used for Pakistan's nuclear and ballistic missiles programme, customs officials said on Saturday.

Officials halted the Malta-flagged merchant ship — CMA CGM Attila — on January 23 for inspection based on an intelligence input. A Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) team examined the consignment, which included a Computer Numerical Control machine, and confirmed its potential usage in Pakistan's nuclear initiatives, particularly in manufacturing crucial components for missile development, the officials said. →P13

ED RAIDS 29 SITES IN GUJARAT AS PART OF INTERNATIONAL TRAFFICKING PROBE

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NEW DELHI: The ED on Friday carried out raids at 29 locations across Gujarat as part of its probe into syndicates smuggling people to the US, weeks after a man from the state was arrested in connection with a disturbing human trafficking case involving four individuals who died in a blizzard while being illicitly transported to the US via Canada on January 19, 2022. People familiar with the development said the agency has taken up three trafficking cases being probed by the Gujarat Police against Bharatbhai alias Bobby Patel, Rajubhai Becharbhai Prajapati and Bhavesh Ashokbhai Patel, among others. →P13

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Protests in capitals and at film festivals. A delightful donation, a Supreme Court violation. A ban repealed, tuition waived and a leap-year puzzle, all in ten questions

Natasha Rego

Directors of No Other Land Yuval Abraham and Basel Adra, who won the Berlinale Documentary Award. What did Abraham call for in his acceptance speech? AP

Which city in Gujarat is gearing up for an Ambani wedding, where Rihanna will be performing? GETTY IMAGES VIA AFP

1 A medical college named after him in the Bronx, New York's poorest borough, will now provide free education after a billion-dollar-donation by former professor Ruth Gottesman. He was a patent clerk and theoretical physicist. Think genius hair and E=mc2. Who is he?

2 X is an ancient sage believed to have authored the Yoga Sutras. X is also a corporation helmed by a sage that is being held in contempt by the Supreme Court, for violating its order and publishing misleading ads. Swadeshi jeans. Coronil. Ghee. Give X.

3 No Other Land won the Berlinale Documentary Award. Its directors, Yuval Abraham and Basel Adra, live 30 minutes from each other. But "in two days, we will go back to a land where we are not equal," Abraham said. What did he call for in their acceptance speech?

4 Wakeel Hassan is a national hero. Last year, he crawled through 200 feet of rubble to help rescue 41 construction workers trapped in the tunnel that collapsed in Uttarakhand. Last week, his home was razed as part of a demolition drive. Give his profession?

5 About 900 of them jammed roads in Brussels. Hundreds disrupted traffic in Madrid. They were used to block a border crossing between Poland and Germany. In Delhi, they're blocking highways. It means to pull in Latin. Mahindra makes them. What are they?

6 Prasanth Nair, Ajit Krishnan, Angad Pratap and Shubhanshu Shukla are training to go where only two Indians have gone before. They'll travel 400 km and return in three days in a pressurised capsule that will crash into the sea. Where are they going?

Who was driving the freight train that took off from Kathua and had to be stopped by sandbags? ANI

7 It belongs to the genus Nicotiana. It has to be cultivated, cut and cured. Native Americans presented it to Christopher Columbus. It's a leading cause of preventable deaths. New Zealand banned its sale to future generations. It will now repeal the ban. On what?

8 A freight train took off from Kathua, travelled 84 km and reached a speed close to 100 km/hr. The alarm was sounded, tracks were cleared and rail crossings were closed off. A downslope and sandbags finally brought it to a halt. Who was driving the train?

9 There are Y sides in a square, Y leaves in a clover and Y elements in nature. If a year is divisible by Y, it's a leap year. But century years have to be divisible by Yx100. So, 2024 is a leap year; 2000 was a leap year; but 2100 will not be one. Give Y.

10 14 new temples, 2,500 dishes on the menu, Rihanna for entertainment and everyone who's anyone on the guest list. A city in Gujarat is gearing up for an Ambani wedding. It's also home to India's largest oil refinery and the world's largest animal rescue centre. Which?

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US carries out first airdrop of aid into besieged Gaza

WASHINGTON: US cargo planes air-dropped 38,000 meals into the besieged Gaza Strip on Saturday, part of a series of drops planned by the US to help curb a growing humanitarian crisis in the war-racked territory. The UN has warned of famine in Gaza, and over 100 people were left dead earlier this week after Israeli forces opened fire on the crowd during a frenzied scramble for food from a convoy delivering aid. →P23

'AI models need govt nod before launching in India'

NEW DELHI: All "unreliable" and "under-tested" artificial intelligence models must get explicit permission from Indian government before being made available to users in the country, MeitY has said in an advisory to platforms. Intermediaries should ensure that their AI tools do not allow any bias or discrimination, or threaten the integrity of the electoral process, the advisory said on Friday. →P8

The countdown begins

Nations around the world face population declines. This is changing societies, workforces, migration, healthcare. The projected global dip is a first for humans, in recorded history. Can we do more to prepare? →P20

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Cellular plans

IIT professor Rahul Purwar and Tata Memorial oncologist Dr Gaurav Narula have developed a low-cost version of a pathbreaking cancer treatment. They now want to make it cheaper still, and accessible to all. Their motto: Let's make this science-fiction a reality →P19

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Thinning out, not cooling off

A declining population might mean fewer mouths to feed, fewer emissions. But when it comes to a population dip actually helping tackle the climate crisis, the case for optimism is weaker →P21

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A sleeper hit

Wikipedia pages about cardboard... chapters from On the Origin of Species... some podcasts are so boring, listeners can barely stay up. That is sort of the point. Borecasts, purposefully dull and dreary, are emerging as an effective tool for the urban insomniac →P22

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Modi, Shah, ministers among big guns in BJP's 1st list of 195

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NEW DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi will contest the upcoming Lok Sabha polls from Varanasi, the constituency he currently represents, the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) announced on Saturday as it released its first list of candidates for this summer's national elections.

"I thank the BJP leadership and bow to the crores of selfless Party Karyakartas for their constant faith in me. I look forward to serving my sisters and brothers of Kashi for the third time," Modi said in a series of posts on X, formerly Twitter.

"I am sure that the 140 crore people of India will bless us yet again and give us even more strength in fulfilling their aspirations and creating a Viksit Bharat," he said.

In the list of 195 candidates, the BJP named 34 Union ministers and ministers of state, including home minister Amit Shah, who will return to his constituency of Gandhinagar in Gujarat, defence minister Rajnath Singh who will contest from Lucknow in Uttar Pradesh, and women and child development minister Smriti Irani who will contest from Amethi, UP, where she defeated senior Congress leader Rahul Gandhi in 2019.

"The names of 195 candidates have been finalised... The party has announced the list keeping all communities in focus," said BJP leader Vinod Tawde, addressing the media in Delhi.

The list has been drawn from 16 states and two Union territories keeping the party's social engineering formula in focus to give representation to castes that are socially and economically marginalised.

Of the 195, 28 are women, a constituency that is crucial to the

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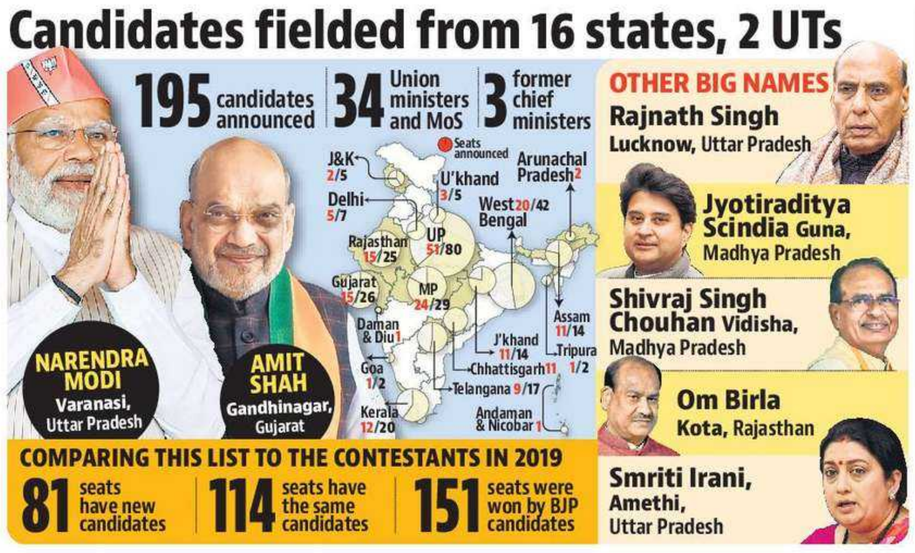
Candidates fielded from 16 states, 2 UTs



TIWARI RETAINED AS DELHI GETS A NEW-LOOK LIST OF 5 CANDIDATES

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NEW DELHI: The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has opted for a fresh look for Delhi and chosen four new faces as its Lok Sabha candidates ahead of the general elections. In an announcement on Saturday evening, BJP general secretary Vinod Tawde revealed the four new names — in place of the MPs who will be dropped by the party — for its South Delhi, New Delhi, West Delhi and Chandni Chowk parliamentary constituencies.

Actor-turner-politician Manoj Tiwari has been retained to represent North East Delhi constituency.

The party has not announced its candidates for East Delhi and North West Delhi.

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TMC turning schemes to scams: PM in Nadia

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KOLKATA: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday appeared to sound the poll bugle in West Bengal as he launched a scathing attack on the Mamata Banerjee-led government and set a target for the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) to win 42 seats in the state.

The ruling Trinamool Congress (TMC) has mastered the art of turning every scheme into a scam, Modi said at a BJP rally at Krishnanagar in Nadia district.

PM Modi in Krishnanagar, Nadia district, on Saturday. ANI

"The TMC government is repeatedly trying to put its own sticker on schemes from the central government. The people of the country should be aware of the impression this has created of Bengal, how it has maligned

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Identity of B'luru blast suspect still unknown

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BENGALURU: The Bengaluru central crime branch on Saturday detained four people in connection with the blast at Rameshwaram Cafe even as the police said that the they are close to identifying the prime accused. The detainees, police said, have not been accused of carrying out the blast but may have "helped an unidentified person to leave the bag with a bomb" in the restaurant. Nine people were injured after a low-intensity bomb exploded at the Bengaluru restaurant on Friday, prompting a multi-agency probe.

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HIMACHAL DRAMA CONTINUES, SINGH SKIPS KEY MEETING

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SHIMLA: High drama unfolded during the Himachal Pradesh cabinet meeting on Saturday as two state ministers — Vikramaditya Singh and Harshwardhan Chauhan — remained absent, while two left midway after a "heated debate" over policy decisions.

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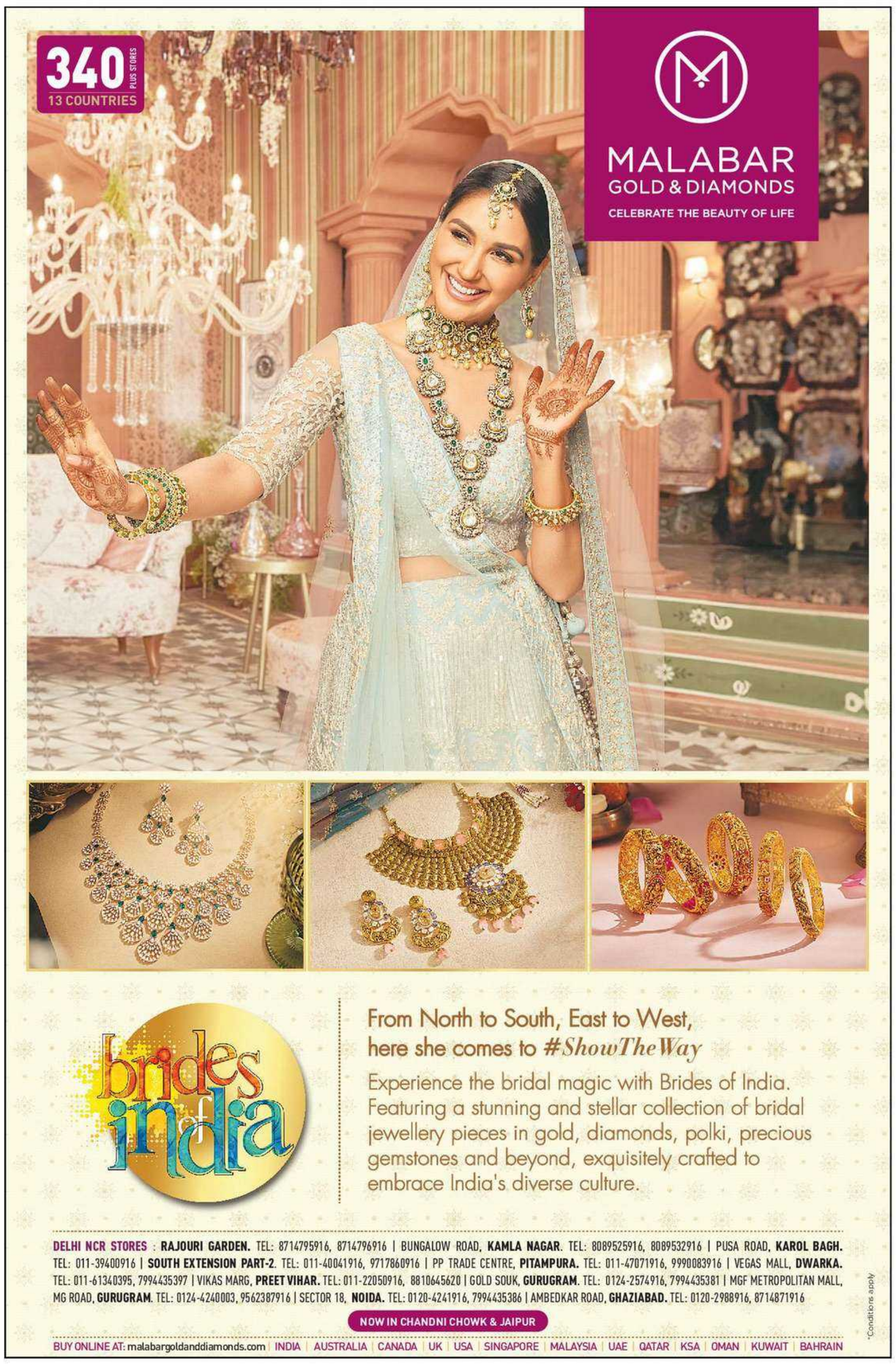

New faces, veterans in BJP's first list

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NEW DELHI: The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) on Saturday hit the ground running for the upcoming Lok Sabha elections as it announced the first list of 195 candidates from 16 states and two Union territories (UTs) with a mix of veterans and debutants.

The party has announced names for 51 seats in Uttar Pradesh, 24 in Madhya Pradesh, 20 in West Bengal, 15 candidates each in Gujarat and Rajasthan; 12 in Kerala; 11 each in Assam, Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh; nine in Telangana; five in Delhi; three in Uttarakhand; two each in Jammu & Kashmir and Arunachal Pradesh; and one each in Goa, Tripura, Andaman & Nicobar and Daman & Diu.

Among the 34 Union ministers and two former chief ministers fielded in the list are former Madhya Pradesh chief minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan from the Vidisha constituency in the state, civil aviation minister Jyotiraditya Scindia from Guna and Union home minister Amit Shah from Gandhinagar in Gujarat.

Madhya Pradesh

In its initial list of 24 candidates for the Lok Sabha elections in Madhya Pradesh, the BJP showcased prominent names such as former chief minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan and civil aviation minister Jyotiraditya Scindia, while 10 sitting MPs, including Bhopal MP Pragya Thakur, were dropped.

Chouhan has represented Vidisha seat five times between 1991 and 2004.

Scindia, meanwhile, has been fielded from his traditional Guna seat. The Union minister has represented this seat four times, and is currently a Rajya Sabha member from Madhya Pradesh.

Faggan Singh Kulaste and Ganesh Singh, who lost in 2023 state assembly polls, have been fielded from Mandla and Satna seats, respectively. Alok Sharma, who lost from Bhopal north seat against Atif Aqueel of Congress in 2023 polls, will replace Thakur.

Two new faces, Dr Rajesh Mishra and Ashish Dubey, have been given tickets from Sidhi and Jabalpur, respectively.

Uttar Pradesh

Announcing names for 51 seats in the state, the BJP has banked heavily on sitting MPs in its fist list. The list notable names include Prime Minister Narendra Modi from Varanasi, defence minister Rajnath Singh from Lucknow, Hema Malini from Mathura, Ajay Mishra Teni from Kheri and Smriti Irani from Amethi, among others.

The new faces in the list include Saket Misra from Shrawasti, Kripa Shankar Singh from Jaunpur and Ritesh Pandey from Ambedkarnagar. Saket Misra, who is the sitting MLC, is the son of Nripendra Misra, Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Temple Construction Committee Chairman chairman and former principal secretary to Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Rajasthan

In Rajasthan, where the party has announced candidates for 15 of the 25 Lok Sabha seats, LS speaker Om Birla has been retained from Kota, Union law minister Arjun Ram Meghwal from Bikaner, Union junior agriculture minister Harish Chaudhary from Barmer and Union jal shakti minister Gajendra Shekhawat from Jodhpur. Union environment minister Bhupender Yadav will be contesting for the first time from Alwar.

BJP leaders Sanjay Mayukh, Baijayant Jay Panda, Vinod Tawde and Anil Baluni announce first list of candidates for LS polls. PTI

The BJP has changed candidates on five seats – Churu, Banswara, Jalore, Udaipur and Bharatpur. State BJP chief CP Joshi is party candidate from Chittorgarh. Former chief minister Vasundhara Raje's son Dusyant Singh will contest again from Jhalawar. BJP has fielded Indian Paralympic Devendra Jhaharia from Churu.

West Bengal

Suvendu Adhikari's brother, Soumendu Adhikari, Bhojpuri star Pawan Singh, BJP state president Sukanta Majumdar and central ministers Subhash Sarkar and Santanu Thakur were among the 20 candidates fielded by the BJP.

Soumendu, former TMC MLA, joined the BJP following the footsteps of his brother Suvendu in January just ahead of the 2021 assembly polls.

Manoj Tigga, a BJP legislator from Madarihat and the party's chief whip in the state assembly was fielded from Alipurduar in north Bengal, replacing John Barla, Union minister of state for minority affairs. Among the 20 candidates fielded in West Bengal, three are women – Locket Chatterjee, Sreerupa Mitra Chowdhury and Priya Saha.

While Chatterjee is the BJP MP from Hooghly and has been fielded from the same seat, Chowdhury, popularly known as Nirbhoy Didi, is the party's legislator from English Bazar in Malda. Bhojpur playback singer and actor Pawan Singh's name was announced from the Asansol constituency. Actor turned politician Shatrughan Sinha is the TMC's MP from Asansol.

Jharkhand

The BJP names candidates from 11 of the 14 Lok Sabha constituencies. The list includes names of seven sitting MPs including union ministers Arjun Munda from Khunti (ST seat) and Annapurna Devi from Koderma. According to the list released by the party, two MPs, Sudershan Bhagat from Lohardaga and Jayant Sinha from Hazaribagh, have been dropped. Bhagat has been replaced in Lohardaga (ST seat) by Samir Oroan, Rajya Sabha member and incumbent national president of the party's Janjati Morcha (ST Morcha). In Hazaribag, Jayant Sinha has been replaced by Manish Jaiswal, a two-term sitting legislator from the Hazaribag (Sadar) assembly seat. Sinha, a central minister between 2014-2019, on Saturday morning posted on social media that he has requested the party chief to relieve him from electoral duties.

Others who have been repeated from their constituencies include Nishikant Dubey from Godda, Sunil Soren from Dumka, Sanjay Seth from Ranchi, Bidyut Baran Mahto from Jamshedpur and Vishnu Dayal Ram from Palamu (SC seat). Nishikant, Mahto and VD Ram would be contesting for their third terms.

Kerala

The BJP has named 12 candidates for 20 LS seats in Kerala, having names of senior leader, MT Ramesh from Kozhikode, Anil Antony, son of former defence minister and Congress veteran AK Antony, from Pathanamthitta, popular Malayalam actor Suresh Gopi from the Thrissur constituency and Union Minister of State Rajeev Chandrasekhar from Thiruvananthapuram against Congress sitting MP, Shashi Tharoor. Veteran communist leader Pannian Ravindran is also in the fray from the seat.

BJP's state chief K Surendran's name didn't feature in the list. There were reports that Surendran had confirmed that he would not contest the upcoming polls. The BJP has fielded Dr Abdul Salam, former vice chancellor of Calicut University, from Malappuram. Earlier, the BJP had fielded another Muslim P Abdullakutty for Lok Sabha bypoll from Malappuram in 2021.

Telangana

The BJP announced its senior leader and former state minister Eatala Rajender as its candidate from Malkajgiri parliamentary constituency. Rajender's name figures among the nine candidates in the first list of candidates from Telangana released by the BJP central election committee in the evening.

At present, the BJP has four sitting MPs, but the party retained only MPs for the second successive term – Bandi Sanjay from Karimnagar, Dharmapuri Arvind from Nizamabad and G Kishan Reddy from Secunderabad. The party kept in abeyance the candidacy of the fourth sitting MP – Soyam Bapu Rao from Adilabad. Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) MP BB Patil, who resigned from the party and joined the BJP on Friday, has been given the ticket from his Zaheerabad constituency. Two other former BRS MPs – Konda Vishweshwar Reddy and Bura Narsaiah Goud – have been given the tickets for Chevella and Bhongir parliamentary constituencies.

Assam and Tripura

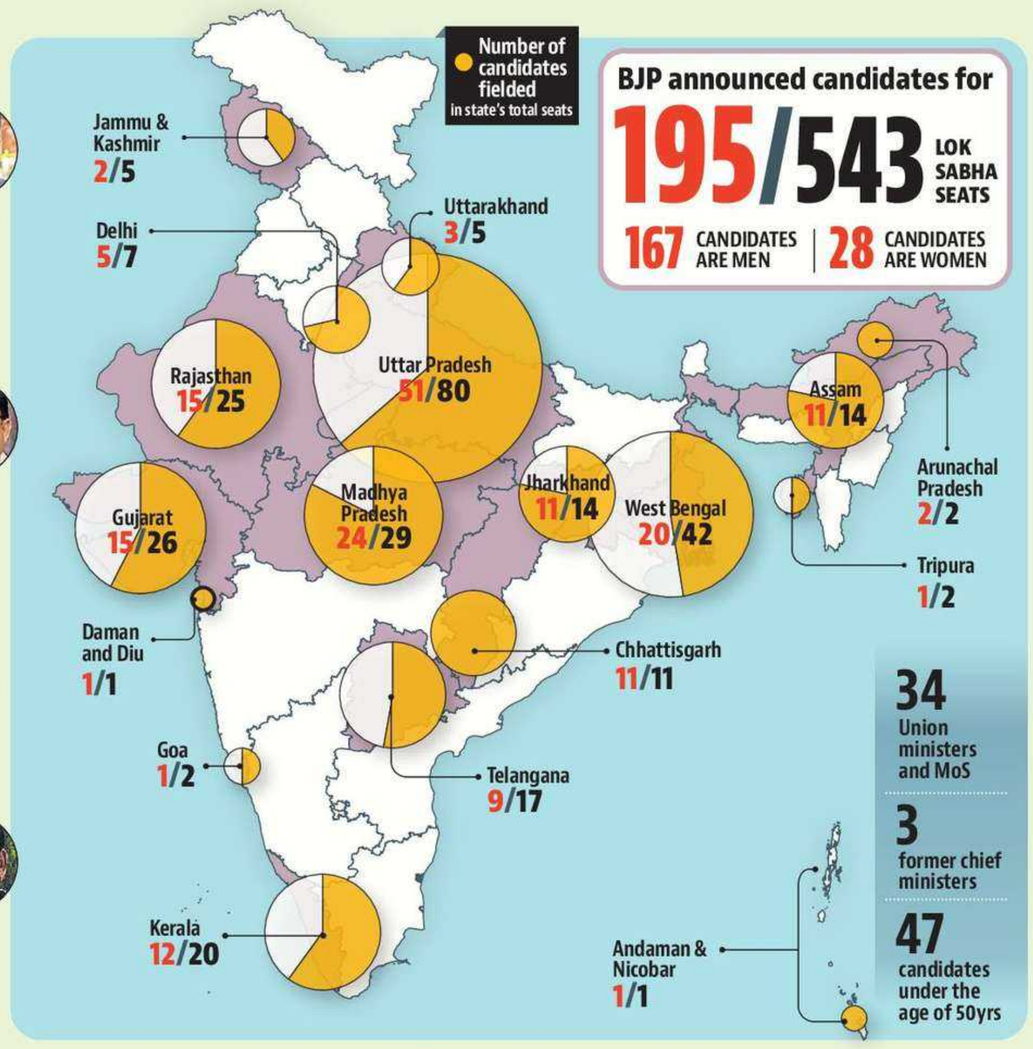
The BJP on Saturday declared candidates for 11 of 14 seats in Assam and one in Tripura. Three seats in Assam are being contested by allies, Asom Gana Parishad (AGP) and United People's Party Liberal (UPPL).

Former chief minister and Union minister Sarbananda Sonowal has been named as the candidate from Dibrugarh.

In Tripura, former chief minister Biplab Kumar Deb has been named as the candidate for West Lok Sabha constituency. Deb is currently Rajya Sabha MP.

BJP's 1st list: Who contests from where

A look at all the 195 names announced by the BJP in its first list of candidates for the 2024 Lok Sabha elections



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- TAPIR GAO, Arunachal East

ASSAM
- KRIPANATH MALLAH, Karimganj
- PARIMAL SUKLABAIDYA, Silchar
- AMAR SING TISSO, Autonomous District
- BIJULI KALITA MEDHI, Gauhati
- DILIP SAIKIA, Darrang-Udalguri
- RANJIT DUTTA, Sonitpur
- SURESH BORA, Nowgong
- KAMAKHYA PRASAD TASA, Kaziranga
- TOPON KUMAR GOGOI, Jorhat
- SARBANANDA SONOWAL, Dibrugarh
- PRADAN BARUAH, Lakhimpur

CHHATTISGARH
- CHINTAMANI MAHARAJ, Sarguja
- RADHESHYAM RATHIA, Raigarh
- KAMLESH JANGDE, Janjgir-Champa
- SAROJ PANDEY, Korba
- TOKHAN SAHU, Bilaspur
- SANTOSH PANDEY, Rajnandgaon
- VIJAY BAGHEL, Durg
- BRIJMOHAN AGARWAL, Raipur
- ROOP KUMARI CHOUDHARY, Mahasamund
- MAHESH KASHYAP, Bastar
- BHOJRAJ NAG, Kanker

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- RAMVIR BIDHURI, South Delhi

GOA
- SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK, North Goa

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- VINOD LAKHAMSHI CHAVDA, Kachchh
- REKHABEN CHAUDHARY, Banaskantha
- BHARATSINHJI DABHI, Patan
- AMIT SHAH, Gandhinagar
- DINESHBHAI MAKWANA, Ahmedabad West
- PARSHOTTAM RUPALA, Rajkot
- MANSUKHBHAI MANDAVIYA, Porbandar
- POONAMBEN MAADAM, Jamnagar
- MITESHBHAI RAMESHBHAI PATEL, Anand
- DEVUSINH CHAUHAN, Kheda
- RAJPALSINH JADHAV, Panchmahal
- JASHVANTSINH BHABHOR, Dahod
- MANSUKHBHAI VASAVA, Bharuch
- PARBHUBHAI VASAVA, Bardoli
- CR PATIL, Navsari

JAMMU & KASHMIR
- JITENDRA SINGH, Udhampur
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JHARKHAND
- TALA MARANDI, Rajmahal
- SUNIL SOREN, Dumka
- NISHIKANT DUBEY, Godda
- ANNPURNA DEVI, Kodarma
- SANJAY SETH, Ranchi
- VIDYUT BARAN MAHATO, Jamshedpur
- GEETA KODA, Singhbhum
- ARJUN MUNDA, Khunti
- SAMIR ORAON, Lohardaga
- VISHNU DAYAL RAM, Palamau
- MANISH JAISWAL, Hazaribagh

KERALA
- ML ASHWINI, Kasaragod
- C RAGHUNATH, Kannur
- PRAFULLA KRISHNA, Vadakara
- MT RAMESH, Kozhikode
- ABDUL SALAM, Malappuram
- NIVEDITHA SUBRAMANIAN, Ponnani
- KRISHNAKUMAR C, Palakkad
- SURESH GOPI, Thrissur
- SHOBHA SURENDRAN, Alappuzha
- ANIL K ANTONY, Pathanamthitta
- V MURALEEDHARAN, Attingal
- RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR, Thiruvananthapuram

MADHYA PRADESH
- SHIVMANGAL TOMAR, Morena
- SANDHYA RAY, Bhind
- BHARAT SINGH KUSHWAHA, Gwalior
- JYOTIRADITYA SCINDIA, Guna
- LATA WANKHEDE, Sagar
- VIRENDRA KHATIK, Tikamgarh
- RAHUL LODHI, Damoh
- VD SHARMA, Khajuraho
- GANESH SINGH, Satna
- JANARDAN MISHRA, Rewa
- RAJESH MISHRA, Sidhi
- HIMADRI SINGH, Shahdol
- ASHISH DUBEY, Jabalpur
- FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE, Mandla
- DARSHAN SINGH, Hoshangabad
- SHIVRAJ SINGH CHOUHAN, Vidisha
- ALOK SHARMA, Bhopal
- RODMAL NAGAR, Rajgarh
- MAHENDRA SINGH SOLANKY, Dewas
- SUDHIR GUPTA, Mandsour
- ANITA NAGAR SINGH, Ratlam
- GAJENDRA PATEL, Khargone
- GYANESHWAR PATIL, Khandwa
- DURGA DAS UIKEY, Betul

RAJASTHAN
- ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL, Bikaner
- DEVENDRA JHAJHARIA, Churu
- SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI, Sikar
- BHUPENDRA YADAV, Alwar
- RAMSWAROOP KOLI, Bharatpur
- JYOTI MIRDHA, Nagaur
- PP CHAUDHARY, Pali
- GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT, Jodhpur
- KAILASH CHOUDHARY, Barmer
- LUMBARAM CHOUDHARY, Jalore
- MANNALAL RAWAT, Udaipur
- MAHENDRA MALVIYA, Banswara
- CP JOSHI, Chittorgarh
- OM BIRLA, Kota
- DUSHYANT SINGH, Jhalawar-Baran

TELANGANA
- BANDI SANJAY KUMAR, Karimnagar
- ARVIND DHARMAPURI, Nizamabad
- BB PATIL, Zahirabad
- ETELA RAJENDER, Malkajgiri
- G KISHAN REDDY, Secundrabad
- MADHAVI LATHA, Hyderabad
- KONDA REDDY, Chelvella
- P BHARAT, Nagarkurnool
- BOORA NARSAIAH GOUD, Bhongir

TRIPURA
- BIPLAB KUMAR DEB, Tripura West

UTTAR PRADESH
- PRADEEP KUMAR, Kairana
- SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN, Muzaffarnagar
- OM KUMAR, Nagina
- GHANSHYAM LODHI, Rampur
- PARAMESHVAR LAL SAINI, Sambhal
- KANWAR SINGH TANWAR, Amroha
- MAHESH SHARMA, Gautam Buddha Nagar
- BHOLA SINGH, Bulandshahr
- HEMA MALINI, Mathura
- SATYAPAL SINGH BAGHEL, Agra
- RAJKUMAR CHAHAR, Fatehpur Sikri
- RAJVEER SINGH, Etah
- DHARMENDRA KASHYAP, Aonla
- ARUN KUMAR SAGAR, Shahjahanpur
- AJAY MISHRA, Kheri
- REKHA VERMA, Dhaurahra
- RAJESH VERMA, Sitapur
- JAI PRAKASH RAWAT, Hardoi
- ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT, Misrikh
- SWAMI SAKSHI MAHARAJ, Unnao
- KAUSHAL KISHORE, Mohanlalganj
- RAJNATH SINGH, Lucknow
- SMRITI IRANI, Amethi
- SANGAM LAL GUPTA, Pratapgarh
- MUKESH RAJPUT, Farrukhabad
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- SUBRAT PATHAK, Kannauj
- DEVENDRA SINGH, Akbarpur
- BHANU PRATAP VERMA, Jalaun
- ANURAG SHARMA, Jhansi
- KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA CHANDEL, Hamirpur
- RK SINGH PATEL, Banda
- NIRANJAN JYOTI, Fatehpur
- UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT, Barabanki
- LALLU SINGH, Faizabad
- RITESH PANDEY, Ambedkar Nagar
- SAKET MISHRA, Shrawasti
- KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH, Gonda
- JAGDAMBIKA PAL, Domariyaganj
- HARISH DWIVEDI, Basti
- PRAVEEN KUMAR NISHAD, Sant Kabir Nagar
- PANKAJ CHOUDHARY, Maharajganj
- RAVI KISHAN, Gorakhpur
- VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY, Kushi Nagar
- KAMLESH PASWAN, Bansgaon
- NEELAM SONKER, Lalganj
- DINESH LAL YADAV, Azamgarh
- RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA, Salempur
- KRIPASHANKAR SINGH, Jaunpur
- MAHENDRA PANDEY, Chandauli
- NARENDRA MODI, Varanasi

UTTARAKHAND
- MALA RAJYA LAXMI SHAH, Tehri Garhwal
- AJAY TAMTA, Almora
- AJAY BHATT, Nainital-Udhamsingh Nagar

WEST BENGAL
- NISITH PRAMANIK, Cooch Behar
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- RATHIN CHAKRABORTY, Howrah
- SOUMENDU ADHIKARI, Kanthi
- HIRANMAY CHATTOPADHYAY, Ghatal
- JYOTIRMAY SINGH MAHATO, Purulia
- SUBHASH SARKAR, Bankura
- SOUMITRA KHAN, Bishnupur
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Upper House members among key faces fielded for LS battle

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NEW DELHI: In line with Prime Minister Narendra Modi's instruction to his party colleagues to contest at least one direct election, the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) on Saturday announced the names of over 10 Rajya Sabha MPs that included a few Union ministers as contestants for the Lok Sabha polls. Of these, two ministers—Bhupender Yadav and Rajeev Chandrasekhar will be facing the electoral test for the first time.

Yadav, who is a two-term RS member and one of the chief election strategists of the BJP, currently holds the portfolio of environment, forests and climate change. An OBC face of the party, along with Ashwini Vaishnaw he was credited for the BJP's win in Madhya Pradesh in a tightly fought contest. Chandrasekhar has no prior history of having contested polls; he was an independent member of the Rajya Sabha representing Karnataka from April 2006 to April 2018. He was re-elected for a third six-year term as a BJP member in 2018.

Jyotiraditya Scindia and Bhupender Yadav

Of the Union ministers who retired from the Rajya Sabha recently, only two — L Murugan and Ashwini Vaishnaw—were given a second term, which fuelled speculation that RS members too will have to make their way to Parliament via the Lok Sabha. On Saturday, in addition to Yadav and Chandrasekhar who will be contesting from Alwar in Rajasthan and Thiruvanthpuram in Kerala, the party announced the names of civil aviation minister Jyotiraditya Scindia who was elected to the Upper House in June 2020 and will be contesting from Guna in MP. Prior to joining the BJP, Scindia represented the Guna seat four times from 2002.

The party also named Parshottam Rupala from Rajkot and Mansukh Mandaviya from Porbandar in Gujarat. Rupala, a three-term Rajya Sabha member, has also been a three term MLA, while Mandaviya is a former MLA and two-term member of the Upper House.

Union minister Sarbananda Sonowal who will be contesting from Dibrugarh was made a member of the Rajya Sabha in 2021 after he was replaced by Himanta Biswa Sarma as the chief minister of Assam. Kamakhya Prasad Tasa who represents Assam in the Upper House will also contest from Dibrugarh and Kaziranga.

From Kerala, minister of state for external affairs V Muraleedharan, who represented Maharashtra in the Upper House since 2018, has been nominated to contest from Attingal.

Former chief minister of Tripura Biplab Deb will be contesting from Tripura. He was made a member of the Rajya Sabha in 2022 after being replaced by Manik Saha. Union minister of state Pratima Bhoumik earlier represented Tripura in the Lok Sabha.

Former national general secretary Saroj Pandey, whose term in the RS ended recently, will be the party's contestant from Korba in Chhattisgarh while Samir Oraon, president of the party's ST Morcha, will contest Lohardaga in Jharkhand.

In first list for general elections, BJP drops four Union ministers

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NEW DELHI: The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) on Saturday dropped four Union ministers — John Barla, Rameswar Teli, Pratima Bhoumik and Meenakshi Lekhi — from its list of 195 contestants for the upcoming general elections.

Barla, who has the charge of minister of state for minority affairs, won the Alipurduar in West Bengal seat in 2019. Teli, who was elected to the Lok Sabha from Dibrugarh is the minister of state for food processing industries, while Lekhi, the lawmaker from New Delhi constituency, has the portfolios of ministries of external affairs and culture.

Bhowmik, who represents Tripura, was a front runner for the chief minister's post and holds the charge of minister of state social justice and empowerment.

As per party functionaries, over 30 sitting MPs have been dropped from the list of 195 seats that were announced; these include controversial lawmakers Pragya Singh Thakur from Bhopal, Ramesh Bidhuri and Parvesh Verma from Delhi.

> AS PER PARTY FUNCTIONARIES, OVER 40 SITTING MPS HAVE BEEN DROPPED FROM THE LIST OF 195 SEATS ANNOUNCED ON SATURDAY

Harsh Vardhan and Hans Raj Hans, also from Delhi, have also not made the cut.

Parvesh Verma has been replaced by councillor Kamaljeet Sehrawat in West Delhi; Harsh Vardhan has been replaced by Praveen Khandelwal in Chandni Chowk, while South Delhi MP Bidhuri has been replaced by Ramvir Singh Bidhuri.

In Madhya Pradesh over 10 of the 28 MPs have been replaced; former CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan has replaced Ramakant Bhargava in Vidisha, and Alok Sharma replaces Sadhvi Pragya in Bhopal.

Thakur, an accused in the 2006 Malegaon bombings case, earned the censure of party bosses and the PM in 2019 for referring to Mahatma Gandhi's assassin Nathuram Godse as a patriot during a discussion in the Lok Sabha.

Some new entrants have also been fielded, for instance Ritesh Pandey who joined the BJP from BSP has fielded from Ambedkar Nagar in UP; Geeta Koda from Singhbhum; former BRS leaders BB Patil from Zahirabad, Eatala Rajender from Malkajgiri and P Bharat from Nagarkurnool. Bharat is the son of former BRS lawmaker P Ramulu.

The party has also given a ticket to Abdul Salam, former Vice-Chancellor of Calicut University, from Malappuram seat in Kerala. He is the only Muslim candidate in the party's first list.

Saket Misra

NRIPENDRA MISRA'S SON MAKES IT TO 1ST CANDIDATE LIST

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NEW DELHI: The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) on Saturday fielded Saket Misra, a member of legislative council (MLC) in Uttar Pradesh and son of former principal secretary to the Prime Minister, Nripendra Misra, as a candidate from UP's Shravasti constituency in its first list for the Lok Sabha elections.

An investment banker-turned-politician, Saket was selected for the Indian Police Service (IPS) in 1994, but did not join. The 51-year-old is an alumnus of the Indian Institute of Management in Calcutta and St Stephen's College. He was nominated to Uttar Pradesh's Upper House last year.

PM likely to launch Dwarka e-way on Mar 11: Khattar, MP

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GURUGRAM: Prime Minister Narendra Modi is likely to inaugurate the Dwarka Expressway on March 11, Haryana chief minister Manohar Lal Khattar announced on Saturday, adding that the PM will also hold a roadshow from Gurugram to Delhi.

Separately, Union minister Rao Inderjit Singh, the Gurugram MP, also said that Modi will inaugurate the expressway on March 11, and added that the ₹9,000 crore project will help develop nearby areas in Gurugram.

According to National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) officials, around 99% of the work in the Gurugram leg of the expressway has been completed, while around 90% of the work in the Delhi segment is complete.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi

On Saturday, Khattar — who was in Gurugram to inaugurate election offices of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) for the upcoming Lok Sabha polls, told party workers that Modi will inaugurate the expressway on March 11.

"The Prime Minister will inaugurate the Dwarka expressway on March 11, subject to clearance from the department," the CM said, referring to NHAI.

A senior NHAI official, when asked about the March 11 inauguration, said, "We are waiting for official confirmation."

Meanwhile, Singh said the expressway will help improve the connectivity between the Capital and Gurugram. "It will also reduce congestion inside the city and on NH-48. People living in developing sectors along the Dwarka expressway will benefit from this road," he said.

Cops rescue 2 girls from Mumbai

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NEW DELHI: A Delhi Police team, investigating a missing person's case involving a 16-year-old girl from Rajouri Garden, traced the teenager to Mumbai to rescue her, but found another minor girl — a 14-year-old also from Rajouri Garden — at the same house, senior police officers said on Saturday.

The officers said that the 14-year-old's family had not filed any complaint, but the Mumbai Police asked the investigating team to take her into custody. The 14-year-old's family was traced, a kidnapping case was filed, and a second Delhi Police team was dispatched to with a copy of the FIR to complete the legal formalities to secure her custody, officers said. Both girls are unrelated, and police suspect that a human trafficking ring was involved in kidnapping and taking them to Mumbai. A probe is underway, said investigators.

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NEW DELHI: AAP education minister Atishi asked Delhi's chief secretary to quickly release funds for six government schools by March 6, her office said on Saturday. She also asked the chief secretary to ensure all departments work round-the-clock over the next four days to release the funds.

Delhi chief secretary Naresh Kumar said: "This matter was first brought before my office in the last week of February. I am issuing instructions to hand over the schools to the education department so that students don't suffer. But payment for the schools involves financial impropriety. Pressure is being made to release payment for the schools at higher rates to extend undue benefits." HTC

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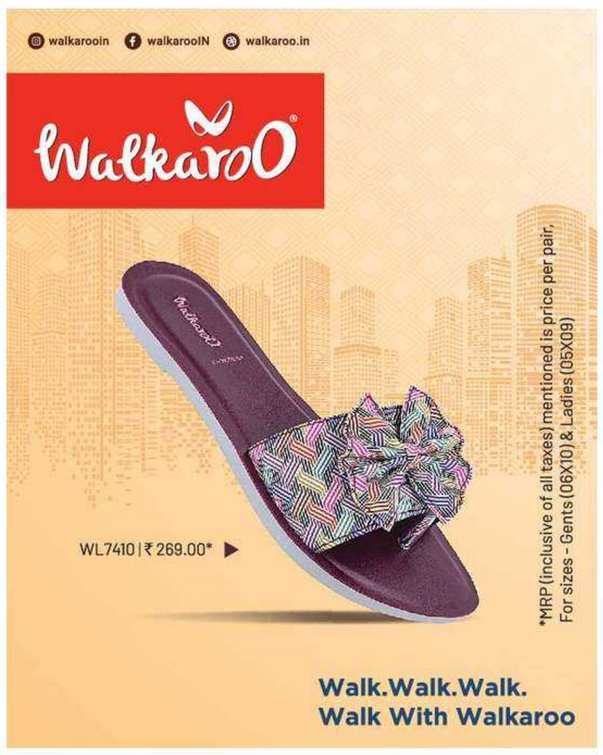

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In Delhi, BJP announces 5 names for LS seats, drops 4 sitting MPs

BJP's East Delhi MP Gautam Gambhir asks party chief to relieve him of political duties, cites cricket commitments

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NEW DELHI: The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has opted for a fresh look for Delhi, choosing four new faces as it announced its candidates for five out of the seven Lok Sabha seats in the Capital ahead of the general elections this year.

In an announcement on Saturday evening, BJP general secretary Vinod Tawde revealed the four new names — in place of the sitting members of Parliament who will be dropped by the party — for its South Delhi, New Delhi, West Delhi and Chandni Chowk parliamentary constituencies.

The development came hours after East Delhi MP Gautam Gambhir requested BJP national president JP Nadda to relieve him of political duties as he wanted to focus on his cricket commitments.

Who made the cut in BJP's first list

SOUTH DELHI
Ramvir Singh Bidhuri
Incumbent MP: **Ramesh Bidhuri (BJP)**
Leader of the opposition in the Delhi assembly, Ramvir Singh Bidhuri is a four-time legislator from Badarpur constituency in south Delhi

"To fulfil the resolve of a developed India, every BJP worker like me is working hard with all our heart, mind and wealth to achieve the target of 400+ seats"

NEW DELHI
Bansuri Swaraj
Incumbent MP: **Meenakshi Lekhi (BJP)**
A lawyer in the Supreme Court, Bansuri Swaraj is the daughter of former Union minister Sushma Swaraj. She was appointed the Delhi BJP secretary last year

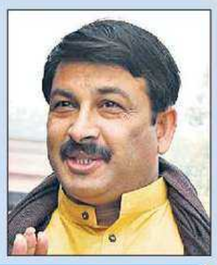
"We will work hard to ensure that we will win over 400 seats... The people of the country have unbreakable faith in every policy of the Modi government"

WEST DELHI
Kamaljeet Sehrawat
Incumbent MP: **Parvesh Verma (BJP)**
A BJP councillor from west Delhi, Sehrawat is the general secretary of the Delhi BJP, and was the mayor of the erstwhile South MCD

"I have been given a huge responsibility... I would like to thank PM Modi and BJP chief JP Nadda for giving me this opportunity"

CHANDNI CHOWK
Praveen Khandelwal
Incumbent MP: **Harsh Vardhan (BJP)**
Founder and general secretary of the Confederation of All India Traders, Khandelwal has been active in fighting for the rights and interests of traders in Delhi and across India

"We will propagate all the great work done by the PM to every voter of the constituency"



NORTH EAST
Manoj Tiwari,
also the incumbent MP
The actor-turned-politician has represented the North East Delhi Lok Sabha seat since 2014, and is one of the most popular leaders of the Purvanchal community

"I want to thank the party for trusting me... I believe that the people of Delhi will support us and we will win the seven seats in Delhi"

Fresh faces in BJP list

For South Delhi, the party has chosen Ramvir Singh Bidhuri — the leader of the opposition in the Delhi assembly — over sitting MP Ramesh Bidhuri.

Ramvir Singh Bidhuri, a four-time MLA from the Badarpur assembly constituency, was appointed the leader of the opposition in 2020. Ramesh Bidhuri, the sitting MP, has represented the South Delhi seat since 2014.

"To fulfil the resolve of a developed India, every BJP worker like me is working hard with all our heart, mind and wealth to achieve the target of 400+ seats (for the BJP) in the 2024 elections," he said.

In New Delhi, the BJP chose Delhi BJP secretary Bansuri Swaraj — daughter of late Union minister Sushma Swaraj — over Union minister Meenakshi Lekhi.

A lawyer in the Supreme Court, Bansuri Swaraj was appointed the Delhi BJP secretary last year. "We will work hard to ensure that we win over 400 seats. Each worker of the party will go to all parts of the New Delhi Lok Sabha seat. The people of the country have unbreakable faith in every policy of the Modi government," Swaraj said.

In Chandni Chowk, the BJP has nominated Praveen Khandelwal — secretary general of the Confederation of All India Traders — over former Union minister Harsh Vardhan.

Meanwhile, in West Delhi, the party picked Kamaljeet Sehrawat, the former mayor of the erstwhile South Delhi Municipal Corporation, over sitting MP Parvesh Verma.

The party is yet to announce its candidates for the East Delhi and North West Delhi constituencies.

Actor-turned-politician Manoj Tiwari, the North East Delhi MP, is the only person so far that the BJP has retained to represent his constituency in the Capital. A former Delhi BJP president, Tiwari is one of the most popular leaders of the Purvanchal community, a key voting bloc in Delhi.

Earlier on Saturday, Gambhir posted on social media website X that he has requested Nadda to relieve him of political duties as he wanted to focus on cricket commitments. Similarly, Hazaribagh (Jharkhand) MP Jayant Sinha also requested Nadda to relieve him so he could focus on combating global climate change.

BJP vs AAP-Cong combine

The BJP won all seven seats in Delhi during the last two general elections, with the party receiving more than 50% of the vote share in all seats in 2019. However, the last two elections were a triangular contest — this time around, the BJP is set to face off against an Aam Aadmi Party (AAP)-Congress combine in the elections.

The AAP has already announced candidates for the four seats it is contesting (East, New Delhi, South and West Delhi). A battle between two sitting legislators is set to play out in South Delhi, with BJP's Ramvir Singh Bidhuri contesting against AAP's Sahi Ram Pahalwan (Tughlakabad assembly constituency).

In New Delhi, the contest will be between two advocates — Bansuri Swaraj, and AAP legislator Somnath Bharti, who too is a lawyer. In West Delhi, Sehrawat will face off against AAP's Mahabal Mishra, who earlier won the seat on a Congress ticket.

Meanwhile, the Congress said that it will announce its candidates for the North West, North East and Chandni Chowk seats in the coming days.

How Opposition reacted

Delhi Congress president Arvinder Singh Lovely told HT that his party may announce its candidates for the three seats under their quota next week.

He said, "The BJP government has failed on all fronts, and to avoid the anger of the voters, the government is changing the MPs and fielding new faces. That the BJP had to change four of the five names (announced so far) means that the Centre has accepted its failure."

Meanwhile, senior AAP leader Atishi said that BJP MPs do not have any commitment towards the people. "BJP first gives tickets to incompetent individuals, they do not work for five years, and when the public gets angry, then the BJP changes tickets," she said.

LG sanctions CBI probe against Jain in PMLA case

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NEW DELHI: Lieutenant governor (LG) VK Saxena on Friday sanctioned an inquiry by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) under the Prevention of Corruption (POC) Act, against former Delhi minister and Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) leader Satyendar Jain who is currently in jail facing money laundering charges.

In a letter seeking the LG's nod to probe the extortion charges, CBI had in November last year written that Jain is accused of running a high-profile extortion racket from Tihar Jail and demanding ₹10 crore as "protection money" from Chandrashekhar to enable him to "live peacefully and comfortably in jail", officials from the LG office said. Sukash Chandrashekhar and Satyendra Jain were fellow inmates in Tihar jail.

Saxena also referred the matter to the ministry of home affairs (MHA) for necessary action in the matter, officials added. Earlier on February 9, 2024, LG sanctioned a CBI inquiry against Raj Kumar, the then superintendent of Tihar jail, for extorting money at the behest of Jain and Sandeep Goel, the former DG of Tihar jail.

Satyendar Jain

"The case pertains to the charges made by Sukash Chandrashekhar that Jain had extorted and received ₹10 crore from him in tranches in 2018-21, either personally or through his accomplices, as protection money, to enable him to live peacefully and comfortably in different jails of Delhi (Tihar, Rohini and Mandoli). The matter is being investigated by the CBI and the request for prosecution sanction had come through the Directorate of Vigilance (DoV), GNCTD, to the LG, who is the competent authority in the matter," an official from the LG's office said.

Chandrashekhar had also accused Goel and one Mukesh Prasad of extorting ₹12.5 crore in various tranches during 2019-22 from him. Jain, Goel, Prasad and Kumar are accused of misusing their official positions as public servants in extending undue favour to Chandrashekhar and other high-profile inmates in Delhi jails for valuable considerations. The charges are now being investigated by CBI.

Meanwhile, AAP leader Somnath Bharti said that BJP was trying to use anyone, even if it is a "conman" like Chandrashekhar, to meet its ends.

ILLEGAL COLONIES TO BE A MAJOR FOCUS OF DELHI BUDGET, SAYS GOVT

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NEW DELHI: The development of unauthorised colonies in the Capital is likely to be one of the key focus areas of the Delhi budget, scheduled to be presented in the state assembly on March 4, Delhi government officials said on Saturday.

The officials said the government may give a big fiscal boost for initiatives to uplift unauthorised colonies, especially to further strengthen their road infrastructure.

"It is likely that strengthening the road network of unauthorised colonies, as well as augmentation of water supply pipelines and sewer networks will take precedence in the government plan for 2024-25," an official said, on condition of anonymity.

Delhi has nearly 1,800 unauthorised colonies, accounting for 30% of the city's population.

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Man held for rape, murder of teen

NEW DELHI: The Delhi Police special cell arrested a 24-year-old man in connection with the rape and murder of a 15-year-old boy at Yamuna Khadar in Kalindi Kunj last week, officers said. The accused, identified as Mohammad Aakib, was nabbed two days ago from south Delhi, police said. Two other suspects were earlier arrested by the southeast district police. HTC

Dog bites 7-yr-old girl, owner booked

NEW DELHI: A seven-year-old girl was injured in an attack by a pet dog outside her house in Shahdara's Jagatpuri on Friday night, police said.

The girl was rushed to a hospital where she is said to be out of danger. A case under IPC sections 289 and 337 has been registered against the dog's owner, officers said. HTC

Nuh exam paper leak: Student held

GURUGRAM: A day after the question paper of the Haryana School Education Board's Class 12 Urdu examination was leaked from a government senior secondary school in Nuh, the district police said they have apprehended a student in connection with the case. Police said the Class 12 student was let off on bail after he joined the investigation.

Haryana School Education Board chairman Dr VP Yadav said a case was registered on a complaint given by the Nuh question paper flying squad against the centre superintendent, observer, supervisor, another person and the candidate, adding that the examination was cancelled at the centre due to breach of sanctity. HTC

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PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON
See Section 82 Cr.P.C.
Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused **Munni, W/o Jamuna, R/o K--322, Gali No. 17, Majdoor Janta Colony, Zafrabad, New Delhi** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No. 236/2014, dated 24.04.2014, U/s 384/34 IPC, P. S. C.R. Park, New Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said **Munni** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said **Munni** has absconded (or is concealing herself to avoid the service of the said warrant).
Proclamation is hereby made that the said **Munni** accused of **FIR No. 236/2014, dated 24.04.2014, U/s 384/34 IPC, P. S. C.R. Park, New Delhi** is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **12.04.2024.**
By Order
Ms. Devanshi Janmeja
Metropolitan Magistrate-04
South-East District, Court No. 10
Saket Courts, New Delhi
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Delhi logs best AQI in 137 days on back of rain, gusty winds

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NEW DELHI: Strong and gusty surface winds cruising at a speed of 40-50km/hour filtered out pollutants and aided the Capital in recording its cleanest day in terms of air quality in 137 days on Saturday, according to the India Meteorological Department.

According to the Central Pollution Control Board's national bulletin, Delhi recorded a 24-hour average air quality index (AQI) reading of 117 (moderate) at 4pm, the lowest since October 17, 2023, when it read 89 (satisfactory).

Meanwhile, the minimum temperature saw a sharp rise of 7.5°C and was recorded at 18°C — five degrees below normal — aided by a cloud cover prevalent since Friday. The minimum temperature was 10.8°C on Friday.

Officials from IMD said that the maximum temperature, on the other hand, went down by a couple of notches and was recorded at 25.2°C, two degrees below normal.

The maximum was 29.6 degrees the day before.

The cloud cover also makes it difficult for sunlight to reach the surface during the day scaling the maximum temperature down. Conversely, the cloud cover traps the heat at night, making the minimum rise.

Clouds above the Capital at Anand Parbat on Saturday. SANCHIT KHANNA/HT PHOTO

Safdarjung, representative of Delhi's weather, received 0.2 mm of rain in 24 hours till 8.30 am and 0.8 mm more during the day on Saturday.

Other weather stations, including Ridge, Pusa and Pitampura, received 3.6mm, 2.5mm and 0.5mm of rain, respectively. Palam received about 2.5mm of rain throughout the day, IMD data showed.

"The rain is due to the influence of some western disturbances and the weather should start clearing up from Sunday. While some drizzle might be recorded in the early hours of Sunday, the sky will mostly be clear from Monday," said a Met official.

IMD has forecast the minimum temperature to go down to 12°C by Monday while the maximum is forecast to stay around 25°C.

The Early Warning System for Delhi — an air quality forecasting model under the ministry of earth sciences — has forecast the AQI to be in the "moderate" category till Tuesday. "The air quality will likely be in moderate category from March 3 to March 5. The outlook for the subsequent six days is that the air quality is likely to be in the 'moderate' category," said the EWS bulletin.

CPCB classifies an AQI between 0-50 as "good", between 51 and 100 as "satisfactory", between 101 and 200 as "moderate", between 201 and 300 as "poor", between 301 and 400 as "very poor" and over 400 as "severe".

RAT-HOLE MINER REFUSED OFFER OF FLAT IN DILSHAD GARDEN, SAYS DDA

NEW DELHI: Delhi Development Authority (DDA) on Saturday said that Wakeel Hassan — one of the rat-hole miners involved in the Silkyara tunnel rescue operation — has refused to accept the agency's offer of a 2bhk flat in Dilshad Garden, which is close to his former house, in northeast Delhi. DDA had demolished Hassan's house on Wednesday saying that it was an illegal construction in the Khajoori Khas area.

This was the second time Hassan refused an offer extended by DDA. DDA first offered an LIG flat in Narela to accommodate Hassan's family. However, he refused the offer due to the location of Narela and the size of the flat. Hassan's house was built over 700 square yards while the flat being offered by DDA was about 250 square yards in size. Hassan said he refused the second offer as he was unsure if the house would be a permanent accommodation for his family.

Hassan said that officials from the district administration had visited him on Friday, offering the bigger flat. However, when he asked if it was permanent accommodation, officials did not make any clear statement.

"Delhi LG VK Saxena, who had upon coming to know about his role in the rescue of the workers trapped in Uttarakhand's Silkyara-Barkot tunnel, asked DDA to provide him with alternate housing free of cost," DDA said on Saturday. HTC

DDA razes Ponty Chadha's S Delhi farmhouse

Police said the farmhouse is the same building where Ponty Chadha and his brother Hardeep were killed in 2012 following a financial dispute between the two siblings. ANI

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NEW DELHI: The Delhi Development Authority (DDA) on Saturday said that it demolished a farmhouse of the deceased liquor baron Gurdeep Singh alias Ponty Chadha and reclaimed 10 acres of DDA land in south Delhi's Chhatarpur.

According to DDA officials, the farmhouse was illegally built on land belonging to DDA, and was currently in the possession of Ponty Chadha's son Manpreet Singh alias Monty. A senior police officer aware of the case said that it is the same farmhouse where Ponty and his younger brother Hardeep were killed in 2012.

The demolition action began on Friday and continued on Saturday, DDA officials said. While the lawn and temporary structures were razed on Friday, the main building was demolished on Saturday, they said. "Continuing with its exercise to reclaim government land over which unauthorised occupation and illegal construction has been done, DDA demolished the farmhouse of Ponty Chaddha spread over 10 acres in Chhatarpur worth ₹400 crore," said an official.

Officials said the farmhouse had a sprawling manicured lawn with a main building and a couple of outhouse sheds.

Ponty Chadha and Hardeep died in a shootout in 2012 following an argument between the estranged siblings over property. Hardeep shot at Ponty, following which the latter's security officer shot Hardeep, police officers said.

Ponty Chaddha owned the Wave Group, known for its high stakes in liquor and real estate, especially in Uttar Pradesh.

A spokesperson for the Wave Group refused to comment.

{ THE CROSSWORDS }

CRYPTIC CLUES

ACROSS

1 She was exposed as an opponent of oppressive taxes (6)
4 A girl gets assistance when males are around (6)
9 Much of his life is spent behind bars (7)
10 Like being in bed and rested (5)
11 Be extremely vocal (5)
12 Contemporary gift (7)
13 They protect fighting troops from pesky technocrats (6,5)
18 It's simply picturesque (7)
20 Such a river has its ups and downs (5)
22 It may describe the infinitive 'to burst' (5)
23 It's not a strange place to catch a train (7)
24 It can ruin a good deal (3,3)
25 Astute form of memorial (6)

DOWN

1 Publish or withdraw (3,3)
2 A store of French cannabis (5)
3 Old soldier never at assembly (7)
5 Saunter off free from blame (5)
6 Food locked up (7)
7 Sun worshippers take off for this state (6)
8 Lose one's grip and take no further action (4,3,4)
14 Uncommon payment for an author (7)
15 Not at home with shy friendless person (7)
16 Incorrectly be said to be prejudiced (6)
17 Look somewhat edgy? (6)
19 Game many take to (5)
21 Tendency for snow to pile up (5)

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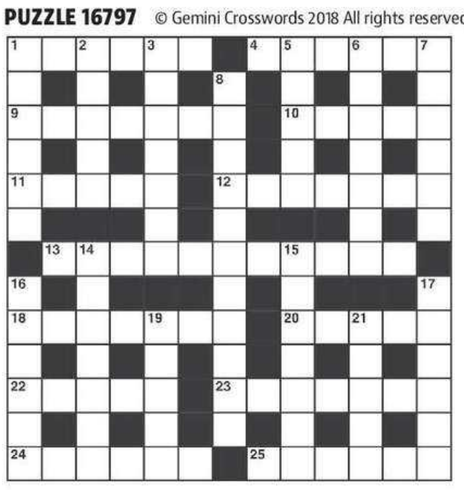

QUICK CLUES

ACROSS

1 Study of plants (6)
4 To fluster (6)
9 Brilliant display (7)
10 Opera by Puccini (5)
11 Subsequent (5)
12 Spread throughout (7)
13 Petty (5-6)
18 External (7)
20 Allude (5)
22 Magnificence (5)
23 As a rule (7)
24 Revolve (6)
25 Superficial appearance (6)

DOWN

1 Champagne, colloquially (6)
2 A characteristic (5)
3 Uncommitted (7)
5 Become different (5)
6 More than is required (2,5)
7 Exultant (6)
8 Sensible middle course (5,6)
14 Allot (4,3)
15 Foster (7)
16 Counterfeiter (6)
17 Earnest request (6)
19 Up to now (2,3)
21 Untrue (5)

FRIDAY'S SOLUTIONS (16796)

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Fill in all the squares in the grid so that each row, column and each of the 9X9 squares contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

{ WEATHER }

TEMPERATURE ■HIGH ■LOW

SUNDAY
Generally cloudy sky with Light Rain or Drizzle
26°c | 15°c

MONDAY
Partly cloudy sky
25°c | 12°c

TUESDAY
Partly cloudy sky
25°c | 11°c

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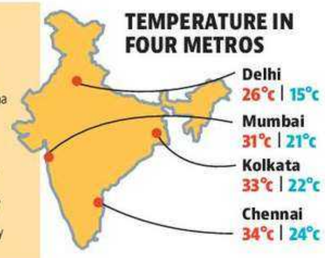

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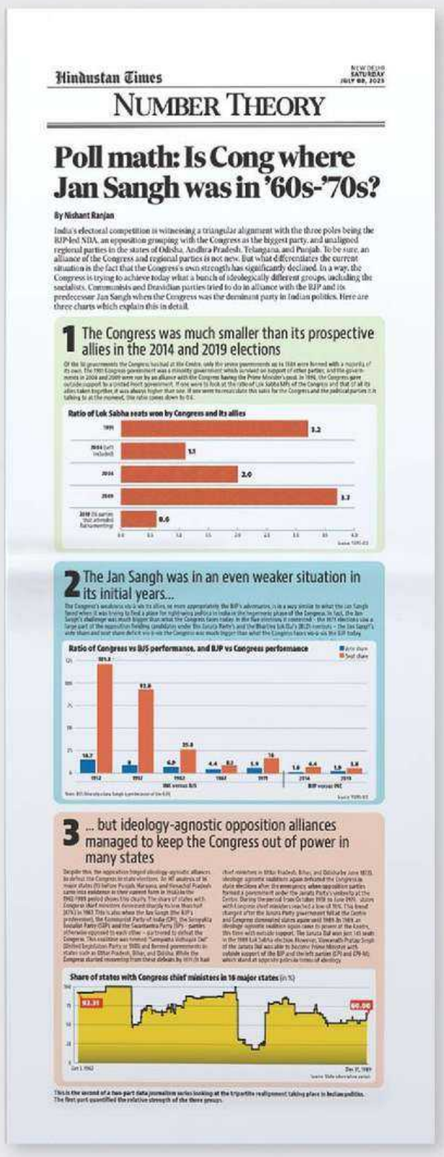

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1) **APPLICATION:** are invited from eligible candidates to fill one post of Administrative Member in the Delhi Value Added Tax Appellate Tribunal.

2) **QUALIFICATIONS:**
(a) The candidate should have held, for at least two years, the post of a Joint Secretary to the Government of India or any other post under the Central or a State Government or Government of Union Territory carrying a scale of which is not less than that of a Joint Secretary to the Government of India and has for at least two years functioned as a quasi-judicial authority at the appellate level; **Or**
(b) The candidate should have held, for at least five years, the post of a Deputy Secretary to the Government of India or any other post under the Central or State Government or Government of Union Territory carrying a scale of pay which is not: less than that of a Deputy Secretary to the Government of India and has for at least two years functioned as a first appellate authority under a law relating to the sales tax/Value Added Tax.
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4) **DISQUALIFICATIONS:** No person
(a) Who has entered into or contracted a marriage with a person having a spouse living;
or
(b) Who having a spouse living has entered into or contracted a marriage with any person shall be eligible for appointment as member.
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Application must include the following:-
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(b) Father's name
(c) Age (Date of Birth)
(d) Permanent Address
(e) Postal Address
(f) Educational Qualification
(g) Telephone No. & e-mail Address
(h) Training, if any
(i) Work Experience giving details (1) Department in which worked (2) Post held (3) period (4) Pay Scale (5) Nature of Work.
(j) Any other relevant information.
Two attested photographs and attested/self-attested supporting documents may also be sent with the application.
The application should be sent to:-

The Principal Secretary (Finance)
Finance Department
Government of NCT of Delhi
'A' Wing, 4th Level, Delhi Secretariat, I.P. Estate, New Delhi
Phone No. 23392130, 23392131

The application should be received in the department by **26th March, 2024.**

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Govt inks key Tripura accord to resolve concerns of tribal groups

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AGARTALA: The Centre, the Tripura government and the Tripura Indigenous Progressive Regional Alliance, popularly known as Tipra Motha, on Saturday signed a tripartite accord over a host of demands raised by the Opposition over the last three years for a constitutional solution to the problems faced by tribal people in the state.

Under the accord, signed in the presence of Union home minister Amit Shah, Tripura chief minister Dr Manik Saha and Tipra Motha founder Pradyot Kishore Manikya Debbarma, a joint working group or committee will be constituted to "amicably resolve all issues of the indigenous people of Tripura relating to history, land rights, political rights, economic development, identity, culture, language, etc".

" A series of meetings were recently held with The Indigenous Progressive Regional Alliance/TIPRA, popularly known as TIPRA Motha and other stakeholders, based on which, Government of India, Government of Tripura and TIPRA agreed to amicably resolve all issues of the indigenous people of Tripura relating to history, land rights, political rights, economic development, identity, culture, language, etc. It was agreed to constitute a Joint Working Group / Committee to work out and implement the mutually agreed points on all the above mentioned issues...", the agreement said.

Union home minister Amit Shah with Tripura CM Manik Saha and other officials during the signing of agreement, on Saturday. ANI

Hailing the development, Shah said: " Today is a historic day for Tripura. We paid our respect to the history, corrected the mistakes and accepted reality of today through this agreement. We have put together these three aspects and worked towards future. No one can change the history but can move forward after learning from the mistakes and keeping sight of the realities."

He added: "Former Tripura chief minister Biplab Kumar Deb worked for it, present CM Dr. Manik Saha also studied in detail and extended help to reach it to conclusion. I am hopeful that Tripura will join PM Modi's dream of Viksit Bharat. When we achieve Viksit Bharat, Tripura, too, will move ahead with the rest of the country as Viksit Tripura."

The accord comes a year after Shah and BJP's northeast coordinator Sambit Patra met Debbarma in Agartala, where the Union minister had issued instructions for appointment of an interlocutor to discuss the demands of the Tipra Motha party. Debbarma, who announced a "fast-unto-death" on February 28 to demand a permanent solution to demands of the indigenous people of the state, said he would reach Hatai Kotor in Agartala on Sunday to break his fast.

"Yes we have signed a historical accord and we can celebrate but not too much! If we celebrate and forget what has to be done within a time frame then we have to work even more hard and be disciplined as leaders and as a community. We have implement our land rights , funding pattern, language (script) issue ,political representation and also correct our historical and cultural pride . I am coming to Hatai Kotor tomorrow to meet our people and break my fast ! I love you this would not have been possible without your love and support . Bubagra has achieved nothing till tiprasa can ensure their survival and existence," Pradyot posted on social media. During the event on Saturday, Shah also hailed the slew of agreements signed during the Bharatiya Janata Party-led National Democratic Alliance government to restore peace in the Northeast.

" A total of 11 agreements were signed after having dialogue with all stakeholders related to boundary issues, culture, identity, language etc. I am glad that we are moving towards a dispute-free Tripura now," he said.

The 11 agreements include National Liberation Front of Twipra (NLFT) peace accord in 2019 followed by Bru migrants permanent resettlement tripartite agreement in Tripura and Boro Accord in Assam in 2020, Karbi Peace Accord in Assam in 2021, Adivasi Accord and Assam-Meghalaya interstate boundary agreement in 2022, Assam-Arunachal Pradesh interstate boundary agreement, Dimasa peace accord , UNLF accord and ULFA Accord in 2023.

"We have spoken to different outfits. Nearly 10,000 people have laid down their arms and returned to the mainstream. The Northeast has an environment of development due to this," he added. Others present at the event include former Tripura chief minister, Rajya Sabha MP Biplab Kumar Deb, Tripura ministers Bikash Debbarma and Shukla Charan Noatia, opposition leader Animesh Debbarma, NE advisor for ministry of home affairs AK Mishra, Patra and officials from the central and state governments.

TMC LEADER SEEKS ED AND CBI PROBE AGAINST HIS PARTY MP IN COAL SCAM

KOLKATA: Trinamool Congress (TMC) leader Kunal Ghosh, who has resigned from party posts, on Saturday urged central investigation agencies to start a probe against party MP Sudip Bandyopadhyay in connection with the alleged multi-crore coal scam.

In a post on X, Ghosh asked the ED and the CBI to investigate the bank accounts of the MP ."@dir_ed @CBIHeadquarters The bank accounts of Sudip Bandyopadhyay MP and payments on behalf of him to Apollo, Bhubaneswar must be investigated. When he was in custody, whether a large amount paid to him or paid to hospital on behalf of him or not, that should be probed. If it is founded to be fact, then it may relate with coal scam and [he] should be arrested for further investigation. If agencies try to avoid this, I should move to Court praying for investigation into this matter," Ghosh posted on X.

HT reached out to Bandyopadhyay for a response, but he refused to comment on Ghosh's post. Bandyopadhyay was arrested by the CBI in 2017 in multi-crore Rose Valley chit fund scam.

The BJP mounted an attack on the TMC, saying that the party was battling infighting. "This is just a reflection of the civil war that has started within the TMC... It is just the beginning of the end," BJP leader Rahul Sinha said. HTC

Close to identifying B'luru blast main accused: Cops; 4 detained

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BENGALURU: The Bengaluru central crime branch on Saturday detained four people in connection with the blast at Rameshwaram Café even as the police said that the they are close to identifying the prime accused.

To be sure, the detainees, according to the police, have not been accused of carrying out the blast but may have "helped an unidentified person to leave the bag with a bomb" in the restaurant. Nine people were injured after a low-intensity bomb exploded at the restaurant in Bengaluru on Friday afternoon, prompting a multi-agency probe.

Meanwhile, Karnataka chief minister who visited the blast site on Saturday and also held meeting with senior police officials, issued directives to enhance security across Bengaluru. The chief minister also announced that the government will cover the medical expenses of the people injured in the blast.

Bengaluru police commissioner B Dayanand said: "Some people have been detained, however, no arrests have been made so far. Multiple police teams are examining various angles based on the clues gathered at the scene." A police officer aware of the development said that none of the four people detained "are suspects in the case" and they are being "questioned about the suspects." "We have got some clues and the investigation is being conducted," the officer said, requesting anonymity.

CM Siddaramaiah visits the blast site, in Bengaluru. PTI

Police said that the CCTV footage accessed from the area showed the suspect entering the cafe. "The suspect was carrying a bag and proceeded to consume idli... The suspect was talking to someone on his mobile phone while eating," the officer quoted above said.

A second police officer familiar with the investigation said they are trying to narrow down the mobile phones used in the restaurant at the time of the blast and were trying "to find the phone number of the suspect". "We are trying to find if there is a connection between the blast and the mobile phone that the suspect was using," the second officer said.

In a related development, the police also visited Parappana Agrahara (or Central Prison Bengaluru) jail to verify the people who may have "visited some of the bomb accused suspects lodged in the jail in different cases", said the officer. According to the police, the suspect's visuals while boarding a bus

The police have also been able to track the accused's movements to a Volvo bus, going from Banashankari to ITPL.

Even though the suspect's movements have been captured on multiple CCTV cameras, the police are yet to figure out his identity as he was wearing a mask, said the officer. Police commissioner Dayanand said that the central crime branch has been assigned the task of investigating the case.

On Saturday, chief minister Siddaramaiah held a meeting with state home minister G Parameshwara, DG and IGP Alok Mohan and police commissioner B Dayanand among other top police officials at his residence in Bengaluru.

During the meeting, Siddaramaiah directed the police "to enhance security measures across Bengaluru, including the densely populated areas". Earlier in the day, the CM had visited the Rameshwaram Café and Brookfield hospital to meet the injured. The CM said the government will cover the medical expenses of the injured individuals.

The CM said: "It is important to conduct inquiries without succumbing to external pressures, including those from social media platforms."

"The investigations are ongoing to ascertain the identity and motives of the perpetrator(s)."

Meanwhile deputy chief minister D K Shivakumar said that the police are looking "at the connection between the Bengaluru blast and Mangaluru cooker blast" in 2023. "There appears to be some common link," he said, after visiting the explosion site.

Police said so far three people have been discharged. The other six are undergoing treatment at the hospital and will be discharged soon, said the officials

India to commission naval base at Minicoy on March 6

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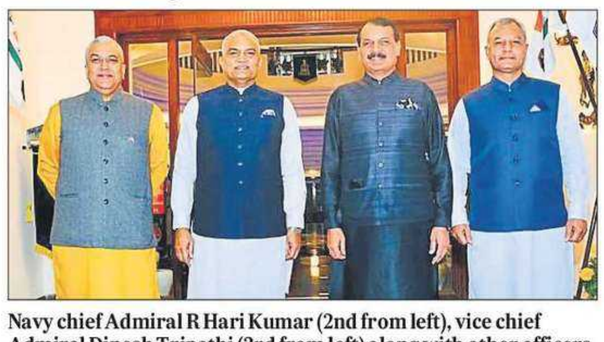
NEW DELHI: The Indian Navy is set to convert its temporary set up at Minicoy in Lakshadweep islands into a full-fledged naval base, INS Jatayu, enhancing its operational capability and reach in the Indian Ocean region that presents a variety of challenges, officials aware of the matter said on Saturday.

It will commission Naval Detachment Minicoy as INS Jatayu on March 6 in the presence of navy chief Admiral R Hari Kumar.

"The navy will now deploy some of its assets in the Minicoy Island and will also base personnel there permanently. That was not the case earlier. It's about tapping the country's geographical advantage to further our maritime interests," said one of the officials cited above, asking not to be named.

INS Jatayu is the second naval base in Lakshadweep after INS Dweeprakshak in Kavaratti. Minicoy is the southernmost island of Lakshadweep, 215 nautical miles south-west of Kochi.

"The event marks an important milestone in the navy's resolve to incrementally augment security infrastructure at the strategically important Lakshadweep Islands," navy spokesperson Commander Vivek Madhwal said in a statement.


Navy chief Admiral R Hari Kumar (2nd from left), vice chief Admiral Dinesh Tripathi (3rd from left) along with other officers during an event, marking the official debut of ethnic attire. NAVY PIC

Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Lakshadweep in January propelled the islands into the limelight.

The Naval Detachment Minicoy was set up in the early 1980s under the operational command of Naval Officer-in-Charge (Lakshadweep). Minicoy straddles vital sea lines of communications and the basing of an independent naval unit there with the requisite infrastructure and resources will enhance the overall operational capability of the Indian Navy, Madhwal said.

"The base will enhance operational reach and facilitate the Indian Navy's operational effort towards anti-piracy and anti-narcotics operations in the western Arabian Sea. It will also augment the navy's capability as the first responder in the region. The establishment of the naval base is in line with the Indian government's focus on the comprehensive development of islands," he said. "With the commissioning of INS Jatayu, the Indian Navy will strengthen its foothold in the Lakshadweep islands, and along with extending operational surveillance, reach and sustenance, it will usher in a new era of capacity building and comprehensive development of the island territories."

Minicoy lies near the 9 Degree Channel, a busy global shipping route. The challenges in the distant seas include China's carefully calculated power play for influence, defending the rules-based international order, and the Arabian Sea emerging as a new front with Red Sea tensions escalating and the resurgence of piracy. The navy has stepped up surveillance in the area substantially and deployed task groups consisting of around 10 warships in the face of rising threats.

MeitY: Govt nod must for launch of under-testing AI models in the country

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NEW DELHI: All "unreliable" and "under-tested" artificial intelligence models must get explicit permission from Indian government before being made available to users in India, the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) has said in an advisory to platforms.

All intermediaries should ensure that their AI tools do not allow any bias or discrimination, or threaten the integrity of the electoral process, the advisory said on Friday. The advisory also instructed intermediaries to label all synthetically created media and text or to embed such artificially generated content with unique identifier or metadata so that it is easily identifiable. Intermediaries have been instructed to ensure compliance with immediate effect and submit "an Action Taken-cum-Status Report" to MeitY in 15 days.

This advisory was sent a week after minister of state for electronics and information technology Rajeev Chandrasekhar posted a response on X on Google's Gemini AI to the question "Is Modi a fascist"stating that the chatbot violated Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021. Earlier on Monday, IT minister Ashwini Vaishnaw had said at an event, "Gemini must make sure that its models are properly trained. ..biases will not be tolerated."

INTERMEDIARIES HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO SUBMIT "AN ACTION TAKEN-CUM-STATUS REPORT" TO MEITY IN 15 DAYS

"The use of under-testing/ unreliable Artificial Intelligence model(s)/LLM/Generative AI, software(s) or algorithm(s) and its availability to the users on Indian Internet must be done so with explicit permission of the Government of India..." the advisory said. MeitY has advised intermediaries to label all synthetically created content... "in such a manner that such information may be used potentially as misinformation or deepfake" even as it has not defined what a "deepfake" is. When Chandrasekhar was asked if given the general elections, could deepfakes-related amendments to the IT Rules be expected before the elections? "No," he said. "...the advisory...clarifies that deepfakes are nothing but AI -powered misinformation. You (platforms) need to deal with it."

WTO fails to finalise deals for developing nations on key issues

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NEW DELHI: The World Trade Organisation (WTO) failed to achieve any tangible deal for developing nations on key matters such as agriculture and fishing subsidies at the Abu Dhabi ministerial that concluded early Saturday morning. However, developed countries managed another two-year extension of a customs duty moratorium for their e-commerce giants.

India, however, navigated well throughout the extended five-day negotiations, retaining "full policy space" on public procurement of crops from its farmers at minimum support price (MSP) and to continue supporting livelihood of its nine million poor fishermen. Commerce minister Piyush Goyal said it was a "good outcome". The multilateral forum will continue discussions on trade-related issues as "forward movement is always a sign of a possible closure going forward," he told reporters after the conference. WTO director-general Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala described the last moments of the thirteenth ministerial conference (MC13) as "tough" in a post on X (twitter) on Saturday while calling it "negotiating to the wire" and said: "But finally, a great ending with great results! We didn't get everything we wanted, but we got a lot."

Key achievements summed up by Okonjo-Iweala included,

Delegates during the 13th WTO ministerial conference in Abu Dhabi on February 26. REUTERS

extension e-commerce moratorium, resolution of least developed countries' (LDC) graduation issues, review of special and differential treatment (SDT) to make it more effective, and accessions from two new members Timor Leste and Comoros.

She also mentioned about the investment facilitation development (IFD) agreement among 123 countries as one of the achievements of MC13. The IFD agenda was pushed by a China-led group since 2017 aiming to facilitate easier movement of foreign direct investments (FDIs). Countries like India and South Africa blocked its inclusion in the final outcome document discouraging groups from unilaterally pushing non-trade agenda through a joint statement initiative (JSI). The group, however, got it included in the Annexure-4 of the WTO, which makes a pact binding on only the signatory members and not obligatory for non-signatories such as India, South Africa and the US.

Justifying allowing yet another extension to customs duty moratorium on e-commerce for two years until the next ministerial (MC14) in 2026, one of the negotiators said requesting anonymity: "Customs duties are imposed only on goods and not services. E-commerce involves cross-border transmissions of products digitally leaving ambiguity of their status as goods or services. Such classifications and other related issues need to be addressed before duties on exports vial e-commerce is enforced." According to a 2017 study, developing nations lost about $10 billion revenue due to allowing duty-free imports by big-tech, mostly located in developed countries with India's share at $500 million, he said.

"MC13 could not resolve key issues related to agriculture, fisheries and structural reforms in WTO, however, India fully protected its national interests," he said. The Ministerial Conference, a biannual affair, is the highest decision-making body of the WTO where decisions are made on the basis of consensus. India successfully blocked the agenda of developed countries to include non-trade issues such as investment, labour, and environment in the WTO, arguing that several global subject-specific bodies are dealing with these matters and their inclusion in the multilateral trade body could be misused as non-tariff barriers.

CBSE considers policy on use of AI to prepare students for future jobs

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NEW DELHI: The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) is planning to prepare a comprehensive policy on the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) with an aim to prepare students for future jobs, and to foster creativity and innovation among them, officials aware of the development said.

According to officials, the plan was discussed during the CBSE's department of Skill Education meeting held in November last year, and it was decided to constitute a committee consisting representatives from higher education institutions such as IITs, NITs, ministry of electronics and information technology, stakeholders from leading industry promoting AI globally, and officials from the board.

As per the minutes of the meeting, seen by HT, representatives from the AI-powered startups will also be part of the committee. "The rapid advancement of AI is transforming the world, creating new opportunities, and challenges for students and educators alike. AI already has a significant impact on industries such as healthcare, finance, manufacturing and transportation, and is expected to play a greater role in future. It is crucial that the students develop a

OFFICIALS SAID THE PLAN WAS DISCUSSED DURING THE CBSE'S DEPARTMENT OF SKILL EDUCATION MEET IN NOV 2023

strong foundation of AI skills to prepare for the jobs in future..."It is proposed that a comprehensive AI strategy for schools may be developed..," the board proposed during the meeting as per the minutes.

Officials said that soon the committee will be formed and it is likely to submit the recommendations by the end of April 2024. "The committee will prepare strategies for improving students' learning outcomes using AI and digital creativity tools, and also focuses on promoting social inclusion by providing access to education and opportunities for students with disabilities," said a senior official from the board.

The policy will also provide professional development opportunities for the teachers. "The policy will also provide a roadmap for industry and academic partnerships," the official said. "The strategies will be made with a set target to achieve short and long term goals," the official added.

Cash-for-vote: SC verdict on March 4 on earlier order shielding MPs, MLAs

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NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court will pronounce its verdict on March 4 on whether MPs and MLAs enjoy immunity from prosecution for taking bribe to make a speech or cast a vote in legislature.

Having reserved its judgement on October 5, 2023, a seven-judge constitution bench headed by Chief Justice of India Dhananjaya Y Chandrachud will pronounce the verdict on the issue. During the arguments, the Centre had submitted that bribery can never be a subject matter

A seven-member bench headed by the CJI will pronounce the verdict. ANI

of immunity and a parliamentary privilege is not meant to place a lawmaker above law.

The seven-judge bench is reconsidering the judgement delivered by a five-judge bench of the apex court in 1998 in the JMM bribery case by which MPs and MLAs were granted immunity from prosecution for taking bribes to make a speech or vote in legislature.

The top court, in the course of the hearing, said it will examine whether the immunity granted to lawmakers from prosecution for taking bribes to make a speech or vote in Parliament and state legislatures extends to them even if criminality is attached to their actions.

The apex court had on September 20, 2023 agreed to reconsider its judgement, saying it was an important issue having a significant bearing on "morality of polity".

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Congress manifesto based on Rahul's yatra to promise MSP law, caste census

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NEW DELHI: The Congress party's upcoming manifesto for 2024 Lok Sabha election will be based on the thrust areas of party leader Rahul Gandhi's Bharat Jodo Nyay Yatra (BJNY) and the party is set to announce a caste census to ascertain the share of the population of various caste groups and raise the upper limits of the existing quotas for SC, ST and OBCs, if it is necessary as per the census findings.

The manifesto is set to promise a law on MSP (minimum support prices) to cater to a key demand of the farmers and also announce that vacancies in all government offices would be filled up.

According to a senior member of the party's manifesto panel, the poll promises will have specific sops for women, youth, farmers and workers.

The ideological basis of the manifesto would come from the ongoing BJNY and it will address the theme of justice. In his Yatra, Gandhi has focused on saving the Constitution and emphasised on economic, social and political justice, which have been secured in the Preamble to the Constitution.

The manifesto committee, led by former Union minister P Chidambaram will meet on Monday. "We will discuss the draft manifesto in the meeting," said a Congress leader who is a member of the panel.

Underlining the link between the BJNY and the party's poll promises, another Congress leader pointed out that the Yatra aims to "identify methods to deliver justice to every Indian".

"And this would also be the central theme of the manifesto for the 2024 elections."

The portal of BJNY says, "Every woman deserves respect,

Rahul Gandhi

each young person should have access to education and job opportunities, every farmer should receive the right price for their hard work and crops, every worker should earn a suitable income, and every citizen should have access to education and health care. The purpose of this Yatra is to establish an India where all sectors have a share in resources and institutions."

Gandhi had been vocal about the caste census during his BJNY. Everywhere he tries to point out the absence of SC, ST, OBCs among the top public institutions and the higher bureaucracy. From Aurangabad to Amethi, Gandhi had dubbed caste census as a social X-ray.

In Amethi, Gandhi said, "Every day I wonder what is the population of backwards? They are 50% of the population. Dalits are 15% and tribals are 8%. Together, they form 73% of our country. But not a single backward person owns the top 200 companies. In the top management, in media, in the top administration of big hospitals, how many people are from this 73%? Zero. 90 officers run the country. They distribute the budget. Only 3 of these 90 IAS officers are Dalit and Adivasis," he said.

He also mentioned that farmers have faced "barricades that are used for tanks". "The Congress will give legal guarantee to MSP. And we will do X-ray. Don't look at here and there. You should ask, how much money did the government give me? Adani and I pay the same tax. But he gets crores and I don't get any money, this is the question you should ask," he said.

In the Hyderabad CWC on September 16 last year, the party passed a resolution calling for an increase in the existing upper limit of reservations for SCs, STs, and OBCs.

In Morena on Saturday, Gandhi announced that the party will provide a law for MSP if it comes to power.

The manifesto is also set to offer sops for youth, women, farmers and workers in the line of the guarantees given by the Congress governments in Karnataka and Telangana.

If the manifesto panel approves the draft, it will be sent to the Congress Working Committee for approval.

PFI member deported over RSS leader's murder, held

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NEW DELHI: The National Investigation Agency (NIA) has arrested a member of the banned Popular Front of India (PFI) after he was deported from Tanzania over the murder of Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) leader R Rudresh, the agency said in a statement on Saturday.

Rudresh, the mandal president of the Shivajinagar branch of RSS, was hacked to death by four members of PFI in Karnataka in 2016. NIA said the accused Ghouse Nayazi played a key part in planning the murder along with another PFI member, Asim Sheriff, with the aim to scare other members of RSS and its affiliates. Five people, including Sheriff, were earlier arrested in the case.

In an official statement after the submission of the charge

Ghouse Nayazi

sheet in 2017, the NIA had said the murder was pre-planned and the accused held multiple meetings before executing the killing.

"The duo had persuaded the other four accused to kill Rudresh with an intention to strike terror among the members of the RSS and the society. The killers were made to believe that the fight against the RSS was a holy war," the statement said.

According to the agency, Nayazi — who was on the run since 2016 and had fled the country. He was arrested by a special team at the Mumbai International Airport on Friday after he was deported from Dar-e-Salaam, the federal agency said.

Nayazi was also the president of the Social Democratic Party of India's (SDPI) — the political arm of PFI — Hebbal Assembly constituency branch.

The ministry of home affairs (MHA) banned the PFI and its eight affiliates — Rehab India Foundation (RIF), Campus Front of India (CFI), All India Imams Council (AIIC), National Confederation of Human Rights Organization (NCHRO), National Women's Front, Junior Front, Empower India Foundation and Rehab Foundation, Kerala —on September 27, 2022. The ban came days after a crackdown by NIA and the Enforcement Directorate (ED) on senior leaders and members of the PFI, in which at least 108 people were arrested.

GUV SUSPENDS VC OVER STUDENT'S DEATH IN VARSITY

THIRUVANANTHAPURAM: Kerala governor Arif Mohammed Khan, who is also the chancellor of universities in the state, on Saturday suspended the vice-chancellor of Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University in Wayanad following the death of a student.

Khan, in the order of suspension, said that a report given by the VC — Prof (Dr) M R Saseendranath — about the incident was "a testimony to the gross dereliction of duty on the part of the vice chancellor" during the developments that led to the death of a 20-year-old student on February 18. "The indifferent, negligent and callous attitude of the VC towards his duties and responsibilities, especially in the background of this unfortunate incident is revealed from his report dated February 28," the governor said and ordered a judicial probe into the student's death.

The 20-year-old, who was a second year in the university, was found hanging in the bathroom of his hostel on February 18. PTI

Drama in Himachal cabinet meet as 2 ministers stay absent, 2 leave midway

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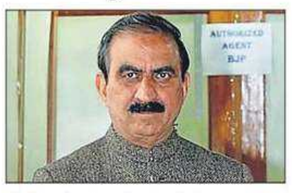
SHIMLA: High drama unfolded during the Himachal Pradesh cabinet meeting on Saturday as two state ministers — Vikramaditya Singh and Harshwardhan Chauhan — remained absent, two others left midway following a "heated debate" over policy decisions, as political crisis in the ruling Congress continued unabated.

Crisis began in the Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu-led government on February 27 after the Congress slumped to an embarrassing defeat in the Rajya Sabha polls, with party candidate Abhishek Singhvi receiving 34 votes after six party lawmakers and three independents previously backing the government supported Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) nominee Harsh Mahajan, who also received 34 votes. The tie was then resolved by a draw of lots, which favoured Mahajan.


Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu

The defeat fuelled speculation that the Sukhu government was reduced to a minority, sparking calls for his resignation. But speaker Kuldeep Pathania disqualified the six rebel MLAs for defying the party whip, giving the Congress some breathing room by bringing down the total numbers in the house to 62 members. The crisis, however, seemed far from over on Saturday when PWD minister Vikramaditya Singh and education minister Harshwardhan Chauhan skipped the cabinet meeting, chaired by the CM.

The development comes a day after Vikramaditya — son of six-time chief minister Virbhadhra Singh — travelled to Panchkula to meet the Congress's six rebel legislators, and then made his way to New Delhi amid speculation that he may be open to switching sides to the BJP.

People familiar with the matter, however, said that Vikramaditya could not attend the meeting as he was on a visit to Rajasthan's Udaipur for "personal work". Vikramaditya had earlier created ripples on Wednesday, when he resigned from the cabinet accusing Sukhu of disrespecting his father's legacy, but backtracked on his resignation on Thursday evening after meeting central observers Karnataka deputy chief minister DK Shivakumar, former Haryana chief minister Bhupinder Singh Hooda and the Congress's Himachal in-charge Rajeev Shukla.

Chauhan, who was also absent from the meeting, recently lost the Ayush department in the cabinet rejig and was later assigned the labour and employment department, and was reportedly dissatisfied. His office, however, said that the minister was in Chandigarh for a routine health check-up.

Meanwhile, education minister Rohit Thakur left the cabinet meeting midway after a "heated debate over a disagreement in decisions regarding the education department". Thakur, however, told the media later that he left as he was "emotionally disturbed because of personal reasons". "We are Pahari people and we get emotional, I dropped my son at his hostel in the morning," he said.

Meanwhile, revenue minister Jagat Negi also left the meeting midway. He later said he left to attend another engagement.

Earlier in the day, rebel state Congress MLA Rajinder Rana told news agency PTI, "Neither PWD minister Vikramaditya Singh had told the CM that he is meeting the Congress rebels nor the CM had sent him". He further called Sukhu "liar number one".

2 Bilkis case convicts move SC over cancellation of early release

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NEW DELHI: Two of the convicts in the Bilkis Bano gang rape case have moved the Supreme Court against its order cancelling the remission granted to them and sought that the issue be referred to a larger bench for a final adjudication.

Radheshyam Bhagwandas Shah and Rajubhai Babulal Soni, two of the 11 convicts in the case, said in their petition that an "anomalous" situation has arisen as two different top court benches of same strength have taken opposite view on the same issue of premature release and on which policy of the state government would be applicable to the petitioners for remission.

The plea, filed through advocate Rishi Malhotra, said that while one bench on May 13, 2022 ordered the Gujarat government to consider the application of Shah for premature release in connection with terms of the state government's

ON JAN 8, THE SC SCRAPPED THE REMISSION GIVEN TO THE 11 MEN CONVICTED AND ASKED THEM TO SURRENDER WITHIN 2 WEEKS

remission policy, the bench that pronounced the verdict on January 8, 2024 concluded that it was Maharashtra and not the Gujarat government that was competent to grant remission.

"An anomalous situation has arisen in the instant matter wherein two different co-ordinate benches sitting in same combination of two judges bench have taken diametrically opposite views on the very same issue of premature release of the petitioner as well as which policy of the State Government would be applicable," it said.

On January 8, the Supreme Court scrapped the remission granted to the 11 men convicted in the case and directed them to surrender in two weeks, holding that the Gujarat government was complicit with the prisoners and wrongly exercised its power to order their premature release.

In their latest petition, Shah and Soni said that court order was contrary to law and judicial propriety. It said that Bilkis had already filed a review petition against the May 2022 order that was rejected. He stated that the only remedy available to the victim was to file a curative petition and not file a writ petition questioning the earlier order of May 13. This was held by a Constitution bench decision in Rupa Ashok Hurra case (2002).

"The Judgment rendered on January 8 is directly in teeth of the Constitution Bench decision in Rupa Ashok Hurra case and the same needs to be set aside, as if the same is permitted then it would lead to not only judicial impropriety but to uncertainty and chaos as to which precedence of law has to be applied in future," the petition said.

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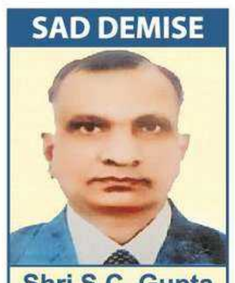

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Divisional Railway Manager (Engg.) N.E. Railways Izatnagar For and behalf of president of India invites "OPEN" e-tender through on Line (E-tendering) for the following work.
S.N. 1. Description of works: Outsourcing for track maintenance works against the vacancies for track maintainers for one year under Jurisdiction of ADEN/FGR Section. Approx. Value (Rs.) : Rs. 5,77,57,721.87, E.M.D Money (Rs.) : Rs. 4,38,800/-, Cost of Tender Form : Rs. NIL, Completion time/ period from the date of issue of acceptance letter 12 Months. S.N. 2. Description of works: Outsourcing for track maintenance works against the vacancies for track maintainers for one year under Jurisdiction of ADEN/MRT Section. Approx. Value (Rs.) : Rs. 2,92,65,934.14, E.M.D Money (Rs.) : Rs. 2,96,300/-, Cost of Tender Form : Rs. NIL, Completion time/ period from the date of issue of acceptance letter 12 Months. 1. On line e-tender can be submitted up to 15.00 hrs of dated 27.03.2024. 2. For full details and submission of bid please see the Indian Railways IREPS website www.ireps.gov.in
Divisional Railway Manager (Engg), Izatnagar
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Details can be seen on the websites http://risl.rajasthan.gov.in, http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in, http://doitc.rajasthan.gov.in. Bids are to be submitted through http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in.
Raj.Samwad/C/23/14090 Technical Director

Office of The Superintending Engineer
9th Circle Public Work Department Dehradun
Website- http://pwd.uk.gov.in, E-mail: sepwdddun09@Gmail.com
Letter No. 1495/1C-9/2024 Dated: 02.03.2024
NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING
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The Superintending Engineer 9th Circle, Public Works Department, Dehradun on behalf of "Governor of Uttarakhand" invites short term tender in two bid system for the following work. Information regarding tender shall be available on https://www.uktenders.gov.in from date 05.03.2024

Sl. No.	Name of Work	Earnest Money (Rs. in Lacs)	Cost of Tender Document (In Rs.)	Validity of Tender (In days)	Period of Completion (In Month)	Contractor Category of Registration
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Improvement work by BM and SDBC on Langh Madrasu Matogi motor road in Vikasnagar Constituncy of Dehradun District under Hon'ble C.M. Annoncement no. 672/2021 in the Financal Year 2023-24	13.44	5000.00 + 18% GST	120	18	Registerd in 'A' & above category in Road works in Central Govt. /State Govt/any Govt. Undertaking
1	Extension of Purodi-Ravana- Damta motor road in 13 km length and bridge work in Chakrata Assembly Constituency of distt. Dehradun under T.S.P. (Remaining Work)	6.13	5000.00 + 18% GST	120	9	Registerd in 'A' & above category in Road works in Central Govt. /State Govt/any Govt. Undertaking

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निविदा सूचना/2023-24
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Office of the Additional Chief Engineer, PWD, Zone, Ajmer
No.:- ACE/AJ/TECH/F2(30A-Ajmer)/D-5657 Date:- 20.02.2024
NIB No.:- PWD2324A4609
Notice Inviting Bid No. 33/2023-24
Bids for 04 No. Work are invited from interested bidders upto 6.00 P.M. on Wednesday 13 March 2024. Other particulars of the bid may be visited on the procurement portal (http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in, http://sppp.raj.nic.in) of the State; and DIPR departmental website. The approximate value of the procurement is Rs. 1279.19 Lacs.
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CIN:U24232RJ2011SGC035067, E-mail : edprmsc@rajasthan.gov.in
Ref. No.: F.02(396)/RMSCL/ED (P) EMPANELMENT/DTL/NIB-03/2024/254 Dated : 26.02.2024
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UBN No. MSC2324SLRC00136
Executive Director (Procurement)
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Office of The Superintending Engineer
7th Circle PWD. Gopeshwar
E-Mail:- sepwdgope@rediffmail.com
No.: 1151/50 Yatayat-7/2024 Dated: 02.03.2024
E-tender Notice (Two Bid)
Superintending Engineer, 7th Circle, P.W.D, Gopeshwar invites bid on behalf of Hon,ble Governor of Uttarakhand by e-tendering under two bid system for the following works. Information regarding bid will be available from 04.03.2024 on https://www.uktenders.gov.in.

Sl. No.	Name of Work	Amount of Earnest Money (Rs.Lakhs)	Cost of e-tender document	Validity of Tender (in Days)	Completion Period (in Months)	Contractor's Category of Registration
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	Road safety works on Karanprayag - Nauti-Paithani motor road (Sh-34) (km 0.00-12.00)	9.75	5000.00 + 18% GST	120	9	Registerd in Category "A" and above for Road work in Uttarakhand State
2.	Road safety works on Karanprayag-Dhardungari-Maikhura-Sonla- Kandra motor road (Sh-94) (km 0.00-22.00)	8.60	5000.00 + 18% GST	120	9	- do -
3.	Road safety works on Gauchar-Sidoli motor road (Sh-95) (km 0.00-9.526)	9.64	5000.00 + 18% GST	120	9	- do -

ED raids 29 locations in Guj in effort to bust human trafficking syndicates

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NEW DELHI: The Enforcement Directorate (ED) on Friday carried out raids at 29 locations across Gujarat as part of its probe into syndicates smuggling people to the United States via Canada and Mexico, weeks after a man was arrested from the state in connection with a disturbing human trafficking case involving four individuals who died in a blizzard while being illicitly transported to the US via Canada on January 19, 2022.

On February 21, the Chicago police apprehended Harshkumar Ramanlal Patel, infamously known as "Dirty Harry", in connection with the deaths of Jagdish Baldevbhai Patel, his wife Vaishaliben, and their children Vihangi and Dharmik, whose frozen bodies were found near Emerson, Manitoba.

The United States District Court, northern district of Illinois, has brought grave charges against "Dirty Harry", accusing him of "transportation of illegal aliens and conspiracy to bring and attempt to bring an illegal alien to the United States".

People familiar with the development said the agency has taken up three trafficking cases being probed by the Gujarat Police against Bharatbhai alias Bobby Patel, Rajubhai Becharbhai Prajapati and Bhavesh Ashokbhai Patel, among others.

According to investigators, "Dirty Harry" is suspected to be linked to Bobby Patel, who was arrested by the Gujarat Police in December, 2022 but was let off on bail by a court in Ahmedabad.

"Bobby Patel is under our scanner in the Dingucha (smuggling related deaths) case. We are analysing details of the US probe as well," an ED officer, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, said.

BESIDES GUJARAT, THE AGENCY IS ALSO DEVELOPING INTELLIGENCE ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING SYNDICATES FROM KERALA, PUNJAB

Besides Gujarat, ED is also developing intelligence on human trafficking syndicates operating from other states such as Kerala, Punjab etc, the officer said, adding that the agency suspects that human trafficking rings send people to European countries like France, Spain, Estonia, or Canada and Nicaragua, etc and from there to Mexico and then they are forced to cross the border of America in an unlawful manner.

The financial crimes probe agency has also found involvement of hawala operators and forex exchange companies in such cases, the officer said.

About Friday's coordinated raids on the illegal immigration syndicates, the first officer cited above said premises of certain kingpins, immigration consultants, auditors etc were searched and various documents including various original passports, identity cards and photographs of unknown individuals, property papers, digital devices, two luxury cars were seized while bank accounts of suspects, their relatives and companies were frozen.

The syndicates, a second officer said, used a modus operandi where they "lured desirous individuals promising to settle them abroad for which they charged huge amounts".

In one of the cases taken up by ED, involving Bobby Patel, it is suspected that "huge amounts were taken for sending Indian citizens abroad illegally based on bogus or fabricated documents for getting visa of different countries with duplicate or bogus passports used as genuine by impersonating the passengers wrongly", the second officer added. "The amount charged from one passenger ranged between ₹60 and 75 lakh; while a couple was between ₹1 crore and 1.25 crore, and couples accompanying children were charged between ₹1.25 crore and 1.75 crore," the officer added.

The first officer cited above said that "the victims lured by the syndicates are from all strata of society, including opulent, middle-class, even from rural backgrounds and are in all age brackets".

SAD, BJP to start fresh round of alliance talks in Punjab

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CHANDIGARH: Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) are going to restart their alliance talks in the next couple of days after putting them on the backburner owing to the farmers' stir.

According to senior functionaries of both BJP and SAD, the top leadership of both parties will start a fresh round of talks in Delhi early next week and explore the possibility of stitching up an alliance before the upcoming Lok Sabha polls.

As per reports, SAD chief Sukhbir Badal has already held discussions with BJP's top leadership and the first round of discussion on seat sharing has already taken place with Union minister Piyush Goyal.

SAD had been part of the BJP-led National Democratic Alliance (NDA) since 1996 and had walked out of the alliance in 2020, in the wake of the farm agitation against the Centre's three contentious farm laws. The BJP, at that time, had termed it as a step taken in haste.

On Saturday, state BJP chief Sunil Jakhar once again created a buzz when he told a news channel that people in Punjab want SAD-BJP to come together to defeat the ruling Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) in Punjab.

Sukhbir Singh Badal

"The alliance can take on the hidden alliance between Aam Aadmi Party government and the defunct Congress party in Punjab. Supporters of both the parties want them to come together to save Punjab," Jakhar later told HT. He, however, clarified that any seat-sharing formula will be decided by the party's high command.

A former SAD MP said things were already settled and were moving in the right direction but everything had to be put on hold because of farmer agitation.

"Both the parties started dwelling on the fallout of the agitation on the SAD-BJP alliance. Farmer agitation worked as a spanner in the alliance but now things seem to be working out again," the SAD leader said on the condition of anonymity.

Meanwhile, the state BJP unit has called up its called its state election committee meeting on Monday to finalise the names of three candidates from each Parliamentary segment. "After announcing the first list of candidates for the LS polls on Saturday, the BJP's central election committee (CEC) is likely to meet again on March 6 and Punjab Lok Sabha seats are likely to come up for discussion," a senior Punjab BJP functionary, who didn't wish to be named, said.

Karachi-bound ship halted with parts suspected to be for nukes

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MUMBAI: The security agencies on Saturday stopped a Karachi-bound ship from China at Nhava Sheva port in Mumbai on suspicion that it contained a dual-use consignment that could be used for Pakistan's nuclear and ballistic missiles programmed, officials aware of the matter said.

Based on an intelligence from the port staff, the custom officials stopped a Malta-flagged merchant ship — CMA CGM Attila — at the port en route to Karachi on January 23 and the consignment was inspected, which included a Computer Numerical Control (CNC) machine, originally manufactured by an Italian company.

CNC machines are basically controlled by a computer and produce a scale of efficiency, consistency and accuracy not possible manually.

A Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) team also inspected the consignment and certified that it could be used by the neighbouring country for its nuclear programme and is expected to file a report on the inspection soon.

According to the experts, the equipment would be useful in manufacturing critical parts for Pakistan's missile development programme.

Since 1996, CNC machines have been included in the Wassenaar Arrangement — an international arms control regime aimed at stopping the proliferation of equipment with both civilian and military uses.

The port officials, with specific intelligence, had alerted the Indian defence authorities who inspected the heavy cargo and reported their suspicions, after which the consignment was seized, the officials said, adding that the seizure falls under the prevention of possible proliferation by Pakistan and China.

According to documents such as bills of loading and other details of the consignment, the consigner was mentioned as "Shanghai JXE Global Logistics Co Ltd" and the consignee was "Pakistan Wings Pvt Ltd" of Sialkot.

However, after investigation by the security agencies, it was found that the consignment, weighing 22,180 kilogrammes, was shipped by Taiyuan Mining Import and Export Co Ltd and meant for Cosmos Engineering in Pakistan, officials aware of the matter said.

This is not the first instance when Indian port officials have seized such dual-use military-grade items being shipped from China to Pakistan.

Cosmos Engineering, a Pakistani defence supplier, has been on a watchlist since March 12, 2022, after Indian authorities intercepted a shipment of Italian-made thermo-electric instruments.

Jayant Chaudhary

JAYANT OFFICIALLY JOINS NDA, MEETS NADDA AND SHAH

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NEW DELHI: In a blow to the opposition Indian National Developmental Inclusive Alliance (INDIA) bloc, Rashtriya Lok Dal (RLD) chief Jayant Chaudhary finally joined the National Democractic Alliance (NDA) on Saturday.

Chaudhary met Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) president JP Nadda and Union home minister Amit Shah in Delhi and said that the NDA will win more than 400 seats in the Lok Sabha polls.

"Under the leadership of Shri @narendramodiji, India is becoming a witness to development and welfare of the poor! Met Mr. @AmitShahji and Mr. @JPNaddaji and decided to join #NDA . NDA is ready to fulfill the resolve of developed India and the goal of crossing 400 this time!" Chaudhary said in a post on 'X'.

Welcomed Chaudhary into the NDA fold, Nadda posted, "Today, in the presence of Honorable Home Minister Shri @amitshahji, there was a meeting with the President of @RLDparty @jayantrldji. I heartily welcome his decision to join the NDA family."

"Under the leadership of respected @narendramodiji, you will make an important contribution in the journey of developed India and the development of Uttar Pradesh. This time NDA crosses 400!" Jayant Chaudhary added.

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Estimated cost of the work	Rs. 59 Lakhs
Tender Cost	Rs. 500/-
Bid Security Amount	Rs. 1,18,000/-
Bid Processing Fee	Rs. 1500/-
Document downloading Date	01.03.2024
Last date of Bid submission	11.03.2024 at 6.00 PM
Date and Time of Bid Opening	12.03.2024 at 12.00 PM

Bid Document and details can be downloaded from **http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in** and **http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in**.

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Dipr/c/1866/2024 **(Addl. Resident Commissioner)**

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नई दिल्ली
साक्षात्कार सूचना

शैक्षणिक सत्र 2024-25 हेतु केन्द्रीय विद्यालय सेक्टर- 8, रामकृष्ण पुरम में Part Time/संविदा आधार (पार्ट टाइम) पर विभिन्न संभावित रिक्तियों के विरुद्ध [प्राथमिक, स्नातक एवं स्नातकोत्तर शिक्षकों] तथा कंप्यूटर, खेल-कूद, बैंड एवं नृत्य, योग आदि प्रशिक्षकों; नर्स, डॉक्टर, स्पेशल एडूकेटर, काउन्सलर इत्यादि के लिए पैनल बनाने हेतु साक्षात्कार 11.03.2024 एवं 12.03.2024 को आयोजित किया जा रहा है। पात्र उम्मीदवार दिनांक 03.03.2024 को प्रातः 10.00 से 07.03.2024 अपराह्न 05.00 बजे तक (ऑनलाइन फॉर्म भरकर) जमा कर सकते हैं। **Online Google Form Link** एवं विस्तृत अद्यतित जानकारी विद्यालय वेबसाईट **https://rkpuramsec8.kvs.ac.in/school-announcement** अथवा नीचे दिए गए QR कोड को स्कैन करके प्राप्त की जा सकती है। विद्यालय वेबसाईट के अनाउंसमेंट/डाउनलोड सेक्शन पर दिनांक 03.03.2024 को प्रातः 10.00 बजे से उपलब्ध होगी।

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LOOK OUT NOTICE

On 21.02.2024, one Tirth Ram S/O Puran Chand R/O Najote Tehsil Lohai Malhar District Kathua lodged a written report at Police Station Billawar stating therein that on 19.02.2024 his daughter namely Arti Devi, age about 18 years went to Shiv Mandir Billawar and did not return back. The complainant tried his best to search his daughter but all in vain. On this, missing report vide DD No. 20 dated 21.02.2024 has been entered at Police Station Billawar.

During the course of investigation, best efforts were made to locate missing individual, whereas she is still un-traced.

As such Description Roll/Photograph of said missing individual is being shared with the appeal that anybody having clue/information about her whereabouts may inform us accordingly. The informer will be rewarded suitably:-

DESCRIPTION ROLL **PHOTOGRAPH**

- Name : Arti Devi
- Father : Tirth Ram
- Permanent Address : Village Najote
- Present Address : Village Najote
- Tehsil : Lohai Malhar
- Police Station : Kathua
- Age : 18 years
- Height : 5 feet
- Complexion : Wheatish
- Built : Medium
- Face : Round
- Eyes : Black
- Languages known : Dogri/Hindi

Any information related to the whereabouts of the subject may be communicated on following contacts:-
1. DPO Kathua- 01922-234010 (Phone/Fax)
2. **dpokathua@jkpolice.gov.in** (Mail ID)
3. PCR Kathua- 01922-234311 (Phone/Fax)
4. Police Station Billawar – 01922234310

DIP-J-15617-23 **Sr. Superintendent of Police, Kathua**

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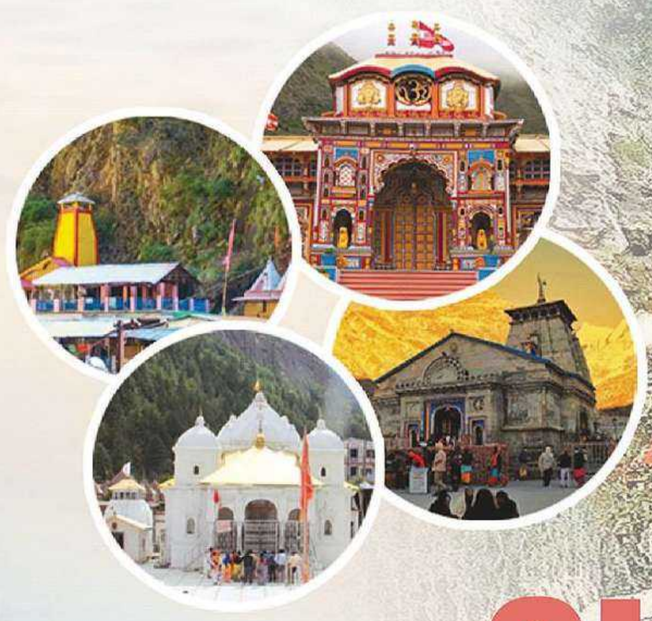

"Efforts are being made to ensure that the advantages of government schemes reach every individual of the state. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has set a goal of making Uttarakhand a top-performing state in all areas by 2025. The state government will spare no effort in achieving this objective. With PM Modi at the helm, India is progressing towards becoming a 'Vishwa Guru'. In Uttarakhand, numerous projects including the Chardham Highway, Rishikesh-Karnprayag Rail Line and Kedarnath reconstruction are underway under PM Modi's visionary leadership.

Pushkar Singh Dhami, Chief Minister, Uttarakhand

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The 'Char Dham All Weather Road Pro to the four sites — Yamunotri, Gangot

The 'Char Dham All Weather Road Project' will boost Uttarakhand's development by providing uninterrupted access to the pilgrimage sites of Yamunotri, Gangotri, Kedarnath, and Badrinath Dham. This enhances connectivity for pilgrimage and tourism in the state.

The Chardham Yatra is an ancient pilgrimage route in India, located amidst the breathtaking Himalayan mountains. Renowned for its natural splendor, these four sacred sites draw countless pilgrims and travelers seeking spiritual solace.

The Chardham pilgrimage is known for its difficult terrain, making it impossible to travel year-round. Natural disasters like heavy rain, landslides, and snow often block the path, making it unsafe for travellers.

The Uttarakhand government has undertaken the 'Char Dham All Weather Road Project' to meet the needs of travellers, tourists, businessmen, and locals. As part of the project, the existing roads are being expanded and reinforced with a robust network. The Chardham Highway serves as a vital l the key urban centers lead sacred pilgrimage destinat establishing a robust netw enables seamless transpo includes Yamunotri, Gang Guptkashi (for Kedarnath) Joshimath (for Badrinath). highway is crucial for pilgri rest stops, refueling statio access to supplies. The su launch of this transformati marks the beginning of a lo towards comprehensive g includes expanding road infrastructure to isolated re integrating Uttarakhand in national transportation net

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The Char Dham Highwa involves upgrading 900 km long road using advanced e techniques to tackle challen and weather conditions. De obstacles, the project inclu widening roads, building tu installing retaining walls to highway's durability and sa

Air Connectivity Takes Uttarakhand's Growth To New Heights

The progress of Uttarakhand will soar to new levels with the continuous enhancement and expansion of air services. Recently, the Uttarakhand Cabinet, led by Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami, has approved the expansion plan of Pantnagar Airport. This significant development paves the way for Pantnagar Airport to be transformed into an international airport.

Currently, the airport's runway measures 1,372 meters in length. However, there are plans to extend the existing runway at the international airport to a length of 3,000 meters. This expansion will enable the airport to accommodate larger aircraft. Additionally, a total of 804 acres of land, including parcels owned by different government departments, will be acquired for the airport's expansion.

The Airport Authority of India has conducted the OLS survey to transform Pantnagar Airport into an international airport. Additionally, the Government of India has granted preliminary approval for the construction of a 3 km airstrip near Pantnagar Airport. The establishment of an international airport will significantly boost the state's progress, making it more accessible to foreign tourists, investors, and businessmen. This will, in turn, spur economic growth by facilitating the export of local products such as herbs, handicrafts, and horticulture items. Moreover, the expansion of Pantnagar Airport will create new avenues for both direct and indirect employment opportunities.

CM Dhami recently inaugurated the newly constructed Phase-2 terminal building at Jolly Grant Airport. It added 14,000 sq mt, bringing the total expansion to 42,000 sq mt. The terminal is being built in two phases at a cost of Rs 486 crore. During the inauguration, the CM highlighted the rapid expansion of air services under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, noting that the Indian civil aviation industry currently ranks third in domestic traffic after America and China. Our government is committed to promoting aviation in Uttarakhand and making it a leading state. Enhanced air transport will create job opportunities in the tourism, hospitality, and transportation sectors. Improved road infrastructure will stimulate growth in construction projects. Education and healthcare services will be enhanced, and investor influx will rise. Overall, air connectivity expansion will boost tourism, attract more tourists, and drive economic growth, prosperity, and job creation.

- Uttarakhand is the first state of India to start Heli-Service under the 'UDAN' Scheme
- Jolly Grant Airport developed as per international standards
- Newly-constructed Phase-2 terminal building at Jolly Grant Airport inaugurated
- Plan to develop green field airport in Udham Singh Nagar
- Uttarakhand was awarded as the Most Proactive State due to the successful implementation of the Regional Connectivity Scheme in the year 2020
- From having only 1 airport in 2014, Uttarakhand today has 10 airports
- Uttarakhand to have 21 heliports under UDAN 5.0 scheme
- Air services operated from Dehradun Airport to 13 cities of the country

Heli service starts from Haldwani to Munsiyari, Pithoragarh, Champawat

Moving ahead on the plan to provide air connectivity to the far-flung areas of the state, CM Pushkar Singh Dhami flagged off heli service recently

Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami, under the Regional Connectivity Scheme, virtually flagged off the heli service from Haldwani to Munsiyari, Pithoragarh and Champawat recently.

Air service between these towns was awaited for a long time, Dhami said addressing the programme, organized by the Civil Aviation Department, at the chief minister's residence.

It will not only connect remote areas and be an addition to the facilities being provided for the movement of people but will also help in relief and rescue operations in times of emergency. Soon air operations will start on Dehradun-Amritsar, Dehradun-Pantnagar, Dehradun-Ayodhya routes, he said.

Traveling from Munsiyari Pithoragarh to Haldwani used to take 12 hours, but thanks to the heli service, the journey can now be done in just one-and-a-half hours, greatly benefiting critically ill patients needing to reach hospitals in Haldwani. Heritage Aviation's heli services also cover routes to Munsiyari, Pithoragarh, and Champawat. In addition to disclosing the flight's booking number and relevant details, the company has also established a fixed fare. The helipad at Gaulapar in Haldwani will operate two flights daily, utilizing 7 seater helicopters to serve various destinations. The commencement of this heli service will greatly enhance tourism, thereby creating employment opportunities for the local community and contributing to the growth of Kumaon's tourism sector. After Haldwani, heli service will be started from other places also. CM Dhami has announced that the state government is actively working on future strategies to guarantee smooth transportation between the plains and hilly districts. In the near future, helicopter services will be launched from various cities in Uttarakhand to facilitate travel to other destinations.

Uttarakhand Thrive

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Devbhoomi Uttarakhand, nestled in the Himalayas, is making remarkable strides in its transportation sector. Inspired by the visionary leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the Government of Uttarakhand, under Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami, has initiated numerous ambitious transport projects to bolster connectivity, foster economic growth, and maintain the ecological balance.

Ropeway Project

The Uttarakhand government is investing in innovative projects like ropeways to overcome geographical obstacles in hilly areas. Th projects aim to improve co between remote villages a spots using eco-friendly tra services. One notable proj proposed ropeway conne Dehradun and Mussoorie, promotes environmental conservation and efficient

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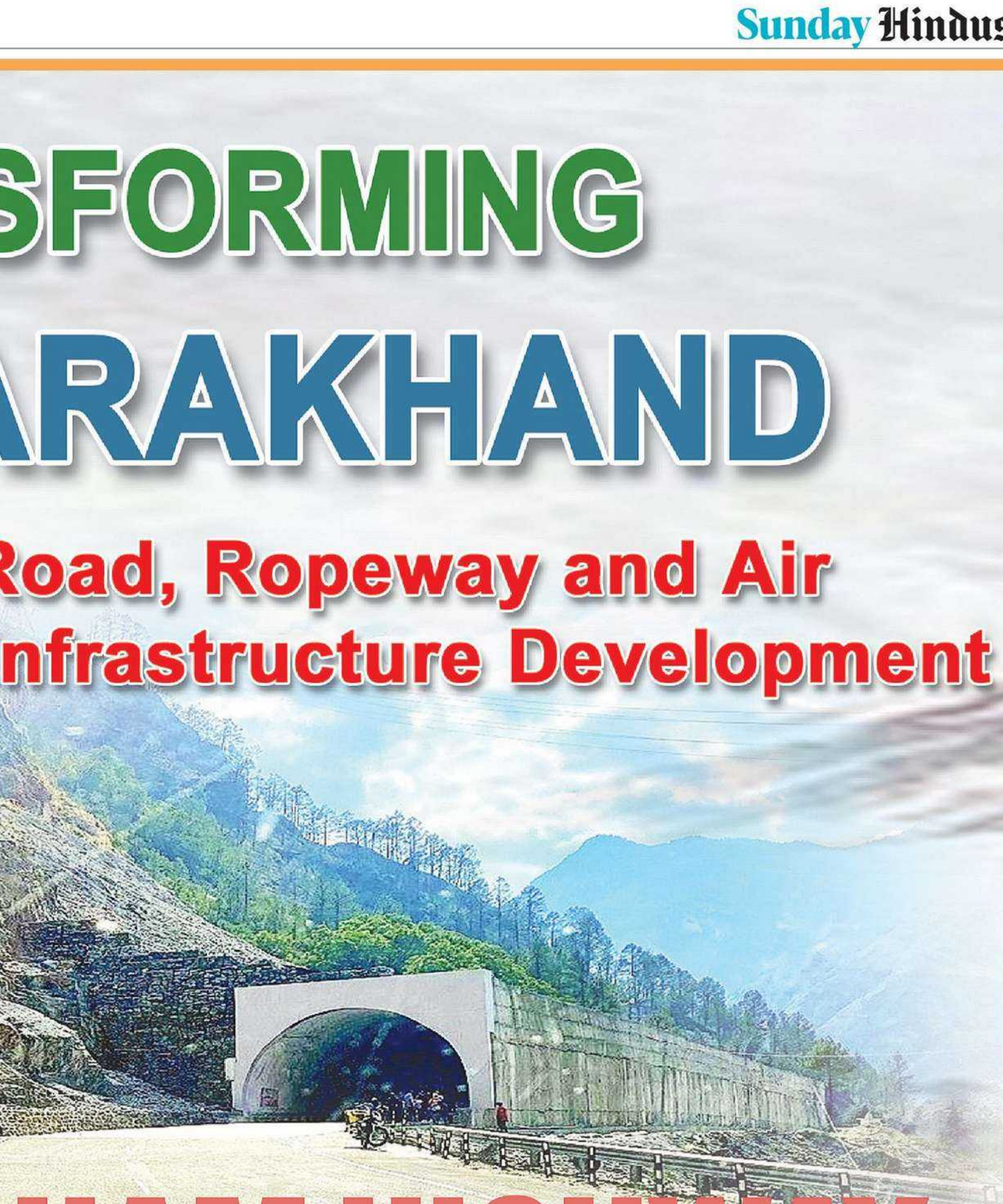

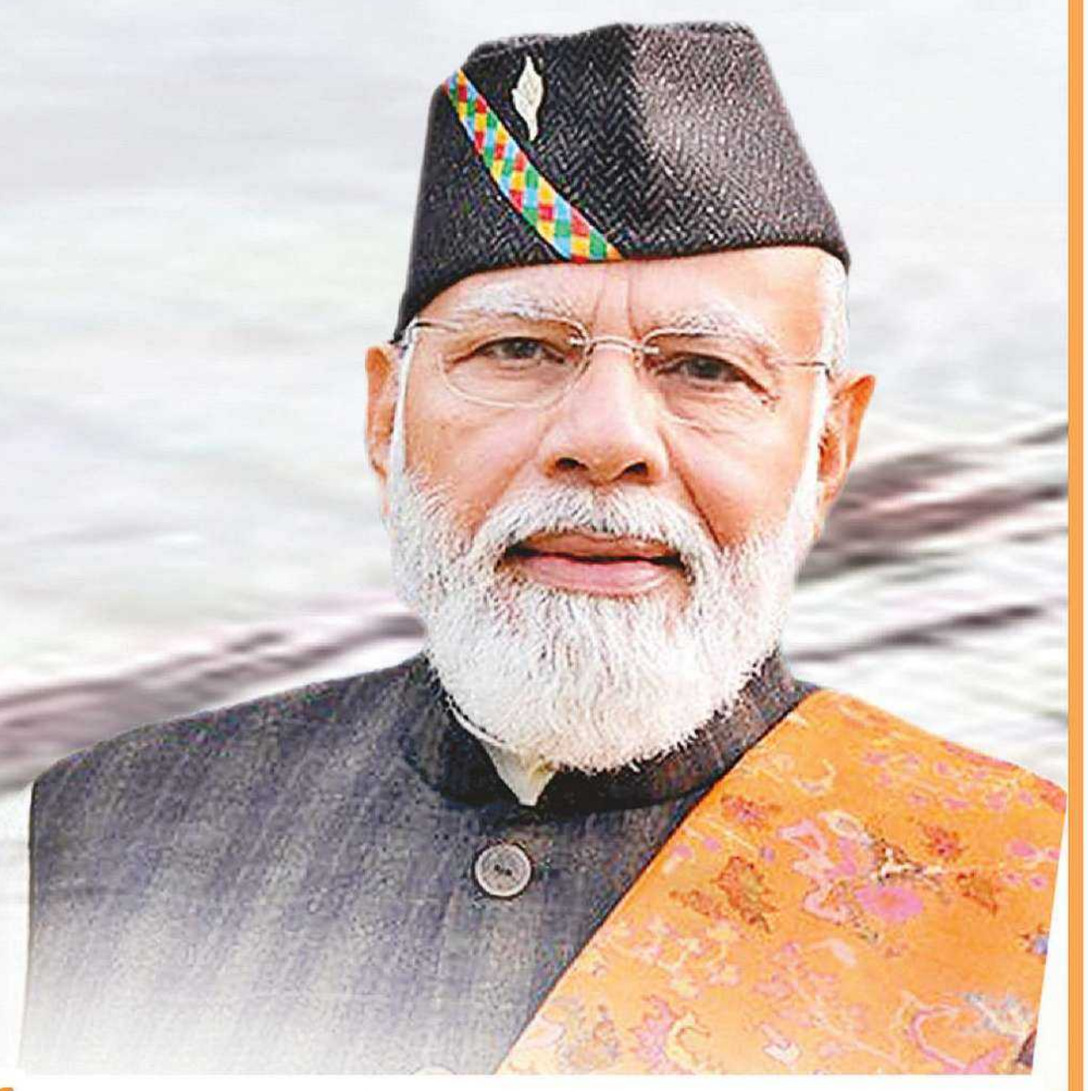

"I commend the Government of Uttarakhand for various policy initiatives it has taken in recent years. The progress of Uttarakhand can be attributed to a strong emphasis on vital sectors like tourism and renewable energy. It is gratifying to witness the State's substantial advancements in infrastructure development, which have set new standards for sustainable growth. Uttarakhand's unwavering commitment to harnessing its natural resources and promoting tourism has not only bolstered the economy but also highlighted its potential on the international platform. I applaud the state's unwavering commitment to inclusive progress and anticipate its continued success in the future.

Narendra Modi, Prime Minister

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fety. Over 70% of the work is done, with construction progress spanning 224 km. The Chamba Tunnel, connecting Chamba and Rishikesh, is a remarkable achievement, reducing travel time and ensuring safe passage for pilgrims. Pre-cast bridges and improvements in landslide-prone areas will contribute to overall development. Similarly, the proposed railway route aims to connect five districts of Uttarakhand, including Dehradun, Tehri Garhwal, Pauri Garhwal, Rudraprayag, and Chamoli, as well as Devprayag, Srinagar, Rudraprayag, Gauchar, and Karnaprayag. Since March 2020, the inaugural 5.7 km stretch connecting Veerbhadra station and Yog Nagari Krishikesh station (PK-A) has been opened for commuters.

Construction work from Rishikesh to Karnaprayag is ongoing and expected to be completed by December 2024. To ensure timely completion, tunnel construction has been divided into ten packages. The Rishikesh Railway Station has been designed with modern and sustainable elements, such as natural light, to conserve natural resources.

Preserving Ecosystem

Uttarakhand is known for its varied flora and fauna and fragile ecosystem. Therefore, the Char Dham Highway Project is being developed with a focus on environmental preservation. The construction includes environmental impact assessments, tree plantation, and sustainable materials. Special measures are being taken to protect habitats and wildlife during the building of tunnels and bridges. The goal is to balance preservation and progress, safeguarding Uttarakhand's natural heritage for future generations.

Boosting Economy and Tourism Sector

The Char Dham Highway initiative aims to drive economic growth in the region by primarily focusing on religious tourism. Enhanced connectivity results in a surge in the number of tourists, thereby positively impacting local businesses, hospitality services, and transportation sectors. The pilgrimage sites located along the Chardham Highway are known for their spiritual importance and their captivating natural beauty. The enhancement of infrastructure motivates travelers to discover more than just religious sites, thereby playing a key role in boosting the tourism sector in Uttarakhand. This, in turn, leads to job creation and economic advancement for the residents of the region. The development of strong infrastructure in ecologically sensitive areas demonstrates how modern engineering and environmental protection can co-exist. The Char Dham Highway initiative symbolizes a revolution in transportation infrastructure, focusing on enhanced connectivity, economic progress, and ecological equilibrium. Uttarakhand's dedication to ensuring year-round accessibility to its revered pilgrimage destinations epitomizes a seamless fusion of heritage and innovation.

Rishikesh-Karnprayag rail connectivity will act as a catalyst in bolstering the economic growth of Uttarakhand

RISHIKESH-KARNPRAYAG RAIL LINE

Paving Path to Progress and Prosperity

The Rishikesh-Karnprayag rail line in Uttarakhand is a crucial initiative by the government to enhance connectivity in remote regions of the Himalayan state. The hilly terrain of this area has long posed transportation challenges, making this project of utmost significance. The objective behind constructing the railway track from Rishikesh to Karnaprayag is to consistently foster the growth and progress of Devbhoomi Uttarakhand.

The Rishikesh-Karnprayag railway project aims to tackle transportation challenges by linking various cities and offering a reliable, cost-effective, and safe means of travel. The project aims to connect five districts in Uttarakhand - Dehradun, Tehri Garhwal, Pauri Garhwal, Rudraprayag, and Chamoli. It will link important cities, including Devprayag, Srinagar, Rudraprayag, Gauchar and Karnprayag, supporting religious activities, boosting economic growth, and providing convenient access for pilgrims while fostering regional development. The work on the 138 km stretch, out of the total 213 km of the Rishikesh-Karnaprayag new line, is complete. The anticipated cost of the project is ₹16,216 crore.

Tourism and Economy Get a Fillip

The Rishikesh-Karnprayag railway line will have a significant impact on the economic and social development of Devbhoomi Uttarakhand. This project will improve the financial situation of locals and boost tourism in the region. Better connectivity will attract more tourists, benefiting local businesses, hospitality, and transportation services. The construction of this railway line will play a crucial role in promoting pilgrimage and economic growth. The Rishikesh-Karnprayag rail line connects Devprayag, Srinagar, Rudraprayag, Gauchar, and Karnprayag, providing access to tourist spots, trekking paths, and adventure opportunities. This new transportation option will enhance tourist accessibility, thereby boosting Uttarakhand's tourism sector. Moreover, local residents stand to benefit from increased job prospects, both directly and indirectly, leading to accelerated economic growth in the region.

An Engineering Marvel

To ensure timely completion, tunnel construction has been divided into 10 packages. Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL) is committed to complete the project as per the schedule. The project will be completed in multiple phases. In March 2020, RVNL accomplished a major milestone by finishing the first segment, which covered the 5.7 km distance between Virbhadra station and Yog Nagari Rishikesh station (PK-1A).

The completion of the rail line from Yoga City Rishikesh to Karnaprayag is scheduled for the next phase of construction. According to the project's timeline, this section is set to commence by December 2024.

The advanced technologies of tunnelling including Tunnel Boring Machine (TBM) are adopted and various project monitoring systems (ISETIA, SISO,THINK PROJECT, TILOS etc.) are used to monitor the day-to-day progress.

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e-Mobility

Uttarakhand is committed to advancing e-mobility initiatives for eco-friendly transportation in Devbhoomi. Electric buses are now available for urban and inter-city travel, reducing carbon emissions and promoting clean energy. The government is offering incentives like subsidies, expanding charging infrastructure and raising awareness to encourage the adoption of electric vehicles (EVs). This progress in e-mobility marks a significant step towards addressing environmental concerns and establishing sustainable transportation for a better future.

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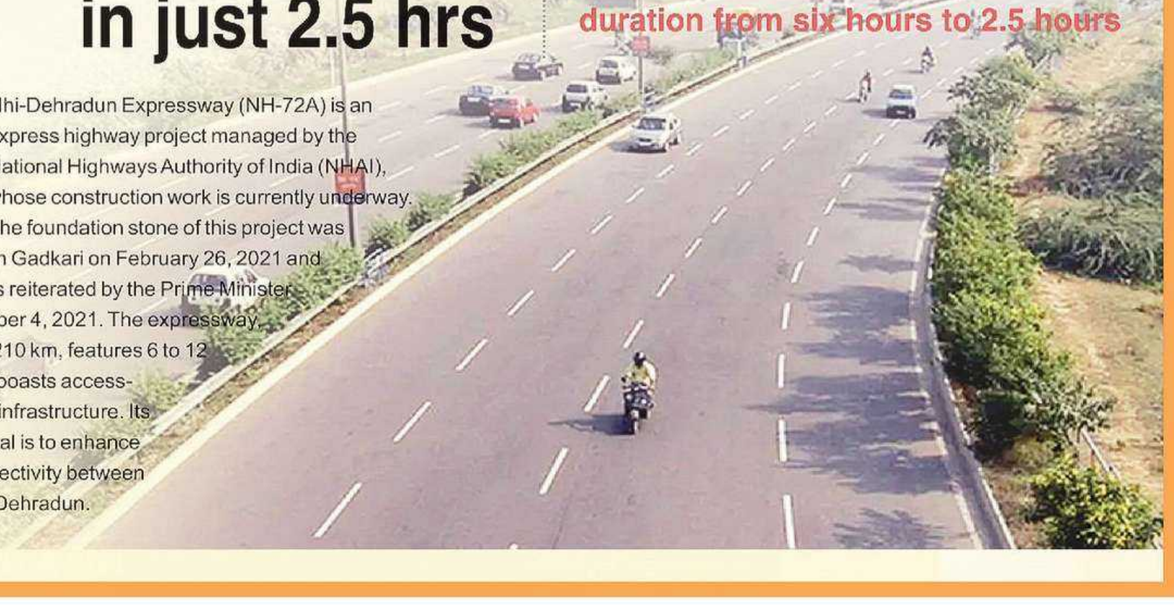
Uttarakhand Aviation Policy

Uttarakhand is set to promote tourism, business and investment by increasing air connectivity capacity through its progressive and favorable aviation policy. Under this new policy, all existing airstrips are being developed and upgraded. Heli-tourism is being promoted and operations of regional airlines are being facilitated. Improving air connectivity in remote areas, such as Pithoragarh and Chaukhutia, is being done to make even the most remote areas of the state self-reliant, helping in increasing economic development and saving travel time.

Now reach Delhi to Dehradun in just 2.5 hrs

The 210-km long Delhi-Dehradun expressway corridor will significantly cut the distance between the two cities' travel duration from six hours to 2.5 hours



Delhi-Dehradun Expressway (NH-72A) is an express highway project managed by the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI), whose construction work is currently underway. The foundation stone of this project was laid by Nitin Gadkari on February 26, 2021 and the act was reiterated by the Prime Minister on December 4, 2021. The expressway, spanning 210 km, features 6 to 12 lanes and boasts access-controlled infrastructure. Its primary goal is to enhance rapid connectivity between Delhi and Dehradun.

Key Features of the Project

- Expected cost: Rs13000 crore
- Total length of project: 210 km
- Lane: 12 lanes (Phase 1) and 6 lanes (Phase 2, 3 and 4)
- Expected Date of Completion: December 2024
- Project Model: EPC (Engineering, Procurement and Construction)

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"The investigation started as soon as we received the information. We spoke to the victim. Thereafter, we detained some people and during interrogation, they admitted their involvement. The accused also took some other names. We have formed a team and raids are being conducted to nab the other accused. We are also taking the help of a forensic team and the CID in this regard," Kherwar said.

The police did not divulge details of the case that has been filed in the matter or the charges that the accused have been detained under.

Dumka Civil Surgeon Baccha Prasad Singh told PTI that the woman and her husband were undergoing treatment at Phulo Jhano Medical College and Hospital in Dumka where they reached on motorcycles from Saraiyahat Community Health Centre, covering a distance of about 60km with police escort.

"Both are out of danger and are undergoing treatment at the hospital. The man has sustained minor injuries. The medical examination of the victim will be done by a medical board comprising three gynaecologists, a radiologist, an orthopaedic and a dentist, headed by superintendent of the medical college, Dr Anupuran Purti," the civil surgeon said.

One of the detained accused confessed to the crime and gave details about the absconding accused, Kherwar said. The accused are aged between 20 and 30, the officer said.

The incident also led to a political controversy in the state with the Godda BJP legislator Amit Mandal raising the issue in the state assembly and accusing the police of trying to protect the accused.

Mandal demanded the suspension of Dumka SP. "The incident has not only ashamed Jharkhand but the entire country. The SP and Hansdiha police station in-charge are trying to whitewash the issue. The culprits are being provided political patronage. I demand that a probe committee be set up and stringent punishment be ensured against those involved in the crime," he said.

Godda MP Nishikant Dubey targeted the state government.

"In this state, neither Adivasis nor Dalits are safe... Now this has become an international matter that a Spanish woman comes with her husband to India, and it comes to light that she has been gang-raped... I appeal to CM Champai Soren to concentrate on law and order in the state. If posting will take place based on any caste then this sort of incident will occur often," he said.

(With agency inputs)

BJP'S FIRST LIST

BJP's electoral success and has been credited for the party's performance in a clutch of states. The list also includes 27 names from the Scheduled Castes (SC), 18 from the Scheduled Tribes (ST), 57 from Other Backward Classes (OBC), and 47 youth candidates (below 50 years of age).

"The first list has candidates from 16 states, but if you look at the representation it is all-India. The party has given political representation to people from deprived sections, it has also bet on winnable candidates," said a senior party leader on the selection.

In the last decade since it came to power at the Centre, the BJP government's social welfare policies were designed with specific focus to empower these three social groups in addition to women, youth and farmers. The PM, in the past, referred to these groups as the five castes.

The Union ministers fielded by the BJP included Jyotiraditya Scindia from Guna, Mansukh Mandaviya from Porbandar, V Muraleedharan from Attingal, Rajeev Chandrasekhar from Thiruvananthapuram, Gajendra Singh Shekhawat from Jodhpur, Bhupender Yadav from Alwar and Arjun Ram Meghwal from Bikaner.

"I'm very honoured and excited. After 18 years of public life and serving in Rajya Sabha, this is the first opportunity that I have got to contest in the Lok Sabha. The Prime Minister, the Home Minister and our party president have chosen to field me as their candidate in the capital of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram the state I belong to, the state my family belongs to," Chandrasekhar told news agency ANI.

The announced names included those for 51 seats in Uttar Pradesh, 20 in West Bengal and five in Delhi.

The list saw major changes for Delhi with Ramesh Bidhuri, Parvesh Verma, Meenakshi Lekhi and Harsh Vardhan dropped from their respective seats, while Sadhvi Pragya Thakur was dropped from her Bhopal seat.

Bansuri Swaraj, daughter of the late BJP leader Sushma Swaraj, will make her poll debut from the New Delhi seat, Kamaljeet Sehrawat will contest from the from West Delhi, MLA Ramvir Singh Bidhuri from South Delhi, and Praveen Khadelwal from Chandni Chowk, while Manoj Tiwari has been retained from the North East Delhi constituency.

Commenting on the changes in Delhi, a second party functionary said, "There is a possibility of these senior leaders being roped in for Delhi assembly polls, to give heft to the party's state cadre. The party used the same formula for Madhya Pradesh where Union ministers and lawmakers were sent to contest assembly polls last year." The second leader was referring to senior leaders such as Kailash Vijayvargia, Narendra Singh Tomar, Rakesh Singh and Pralhad Patel being sent to MP to contest assembly polls.

The party has fielded Alok Sharma, a former mayor, from Bhopal in place of Thakur, who is an accused in the Malegaon blasts case and has courted controversy many times through her provocative statements. Thakur defeated Congress stalwart Digvijaya Singh in 2019 by a margin of 365,000 votes.

Big states where at least 50% candidates will contest the same seat as in 2019 are Uttar Pradesh (46 of 51 retained), Gujarat (10 of 15 retained), Jharkhand (7 of 11 retained), West Bengal (11 of 20 retained), Rajasthan (8 of 15 retained), and Madhya Pradesh (12 of 24 retained). To be sure, these numbers do not account for a candidate from a different constituency being retained in the list announced Saturday or for MPs who won a seat previously in a by-election.

Announcing the list, Tawde, the BJP's national general secretary, said the party is confident that it would form the government for the third term under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi with a much bigger mandate.

Modi has set a target for the BJP to win at least 370 seats on its own in these Lok Sabha elections and more than 400 for the NDA (National Democratic Alliance).

Of the 195 seats, the party had contested 193 by itself in 2019 and left two for allies: Kaliabor in Assam for the Asom Gana Parishad or AGP and Nagaur in Rajasthan for the Rashtriya Lok-tantrik Party or RLTP. To be sure, the Assam seats may not have the same boundaries as in 2019, as the state has undergone delimitation. The BJP won 151 of the 193 seats it contested, finished second in 24, and third in 18. Of the 18 such seats, 11 are in Kerala alone, five are in Telangana, and two in West Bengal.

The party also fielded three former chief ministers — Shivraj Singh Chouhan from Vidisha in MP, Sarbananda Sonowal from Dibrugarh in Assam and Biplab Deb from Tripura West constituency.

It also fielded Lok Sabha speaker Om Birla from Kota in Rajasthan.

"The party has decided to field someone like me. I have been given the opportunity to contribute my bit to this national redevelopment mission. The Viksit Bharat goal will be fulfilled under PM Modi. I will work towards fulfilling this goal," Chouhan said.

To be sure, the 18 states and UTs where the BJP has announced 195 candidates had 304 seats in total in the 2019 Lok Sabha elections (when Dadra and Nagar Haveli had not been merged with Daman and Diu). Of these 304 seats, the BJP contested 291 and won 211, while the NDA won 215. This means that the overall seat share of the BJP and NDA in these 18 states and UTs was 69% and 71% in 2019 compared to 77% and 78% seat share in just the 195 seats where candidates were announced Saturday.

The high rate of success in the 195 seats in the 2019 elections means that the BJP has retained a majority of the candidates it fielded the last time. The list shows that the candidates in 114 of the 195 states (59%) are the same as in 2019; 106 of these 115 won the 2019 Lok Sabha election from that seat while eight lost. Among the 81 seats where the BJP/NDA candidates are not the same as in 2019, the BJP/NDA had won 46 in the 2019 Lok Sabha elections. However, not all of the 46 winning candidates of 2019 may have been replaced for poor performance.

The names were announced following a marathon meeting of the party's central election committee, which includes Modi, party president JP Nadda, Shah, Rajnath Singh, Bhupender Yadav, Yogi Adityanath, BL Santhosh and other senior leaders, on Thursday.

Following the announcement, Congress leader Pawan Khera said, "We did not understand what it meant when one after another BJP MPs were leaving their positions... But when the list came out, we saw that a lot of names were missing. The BJP leadership is not happy with the work done by them. Those MPs who did not get the ticket, who will answer about their 5 years?... Did PM Modi think that they will not win even with PM Modi's name?"

The Election Commission is expected to announce the poll schedule later this month and the elections are likely to be held in April-May.

In 2019, the BJP announced its first list days after the commission announced the schedule of a seven-phase election; it comprised 184 names.

This time, however, the party has opted to announce the list well before the elections are declared, in what appears to be a bid to give candidates more time for outreach.

The experiment to announce candidates before the election date is announced was carried out during elections in a clutch of states including Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and Telangana last year.

The BJP won 303 seats in the 2019 polls but currently it has 290 members in Lok Sabha for various reasons, including some MPs recently resigning after winning assembly polls.

(With inputs from Abhishek Jha)

PM IN NADIA

the state, and what is going on in the TMC. You will be shocked to know that this TMC government turns every scheme into a scam. It is a master in turning a scheme into a scam," Modi said.

The Prime Minister, on the second day of his two-day visit to the eastern state, inaugurated and laid the foundation stones of projects worth ₹15,000 crore, including the Raghunathpur Thermal Power Station Phase-II, the road project for the four laning of Farakka-Raiganj section of NH-12, and four rail projects, apart from addressing the Krishnanagar rally. He also held a meeting with state BJP president Sukanta Majumdar and leader of the opposition in the state legislative assembly Suvendu Adhikari.

While Union home minister Amit Shah had earlier set a target for the state BJP to win 35 out of the 42 seats, Modi raised the bar for the upcoming Lok Sabha polls by announcing that the BJP would win in all 42 seats in the state.

"In the next five years, the BJP government is going to introduce umpteen opportunities related to employment and investment. This is also the time for unprecedented change in West Bengal. But you have to start this with the coming Lok Sabha election. Will it do it? This time the lotus should bloom in all the 42 seats," he said.

In the 2019 general elections, the BJP bagged 18 seats after setting a target to win 22 seats.

"People have turned up in huge numbers. This sends out a clear message. Ei baar NDA Sarkar 400 paar (This time NDA will cross the 400-mark)," Modi also said as the crowd cheered. He has set a target for the BJP to win 370 seats on its own, and cross 400 seats in the 543-member Lok Sabha with the help of its other National Democratic Alliance (NDA) partners.

Modi also stepped up his ante against the TMC government, slamming it for withholding the environment clearance (EC) for the state's first AIIMS in Kalyani, Nadia district.

"Modi gave a guarantee to provide West Bengal with its first AIIMS... Recently I virtually dedicated to the Nation the AIIMS in Kalyani. But the state government has problems with this. They questioned why was permission not taken. The TMC has given free hand to extortionists, mafias and goons. The TMC government is not giving the environmental clearance. If the TMC government doesn't get commission they block all permissions. First commission, then permission," Modi said.

Officials of the state pollution control board said last week that it could not issue AIIMS Kalyani an EC at this stage. The application of the construction agency behind the hospital was under the "violation" category because the construction process had begun before the application was made.

Modi also launched a no-holds-barred attack against the Mamata Banerjee-government over the unrest in Sandeshkhali.

"The sisters of Sandeshkhali pleaded for justice, but the TMC government turned a deaf ear. The situation in Bengal is such that here that criminals themselves, not police, decide when they will surrender and when they will get arrested," he said.

Sandeshkhali in North 24 Parganas has been on the edge since February 7 when violent protests erupted with groups of residents, led mostly by local women alleging sexual harassment at the hands of local TMC leaders including Sheikh Shahjahan, Shibaprasad Hazra and Uttam Sardar. While Hazra and Sardar were arrested earlier, Shahjahan was arrested on Thursday after 55 days on the run. Opposition parties had alleged he was being shielded by the police.

"The state government never wanted to arrest the culprit of Sandeshkhali. But the women of West Bengal stood up like Goddess Durga. Each and every worker of BJP stood beside them. The state government had to bow down," said Modi.

The TMC hit back.

TMC Rajya Sabha MP-elect Sagarika Ghose, in a video message shared by the party, said, "Women in Sandeshkhali protested and came out with their issues on land and assault. But when they were asked who would they vote for, a vast majority of them said TMC and Mamata Banerjee. She is with them on the ground delivering women-centric schemes that deliver real welfare and real justice. Didi is with them 24X7. She is not a migratory bird who comes only during polls desperate for votes."

The party also accused Modi of making false allegations after he said that West Bengal has 2.5 million fake job cards.

"You have deprived 5.9 million beneficiaries in West Bengal from getting their MGNREGS wages. Chief minister Mamata Banerjee is clearing the dues. Uttar Pradesh has the highest fake job cards but it was never deprived as it is ruled by the BJP," said state minister Shashi Panja in a video message shared by the TMC.

BEIJING ADHERING TO BORDER PACTS KEY TO IMPROVING RELATIONS, SAYS S JAISHANKAR

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NEW DELHI: Peace and tranquillity along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) and Beijing's adherence to border management pacts are prerequisites for improving India-China relations, external affairs minister S Jaishankar said on Saturday.

The government has been focused on bolstering infrastructure in border areas, Jaishankar said during an interactive session at a think tank. He also emphasised the need for India to build deep national strengths, including in technology and supply chains, to effectively face the challenges from China.

He added that there will eventually have to be an equilibrium in ties between India and China.

A military standoff triggered by skirmishes in Ladakh sector of the LAC is set to enter its fifth year in May. Both countries have arrayed more than 50,000 troops each in this region and major "friction points" such as Depsang and Demchok remain despite dozens of rounds of diplomatic and military talks.

"It is a combination of all of this, but the bottomline is there has to be an equilibrium and there has to be peace and tranquillity in the border areas and there has to be adherence to the agreements which were arrived at," Jaishankar said. "Because if you do not adhere to the agreements, tell me how you would have even the basic understanding. And going forward, if there isn't peace... at the border, how can any society look at other forms of cooperation," he added.

In an apparent reference to previous governments while responding to a question on dealing with China, he said India had not used international relationships as effectively as it could have in the past. He identified the development of national power as very crucial in this regard.

Jaishankar said the current government has significantly enhanced infrastructure in border regions in the past decade.

"In the China border areas, our budgetary commitment till 2014 was below ₹4,000 crore. Today, it is three-and-half, four times of that," he said.

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Letter No:316 **SHORT TERM TENDER NOTICE** Date: 01/03/2024

For and on behalf of UJVN Ltd, Executive Engineer (Civil), Pashulok Barrage Rishikesh, invites sealed & separate tenders from interested contractors for following works:-

1. Tender Notice Reference: NIT No. 29/2023-24/EE(C)/Pashulok Barrage:- Strengthening of Surveillance & Monitoring System for Security Supervision at Virbhadra Barrage, Rishikesh.

NIT No. 30/2023-24/EE(C)/Pashulok Barrage:- Work related to Fire Protection System with Fire Safety Equipments at Office of EE(Civil), Pashulok Barrage, Rishikesh.

2. Estimated Value of Tender: - Rs. 7,22,415.00 & 1,81,907.12 respectively (excluding GST).

3. Date of availability of bid document on website: - 02 March, 2024 from 17:00 Hrs. (IST).

4. Last Date for Submission of Tender: - 16 March, 2024 upto 14:00 Hrs. (IST).

For fuller & further details, kindly visit our website. The tender documents can be downloaded from the Nigam's website **"www.ujvnl.com"**

Executive Engineer (Civil) Pashulok Barrage, Rishikesh.

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RAIL COACH FACTORY KAPURTHALA

E-TENDER NOTICE

On-line bids are invited by PCMM, RCF on behalf of President of India for the following item(s):-

Sr.No.	Tender No. & Due Date	Description	Qty. (Nos/Sets)	EMD(₹)
1.	13245020/26.03.2024 Spec. No. QM/XRF/TS-19	XRF ANALYZER as per DT-07/03/20196415181 PL No. 6415181	03 Nos.	132310/-
2.	05241127/27.03.2024	Foot Step Arrangement	216 Nos.	67280/-
3.	05241076/28.03.2024	AAR 'H' Type Tight Lock CBC Coupler	80 Sets	450830/-
4.	02241069/27.03.2024	Emergency Lighting System	437 Set.	195950/-
5.	01241075/01.04.2024	1) To analyze, design, simulate & verify, productionize, validate, field test (short & long term) & fatigue test of improved Bogies and Training of IR personnel. 2) Set of 2 instrumented wheel sets (4 1MWs mounted in pairs on each of 2 axles) alongwith the accessories and services. 3) Fully Assembled Improved Bogies Compatible with IR-LHB Coaches.	1) 1 Set 2) 1 Set, 3) 1600 Nos.	5000000/-
6.	04231123A/27.03.2024	Ferritic Steel Sheet Two Type	5000KGS+ 9500KGS	53030/-
7.	02241010A/27.03.2024	Ext. Supp. Socket 125 AMP. 415V IP67, 5 POLE	2340 Nos.	78970/-

1. For details and making On-line bids, visit Website **http://ireps.gov.in** Drawings/specifications, wherever required can be downloaded from RCF Website **http://www.rcf.indianrailways.gov.in. Class IIIb digital signature certificate required for on-line bidding, can be obtained from licensed certifying agencies listed at website http://www.cce.gov.in. 2.** All Limited tenders and Advertised tenders will normally close at 11:25 Hrs and 14:25 Hrs respectively on the stipulated date and will be opened at 11.30 Hrs and 14.30 Hrs. **3.** Tender at Sr. No. 1 will be opened at RCF, Kapurthala and Tender at Sr. No. 2 to 7 will be opened at Tilak Bridge, New Delhi-110002. **4.** For queries contact IREPS Helpdesk at 011-24102855, 011-24105180 or RCF Helpdesk at 011-23378658. **NOTE:** "GST No. of RCF is 03AAAGM0289C1ZT. All the suppliers are advised to quote this in dispatch documents for the supplies made by them".

PCMM

CORRIGENDUM: (1) Tender No. 17241041 for FRP Drop Down Modular Toilet (Pre-Assembled) for LHB Hot Buffet Car Coaches **Due date may be read as 11.03.2024** instead of 01.03.2024. **(2)** Tender No. 05241026 for Set of side wall assly and Roof complete SLR and Power Car **Due date may be read as 12.03.2024** instead of 05.03.2024. **(3)** Tender No. 02241056 for S.I.C.M. of GPS Location Based Papis **Due date may be read as 15.03.2024** instead of 29.02.2024. **(4)** Tender No. 17231459C for procurement of Set of Furnishing Items (FRP Panels, Non AC Area Ceiling, Air Duct, Honey Comb Partition Frame and Pillars) in Kit form for LHB AC 2Tier Coaches **Due date may be read as 07.03.2024** instead of 01.03.2024. **(5)** Tender No. 07241034 **Due date may be read as 27.03.2024** instead of 20.03.2024. **(6)** Tender No. 02231399 for Switch Board Cabinet **Due date may be read as 15.03.2024** instead of 29.02.2024. **(7)** Tender No. 02241056 for S.I.C.M. of GPS Location based PAPIS **Due date may be read as 15.03.2024** instead of 29.02.2024.

Dy. CMM

R.O. No. 161-S/2023-24 **Dated: 02.03.2024**

PNIeT. No.: 48/EE/UDP-DIVN/UDP/2023-24, Dated.22.02.2024.

The Executive Engineer, Udaipur Division, PWD(R&B), Udaipur, Gomati District, Tripura on behalf of the 'Governor of Tripura', invites online percentage rate e-tender in Two bids system from the eligible Central & State public sector undertaking / enterprise and eligible Contractors/Firms/ Private Ltd. Firm /Agencies of Appropriate Class registered with PWD/TTAADC/MES/CPWD/ Railway/Gov't Organization of other State & Central for the following work:-

1. Name of work: Construction of DM's Office Building at Udaipur, Gomati District, Tripura under Suvarna Jayanti Tripura Nirman Yojana./ SH: Construction of (B+G+1) Storey (Phase-I)/ Building portion including internal water supply, sanitary installation, sewage & drainage works, internal electrification, retaining wall.
   DNIeT No. CE(Buildings) /PWD/ACE/Project Unit/DNIT/73/2023-24
2. Estimated Cost: Rs. 23,23,35,578.00
3. Bid Fee: Rs. 10,000.00
4. Earnest Money : Rs. 46,46,712.00
5. Last date & time for online Bidding: 26.03.2024.upto 3:00 PM
6. Date and Time of Pre-Bid Meeting / Conference : 11.03.2024 at 12.00 PM.
7. Date of Opening of Bid :27.03.2024 at 11.00 AM if possible.

Note: The bid forms and other details including online activities should be done in the e-procurement portal **https://tripuratenders.gov.in**

Executive Engineer
Udaipur Division, PWD (R&B),
ICA/C-4951/2023-24 **Udaipur, Gomati District, Tripura**

GOVERNMENT OF CHHATTISGARH
WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
WATER RESOURCES DIVISION NO. 2, RAMANUJGANJ
DISTT.- BALRAMPUR-RAMANUJGANJ (C.G.)

e-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE
eProcurement Portal : https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in
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Online Tenders are invited for the following works up to 18.03.2024 (17.30 Hours IST).

System Tender No./ NIT No. / Dated	Name of Work	Probable Amount of Contract
STN-153472 NIT No. 17/ SAC/2023-24 / Date :- 28.02.2024	Repair and Remodeling of L/S Abutment, Construction of R/S Abutment, 0.60 Km Approch road, Fixing of canal gate, Construction of New Divide Wall, Supply & erection of Scouring gate and Construction of weir body with U/S & D/S Cutoff & Floor of Renovation & Remodeling of Girwani Divertion Scheme.	Rs. 280.05 Lakh
STN-153473 NIT No. 18/ SAC/2023-24 / Date :- 28.02.2024	Construction of C.C. Chennel of Main Canal at RD 450 m to 1210 m, Construction of R.C.C. Duct At RD 1210 m to 1610 m of main canal, Construction of C.C. Lining of Main Canal at RD 1610 m to 5100 m, Const. of C.C. Lining of Badhka bhala Minor Canal No-1 at RD 0 m to 420 m, Const. of C.C. Lining of Kevta para Minor Canal No- 2 at RD 0 m to 810 m and Canal Eirthwork at RD 810 m to 1800 m of Kevta para minor canal No-2, Const. of C.C. Lining of Telipara Minor Canal No-3 at RD 0 m to 1020 m takeoff 3000 m of Main Canal, Construction of C.C.Chennel of Minor canal No.-4 at RD 0 m to 540 m and Canal Eirthwork of Mominpara Minor Canal No-4 at RD 540 m to 2010 m, Construction of 1 Nos. Aqwaduct at RD 1800 m of Main Canal, Construction of 5 Nos. C.D., 10 Nos. V.R.B., 8 Nos. 1.50 m Fall, 8 Nos. 1.0 m Fall, 2 Nos. Super Passage, 3 Nos. Head Regulator, 8 Nos. Old V.R.B. Repair & 80 Nos. Fixing of Outletes including Supply and Fixing of NP2 & NP3 150 to 1200 mm dia R.C.C Hume pipe of Renovation and Extention of Canal of Girwani Divertion Scheme.	Rs. 564.85 Lakh

The details can be viewed and downloaded online directly from the Government of Chhattisgarh Integrated e-Procurement Portal **(https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in)** from **Dated 06.03.2024, at 17.31 Hours (IST) onwards.**

NOTE : 1. All eligible/interested Contractors/bidders are mandated to get enrolled on the Integrated e-Procurement portal **(https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in)** and get approval on specific vendor class from PWD under Centralized Contractor/ Supplier Registration in order to download the tender documents and participate in the subsequent bidding process.
2. Probable Amount of Contract (P.A.C.) is as per S.O.R. 01.08.2010. (As Amendments 01.08.2022).

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
Water Resources Division No. 2, Ramanujganj (C.G.)
For, Chief Engineer, Hasdeo Ganga Basin, Ambikapur (C.G.)
G-08212/3

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No. AIC.15-18(RC)/2018-19-VIII- **Dated: 02.03.2024**

SHORT NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

E-tenders are hereby invited by the HP Agro Industries Corporation Ltd. (HPAIC), Nigam Vihar, Shimla-171002 for the purchases of Micronutrients on behalf of Department of Agriculture of Himachal Pradesh on Annual Rate Contract basis for the year 2024-25.

The detailed tender document alongwith schedule of items will be available on the e-procurement website of HP Govt. **https://hptenders.gov.in** & the Corporation website **https://hpaicl.co.in**. The bidder would be required to register on the e-procurement website of HP Government **https://hptenders.gov.in** for submission of bid. Further, the bidder is also required to have valid Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) from certifying authority. For more information, please visit website: **https://hptenders.gov.in**.

The tenders are to be submitted only through e-procurement platform at **https://hptenders.gov.in**. Tenders submitted in any other form will not be accepted. **However hard copy of uploaded tenders alongwith other documents will have to be submitted in the HPAIC H.O. Shimla-2 well before the last date.** The tenders shall be visible on e-procurement website from 04.03.2024 & can be submitted/uploaded upto 18.03.2024 upto 11.00 AM.

The items wise detail is as under:-

Sr. No.	Code No.	Tender Items	Date of opening	Cost of Tender Document (non refundable) & EMD (refundable)
		Agriculture Department		
1.	AIC-003	Micronutrients	18.03.2024 at 12.30 PM	Cost of tender document is Rs. 5,000/- & EMD of Rs. 50,000/- in the form of Demand Draft in the name of Managing Director, Himachal Pradesh Agro Industries Corporation Limited, Shimla to be submitted on or before above scheduled date & time.

The Managing Director, HP Agro Industries Corporation Ltd. reserves the right to reject/accept any or all tenders without assigning reason.

Sd/-
DPR HP-1353 **Managing Director**

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VIBHUTI KHAND, GOMTI NAGAR, LUCKNOW- 226 010
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e-bid Ref no. 474/RMLIMS/HRF/MED/2024 **Dated: 01.03.2024**

e-Bid Notice

e-Bids are invited in Two bid system (1) Technical Bid and (2) Price Bid from reputed & genuine Manufacturers/Importers only, for executing a rate contract of Supply of Medicines for a period of two years with renewal for 3rd year.

e-bids can be submitted from 04/03/2024 to 03/04/2024 at 04.00 PM & will be opened on 05/04/2023 at 11:00 AM. The details for submission of e-Bids are available on e-tender portal **http://etender.up.nic.in.** and details are also available on Institute website **www.drrmlims.ac.in** for reference only. The Director reserves the right to cancel any or all e-Bids without assigning any reason thereof.

Director

GOVT. OF ODISHA
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
OFFICE OF THE ADDITIONAL CHIEF ENGINEER,
DRAINAGE CIRCLE, CUTTACK, GANDARPUR-753003
A-1644
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e-procurement Notice No. ACEDC-CTC-10 / 2023-24
email Id sedrainagecirclectc@gmail.com

1.	Name of Works	:	1. Renovation of Brahmani Extension Canal near Kasanta. 2. Improvement to Balipatna Balijorei D/C and its system.
2.	Total number of works	:	02 No.
3.	Bid Identification No.	:	1. ACEDC-CTC /DD-KPD - 25/2023-24 2. ACEDC-CTC / DD-JSPR - 26/2023-24
4.	Estimated Cost	:	1. Rs. 406.96 Lakhs 2. Rs. 246.01 Lakhs
5.	Period of completion	:	1. 18 (Eighteen) Calendar months. 2. 12 (Twelve) Calendar months
6.	Availability of Tender On - Line.	:	From 12.03.2024 at 11.30 Hours to 27.03.2024 upto 17.30 Hours.
7.	Date of Opening of Technical Bid.	:	28.03.2024 at 11.00 Hours in the O/o the Additional Chief Engineer, Drainage Circle, Cuttack.
8.	Class of Contractor	:	1. "A" Class. 2. "B" & "A" Class.
9.	EMD required	:	As per DTCN,
10.	Cost of Tender paper	:	Rs.10,000/-
11.	Procurement Officer	:	Additional Chief Engineer Drainage Circle, Gandarpur Cuttack; -753003.

* Tender will be accepted If registered in the CDMS Portal

Further details can be seen from the Govt. web site www.tendersorissa.gov.in. Addendum / Corrigendum / Cancellation if any required will be published only in Govt. web site www.tendersorissa.gov.in

Additional Chief Engineer
Drainage Circle, Cuttack
OIPR - 32518/11/0011/2324

Centre for Railway Information Systems
Chanakyapuri, New Delhi-110021
Tel : 011-24106717, 24104525

CORRIGENDUM

Tender No. 01245028 for Design, Supply, Installation, Commissioning, Operation & Maintenance of GPS SETS ON FREIGHT WAGONS OF INDIAN RAILWAYS with 07 years warranty. **Quantity:** 3,00,000 Numbers (Three Lakh Numbers). **Tender Closing Date/Time stands revised/extended upto 27.03.2024 (15:30 hrs.) Corrigendum issued for other aspects also.** For further details, please visit IREPS website **(www.ireps.gov.in)**. CRIS/New Delhi.

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E-Tender Notice

1. Tender No: 22/SE-V/BTPS/CHD-I/2023-24 online e-Bids are invited for the **"Work of revival and straightening of line No. 10 & 14 respectively of CHP, BTPS, Obra".** Short term E-tender has been uploaded on **29.02.2024** on http://etender.up.nic.in Estimated cost of work approximately **Rs. 22,81,574.00** only, **Time period: 01 Month,** E.M.D. **46,000.00,** Tender Cost **1180.00.** Last date of submission **06.03.2024 up to 17.00 Hrs., SE-V, BTPS**

2. Tender No: W-OBR////6000004502_00 online e-Bids are invited for the **"Overhauling work of max DNA DCS system".** E-tender has been uploaded on **24.02.2024** on http://etender.up.nic.in Estimated cost of work approximately **Rs. 3,34,152.00** only, E.M.D. **6,700.00,** Tender Cost **590.00.** Last date of submission **20.03.2024 up to 16.00 Hrs., SE-III, 3x200MW**

3. Tender No: W-OBR////6000004580_00 online e-Bids are invited for the **"Overhauling work of SBC, SADC & BURNER TILT system".** E-tender has been uploaded on **26.02.2024** on http://etender.up.nic.in Estimated cost of work approximately **Rs. 2,25,894.00** only, E.M.D. **4,500.00,** Tender Cost **590.00.** Last date of submission **20.03.2024 up to 16.00 Hrs., SE-III, 3x200MW**

4. Tender No: W-OBR////6000004508_00 online e-Bids are invited for the **"Overhauling work of FSSS system".** E-tender has been uploaded on **26.02.2024** on http://etender.up.nic.in Estimated cost of work approximately **Rs. 3,38,638.00** only, E.M.D. **6,700.00,** Tender Cost **590.00.** Last date of submission **20.03.2024 up to 16.00 Hrs., SE-III, 3x200MW**

5. Tender No: N-OBR////6000004786_00 online e-Bids are invited for the **"Overhauling work of BF valve CW pump and UPS Battery Bank of Unit 11, 200MW, BTPS, Obra".** E-tender has been uploaded on **29.02.2024** on http://etender.up.nic.in Estimated cost of work approximately **Rs. 2.07 Lac** only,E.M.D. **4,000.00,** Tender Cost **236.00.** Last date of submission **21.03.2024 up to 17.00 Hrs., SE-III, 2x200MW**

6. Tender No: N-OBR/B/MMCII/PDII/6000004699_00 online e-Bids are invited for the **"Supply of Crusher Hammer of CHP, BTPS, Obra".** Short term E-tender has been uploaded on **29.02.2024** on http://etender.up.nic.in Estimated cost of material is approximately **Rs. 31,94,366.00** only, E.M.D. **25,000.00,** Tender Cost **1180.00.** Last date of submission **12.03.2024 up to 18.00 Hrs., SE, MMC-II**

7. Tender No: N-OBR////6000002176_00 online e-Bids are invited for the **"Supply of CI and GI pipe for OTPS, Obra".** E-tender has been uploaded on **27.02.2024** on http://etender.up.nic.in Estimated cost of material is approximately **Rs. 8.30 Lakh** only, E.M.D. **17,000.00,** Tender Cost **1180.00.** Last date of submission **20.03.2024 up to 16.00 Hrs., SE, MMC-II**

8. Tender No: N-OBR////6000002321_00/TO-17/PD-I online e-Bids are invited for the **"Supply of CO2 Gas for OTPS, Obra".** E-tender has been uploaded on **27.02.2024** on http://etender.up.nic.in Estimated cost of material is approximately **Rs. 2,69,550.00** only, E.M.D. **5,400.00,** Tender Cost **590.00.** Last date of submission **20.03.2024 up to 16.00 Hrs., SE, MMC-II**

9. Tender No: N-OBR////6000003307_00/TO-22/PD-I online e-Bids are invited for the **"Supply of High Pressure Portable hand held and back pack water mist system for CISF, OTPS, Obra".** E-tender has been uploaded on **27.02.2024** on http://etender.up.nic.in Estimated cost of material is approximately **Rs. 7.42 Lac** only, **E.M.D. 15,000.00,** Tender Cost **590.00.** Last date of submission **20.03.2024 up to 16.00 Hrs., SE, MMC-II**

10. Tender No: N-OBR////6000003403_00/TO-26/PD-I online e-Bids are invited for the **"Supply of Fire Proximity Suit for CISF, Obra".** E-tender has been uploaded on **27.02.2024** on http://etender.up.nic.in Estimated cost of material is approximately **Rs. 2,50,000.00** only, E.M.D. **5,000.00,** Tender Cost **590.00.** Last date of submission **20.03.2024 up to 16.00 Hrs., SE, MMC-II**

11. Tender No: N-OBR////6000003898_00/TO-37/PD-I online e-Bids are invited for the **"Supply of Rubber Washer, Foam Cap etc. for BTPS, Obra".** E-tender has been uploaded on **27.02.2024** on http://etender.up.nic.in Estimated cost of material is approximately **Rs. 1.41 Lac** only, E.M.D. **3,000.00,** Tender Cost **590.00.** Last date of submission **20.03.2024 up to 16.00 Hrs., SE, MMC-II**

12. Tender No: N-OBR////6000004507_00/TO-47/PD-I online e-Bids are invited for the **"Procurement of Zirconia Oxygen Analyzer and and its erection, commissioning & calibration for BTPS, Obra".** E-tender has been uploaded on **29.02.2024** on http://etender.up.nic.in Estimated cost of material is approximately **Rs. 31,20,000.00** only, E.M.D. **62,000.00,** Tender Cost **2360.00.** Last date of submission **27.03.2024 up to 16.00 Hrs., SE, MMC-II**

13. Tender No: N-OBR////6000004670_00/TO-48/PD-I online e-Bids are invited for the **"Procurement of EHV Grade Transformer oil for BTPS, Obra for Overhauling of Unit no. 11".** E-tender has been uploaded on **29.02.2024** on http://etender.up.nic.in Estimated cost of material is approximately **Rs. 10,50,000.00** only, E.M.D. **21,000.00,** Tender Cost **1180.00.** Last date of submission **27.03.2024 up to 16.00 Hrs., SE, MMC-II**

14. Tender No: N-OBR////6000004735_00/TO-49/PD-I online e-Bids are invited for the **"Supply of Rockwool for Overhauling of Unit no. 11".** E-tender has been uploaded on **29.02.2024** on http://etender.up.nic.in Estimated cost of material is approximately **Rs. 4,51,000.00** only, E.M.D. **9,000.00,** Tender Cost **590.00.** Last date of submission **27.03.2024 up to 16.00 Hrs., SE, MMC-II**

15. Tender No: N-OBR////6000004731_00/TO-50/PD-I online e-Bids are invited for the **"Procurement of MS Plate, CS Plate and Angles for overhauling of Unit 11, BTPS, Obra".** E-tender has been uploaded on **29.02.2024** on http://etender.up.nic.in Estimated cost of material is approximately **Rs. 29,23,000.00** only, E.M.D. **58,500.00,** Tender Cost **2360.00.** Last date of submission **27.03.2024 up to 16.00 Hrs., SE, MMC-II**

16. Tender No: T-01/SE(EMCCV)/CPD/CTPS/2023-24 online e-Bids are invited for the **"Preparation of Plans, Form-1, Questionnaire etc. arranging the approval from Directorate of Factories after removing all the objections for Obra CTPS".** E-tender has been uploaded on **02.03.2024** on http://etender.up.nic.in Estimated cost of work approximately **Rs. 5.00 Lac** only, E.M.D. **5,000.00,** Tender Cost **590.00.** Last date of submission **27.03.2024 up to 13.00 Hrs., SE, EMCC-V**

17. Tender No: T-02/SE(EMCCV)/CPD/CTPS/2023-24 online e-Bids are invited for the **"Preparation of Certificates of Stability and other Documents & MAH Compliances etc. arranging the approval from Directorate of Factories after removing all the objections for Obra CTPS".** E-tender has been uploaded on **02.03.2024** on http://etender.up.nic.in Estimated cost of work approximately **Rs. 4.75 Lac** only, E.M.D. **5,000.00,** Tender Cost **590.00.** Last date of submission **27.03.2024 up to 13.00 Hrs., SE, EMCC-V**

Total Quality of work, tender specification and other terms & condition is as per tender document available on the e-tender portal. Concerned superintending engineer has right to cancel any or all e-Bids without assigning any reason. Corrigendum, addendum, Extension if any shall be uploaded only on the above website. Bidders are advised to visit the website regularly for updated information from time to time.

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"Save Electricity in interest of Nation"

IT minister to meet Google, developers over apps' delisting

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GOOGLE REMOVED APPS FOR NOT FOLLOWING ITS POLICY UNDER WHICH APP DEVELOPERS ARE REQUIRED TO PAY 11%-30% SERVICE FEE TO TECH GIANT

NEW DELHI: IT minister Ashwini Vaishnaw on Saturday said that he has called Google and 10 Indian app developers for a meeting on Monday after the tech giant delisted scores of apps, from these developers, from its Play Store on Friday for not complying with its payments policy. Four apps were re-listed on Saturday after they complied with Google's contentious payments policy.

"We have told [Google] that it must support India's start-up ecosystem. They have already started re-listing the apps," Vaishnaw said. "Google has agreed to cooperate. ... I had a conversation with Google last night [Friday] when I first learnt of this. I have spoken to them four-five times today [Saturday]," Vaishnaw said.

Throughout the course of Friday, Google kept removing apps from the Play Store for not following its contentious payments policy under which app developers are required to pay 11%-30% service fee to the tech giant for all in-app purchases of digital goods and services. The developers affected by the move called it a "dark day for Indian internet".

Delisting an app means that users of Android --- the mobile operating system that accounts for almost 95% of India's smartphone market --- will not be able to search for and download it from Google's official Play Store.

Companies affected by Google's move included Info Edge whose five apps – Naukri.com, Naukri Recruiter, Naukrigulf, 99acres and Shiksha – had disappeared from the Play Store by Saturday morning, the listed company informed the bourses on Saturday.

By afternoon, three of these apps — Naukri.com, Naukrigulf and 99acres – were relisted. Shaadi.com is the only other app to be relisted.

"Many of the Info Edge apps are back... An effort very well led by Hitesh [Oberoi, MD and CEO of Info Edge] and the entire Info Edge team," Sanjeev Bikhchandani, founder and executive vice chairperson of Info Edge, posted on X. Anupam Mittal, the CEO of Shaadi.com, reposted Bikhchandani's post and said: "Please clarify that u are back up as consumption apps only ie without any in-app billing which will destroy the consumer side of the business in the longer-term."

Vaishnaw said he was not aware if the apps had to abide by Google's terms in order to be re-listed. "We are not privy to the internal, commercial discussions between companies," he said.HT reviewed Naukri.com, Naukrigulf, 99acres and Shaadi.com after they were relisted and found that they no longer have an in-app payment option, meaning that they complied with Google's payments policy and opted for the "consumption-only" option.

A person aware of the discussions at Info Edge told HT on the condition of anonymity that the company had not been in touch with the government but had been in communication with Google.

The notice from Google caught the company by surprise as it was unaware that some of its apps were not in compliance with Google's policy.

On the Monday meeting with the ministry, this person said, "We are delighted that the government is taking this up."

In terms of considering any action against Google, the company has not decided yet. "We were too busy getting the apps re-listed. We have not decided the future course of action yet."

Maha political bigwigs share stage

Baramati MP Supriya Sule, Nationalist Congress Party (Sharadchandra Pawar) chief Sharad Pawar, Maharashtra deputy CM Devendra Fadnavis, chief minister Eknath Shinde and deputy chief minister Ajit Pawar at an event in Baramati on Saturday. HT

In Bihar, PM Modi hits out at 'dynastic' politics; Nitish says won't stray again

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AURANGABAD / BEGUSARAI: One might inherit a political party from parents, but they can't mention the work done by their mother and father, said Prime Minister Narendra Modi in a veiled dig at the Rashtriya Janata Dal leader Tejashwi Yadav.

Modi, on his first visit to Bihar in past 17 months and ever since Nitish Kumar returned to the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) fold again in January this year, criticised the dynastic politics and predicted the end of such type of politics.

"Ma-Baap (mother-father) can give you chair but you cannot mention their work," the PM said in reference to corruption cases against RJD leader and Tejashwi Yadav's father Lalu Prasad. "One might inherit a political party and post from parents, but they don't dare to even once mention the work done by their mother and father," said the PM. Earlier, Tejashwi Yadav, during his Jan Vishwas Yatra had said: "Some people say RJD is my party. RJD is not my party alone. Its base is much bigger and it belongs to people from A to Z."Taking a jibe at Congress-RJD alliance, PM Modi said double-engine government in Bihar pushed political dynasts to margins. "I have heard that their party leaders are not ready to contest Lok Sabha elections. They are now looking for Rajya Sabha seats," he said.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi and chief minister Nitish Kumar during a public rally, in Aurangabad on Saturday. SANTOSH KUMAR/HT

"Since NDA has become stronger, dynastic politics in Bihar is moving towards its end. Your enthusiasm is giving worrying time to opposition," he said. Modi addressed back-to-back rallies in Aurangabad and Begusarai districts, where he also launched development projects worth more than ₹1.5 lakh, news agency PTI reported. "Bihar will develop only when the poor of the state will progress," the PM said.

"We begin work, complete it and hand it over to people. This is Modi ki guarantee. Now we have a double engine government in Bihar. The government and its work will move fast. Bihar is now filled with enthusiasm," he said, while referring to Nitish Kumar's return to NDA.

Kumar had left NDA in August 2022 but re-returned to the fold in January this year.

The PM also made a mention of late Bihar chief minister Karpoori Thakur. "A few days ago, the pride of Bihar, Karpoori Thakur was conferred with Bharat Ratan by the Government of India. This is an honour for the entire state of Bihar."

CM Nitish Kumar, who was sharing dais with Modi, assured the PM that he "won't make any U-turns" going forward. Kumar also supported Modi's call for 400 seats. "We will win 400 seats. There is no doubt," he said.

Meanwhile, RJD national spokesperson and Rajya Sabha MP Manoj Kumar Jha, hit out at Modi, alleging, "he is going to inaugurate many projects but one of these is a road which is far from complete". Talking about CM Nitish Kumar, he said:"As the chief minister, it is his discretion as to with whom he shall share the dais. Our leader Tejashwi Yadav has set an example by not uttering a word of bitterness against the CM..."

मध्यप्रदेश उच्च न्यायालय, जबलपुर

निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना

निविदा दस्तावेज में उल्लेखित विशिष्टताओं, नियमों और शर्तों के तहत मध्यप्रदेश राज्य न्यायिक अकादमी, जबलपुर में 7/8 सीटर AC टोयोटा इनोवा क्रिस्टा वाहन तथा 20/25 सीटर मिनि बस एवं 32/35 सीटर पैसेंजर बस किराये पर लेने हेतु निविदा प्रपत्र प्रतिष्ठित सेवा प्रदाताओं से ई-निविदाएं/ऑनलाइन निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती हैं। ऑनलाइन टेंडर जमा करने की अंतिम तिथि 21 मार्च, 2024 को सायं 06:00 बजे तक है। सीलबंद निविदा समस्त दस्तावेजों सहित संचालक, मध्यप्रदेश राज्य न्यायिक अकादमी, जबलपुर को संबोधित करते हुये दिनांक 22 मार्च, 2024 को 05.00 बजे तक आवक शाखा, म.प्र. उच्च न्यायालय, जबलपुर में जमा किया जाना होगा। निविदा दिनांक 23 मार्च, 2024 को 11.00 बजे खोली जाएगी। विस्तृत निविदा दस्तावेज उच्च न्यायालय, मध्यप्रदेश, जबलपुर की आधिकारिक वेबसाइट www.mphc.gov.in एवं www.mptenders.gov.in पर उपलब्ध है।

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Public Notice

Sub.: **Public Hearing** for Expansion of steel manufacturing unit of **M/s KASHMIR ISPAT at SIDCO Industrial Estate, Bari Brahmana, Samba, Jammu** having capacity 85,876 TPA of Flats, Steel Bar, Tor Steel, Steel Angle, Channels, Rounds, Wire road Square, Girders & TMT Bars with rolling mill of 15 TPH by addition of 01 No. Induction Furnace of 25 TPH.

As per **EIA Notification Rule 7(1) Section (III)** issued by Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change Govt. of India vide **S.O.1533 dated 14th September, 2006** (as amended till date), **Public Hearing** for Expansion of steel manufacturing having capacity 85,876 TPA of Flats, Steel Bar, Tor Steel, Steel Angle, Channels, Rounds, Wire road Square, Girders & TMT Bars with rolling mill of 15 TPH by addition of 01 No. Induction Furnace of 25 TPH is scheduled on **28.03.2024 at BARI BRAHMANA INDUSTRIES ASSOCIATION (Regd.), BBIA BHAWAN, SIDCO Industrial Complex, Bari Brahmana, Jammu (Jammu and Kashmir)** .

The Public Hearing is being conducted by J&K Pollution Control Committee as per requirement of EIA notification. The ToR (Terms of Reference) have been forwarded by **GoI, MoEF & CC,** Impact Assessment Division, New Delhi **vide F.No. IA-J-11011/345/2023-IA-II(IND-I) dt. 08.11.2023,** for the said **Public Hearing** along with draft EIA/EMP, which is scheduled to be conducted as per below mentioned detail:

Name of Agency	Location of Unit	Name of Village/Tehsil/ District	Location of public hearing Venue (Date and Time)
Mr. Rahul Bansal Prop. M/S KASHMIUR ISPAT at SIDCO Industrial Estate, Bari Brahmana, Samba (J&K)	**At SIDCO Industrial Estate, Bari Brahmana, Lane 4, Phase-II, Samba, Jammu** for Expansion of steel manufacturing unit having capacity 85,876 TPA of Flats, Steel Bar, Tor Steel, Steel Angle, Channels, Rounds, Wire road Square, Girders & TMT Bars with rolling mill of 15 TPH by addition of 01 No. Induction Furnace of 25 THP and Consent for production 1,19,000 TPA and Consent for production 1,19,000 TPA.	Village : Bari Brahmana, Tehsil : Samba Distt. : Samba (J&K)	**Date : 28.03.2024 Time : 11.00 am to 2.00 pm** ***Venue at Bari Brahmana Industries Association (Regd.)*** *BBIA BHAWAN, SIDCO Industrial Complex, Bari Brahmana, Jammu (J&K) -181133.*

The **Executive Summary of EIA and draft EMP in English and Hindi** of the above is available in the website of JKPCC. **jkpcc.nic.net.in** as well as in the following offices:

i) The Financial Commissioner (Additional Chief Secretary) to Government Forests, Ecology & Environment Department, Civil Secretariat, Jammu.
ii) Director, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India Northern, Regional Office (NZ), Bays 24-25, Sector-31A, Dakshan Marg Chandigarh-160030.
iii) Director, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India, Integrated Regional Office, Jammu.
iv) Member Secretary J&K Pollution Control Committee, Paryavaran Bhawan, Transport Nagar, Narwal, Jammu.
v) Deputy Commissioner / District Magistrate, District Samba (J&K).
vi) Regional Director, Pollution Control Committee, Transport Nagar, Narwal, Jammu (J&K).
vii) General Manager, DIC, Jammu, J&K Govt.
viii) Divisional Officer, Pollution Control Committee, Samba (N).

All concerned are hereby informed through this notice to send their suggestions / written objections or comments on or before **28th of March, 2024** addressed to Member Secretary, J&K Pollution Control Committee, Parivesh Bhawan, Gladni, Transport Nagar, Narwal, Jammu **(10.00 AM to 04.30 PM)** on any working day or by email **membersecretaryjkspcb@gmail.com**

The panel for conducting public hearing shall be as under:

i) **District Magistrate,** Samba, J&K or his representatives not below the rank of **Addl. District Magistrate**.
ii) **Regional Director,** JK Pollution Control Committee, Transport Nagar, Narwal, Jammu or his authorized representative.
iii) Divisional Officer, Pollution Control Committee, Samba (North) to carry out the public hearing as per **EIA notification.**
iv) General Manager, DIC, Jammu, J&K Govt.

All interested persons/organizations/groups/stake-holders are invited to participate in the above mentioned Public Hearing on the aforementioned date at the venue and time and give their suggestions, views/comments and objections, if any, to the authorities conducting the Public Hearing.

"As approved by the competent authority"

(J N Sharma)
Environmental Engineer,
JKPCC, Jammu

DIP-J-5587-23

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
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No. CE/EAP/ADRHARDP/04/2023/04

PRESS NOTICE
REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
for
Consultancy services for conducting Environmental and Social Assessment (ESA) for construction and improvement of roads under Assam Disaster Resilient Hill Area Road Development Project in the state of Assam.

1. The Government of Assam (GoA) through Government of India (GoI) has applied for financing from the World Bank towards the cost of Assam Disaster Resilient Hill Area Road Development Project (ADRHARDP) in the state of Assam and intends to apply part of the proceeds towards Consulting Services for the above mentioned Services.
2. The Chief Engineer (EAP), PWRD, Assam now invites eligible consulting firms to indicate their interest in providing the Services.
3. The Consultants will be selected in accordance with the Quality & Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Consultants Guidelines of the World Bank.
4. Details of Request for Expression of Interest (REOI) and the Terms of Reference (TOR) will be available at http://assamtenders.gov.in.
5. The Consultancy services shall be for a period of Twelve (12) months from the date of commencement.
6. Further information may be obtained at the office of the undersigned during office working hours from 10:00 hours to 17:00 hours (IST)
7. Request for Expression of interest (REOI) must be submitted online in the e-tendering system https://assamtenders.gov.in only on or before April 5 2023 upto 14:30 hours (IST).

Chief Engineer (EAP), PWRD, Assam
Fatasil Ambari, Guwahati-25

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Mukhyamantri Laghu Evam Kutir Udyam Vikas Board
(Government of Jharkhand Undertaking)
4th Floor, Udyog Bhawan, Ratu Road, Ranchi 834001

Notice Inviting Very Short E-Tender

Ref. No : 187 **Date: 01.03.2024**

Mukhyamantri Laghu Evam Kutir Udyam Vikas Board invites E-tenders from reputed Original equipment manufacturers / suppliers / authorized OEM dealers for setting up the following lac processing unit on **turnkey basis** for Bundu Lac Farming & Processing Cluster at Bundu, Ranchi, Jharkhand under the SFURTI scheme of MSME, Government of India:

Name of processing unit	Unit capacity & output of the end product	
Lac Dye manufacturing unit	Capacity 187.50kg/month Purity above 60%	**Tender fees of** ₹ 5,900.00 (inclusive of 18% GST) (Rupees Five Thousand Nine Hundred only) payable to MUKHYAMANTRI LAGHU EVAM KUTIR UDYAM VIKAS BOARD, Ranchi, Jharkhand, India
		EMD of ₹1,10,000.00 (One Lakh Ten Thousand only) i.e., @ 2% of estimated cost payable to MUKHYAMANTRI LAGHU EVAM KUTIR UDYAM VIKAS BOARD, Ranchi, Jharkhand, India.

Time Schedule:

Sl. No.	Particulars	Date & Time
1	Date of publication of tender bid document on website	02.03.2024
2	Bid document download start date	02.03.2024
3	Pre-bid meeting	04.03.2024 at 12:30 p.m. Online meeting link: **meet.google.com/nbe -uxsm-mey**
3	Bid submission start date	06.03.2024
4	Last date of submission of Technical & Financial Bid	12.03.2024
5	Opening of Technical Bid	14.03.2024
6	PowerPoint presentation (PPT) and Opening of Financial Bid	Shall be communicated later

Detailed tender document, eligibility criteria etc. may be downloaded from the **website: mmlkuvb.jharkhand.gov.in/www.jharkhandtenders.gov.in** or collected from the office of the Board during office hours in between 11:00hrs to 17:00hrs on any working day.

Mukhyamantri Laghu Evam Kutir Udyam Vikas Board reserves the right to cancel or/and postpone the tender or reject any bid without assigning any reason at any point of time or stage of the tender.

Sd/-
PR 321158 Mukhyamantri Laghu And Kutir Udyam Vikas Board(23-24).D **Chief Executive Officer**

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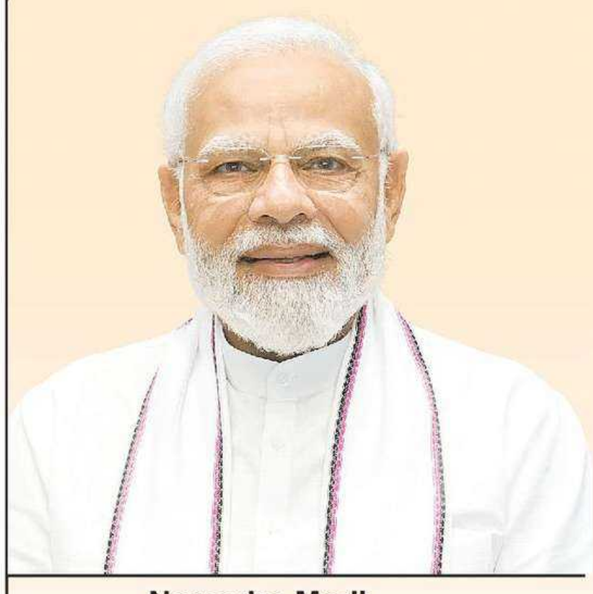

Narendra Modi
Prime Minister

Madhya Pradesh
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Dr. Mohan Yadav
Chief Minister, Madhya Pradesh

Madhya Pradesh Government under the dynamic leadership of the Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav in his first 60 days has identified pace of development by improving infrastructure and upskilling human resources.

Modified Parbati-Kalisindh-Chambal-ERCP Link Project to Transform Irrigation Infra

MoU between Centre, MP, Rajasthan

13 districts of Chambal and Malwa regions to get benefits

An ambitious Parbati-Kalisindh-Chambal project, pending for almost two decades has finally come to being under the guidance of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. It will transform lives in Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan. This will benefit 13 districts of Chambal and Malwa region of Madhya Pradesh. Water availability will increase in water-deficient districts such as Morena, Gwalior, Shivpuri, Guna, Bhind and Sheopur and industrialization will further gain pace in industrial districts mainly Indore, Ujjain, Dhar, Agar-Malwa, Shajapur, Dewas and Rajgarh. It will be a boost and irrigate about three lakh hectares immensely benefitting Malwa and Chambal regions. It is attributed to constant pursuance of the Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav. Resultantly, religious and tourist sector in these areas will also develop. This project is a boon for Western Madhya Pradesh.

Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav has resoved to operationalize this project in less than 5 years. The current cost of which is about Rs 75000 crore. About 1.5 crore population of Madhya Pradesh will get benefits from this project.

This will lead to improvement in quality of life by addressing poverty, unemployment, illiteracy etc. As many as 26 water deficient

districts of Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan will get great relief. The project will irrigate about 5.60 lakh hectare area as well as help raise the water level by storing water in dams and big ponds.

An agreement was reached between the states of Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan in a very short time by integrating the Parbati-Kalisindh-Chambal project with the Eastern Rajasthan Canal Project giving it the status of a project of national importance, for which both the governments deserve commendations. This project is an ideal example of cooperative federalism.

This project will help ensure efficient utilization of water resources of Chambal Basin of Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh, which will benefit the industrial and agricultural sectors in both the states. Under the tripartite MoU, this link project envisages providing irrigation in a total area of 5.60 lakh hectares in the states of Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan as well as providing water for drinking and industrial use in 13 districts of Eastern Rajasthan and 13 districts of Malwa and Chambal region of Madhya Pradesh. The MoU covers the scope of work of the link project, sharing of water, exchange of water, sharing of costs and benefits, implementation mechanism and arrangements for management and control of water in the Chambal Basin.

17 dams to provide water to farms and industries and drinking water

Parbati-Kalisindh-Chambal Link Project will be a boon for Madhya Pradesh making a water-rich state. In Shrimant Madhavrao Scindia Irrigation Complex, 4 dams will be built in Katila, Gwalior, Bhind, Sonpur, Pava, Dhanwadi and two barrages will be built in Shyampur, Nainagarh. This will irrigate 1,48,400 hectares in Guna, Sheopur, Shivpuri, Gwalior and Bhind districts.

Two dams will be built in Kumbhraj Complex which will provide irrigation to 51600 hectares in Guna district. Ranjit Sagar and Lakhundar Barrage will irrigate 50 thousand hectares in Shajapur, Agar Malwa. 07 dams of upper Chambal basin namely Sonchiri, Ramwasa, Bachaura, Padunia, Sewarkhedi, Chitawat and Sikri Sultanpura will irrigate 87,000 hectares in Ujjain, Indore, Dhar districts.

Thus, a total of 17 dams and barrages will irrigate 337,000 hectares in Ujjain, Indore, Dhar, Agar Malwa, Shajapur, Guna, Sheopur, Shivpuri, Gwalior and Bhind districts. Apart from this, plenty of drinking water will be available and water will be available for industries in Ujjain, Dewas, Agar Malwa, Shajapur, Sehore and Raisen.

PROJECT AT A GLANCE

District Wise Irrigation Area
(in Hectares)

Indore	-	42,000
Ujjain	-	65,000
Dhar	-	40,000
Agar Malwa	-	4,000
Shajapur	-	46,000
Shivpuri	-	95,000
Sheopur	-	25,000
Guna, Gwalior, Bhind	-	80,000
Total	-	337000

Total And State Wise Shared Estimated Cost

Estimated cost	- Rs. 72 thousand crores
Madhya Pradesh	- Rs. 35 thousand crores
Rajasthan	- Rs. 37 thousand crores

Total Irrigation Area and MP's Share

Total irrigation	- 6.7 lakh hectares
Madhya Pradesh	- 3.3 lakh hectares

Deep-Tech Research and Discovery Campus (DRDC) of IIT Indore to come up at Ujjain

CM Dr. Yadav extends full support

Ujjain will be having a world class research centre in future technologies with support from IIT Indore. Deep-Tech Research and Discovery Campus (DRDC) of IIT Indore will come up at Ujjain. Proposed Cost of the Project is Rs. 474 Crores towards the development of the infrastructure in the new campus at Ujjain.

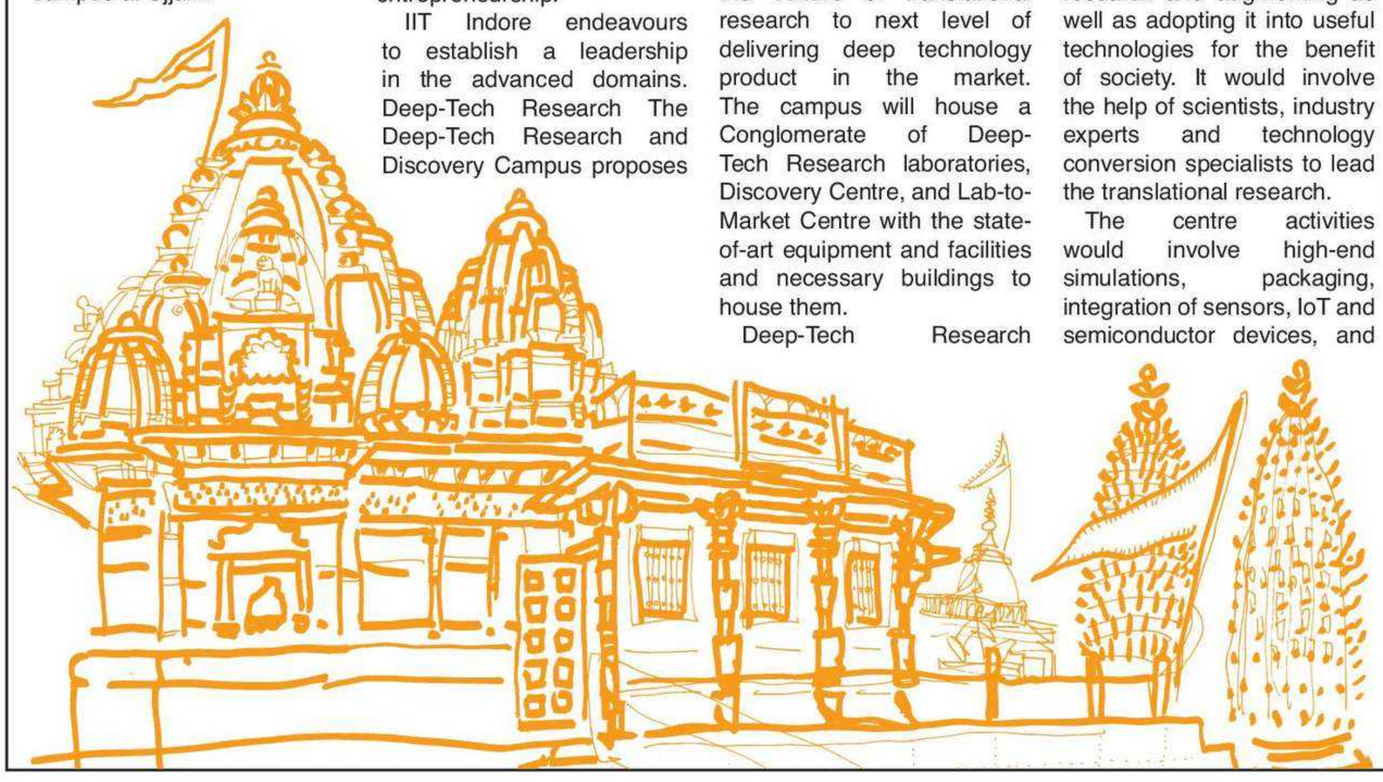
The proposed Deep-Tech Research and Discovery Campus will support

Conglomerate of Deep-Tech Research laboratories, Discovery Centre for realising new dimensions of research through translation and its application through Lab-to-market Centre involving start-up culture and entrepreneurship.

IIT Indore endeavours to establish a leadership in the advanced domains. Deep-Tech Research The Deep-Tech Research and Discovery Campus proposes to develop and deliver several high-tech technologies and products through its research and discovery processes leading to entrepreneurial ventures in the deep-tech domain. It will build a specific infra-structure to house the Deep-Tech Research and Discovery Campus at Ujjain to take the culture of translational research to next level of delivering deep technology product in the market. The campus will house a Conglomerate of Deep-Tech Research laboratories, Discovery Centre, and Lab-to-Market Centre with the state-of-art equipment and facilities and necessary buildings to house them.

Deep-Tech Research Laboratories will undertake high-end research in the cutting-edge areas and develop new technologies and products for the benefit of industry and society that can be take up further to prototype development and entrepreneurial ventures. The Discovery Centre will involve hand-holding of the research and augmenting as well as adopting it into useful technologies for the benefit of society. It would involve the help of scientists, industry experts and technology conversion specialists to lead the translational research.

The centre activities would involve high-end simulations, packaging, integration of sensors, IoT and semiconductor devices, and



communication technologies and instrumentation.

The Lab-to-market Centre would involve conversion from lab-scale models to prototypes and to products through up-scaling, integration, testing and field trials. It will further involve expert advice and participation of commercialisation experts to evolve business plans for incubators leading to venture creation.

To support man-power skilling in the high-tech areas by conducting massive online as well as hybrid programs. Some of the courses that are being planned include bio-medical device development, industrial laser and optics technology and so on.

Deep-Tech Research Laboratories

These include the following FOUR research domains - A. Astronomy and Space Technology focusing on – Detector technology, Astronomical heritage, Computing and Analytics and Space technology. B. Lasers and Applied Optics Technology focusing on – Photonics fabrication and quantum optics, Laser Development for Manufacturing, Measurements, and Medicine, Opto-mechatronics System and Laser Communications, Bio photonics related areas, Advanced imaging and nanophotonic. C. Semiconductor Fabrication focusing on VLSI chip design and manufacturing, Flexible electronics, IoT, Sensors and Display technologies. D. Biomedical Instrumentation focusing on Bio-photonics, Biomedical imaging, bioprinting, Biomedical instrumentation.

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New Delhi's balancing act in chaotic West Asia

India has been adept at expanding its footprint in West Asia and juggling relations with Israel and Arab countries. Its diplomacy will be tested if the Gaza war continues indefinitely, or if relations between Israel and Arab nations further decline

Manjari Chatterjee Miller

Last month, Prime Minister Narendra Modi embarked on a veritable love fest in West Asia. His first stop was the United Arab Emirates for his seventh visit to the country. There he headlined one of his famous Indian diaspora rallies, inaugurated Abu Dhabi's first ever Hindu temple, and signed 10 bilateral agreements. The trip cemented the growing relationship between India and the UAE. The UAE is now India's third largest trading partner, its second largest export destination, and fourth largest source of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI).

From the UAE, Modi travelled to Qatar where he committed to "further expanding and deepening bilateral cooperation". The Qatar trip came on the heels of the Indian government successfully negotiating with the Qataris to release eight Indians who had been sentenced to death for allegedly spying for Israel. The two hugely successful trips were preceded by Modi strongly voicing support for Israel following the attacks by Hamas, just over four months ago. The dizzying juggling act that India seems to be perfecting in West Asia is paying off in spades. But it comes with risks.

India's outreach to West Asian countries began shortly after Independence in 1947. India's anti-colonial socialist leaders frowned upon Israel (a country built on religious nationalism just like Pakistan), fully supported the Palestinian cause, and, cognisant of India's large Muslim population, tried to make common cause with Islamic nations. However, other than Israel, which was keen to court India but with whom India did not agree to establish diplomatic relations until 1992, few of the West Asian countries particularly responded to India's overtures and indeed regularly gave Pakistan both political and military support. Today the tide has turned. Arab nations and Israel are both enthusiastic about building ties with India and Modi's BJP government has responded in kind.

There is a huge Indian diaspora spread across the Arab nations, mostly blue-collar workers who regularly send remittances home. For example, nearly 38% of the UAE's population comprises Indian citizens. The Indian government has long been concerned about protecting this diaspora and securing their rights, particularly as many are systematically exploited in these countries. The new Hindu temple is, thus, a way for the UAE to signal inclusivity and for India to signal it cares about its Gulf diaspora. In the meantime, large Indian companies have become competitive in securing infrastructure contracts in Arab nations, Indian and Arab companies have secured mutually beneficial energy deals (such as the liquified natural gas deal between India and Qatar's State-owned hydrocarbon companies Petronet and QatarEnergy which will supply India 7.5 million tons of LNG per year for the next two decades), and Arab nations have pledged to invest billions in India (for example, Saudi Arabia has pledged $100 billion).

Despite this move toward Arab nations, India maintains a strong relationship with Israel. Israel is one of India's top arms suppliers, and India remains hugely concerned about the spectre of State-sponsored Islamist terror groups.

Thus, Israel and India regularly cooperate on counter terrorism and intelligence sharing. The United States' strengthening partnership with India has only further boosted the India-Israel relationship as well as relations with Arab nations. At the G20 Leaders Summit last year, Modi announced the India-Middle East-Europe Economic Corridor (IMEC) — touted by some as a counter corridor to China's Belt and Road Initiative — that involves Saudi Arabia, the UAE, France, Germany, Italy, the European Union, and the United States in addition to India.

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The problem remains, however, that this balancing act can create headaches for India as well as reticence in its behaviour. Modi was intensely criticised for his quick statement of support for Israel, and the Indian government hastened to clarify that it still supported a two-State solution. If there is a prolonged Israel-Gaza war, or relations between Israel and Arab nations further decline, India may no longer be able to sit on the fence.

India's relations with Iran are also at stake. India has long been supporting maritime security in the Red Sea and Indian warships play an important role in rescuing hijacked ships from pirates. But India has thus far declined to join 'Operation Prosperity Guardian,' the United States-led maritime force to protect ships from Houthi attacks. If it does, India risks offending Iran, a country with whom India has long had strong diplomatic links. Yet the Houthi attacks have implications for Indian trade which utilises routes through the Red Sea and Suez Canal to reach North Africa and the West.

Thus far, the Modi government has been adept at expanding its footprint and juggling the morass of sensitive relations that is West Asia. There is little doubt China is taking note. However, it remains to be seen if this can be a viable long-term strategy.

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{ SUNDAY SENTIMENTS }

Karan Thapar

Outspoken, committed to doing the right thing

A picture of Fali Nariman hangs on the wall opposite my desk in the office. It doesn't capture the gentle smile and twinkling eyes characteristic of him but it, clearly, conveys his resolve and resilience. Looking straight into the camera, his right hand firmly gripping the arm of the chair, you can tell this is a man who knows his mind and unhesitatingly expresses it.

The picture is from my penultimate interview to mark the launch of his last book, *You Must Know Your Constitution*. I'd like to believe that a lot of what he said is a message to our country.

Quoting with approval Ivor Jennings, the acclaimed British academic lawyer, Nariman said: "It is not untrue to say that the most important part of Parliament is the Opposition... the Opposition is at once the alternative to the government and a focus for the discontent of the people. Its function is almost as important as that of the government. If there is no Opposition, there is no democracy."

How do we convince the government, I asked. During the interview, Nariman simply laughed. It's not for me to do so, he said. Afterwards, however, he added, "I put that in deliberately. I'm so glad you picked it up."

Nariman had a way of saying things that could be pertinent and pointed but never offensive or hurtful. At times, you wouldn't even realise he was gently steering you. For instance, at what I imagine was our first meeting at the author Patwant Singh's home, he put an arm around my shoulder and took me to a corner as the others headed to the drawing room from the dining table. "Remember, Patwant likes the last word. He'll always be your friend if you let him."

Clearly, I had asked one question too many and Nariman was gently telling me I might have crossed a sensitive line.

In the interview, he adopted a similar style on many subjects close to the government. "We will never be able to piece together a new Constitution in the present day and age," he said. Brilliant and innovative ideas can never give us an ideal Constitution in the absence of "the spirit of persuasion, of accommodation, of tolerance". As things stand, "In India, all three are at a very low ebb today."

After his death, I heard that interview again and immediately noticed how artfully Nariman had spoken. "The preamble is the most important part of the Constitution". He called it its "conscience". Was he drawing attention to the concept of fraternity? It's only in the preamble that it features.

He, not I, then steered the conversation to talk about tolerance. The problem today is we have "no tolerance". Once again, he stepped beyond the bounds of his book to make this comment.

At the time it didn't strike me but now, after he's gone, I wonder if these were carefully delivered messages! There were others too.

Our judges must be more willing to stand up for the rights conferred on the citizens of India. He was clearly disappointed by their unwillingness to do so. But hesitant to be sharply critical, he chose to compare them to the Curate's egg.

I did several interviews with Nariman. In earlier ones, he'd be sporting braces, whilst I a bow tie. Ours were animated discussions with frequent friendly interruptions. Excitement or enthusiasm often leads to that and certainly, our exchanges could thus be described.

Bapsi, his wife, would sit in a corner and hear our discussion. Almost unfailingly she'd invite me to dinner and I would readily accept. He would walk me to the car and as I bid goodbye he'd say, "She's fond of you".

That's also the apt adjective for him. I had the greatest respect for him, admired his intelligence, marvelled at his outspokenness and his unflinching commitment to doing the right thing. But I also grew to be fond of him. A word that suggests affection without familiarity.

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Learning from Jakarta on simultaneous polls

Indonesia went to the polls on February 14, and the results are expected by March 20. It is interesting to note that ever since its return to democracy in 2004, Indonesia's general elections have happened in the same year as India's.

While the official results were awaited, within hours of the polls closing, quick counts emerged — a mix of exit polls along with early results from some booths. General Prabowo Subianto, the defence minister, and Gibran Raka, his vice-presidential candidate, are expected to be the winners. The other two candidates have not conceded so far. Over the last 20 years, quick count results have varied only marginally from the final results.

Indonesia has been moving towards a one-nation, one-election system, which is under discussion in India. This is under the revised law since 2019 when simultaneous elections were introduced under a Constitutional court judgment in that country. Indonesia has a voting age of 17 and 204 million voters (military and police personnel are not allowed to vote) — and the turnout on February 14 was 85%.

Gurjit Singh

On polling day, a voter received several ballot papers. One for the presidential election, another for the House of Representatives (the Lok Sabha equivalent), the Regional Representative Council (the Upper House equivalent, but with directly elected members, on a non-party basis), and for members of local legislative bodies at the provincial and city/regency level outside Jakarta. Overseas voters got two ballots: For president and for the House of Representatives, to be cast by postal ballots submitted at the embassy. Regional governors are not part of this poll process due to the law of decentralisation. Gubernatorial elections for all 38 provinces are likely in November.

The main negative consequence of the 2019 simultaneous elections was the death of over 600 officials, primarily from exhaustion. This year 84 died! It was expected that running simultaneous elections would enhance efficiency and control costs. It has not. According to one report, the 2019 simultaneous elections cost 60% more than the 2014 elections. The 2024 election budget was $1.7 billion. Proponents believe that holding elections over a few consecutive days rather than one day and introducing e-voting will reduce the stress of concurrent polls.

The parliamentary and presidential elections were conjoined in 2014. Subsequently, those for local and regional bodies were added — 800,000 booths handled the 204-million-strong electorate. Counting of the paper ballots is manual and takes long whereas, in India, the conduct of the election is spread over several weeks but the counting is on a common day and quick.

There are 24 registered national parties, and 18 participated this time for the 580-member parliament from 84 constituencies. Proportional representation plays a large role in the allocation of seats. Thus, aggregation of votes and scoring a higher percentage is the focus of every party, not individual MP campaigns.

A party requires a minimum of 4% votes nationally to get a seat in parliament. In the 2019 elections, nine parties qualified; this time, it could be eight. Since no party has the majority, coalitions are the norm. This time, the four parties that backed the Prabowo-Gibran ticket did not appear to meet the majority in parliament, despite winning over 50% votes in the presidential election. They are reaching out to other parties who backed losing candidates to obtain a legislative majority. Parties also seek a higher vote share because a presidential candidate can be nominated only by a party or a coalition that has a minimum of 20% of the seats in parliament.

To win a presidential election, the candidate must not only secure 50% plus votes at the national level but also a majority of the votes in 20% of the provinces. That is why the slow counting of votes at the provincial level remains important.

For India, Indonesia is a living laboratory to study the one-nation, one-election system, though their electorate is only about a quarter of India's. Their security concerns seem less prominent. But, staggering concurrent elections over a short period would have reduced the stress from the process. And electronic voting machines could speed up their counting process. India already has these aspects in place.

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Coexisting with tigers in the Anthropocene age

India has many good practices to offer for conserving tigers. The country has a great track record indeed of resurrecting the endangered tiger. India has the largest tiger population in the wild. So, what next on the tiger agenda? The 'Amrit Kaal Ka Tiger Vision' (Tiger@2047) released by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in April 2023, provides contours of the roadmap for the future.

Rajesh Gopal

The wild tiger lives in a landscape under stress. In most tiger range countries, including India, such stress is mostly human-induced. This is not something unique but is a natural process in the Anthropocene age. Human actions are never benign, be it development or bonafide use. They usher in a lot of change. Such changes define the transformation dynamics of a landscape in terms of land use. Agriculture and cash crop cultivation are ubiquitous. Landholders resort to cultivation. The crop cover acts as a qualifier and imparts a new cover value to the fragmented habitat. Human actions in the vicinity of wildlife areas foster an "agro-pastoral stress continuum". The presence of such stress makes the human-wildlife interface sensitive and leads to lethal interactions between humans and wild animals.

We have numerous examples to cite in this context: Sugarcane tigers of Pilibhit, conditioned wild carnivores in crop fields, disturbed elephant populations resorting to depredation, black bears entering human settlements near Buxa, tigers and elephants entering human settlements, including towns, in Wayanad, Kerala.

In this context, it becomes important to conceptualise the rural aspect of the human-tiger interface. This is characterised by poverty, the need for sustainable livelihood, varied agro-pastoral practices, subsistence poaching, forest resource dependency, human-wildlife depredations, and a disconnect with nearby protected areas. It is obvious that such a situation will nurture animosity against any tiger or wildlife conservation effort among human residents.

More inclusive actions are needed. There is a compelling situation for green eco-business models to benefit local people. The optics of business are demonstrative and rather immediate and need to happen in the periphery of tiger reserves.

Investment in peripheral buffer areas for inclusive actions to benefit local people has brought down the natural resource dependency. As a sequel, both the tiger and its habitat have gained. This is glaringly discernible in some well-known tiger reserves. Kanha of Madhya Pradesh is fabled for its more than a hundred tigers, with around 100,684 local beneficiaries gaining from eco-development. In contrast, Palamau in Jharkhand has very few tigers, and only around 2,923 beneficiaries.

Thus, a pattern amounting to correlation is clearly visible. Sustainable livelihood options do improve the wilderness, and there is local ownership as well. More than 5 million man-days per annum are generated through tiger investment by the Centre and states.

The rural poor in tiger landscapes are largely small or marginal agricultural producers. In several states, they depend on a single rain-fed crop. Their agricultural processes are traditional and old. The crop yield is little and more often remnants of crop depredation by wild animals. The heterogeneous composition of forest villagers has a mix of agricultural labourers, rural artisans, petty trade service providers, and migrant labourers, with a large number of jobless dwellers depending only on natural resources.

Entrepreneurship needs to provide economic opportunities to local people that should be ecologically sustainable while reducing losses from human-wildlife conflict. It requires considerable facilitation starting with assured market linkages.

Green eco markets around tiger reserves, national parks and sanctuaries would ensure the sustainability of wild fauna and flora AFP

CSR commitments are well known and they do happen. But something more is warranted. Innovations are required to give more thought to rural tiger entrepreneurship, which is different and unique. The model needs to focus on small landholders. It has to be producer-driven, valuing the prevailing human-wildlife conflict settings. There has to be a definite bias for gains to local people. Entrepreneurship has to be innovative and focussed on value extraction from local places, vis-à-vis local resources, with assured transfer to local markets. Revalourisation of place towards utilising the local potential and village attributes, while aiming at new rural products and services is also important. Trade agreements with the community should be simple and honoured. The market chain collaboration should also be fostered. Thus, the story is quite different from a simple CSR model.

Envisioning such entrepreneurship should also take note of related risks of market failures viz. credit constraints, lack of ability for price mitigation, production issues, lack of scale in markets, production accessibility problems, disconnect with market information and need for quality standards. Above all, financial services to support such smallholders are overarching. A conceptual framework relating to business models for environmental goods and services is fundamental in this context. This may not be difficult since the greening of businesses to promote environmental sustainability is well known. However, market-based motivations for green/eco business models need to happen towards final consumers, green supply chains, and capital markets for environmental services including biodiversity. Both regulatory as well non-regulatory actions for inducing such green business models are relevant, apart from performance monitoring.

Green eco markets around tiger reserves, national parks and sanctuaries would ensure the sustainability of wild fauna and flora. The latter are multidimensional indicators of biodiversity and human well-being, in sync with the convention of biological diversity.

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{ SUNDAY LETTERS }

Inspiring story of a dedicated artist

This is with reference to '*Gulzar: A seeker in the shrine of poetry*' by Pavan K Varma (Feb 25). It's fascinating to learn about Gulzar saheb's passion for writing and how it has shaped his life and work. His story is a testament to the power of literature and the impact of a lifelong dedication to one's craft.

Nilam Chauhan

Examine the provisions of UCC

This is with reference to '*Code that is neither uniform nor lawful*' by Gautam Bhatia (Feb 25). The provision to regulate live-in relationships seems intrusive, potentially leading to harassment. It's concerning how this law could be used to control intimate relationships.

Manan Grewal

Focus on women from Manipur

This is with reference to '*Manipur women face trauma in relief camps*' by Lalita Panicker (Feb 25). It's clear that the women displaced by the violence in Manipur need support and rehabilitation to rebuild their lives.

Vishal Raghavan

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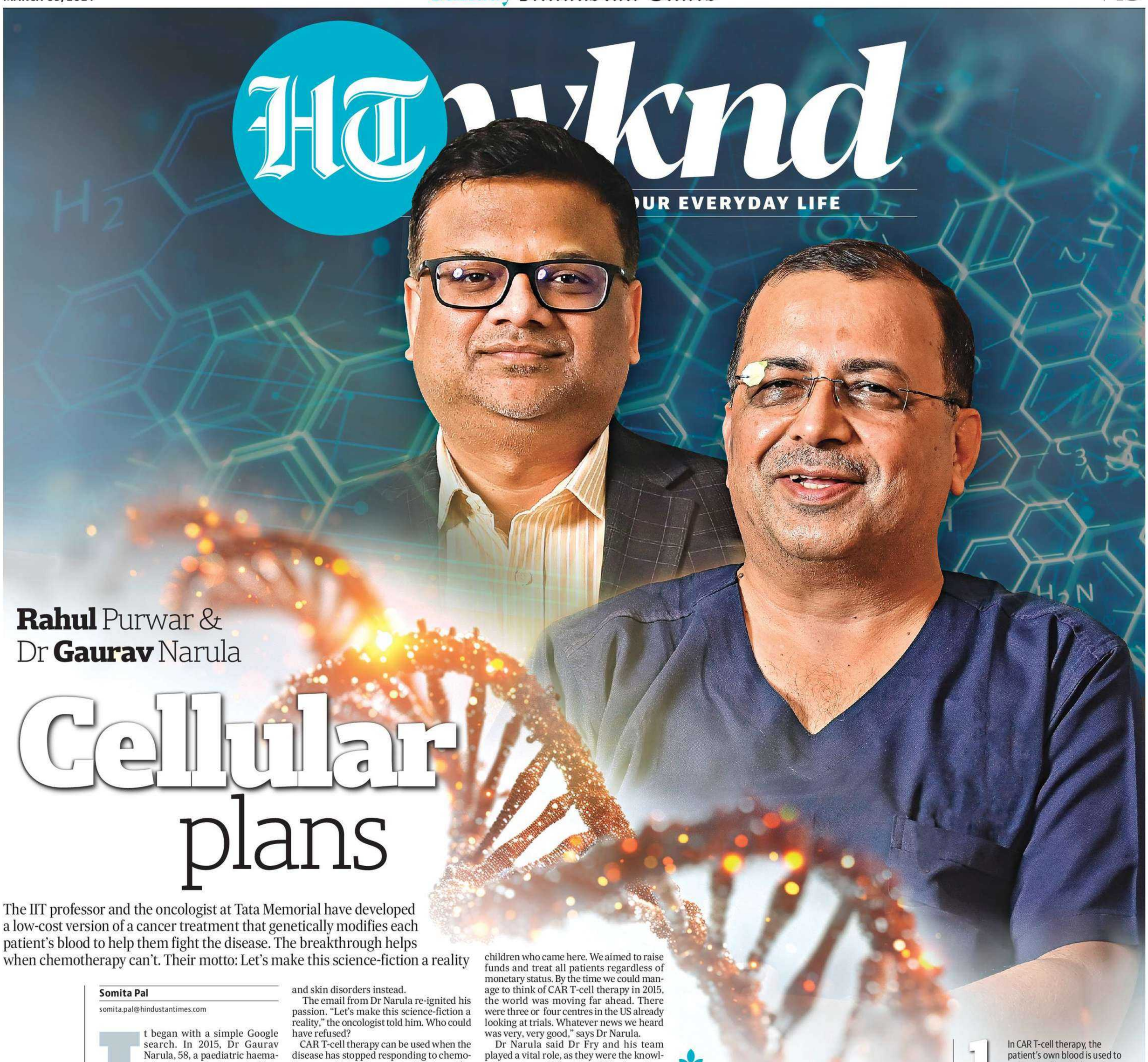

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OUR EVERYDAY LIFE

Rahul Purwar &
Dr **Gaurav** Narula

Cellular plans

The IIT professor and the oncologist at Tata Memorial have developed a low-cost version of a cancer treatment that genetically modifies each patient's blood to help them fight the disease. The breakthrough helps when chemotherapy can't. Their motto: Let's make this science-fiction a reality

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It began with a simple Google search. In 2015, Dr Gaurav Narula, 58, a paediatric haematologist-oncologist at Tata Memorial Hospital, was hoping for a breakthrough in immunology research. He'd quit the Navy in 2012 to pursue oncology and was focused on chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy, a personalised cancer treatment that used each patient's blood, specifically its T-cells (types of immune cells), genetically modifies these cells in the lab to give them cancer-fighting powers, and then infuses those CAR-T cells back into the patient's body.

Dr Narula found Rahul Purwar, 46, a faculty member at the Indian Institute of Technology-Bombay (IIT-B), online. "I stumbled upon Purwar's CAR T-cell PowerPoint while preparing for my own research paper on the subject and wrote to him," says Dr Narula. "When we met in his laboratory at the IIT-B campus, I told him I needed a car, and he needed a driver."

Purwar, a Lucknow native, held a PhD in molecular medicine from Hannover Medical School, Germany, and a postdoctoral fellowship in immunology from Harvard Medical College. He had joined IIT-B in 2013, giving up his interest in expensive CAR T-cell therapy and concentrating on T-cell biology and skin disorders instead.

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>
> **DR GAURAV NARULA,** oncologist at Tata Memorial Hospital

The email from Dr Narula re-ignited his passion. "Let's make this science-fiction a reality," the oncologist told him. Who could have refused?

CAR T-cell therapy can be used when the disease has stopped responding to chemotherapy, which is the accepted treatment for most cancers today. Not only is each CAR T-cell treatment specific to the patient, the modified cells are designed to locate and destroy cancer cells in the body.

There's only one problem: The cost of the treatment runs into crores per patient.

"Keeping in mind ongoing research, trials and clinical evidence abroad, my idea was to have a CAR T-cell therapy that would cause long-term cancer remission," says Dr Narula. "We would then not need a bone marrow transplant", which would especially help young patients.

Purwar expected it would take him two years to design the CAR T-cell therapy. Dr Narula says it was ready within six months. "Meanwhile, I had written to Dr Terry Fry (who then headed the CAR T-cell programme at the National Cancer Institute in Bethesda, USA) and told him I have a partner with whom I can explore the research work in India," says Dr Narula.

Dr Narula has been mulling over the project for years. "In 1999, I took annual leave from the Navy and worked at the Tata Memorial Hospital (TMH), Mumbai, for a month. Two years later, I came back on study leave and did a fellowship in paediatric haematology-oncology there," he says.

When he resigned in 2012, he joined the same hospital, hoping to figure it all out. This was the year that six-year-old Emily Whitehead of New Jersey became the first paediatric patient to receive CAR T-cell therapy for leukaemia, at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. "A close friend sent me a clipping, knowing my interest in immunology and immune-haematology."

"Till 2015, TMH's paediatric department aimed to provide basic chemotherapy to children who came here. We aimed to raise funds and treat all patients regardless of monetary status. By the time we could manage to think of CAR T-cell therapy in 2015, the world was moving far ahead. There were three or four centres in the US already looking at trials. Whatever news we heard was very, very good," says Dr Narula.

Dr Narula said Dr Fry and his team played a vital role, as they were the knowledge partners. "We visited NCI where they were working on this. Whenever we got stuck, he (Dr Fry) and his team guided us," he says with gratitude.

Four years after Dr Narula's May 2015 email to Purwar, the latter made the first breakthrough in developing the functional prototype . One of the biggest challenges the duo overcame was in creating a gene delivery vehicle. "We were initially trying to purchase it from abroad and they were asking for $3 million to produce it. We then decided to produce it at IIT-B," Purwar says.

While the world and India were fighting the Covid-19 pandemic, Purwar, Dr Narula, and Dr Hasmukh Jain, the other principal investigator, were battling multiple challenges to ensure they met deadlines for the commercial launch they aimed for by the end of 2023. "We were in the middle of constructing our laboratory at IIT-B when Covid-19 struck. The IIT administration's timely approvals ensured that other certifications came in on time despite the pandemic," Purwar says.

The second major challenge came when the Phase 1 trial coincided with the second wave of Covid-19. Dr Narula, principal investigator of paediatric Acute Lymphocytic Leukemia (ALL) care at TMH, and Dr Jain, principal investigator of the adult B-cell lymphoma study, started recruiting patients in early 2021. The trials were conducted at the Advanced Centre for Treatment, Research and Education in Cancer (ACTREC), the research and development wing of TMH.

The commercial use of this therapy to treat certain blood cancers was approved by the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) in October. Dr Jain, who oversaw the multicentre Phase 1 and 2 pivotal clinical trial involving 60 r/r B-cell lymphoma and leukaemia patients, says the therapy "has shown an excellent balance of efficacy and low-toxicity, which is a significant advantage in clinical management post- infusion, particularly in resource-constrained settings."

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> **RAHUL PURWAR,** associate professor at IIT-Bombay

As the team now busies themselves with presentations on the CAR T-cell therapy and Phase 2 trials among paediatric patients, they are yet to celebrate their achievement. "We achieved milestones at a socially awkward time. When we had time, we were engaged with other important things and by then, the moment to celebrate the milestone had passed. We intend to meet soon and celebrate," laughs Dr Narula.

Purwar says his next aim is to make the treatment more accessible and affordable. "The current cost is Rs 40 lakh. We want to bring it down by half. This is just the first CAR T-cell product. We will upgrade to more affordable versions."

Purwar says research and development work on CAR T-cell therapy for solid tumours has begun too. "We are also looking at diversifying beyond oncology to look at autoimmune disorders, heart diseases and infectious diseases," he adds.

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WATCH Rahul Purwar discuss how the therapy works, what's next for it, and the plans to make it accessible to all

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While India worries about its growing population, the world is looking at the opposite problem: This is the century in which the planet will empty out. Countries around the world are seeing a slow, sustained collapse of fertility. Even in places where population is growing—India, North Africa—a tipping point is approaching.

And it's coming earlier than expected. The United Nations' 2022 Revision of World Population Prospects estimates that Earth's population will peak at about 10.4 billion people in the 2080s and remain at that level until 2100. But new data from individual censuses and localised studies shows that it could peak at 9.5 billion people, as early as the late 2050s, and decline sharply after.

This means that for most of us, change will come in our lifetimes. "The children born today will inherit a vastly different world by the time they enter the workforce," says sociologist and demographer Sonalde Desai, director of the National Data Innovation Centre at the National Council of Applied Economic Research.

A future with fewer people is not, by itself, a good or bad thing. More people now live in cities, and small families may be more efficient where living costs are high and where many hands are not needed for farm work. Lower fertility rates within a community also indicate gender equality; better educated women typically have fewer children, later in life. In countries where resources — university seats, jobs, homes in good neighbourhoods — are scarce, a smaller population can come as a relief.

But fewer babies today also mean fewer workers, fewer taxpayers, fewer ideas, fewer drivers of economic growth in the coming years. The World Health Organization estimates that by 2030, one in six people globally will be over the age of 60.

Some countries are simply importing people. Canada, where the population (now 39 million) has declined since 2009, hopes to take in 1.5 million immigrants from 2023 to 2025. But xenophobia is rising. "It's a growing country, but whose country?" asks Desai. Migration isn't a catch-all solution. "Population is also dropping in Haiti and Vietnam. Few want to move there."

Intimate decision, global repercussion

Demographers see a clear geographical distinction in why couples might want fewer or no kids. "In the West, having children is seen as at odds with the pursuit of individual freedoms. It's why Nordic countries, with generous parental leave, job security, state-subsidised childcare have had a slower decline than their neighbours," says Desai. "In East Asian regimes, it's because kids now require high investment —time, money, school costs, childcare—few couples want a large family."

This explains India's steady decline too. "What works for a family doesn't always work for the nation," Desai says. In India, all but five states (Bihar, Meghalaya, Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand, Manipur) already have fertility rates below the replacement level of 2.1 children per woman. Families are smaller in the southern states, where ageing folks are already starting to outnumber young people.

The transition defies religion. Census data from 2011 shows that in districts where Hindu fertility was high, Muslim fertility was also high; and where Hindu fertility was low, Muslim fertility was low too. "There are larger forces at play," says Desai. Italy's population has been declining for 14 years, "and this is a Catholic country. Bangladesh, Thailand and Iran now have low birth rates too." West or East, it seems like having a child has become a value proposition in a way it's never been before.

From cradle to crucible

Dips in human population have historically come from famine, plague and war. Biologically, most species have more offspring once they access more resources. The current decline bucks both trends.

Don't blame women. Family-size decisions are a couple's choice. "Society expects so much more of mothers everywhere in the world that we have what American sociologist Annette Lareau calls Concerted Cultivation," says Desai. It means that parents funnel the time, effort and money they'd have spent on more kids into just one or two, raising them, in Lareau's words "like hothouse flowers", in sync with the demands of the professional world.

In India, fall in family size hasn't coincided with growing women's participation in the labour force. It's largely because institutional structures are still not family friendly. "We talk and talk about how men need to be involved in housework. But workplaces haven't accommodated the idea that childbearers and child-rearers are part of the team," Desai says.

Governments are trying a bit of everything to stabilise populations. Some have invested in expensive labour policies so couples don't have to choose between careers and children. Others offer incentives for women to just stay home, have kids and raise them. Still others have discouraged family planning altogether. See how it's all playing out.

READ: We are many, we are one: Ambi Parameswaran on India's recent population milestone

Sweden

10.1 mn people

1.8 children per woman

"Sweden is touted as one of the few places in Europe where measures to boost population have worked," says Sonalde Desai, director of the National Data Innovation Centre at the National Council of Applied Economic Research. Paid parental leave (for fathers and mothers) has been in force since 1973, and currently stands at 480 days. Both parents receive 80% of their pre-birth salary for about a year after the baby is born. There's also a speed premium: Families that space their births sufficiently closely avoid a reduction in the allowance caused by any reduced income earned between the births. State-funded childcare is excellent. No eyebrows are raised when a father takes time off to care for a sick child.

India

1.4 bn people

2.2 children per woman

In 1950, despite crushing poverty and hunger, the average Indian woman had 5.7 children. Family-planning schemes have brought it down to just over two births per woman today. The UN expects India's population to peak around 2064, then decline. We may hit that target up to six years earlier.

"The workforce of 2047 has already been born," says Desai, and they stand to inherit a very different world. India's population decline, she says, will hit the well-off southern states first. They already have lower birth rates and have a high number of ageing people. "But the dependency burden—working age Indians supporting both kids and grandparents—will vary dramatically between states."

A 2023 UN report estimates that by 2046, we'll have more over-60s than we'll have under-15s. By 2050, one in five Indians will be over 60.

China

1.4 bn people

1.7 children per woman

China's population decline comes 10 years ahead of UN projections. Last year, the country's population fell for the first time in sixty years. China's strict one-child policy, enforced since 1980, kept the population from exploding but also created what economists term the 1:2:4 problem: The one grandchild is now the sole carer for two parents and four grandparents.

"The policy was lifted in 2015, but few Chinese have rushed to make more babies," says Desai. "That sharp drop is now a challenge for the country."

In the rapidly urbanised nation, most couples find that high costs of childcare and education and the growing insecurity in their own jobs make it unfeasible to have children. "As Communism was stamped out, state-supported childcare was withdrawn, putting parents in a bind." Financial incentives and national childcare schemes haven't worked.

Last year, second children made up less than 40% of Chinese newborns; only 15% of births were in families with three or more children. Health and welfare costs are set to soar in the coming generation. Economists who once worried that China would take over the world are now predicting that China will get old before it gets rich. Might a mythical beast help? 2024 is the Year of the Dragon, when Chinese populations worldwide record a spike in births. The blip is unlikely to be a bonus, though — just babies that couples had planned anyway, but timed to arrive in an auspicious year.

The US

332.9 mn people

1.8 children per woman

The American dream is changing in the country with the third-highest population. The average American woman has her first child at 26, younger than the average for the developed world. But birth rates have been declining about 2% annually since 2007. Already, close to 14% of the population is foreign-born, and population growth is boosted by immigration.

In her book Childfree By Choice, sociologist Amy Blackstone says that more couples are choosing to not to have children because American policies are not family friendly. There is no national, paid parental leave scheme—most employers give new mothers two weeks off and no leave for dads. Daycare is expensive and women still shoulder much of the childrearing.

Rates of innovation have stalled, simply because innovators tend to be young and the population of young people has remained stagnant.

Iran

85 mn people

2.2 children per woman

In the 1980s, the average Iranian woman had 6.5 children. But family-planning measures since then have brought family size down to two adults and two children.

Stagnating living standards are pushing birthrates lower. It means that by 2050, Iran could have one of the five largest elderly populations in the world. More than 10% of the people is now over the age of 60. Since the 2000s, the Islamic republic has stopped promoting the use of contraceptives, vasectomies, even pre-natal genetic screening. It has offered child-benefit payments, interest-free loans, and free land and cars for families with more than three children. It hasn't worked.

Japan

126 mn people

1.4 children per woman

What happens when a nation's population has been declining for 14 years, but most people live to the age of 84? It becomes a country with more seniors than young people, and old folks who prefer robots, rather than immigrants, to look after them. It won't last long. Innovation has taken a hit, because there are fewer young Japanese. More than 1.2 million small businesses have ageing owners and no successors. Even among the local mafia, the yakuza, there are more dons in their 70s than in their 20s.

Japan has 10 million fewer workers today than 20 years ago. Many of them are employed, but not in permanent positions, making it hard for them to find wives and start families. The cost of living is high, there's no child support. So fewer couples have kids. In 2022, population dropped by 800,000, breaching that mark for the first time since recordkeeping began more than a century ago.

Why is a population's replacement rate set at 2.1?

The figure represents the number of children a woman is likely to have in her lifetime. Mathematically, a fertility rate of 2 means there are as many kids as parents, that family sizes remain the same and, barring migration, there is no growth or reduction in the population from generation to generation. The 0.1 is added to offset infant mortality

But with sex-selective abortion prevalent in many cultures, not all girl children survive or make it to their fertility age. So when demographers calculate figures for the planet as a whole, they use 2.2, to account for the gender imbalance. The fertility rate for humanity is already at 2.2. For the very first time in human history, we are not reproducing ourselves.

Receding heirlines: What coming generations will inherit

=25mn

2.8bn
Earth's population in 1955. Today, that is the population of India and China alone.

9.7bn
Earth's population by 2050, according to estimates by the United Nations Population Division.

134mn births
That's an average of 367,000 babies born worldwide each day in 2023. While this may sound like a lot, it is actually the lowest number of newborns since 2001.

61mn deaths
This means, in 2023, the global population rose by 73 million people, a net increase of 0.91%.

20.3 years
The median age of a human in 1970. It means that half the population was older and half was younger at the time.

30 years
The median age of a human on Earth right now. Fewer births and a longer life expectancy means this is the oldest median age in history.

2080s
The UN's projections of when human birth-death numbers will even out, making global population peak. There will be an estimated 10.4 billion people on Earth, with no decline until 2100.

2050s
The projection from some demographers on when population will peak, based on data from nations showing early declines. They estimate that human population will stand at 9.5 billion, and drop sharply thereafter.

Russia

145 mn people

1.8 children per woman

The world's largest country is largely empty. Russia has added barely ten million to its population since 1900, when the Russian Empire included present-day Poland and the Baltic states. It had more people in the years immediately after the collapse of the USSR, than it does today. An urbanising society, in which women marry late and delay having children, has kept families small. Economic insecurity has deterred many couples from planning more than one child.

The Kremlin is worried. In 2022, President Vladimir Putin restored the Soviet-era Mother Heroine award for women who have 10 or more children; 2024 has been declared Year of the Family. There's been a crackdown on abortion. Cash grants and home loans have been made available for families that have several children.

Brazil

217 mn people

1.7 children per woman

The UN number is from 2021. Brazil's own census, conducted in 2022, puts its population at 203 million. It indicates that the country's population grew by just 0.52% per year through the 2010s, the lowest growth since 1872. If the trend continues, Brazil, once among the top five populous countries, could see its population decline by 2035.

Several Latin American and Caribbean nations have already met the population decline targets decades earlier than UN projections. Uruguay, Costa Rica, Chile, Jamaica, and Cuba now have fertility rates of around 1.3 children per woman – rates usually associated with European and East Asian countries. In Argentina, fertility has declined more in the last six years than in the previous six decades. Demographers attribute the steep, sudden decline to an easy access to contraception and better family planning.

Thailand

70 mn people

1.5 children per woman

Even a country as deeply religious as Thailand is facing a future with fewer people. A 2022 study showed that fertility was around 1.16 in nearly every province. Most couples have one or no kids because of rising debt and living costs. Last year, more Thais retired from the workforce than joined it – the gap raises concerns about labour shortages, and elder care costs. Demographers warn that Thailand's population will halve by 2083, with retirees making up half the country.

South Korea

51.3 mn people

1.1 children per woman

The UN's stats are from 2021. The government's own records show that the fertility rate slid to 0.78 in 2022 and will drop to 0.65 next year. Demographers have found inventive ways to illustrate how the nation with the world's steepest population decline will fare in years to come. It is estimated that each generation will be a third smaller than the preceding one and the nation will lose 80% of its population by 2100. British demographer David Coleman predicts that if numbers keep dropping, South Koreans will disappear by 2750, marking the first national group extinction.

Women have been pulled into the workforce since the 1980s. But child rearing is still seen as a woman's job, so most women choose to not have children, marry late or not at all.

Seoul's own fertility rate is a dismal 0.59. The city plans to spend $1.35 billion to subsidise infertility treatments, allow women to freeze their eggs, raise monthly subsidy limits for parents with young children, run more 24-hour creches, and offer couples cash payments of $10,500 as incentives. The largely insular nation has also kicked off a pilot project to supply immigrant domestic helpers to 100 families with a single parent, working parents or expecting mothers for six months.

Hungary

9.7 mn people

1.5 children per woman

On paper, it's great to be a woman in Hungary. Prime Minister Viktor Orban's Family Protection Action Plan, introduced in 2019, waives personal income tax for life for women raising at least four children. Those with large families get subsidies to buy larger cars. Families with at least two children get cheaper home loans. Women get free IVF, married women get preferential loans.

These are expensive gestures to address a four-decade-long population decline. In Garab, population 44, most residents are over 50 years old. The last child was born more than nine years ago. The local school has closed because there are no kids – and couples who plan families have moved to the cities.

Fertility rates rose from 1.3 in 2015 to 1.5 in 2021. Orban hopes it reaches the replacement rate of 2.1 by 2030. But critics say the measures reduce women citizens to baby-makers. And there are few incentives for women entrepreneurs and mothers returning to the workplace.

Hungary's global summit, held every other year to address Europe's population drop, blames liberalism, feminism, Marxism, smartphones and the climate crisis for low birth rates.

Niger

25.1 mn people

7 children per woman

Families are huge in Niger, owing to low contraceptive use, high adolescent fertility rates and polygamous family systems. But the population is too small to impact the global decline. And even in Niger, the fertility rate is declining—it was 7.6 in 2010 and 7.4 in 2015.

Across Africa, the fertility rate is 4.2 and falling. Ethiopia, with 117 million people, has brought fertility rates down from 5.4 to 4.3 in the last decade. In Egypt, the average woman has three children. Morocco and Tunisia already have a fertility rate around 2.1.

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Thinning out, not cooling off

A declining population might mean fewer mouths to feed, fewer emissions. But when it comes to population dips helping tackle the climate crisis, the case for optimism is weaker

A detail of artist Hema Upadhyay's (1972-2015) installation, Where The Bees Suck There Suck I (2009), a depiction of urban chaos, characterised by overpopulation and political and economic perils. WIKIMEDIA COMMONS

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For over two centuries, the spectre of overpopulation has haunted global debates about food security, sustainability and the environment. Back in 1798, English economist and scholar Thomas Robert Malthus wrote An Essay on the Principle of Population, arguing that the human population will always grow faster than our ability to produce food. The catastrophe Malthus prophesied has yet to arrive, thanks to technological advances and human ingenuity. But his ideas still inform much of the conventional wisdom around the relationship between population growth and the climate crisis.

All else being equal, the argument goes, fewer people means fewer mouths to feed, less demand on our limited natural resources and fewer emissions. In this context, the news that we're in the middle of an unprecedented collapse of the global birth rate should be cause for celebration. The UN estimates that the world's population will peak at about 10.4 billion people in the 2080s, and remain at that level until 2100. Another set of projections, published by the University of Washington's Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation (IHME) in 2020, estimates that the global population might peak by 2064 (at 9.73 billion), followed by a steady decline that will bring us to 6 billion by 2100. That's approximately the same number of people as were alive in 2000.

This is certainly good news, particularly for food security and poverty alleviation. But when it comes to the fight against climate change, the case for optimism is much weaker. The human population isn't shrinking nearly fast enough to prevent the climate crisis. A smaller population in 2100 won't reduce carbon emissions today.

A 2023 study by researchers at the University of Texas in Austin makes a convincing case that "contemporaneous fertility rates are, essentially, quantitatively irrelevant to our climate future." According to the study's findings, the difference in long-run temperature rise between population stabilisation and the UN's population decline scenarios, over the next two centuries is very small (4.22°C vs 4.27°C by 2200 respectively).

In addition, the relationship between population and emissions numbers is far from linear. Two of the world's largest sources of greenhouse emissions—the US and China—both have fertility rates below-replacement levels. Meanwhile India, with its growing population, still counts for 1/8th the amount of per capita emissions that the US does.

In fact, a 2023 article by London's Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR) argues that a declining population may actually hinder attempts at fighting climate. Given our current economic model, their counter-intuitive argument goes, a declining population means more ageing, non-productive dependents, leading to greater reliance on resource-dependent production.

Whether or not you agree with that idea, the consensus seems to be that population numbers are a lot less relevant to the climate change fight than other factors, such as intergovernmental cooperation, managing global conflict, technological investment, and low carbon development policies. This doesn't mean, of course, that population numbers are entirely irrelevant.

"When it comes to climate change, population matters tremendously because demand will increase," says Mridula Ramesh, founder of the Sundaram Climate Institute and author of The Climate Solution – India's Climate Change Crisis and What We Can Do About It. But, as Ramesh argues, "Rather than population per se, it is about how one meets the increased demand—how efficiently one makes stuff, how much recycled content goes in, and how one respects the environment in making the stuff."

"It's a spectrum. The optimistic point of view is that [population] doesn't matter at all. The pessimistic point of view is that we're doomed. I think the truth lies somewhere in the middle, probably closer to the optimist perspective."

THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN POPULATION AND EMISSIONS IS FAR FROM LINEAR. BOTH THE US AND CHINA, THE WORLD'S LARGEST POLLUTERS, HAVE FERTILITY RATES BELOW REPLACEMENT LEVELS

{ ALWAYS AT THE MOVIES }

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Gripping tales from the southside

Poacher and Bramayugam are as different as could be, and both excellent examples of the Malayalam industry's superior storytelling

In August 2019, at a Q&A after the screening of Virus, an enthralled viewer asked the film's director Aashiq Abu what the latter was reading and watching, because the storytelling in Malayalam cinema was so superior to that of Bollywood. That moment came back to me over the last two weeks, as I watched Bramayugam and Poacher.

Bramayugam is a fantasy-horror period film co-written and directed by Rahul Sadasivan. The title means The Age of Madness, and the story is set in the 17th century.

Shot entirely in black and white, it is an allegory about power. The brilliant Mammootty plays Kodumon Potti, lord of a sprawling but dilapidated manor, where time seems to stand still. A singer (Arjun Ashokan), who is lost in the forest, wanders into this space and then finds out that, as in the iconic Eagles song Hotel California, he can check out any time he likes but he can never leave.The cook (Sidharth Bharathan) has been trapped there longer. Potti perversely toys with these two like a child hurting animals as a pastime.

At one point, it seems that the tables might turn, but ultimately, Bramayugam lives out what British historian Lord Acton famously said: Power tends to corrupt and absolute power corrupts absolutely.

The film is frightening, and not in the way that the average horror film is. Rahul isn't relying on jump scares or doors creaking in the night. He creates a more layered and complex psychological horror. This manor seems suffused with suffering. Each day brings more of the same. It rains incessantly. There are long corridors that seem to lead nowhere. And at the centre of it is Potti, intimidating, malevolent and invincible.

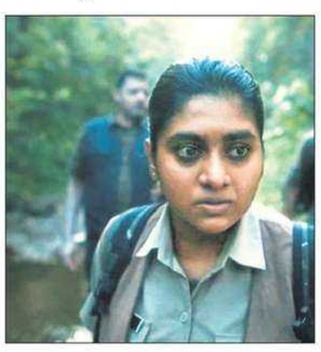
Mammootty inhabits the role with fierceness—I don't think I've been afraid of an actor's teeth before. The camerawork (Shehnad Jalal), music (Christo Xavier) and production design (Jothish Shankar) help to build a disorienting, atmospheric experience that is singular. Certain frames stay etched in one's head.

As does Malayali actor Nimisha Sajayan's performance in Poacher, the new Amazon Prime series. Created and directed by Indo-Canadian filmmaker Richie Mehta (who also made the stellar first season of Delhi Crime), Poacher is a fictionalised take on India's largest ivory raid.

The action moves between the dense and foreboding forests of Kerala, where elephants are killed, and Delhi, where their coveted tusks are bought and sold. Nimisha plays Mala Jogi, an uncompromising forest officer who is fuelled by rage at the casual cruelty she witnesses.

Along with her terrific co-stars Roshan Mathew and Dibyendu Bhattacharya, Nimisha powers the series. This is an actor without a trace of vanity, who disappears into the role. She grasps Mala's resilience but also her tortured relationship with her father, her loneliness, how broken she is and ultimately how nature helps her heal. All of which comes to the fore in the coda, which is crafted so as to make one weep. In a promotional interview for Poacher, Alia Bhatt, who is the executive producer, said that she is Nimisha's fan for life and that she is in awe of her performance. So am I.

Whatever these artists are reading or watching should be made mandatory for the entertainment industry.



Mammootty in the fantasy-horror period film Bramayugam (Age of Madness). Nimisha Sajayan as an uncompromising forest officer in the series Poacher.

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{ Q&A } POONAM MUTTREJA, DIRECTOR, POPULATION FOUNDATION OF INDIA

'It's not a switch that can be turned on and off'

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Some estimates say India's population will peak by the 2040s. How do you see the numbers unfolding, given that we're three years behind on the census?

I would say the India estimate is accurate. Even without the census, we have good data via The National Family Health Survey and other studies. Round 5 of the NFHS (2021) shows that India's fertility level is below the replacement rate of 2.1 in all but five states [Bihar, Meghalaya, Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand and Manipur]. And that most women don't want more than two children.

Women's aspirations are growing. We have not yet grasped that Indian women are defying social norms. They now have so much more exposure to family planning. The high-fertility states are ones with low indicators for socioeconomic development. Migrant fathers work away from the home, return on breaks and that's when babies are made. There is low use of contraception.

It's easy to see a declining population as a woman's fault. What are we missing?

There are two irreversible trajectories with fertility, especially in the developing world. One is that once women decide to have fewer children, it's not a switch that can be turned on and off. Pushing for them to have more as a national duty, especially in the absence of incentives, is ridiculous.

The other trajectory is that when women bear the burden of being denied education, of marrying early, of staying home to raise children, it affects their participation in the workforce. About 95% of women stop working after having a child, many of them permanently. The fact that most men still do not get involved in child rearing makes it worse. No one talks about male involvement when they discuss why women want fewer children. Adults are more than economic units. Women are more than baby machines. Employed women should not be deprived of social security, paid maternity benefits, and job security. We talk of the demographic dividend that comes with having a young population. A gender dividend is yet to happen.

What are the immediate challenges for India once we approach peak population?

Kerala, Sikkim, Goa, Chandigarh, have (or will soon have) a large portion of elderly people. We need to plan for greater geriatric care. We also need a migration policy and invest in rural communities, in young people's higher education and skills. India has the chance to send skilled workers aboard, as caregivers, to countries with ageing populations. It's an opportunity to reimagine India's future. But we have to move fast. This window will shrink by 2041 and close by 2061.

Of all the data that an eventual census will bring, which numbers are you keen on.

In India, even on the district level, there are cultural differences that affect family size. I'm interested in the data on nuclear families, migration, urbanisation and district-level changes. This will highlight exiting disparities in population growth.

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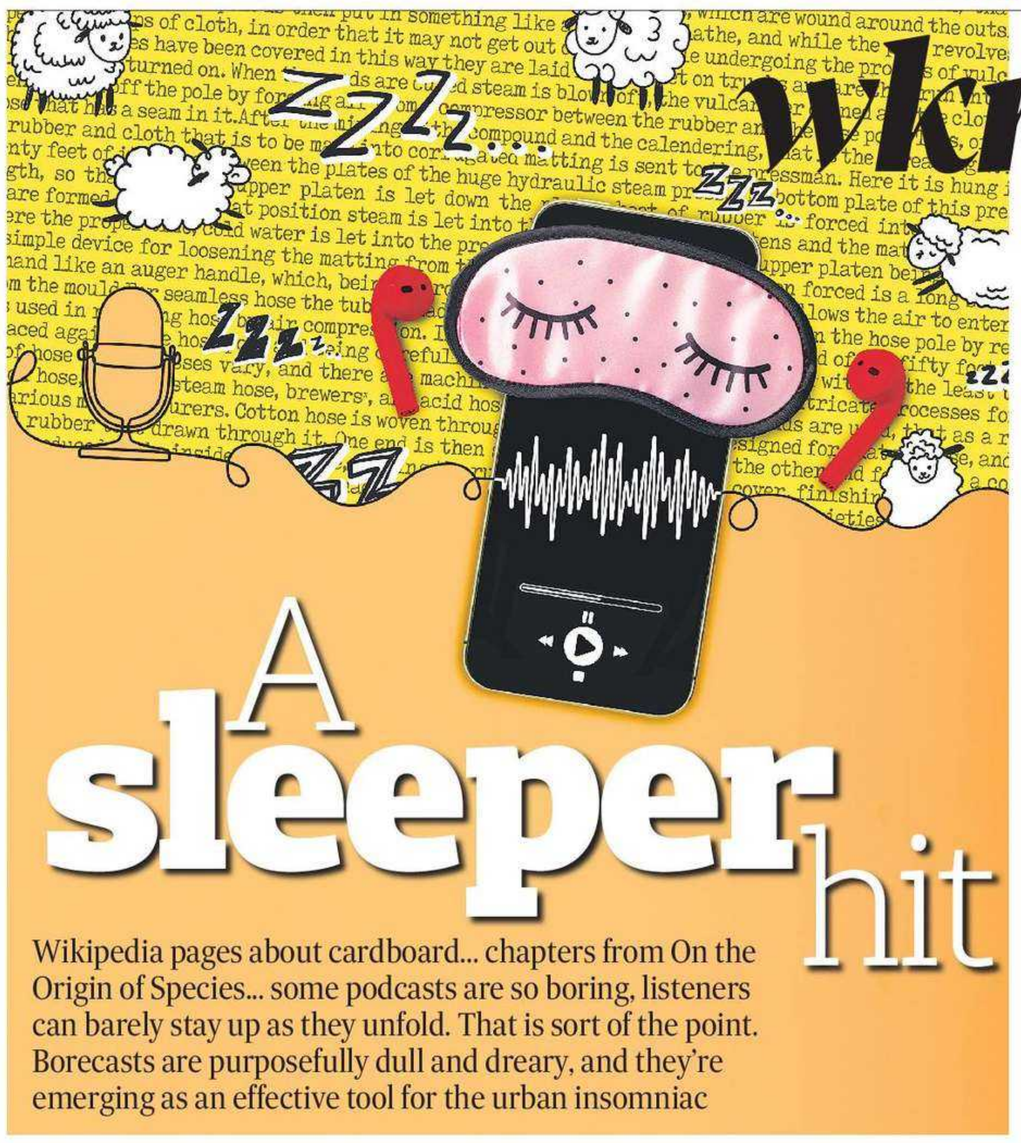

A sleeper hit

Wikipedia pages about cardboard... chapters from On the Origin of Species... some podcasts are so boring, listeners can barely stay up as they unfold. That is sort of the point. Borecasts are purposefully dull and dreary, and they're emerging as an effective tool for the urban insomniac

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It's the middle of the night. You find yourself wide awake having doomscrolled for hours, your mind racing, thoughts swirling and brain refusing to shut down. Perhaps a bedtime story could help you drift off – something not too riveting, maybe even downright boring.

In a dark and dreamy corner of the podcasting world are a set of shows that are so boring, they put listeners to sleep. In fact, that's what show hosts are going for. Where the sounds of falling rain and whistling winds fail, boring podcasts or borecasts are taking over. This new subgenre of sleep podcasts is deliberately dull and positions itself as an antidote to sleepless nights.

Borecast hosts tell boring stories, in monotonous tones, hoping to put listeners to sleep to the drone of their voices. From centuries-old classics such as Moby Dick and Peter Pan and spellbinding Wikipedia entries on anything from cardboard to barristers in England and Wales, to stories that just aren't interesting enough to keep the sleep-deprived listener awake, borecasts have a variety of themes and topics to choose from.

Sharon Handy, host of the weekly Boring Books for Bedtime, for instance, reads nonfiction, fact-filled texts that are "long enough that my buzzing brain can calm down and shut off".

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>
> **BEN BOSTER,** host of the I Can't Sleep podcast

She came upon the idea while trying to help her stepson go back to sleep after a nightmare. Black Beauty (1877), the beloved Anna Sewell classic about a beautiful horse, was far too engaging, and it was never much help. So Handy switched over to an old political work Common Sense by Thomas Paine. The 47-page pamphlet was written in 1775-76 advocating for independence from Great Britain and influenced the American Revolution. Not exactly fairytale material. "He fell right to sleep and the idea of my podcast was born!" she says.

Since 2018, Handy has read from titles such as The Voyage of The Bounty to the South Sea: For The Purpose Of Conveying The Bread-Fruit Tree To The West Indies, Including An Account Of The Mutiny On Board The Ship (1792), by William Bligh; Frye's Practical Candy Maker (1884), by GV Frye, and Travels with a Donkey in the Cevennes (1879), by Robert Louis Stevenson. These centuries-old works aren't what you would consider particularly easy reading. But they have been surprisingly popular on Handy's podcast; she's racked up over 9 million downloads across streaming platforms.

Snoozefests

Handy, who has a deep interest in literature, science and history, doesn't always find the content boring herself. She generally picks at random from the website Project Gutenberg, which offers free e-books of works in the public domain.

Ben Boster, host of the I Can't Sleep podcast, reads Wikipedia entries on subjects such as long-distance calling, HTML, scrum and stainless steel, to put his listeners to sleep. Each is about an hour long, he's 172 episodes in.

"I often draw inspiration from everyday things that we might take for granted, looking for topics that are ubiquitous, yet overlooked," he says.

They also come in different styles. Sleep Whispers, hosted by Craig Harris Richard, for instance, also features Wikipedia entries on lucid topics such as dreaming and Alexander Selkirk (the main inspiration for Daniel Defoe's 1719 novel Robinson Crusoe). But they are read in soft, silky whispers, as a form of ASMR (autonomous sensory meridian response) storytelling.

And Dan Ackerman, the host of Sleep With Me, who's been has been putting listeners to sleep since 2013, uses "lulling, soothing, creaky, dulcet tones, pointless meanders, and superfluous tangents". His original stories are narrated in the rambling style of the host character of Dearest Scooter (voiced by Ackerman).

Sample this from an episode titled I Know Dino Crossover: "I get mixed up, I go off topic, I repeat myself, then I'll go back, then I'll say, what was I saying?" Ackerman has over 1,000 episodes and around 36,000 subscribers on his YouTube channel where he uploads every episode.

Similarly, in the Nothing Much Happens borecast narrated by yoga and meditation teacher Kathryn Nicolai, not much happens – only meandering beginnings and no dramatic end. Snooze.

So, what about being bored makes us sleepy?

In a paper published in 2017 in the journal Science Communications, Japanese scientists from the University of Tsukuba found that the pleasure centre of the brain also promotes sleep. The nucleus accumbens is where dopamine is produced, and plays a key role in the positive reinforcement between motivation and action. It's why we seek out food and sex, and is also the part that induces substance abuse such as alcohol and cocaine. When left unstimulated (read bored), it induces sleep.

This is an interesting finding at a time when anxiety and chronic insomnia are on the rise. The sleep disorder market size was valued at over $20 billion in 2022, and is set to grow at the rate of 12% annually over the next ten years.

Strange bedfellows

The borecast as a broadcasting subgenre is not exactly new. The English have been using BBC's Shipping Forecast to bore themselves to sleep for decades. The notoriously monotonous weather report, that has tracked gales and tides around the British Isles for over 100 years, was broadcast on BBC's Radio 4, four times a day, until 2022. All one heard, amid static, was maritime jargon such as "Viking, North Utsire, Southwesterly, five to seven. Occasionally gale eight. Rain or showers moderate or good, occasionally poor," in a dour, stern voice.

With satellite updates and ready storm trackers online, the Shipping Forecast is largely redundant for boats and ships these days. But BBC still continues to air them twice a day on weekdays and thrice on weekends, inadvertently acknowledging that it now functions as a device that gives listeners moments of calm in their day.

Jargon, in fact, is a recurring theme in borecasts.

What's interesting, though, is that some of today's borecasts draw on some of yesterday's cutting-edge bestsellers. A prime example: Charles Darwin's On the Origin of Species, which upon release in 1859 sparked feverish debate and censure. It featured this month, on Boring Books for Bedtime. Of course, it might have been considered a handy precursor to the Shipping Forecast even then.

"I think a lot of classics are works people argue about but have never actually read, and they are curious to hear it," says Handy. So, she gives them a thick, dense slice of it.

Are the borecasters bored too? Sometimes, but one learns a lot, says Boster.

To be sure, Handy adds, "If you need someone to repair a steam-powered farm engine, I think I'm ready!"

Miners move bags of cobalt at a mining site in Congo. In 2023, this country supplied three-quarters of the world's cobalt, a metal central to the production of rechargeable batteries. As demand rises, mines are expanding and children as young as six are working in potentially toxic, back-breaking conditions, to mine this ore (below).
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{ TRADE-OFFS } DARK TALES OF COBALT EXTRACTION

Mine and ours: Who pays to keep your batteries charged?

Mridula Ramesh

The Germans called them kobold – small goblins that lived deep within the mines near Saxony. The foul gases that choked miners, and the falling rocks before a tunnel caved in, were the kobolds' work. The kobold deceived them with a silvery metallic ore with a faint bluish tinge, which gave off poisonous gases when heated and left behind a worthless "tutty".

That is why, when the Swedish chemist Georg Brandt finally isolated the shiny, tricky metal within the ore, he named it cobalt.

The metal was valued as a dye, for millennia. It entered industrial supply chains at scale when Sony introduced the first commercial rechargeable battery in 1991 (the team that discovered lithium-ion chemistry later won the Nobel Prize). Chemistry is important to our story, so let's wade into this a bit. Think of a rechargeable battery as a liquid-filled box with two pillars that are connected outside the box by an electric wire. When the battery is charging, electrons flow from one pillar called the cathode to the other pillar (the anode) via the electric wire. Losing the electrons leaves the cathode positively charged, and to balance the charges, the cathode releases positive ions within the box, which are pulled toward the negatively charged pillar. This goes on until the pillars can't give out more electrons or take in more ions. This fully charged battery can now power a phone or a car, reversing the electrochemical reaction that we just explored.

What do we want in a rechargeable battery? We want it to charge and discharge as many times as possible before it stops working. We want the charge to last a long time. We don't want it to catch fire. We want it to be cheap. And, if at all possible, we'd like it to be somewhat sustainable. Cobalt lies at the heart of the battery and at the centre of those trade-offs. Using pure lithium or a lithium-nickel oxide is problematic – the battery catches fire or has a short life. But cobalt's unique chemistry stabilises the battery like a good friend, even as it enhances energy density. Thus, an NMC battery chemistry, with the cathode made from nickel, manganese (yet another stabiliser) and cobalt, offers the best trade-off (currently) between cost, range, safety, longevity and fast charging.

The remarkable popularity of the rechargeable battery is reflected in the trade figures of the Democratic Republic of the Congo. This country's exports in 1995 were worth just $1.56 billion – mainly gemstones sent to Belgium, its former colonial ruler. A decade later, Tesla released its Roadster, making electric mobility aspirational – for the Roadster was no tofu salad, it was caviar. Caviar powered by a nickel-cobalt battery. But while phones and handycams contained only a few gm of cobalt each, a single electric vehicle needed kgs of the stuff. Then, Steve Jobs launched the first iPhone in 2007, powered by a lithium-ion battery containing, you guessed it, cobalt.

By then, Congo's leading export was metallic ores, with China vying with Belgium for the tag of top export destination. Then came the Great Recession and the European financial crisis, which kept the West distracted even as China cornered the supply of critical minerals. By 2012, Congolese exports (mostly metals and metallic ores destined for China) had tripled. In the background, engineers made batteries cheaper, more powerful. Between 1991 and 2018, one study found that prices of lithium-ion batteries, adjusted for capacity, dropped by 97% even as their energy density more than tripled. Batteries were now powerful enough and cheap enough to power a mass-market electric car.

According to the energy research organisation BloombergNEF, sales of internal-combustion cars peaked in 2017. The current age of electric cars relies on cobalt. Between 2016 and 2023, the demand for cobalt grew 11% every year, with Congo supplying three-quarters of the world's cobalt in 2023. To meet demand, mines expanded, clearing out surrounding villages and forests. Two people who visited these cobalt mines told me they are hell on Earth. They're enormous mud pits pockmarked with lethal depressions and tunnels, with thousands of people crammed into them, chipping away for ore. Children, some as young as six, are almost always present, often washing the mud away from the ore.

It is backbreaking work that can be fatal. As mines go deeper, tunnels can and do collapse, burying those within. All this for about $1 a day for women and children and $2 to $3 for men, in most mines.

This process of manual extraction of ore is called artisanal mining, a deceptive name designed to whitewash the horrors of the process. When people are forced to do hazardous, punishing work for long hours with little protection, the more apt label for it, as others have pointed out, is "slave labour". (If it walks like a duck, and quacks like a duck...)

Anjan Sundaram, an award-winning journalist who lived and reported in Congo, told me he had seen mass graves of children who died crumpled beneath the weight of the sacks they carried. "Why do they do it?" I asked. "What else is there? They have no other viable choice. Every time there is a technological revolution in the world, Congo seems to suffer. In the first automobile revolution, for rubber; for silver and nickel in the industrial revolution; uranium during World War 2; copper and tin for circuits in the electronic revolution; and now, with phones and cars, Congo has cobalt. They don't believe it can change, they believe the resource is a curse, and so, they live for the day."

Siddharth Kara, anti-slavery economist and author of the bestselling Cobalt Red, visited cobalt mines across Congo and writes in his book that even the largest industrial mines that are supposed to be free of child labour appear to have artisanal mining on the fringes. One such mine near an industrial mining site sends out, Kara estimated, 180,000 tonnes of copper-cobalt ore annually. The mine appeared, when I searched for it on Google Earth, as a rapidly expanding, gouged-out area in an ugly grey that contrasted starkly with its green surroundings. Kara writes that he saw "more than fifteen thousand men and teenage boys" crammed into an "enormous digging pit", where they "were hammering, shovelling, and shouting inside the crater, with scarcely room to move or breathe." None of the workers wore protective gear, even as "dust and grit rose from the earth like smoke from a wildfire".

And yet by the time cobalt has moved from ground to sack to broker to godown to processor to commodity giant to cell to battery to phone, the horror might as well never have existed. The sleek phone and shining car seem the picture of sustainability.

But then, in 2019, a human rights group, IRAadvocates, sued a group of tech giants on behalf of parents and children who had been maimed or killed in cobalt mines that were allegedly part of the tech supply chain. In 2021, the lawsuit was dismissed, citing a lack of traceability. As an aside, that year, Apple, one of the defendants in the trial, made a profit more than four times the value of Congo's entire exports.

The stench of exploitation is hard to escape once one learns of its role in battery manufacturing. It's in your phone and in mine. Powering the laptop on which I type these words: "I am benefitting from the forced labour of defenceless humans". It leaves me feeling dirty inside.

Cobalt freed us from the shackles of electric wiring, gasoline stations and telephone lines, allowing us to scroll through cat videos in the middle of the forest, even as it shackled the Congolese to the ever-growing deadly mines. And this makes the sustainability of phones and EVs a hollow promise.

If this is all too touchy-feely for you, consider another risk. Virtually all the cobalt from Congo is processed in China, and as we wade deeper into the sustainable world of electric mobility, we are, in a sense, replacing Saudi Arabia with China. While the forced labour was considered defensible, being held by their short-and-curlys by China was a less palatable reality. Apple says it began recycling cobalt in 2018, and commits to making all its Apple-designed batteries from recycled cobalt by 2025. Tesla is moving its entry and mid-range cars to non-cobalt battery chemistry. For India, recycling cobalt (and other critical minerals) is a great way to both enhance the sustainability of electronics and electric mobility and maintain our strategic autonomy. But how to speed up this process?

In textiles, pressure from global brands is helping clean up labour practises in the supply chain. Brands act because of pressure from the public. Could this happen in cobalt too? Maybe every phone and electric vehicle should have a sticker, like the lurid ones about cancer seen on cigarette packets. On the batteries, the sticker could show children digging for cobalt in the mud. That would be one way to dial up the pressure and force the trade-off between cost and truly sustainable cobalt and thus electric vehicles.

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{ LIFE HACKS }

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Know reservations: It's okay to not have the right answer

What Max Planck and his driver can teach us about faking smarts and admitting ignorance

In the TV series The Big Bang Theory, Sheldon Cooper is a know-it-all physicist. When he doesn't have the right answer, he's rarely able to admit it. Instead, his face twitches, he mumbles and finds himself befuddled. Saying 'I don't know' takes courage.

A question I am asked often is what I do. When I respond with "I am a journalist", what inevitably follows are questions for pointers to an "insider's" view of the political climate in New Delhi. Elections are just around the corner and people want to know. The problem is, I don't have one because I am not a political journalist. To get to this point where I can say "I don't know" has taken enormous courage. And I wear this courage as a badge of honour. And each time I say no, I tell myself I have passed the Max Planck / Chauffeur Test. This needs some background.

There is real knowledge, which is profound and rooted in deep comprehension. Then there is pretend knowledge, which is superficial and masquerades as expertise. The dichotomy between the two was vividly illustrated by a narrative, apocryphal perhaps, that involves the Nobel Prize-winning physicist Max Planck and his chauffeur. This story captured the public imagination when Charlie Munger, the billionaire investor and vice-chairman of Berkshire Hathaway, included it in his commencement speech at the University of Santa Clara Gould Law School in 2007. Now called the Max Planck / Chauffeur Test, it serves as a lens through which we can examine the texture of true understanding versus the veneer of pretend expertise.

The story has it that Planck, after receiving the Nobel Prize, was invited to lecture across Germany. His chauffeur, having heard Planck's speech many times, memorised it and could recite it perfectly. One day, to amuse themselves, Planck and his chauffeur switched roles; the chauffeur delivered the lecture flawlessly, until a physicist in the audience asked a question. The chauffeur wittily remarked that the question was so simple, he would let his chauffeur answer it. Planck took over.

Extrapolate this test to professions such as journalism, stock-market research and academia, where the currency of credibility is knowledge. In journalism, the rapid pace and the pressure to break news can sometimes lead to a reliance on pretend knowledge. This is not to disparage the profession; many journalists strive to understand the nuances of the stories they cover.

Much the same can be said of stock-market analysts. As recently as January 2024, the most blue-blooded of them applauded Paytm's founder Vijay Shekhar Sharma for the company's results declared in the last quarter of December 2023. They refused to see that the man was breaking the law.

Academia is not immune to the allure of pretend knowledge. The publish-or-perish ethos encourages quantity over quality. This leads many researchers to feign expertise in areas beyond their comprehension. This is complicated by the fact that complex incentive structures, linked to funding for the labs they run, hinge on perceived expertise.

It takes moral strength to admit the boundaries of one's understanding. "I don't know" is not a declaration of defeat, but a statement of honesty,

Charlie Munger himself has championed the virtues of this. He advocates for a model of intellectual integrity in which admitting ignorance is not only acceptable but commendable. The real versus pretend knowledge framework invites us to ask ourselves whether we are the chauffeur, reciting facts without comprehension, or the scientist, deeply engaged with the material.

In the end, the Max Planck / Chauffeur Test is more than a cautionary tale about the perils of superficial understanding. It is a call to intellectual integrity, a reminder that real knowledge is not just about the accumulation of facts but the depth of understanding. It challenges us to look beyond the surface, to engage with ideas and issues at a profound level, and to recognise that in the quest for knowledge, the courage to admit ignorance is the first step towards true understanding.

It's why I decline to comment on politics, or which way the stock markets are headed.

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KEEP THAT SPATULA HANDY...
...Swetha Sivakumar's Sound Bites will return next week.

Rescuers work at the site of a heavily damaged multi-storey apartment building, following a Russian drone attack, in Odesa, on Saturday. AFP

Ukraine hit by Russian drone attack, 10 killed

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ODESA: Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky on Saturday urged the West to deliver more air defence systems as a wave of Russian missile, drone and artillery strikes killed at least ten people.

Seven were confirmed dead, including a three-month-old baby and two-year-old child, after an overnight drone strike on the southern port city of Odesa.

Separate shelling attacks on the frontline Kharkiv, Kherson and Zaporizhzhia regions killed another three, Ukrainian officials said.

"Russia continues to hit civilians," Zelensky said in a post on social media.

"We need more air defences from our partners. We need to strengthen the Ukrainian air shield to add more protection for our people from Russian terror. More air defence systems and more missiles for air defence systems save lives," he said.

Ukraine is currently on the back foot in the two-year war as a crucial $60-billion aid package is held up in the United States congress.

In Odesa, "a nine-storey building was destroyed as a result of an attack by Russian terrorists," interior minister Igor Klymenko said on Saturday in a post on Telegram.

"Rescuers in Odesa have just uncovered the bodies of a mother with a three-month-old baby," Klymenko said in a post on his Telegram channel beside a photograph of a rescue worker next to a bloodied blanket, a baby's arm visible on one side and an adult arm extending out the other.

Another child, aged two, was also among the dead, Odesa region Governor Oleg Kiper said on state TV.

Around 10 people were still unaccounted for, with almost 100 rescuers set to continue a search and rescue operation overnight.

Meanwhile, a drone crashed into a five-storey residential building in St Petersburg on Saturday and 100 people were evacuated with no casualties, Russia's Rosgvardiya national guard said.

St Petersburg Governor Alexander Beglov said earlier that two buildings were damaged and residents had been evacuated after what he called an "incident" with no casualties.

Beglov did not explain the cause or nature of the incident, but local residents told Reuters that they had heard a strange sound followed by a blast and a fire on Saturday morning.

"I first heard a whistle, because I had just opened the window, then a pop, a blaze and a full apartment of smoke, the window flew out," local resident Elena told Reuters. She said this happened after 0700 local time (0400 GMT).

Separately, Ukrainian commander-in-chief Oleksandr Syrskyi said the situation on the front line in Ukraine's east remains "difficult, but under control" in a Facebook post after spending three days in the region.

Syrskyi, who was appointed by Zelensky last month, said he realized why some brigades manage to hold back Russian attacks and hold their positions, while others do not, despite similar staffing, weapons and equipment.

US airdrops aid in Gaza as truce talks set to resume

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GAZA STRIP: Israel's top ally the United States said it began airdropping aid into war-ravaged Gaza on Saturday, as the territory's health ministry reported more than a dozen child malnutrition deaths.

The start of the US relief operation came hours after President Joe Biden, who has pushed Israel to allow more aid in, announced the move and spoke of the "need to do more" after nearly five months of devastating conflict.

It also comes as negotiations continue for a ceasefire between Israel and Hamas in the Gaza Strip, which has been under siege since Hamas's October 7 attacks on Israel.

"We conducted a combined humanitarian assistance airdrop into Gaza" involving three US Air Force C-130 transport planes to provide "relief to civilians affected by the ongoing conflict," a US military official told AFP on condition of anonymity.

US Central Command, in a post on social media platform X, said the operation was conducted together with Jordan and saw planes drop "over 38,000 meals along the coastline of Gaza allowing for civilian access to the critical aid".

The dire humanitarian situation in Gaza has led to the deaths of at least 13 children from "malnutrition and dehydration" in recent days, according to the health ministry in the territory.

Residents in northern Gaza say they have taken to searching piles of rubble and garbage for anything to feed their children, who barely eat one meal a day. Many families have begun mixing animal and bird food with grain to bake bread. International aid officials say they have encountered catastrophic hunger.

"We're dying from starvation," said Soad Abu Hussein, a widow and mother of five children who has taken shelter in a school in the Jabalia refugee camp.

A Palestinian child stands in the living room of a building that was damaged during Israeli bombardment in Rafah, on the southern Gaza Strip on Saturday, amid ongoing battles between Israel and Hamas. AFP

Earlier, Reuters reported, citing Egyptian security officials, that talks between Israel and Hamas on a Gaza ceasefire are due to resume in Cairo on Sunday. though Israeli news outlet Ynet reported Israel would not send a delegation until it got a full list of Israeli hostages who are still alive. Officials in Israel had no immediate comment on the report.

Palestinian foreign minister Riyad al-Maliki echoed the hope that a ceasefire would be agreed in time for Ramadan.

"We hope that we will be able to achieve a ceasefire before Ramadan, we hope to be able to achieve one today, yesterday, but we have failed," Maliki, who represents the West Bank-based Palestinian Authority, said during a visit to Turkey.

A senior US administration official said Saturday that the Israelis "have more or less accepted" the proposal, which includes the six-week cease-fire in Gaza as well as the release by Hamas of hostages considered to be vulnerable, which includes the sick, the wounded, the elderly and women, said the official.

The Israelis have basically signed on to the elements of the arrangement," the official said. "Right now, the ball is in the court of Hamas and we are continuing to push this as hard as we possibly can."

The official briefed reporters on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to publicly discuss details of the ongoing cease-fire talks.

The potential meeting followed Biden expressing optimism that a Gaza truce may be reached by the start of the Muslim holiday of Ramzan, scheduled to begin around March 10.

Biden's comment came despite the deaths and injuries of scores of Palestinians on Thursday in an incident that involved Israeli troops opening fire near a food convoy bringing in aid. The deaths have drawn international condemnation and calls for an independent inquiry.

Israel denied its forces shot into the crowd, but Hamas said on Thursday night that it was considering putting a freeze on negotiations as a result.

A United Nations team that visited the city's Al-Shifa Hospital reported seeing "a large number" of gunshot wounds among Palestinians in the aftermath of the aid truck incident.

The health ministry said 116 people were killed and more than 750 wounded in the incident, which drew widespread international condemnation.

The EU called the deaths of Palestinians trying to get food "unjustifiable" and demanded "an impartial international investigation on this tragic event allowing for a clear picture of the events and responsibilities."

The war in Gaza broke out with Hamas's unprecedented attack on southern Israel on October 7 that resulted in the deaths of around 1,160 people.

Israel's retaliatory military campaign against Hamas has killed at least 30,320 people, according to Gaza's health ministry.

Snow falls north of Lake Tahoe in the Sierra Nevada mountains during a powerful winter storm on Friday. AFP

Western US to see blizzards, wildfires through weekend

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RENO: A powerful blizzard raged overnight into Saturday in the Sierra Nevada as the biggest storm of the season shut down a long stretch of Interstate-80 in California and gusty winds and heavy rain hit lower elevations, leaving tens of thousands of customers without power.

At the same time, the wind continues to fan the critical fire conditions across Texas, where the state's largest blaze burns away barely contained.

Up to 10 feet of snow is expected in some areas. The National Weather Service said early Saturday that widespread blowing snow was creating "extremely dangerous to impossible travel conditions."

"High to extreme avalanche danger" is expected in the backcountry through Sunday evening throughout the central Sierra, including the greater Lake Tahoe area, the weather service said.

California authorities on Friday shut down 160 kilometers of I-80 due to "spin outs, high winds, and low visibility." They had no estimate when the freeway would reopen from the California-Nevada border just west of Reno to near Emigrant Gap, California.

Pacific Gas & Electric reported around 7am Saturday that 27,000 households and businesses were without power.

A tornado touched down Friday afternoon in Madera County and caused some damage to an elementary school, said Andy Bollenbacher, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service Hanford.

Some of the ski resorts that shut down Friday said they planned to remain closed on Saturday to dig out with an eye on reopening Sunday, but most said they would wait to provide updates Saturday morning.

Palisades Tahoe, the largest resort on the north end of Tahoe and site of the 1960 Winter Olympics, closed all chairlifts Saturday due to snow, wind and low visibility.

Across the US, low pressure bringing snow to California and other western states, has set up conditions pumping high winds into the Texas Panhandle where wildfires are raging out of control.

Dry winds across the US have raised the chances of wildfires across parts of Texas, New Mexico, Colorado, Kansas and Oklahoma through the weekend, threatening almost 4.5 million people on Saturday, the US Storm Prediction Center said. Flames in Texas have already destroyed upwards of 500 structures, Governor Greg Abbott has said.

The Smokehouse Creek fire has consumed more than 1.07 million acres, making it the largest blaze in the state's history and it was only 15% contained, according to the Texas A&M Forest Service. Flames have also spilled over into neighbouring Oklahoma, which is also battling wildfires.

U.S. PARAMEDIC GETS 5 YEARS FOR DETAINEE'S DEATH DUE TO SEDATIVE

BRIGHTON: A Colorado paramedic was sentenced Friday to five years in prison in a rare prosecution of medical responders following the death of Elijah McClain, a Black man whose name became part of the rallying cries for social justice that swept the US in 2020.

McClain was walking down the street in a Denver suburb in 2019 when police responding to a suspicious person report forcibly restrained him and put him in a neck hold.

Peter Cichuniec and a fellow paramedic were convicted in December of criminally negligent homicide for injecting McClain with ketamine, a powerful sedative ultimately blamed for killing the 23-year-old massage therapist. Cichuniec also was convicted on a more serious charge of second-degree assault for giving a drug without consent or a legitimate medical purpose.

Cichuniec had faced up to 16 years in prison on the assault charge, and the five-year sentence was the minimum the judge could have given him under sentencing guidelines. AP

Navalny's mother visits son's grave a day after funeral

Lyudmila Navalnaya (left), mother of late Russian opposition leader Alexei Navalny, accompanied by Alla, mother of Navalny's widow Yulia, visits the grave of her son at the Borisovo cemetery in Moscow on Saturday, the next day after Navalny's funeral. Navalny, who was President Vladimir Putin's fiercest critic inside Russia, died at the age of 47 in an Arctic penal colony on Feb. 16. AFP

{ 'GERIATRIC STARLET' }

Iris Apfel, renowned US designer and style icon, dies at 102

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NEW YORK: Iris Apfel, centenarian style icon from the New York borough of Queens immediately recognizable by her oversized owlish glasses, has died at age 102, according to her Instagram account.

The self-described "geriatric starlet," best known as a textile designer and fashion celebrity, reached peak fame only in her 80s and 90s.

A flamboyant interior designer, she was a fixture on front rows of Paris fashion shows for more than half a century.

Her cropped white hair, massive glasses, bright lipstick, large-bead necklaces and bangles earned her kooky distinction among New York's glitterati.

Apfel filled two floors of her Park Avenue apartment with work by the great designers of the 20th century, amassed over her multiple decades of life.

Iris Apfel attends the premiere of 'Iris' at the Paris Theatre on April 22, 2015, in New York. AP

And designers and fashion notables from Alexander Wang to Isaac Mizrahi declared themselves fans of the world's most chic centenarian, well-known for her love of baubles.

New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art staged the first major retrospective of her wardrobe in 2005, with Apfel admitting she was as likely to pick up interesting jewellery in a Harlem junk shop as in Tiffany's.

Helping Apfel's fame spread beyond the style pages was Albert Maysles's successful 2014 documentary about her, *Iris*.

Four years later her autobiography *Iris Apfel: Accidental Icon* hit bookstore shelves.

Always the entrepreneur, Apfel was known for her collaborations with a variety of brands: a Barbie was made in her image, she had a Home Shopping Network collection and even produced a makeup line with MAC Cosmetics.

The key to enjoying life, she said, was to never stop working. "I haven't," she once told guests at a reception in her honour at the American Embassy in Paris.

"Try new things. Don't let age and numbers frighten you. You have to find your own bliss, be as individual as you can, and don't go with the herd," she added.

Apfel and her husband, Carl Apfel, who lived to be 100, co-owned Old World Weavers from 1950 to 1992, restoring and selling textiles including to the White House.

Born Iris Barrel on August 29, 1921 in Queens, Apfel went on to graduate from the University of Wisconsin's art school and worked as a copywriter for Women's Wear Daily.

Never one to shy away from colour or unconventional silhouettes, Apfel urged young women at one gathering to abandon the modern "uniform of black tights or jeans with a sweater, boots and a leather bomber jacket."

Instead, she told them to "dare to be different. Be yourselves, be individual.

"If you wear something and it doesn't work, don't worry," she quipped, "the style police are not going to arrest you."

Tributes poured in from across the internet following Apfel's death, reflecting her wide following.

Musician Lenny Kravitz described Apfel on Instagram as someone who had "mastered the art of living," while clothing store Old Navy remembered her as a "forever icon."

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3 arrested in connection with Bangladesh fire

DHAKA: Bangladesh police have arrested three persons, two of them owners of a restaurant, in connection with the massive fire in a mall in Dhaka that killed at least 46 people. The fire broke out late on Thursday at a restaurant named "Kacchi Bhai" on the first floor of the building, Green Cozy Cottage, and quickly spread to the upper floors that had more restaurants and a garment shop, said officials. PTI

Iran vote turnout hits historic low amid discontent

TEHRAN: Turnout for Iran's parliamentary election, seen as a test of the establishment's legitimacy, appears to have hit a historic low of around 41%, according to unofficial reports quoted by state media on Saturday. The election followed anti-government protests in 2022-23 that spiralled into some of Iran's worst political turmoil since the 1979 Islamic revolution and coincided with growing frustration over the country's economic troubles. REUTERS

Lawyers seek $6bn in fees after Musk pay ruling

WASHINGTON: The lawyers of a Tesla shareholder who helped void Elon Musk's enormous 2018 compensation package have asked a court in the US's Delaware for nearly $6 billion in legal fees, paid in company shares. The three legal firms acknowledged the unprecedented size of the fees but argued that winning the case in January provided "enormous benefits" to the carmaker. AFP

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2.	परीक्षा शुल्क भुगतान करने की विस्तारित अंतिम तिथि	दिनांक–03.03.2024 (11:45 PM) तक
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2. अभ्यर्थी ऑनलाईन आवेदन भरने की प्रक्रिया प्रारंभ करने के पूर्व आयोग के वेबसाईट पर प्रदर्शित विस्तृत विज्ञापन एवं ऑनलाईन आवेदन भरने हेतु आवश्यक एवं विस्तृत निर्देश का भली–भांती अध्ययन कर लेंगे।
3. विज्ञापन से संबंधित किसी भी प्रकार की जानकारी के लिए आयोग के Help Line No.- +919431301636, +919431301419, +918956622450 पर पूर्वाह्न–10:00 से अपराह्न–5:00 बजे तक संपर्क किया जा सकता है।
4. यह प्रेस विज्ञप्ति आयोग के वेबसाईट www.jpsc.gov.in पर उपलब्ध है।

ह0/–
परीक्षा नियंत्रक,
झारखण्ड लोक सेवा आयोग, राँची

PR 321178 Jharkhand Public Service Commission(23-24)#D

Tender Notice - 165 (2023-24)

Project Implementation Unit, Gandhinagar (Gujarat)
(Health & Family Welfare Dept.)

Online tenders for Health Care facilities Civil works of Various Districts Gujarat as below are invited by the Superintendent Engineer, "Project Implementation Unit. NRHM/PIU Building 4th Floor, Civil Hospital Campus, Gandhinagar-382012. Ph.079-23231434, 23231393.

Appointment of Consultant for Architectural, Engineering Design Services for new / existing Government Medical College. Nursing College, Hostels, Teaching Hospital, District Hospital, Sub District Hospital, Renovation Work, Repairing Work & allied infrastructure and Campus Development for.

1-Zone -1 - Devbhumi Dwarka, Porbandar, Junagadh, Gir Somnath, Jamnagar, Rajkot, Amreli, Bhavnagar, Botad, Morbi.
2-Zone-2- Patan, Banaskantha, Sabarkantha, Mehsana, Ahmedabad, Gandhinagar, Arvalli, Kutch.
3-Zone-3-Kheda, Panchamhal, Vadodara, Dahod, Chhotaudepur, Mahisagar, Anand Surendranagar.
4-Zone-4-Bharuch, Surat, Narmada, Tapi, Dang, Navsari, Valsad.

Interested consultants can download RFP documents from www.nprocure.com and submit the tender online. Last date of online submission is dtd. 20/04/2024 upto 18.00 Hrs. Submission of Tender Fee, EMD & Other Documents on dtd 22-04-2024 to Dtd. 30-04-2024 upto 18:00 Hrs. by R.P.A.D. Technical Bid Opening of the tender dtd.20-04-2024 at 18:05 Hrs. Pre Bid Meeting Dtd. 15-03-2024 at 12:00 Hrs.

INF/2667/23-24

Mukhyamantri Laghu Evam Kutir Udyam Vikas Board
(Government of Jharkhand Undertaking)
4th Floor, Udyog Bhawan, Ratu Road, Ranchi 834001

Notice Inviting Very Short E-Tender

Ref. No : 189 **Date: 01.03.2024**

Mukhyamantri Laghu Evam Kutir Udyam Vikas Board invites E-tenders from reputed Original equipment manufacturers / suppliers / authorized OEM dealers for setting up the following lac processing unit on **turnkey basis** for Bundu Lac Farming & Processing Cluster at Bundu, Ranchi, Jharkhand under the SFURTI scheme of MSME, Government of India:

Name of processing unit	Unit capacity & output of the end product	
Iso- Ambrettolide manufacturing unit	Capacity 2.5 MT/month Purity not less than 98%	**Tender fees of ₹ 5,900.00** (inclusive of 18% GST) (Rupees Five Thousand Nine Hundred only) payable to MUKHYAMANTRI LAGHU EVAM KUTIR UDYAM VIKAS BOARD, Ranchi, Jharkhand, India **EMD of ₹4,40,000.00** (Four Lakh Forty Thousand only) i.e., @ 2% of estimated cost payable to MUKHYAMANTRI LAGHU EVAM KUTIR UDYAM VIKAS BOARD, Ranchi, Jharkhand, India.

Time Schedule :

Sl. No.	Particulars	Date & Time
1	Date of publication of tender bid document on website	02.03.2024
2	Bid document download start date	02.03.2024
3	Pre-bid meeting	04.03.2024 at 12:30 p.m. Online meeting link: **meet.google.com/nbe -uxsm-mey**
3	Bid submission start date	06.03.2024
4	Last date of submission of Technical & Financial Bid	12.03.2024
5	Opening of Technical Bid	14.03.2024
6	PowerPoint presentation (PPT) and Opening of Financial Bid	Shall be communicated later

Detailed tender document, eligibility criteria etc. may be downloaded from the **website: mmlkuvb.jharkhand.gov.in/www.jharkhandtenders.gov.in** or collected from the office of the Board during office hours in between 11:00hrs to 17:00hrs on any working day.

Mukhyamantri Laghu Evam Kutir Udyam Vikas Board reserves the right to cancel or/and postpone the tender or reject any bid without assigning any reason at any point of time or stage of the tender.

Sd/-
PR 321161 Mukhyamantri Laghu And Kutir Udyam Vikas Board(23-24)#D Chief Executive Officer

Contact Detail : Mukhyamantri Laghu evam Kutir udyam Vikas Board
4th Floor, Udyog Bhawan, Ratu Road, Ranchi – 834001 (Jharkhand)
Email- contact.cmlaghukutir@gmail.com, Phone: 9102216666, 9262219999

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER, INDORE ZONE
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, INDORE

Opp. Gayatri Mandir, Old Palasia, Indore - 452001
Email ID : cepwdwest@mp.nic.in Ph.No. : 0731-2491825

NIT No. 24/Gen/40/2023-24 Indore, Dated : 26.02.2024

"NOTICE INVITING TENDER"

Online tender in three envelope system are hereby invited for the following work. Details of works can be seen on the website **http://mptenders.gov.in**

No.	Portal No.	District	Name of Work	Probable amount of contract (in Lacs)	Amount of EMD (In Rs.)	Cost of Tender form (In Rs.)	Time allowed for completion
1	2024_PWDRB_336079_1	KHANDWA	CONSTRUCTION OF BADGOAVN SUNDERBEL UP TO SIHADA ROAD LENGTH = 3.00 KM BADGOAVN MALI RUDHI (UPSH-26 KM 10/4) ROAD LENGTH 3-10 KM SHIFTING OF HT/LT LINES POLES POLE & TRANSFORMER.	588.20	588200/-	20,000/-	12 Months I/C Rainy Season
2	2024_PWDRB_336080_1	KHANDWA	CONSTRUCTION OF OLD SH 15 TO MAHATPURA VILLAGE L = 4.40 KM OLD SH 15 TO NAVALPUR. LENGTH 2.40 KM I/C SHIFTING OF HT/LT LINES POLE & TRANSFORMER.	529.73	529730/-	20000/-	12 Months I/C Rainy Season
3	2024_PWDRB_336081_1	KHANDWA	CONSTRUCTION OF KHALWA GOUMUKHDHANA APPROACH ROAD L = 3.50 KM., NEW HARSUD TO DEVALDI ROAD L=1.00 KM., BRAMHDHAD HATNORA ROAD L=3.50 KM I/C SHIFTING OF HT/LT LINES POLE & TRANSFORMER.	741.02	741020/-	20000/-	12 Months I/C Rainy Season
4	2024_PWDRB_336082_1	KHANDWA	CONSTRUCTION OF SHEIKHPURA TO KHAPRI ROAD LENGTH 1.90 KM TAKLI TO PIPARHATTI ROAD L-3.45 KM KRISHI ANUSANDHAN KENDRA (AMARAWATI ROAD) TO BHANDARIYA VILLAGE ROAD L-1.45 KM I/C SHIFTING OF HT/LT LINES POLE & TRANSFORMER.	646.41	646410/-	20000/-	12 Months I/C Rainy Season
5	2024_PWDRB_336083_1	KHANDWA	CONSTRUCTION OF KHARWA TO SANGAMESHWAR ROAD L-1.25 KM POKHAR TO KHODRI ROAD L-1.00 KM TAKALKHEDA TO VISHRAMPUR ROAD L-2.40 KM SHIFTING OF HT/LT LINES POLE & TRANSFORMER.	549.92	549920/-	20000/-	12 Months I/C Rainy Season
6	2024_PWDRB_336084_1	BARWANI	CONSTRUCTION OF MUNDIYAPURA - MANDWARA TO BANDIPURA ROAD LENGTH 4.50 KM KOYADIYA TO BAJATTA ROAD LENGTH 2.50 KM TOTAL LENGTH 7.0KM	586.16	586160/-	20000/-	12 Months I/C Rainy Season
7	2024_PWDRB_336088_1	ALIRAJPUR	CONSTRUCTION WORK OF DUDGAON RAJUR KALYAKHEDI ROAD L = 5.50 MORDHAD VILLAGE NARMADA RESTORANT SHRI SHRI OMKARESHWAR AASHIRAM (ART OF LIVING) ROAD L = 1.30 I/C SHIFTING OF HT/LT LINES POLE & TRANSFORMER	1369.35	1000000/-	30000/-	14 Months I/C Rainy Season
8	2024_PWDRB_336089_1	ALIRAJPUR	CONSTRUCTION WORK OF ROAD WORK (1) KANAKAD TO MANNAKUAN APPROACH ROAD LENGTH 1.70 KM. (2) KATTHIWADA C.S.A. NAGAR TO CHHOTA KHUTAJA KORIYAPAN MAIN ROAD LENGTH 3.20 KM. (3) ROLIGAON MAL FALIYA TO BARJHAR CHHOTA KHUTAJA ROAD LENGTH 4.50 KM TOTAL LENTH 9.40 KM UNDER PWD SUB DIVISION JOBAT DIVISION ALIRAJPUR.	649.64	649640/-	20000/-	12 Months I/C Rainy Season
9	2024_PWDRB_336718_1	KHANDWA	CONSTRUCTION WORK OF DUDGAON RAJUR KALYAKHEDI ROAD L = 5.50 MORDHAD VILLAGE RESTORANT SHRI NARMADA SHRI OMKARESHWAR AASHIRAM (ART OF LIVING) ROAD L=1.30 I/C SHIFTING OF HT/LT LINES POLE & TRANSFORMER.	688.34	688340/-	20000/-	12 Months I/C Rainy Season
10	2024_PWDRB_336723_1	KHANDWA	CONSTRUCTION OF FIFRAD BIHARPURA ROAD L=2.00 CHIKDHALIYA NARMADA NAGAR MAIN ROAD L=1.50 KM MIRJAPUR BHONDWA BHANLANE ROAD L = 3.60 KM I/C SHIFTING OF HT/LT LINES POLE & TRANSFORMER.	703.30	703300/-	20000/-	12 Months I/C Rainy Season
			Total	7052.07 LAC			

The document can only be purchased online from the above website after making online payment. The last date & time for purchase of Document and Bid Submission online is Dated **05.03.2024 up to 17:30**. Detailed NIT and other details can be viewed on the above mentioned portal.

Amendments to NIT, if any, would be published on website only, and not in newspaper.

Submit all the mandatory documents online on above mentioned website. Do not submit any physical document in the office.

G-25225/23 Chief Engineer
P.W.D. Indore Zone, Indore

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER
RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, ANGUL

O-2716

No. 705 // Dt. 27/2/24

1st Corrigendum to Bid Identification No. Maintenance Online-AGL- 48 /2023-24

Due to some unavoidable circumstances the last date of Online for bidding and ,opening of the date has been modified as follows In respect Of the tender for Maintenance works invited vide Tender Call Notice Bid Identification No. Maintenance Online-AGL- 48 / 2023-24 by the Procurement officer Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Angul.

Availability of Tender on-line for bidding		Date & Time of opening of Technical Bid
From	To	
1	2	3
22.02.2024 at 10.00 A.M	07.03.2024 upto 4.30 PM	07.03.2024 at 5.00 PM

All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

Chief Construction Engineer,
Rural Works Circle, Angul

OIPR - 25180/11/0077/2324

SPECIAL BRANCH
POLICE HEADQUARTER M.P., BHOPAL

No. SB/Store/2024-25 (69), Bhopal, Dated 26.02.2024

"ONLINE E-TENDER NOTICE"

E-tender are invited by Assistant Inspector General of Police, Special Branch (G) M.P. Bhopal on behalf of DGP MP Bhopal for the following item on website **https://mptenders.gov.in/nicgep/app** :-

S. No.	Name of Item(s)	Qty.	Tender Fees (Rs.)	EMD (Rs.)	Tender No.
			Paid Online Through mptenders.gov.in		
1	Binocular	102	2,000/-	45,900/-	1st Tender
2	GPS Satellite Tracker	40	3,000/-	1,32,000/-	1st Tender
3	Night Vision Device	48	10,000/-	7,20,000/-	1st Tender
4	Light Weight B.R. Jacket	1370	10,000/-	6,17,000/-	1st Tender

1. Cost of tender document (Tender Fee) is non refundable and cannot be exempted in any condition & **must submit online through website https://mptenders.gov.in/nicgep/app**.
2. Tender document can be download from the website of MP Police **(www.mppolice.gov.in)**
3. Bids shall be submitted online only at MP Tenders website : **https://mptenders.gov.in/nicgep/app**
4. **Tender Schedule :**

No.	Tender Activity	Date & Time
i	Submission of written queries- through e-mail : **sec25-sb@mppolice.gov.in**	01/03/2024 up to 1700 hrs.
ii	Pre Bid Meeting along with written queries	04/03/2024 at 1100 hrs.
iii	Bid Submission Start Date	06/03/2024 at 1000 hrs.
iv	Last date of online e-Tender submission	11/03/2024 up to 1600 hrs.
v	Bid will be opened on	12/03/2024 up to 1600 hrs.
vi	Demonstration from	14/03/2024 at 11.00 hrs.

A.I.G. of Police
Special Branch (G) M.P. Bhopal
Tel.No. 0755-2443654

G-25256/23

Himachal Pradesh
Jal Shakti Vibhag
"NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER"

The Executive Engineer Jal Shakti Division Pooh, Distt. Kinnaur, invites item rate tender on behalf of the Governor of H.P. from the eligible contractors for the following works through e-tendering process:

Sr. No.	Name of work	Estimated cost (Rs.)	Earnest Money (Rs.)	Cost of tender form (Rs.)	Time limit Months
1.	C/o FIS Lippa to Karla in G.P. Spillow Tehsil Pooh Distt. Kinnaur (HP) SH:- C/o Outlets, Anchore Block, Crossing arrangement for pipe, C/O B.P. tanks, Laying and jointing of GI Pipes (HG), P/L Jointing and testing in trenches API pipe, 125mm dia).	10646544/-	138965/-	Rs. 1500/-	3 months

Date of online publication of e-tendering 02.03.2024 and Last date of submission of e-tendering 11.03.2024 upto 05.00 PM and shall be opened on 12.03.2024 at 11.00 PM. Tender document and other detailed can be downloaded or viewed online from at **http://hptenders.gov.in** by the firm/individual registered on the website free of cost.

Executive Engineer
Jal Shakti Division Pooh
Ph. 01785-232254

DPR HP-6592

नगर निगम, प्रयागराज

शुद्धि पत्र

सर्वसाधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि कार्यालय पत्र संख्या डी0–884/ज० सर्प ० अधि0/2023, दिनांक–23.12.2023 के द्वारा दैनिक समाचार पत्र "हिन्दुस्तान टाइम्स (अंग्रेजी–सभी राष्ट्रीय संस्करण) एवं हिन्दुस्तान (हिन्दी–प्रयागराज) में दिनांक–24.12.2023 को 03 कार्यों हेतु प्रकाशित ई–निविदा सूचना में निर्धारित तिथि पर अपरिहार्य कारणोंवश निविदा प्रपत्र वेबसाइट पर अपलोड नहीं हो पाये हैं। जिसके कारण उक्त ई–निविदा सूचना की निर्धारित निविदा तिथियों में निम्नानुसार संशोधन किया जाता है:–

निविदा प्रपत्र वेबसाइट पर अपलोड करने की तिथि	05/03/2024	अपरान्ह 4.00 बजे से
निविदादाताओं द्वारा निविदा प्रपत्र वेबसाइट अपलोड करने की अंतिम तिथि	15/03/2024	अपरान्ह 2.00 बजे तक
निविदा खोलने की तिथि	15/03/2024	सांयकाल 4.00 बजे तक

अन्य नियम व शर्ते पूर्ववत रहेगीं।

पत्रांक : सं0डी0–2988/ज0सर्म्प0अधि0/2024
दिनांक 02.03.2024

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O-2714

No. Tender Online RWC -10/2024 Letter No.- Date :-

e-Procurement NOTICE

1. Name of the work : Construction of Road works
2. Class of contractor
   c) Estimated cost more than Rs.6.00 Crore & upto Rs.50.00 Crore : Special Class (of Odisha PWD) & relevant class of other licensing authorities.
   d) Estimated cost more than Rs.1.00 Crore & upto Rs.20.00 Crore : A Class (of Odisha PWD) & relevant class of other licensing authorities
   c) Estimated cost more than Rs. 20.00 Lakh & upto Rs.3.00 Crore : B Class (of Odisha PWD) & relevant class of other licensing authorities
3. Time for Completion : As specified in the Column-7 of the Annexure.
4. Detail Projects : As per Annexure attached
5. Other Details

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of tender On-line for bidding		Last Date & Time of seeking Tender Clarification	Date & Time of Opening of Tender	
		From	To		Technical Bid	Financial Bid
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Cuttack	Tender Online RWC -10/24	05.03.2024 at 11.30 A.M.	19.03.2024 up to 05.00 P.M.	19.03.2024 up to 02.00 P.M.	20.03.2024 at 11.30 A.M.	Will be intimated later

Further details can be seen from the website **www.tendersodisha.gov.in**

Chief Construction Engineer,
Rural Works Circle, Cuttack

OIPR - 25097/11/0056/2324

OFFICE OF THE CANTONMENT BOARD CHAKRATA CANTT.

आज़ादी का अमृत महोत्सव G20

Ph: 01360-272220 Fax: 01360-272502 Email: ceochak-stats@nic.in

No. 1/10/VI/120 **Dated: 28 Feb, 2024**

Notice to lessees

This serves as notification for the attention of lessees/ex-lessees of defence land granted under the Cantonment Code of 1899 and 1912, as well as the Cantonment Land Administration Rules (CLAR) of 1925 and 1937. The Government of India, Ministry of Defence, has devised an interim policy to address the following:

(i) Extension of expired/expiring leases under the Cantonment Code of 1899 & 1912 and leases under CLAR 1925 & 1937.
(ii) Renewal of Cantonment Code & CLAR leases whose full term has not yet expired.

This interim policy pertains to the extension of leases whose full term has expired, subject to the fulfilment of all terms and conditions. It also pertains to the renewal of leases whose first or second term has expired, but renewal could not be granted due to the breach of lease conditions. The authority to decide condonation or extension of lease has been delegated to Committees headed by the Principal Director of Defence Estates, Central Command, Lucknow. Please note that the occupier may be evicted in case of refusal or failure to extend the leased premises.

At present full terms of the following leases have expired, however, ex-lessees/occupiers either ignored or refused to pay the demand and consequently did not extend:

Sl. No.	Sy. No.	Name of lessee or holder	Location	Date of occupation	Date of expiry	Occupational Charges (Rs.)
1.	246/78	L. Ram Prasad Jain, Son of L Perma Nand	Sadar Bazar	01.04.1932	31.03.1962	3,090
2.	246/106	Sh. SD Joshi S/o Sh. Shiv Dutt Joshi	Sadar Bazar	07.07.1932	02.10.2021	1,112
3.	246/111	Smt. Vidyawati, w/o late Sh. Kaka Ram, Shri Subhash Chand Verma, Ram Avtar Verma, Sons of late Sh. Kaka Ram	Sadar Bazar	21.09.1961	20.09.2023	2,941
4.	246/167	L. Kishori Lal, s/o L. Daulat Ram	Sadar Bazar	01.04.1932	31.03.1992	1,136
5.	142/69	Sh. Gulam Hussain s/o late Shri Murad Ali	B.I. Bazar	14.10.1932	28.02.2022	17,579
6.	142/86	Sh. Gulam Hussain s/o late Shri Murad Ali	B.I. Bazar	01.04.1961	31.03.2021	1,92,980

Similarly, second term or third and final terms of the following lease have also not renewed:

Sl. No.	Sy. No.	Name of lessee or holder	Location	Date of occupation	Date of expiry	Occupational Charges (Rs.)
1.	246/50	M/S Sumat Pd, Beni Pd, Mahaveer Pd Sons of L.Girmari Lal	Sadar Bazar	1.02.1934	01.02.1973	295
2.	246/233	Sh. Dwarka Dass s/o Narain Dass	Sadar Bazar	01.04.1934	31.03.1964	68
3.	246/233/1	Sh. Dwarka Dass s/o Narain Dass	Sadar Bazar	01.04.1934	31.03.1964	68

The lessees/occupants of the above properties are hereby requested to contact the Cantonment Board Chakrata during working hours and deposit the demand as calculated and communicated by the Board within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice for renewal or extension of the lease, as the case may be, and submit the necessary documents for condonation of breaches, if any.

(R.N. Mandal)
Chief Executive Officer
Cantonment Board, Chakrata

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BRIHANMUMBAI MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

Chief Engineer (Bridges) Department
No. Ch.E./16297 /Bridges dated 02.03.2024

E-TENDER NOTICE

The Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) invites e-tenders to appoint Contractors for the works of "(1) Design & Construction of Bridge between Madh & Versova in K/W & P/N Wards (2) Design & Construction of Elevated Road for Establishing East West Connectivity Over Khar Subway and Bandra Terminus Connector in H/E and H/W Wards" from Contractors of Repute, Multidisciplinary Engineering organizations i.e. Eminent firms, Proprietary/ Partnership Firms/Private Limited companies/ Public limited companies/Companies registered under the Indian Companies Act 2013, the Contractors registered with Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) in class as mentioned in the table below as per new registration or those having equivalent or more work experience from central or state Government/ semi Government organization/ Central or state Public sector Undertaking, will be allowed subject to condition that, the contractors who are not registered with BMC will have to apply for registering their firms within, three months' time period from the award of contract, otherwise their bid security i.e. EMD (Earnest Money Deposit) will be forfeited/ recovered and a penalty of 0.1 % of contract or Rs.10,000/- whichever is more will be recovered/deducted from contractors payment/ bill by the executing department. Bidding process will comprise three e-Packets (A, B & C).
The details of the works and timelines of Bidding process are mentioned in the table below:

Sr. No.	Name of Work	Tender ID/ Bid No.	Class	EMD in Rs.	Contract period	Tender Scrutiny Fee in Rs.
1.	Design & Construction of Bridge between Madh & Versova K/W & P/N Wards.	2024_MCGM _1022271_1	Class I(A) and above	Rs.18,00,00,000 (Rs.16,00,00,000 in the form of BG & Rs.2,00,00,000 in online wallet)	36 (Thirty Six) Months (Including Monsoon)	Rs. 25,000/- + 18% GST
2.	Design &Construction of Elevated Road for Establishing East West Connectivity Over Khar Subway and Bandra Terminus Connector in H/E and H/W Wards.	2024_MCGM _1023758_1	Class I(A) and above	Rs.13,00,00,000 (Rs.11,70,00,000 in the form of BG & Rs.1,30,00,000 in online wallet)	42 (Forty Two) Months (Including Monsoon)	Rs. 25,000/- + 18% GST

Date of Issue of Tender (Start Date)	**06/03/2024** from 15:00 Hrs.
Pre Bid Meeting	13/03/2024 15:00 Hrs.In the Office of Additional Municipal Commissioner (Projects), 2nd Floor, Municipal Head office, Fort, Mumbai- 400001
Last Date and Time for Sale of e-Tender	**20/03/2024** upto 15:00 Hrs.
Last Date & Time of uploading documents in e- Packet 'A', e- Packet 'B') and Commercial Proposal in e-Packet 'C'	20/03/2024 upto 15:00 Hrs.
Date & Time of Opening of e- Packet 'A' and Technical e-Packet 'B'	**21/03/2024** from 15:00 Hrs.
Date & Time of opening of e-Tender, e-Packet 'C'	Same will be informed after scrutiny of e-Packet A & B.
Contact e-mail	**che.br@mcgm.gov.in**

The tender copy can be downloaded from Mahatender portal **https://mahatenders.gov.in/nicgep/app**).

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1. Vacancies for the under mentioned posts exist in Air Force School Bareilly. The details are as follows:-

Sl. No	Name of the Post	No of Vacancies	Pay Scale
(a)	PGT(Computer)	01 on regular basis	35000-1050-45500-EB-1350-59000
(b)	PGT(Physical Education)	01 on contractual basis	35000 (consolidated)
(c)	TGT (Drawing)	01 on regular basis	33000-1000-43000-EB-1300-56000
(d)	TGT (English)	01 on contractual basis	33000 (consolidated)
(e)	TGT(Social Studies)	01 on regular basis	33000-1000-43000-EB-1300-56000
(f)	PRT	01 on regular basis	28500-850-37000-EB-1100-48000
(g)	NTT	01 on contractual basis	18000 (consolidated)

* DA@ prescribed by the IAF Educational & Cultural Society

2. QRs and other eligibility criteria for the above mentioned vacancies, as per Education Code for Administration of AF Schools 2020 are available in school website office. The application form can be downloaded from school website i.e www.afsbareilly.in or obtained from Nainital Gate / Pilibhit Gate / School office of AF Stn Bareilly during all working days. Eligible candidates are to submit Bio-data cum application form clearly mentioning address and contact number along with passport size photograph and self-attested copies of documents or forward same to email id of school i.e princeafsbareilly@gmail.com latest by **18 Mar 24** (Postal address of school Principal, Air Force School, AF Stn Bareilly, PO-Bareilly, Pin-243002). Candidates may contact school office staff for queries, if any. (Mob No. School Manager 8220509652/ Office Superintendent - 9808425492/ Clerk - 8650504800).

Executive Director
Air Force School Bareilly

WEST CENTRAL RAILWAY

DRM(W)'s Office, Bhopal ▪ Open E-Tender Notice ▪ Date: 29.02.2024

Sr. DEN/CO/WCR, Bhopal, acting for and on behalf of the President of India, invites E-Tenders against following works, upto 15.30 hours on the dates mentioned against each tender. The complete tender documents and detailed information regarding tender is available on the website **http://www.ireps.gov.in**. NIT can also be seen on the notice board of DRM(W)/WCR/Bhopal Office. Manual offers are not allowed against these tenders. For any correction in these tenders, if necessary, corrigendum will be uploaded on website prior to tender opening date and copy of corrigendum will be placed on Notice Board of this office, which may be seen upto the date of tender opening. Tenderers are requested to offer their rates and submit tenders according to the provisions of GST ACT 2017. **NIT No.:** 23-24-HQ-16-149, Date 27.02.2024. **Name of work including Location: Pt. A) Reorganization of commercial office of Divisional office including Electrical work, B) Habibganj - Furniture work for extension of Area Training Centre (ATC) building at HBJ. Published cost of tender:** ₹ 27,06,206/-. **Earnest Money:** ₹ 54,100/-. **Completion Period:** 3 Months. **NIT No.:** 23-24-HQ-17-150, Date 27.02.2024. **Name of work including Location: Habibganj colony - Provision of STP/WRP at Habibganj colony, Capacity 350 KLD. Published cost of tender:** ₹ 83,61,716/-. **Earnest Money:** ₹ 1,67,200/-. **Completion Period:** 6 Months. **NIT No.:** 23-24-C-46-151, Date 28.02.2024. **Name of work including Location: Provision of Fixed Knot Fencing (Safety Fencing) in Narmadapuram - Bhopal - Bareth Section under Sr. DEN/C/Bhopal Jurisdiction. Published cost of tender:** ₹ 2,13,40,358/-. **Earnest Money:** ₹ 2,56,700/-. **Completion Period:** 6 Months.

For all the above Tenders:- Last date for submitting tender: 21.03.2024.

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PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF A PERSON ACCUSED

(See Section 82 Cr. PC)

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person namely **Parveen Malik S/o Kuldeep Singh R/o Swarn Park Mundka Delhi Also at Chawla Colony Near Double Fatak Rohtak Haryana** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No. 516/2018 U/s 376/506 IPC at PS: Mukherjee Nagar, New Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused **Parveen Malik** can not be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused **Parveen Malik** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused **Parveen Malik of FIR No. 516/2018 U/s 376/506 IPC of PS: Mukherjee Nagar, New Delhi is required to appear before this court to answer the said complaint on or before 12.04.2024.**

By order
Viplav Dabass
ASJ (Special Fast Tract Court), North Distt.,
Room No.204, 2nd Floor,
Rohini Court, Delhi

DP/2482/NW/2024

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क्रमांक: आर.सी./बी.हा/लेखा/2023-24/1284 दिनांक: 28.02.2024

निविदा संख्या /2023-2024

इस कार्यालय में मोटर गैराज विभाग के विभिन्न मॉडल मेक की वाहन जैसे मारूती, महिंद्रा एवं टोयोटा इत्यादि के मरम्मत/सर्विस से संबंधित जॉब कार्य करने के लिये वार्षिक दर संविदा के आधार पर अधिकृत सर्विस डीलर/फर्मों से मोहरबन्द निविदाएँ आमंत्रित की जाती है। कार्य/उपापन विषय वस्तु का विवरण निम्नानुसार है:-

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1.	मारूति वाहनों के मैकेनिक/इलेक्ट्रीक व अन्य रिपेयरिंग कार्य	A	5.0	10000/-	400/-
2.	टोयोटा वाहनों के मैकेनिक/इलेक्ट्रीक व अन्य रिपेयरिंग	B	8.0	16000/-	400/-
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निविदा फार्म, शर्तों का व ग्रुप विवरण इत्यादि का पूर्ण विवरण दिनांक 28.02.2024 से पोर्टल **https://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in** या विभाग की वेबसाईट **rc.rajasthan.gov.in** पर देखे एव डाउनलोड किये जा सकते है। निविदा दिनांक 05.03.2024 तक मध्यान्ह पश्चात् 2.00 बजे तक स्वीकार की जावेगी। प्राप्त निविदाएं उपापन समिति द्वारा उपस्थित निविदादाताओं के समक्ष दिनांक 06.03.2024 को अपराह्न 3.00 बजे खोली जावेगी।

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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
P.D, P.W.D KARANPRAYAG

S.N. 513 /2AC Date 02/03 /2024

"E-Tender Notice"

Executive Engineer P.D, P.W.D Karanprayag on Behalf of "Hon' ble Governor of Uttarakhand" invites bid through E-Tendring (Single Bid System) for following works in antiipiation of approval E-Tender related all detailed information shall be available on **http://www.uktenders.gov.in** from dated 04/03/2024.

Sl. No.	District	Name of Work	Amount of bid Security (Rs.Lakhs)	Cost of e-tender document (in Rs)	Comple-tion Period (in Month)	Validity of Tender (Days)	Contractor's Category of Registration
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.	Chamoli	Under the road safety audit security work was carried out by crash barrier, delineator and signage board in km 1 to 11 of Simli-Senu m/r in assembly karanprayag constit-uency of chamoli district	1.69	Rs. 4000.00 + 18% GST	4	45	Contractor Registered category 'C' for Road work in the state of uttarakhand
2.	Chamoli	Under the road safety audit security work was by peraphit crash barrier road signage /board in km 1 & 2 of Ujjalpur-Sem-Dharkot under karan-prayag assembly constituency of chamoli district	0.63	Rs. 2500.00 + 18% GST	4	45	Contractor Registered category 'C' for Road work in the state of uttarakhand

HIMACHAL PRADESH STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LTD.
(A State Government Undertaking)

Open Tender Notice
(Tender invited through e-tendering mode only)

Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board Limited invities Online Open Tender in two part bid system (Part-I Technical Bid and Part-II Price Bid) through e-submission of competitive bids from the reputed and experienced Company/ Firm/ Contractors/ Enterprises for Upgradation of ISU Billing IT Infrastructure at Data Centre, Shimla and Disaster Recovery Centre, Paonta Sahib of HPSEBL. Technical bid will cover information relating to all aspects other than the price quoted and Financial Bid will only cover the price quoted in the given performa in this tender document. The tentative timelines proposed in the Tender is as follows:-

1.	EMD (In Rs.)	Rs. 10,00,000/-
2.	Tender Document Cost (Incl. GST) (Rs.)	Rs. 5900/-
3.	Date of pre-bid meeting	07.03.2024 (11:00 AM)
4.	Start date & time of bid purchase	14.03.2024 (11:00 AM)
5.	End date & time of bid submission	03.04.2024 (11:00 AM)
6.	Opening date of Part -I of bid	03.04.2024 (03:00 PM)

1. The detailed terms and conditions along with tender documents can be viewd and downloaded free of cost at website **https://www.hptenders.gov.in.**
2. The copy of NIT shall also be available on website **https://www.hpseb.in.**

Chief Engineer (P&M)
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Name of work	Strengthening of exposed portion of Tunnel no. 8/9 and its adjoining area including other ancillary works under Dy. Chief Engineer/C/JAT in Katra-Banihal section of USBRL Project
Approx. Cost	Rs. 4,69,25,603/- (Four crores sixty nine lacs twenty five thousand six hundred and three only)
Completion period	05 (five) Months
Bid Security amount	Rs. 3,84,600/- (Three lacs eighty four thousand six hundred only)
Date & Time for Submission of E-tender and opening of tender	Tender May be uploaded upto **11.30 hrs** on date **26.03.2024** on IREPS web site i.e. **www.ireps.gov.in The bidders can participate in e-tender, the tender will be opened soon thereafter at 11.30 hrs on 26.03.2024.**
Last date/Time of upload of tenders	**26.03.2024** upto 11.30 hours. Tender documents can be uploaded by the tenderer on IREPS web site w.e.f. **12.03.2024** to **26.03.2024** upto **11.30 hrs.**
Detailed Tender Notice & Tender Document	Above tender document will be available on IREPS website i.e. **www.ireps.gov.in** from **06.03.2024 to 26.03.2024 upto 11.30 hrs and for submission from 12.03.2024 to 26.03.2024 upto 11.30 hrs.** The bidders who desire to participate against e-tenders are advised to electronically register themselves on the above website for which, they would require to obtain class-III digital certificate (if already not obtained) issued by CCA under IT Act-2000. All other terms and conditions in respect of above tender are given in tender document. The detailed tender notice also can be seen on the notice board of the above office.

Tender Notice No.4-W/DYCE/C/JAT/01/2023-24 Dated :01.03.2024

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Public Works Department
Sector-19, North Block, Naya Raipur (C.G.)

E-Procurement Tender Notice

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NIT No. 490/TC/EinC/PWD/2023-24 **Dated : 26.02.2024**

The Engineer-in-Chief, Public Works Department on behalf of **Governor of Chhattisgarh** invites **percentage rate bids** on electronic tendering system under **RCPLWE RRP-III** in the district of **Kanker, Bijapur, Kondagaon, & Rajnandgaon** for construction of **01 Road and 09 Bridges** with estimated cost amounting **Rs. 4455.07 Lacs** including their maintenance for five years from the contractors registered with unified registration system (e-registration) in Chhattisgarh. Non registered bidders may submit bid; however the successful bidder must get registered in appropriate class under "Unified Registration System (e-Registration) of Chhattisgarh before signing the agreement.

The bid document shall be available to bidders online free of cost and should be submitted online e-procurement system of government of Chhattisgarh in **https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in**. Bids form will be available on the website from **28.02.2024** and may be submitted up to **17:00 Hrs. on 15.03.2024**.

For participating in bidding process, bidders are required to register in the above web-site with nominal fee of Rs 500/- to be paid online to service provider. For submission of the bids, the bidder is required to have a valid **Digital Signature Certificate (DSC)** from authorized certifying authorities.

The bidders are required to submit (a) original bid security in approved form and (b) original affidavit duly verified and notarized as per clause 4.4 B (a) (ii) and 4.4 B (c) to **Chief Engineer, Tender Cell, First Floor, Nirman Bhawan, PWD, North Block, Sector-19, Naya Raipur (C.G.) 492-002** as per provisions of bid document through **Speed/ Registered post**, failing which the bids shall be declared non-responsive.

Detailed schedule of important dates may be seen on notice board of offices and also available on website of Public Works Department **http://pwd.cg.nic.in**

Chief Engineer
(Central Tender Cell)
Office of Engineer-in-Chief
P.W.D. Naya Raipur, Atal Nagar (C.G.)

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SPORT

Why Max is favoured to clinch title No.4

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As the 2024 Formula 1 season kicks off, it carries with it the sunshine of new possibilities and storylines. The biggest of these is: can other teams challenge the hegemony of Red Bull and Max Verstappen, who are sitting pretty on 3 consecutive titles and going for four. Last week, two-time champ Fernando Alonso made a pithy assessment of that possibility. "Max is the world champion and Red Bull is dominating the sport. I think 19 drivers in the paddock will think that (they) will not win the championship," he said. Given what Max is carrying forward, the pattern of results in the modern era suggests a 4th title is very much theirs for the taking.

Consecutive champions

Over the 74-year history of the sport, 34 drivers have won the F1 title. Of these, 13 have won at least two titles on the trot. And only five have them have won three titles or more on the run, one of whom is Verstappen. In 2024, he is aiming to match Sebastian Vettel, Lewis Hamilton and Juan Manuel Fangio as the racers who have won four straight titles. Each time a driver has won three straight championships, they have gone on to win four. It is also noteworthy that three of these four champions have won their consecutive titles in the 'modern' era of motorsports, in this century, when the role of technology in the puzzle expanded manifold and teams were able to carry forward dominant technology gains for longer stretches. Thus, Schumacher won five straight with Ferrari between 2000 and 2004, Vettel won four for Red Bull between 2010 and 2013, and Hamilton for Mercedes from 2017 to 2020.

Verstappen is one among just 5 drivers to have won three consecutive F1 titles

○ Number of consecutive titles

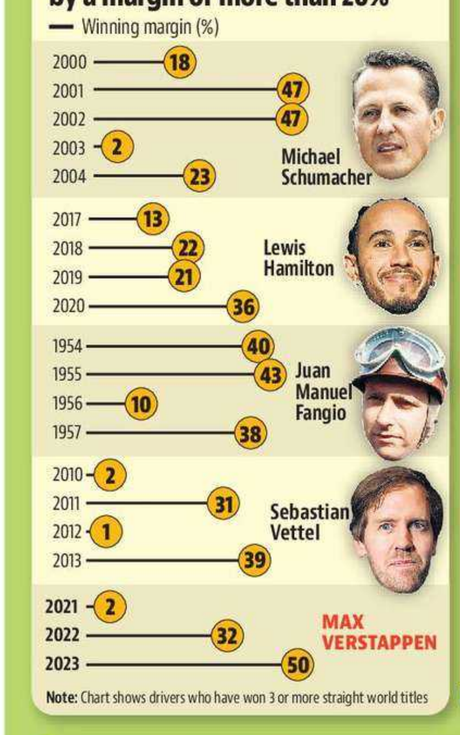
Michael Schumacher	(2000-04)	○○○○○ 5
Juan Manuel Fangio	(1954-57)	○○○○ 4
Sebastian Vettel	(2010-13)	○○○○ 4
Lewis Hamilton	(2017-20)	○○○○ 4
Max Verstappen	(2021-23)	●●● 3
Alberto Ascari	(1952-53)	○○ 2
Jack Brabham	(1959-60)	○○ 2
Alain Prost	(1985-86)	○○ 2
Ayrton Senna	(1990-91)	○○ 2
Michael Schumacher	(1994-95)	○○ 2
Mika Häkkinen	(1998-99)	○○ 2
Fernando Alonso	(2005-06)	○○ 2
Lewis Hamilton	(2014-15)	○○ 2

Big margins

Verstappen decimated records last year. He won 19 races in the season, including 10 straight. He won by a margin of 50% — the most ever in history. In order to benchmark Verstappen's performance against other 'dominant' racers, we looked at the percentage points gap between the first and second position in the drivers' championship, filtering for racers who have won three or more straight titles. Of the 20 titles won by these 5, 13 were won by a sizeable points margin, of over 20% to the second-placed driver.

13 of 20 straight titles were won by a margin of more than 20%

— Winning margin (%)



Note: Chart shows drivers who have won 3 or more straight world titles

Contrasting eras

In the case of Verstappen, his 3 titles have come with a win margin of 2% in 2021, 32% in 2022 and 50% in 2023. But how have drivers followed up after winning a title by 32% as Verstappen did in 2022. In F1 history, there have been 15 instances of a driver winning a title with at least a 32% margin. While only 6 have retained their title, this set of 15 can be broadly divided into two sets. The 1st covers 10 instances in the 20th century, when there was a lot more churn in the sport. Only 3 of those retained their title. The 2nd features 5 instances in the 21st century. In 3 of those, the drivers won a title again. The other two, when the driver didn't retain the title, were extraordinary instances. In 2014 the sport saw a major tech shift and the mantle passed from Vettel in Red Bull to Hamilton in Mercedes. The 2nd was Hamilton in 2021 when he lost the championship in controversial circumstances in the last lap of the season.

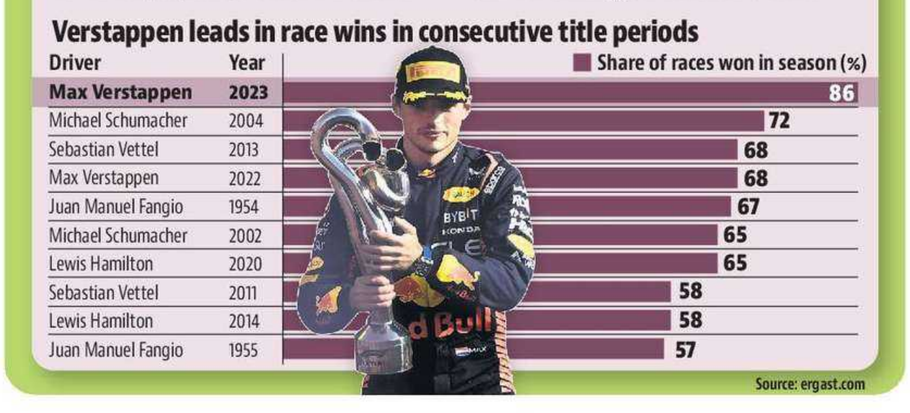
Big margins have augured well for regaining titles this century

Driver	Year		Winning margin (%)
20TH CENTURY			
Alberto Ascari	1953	W	19
Juan Manuel Fangio	1955	W	43
Juan Manuel Fangio	1956	W	10
Juan Manuel Fangio	1958	L	2
Jim Clark	1964	L	3
Jack Brabham	1967	L	10
Jackie Stewart	1970	L	11
Jackie Stewart	1972	L	26
Nigel Mansell	1993	L	26
Michael Schumacher	1996	L	20
21ST CENTURY			
Michael Schumacher	2002	W	47
Michael Schumacher	2003	W	2
Sebastian Vettel	2014	L	17
Lewis Hamilton	2021	L	2
Max Verstappen	2023	W	50

Races to titles

All this points to Verstappen and Red Bull maintaining their hegemony. In an unprecedented feat, Verstappen won 19 of the 22 races that took place in 2023. This, in turn, meant that the Red Bull racer won 86% of all races last year, breaking Alberto Ascari's 1952 record of 75% wins. This wasn't the only record the racer broke in 2023. Last season brought up his overall win tally to 54, enough to displace Vettel for third in F1 history books. To put his wins into perspective, no other four-to-seven world champion comes close to Verstappen's winning percentage. Schumacher follows at second with 72% in 2004, and Verstappen in 2022 comes joint third with Vettel in 2013. Also, notably, there were fewer races in the previous eras, as Ascari won six out of eight events to have a 75% winning rate — making Verstappen's 86% record in 22 races incredible. With 2024 scheduled to be the longest season in the history of the sport, Verstappen and Red Bull are looking good at the season's start.

Verstappen leads in race wins in consecutive title periods



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How India batters stayed humble to conquer spin

No rank turners meant scoring runs wasn't a lottery and young home batters showed they can deal with Eng spinners

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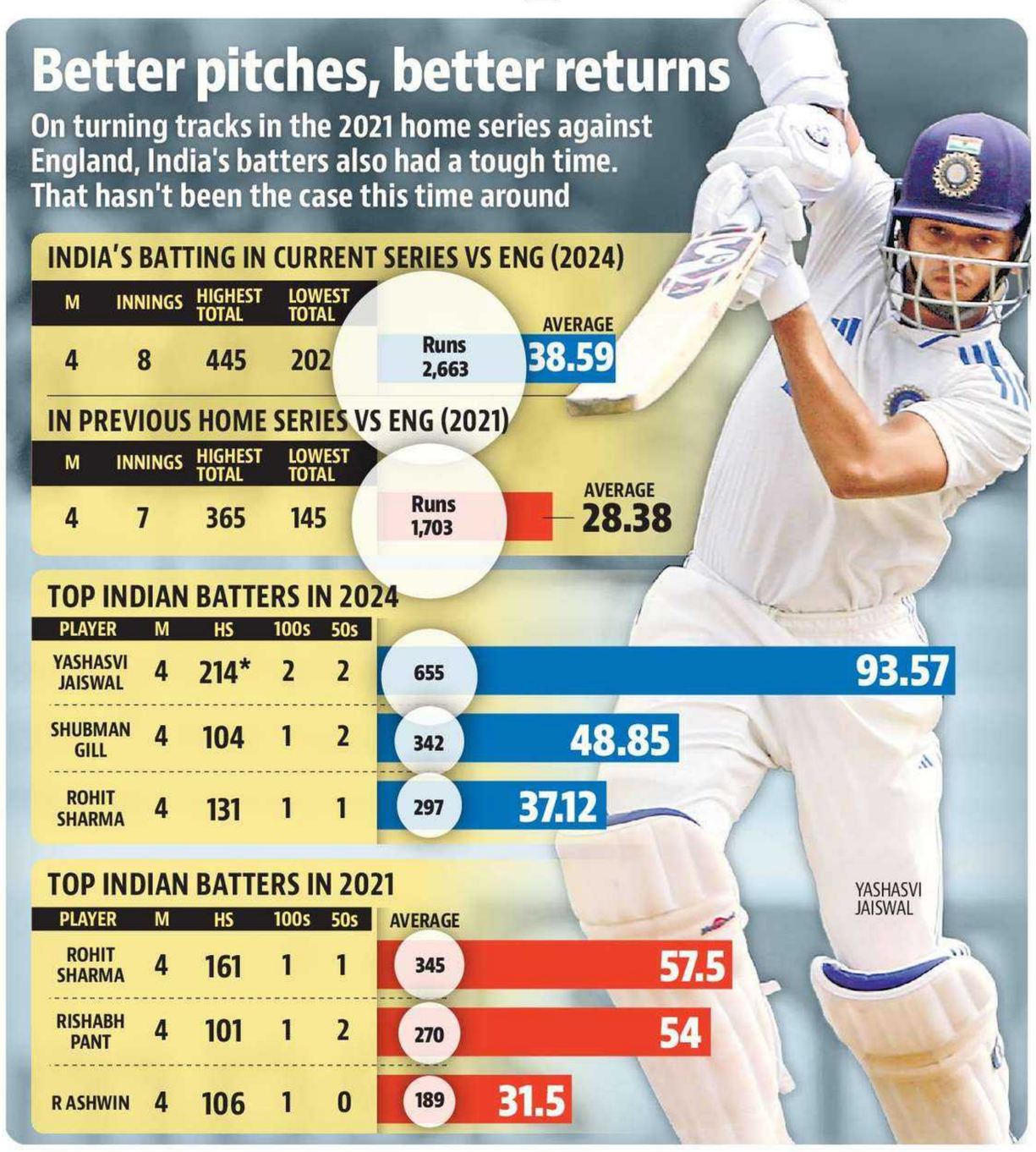

NEW DELHI: India's brilliant comeback to snatch the Test series against England with a game left has highlighted young cricketers handling pressure while experienced hands underlined their class. A relatively less focused aspect has been how they dealt with spin to give India a 3-1 lead after the Hyderabad defeat.

Spin was expected to play a dominant role and it has, but unlike the rank turners of the past that made scoring a sort of lottery, especially second innings runs, slow pitches without demons called for a more calibrated approach.

The focus — particularly in the last home series against England and Australia — has been about visiting batters being confounded with turn, uneven bounce and the guile of India's spinners on tracks often throwing up puffs of dust.

Such pitches haven't been on offer in this series and that has meant focus on performances, and exciting contests. England played a big role in that. It was clear Ben Stokes and Brendon McCullum had embraced the spin challenge. With defensive batting already gone out of fashion, England focused on training rookie spinners to take on the challenge of sub-continent cricket.

This is where India's approach stood out. It perhaps is an aspect of Indian cricket one felt would keep on giving, dominating spin in tough conditions.

Rahul Dravid, in his days as the pillar of Test batting, once said how young Indian batters rising through domestic cricket had to be adept at playing spin, but once in for India, they are judged by how they countered pace and movement abroad.

Seemingly inherent in the comment was how Indian batters are unlikely to lose sleep at the prospect of facing spin on rank turners. With Virat Kohli missing this series and KL Rahul ruled out, Indian batters found a humbler way to deal with spin, although England didn't have experience in the department.

Comparison of run rates across the four Tests show that India, while not being too cautious, stuck to their methods letting England be the quickest in at least one innings in each of the last three Tests.

Skipper Rohit Sharma said ahead of the series that there was no room for India to be arrogant about their home advantage. Missing seniors meant discipline was vital.

"I don't think we are unbeatable," he said before the Hyderabad Test. "We don't want to think like that. Whatever past records that we have over the last decade or so, they do not guarantee that we will come out on top in this series."

Ranchi encapsulated the approach of India batters. Kuldeep Yadav drew attention as he made a match-turning 28 off 131 deliveries in the crucial first innings rescue act with Dhruv Jurel. Kuldeep — he has a first-class century — stood with legs wide apart in his batting stance to ensure he went fully forward or played back decisively. Sunil Gavaskar, on TV commentary, jokingly compared it to Steve Smith. Rohit, happy that homework was paying off in the middle, was imitating Kuldeep to the amusement of the dressing room.

In the second innings as India achieved a tricky target, Rohit and Shubman Gill showed their tactics were well-rehearsed and thought-out. Both came well out of the crease to negate the turn. In the past, it would have invariably led to attacking shots, but such an approach to defend kept the unorthodox fields set by Stokes waiting.

The focus on Gill, unbeaten in the end with Jurel, has been on his "hard hands" with the danger of edges flying to close-in fielders. By coming out of the crease to defend, he dealt with that issue. Jurel, who showed great judgement, technique and temperament on debut in Rajkot and in Ranchi, helped change the view that young cricketers were 'spoilt' by T20 and IPL.

Dravid had backed his batters after the Hyderabad loss, debutant left-arm spinner Tom Hartley having run through the line-up with seven wickets to stop India chasing down a modest fourth innings target of 231.

"I wouldn't be so harsh to judge them," he said. "It was a challenging wicket, and it's been a bit of a challenge for some of our young batsmen to adapt. But you know, they've got the skill.

"They've come here by scoring a lot of runs in domestic cricket. They are being picked on merit. Sometimes it does take time for people to adjust. They're working really hard and there's a lot of thought going into their batting.

"It's just a question of them looking to constantly improve and develop skills that may help them counter these kinds of conditions a little bit better."

His assessment sits nicely on the evidence provided, young batters stooping to conquer spin on tough but fair pitches instead of strutting to stutter.

VERSTAPPEN WINS SEASON-OPENING BAHRAIN GP AMID RED BULL TURMOIL

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SAKHIR: Max Verstappen won Saturday's season-opening Bahrain Grand Prix to give Red Bull a timely boost after a trying week for the world champions and team principal Christian Horner.

Verstappen shut out all the off-track speculation surrounding the Horner inquiry to lead home Sergio Perez for a crushing Red Bull 1-2.

Meanwhile, Indian Formula 2 driver Kush Maini impressed with a brilliant drive as he finished seventh despite starting last in the first feature of the 2024 season in Bahrain.

Horner issue damaging the sport: FIA president

The president of Formula One's governing body told the Financial Times that the controversy around Red Bull team principal Christian Horner is damaging the sport, but that the FIA won't conduct its own inquiry unless it receives a complaint.

Ahead of Saturday's season-opening Bahrain Grand Prix, Horner arrived at the F1 paddock holding hands with his wife Geri Halliwell.

FIA president Mohammed Ben Sulayem said any complaint lodged with its compliance officer would be investigated but it had not received one related to Horner's situation and would not "jump the gun," the Financial Times reported.

Kerr carries Mumbai to a thumping win over RCB

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Amelia Kerr on her way to an unbeaten 40 on Saturday. BCCI

CHANDIGARH: It is not easy to keep defending champions Mumbai Indians (MI) away from winning, even if their captain and mainstay Harmanpreet Kaur is on the bench. MI bounced back from losing the previous match by thrashing Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) by seven wickets in the Women's Premier League (WPL) fixture at the M Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru on Saturday. Harmanpreet must have been relieved as MI clinched the game after losing their previous game against UP Warriorz. MI restricted RCB to 131/6 on their home ground and then eased to victory scoring 133/3 in 15.1 overs. MI returned to the top spot in the points table with six points while Delhi Capitals, UP Warriorz and RCB — all have 4 points — are separated in that order on net run rate. Gujarat Giants are yet to open their score.

WPL 2024

Chasing a modest 132, it was a cakewalk for the star-studded MI with West Indies cricketer Hayley Mathews and left-handed batter Yastika Bhatia setting a perfect platform for the successful chase. The openers showed their batting prowess, making light of the challenge medium-pacer Renuka Thakur and spinner Sophie Molineux posed. They scored 45 runs in four overs to give MI a flying start. Carrying forward her fine form, Yastika (31) was the more aggressive, hitting two sixes and four fours.

Hayley (26 — 3x4, 1x6) set the tone for the chase. Though Sophie Devine got Yastika first and spinner Shreyanka Patil scalped Hayley, it didn't hamper MI's run chase. Stand-in captain Nat Sciver-Brunt took charge and smashed the bowling in a useful (49-run) partnership with Kiwi Amelia Kerr (40* — 7x4) to put MI in a comfortable position. RCB used as many as eight bowlers to find breakthroughs to stop MI's onslaught but failed. Nat Sciver-Brunt made 27 (25b) while Kerr remained unbeaten after an impressive 25-ball innings. RCB fans returned disappointed after the second loss in the five-team competition. Put into bat, RCB's modest innings was due to Ellysse Perry's knock (44 off 38 balls). The Aussie player had made a return to the eleven in place of Nadine de Klerk. MI bowlers kept it tight and none of the other batters could stay at the wicket for a longer time.

Brief scores: RCB 131/6 (E Perry 44*; P Vastrakar 2/14); MI 133/3 in 15.1 overs (A Kerr 40*). **MI won by 7 wickets**.

STANDINGS

Team	M	W	L	Pts	NRR
MI	4	3	1	**6**	0.402
DC	3	2	1	**4**	1.271
UPW	4	2	2	**4**	0.211
RCB	4	2	2	**4**	-0.015
GG	3	0	3	**0**	-1.995

NZ face an uphill task in run chase

WELLINGTON: Steve Smith pulled off two stunning catches on Saturday to leave Australia with the advantage as New Zealand stumbled in their pursuit of 369 to win the first Test. The home side was 111/3 at stumps on day three in Wellington, with Rachin Ravindra unbeaten on 56 and Daryl Mitchell on 12.

Gukesh, Pragg play out draws

PRAGUE: The Indian trio of D Gukesh, R Praggnanandhaa and Vidit Gujrathi played out draws in the fourth round of the Prague Masters Chess tournament here. While Praggnanandhaa was held by Thai Dai Van Nguyen, Gukesh split a point with Nodirbek Abdusattarov.

Ankita exits in semis in singles

GURUGRAM: Ankita Raina copped a semi-final defeat to unseeded Yeonwoo Ku in the singles event of the ITF Women's Open but grabbed the doubles title with Kazakh partner Zhibek Kulambayeva here on Saturday.

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Pacers hunt in a pack, put Mumbai on top versus TN

Deshpande and Thakur strike vital blows as visitors are bowled out for 146 on the first day of the Ranji semi-final

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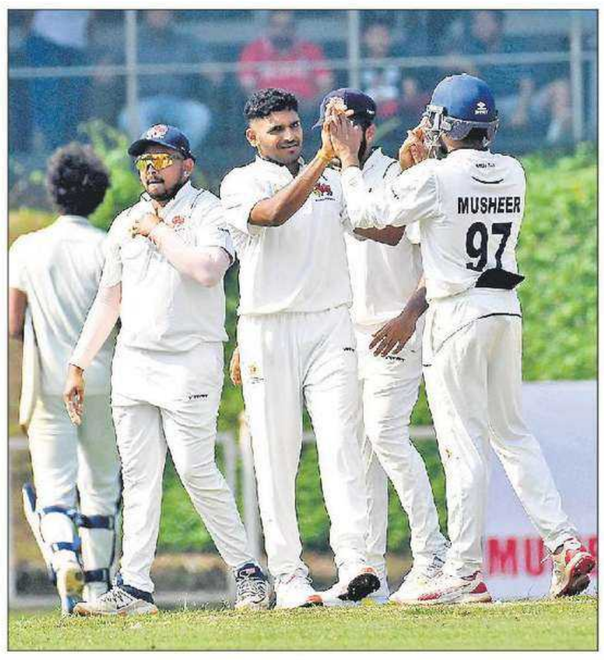
MUMBAI: The advantage of playing on home ground is that one knows exactly how to make best use of the conditions. Having got to bowl first at the Bandra Kurla Complex ground in their Ranji Trophy semi-final against Tamil Nadu on Saturday, the Mumbai pace attack exploited the early life in the pitch to seize the initiative.

Tushar Deshpande, Shardul Thakur and Mohit Avasthi hunted as a pack to bundle out Tamil Nadu for 146 in 64.1 overs. Thakur took 2/48 in 14 overs, Deshpande 3/24 in 12 overs and Avasthi picked up an early wicket. Spinners Musheer Khan and Tanush Kotian then ran through the tail with two wickets each.

Only all-rounders Vijay Shankar (44 runs) and Washinton Sundar (43) showed resistance for Tamil Nadu. In reply, Mumbai were 45/2 at stumps. Kuldeep Sen bowled a sharp opening over to get dangerous opener Prithvi Shaw caught at slips, but young Musheer Khan was batting on 24.

The pitch had a tinge of grass and the home team knew there would be moisture early on. Thakur and company exploited it with the new ball to provide a dream start to their team. The key aspects to do that is accuracy, bowling within oneself and hitting the right areas.



Mumbai pacer Tushar Deshpande (centre) celebrates a wicket on Saturday. He took 3/24. PRAKASH PARSEKAR/HT

Thakur set the tone with a wicket off his fourth ball, nailing opener R Sai Sudharsan with his incoming ball to a left-handed batter.

TN's other opener was also back in the hut soon after turning Avasthi's incoming ball into the hands of short-leg fielder Musheer. Coming in first change replacing Thakur, Deshpande kept up the pressure. He bowled a searing opening spell of seven overs and ran through the middle order with a three-wicket burst.

He also struck in his first over when he lured TN No.3 Pradosh Ranjan Paul into offering a tame return catch. The well-built pace bowler followed it up with a beauty to pierce the defence of skipper R Sai Kishore and peg back his middle-stump. When the in-form Baba Indrajith hit uppishly to be caught at mid-on by a diving Tanush Kotian, TN were in deep trouble, having lost their top five batters cheaply.

The sixth-wicket pair of Washington Sundar and Vijay Shankar though adopted a disciplined approach and tried to resurrect the innings. It was tough work. There was seam movement even after the shine had worn off. Washington edged an Avasthi delivery through gully for four. They just looked to play out the period. The scoreboard hardly moved and after 30 overs it was 68/5.

There was no let-up from Mumbai pacers. Thakur bowled a solid six-over spell post lunch to provide the big breakthrough. He set up Vijay by pitching in and around off-stump and his fourth over of the spell the batter poked at a fuller ball to be caught at slips. Vijay and Washington together played out more than 31 overs, but their partnership could produce just 48 runs and TN were 90/6. Washington tried to wage a lone battle, but Mumbai spinners wiped out the tail with rapid strikes.

Brief scores: TN 146 (V Shankar 44; T Deshpande 3/24). Mumbai 45/2 at stumps on Day 1.

Avesh's four-for helps MP bowl out Vidarbha for 170

NAGPUR: Avesh Khan-led Madhya Pradesh pace bowling unit hit the right lengths on a pitch that offered enough carry to bowl out Vidarbha for 170 on Day 1 to gain control of their Ranji Trophy semi-final here on Saturday. Avesh (4/49) was the pick of the MP bowlers, while receiving good support from Kulwant Khejroliya (2/38) and Venkatesh Iyer (2/28). Madhya Pradesh reached 47/1 in their first innings at close, and trail by 123 runs.

Brief scores: Vidarbha 170 (K Nair 63; Avesh Khan 4/49). MP 47/1 at stumps on Day 1.

Liverpool beat Forest, extend lead to four points

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LONDON: Liverpool striker Darwin Nunez scored a huge goal in the English Premier League title race, netting in the ninth minute of stoppage time to beat Nottingham Forest 1-0 and move his team four points clear on Saturday.

The Uruguay striker came off the bench and glanced home a header to end Liverpool's 40-year wait for a victory at the City Ground.

There were angry scenes among Forest players and coaching staff after the final whistle, with even club owner Evangelos Marinakis coming down to the touchline to express his unhappiness. Eight minutes of time had been officially added on by the referee, which was perhaps the cause of Forest's complaints.

In the race for Champions League qualification, fifth-placed Tottenham came from behind to beat Crystal Palace 3-1 and trim the gap to Aston Villa to two points.

Chelsea's humdrum league campaign continued as they drew 2-2 against Brentford.

Crunch time for India's male boxers

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NEW DELHI: The focus will be on India's male boxers as they look to punch their Paris Olympics ticket from the World Qualifier in Busto Arsizio, Italy starting on Sunday. While the women booked four Olympic berths at the Hangzhou Asian Games, the men failed to grab any spot. India will be in the fray in all seven men's Olympic weight divisions and in two divisions in the women's competition.

There are high hopes from the three world championships medallists — Mohammad Hussamuddin (57kg), who is returning from a knee injury, Deepak Bhoria (51kg) and young Nishant Dev (71kg). Hussamuddin missed the Asian Games but his recovery has been good. Indian boxers were camping in Montenegro and training with other international teams in the build-up to the event in Italy. "We had a good two-week camp. Our boxers had sparring sessions with boxers from Japan, Kazakhstan, Hungary, Russia, etc. We hope to secure a good number of quotas," coach Mohammed Aitesamuddin, who was part of the training camp, said.

Hussamuddin. GETTY

He also said his brother Hussamuddin has recovered well from injury. "The rehab was very good and that's why he came back to the ring in time. We would have liked him to play in Strandja, but since it was very close to the qualifier, the team management rightly decided not to take a risk," he said.

Deepak and Nishant will both need to step up from the first round. At the Asian Games, they lost to technically skilful Japanese boxers. Deepak fought well against Tomoya Tsuboi, the reigning 2021 bantamweight world champion, but lost 1-4 on points. Nishant lost to Japan's Sewon Okazawa in the quarter-finals despite a final round comeback.

The seasoned Shiva Thapa (63.5kg) has been dominating at home, but he needs to show he can be equally good in winning an Olympic quota. Asian Games bronze medallist Narender Berwal (+92kg), and national champions Lakshya Chahar (80kg) and Sanjeet Kumar (92kg) will also be in the fray. A semi-final berth will ensure Paris qualification in Italy. The tournament has 28 quota places for men. However, being a world qualifier, the competition will be tough. Among women, CWG medallist Jaismine Lamboria (60kg) and Asian championships medallist Ankushita Boro (66kg) will be aiming to win the remaining quotas.

Two-time world champion Nikhat Zareen (50kg), Olympic bronze medallist Lovlina Borgohain (75kg), Preeti (54kg) and Parveen Hooda (57kg) have already secured berths at Asian Games.

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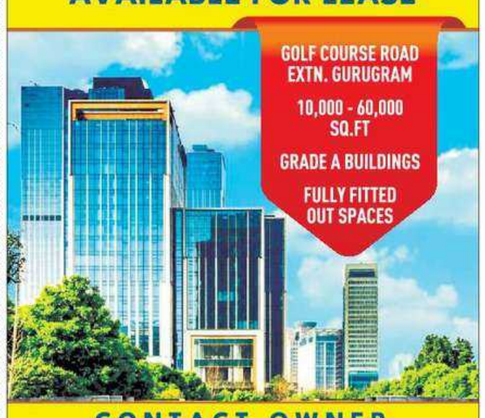

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Special Educator
Class Assistants (Teacher Helpers)

Qualified, experienced candidates fluent in English to apply on the prescribed form available in school till **15.03.2024** between **8.00 a.m. and 02.00 p.m.** Qualification, age, pay scale etc. as per Delhi Admn. Rules. For Class Assistants, Graduates/XII pass with good command over English may also apply.

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REQ. M/F Accountant fresh CA with Good Exp. in Tally Tax Accounts GST TDS Returns & MS Excel fulltime. Contact: 8595019407, Email: vrkbuilders@yahoo.com

URGENTLY REQD Accts Person having expertise in MS Excel and knowledge of Tally, Payroll Systems & EPF, ESI Act. Send CV to: advocatevivek07@gmail.com

WANTED ACCOUNTANT, Having 2-3yrs. Experience in Tally ERP9, Filling of GST,Returns etc.Shagun Offset Press, Plot No.82, Ecotech-12,Near Ek murti chowk, Gr.Noida.# 9873334671.

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Signed on behalf of
Rakesh Upadhyay,
Director - Corporate Affairs,
Eli Lilly and Company (India)

CHANGE OF NAME

I BABITA Sharma W/o Manash Chakraborty R/o O-1005, Gh-01, Pan Oasis, Sector -70 Noida,Gautam Budh Nagar U.P 201301, hereby declare that Babita Sharma and Babita Chakraborty is both are one and same person, future name is Babita Sharma for all purpose

I, GITA Chadha, w/o Anil Kumar Chadha, R/o 318, Heights, The Retreat, South City 1, Gurgaon 122001, have changed my name to Geeta Chadha permanently.

I, MAHABIR Singh Gulia, S/o Late Sh. Preet Singh Gulia, R/o D-45, Suncity, Sec 54, Gurugram, Haryana, have officially changed my name from Mahabir Singh to Mahabir Singh Gulia to ensure consistency with the name on all legal documents.

I, KAILASH Chand Khandelwel S/o Sh. Ram Sahai R/o Near Girls Higher Secondary School Gangapur City, Sawai Madhopur, Rajasthan-322201 have changed my name from Kailash Saraf to kaishal Chand Khandelwel all future purposes.

I, SAMEENA Khan W/o Nawab Shah Mohd Shuaib Khan R/o H.No. 20, Gali No. 5/43, Sangam Vihar, Near Wazirabad, Burari, Delhi-110084 have changed my name from Sameena Khan to Samina Khan for all future purposes

I, PUSHPA Singh W/o Dharmendra Singh R/o Kh No. 298/1, Flat No. SF-04, Pandit Mohalla, Ghitorni, New Delhi-110030 have changed my name to Pushpa Devi

I HITHERTO known as Sumit S/O Multan Singh, residing at Vill Kurana Teh Israna Dist. Panipat State Haryana Pin-132107, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Sumit Jaglan.

I, CHETANYA Prakash S/o Ram Nath R/o Flat No. 302, Ebony B, Shalimar City, Delhi Wazirabad Road, Sahibabad, Dist- Ghaziabad-201005, (U.P.) have changed my name as Chetan Prakash for all future purposes.

I, CHETANKUMAR Sharad Khodwe S/O Sharadrao Yashwantrao Khodwe, R/O Flat No.1106, Tower-E, Civitech Sampriti, Sector-77, Noida, Dist- Gautam Budh Nagar, U.P.- 201301, have changed my name to Chetan Sharadrao Khodwe for all future purposes.

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I, CHETAN Prakash Singh S/o Ram Nath R/o Flat No. 302, Ebony B, Shalimar City, Delhi Wazirabad Road, Sahibabad, Dist- Ghaziabad- 201005, (U.P.) have changed my name as Chetan Prakash for all future purposes.

I, DEVINDER Singh Sajwan S/o Dhyan Singh Sajwan R/O T-7, Lily Flat no 901, Paramount Floraville Sec-137, Noida UP has changed my Name to Devinder Singh for all purpose in future.

LOST & FOUND

I, NARESH Bhalla S/o H.P.Bhalla have lost my all Original 87A, Pkt-C, Sidha rth Extension, New Delhi-110014 documents (Allotment letter, Allotment cum Demand letter, Possession Slip, NOC for water & Electric Connection) Finder Contact 9810596082

WE, ANSHU Jain & Raj Jain Owner of SCO No. -41, Emperor Square, TDI City, Kundli, Sonepat , Customer ID- KES-10010 have Lost Original Booking Receipt of our Unit. Finder may return at below address : SU-1, Pitampura, Delhi

LOST & FOUND

I, RENU Gupta W/o Vinod Kumar Gupta R/o B-601, Narwana Apartments Plot No. 89, I.P. Extn., Patparganj, Delhi-110092 have lost Property Documents - Original Allotment and Possession Letter of B-601, Narwana Apartments, Plot No. 89, I.P. Extn., Patparganj, Delhi-110092. If found pls contact: 8010971658.

COURT NOTICES

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IN THE COURT OF SH. RAMESH KUMAR-II Additional, District Judge-01,CourtNo.302,IIIrdFloor,Shahdara District.KarkardoomaCourts,Delhi
PC/04/2024
Sh.DHIRENDERKUMARNIGAM
Vs.
THE STATES & ORS. Sh. Dhirender KumarNigam....Petitioner
Versus
1. The State NCT of Delhi, **2. SH. YOGENDERNIGAM**S/oSh. BabuRam Nigam R/o H.No. 4E, DDA Munrika, New Delhi-110067 **3. SH, SANJAY KUMAR NIGAM** S/o Sh. Babu Ram Nigam R/o 105 Friars Lane Edwards WillelllonisUSA-62025UnitedStateof America**4.MS.SONU NIGAMD**/oSh. BabuRamNigamR/oThe Promenade, Surfers Paradise Queensland 4217, Australia Citation for Publication of Petition Under Section 276 of The IndianSuccessionAct,1925,forgrant ofProbateinrespectofWillexecutedby LateSh.BabuRamNigam,S/oLateSh. Lila Dhar Nigam, R/o B-39, Upper GroundFloor,NearRamMandir,Anand Vihar,Delhi-110092,allregisteredon **13.07.2022.**
Whereas the **26th March, 2024** has been fixed for hearing of the case, notice is hereby given that person having any interest in the Administration of estate of the said concernedmayifhe/shedesireappear inthiscourtthesaid**26thMarch,2024** and see the proceedings before the grant of probate (or for letter of administration).
GIVENundermyhandandthesealof thiscourtonthis**1stFeb,2024,**
(Seal)
(RAMESHKUMAR-II)
ADJ-01/SHD/KKDCOURTS,DELHI

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING ATTENDANCE OF DEFENDANT
(order 5, rules 20 of the code of civil procedures)
IN THE COURT OF MS. KAVERI BAWEJA LD. DISTRICT JUDGE (COMMERCIAL COURT)-07 ROOM NO.302, CENTRAL EXTENSION BLOCK THIS HAZARI COURTS, DELHI
SUIT NO. CS(COMM)674/2022
M/S. MAYANK ENTERPRISES
V/S
M/s.LALIRA BUILDCON PVT.LTD.
TO
1) M/s. LALIRA BUILDCON PVT. LTD. THROUGH ITS DIRECTORS, 69, FIRST FLOOR, ANAND LOK NEAR KAMLA NEHRU COLLEGE ANDREW GANJ, DELHI-110049
(2) SH. VISHNU KUMAR MISHRA DIRECTOR OF M/S. M/s. LALIRA, BUILDCON PVT. LTD., 69, FIRST FLOOR, ANAND LOK NEAR KAMLA NEHRU COLLEGE ANDREW GANJ, DELHI-110049
(3) MS. RUPA MISHRA DIRECTOR OF M/s. LALIRA BUILDCON PVT. LTD.,69 FIRST FLOOR, ANAND LOK NEAR KAMLA NEHRU COLLEGE ANDREW GANJ, DELHI-110049
WHEREAS you are intentionally evading services of summon it is here by notified that it you shall not defend the case on **the 06/03/2024** the day fixed for the final disposal, it will be heard and determined ex-parte. GIVEN under my hand and the seal of the court, this **07.02.2024.**
(Seal) Sd/-
DISTRICT JUDGE (COMMERCIAL)-07) CENTRAL, TIS HAZARI COURTS, DELHI

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is for notice of the general public that a political party is proposed to be registered by the name of"VISHWA KALYAN RASHTRIYA MANAV SAMAJ PARTY" is located to F-125B Ho.no - 81/82 Mahaveer enclave part-3 New Delhi-110059.Section 29A of the representation of people Act,1951-
President/Chairman- Ajay
Ad-Mirpur post- orasan,
Dist-Ghazipur
pin code-275203
General Secretary- Shatrughn lal
Ad: F-125B gali no.81/82 Mahaveer enclave part-3 New Delhi-110059
Treasure- Dharmraj,
Ad- Ratyora **post-**Saji,
Dist-Prayagraj **Pin code-**212306.
If any one has objection the registration of "VISHWA KALYAN RASHTRIYA MANAV SAMAJ PARTY.They may send their objections with reasons thereof to the Election commission of India, nirvachan sadar, Ashoka Road,New Delhi-110001 within 30 days of the publication of this notice.

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This is to bring to the notice of the general public that our Client intends to purchase the following properties together with all ancillary rights, benefits arising therefrom and easementary rights attached thereto:

1. land parcels cumulatively admeasuring 77 Kanal 16 Marla comprised in Rectangle No. 53, Killa Nos. 3/2/2 (1-1), 4 (7-11), 5 (7-11), 6 (8-0), 3/2/1 (5-4), 7 (8-0), 8 (8-0), 9 (8-0), 15 (9-16), 14 (8-0) and 17 (6-13) in total admeasuring 9.725 Acres situated at Village Dulhera, Tehsil Bahadurgarh, District Jhajjar, Haryana along with all the infrastructure, buildings, furniture, fixtures and IT equipments standing thereon totally built-up area admeasuring 146100 Square Feet (**"Property 1"**) from Aakriti Ganga Educational Trust which is bounded as under:
On or Towards East: By 103 Karam;
On or Towards South: By 92 Karam;
On or Towards West: By 147 Karam;
On or Towards North: By 160 Karam.
2. land parcel cumulatively admeasuring 7 Kanal 8 Marla comprised in Rectangle No. 48, Killa No. 23/2 (7-8) situated at Village Dulhera, Tehsil Bahadurgarh, District Jhajjar, Haryana (**"Property 2"**)from Shrimati Sudha Dhawan, wife of Shri Ashwani Kumar; and
3. land parcels cumulatively admeasuring 16 Kanal 3 Marla comprised in Rectangle No. 48, Killa No. 21/2 (1-7), Rectangle No. 53, Killa Nos. 1(7-4) and 10 (7-12) situated at Village Dulhera, Tehsil Bahadurgarh, District Jhajjar, Haryana (**"Property 3"**) from Shri Sahil Sethi, son of Shri Surinder Sethi and Shri Akshay Dhawan, son of Shri Ashwani Kumar.

In view of the above, we hereby issue this notice on behalf of our Client to public at large calling upon all or any person(s) including any individual, HUF, company, limited liability partnership, partnership, an association of persons or body of individuals, whether incorporated or not, banks, financial institutions, Non-Banking Financial Corporations, lenders and/or creditors who have any rights, title, interests, objections, claims, disputes etc. of any nature whatsoever, in respect of the Property 1, Property 2 and/or Property 3 or any part thereof, to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at the below mentioned address within **15 (Fifteen) days** from the date of publication of this notice with documentary evidence, failing which our Client will proceed with the purchase of the Property 1, Property 2 and Property 3 from the respective owners as if there are no third party rights, interest, claims, objections and/or disputes in respect of the Property 1, Property 2 and Property 3 and thereafter no claims, objections, disputes etc., of any nature whatsoever, will be entertained.

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Public Notice

Election Schedule Approved For Crown Abacus IT Park Association to be held on 22/03/2024

(i)The RO/ARO will publish list of members considered eligible to vote on 02.03.2024 (ii) The list of members declared eligible to vote will be prepared by the RO/ARO after deciding objections, if any, received till 08.03.2024. (iii) The RO/ARO will invite nominations from 10.03.2024 to 12.03.2024 between 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, at site of Crown Realtech Pvt. Ltd., 12/4, Sec-36, Mathura Road, Faridabad-121003. (iv) Last date for withdrawal of nomination is 14.03.2024 till 6:00 PM, at above mentioned site of Crown Realtech Pvt. Ltd. (v) The RO/ARO shall scrutinise nominations on or before 16.03.2024, between 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, at abovementioned site of Crown Realtech Pvt. Ltd. (vi) The RO/ARO shall allow members to cure defects as noticed during scrutiny on or before 18.03.2024 by 4:00 PM. (vii) Declaration of valid nominations on 20.03.2024 by 2:00 PM. (viii) If necessary, the election will be held on 22.03.2024 by e-Voting. The members eligible to vote will receive e-Voting link on their e-mails by 21.03.2024 before 10.00 a.m. and it will become functional at on set of 22.03.2024 midnight and continue functional for next 24 hours till midnight. (ix) Declaration of Result on: 23.03.2024 by 12:00 Noon.

NOTE: 1. Copy of above election Programme will be published with eligible list of members at (i) Registered office of the Association, (ii) site of Crown Realtech Pvt. Ltd.and (iii) District Registrar of Industries. 2. All programme will be circulated to all members by e-mail & other offices by Gen Secretary because records are in his custody. 3. This schedule shall be published in newspaper (English and Hindi) 4. In case of joint unit owners, 1st owner will be eligible to contest the elections.

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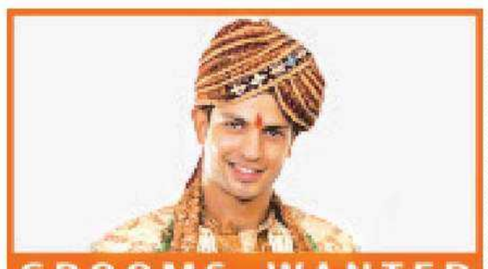

GROOMS WANTED

DOCTOR

TAMIL IYER, Srivatsa Gotra, Surgeon (MS-Opthal), 26/5' 4", Fair, Traditional, Clean habits, Looking for Iyer Surgeon/Physician/ IIT Engineer+MBA groom. Contact: mahsunshu@gmail.com

MEDICO, PROFESSIONAL highly qualified match for arora beautiful girl, March 91 born, 5'- 3" , pursuing DM from renowned college of Punjab. M.7009807879

PQM4 B'FUL Fair Dental Surgeon (BDS, MDS) Non Manglik Khatri Girl Feb. 88 Delhi Born/5'6", Working as a Consultant in South Delhi. Reputed Family. Contact: 9990900093, 9990547432.

SUITABLE MATCH for fair & beautiful Punjabi Khatri MBBS doctor girl (13-05-1996 at 9:11AM Delhi, 5' 5") working in a large hospital in Gurugram, preferably Delhi/NCR based doctor, businessman or professional boy. 9958558853: adarshmanchanda1961@gmail.com

BISA AGARWAL

FOR BISA Aggarwal girl, MBA from ICFAI Hyderabad, Employed securely at Management level, Slim, 5 4 , pretty, homely, age 28 years. Email: scgarg1947@outlook.com

SM4 B'FUL/ Dec 86/ 5-3/ Veg/ CA LLB (DU), South Delhi Girl from Estb prof. fmly seeks well settled TT match. Pref Delhi/ NCR/ Metro cities, Call 9810119965/ 9654693305

HINDU

SEEKING GROOM for accomplished 29-year-old CPA entrepreneur, 5'4", rooted in Hindu traditions, family-oriented. Resumes welcome from US/Canada-based gentlemen or open to relocating. Email: Lighthouse.f2010@gmail.com

20TH FEB 1987 born, Permanent Govt Service, Delhi based girl looking for an educated & compatible match. Caste no bar. 8920824650

AGARWAL

SMART CHARMING goel girl 5 7 12-2-93 delhi born 2 pm . M Com/ M Ed , teacher (PGT commerce),south delhi based family. Seeks Vegetarian Boy 9810406717, matri3693@gmail.com

BRAHMIN

SM 4 Delhi based Brahmin Girl 27/5'8", MA BEd, TGT. Seeks Delhi NCR based, well educated n settled boy. What App biodata 9868238551

SUITABLE NON Manglik, Delhi/ Chandigarh match for most religious, Fair girl May 1975/152cm, MA (Eco.), Homely, Unmarried, Caste no bar. Contact: Mr. Sharma : 9811561596

GR BR b'ful/Veg/March92/5'6", A.mglk, Msc, wkg Data Analyst Germany seeks only Germany/ Europe wkg boy, Reputed fmly 9811301996, vkkaushik0555@gmail.com

SM FOR Punjabi Saraswat Brahmin Girl, Sept 1990 5'5". CA working in Singapore. Drawing 1.25 Lakh dollars p.a. Parents in Delhi. Contact: 9811288271.

N/M, PQM, Brhmn Nvr mrrd, 18.08.81/ 159cm, MBA,CFM,CFA L2 (ICFAI). Wkg Invst Mngr, 13 LPA. Ph : 9650833611, 9650939012, Div. Excse., Send BHP ; indreshsharma1957@gmail.com

SM4 29YRS/5'3" Brahmin girl/B.tech, MS(Comp), wkg. abroad, currently in India till mid Mar-24, 60000 euro/ ann. Looking for Brah. boy wkg in India or abroad. Parents doctors in NCR. # 9811205611/ 8826517449

WANTED HANDSOME Delhi Base Commissioned Officer/ Dr. / PHD, Director and above in any field, 3/4 BHK Own House for Brahmin, Very Beautiful, Soft Spoken, Class-1 Officer Girl, 45+year, Height-5'5" with Heel, M.A. Pass. Please Contact: Mob. 7428441654

RESPECTIVE BIG Business Family Gour Brahmin B'ful Girl 24Y/5.4" MBA. Pref. Only Bhrhmin H'some Boy, Well sett family south Delhi or delhi ncr w'ap/call # 9717762975.

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SM REQ. For a Charming and b'ful Kayastha girl 6/12/1989, 5'5" MA Gold Medalist, NET Qlfd working as Assistant Professor in a constituent Deg. Collg of AU, Of a Reput Kaystha F'mly of Prayagraj Father rtd Sr Civil Servant. Pref to Kayastha Civil Servants IAS/ IPS/CS /Super Specialist Dr/estab Adv/Rep MNC Email: giri.subh59--@gmail.com Mob: 9412916191

KHATRI

Highly Qualified Status Match for Pretty 38 years Girl 5'5" Convent Educated B.Tech, Earning 18Lacs PA, Owns 300 yds floor in Prime South Delhi locality Belongs to status family. Matrimonial Agency Please Excuse
Contact:- 8368862987
Email:- skm1950a@gmail.com

SC/ST

PASI 36/5'4"/ Old Divorce Girl Hold BAMS Degree Wkng as Ayush M.O in UP Govt. Seeks Suitable Match. Preference will Given to Eastern UP. Caste No Bar. Contact: 9451244111

SIKH

DELHI BASED (Punjab linked) wkg professionals invite SM4 Jat Sikh daughter, Veg,B.Tech. (CS), 1999, 5'9", raised with fmly values, pursuing MS in Canada, seek Prof. Qfld. boy, TT, pref. Canada /USA bsd having caring & supportive fmly with progressive values. Marriage Bureau excuse. dhanwaheguru99@gmail.com.

PQM SETTLED in US for Gursikh girl, 1993/5'4" Masters in Law from USA Working on H1B in law firm Belongs to South Delhi based Business Family. WhatsApp: +91-9205105888

SM FOR Sikh good looking girl, April 85, 5' 5", Post Graduate, working in MNC(GGn). call/WhatsApp: 8700426334

BENGALI

MATCH FOR Provashi Bengali Kayastha girl 28/5'1" BCA+MCA working in MNC. Cast no bar (Hindu). Contact Mobile no. 6200613526, 9334250663

PUNJABI

SM4 PUNJABI NM 31, 5'2", Highly Qlfd, Diabetic Girl, Own Silver Business., Father (P) Job. Boy should be Highly Qlfd B'man/ Prof., Well Stld. Fmly. Cont Co-Ordntr Surjeet 8076725494

PQM 4 Punjabi Arora girl March 85/10.50AM/NM/5'2"/MBA/wkg MNC Ggn/pref.Delhi NCR. Mobile 9811068263, 7303010747 E: findmatch9@gmail.com

SM4 PB, Kh. May 1985 born, Fair Slim 5' 3" girl CA working Dubai 40LPA Divorcee, No issue. Prefer Dubai based or willing to relocate Dubai WhatsApp 9425207700

DOCTOR, ENGINEER, CA match for Punjabi Beautiful, Slim, Fair vegetarian working as a Doctor in United Kingdom, Age 28, Height 5' 3 inch. Cultured, Educated high class Business family living in NCR . Broker excuse. Contact at familymarylin@gmail.com

PUNJABI

SM FOR Pnjb Saraswat Brahmin Girl, Gotra- Vats, 15-09-94/ 9:02 AM Delhi 5'4"+, PGDM from JIMS- Rohini, Working with outsource company at GGN., 4.60 LPA. Mob : 09215202540

SUITABLE MATCH for Arora Girl 5.2/ 1980 Graduate Divorcee Caste No Bar. 9829156185 (Marriage bureau excuse)

SUITABLE MATCH for PQ Punjabi Arora Delhi born, 27/ 5'4", B'ful girl, Wrkng in MNC Gurgaon, Respond with full biodata with DOB, Time & place @ Em: ambe150015@gmail.com

SM4 PUNJABI B'ful fair Arora girl January 96/5'2" M.Sc (Eco.) M.Sc (Data Science) Wkg. In MNC 15 LPA. Pref Delhi/NCR Call 9868605186

SM4 FAIR, 5'1", 62kg, Born 26.06.1996 8.42am, BDS, FDS completed, Vegitarian, Mother Housewife, Father Shopkeeper, Delhi Based. Caste No Bar. H R Bhutani#9310449990(Msg.)

SM 4 Nvr Married, 5'4"/ 84 born, Grad. in HM, wkg MNC,Parents Retd. Govt. Ofcr. Whtsp-Bio+Photo: 9582084321 Call 12-4 pm only,Mrg Bureau excuse Email: kalindi84@gmail.com

CA/ICWA/CS

SM 4 Fair Pb khatri girl 1985 born 5' 3" CA working in Delhi pakg. 23 LPA, Seeks wkg boy prefbly from Delhi /NCR, Caste no bar. Mob 9873354635 Email: dharamdev1954@gmail.com

MBA/PROFESSIONALS

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DIVORCEE/WIDOW

SM FOR Fair, Beautiful Garg Working Girl 33/5'3", Divorcee having one Daughter 8 years, M.A (History). Decent Family in Delhi. Caste No Bar. Contact # 9810199882

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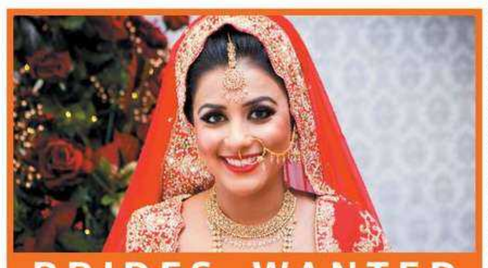

BRIDES WANTED

AGARWAL

BEAUTIFUL MATCH for Dec'82 born, 5'6", never married, Gupta boy, CA, own practice, pure veg., teetotaller, non-smoker, early marriage, Contact WhatsApp 9953230173

AGARWAL ANGSHIK Manglik Divorced (Issueless) Boy June 88/5'10 Working MNC in USA, seeks qualified girl # 7428500745

HSOME JAIN/GOEL 5'7/68kg, BE(E&C) Sr. Engg Mgr/+75 Lpa US MNC, Live/work in Noida, 21.5.74/ 4pm/Pnp W: 9958606647, Email: jain1974s@gmail.com

ARORA

SM FOR Arora family Delhi based Handsome Businessman, 40, 5'7", legally divorced, No issues. Looking for homely slim beautiful bride below 35yr. Mob: 8178615019

WANTED PUNJABI Arora/khatri working professional Girl for accounting professional boy 34/5'8" working in MNC in gurgaon. M- 9873691911

PUNJABI ARORA 28 yrs 5 7" h'some boy from high status business class family Looking for a B'ful girl from business class family. Contact. 9313042016, 9899880604

KHATRI

SM4 PUNJABI khatri MS boy 39/5.6 fair, handsome, citizen of USA pref.,workg or business class under 32 age must call 8851616010 Ruchivedi@gmail.com

BEAUTIFUL, HOMELY Unmarried match for 35/5'-10", B.Tech, Own House, Business Khatri Boy (Delhi). Divorcee, Simple Marriage. 9810060120 - whatsapp

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BRAHMIN

LOOKING FOR Qualified girl 30 and 35 for Canadian Citizen Brahmin boy, never married 39+,5'11', Vice President Finance in Toronto,Canada Contact: jaswantsharmaca@gmail.com

PUNJABI BRAHMIN Boy, 5'7", Oct 1982 MS in Computer Science. Sr.Software Engineer Working & Settled in USA. Seeks Pure Veg. simple Religious Girl. Cont: +17033288115 (USA no.)

B'FUL QLFD M4 for h'some Maithil Brahmin boy. 31/6' MBA, worked in MNC and now in family business. NCR based reputed family # 9810111684, 9810734526

M4 AADI Nadi h'some NM boy Adv. own practice earn. 6 fig. CS (Ex) MBA LLM 5'10", 23.3.1987, 6:22 AM. W'App 8130072844, 011-79695759 vksharma9101951@gmail.com

PROFESSIONALLY QUALIFIED Match for Slim Convent Educated, Punjabi Saraswat Brahmin girl, Nov. 88/5'3" Doctorate Microbiology, working Gurugram.9958896792, 9815922660

EMPLOYED MATCH preferably Delhi NCR for Manglik Brahmin 5 -11 , 9.11.93, 1:24 AM, Karnal 13+ LPA. Family Panchkula. 98140-62119

M4 PUNJABI Brahmin Public School Educated Delhi based Advocate 33 5'11" Fair Father retired Sr. Gov. Officer Mother former Sr. Teacher krishankaysharma@gmail.com

WELL EDUCATED Suitable Match for Brahmin South Delhi boy from reputed family 28 yrs/ 5'10", MBA, working in MNC 40 LPA. Call or WhatsApp: 8826616004

COSMOPOLITAN

BOY 6FT, 48 LPA Income, Slim, Handsome, Educated, Veg, Divorced, Krishna Devotee, 50 yrs, Seeks Slim, Tall, Educated, Beautiful, Veg, Below 42 yrs as life partner. Caste No Bar, Religion No Bar. Any City. No Dowry. Call or WhatsApp: 9013160047

NRI

WANTED WELL settled boy under 37 years in Canada / USA for Punjabi 89 born 5' 3" fair beautiful PR Canada highly qualified girl (short marriage) affluent family whatsapp 9312500299

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BRAHMIN/ CASTE NO BAR, 32, 178 cms, Working Professional, Masters. Lives in USA. Father is a CFO in MNC. Family is affluent with a good net worth. Looking for an amiable match from India/ Abroad. Contact: 6366448379

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KAYASTHA/ CASTE NO BAR, 31, 183 cms, Working Professional, Masters. Lives in Delhi. Father is a Working Professional. Family is affluent with a good net worth. Looking for a like minded match from India. Contact: 6366448379

ELITE GROOMS WANTED

JAT, 28, 160 cms, Masters in Architecture, Working Professional. Father is a working professional. Belongs to a Business family. Looking for a compatible match from India/ Abroad. Contact: 6366448378

GUPTA, 27, 163 cms, Software Professional. Bachelors. Father is a Businessman. Family is financially well off with a high net worth. Looking for an affable match from India/ Abroad. Contact: 6366448378

KHATRI, 28, 163 cms, Masters. Research Analyst. Parents are Working Professionals. Family is financially well off. Looking for an amiable match from India/ Abroad. Contact: 6366448378

AGARWAL, 31, 155 cms, Masters. Working Professional. Father is a working professional. Belongs to Business family. Looking for an amiable match from India/ Abroad. Contact: 6366448378

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MATCH FOR Bhatnagar Boy, 28yrs/170 cm, B.Tech, Software Engineer in MNC at Mohali, Chandigarh, Package 16 LPA # 9888168444 # Email Id: archanabhatnagar203@gmail.com,

WANTED BEAUTIFUL Bride for Kayastha Indian Forest Service Officer 32/170cm, B.Tech, M. Tech from IIT Kanpur. Father Renowned Neurologist Owning a Hospital. Call & WhatsApp. 7985670572, drspradhan@rediffmail.com

SUITABLE MATCH for Srivastav boy 31/5'10" MBA Finance . Working with L &T Finance Mumbai. Seeks educated Working girl. Father retd Chief Manager PNB. Mob. No: 9818576631

SIKH

US CITIZEN, 34 year old Gursikh male's parents looking for a suitable bride. He is tall (6 feet), athletic, and family oriented and working as a computer engineer. Kindly reply to following email: singhfamilynj93@gmail.com Brief bio data with picture appreciated.

WORKING/ NON-WORKING Match for Ramdasia Sikh Trimmed Beard Boy, 5'7", 13.09.79 at South Delhi, MCA, MNC, 13 LPA. Contact: 9711857674

SWEDEN BASED Sikh boy 30 sep 1988 Amritdhari issueless Divorcee 5'11" M.Sc Engineering, Own Business needs Beautiful and Educated sikh match Simple Marriage No Dowry 9780755277 9855007730 virpal@digitaltolk.com

PUNJABI

HANDSOME KHATRI boy, 5'11" /1989, B.A, LLB (H), MIB France wkg Group Asst. Legal Manager in Muscat with Oil,Gas Conglomerate, Family Delhi based 9818431818

Professionally qualified match for Handsome Boy six feet-1993 BTech, MS from Australia working in an IT firm in Melbourne. Father Businessman and Mother Housewife. Contact : 9810262627 Em: bdarora2012@gmail.com

SM4 PUNJABI Khatri Boy, 41 yrs,5'7", 4/5/82, 10.05Am, MBA Wkng in Pvt Bank, 7LPA, parent income 10 LPA Delhi based family, own house W'app 9999037068, 9873908599

SM4 PUNJABI Arora H'some boy 09.06.1989, 5:55 AM/5'7"/ B.Tech, own Business of Real Estate seeks B'ful homely/wkg Girl from Delhi. Contact: 9999610756, 9910117653

SM FOR 5'5"/6.1.90/MCA, Engg Mgr in MNC (Delhi-NCR), 46LPA, own house in West Delhi. Pure veg. Pref qlfd working girl. No demands. Contact 9818194596.

PUNJABI

SM4 NEVER Married Non-Mglk Khatri Boy/LLB, LLM 5'10" 12-10-90, 1:52pm /Delhi. Wkng MNC Ggn 30 Lpa. Delhi based Reputd Family, Caste No Bar Call /WhatsApp - 9891174835.

PUNJABI BOY, B.Tech (IIT) + MBA (IIM), Jan,1993/ H-5'9",working in MNC,70 LPA, Father -Class-1 Officer settled Delhi NCR.# M:-9870518197, Email:d2812.Kumar@gmail.com

DOCTOR

PUNJABI KHATRI Doctor Family seeks a suitable match for their US Citizen Doctor son, MD, working in Miami, USA, 42/5'-3", Handsome, Indian values, seeks preferably Medical Professionals either MD or BDS, etc. settled in USA. Respond with Bio and recent picture to chughsumit02@gmail.com or on WhatsApp number +919876680400

DIVORCEE/WIDOWER

FOR 70/175 alone handsome BE/Phd, in NCR, Children Canada, a lady, financially well off, 5-1/56 plus, healthy no bars cityju@rediffmail.com

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NRI

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US BSD non Mglk Khanna boy 24-10-88 5'6" /10:05 am Delhi BTech CFA, FRM CAA, data Science execu from USA wkg as VP in alterative investment group in New Yark 9717557236 working girl in New Yark/jursy pref

CANADA HINDU Khatri MBA 90 Born Boy 5 11 Required Charming Equally Qualified Working Girl ,Boy In India For Few Days Only 7888804935

SM FOR Vancouver based Canadian citizen, handsome brahmin boy, 31, 5'9", bank officer. WhatsApp bio-data on 7042750880

USA CITIZEN Aggarwal Bansal 5' 11" tall slim fair handsome boy age 32. IT professional looking for only Aggarwal beautiful slim girl. Contact - rajsk102891@gmail.com

OTHER

ONLY GHARJAMAI seekers Please : I' m 34, 5'8" ,MTech (IIT), SET, MSc, 12 LPA, from Mumbai based Hindu Family. Any caste or Religion. 9082807835 (self).

JATAV

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