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BRIEF

in a meeting with former Maharashtra governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari, in Mumbai, Tuesday.

Threat call

New Delhi: An unidentified man made a threatening call on the landline number of Union minister Nitin Gadkari's official residence on Motilal Nehru road here, police said on Tuesday. The call was received by a staff of Gadkari's office Monday night. The caller did not share his details and demanded to speak to the minister and threaten him, a senior police officer said.

Public viewing

■ New Delhi: Rashtrapati Bhavan will be open for public viewing for six days in a week from June 1, an official statement issued on Tuesday said. The tour of Rashtrapati Bhavan will be available from Tuesday to Sunday (except on gazetted holidays) in seven time slots, between 9.30 am and 4.30 pm hours, it said.

Collision

■ Fatehpur: Nine people were killed after an autorickshaw they were travelling collided with a milk tanker in Jehanabad area here on Tuesday, police said. Eleven people from Ghatampur in Kanpur were coming to Jehanabad in an auto rickshaw when a speeding tanker hit it near Chilli turn this afternoon, they said.

Fire

■ Noida: A fire broke out inside the intensive care unit (ICU) of a multistorey private hospital building in Greater Noida on Tuesday, prompting the rescue of five persons from the facility, officials said. No person suffered injuries in the incident and the fire was completely doused within an hour, Chief Fire Officer (CFO) Pradeep Kumar Choubev said.

Trial

Mumbai: The trial of the semi-high speed Vande Bhagat Express train on the Mumbai-Goa route began on Tuesday, officials said. A Vande Bharat rake, capable of running at the top speed of 180 kmph, departed from platform number 7 of CSMT in Mumbai at 5:30 AM and reached Madgaon station in Goa at 12.50 PM.

Explosion

■ Kolkata: An explosion at an illegal firecracker unit located in Egra in Purba Medinipur district of Bengal, killed three people and injured four others on Tuesday, police said. The impact of the explosion "was so tremendous" that the factory, which was being run from a residential building, collapsed, a police officer said.



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RACE FOR K'TAKA CM POST

'Decision in a day or two'

Hyderabad, May 16 (PTI):

A decision on the appointment of the Chief Minister of Karnataka will be known in a day or two, AICC spokesperson Pawan Khera said on Tuesday.

Khera told reporters here that the views of the newly-elected MLAs have been elicited and the central leadership is seized of the matter. Noting that the post of Leader of Opposition is equally important in every state, he sought to know when the BJP will appoint the LoP in Karnataka. "Appointing a Chief Minister is not an easy thing. It cannot be imposed from Delhi... Everybody's view has to be taken into consideration. We have to engage with every stakeholder and then decide who the chief minister will be," he said.

'The process is on. The observers have already gone there. Met the MLAs. The MLAs have given their opinions. Now, the opinions have gone, all the



Pawan Khera

record has gone to the central leadership. So, in a day or two you will know the answer," Khera said.

On government formation, the Congress leader said the BJP took seven days in Uttar Pradesh, one month in Maharashtra to put in place a cabinet and nine days in Assam.

Khera was replying to a question on when a decision on the next CM of Karnataka would be announced by the party.

Asked if there would be any alliance with ruling BRS in Telangana for the 2024 Parliament elections. he said Telangana is one of the states where the Congress would take on the regional parties "head on" and defeat them.

Kharge may announce next CM today

Congress president Mallikariun Kharge is expected to announce the name of the next Karnataka chief minister on Wednesday in Bengaluru, news agency ANI reported quoting people familiar with the development. The report came after Kharge met former Karnataka CM Siddaramaiah and state unit chief DK Shivakumar separately at his residence in New Delhi and discussed the modalities of government formation in the southern state. Kharge will take the final decision after consulting UPA chairperson Sonia Gandhi and former party president Rahul Gandhi.

'My mother is my party, no question of resigning'

Karnataka Congress chief D K Shivakumar, who is one of the top contenders for the state chief minister's post, on Tuesday said the party is his mother and there was no question of his resigning from the organisation. Soon after reaching Delhi, Shivakumar went straight to his brother D K Suresh's office and residence at Kaveri Apartments. He also had his lunch there.

D K Shivakumar The Karnataka Congress chief later told reporters that he has come to Delhi to meet senior party leaders and party chief Kharge

Siddaramaiah, Shivakumar meet Kharge

Karnataka Congress leaders Siddaramaiah and D K Shivakumar on Tuesday met party president Mallikarjun Kharge at his residence here senarately and discussed the modalities of government formation in the southern state. Shivakumar, who arrived in the national capital this morning from Bengaluru, reached Kharge's residence a little after 5 pm and held deliberations over the post of chief minister of Karnataka. He left after a 30-minute meeting and did not speak to the media. Soon after Shivakumar left. Siddaramaiah arrived at Kharge's residence at 10, Rajaji Marg after 6 pm, and the two leaders held discussions on the top post.

Adani helps airlift Indian climber

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

Billionaire Gautam Adani arranged for an air ambulance to help transfer mountaineer Anurag Maloo, who was rescued after falling into a deep crevasse in Nepal's Mount Annapurna last month, from Kathmandu to the AIIMS in New Delhi. Mountaineer's brother Aashish Maloo on Tuesday took to Twitter to express gratitude for the timely action by Adani to airlift the injured.



LATERAL ENTRY

Centre to recruit private sector experts in key posts

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

The Centre has decided to recruit private sector specialists as joint secretaries, directors and deputy secretaries on contract basis in its different departments, an official said on Tuesday.

The Department of Personnel & Training (DoPT) has asked the Union Public Service Commission to recruit such specialists through "lateral entry" mode in 12 government departments/ministries, he said.

Lateral entry refers to appointment of private sector specialists in government departments. Usually the post of joint secretaries, directors and deputy secretaries are manned by officers of all-India and Group A services, among others.

The proposed recruitment will be done for the Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare under

Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Civil Aviation, Department of Chemicals Petrochemicals under

Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers, Ministry of Corporate Department of Food & Public Distribution in Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution and the Ministry

Two Hizb men arrested 33 years after Mirwaiz's killing

Srinagar, May 16 (PTI):

The Jammu and Kashmir Police arrested two people who were involved in the killing of Mirwaiz Mohammad Farooq, 33 years after the then chief priest of the Valley fell to the bullets of Hizbul Mujahideen assassins, a senior police officer said here on Tuesday.

Special DG CID Jammu and Kashmir R R Swain said the State Investigation Agency (SIA) arrested Javed Bhat and Zahoor Bhat who had managed to escape along with two others after the killing of Mirwaiz Farooq at his residence on May 21, 1990. Officials, how-

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

an FIR against a freelance

journalist for allegedly

collecting sensitive infor-

mation related to the

Development

Organisation (DRDO) and

the army, and sharing

them with intelligence

agencies of foreign coun-

agency conducted search-

es on premises linked to

Vivek Raghuvanshi and

people close to him at 12

locations in Jaipur and

Region (NCR), the officials

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

Don't create an "atmos-

phere of fear", the Supreme

National Capital

Following the FIR, the

tries, officials said.

Research

Defence

The CBI has registered



ever, did not divulge other details such as when and from where the accused were arrested.

Ayoub Dar, also an accused, was already arrested and sentenced to life imprisonment by a court.

'The four accused were absconding. Main accused Abdullah Bangaroo was killed in an encounter while another accused. Ab

A number of sensitive

documents was recovered

during the searches and

sent for legal scrutiny,

Sources said the agency

has launched an exhaus-

tive probe to find about

Raghuvanshi's accom-

plices in India and abroad.

ing sensitive information

and minute details about

the progress of various

DRDO projects, the CBI al-

leged. He was also collect-

ing details of future pro-

curement plans of Indian

armed forces which could

have adversely affected

the country's strategic

preparedness, the agency

CHH'GARH LIQUOR SCAM

Don't create atmosphere of fear, SC to ED

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ESPIONAGE CHARGES

CBI books freelance journo

they said.

Rehman Shigan, was also killed in an encounter during the investigation. Javed Bhat alias Azmat

Khan and Zahoor Bhat alias Bilal managed to escape. It was Zahoor who had pulled the trigger after entering bedroom of the Mirwaiz," Swain told reporters here. He said the absconders have been arrested by "the long arms of the law after more than 30 years. They will face a trial now".

'With this all accused of Mirwaiz killing have been brought to justice," he added. Swain said the duo, who was arrested on the basis of intelligence developed by the SIA, have been handed over to the CBL

'Changes in recruitment system ended corruption, nepotism'

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

Prime Minister Narendra Modi asserted on Tuesday that changes brought by his government in the recruitment system have ended the possibility of corruption and nepotism as he gave away appointment letters to over 71,000 people at a 'Rozgar Mela'.

From applying for government jobs to the announcement of results, the entire process has been made online, he said while elaborating on employment opportunities and infrastructure development ushered in by the



appointment letters to new recruits, in New Delhi, Tuesday.

BJP dispensation at the Centre in the last nine years. The prime minister underscored the importance of today's date as nine years ago on this date

-- May 16 -- Lok Sabha Elections results were announced. "The journey which started with the spirit of 'Sabka Saath.

Sabka Vikas' is working for a 'Viksit Bharat' (developed India)," he said, adding that today is also

He referred to his recent meetings with CEOs of leading global companies, including Walmart, Apple, Foxconn and Cisco, to assert that there is "unprece-

Sikkim's statehood day.

'Rozgar Melas' The Congress on Tuesday

Cong slams PM over

attacked Prime Minister Narendra Modi over the alleged lack of employment opportunities and accused him of "destroying" governance by "personalising" it and taking it to "new lows" through his "Rozgar Melas". The Opposition party also claimed that the job-seeking youth in this country know it is the prime minister who has "destroyed" lakhs and lakhs of jobs.

dented positivity" about industry and investment

in the country **CRUELTY TOWARDS ANIMAL**



Young women use scarves to protect themselves from the heat during a hot summer

HOT SUMMER DAY



afternoon, in Nagpur, Tuesday.

Dog dragged for over 1 km behind bike

Video goes viral

Malappuram, May 16 (PTI):

In an incident of animal cruelty, a man dragged a dog for over a kilometer, tying it behind his motorbike near Edakkara in the district. Visuals of the incident have gone viral and were also aired on TV channels where the man's brutal behaviour is being questioned by a bystander even as the canine lies, apparently lifeless, on the road a couple of feet behind the twowheeler. As the bystander berates the man, he is heard

trying to justify his conduct by saying that he found the dog dead on the road and as he did not want to touch it he had tied it behind his two-wheeler. The bystander, who shot the video of the incident, refuses to accept his claim and is heard saying that what he was doing was not right and if it was dead, the dog should have been buried somewhere instead of being dragged on the road.As some others are also seen arriving there, the man picks up the dog and puts it on top of his twowheeler's petrol tank and

DENGUE VACCINE New Parl building getting final touches **Phase-3 trial by**

ICMR from Aug-Sept **New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):**

The phase-3 trial of a dengue

vaccine developed by Panacea Biotech in collaboration with the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) is likely to begin in August or September, a senior official said on Tuesday. Also, the phase 1/2 paediatric trials are underway for another dengue vaccine for which apex health research body ICMR has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Serum Institute of India (SII). Dr Nivedita Gupta, who heads the ICMR's Division of Epidemiology and Communicable Diseases (ECD), said Panacea Biotech has already completed the phase

■ No official word yet

Final touches are being said on Tuesday.

According to them, cleaning of civil structures has begun and there ernment yet on the inauguration of the new building. Construction of the new parliament building

The new building is part of the redevelopment of the Central Vista, the nation's power corridor. Revamping the three-km road from the Rashtrapati



Bhavan to the India Gate, constructing a common central secretariat, a new office and residence of the prime minister, and a new vice-president enclave are also part of the project being executed by the Cental Public Works Department. "The new parliament building will be ready before the end of this month. However, there is no official date yet for its inauguration,' sources said. There is speculation that the new parliament building is likely to be inaugurated

Opening likely this month to mark 9 years of Modi Govt

India's Parliament building is likely to be inaugurated later this month by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, sources have said. Sources say the new building of Parliament, which is in its final stages, will be inaugurated by the Prime Minister in the last week of May, to mark nine years of his government.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi around May 30 when the BJP government will be completing its nine years.

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Court Tuesday told the **Enforcement Directorate** (ED) after the Chhattisgarh government alleged the probe agency is "running amok" and is trying to implicate Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel in a money laundering case linked to the alleged Rs 2,000 crore

liquor scam in the state. The state government alleged before a bench of Justices S K Kaul and A Amanullah that several state excise department officials have complained the ED is threatening them and their family members with

arrest and is "trying to im-

plicate the CM (chief minis-

ernment claimed, have said they will not work in the department. "The ED is running amok. They are threatening excise officers," senior advocate Kapil Sibal, appearing for Chhattisgarh, told the bench.

"It is shocking state of affairs. Now elections are coming and that is why it is happening," he told the bench. Solicitor Additional

General S V Raju, appearing for ED, countered the allegations and said the agency is probing a scam in the state. "Even a bonafide cause

becomes suspect when you

behave like this," the bench

observed, adding, "Don't

create an atmosphere of

Chhattisgarh became the first state to move the apex court challenging the constitutional validity of certain provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) alleging that central investigating agencies are being misused to "intimidate, harass and disturb" the normal functioning of the non-BJP state government. The Bhupesh Baghel-led Congress government has

Last

fear".

filed an original suit through advocate Sumeer Sodhi challenging the law under Article 131 of the Constitution which empowers a state to move the Supreme Court directly in 1/2 trials in India on healthy matters of dispute with the adults and the safety of the Centre or any other state. vaccine has been established.

on inauguration

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

given to the new parliament building and it is likely to be ready by the end of this month, sources

is no word from the govbegan two years ago.

Four arrested for stealing hydraulic jacks from flyover construction site

Police have arrested four ruffians including a juvenile on charges of stealing hydraulic jacks from the construction site of a flyover at Dabrapara. The accused had stolen four nos high capacity hydraulic jacks, which were fixed beneath the slabs of the flyover. The accused had not just stolen the hydraulic jacks but had even put the under-construction structure at risk. The arrested accused are Dushyant Thakur (19), Rahul Sahu (19), Mohan Nirmalkar (30) and a juvenile, all residents of Dabrapara. Four nos hydraulic jacks and iron plates were recovered from them.

While addressing media



Bhilai.

months. Further, the theft of hydraulic jacks could have caused damage to the under-construction structure and had caused threat to the lives of people engaged in construction

He informed that police

stalled beneath the bridge to give support to the

A joint team of Old Bhilai Police Station and ACCU led by Inspector Manish Sharma and Inspector Santosh Mishra swung into action and interrogated the locals and suspects. Meanwhile, the team came to know about four youths, whose activities were suspicious.

All the four suspects including Dushyant Thakur, Rahul Sahu, Mohan Nirmalkar and a juvenile were taken into custody. During sustained interrogation, they confessed to stealing the hydraulic jacks from the construction site. The stolen items have been recovered from them. Police have booked them under section 379 of

Revenue officers asked to resolve the cases within time limit

Additional Collector Padmini Bhoi Sahu reviewed the works of the officials of the Revenue Department in the Collectorate on Tuesday In the review meeting, she sought information about all the undisputed cases related to land transfer, partition, demarcation, revenue collection, map, diversion etc and gave instructions to resolve them within the stipulated time frame. SDMs and Tehsildars of all development blocks were present in the meeting. She inquired about the pending cases in the High Court and the Rajiv Landless Gandhi Agricultural Laborers Justice Scheme. She asked to resolve the cases

related to demarcation received in Jandarshan within the time limit. Revenue officers were instructed to physically verify all the pending cases and dispose of them in priority order and moni-

On the demand of social organizations, the vacant land outside the city was identified on a large scale and instructions were given to give the munity heads. She instructed to resolve the cases of aabadi land allotment and tree felling at the earliest. Along with this, Deputy Electoral Officer Yogita Dewangan asked the officers to physically verify the polling booths and upload photos in view of the upcoming assembly elections. Along with this, the officers were asked to verify the

allot land to all the com-

arrangement marked Instructions were given to prepare a list of polling station buildings and send them to the PWD, so that repair work could be completed within the time limit. She inquired about the arrangement of ramp for disabled voters in the polling stations, so that they do not face any inconvenience in reaching the polling station.

Villagers approach Jandarshan with complaint of weak mobile network



Bhilai, May 16: A large number of applications were received in the Jandarshan organized in Collectorate.

Continuous efforts are being made by the officials of the district administration to resolve the issues at the earliest. A resident of

Khudmuda, village Amleshwar in Patan block filed an application seeking installation of a mobile tower in Nagar Palika Parishad Amleshwar. He said that there is a problem of weak mobile signals in the area. Mobile tower is installed in the area but the strength and area coverage is very weak. Locals are facing problems related to the internet and call drops. The applicant further stated that due to the weak moblie network, the residents have to move to other places for making mobile calls and accessing the internet. Students who are preparing for exams are also facing difficulties to watch videos of online classes. He added that the residents are not getting significant information due to lack of internet services. His application was forwarded to the concerned authority for resolution of the problem.

A denizen submitted an application regarding the water problem in Junwani Ward No 1. The applicant said that the drinking water supply in the ward is not proper. In Junwani, a major water crisis has arisen due to the breakdown of the hand pump in the scorching heat. He said that the villagers have to depend mainly on the six hand pumps located in the area for drinking water and other works. All the hand pumps are out of order, he said. Complaints have been made for this in the past as well, but no proper action has been taken. Employees are sent by the Corporation for repairing work, but due to lack of resources, even the repairing work is not completed. In view of the seri-

■ 141 applications received in Jandarshan

He complained that on

the intervening night of

May 14, a large number of

iron plates, chairs, bar

rods, centring plates and

four nos hydraulic jacks

(each of 250 tonne capaci-

ousness of the matter, the concerned officer was instructed to take immediate

An old lady of Bhilai sought justice after being harassed by her son. She said that her son was making efforts to deprive her of her residential house. Her son often locks the house. Due to old age and weak economic conditions, she has no other option. The old lady requested that she should be given his residential house. The application was sent to SDM Durg for legal action.

A resident of Nandini Nagar Ahiwara made a complaint against encroachment on her house. She said that her husband is mentally retarded and the responsibility of the whole family is on her. The applicant said that her residence is built under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojna, but the way of door and window has been closed due to encroachment by the neighbour. Due to this encroachment, the applicant's family is facing difficulties in commuting. The application was forwarded to CMO Ahiwara for legal action. A total of 141 applications were received in Collector

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Women Empowerment is

Denizens to face power cut during water supply timings



Bhilai, May 16:

Many people use tullu pumps to fetch water in different areas of the city. Due to the illegal use of tullu pumps to fetch more water from the pipelines, water is not reaching to the last end. People would not be able to use tullu pumps if the power supply is cut during the water supply timings. This will also ensure water supply till the last end.

It needs to be mentioned here that the BMC had been appealing to the people for the last several weeks to stop using Tullu pumps. As tem, the electricity sup the people did not respond in a positive manner, the BMC has sent a letter to the Electricity Department to ensure power cut for an hour

during the water supply timings. The Electricity Department has given its consent for a power cut in Bhilai Corporation area for one hour in the morning. Electricity supply will remain affected in Bhilai Corporation area from 06:30 hrs to 07:30 hrs from May 17.

It needs to be mentioned here that at the time of water supply, water is drawn by most of the people with Tullu pumps from the distribution pipeline. This reduces water pressure in the pipelines and water does not reach to the end. Considering the probply will remain affected in Bhilai Corporation area from 6:30 am to 7:30 am from May 17 to ensure uniform water supply to every house.

'Fight the Bite' successful, not a single dengue case detected

Bhilai, May 16:

the National Dengue Day, rallies were taken out in all the zones of Bhilai Municipal Corporation. Under a special public awareness campaign, people were detailed about mosquito eradication and dengue control and efforts were made to connect people with this campaign.

On the instructions of Collector Pushpendra Kumar Meena, Fight the Bite campaign is being run in the BMC limits. The civic body adopted special activities under mosquito eradication in Bhilai and was successful to great extent. Not a single case of dengue has been found in the last 3 months.

Giving information in this regard, District Malaria Officer CBS Banjare said that due to awareness and mosquito eradication activities, there have been no cases of malaria and filariasis apart from dengue. Under Fight the Bite, a special campaign was launched and people were involved in it. Various colonies Bhilai participated enthusiastically.

The winning colony has also been awarded citations and adjudged as first, second and third prize winners. On the in-

Corporation Commissioner Rohit Vyas, a special team has interactions. been formed in Bhilai which works throughout the year for mosquito

control. This team, under the leadership of Senior Sanitary Inspector KK Singh, has been carrying out dengue control and prevention activities in Bhilai Corporation area for the last one year. Survey of 7260 houses has been done by the special team from the month of March to May under mosquito eradication, 16554 coolers, tanks, containers etc have been checked. Under public awareness, efforts are

being made to connect

eradication and dengue

people with the mosquito eradication campaign through pamphlets and

To prevent dengue. malaria and filariasis, mosquito nets should be used while sleeping, water should not be allowed to accumulate in vessels. Temifas should be used to kill mosquito

If symptoms of Vector Borne Disease appear, one should immediately get examined in the nearest hospital. The surrounding areas should be kept clean and water log ging should not be allowed.

Keeping all these things in mind, citizens can actively participate in the mosquito eradication campaign.

BSP employees of Instrumentation & Automation zone felicitated

With Pali and Karm Shiromani Awards



May Employees Instrumentation and Automation zone of SAIL-Bhilai Steel Plant were awarded with the 'Pali Shiromani' and 'Karm Shiromani' Awards for displaying commendable work performance, in an Award Ceremony held on May 16, 2023. Sant Kumar Keshkar, GM(Instrumentation) was the chief guest of the Award Ceremony. R Srinivas, Sr Mgr

(Instrumentation) was the 'Pali Shiromani Award' for his exemplary performance during the quarter January to March 2023. The 'Karm Shiromani Award' winners included Satanand Sharma for the month of February 2023 and Sohail Hussain Niaz month of March 2023.

were the Managers Instrumentation Zone, B Madhu Pillai, GK Kund, AM Danny, Rajneesh Jain, M Joy Joseph and MP Singh, GM (INCAS). Mementoes Certificates were presented to the awardees, along Letter

Appreciation to their reawardees were appreciatand contributions at the workplace.

The programme was conducted by KL Soni from the Personnel Office, Power and Electricity Department, whereas Santosh Kathare proposed

(Instrumentation) for the Present in the program General

spective Spouses. During the programme, the ed for their achievements

the Vote of Thanks.

with the Chhattisgarh Handicrafts Development the Board Department runs several

one of the prime areas BSP's CSR Department contributes actively. In collaboration skill development projects under the Kaushal Vikas Yojna, especially for the women in the adjoining rural areas of the Plant. In the year 2022-23 total 9

training camps have been organized so far by the department, with 4 training camps still in progress. A total of 243 have benefited from these training sessions. Around 25 women can get trained in each camp, selected on the basis of prior application. This training is provided for three months, during each trainee woman also receives a monthly honorarium of Rs 3000.

The CSR Department of weaving. The raw materi-



inaugurated a Handloom Training in collaboration with Rajhara Mahila Bunkar Samiti Kumudkatta

Kopedera villages of Mahamaya Mines, for financially empowering the women of the area. Five Handloom Machines were also inaugurated at Village Kopedera. Under this initiative, 43 village women underwent month-long training in handloom weaving. After completion of the training the Loom Machines will be installed at the homes of respective trainees, to ensure lifelong livelihood from handloom als and weaving equipment used in the training were supplied by the Chhattisgarh Handicraft Development Board.

Several training camps in various other vocational skills have also been initiated by the department, such as Godna Tattoo Art Training in village Nandauri, Dry flower Training in Khamhariya, Shishal Jute Training in Maroda Basti, Kasidakari Embroidery Training in Raipur Naka. Bamboo craft training has been conducted in Dulki village of Dulki Mines area and at present the Chhattisgarh Handicrafts Development

Board is conducting dry flower training in Borai, Jute craft in Pachpedi, and Godna Tattoo training is being provided Chatauna, Hiri Mines, along with Handloom training camps at villages Kumudkatta Kopedera.

Today the women engaged in these training are becoming financially selfreliant by becoming capable of making various do-mestic and decorative items useful in the Household. The training is supervised by Shivrajan Nair GM (CSR), Sushil Kamde, Sr Mgr (CSR), Rajni Rajak, Development

Assistant (CSR), Ashutosh Soni Assistant (CSR) and other members of the CSR

The objective of the

camps being organized by the Corporate Social Responsibility Department of SAIL-Bhilai Steel Plant, in collaboration with the Chhattisgarh Handicrafts Development Board, is to empower and economically strengthen the women of rural areas so that they also can financially support their families, and thereby contribute to nation's development. Most of the women trainees belong to the Forest areas

and are Below the Poverty Line category. Today they are becoming self-reliant and generating employment for themselves by making various useful goods. These products made by

the women receiving training under BSP's CSR initiative include tray made of bamboo, Mirror Frame, Brush holder, Cup Stand, flower vase, bamboo chair and round tea table, multipurpose items of daily rural life such as Tukni, Chariha, Supa, Parri-Parra, Jhaapi, Jhouhan, etc. The women are also capable of embroidery, Making beautiful designs with Zardozi, Gotapatti, Mirror, Phulkari, Chikankari, Katha-Stitch etc.

They can also make shishal Jute bags, showcases, tortoises, Lord Krishna, hand purses, fancy sandals etc. The Gudna tattoo art practiced by the trainee women by embossing tattoo designs on colourful clothes is a popular art form in villages. Making different types of bouquets using waste, leaves, branches and easily available materials at home is a part of dry flower craft training.

Discussions held on pre-poll strategy, **BJP, ED's action: Singh Deo**

more and more. In the

coming days, Singh Deo in-

formed that PCC state in-

charge Selja will be com-

ing more frequently.

Health Minister informed

that the procedure of the

meeting is the same which

used to take place five

years back. This time

meeting was finalised by

Ravindra Choubey, but

since he was not well, he

could not come to CM's

house. This meeting was al-

ready fixed and Kumari

Selja has called that she will

be arriving here on May 16.

Kumari Selja takes three-hour long marathon meeting at CM's residence

Meeting was scheduled earlier; PCC state in-charge to come more frequently now

Raipur, May 16: A highlevel meeting was held at CM's official residence on sudden arrival of PCC state in-Charge Kumari Selja here on Tuesday. In this three-hour long meeting, the Health Minister TS Singh Deo informed that it was mainly in context of the elections and it was decided as to what should be the course of action for the VS polls 2023. In the coming 2-3 weeks, by June 15, party workers' convention will be held by



June 15 and in this the block, zone and centrallevel office bearers will be

Speaking to media persons at his official residence, Cabinet Minister TS Singh Deo informed that in the second phase of election works, the Minister in-charge will have to take meeting in the district of which he is incharge once every month. In what all time left now, it was decided to compile and complete the same and what is pending, efforts be made to complete and do cannot be made public. Discussions held about ED action as well

About change in organizational leadership, Singh Deo informed that not a single word on this was dis-

and the election strategy

About annoyance by few leaders, Singh Deo said that when they left for lunch with CM Baghel, at that Home Minister Tamradhwaj Sahu came out, as he has to go out for some other programme.

We have seen what has happened in Karnataka polls and after that in Chhattisgarh saw that in CSC (NAN) scam a foreign account was formed. At that time no action was taken by ED and on the other hand BJP also took a stay from the Court. Dharamlal Kaushik hindered the investigations. Therefore BJP just do not

Health Minister TS Singh Deo said that CM, PCC Chief and senior party leaders would got to all the districts and meet the people. With hardly four months left for the code of conduct to be implemented, it is likely by October first or second week that it will be enforced and this time also Congress is definitely going to repeat and would touch the figure of 75 seats . The morale of the Congress party workers is high after K'taka polls, he added.

have no moral right to hold talks on corruption. Discussions were held in the meeting about misutilization of ED and that pressure is being created and those taken into remand are being forced to sign and speak against the present government and are being openly harassed.

TRAFFIC CHAOS



The traffic at the heart of city at Jaistambh Chowk is at its peak during morning office and evening returning hours and it often leads to congestion most of the time.

Photo-picture exhibition on May 18th and 19th

awareness in this regard. In this

Raipur, May 16: In order to acquaint the people of Chhattisgarh with the ancient splendor of the state, the Department of Archeology and Archives is organizing a photo exhibition on May 18 and 19 in the art gallery of the Ghasidas Museum in Raipur. In this exhibition, rare pictures related to the archaeological subject will be displayed. These pictures are about 40 to 150 years old. It is worth mentioning that every year May 18 is celebrated as International Museum Day by the International Council of Museums with the aim of discussing various issues related to

series, the exhibition is being organised by the Department of Archeology and archives. On this occasion. Mr. Lokesh Kavadia and office bearers of International Jain Organization, Mahavir International Raipur will felicitate the officers and employees serving in the museum. Officials said that photographs of the tangible cultural heritage of Chhattisgarh, old and present, will be displayed in the photo-picture exhibition related to the archaeological splendor. In this J. D. Wegler (1873-74). A. H. Longhurst (1909-10), M.G. Dixit (1955), Donald

BJP hardly left with strong issue: Markam

Master, M.A. Published photographs of ancient heritage by Dhaki and Krishnadev (1983) including photographs of the present building of the Mahant Ghasidas Memorial Museum Raipur in 1953 including major monuments from the 3rd century BC to the 15th century AD will be exhibited. On the occasion of the exhibition, an impromptu quiz competition will be organized in the museum on May 18 to increase the awareness of heritage among the school students visiting the museum. After visiting the museum, the children will be asked 10 questions

Citizens be given timely benefits of public welfare schemes: Collector

Reviews progress of departmental schemes in the weekly TL meeting

Central Chronicle News

Raipur, May 16: Collector Dr Sarveshwar Narendra Bhure held a weekly timelimit meeting at the Red Cross meeting hall located in the Collectorate premises here today. He told the officers to work in coordination to ensure timely benefits to the citizens from the public welfare schemes of the government. All the district level officers should see to it that all the work is done in a better way, he said. He instructed to seriously perform tasks pertaining to agriculture, employment

All the ongoing construction works must be completed by June 15, he said. He said that apart

from necessary fodder and water, arrangements for electricity should be made in the Gauthans (cow-shelters) of the district. He warned against negligence in this work.

Keeping in mind the upcoming Kharif season, it was said to arrange required quantity of seeds and fertilizers. Before the rains, there should be mandatory drainage system in all those places of the district where problem said. Drains must be cleaned to solve problem of waterlogging, he said.

The Collector discussed schemes with concerned departmental officers. He directed to prepare ration cards for all the eligible beneficiaries in rural and urban areas. The Collector discussed with the officers the issues pertaining to applications, announcements and complaints received during 'Mukhya Mantro Bhent-Mulakat programme held in the district. He instructed the officials to fulfill the target given by the government for procurement of cow dung, production and sale of vermicompost. The meeting was attended by Municipal Commissioner Mayank Chaturvedi, District Panchayat Chief Executive Officer Akash Chhikara, Additional

Collectors BB Panchbhai,

Gajendra Thakur and BC

Sahu and all SDMs and de-

Based upon the decisions taken in its (BJP) working

committee

Are only making imginary and fake allegations

Raipur, May Expressing comments on the decisions taken in the BJP's working committee meeting, the PCC Chief Mohan Markam charged that the BJP without any issues is unable to understand how to go among the general public. The decisions taken in their working committee meeting are sufficient to disclose that BJP has fallen victim of mental bankruptcy. PCC Chief claimed that Congress government in last four and halt years of its governance has worked for all sections of the society. Contrary to this BJP is

hardly left with any major issue in their hand through which they can gherao the Congress government in

the state, he alleged. PCC Chief Mohan Markam coming down on 'Ch'garh Bachao Sankalp' of BJP said that the people of the state save Chhattisgarh from 15- yrs rule full of commission claims, corruption and anarchy, anti-tribal, anti-ST, SC, OBC Raman government from the power. Today Chhattisgarh has become strong and economiadding that the people are now waiting to save the nation from BJP for LS 2024. Head of State Congress

Mohan Markam said that BJP in its term used to pay Rs 2500 per standard sack of tendupatta and then who would believe in them if they lament charges against the Congress government paying Rs 4000 per standard sack to the labourers Tendupatta. BJP closed down the LIC insurance for Tendupatta collectors and to which the Congress government re-started covering them under 'Shaheed Karma Mahendra Tendupatta Sharamik Bima Yojana'. During Raman govt's rule, the tendupatta labourers were fooled and cheated in the name of 'charan paduka' and they (BJP) used to purchase 'charan paduka' and

other materials from their

amount and claim commis-

sion in it. The BJPians eat-

ing up the grants in the name of 'Gaushalas' is now protesting against the 'Gouthans'. Markam charged that BJP now wants to play politics in Chhattisgarh through imaginary and fictitious issues and on which they would never succeed.

PCC Chief Mohan Markam said that when BJP would go to villages. then it is the people of 'Gouthans' and 'chaupal' who will show mirror to BJP. The people are anxiously waiting to give befitting reply to the party and its leaders who cheated the farmers in the name of bonus and MSP on paddy for 15 yrs. Markam claimed that the BJP party chief who went to Godhi along with his party workers were asked to leave the village by the villagers and it is the people who made the BJP's 'Kholbo Pol' campaign a flop on the first day

Admission in colleges will start from June 15 Collector felicitates 14 students Fifty more seats for MBBS admission in Pt JNMMC

Applications to be will have to be completed by July 31

Raipur, May 16: After the declaration of class 12th results, preparations for the admission process have been started in the colleges as well. For this, information is being sought from the colleges. According to the government guidelines. the admission process will start from June 15 in the colleges affiliated to Pandit Ravi Shankar Shukla University. Online applications will be invited from this day itself. Students will have to apply online by visiting the website of the university. The process of admission in colleges will be completed by July 31. Students will be given admission in colleges on the



basis of merit. It is notable that every year about one lakh students take admission in the admission session under Pandit Ravi Shankar Shukla University. This year the number of students taking admission on the basis of 12th marks may increase. The admission process has started for 40 seats in the Center for Basic Science (CBS) of Pandit Ravi Shankar Shukla Vishwavidyalaya, Raipur. For this, online applications have been invited till May 31. Candidates will be appear in the entrance test on June 20th. It has 20-

20 seats for the Faculty of Scholarship up to five thousand will be given to the students during education. It is notable that about 400 applications come every year for admission to 40 seats. In this case, admission is given on basis of merit. Applications are being invited by the Chhattisgarh Professional Testing Board for the entrance examination in Nursing course. The examination for B.Sc Nursing, M.Sc Nursing and Post Basic Nursing will be held on June 24. The online application for the exam has started from May 13. The last date to fill the form is May 28. It is notable that in the previous year examination centers were made in five districts. This time, due to having examination centers in all the districts, students will not have to come

with special needs

For passing 12th, 10th exams with first division

Raipur, May 16: Collector Dr Sarveshwar Bhure today felicitated the children with special needs, studying in various child care institutions, for scoring first division marks in 10th and 12th examina-

tions. Under the Juvenile Justice (Care Protection of Children) Act 2021 and Rules 2022, 10 students studying in various schools falling under the category of need for care and protection reside in child care institutions operated under Mission Vatsalva, subordinate to the Department of Women and Child Development.

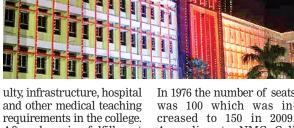
The children of 10th and 12th have secured first di-

Class 10th and 12th students with needs for care and protection who studied in child care institutions run under 'Mission Vatsalya' obtained first division in their respective examinations. Mission Vatsalya is run under Woman and Child Development Department under Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act 2021 and Rules 2022. By felicitating these children Collector Dr Bhure extended greetings and best wishes to them. In class 12th examination, 04 girls and 01 boy passed with first division. Similarly, in class 10th, 07 girls and 02 boys passed



Raipur, May 16: The number of seats for admission in MBBS course in Pt Jawahar Lal Nehru Memorial Medical College (Pt JNMMC), Raipur has been increased by 50. Accordingly, the number of admissions in undergraduate medical education has been increased from 150 to 200 from academic session

To this end Letter of Permission (LOP) has been received from the National Medical Commission. The institution had submitted application to NMC for increase in seats. Accordingly the NMC inspection conducted inspection of the fac-



requirements in the college. After observing fulfillment of the prescribed criteria of 200 seats by the college the NMC granted permission for increasing the number of seats. Apart from these 200 seats, there will be 30 additional seats for students belonging to Economically Weaker Section, A proposal has been sent to NMC for further increase of seats for EWS students to 50.

Pt JNMMC, Raipur started functioning with admission in 60 MBBS seats, sixty years ago in the year 1963.

was 100 which was increased to 150 in 2009. According to NMC Cell Chairman Dr Arvind Neral, the further increase in the number of seats by 50 will prove to be a boon for talented students of the state and it will help overcome shortage of doctors in the state. With 150 Post Graduate (MD/MS)Superspeciality (MCh) courses in 3 disciplines, Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru Medical College is considered best, largest and oldest medical education institution in

Chhattisgarh.

'Kashi: Through the Lens of Indian Films and Fiction'

to distant centres.

Chhattisgarh organised a twoday training cum workshop on 'Scripting and Filmmaking: Depiction of Kashi in Indian Films and Fiction' on 15th-16th May at its university campus in Math. Kharora. The workshop aimed to provide students with comprehensive insights into the art of scriptwriting, filmmaking, and the historical significance of Kashi.

Renowned resource person Prof. (Dr.) Gautam Chatterjee, president of Abhinavagupta Academy and Former Professor Banaras Hindu University shared his vast knowledge and expertise in the field of filming and scriptwriting, enlightening students about script crafting techniques and the cultural importance of Kashi in Indian cinema



and literature. In his inaugural address, Prof. (Dr.) Piyush Kant Pandey, Vice Chancellor of **Amity University of Chhattisgarh** said, "For the holistic development of the students, it is essential to understand the root of Indian culture and heritage and Kashi being the oldest city of the world, this workshop will help the students to understand the spiritual essence of Indian cul-

ture." The workshop was divided

into 4 sessions. In the first session named 'Kashi: The Secret of the Sacred', Dr. Chatterjee shed light on the history and importance of Kashi.

The second session was on 'Cinematography and Costume Design in Cinemas'. On second day, the first session focussed on 'Scripting on Kashi' in which Dr. Gautam gave hands-on training to students on writing script and making screenplay on

dents were grouped, and each group presented their works and scripts that they have learnt in the third session. The best script and presentations were awarded in the valedictory session in the second day. During the workshop, students were given the opportunity to apply their learning by creating their own scripts, showcasing their talent and creativity. The event provided a platform for students to learn from an industry expert and gain practical experience in scriptwriting and storytelling. Prof. (Dr.) Indrani Singh Rai, Dean Faculty of Arts was the convener and Mr. Joydev Majumdar, Assistant Professor, Amity University Chhattisgarh was the co-ordinator of the workshop.

President of Chhattisgarh Chamber of Commerce and Industries Amar Parwani, General Secretary Ajay Bhasin, Treasurer Uttamchand Golcha, Working President Rajendra Jaggi, Vikram Singhdeo, Ram Mandhan, Manmohan Agarwal told informed

Amar Parwani said that in

meeting with MP Sunil

Raipur, May 16: State

with first division.

that under the leadership Chamber President Amar Parwani, Raipur's Chamber delegation met MP Sunil Soni and handed over a memorandum to make Swami Vivekananda Airport of Raipur an international Chamber State President success in a very short



Soni, handed over the memorandum to make Swami Vivekananda Airport an international airport. He said that Chhattisgarh is an emerging developing state, which has achieved national and international

time. It has made its mark

at the level. Traders, indus-

trialists, students, professionals, and general public of the state have to depend on other cities for international air facility, as a result of which the pressure of air travel is increasing between in other major cities of the country. If the facility of International Airport is available in the airport located in Raipur,

then this pressure can be reduced between other cities. Parwani also inthat Chhattisgarh will come on the world map after Raipur city gets the status of International Airport and tourism of the state will also get a boost. Member of Parliament Mr. Sunil Soni gave a positive assurance and said to take appropriate steps. Chamber State President Amar Parwani, Working President Vikram Singhdeo, Secretary Jitendra Golcha Jain, Rajendra Khatwani, Youth Chamber Vice President Vipul Patel, Secretary s Goldie Lunia and Jairaj Gurnani were prominently present on the occasion.

'National Ramayan Festival' to be organized for the first time in Ch'garh

Ramayan competition to be held in Raigarh's Ram-Leela Ground from June 1-3

- **Artists from all over** the nation and the world will participate in the event
- Special program on themes centred on the **Aranyakand**

Raipur, May 16:

In accordance with the special initiative of Chief Minister Mr. Bhupesh Baghel and on the lines of National Tribal a three-day Festival is being organized in Raigarh from June 1 to June 3. Preparations are in full swing for this event organized by the Culture Foreign artists, along with artists from various states of the country, are being invited to the program. These artists from India and all over the world will pertion of Ramayan on the land of Chhattisgarh. Chhattisgarh shares a

profound bond with Lord Shri Ram. It is believed that Lord Ram passed through the forests of Dandakaranya, which include parts of forests in Chhattisgarh. Keeping this aspect in mind, special programs with themes centred on the Aranya Kand will be held during the festival. According to the information obtained from the officials of the Culture Department. artists of Manas Mandali coming from various states of the nation will perform in the Ramavan Festival from 2 pm to 6 pm, whereas artists of Manas Mandali arriving from foreign countries will perform from 8 pm to 10 pm in the event. Kelo Aarti and chanting Hanuman Chalisa will also be performed during the program, along with

The officers of the Culture Department said it is the first time that the department is organizing the National Ramavan Festival on a grand scale in Raigarh's Ram Leela Ground. The Manas Mandali groups participating in the event will be awarded. The first, second, and third prizes have been decided as Rs. 5 lakh, Rs. 3 lakh, and Rs. 2 lakh respectively. This will be a unique initiative on the national level by the state government to preserve the culture of the state.

It is noteworthy that the story of Ramayan has been written in many languages and performed in many countries. The Ram Leela Ground in Raigarh will now stage the beautiful presentation of Ramayan. There has been an unbroken tradition of Ram Leela in India. When the legend of Lord Ram is

festival, a large number of people will be able to benefit from the story of Ramayan. The presentation of the story of Lord Ram in the form of a festival will educate people about the ideals of Lord

The Ramcharitmanas

by Tulsidas Ji is quite pop-

ular and widespread in

Chhattisgarh. Through

the Ramayan Festival, viewers will get a glimpse of the ideals of Lord Ram from the various versions of the Ramayan, ranging Valmiki Bhavabhuti. The Ramayan extends from the Tamil Ramayan of Kamban to the Bangla Ramayan of Kritivas. Additionally, many forms of the story are prevalent in South-East Asian countries as The Ramayan Festival will provide viewbeautiful with

glimpses of the character

and personality of Lord

Affected villagers urge for early start of Parsa Coal Block

Submit memo to CM Baghel and Health Minister TS Singh Deo

■ For the land acquired for **RSVUNL**

Raipur/ Surguja, May 16:

The residents of Gram Panchayat Hariharpur, Janardanpur, Fatepur, Tara and Ghatbarra in a memorandum submitted to the Panchayat and Health department TS Singh Deo and in the name of Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel in capital city informed that their land has been acquired for the Parsa Coal Block and have obtained the compensation as well and they all are members of the affected families of Rajasthan State Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Limited (RSVUNL) Parsa Coal Block coming under Udaipur and Premnagar Tehsil of Surguja and Surajpur district.

The affected villagers informed that at the time of rehabilitation and displacement, they have opted for employment in the Company. After obtaining the compensa-

tion of our land is now in the name of RSVUNL and now they do not have any rights on this land. In the last two years, neither we are able to take any crop on this land nor has got any employment in the Company and this is posing huge economic loss to all.

The affected villagers said that with start of Parsa Coal Block, there will be expansion of employment, education, health, infrastructure and drinking water facility in the region. It is norehabilitation and displacement of the land owners affected from Parsa Coal Block, there is provision for free of cost education, health facility and employment as well. For free of cost education, there is CBSE Board facility in English medium upto Class 10th and apart from this free of cost health facility and 24 hours ambulance facility

The affected villagers in the memorandum clarified that some of the outside NGOs for their

too has been provided.

ing the actual truth and are trying to spread negand rumours through social media among the local people here, so that the project gets delayed. Whereas the affected villagers said that they want Parsa Coal Block to be started soon, so that development of the region can

The villagers anticipat

ed that if the Coal Block does not start, then at one place where they have lost their land, on the other would not even get employment, education and health facilitiesa and it would deteriorate their family's economic condition and it posses threat to their livelihood as well, putting the future of their families in dark.

Therefore the villagers have urged the MLA Surguja and Minister Of Panchayat TS Singh Deo to take initiatives for early start of Parsa Coal Block, so that they can get employment, health, education and other facil-

Patwaris on indefinite strike for eight point demands



Raipur, May 16: Revenue related works weree carried out in the entire state including Raipur from Monday, as the Revenue Patwari Sangh has gone on an indefinite strike for eight point demands. During this, more than 4000 Patwaris from across the state will go on pen down strike. During this, all Patwaris will protest at Tehsil level and subdivisional level. Salary hike, promotion on the basis of seniority, resources and allowance, stationery al-

Parliamentary Secretary

Vikas Upadhyay and

Chhattisgarh Yoga

Commission Gyanesh

Sharma inaugurated

Raipur, May 16: The 35th

free regular yoga practice

center was inaugurated on

Sunday at Veer Shivaji

Ward, Shivaji Garden,

Khamtarai, Raipur under

the regular yoga practice

program in the Corporation area of Yoga

Commission. The program

concluded under the chief

Parliamentary Secretary

Vikas Upadhyay and

Chairman of Chhattisgarh

Yoga Commission Gyanesh

hospitality

Salman,

Mohammad

Chairman of

■ Revenue related works will be affected

cluded in their main demands. Due to this, revenue related work will badly effected in the entire state including Raipur. Revenue Patwari Sangh has been demonstrating continuously for the last few months. Earlier, on April 24, a oneday symbolic strike was organized by the Patwari Sangh. After which a warning was given to go on an indefinite strike from May 15. In such a situation, due

to not getting any positive response on the demands, the Patwaris have gone on Chhattisgarh Revenue Patwari Union Provincial President Bhagwat Kashyap said that even in 2020, while giving a positive response to the demands, the government had assured to fulfill the demands, but till now the demands have not been fulfilled. We had also made a symbolic demonstration regarding this, yet the demands are not being considered. Now we will be on

It is our responsibility to provide basic facilities to public: Lakhma

Raipur. May 16: State Industries Minister Kawasi Lakhma performed Bhumi Pujan of BT renewal work at a cost of Rs. 47.45 lakh in Rajendra Nagar ward of Municipal Jagdalpur Corporation.

Minister Kawasi Lakhma said that sufficient funds are being made available by the government for development of Jagdalpur city. Many works have been approved for allround development in the city, he added.

The government has taken care of all sections. Under the leadership of Minister Chief Bhupesh Baghel, the vision 'Garhbo Jagdalpur' is being realized. The city has so far re-



work worth crores of rupees. The government is fulfilling what it had promised to the public. It is our responsibility to provide basic facilities to the people of the city, which we are discharging honestly.

this occasion, Parliamentary Secretary Rekhchand Jain, Mayor Mrs. Safira Sahu, Corporation President Mrs. Kavita Sahu, MIC members and ward corporators, departmental officers and dig-

Consul General of France pays a courtesy visit to the CM

Raipur, May 16:

The Consul General of France in Mumbai, Mr. Jean-Marc Sere-Charlet, paid a courtesy visit to the Chief Minister Mr. Bhupesh Baghel at his residential office today. The Chief Minister presented the Consul General with products Chhattisgarh "Rajkiya Gamchha", and a memento of

Chhattisgarh's state animal, the Buffalo, made of bell metal. The Secretary Mr. Amitabh Jain was also present



35th free regular yoga practice centers started

In Khamtarai Raipur



Sharma. Free regular yoga practice will be conducted daily from 06 to 7.30 am by Yoga instructor Mrs. Jageshwari Sen in Shivaji Garden. In the program, 85elderly year-old local woman Dhela Dai and

other elderly women were felicitated for practicing regularly. Yoga Commission Chairman Mr. Gyanesh Sharma and Parliamentary Secretary Mr. Vikas Upadhyay ap-

yoga in their daily life for a healthy lifestyle. During this, a large number of residents including local ward corporator Mrs. Godavari Gajju Sahu, Alderman Mr. Ravi Rao and Yoga Sadhaks

Jagdalpur, May 16:

On the occasion of National Dengue Day, an ganized in Jagdalpur for the prevention of dengue. Collector Vijay Dayaram flagged off the rally at Danteshwari temple prem-

The rally, led by the collector, reached back to the Danteshwari temple premises via Guru Nanak Chowk, Sanjay Bazar, Panama Chowk, Hata Ground, Gol Bazar Chowk, Sirhasar Chowk. Collector Vijay said on the occasion that the best way to prevent dengue is not to allow the larvae of mosquitoes that spread it to flourish. If dengue larvae do not flourish, then no one will be a victim of this disease. He said that after incessant rains for several



Awareness rally taken out on National Dengue Day

days, the sun is now shining, which is favorable for the spread of other pests including dengue. He said that through this rally people are being motivated to throw away stagnant

Larvae of dengue mosquitoes thrive easily in coolers, pots and tyres, so it is necessary to throw them from time to time.

He also appealed to the people to maintain cleanliness at home and office. He said that fever, vom-

iting, diarrhoea, headache, pain behind the eyes, body pain, pain in joints and muscles, lethargy, fatigue, nausea, etc. are symptoms of dengue and should get such symptoms checked immediately. If your acquaintances

then advise them to get the tests done immediately. Municipal Corporation President Savita Sahu also addressed on the od casion and appreciated this awareness rally organized to stop the spread of dengue. On this occasion, District Panchayat CEO Prakash Sarve, Additional Collector Haresh Mandavi, Joint Collector Aastha Rajput, Sub-Divisional Magistrate Nandkumar Choubey, Chief Medical and Health Officer Dr. RK Chaturvedi, officials of various departments, employees of Health Department, Mitanin, Members of various social organizations includvolunteers of ing Yuvodaya, Red Cross, Dalpat Bachao Abhiyan

Four theft accused nabbed

For stealing from 4 shops breaking shutters

Jagdalpur, May 16: Police arrested four vicious thieves, who carried out the theft incident in four big shops of the city late on Sunday night in Thana Kotwali area of ??the district. Among the arrested thieves, Rashid, Mo. and Sukhdev Singh are all residents of Uttar Pradesh. Police arrested from Dhamtari district of Chhattisgarh within 24

hours of the incident. It is notable that on late Sunday night, four vicious thieves targeted four shops located in the Laxmi Anna Bhandar, Aman Mobile,

thieves

Chandak Super Mart and SS Traders. They absconded with cash worth thousands and 3 mobile phones kept in these shops. The thieves had carried out the incident of theft by breaking the shutters of all these shops in a very clever way. All these activities of the thieves were captured in the CCTV cameras installed in the

As soon as the information about the incident was received on Monday morning, the top officials of Bastar police reached the spot and inspected the four shops and the surrounding areas along with their team. After this, the police immediately started investigat-



ing the matter and started searching for the absconding accused. Meanwhile, the police also took the help of technical evidence to trace the accused. During the course of investigation, the police identified the accused with the help of footage from surveillance cameras installed at the crime scene and in the city. During the investigation, the police captured the accused with the help of the footage of the surveillance cameras installed at the scene and in the city. As soon as the investigation was done, a police team arrested all the four vicious thieves Mohd. Rashid, Mohd. Salman, John Mohd. and Sukhdev Singh who had

executed the incident in Dhamtari district of Chhattisgarh. During interrogation, all the accused have accepted their crime.

ASP Nivedita Paul said that all the accused used to roam around in autos and do recce of shops in the city, and used to live

in autos only. Three valuable mobile phones along with cash of about Rs 12000 stolen by the thieves has also been recovered. The total estimated market value of the goods stolen is around Rs 2.60 lakh. Registering a case under Section 457, 380 in Police Station Kotwali, all the accused have been produced before the court

and sent to jail.

552 students selected in the first phase under RTE



Raipur, May 16:

Under the Right to Free and Compulsory Child Education Act (RTE), like every year, for the academic session year 2023-24, the process of applying online in the first phase for admission in private schools of the state has been completed. Director Public Education Mr. Sunil Kumar Jain took out the lottery of the first phase on Monday by pressing the button. In the first phase, lotteries of Sukma, Dantewada and Kondagaon districts of Bastar division were drawn, in which a

total of 552 students were selected. In the first phase of the lottery, 74 students of Dantewada district, 82 students of Narayanpur district and 396 students of Kondagaon district were selected. The lotteries of the remaining districts will be completed by the scheduled date of May 25. It is noteworthy that under RTE, for the year 2023-24, online applications were invited through the RTE portal in private schools operating in the state. A time-table was issued regarding the admission proceedings in private schools.

Online lottery for admission held in HGEEMS

Online lottery for admission in the prestigious Harihar Government Excellent English Medium School (HGEEMS) today. Sandhya Principal Tehsildar Sharma, Vasumitra Diwan, Municipal President Madhyani, Dhanrai Assistant Block Education Dhaneshwari Councilor Ajay Ravi Councilor Representative Faguram Vijay Squirrel along with Devgan was taken out in the presence of school staff including parents. In which lottery was drawn for class first to twelfth. Institution Principal Sharma congratulated the selected students and asked them

Kharora, May 16:

The BJP has largely

demanded of prohibi-

tion of illegal liquor

and a large number of

BJP workers along with

the state convener of

Abhiyan, and a large

number of women also

participated in the

protest against illegal

liquor being sold in

Kharora tehsil.

village

The protesters alleged

that illegal liquor is

Nasha Mukti



to submit the documents. He also told that the students who have been selected can submit the documents for verification from 9 am to 12 noon from May 11 to 15. The entire process was coordinated lecturers Mahesh Kansari, Shivshankar Chauhan and Bhumika

BJP demands prohibition of illegal liquor

under the protection of

Kharora police and in

view of the demonstra-

tion; heavy police force

was deployed at the po-

lice station. The party

workers also alleged

that under the patron-

age of the police station

in-charge and Congress

leaders, the illegal

liquor business has

flourished in the area,

due to which the envi-

ronment in the village is

getting spoiled, while

liquor is being sold in-

discriminately in the

Sahu. Srikansari told that the students who have been selected for the admission Class first have to take two passport photos, hard copy of online application, photocopy of birth certificate, photocopy of parents' Aadhar card, photocopy of student's

ing of the liquor sellers.

state convenor of BJP

Nasa Mukti, who is lead-

ing the protest, accused

the police station in-

charge and regional

MLAs and Congress

leaders of illegal activi-

ties in the are. The same

was also alleged by

President of Raipur BJP

Rural.Station in-charge

Brijesh Kumar Tiwari

said that the maximum

action has been taken

against illegal liquor in

Kharora police station

in the entire district,

the allegations of BJP

leaders agitating are

wrong. On this occa-

sion, Kharora Mandal

President Narendra

Singh Thakur, District

Tikeshwar Manhare,

Bachao Beti Padhao,

President of Nagar

Panchayat Kharora,

Anil Soni, President of

Morcha, Ayush Verma,

besides a large number

of

Convener

Anjay

Kashvap

President

Shukla,

Beti

Animesh

Vedram Manhare, the

original residence certificate, survey list of parents of selected students under photocopy Antyodaya card, selected students of SC, ST categorv will have to submit caste certificate signed by

Apart from this, the photocopy of the mark sheet of the previous class for the students from class 2 to 12 who studied in English medium, the original copy of the transfer certificate of the previous school has to be submitted. Only after whose verification the admission will be considered complete. If the information in the online application is not found correct in the verification, then the admission will be treated as

Mainpur, May 16:

A two-day cricket com-

petition was organized

under the joint auspices of

Forest and Climate

Change Department and

Wildlife Trust of India at

village Bamhnijhola in

Udanti Sanctuary of

Udanti Sitanadi Tiger Reserve, to bring aware-

ness to save wild animals.

16 cricket teams partici-

pated in this competition

in which the final match

was played between Amad

Bamhanijhola, the first

Bamhanijhola's team and

the second was Amad's

team. Varun Jain, Deputy

and Dr. RP Mishra of WTI,

New Delhi got introduced

to the players and prizes

were distributed by him.

Addressing the organized

program, Varun Jain,

of Sitanadi Tiger Reserve

Udanti

winner

Director

Round Table India builds 3-classroom blocks

At Govt Primary, Middle School, Basin, Durg

Bemetara, May 16:

Round Table India sup ports 'Freedom Through Education' by building a 3classroom block at Government Primary and Middle School, Basin, Durg, with support from Procter & Gamble.

While there are several Community Projects being implemented concurrently by Round Table India across the Country, 'Freedom Through Education' is the ongoing National Project whose primary aim is to provide physical infrastructure to schools aimed at supporting education of underprivileged children.

Round Table India is involved in building Class Rooms, Toilets and providing other amenities like Drinking water facility, Library, Science lab,

and under the FREEDON THROUGH EDUCATION initiative by Round Table India. This 3 classroom block would benefit 90 lesser privileged children every year in the nearby

areas of Basin, Durg.

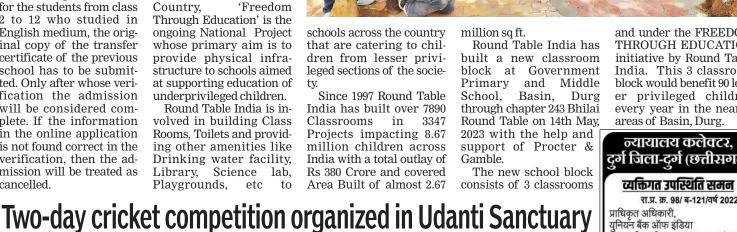
शाखा- रिसाली प्लाट ए-1 सडक नं. 2 भिलाई तह. व जिला दुर्ग (छ.ग.)वादी

1. माया शर्मा पति सत्यब्रत शर्मा 2. सत्यब्रत शर्मा आ. बद्री प्रसाद शर्मा, दोनो पता-27, दया नगर शिव मंदिर

जिला दुर्ग आस्तियों का प्रतिभूतिकरण और पुनर्गठन और प्रतिभूतिहित प्रवर्तन अधिनियम, 2002 की धारा 14 के अन्तर्गत अनावेदक द्वार आवेदक बैंक से वित्तीय सहायता ऋण की सुरक्षा हेत् बैंक के पक्ष में रखी गई बंधक 1500 वर्गफीट मौजा-रिसाली, शांति कुंज् रिसाली भिलाई तहसील व जिला दर्ग मे स्थित है को बकाया राशि की अदायगीँ नहीं करने के कारण रिक्त भौतिक आधिपत्य मे प्राप्त करने हेतु प्रस्तुत् आवेदन पत्र पर प्रकर्ण संस्थित कर प्राकॅतिक न्याय सिद्धांत वे अन्तर्गत अनावेदकं को इस न्यायालय द्वार समक्ष सुनवाई किया जाना है अनावेदकगण

चॅंकि अनावेदक को प्रकरण में समक्ष नुनवाई का युक्तियुक्त अवसर प्रदान किया जाना है । अंतएवं इस समन के जरिये इस मामले की आगामी पेशी दिनांक 25/05/2023 को कलेक्टर, दुर्ग के न्यायालय में व्यक्तिगत रूप से अनिवार्यतः उपस्थित होकर अपना पक्ष प्रस्तुत करें। यदि आप निर्धारित सुनवाई तिथि को अनुपस्थित पाये गये तो मॉमले की सुनवाई आपकी

अपर कलेक्टर, दर्ग



Taram, Komal Pradas

Bisen, Baikunth Singh

Thakur, Ashok Thakur,

Roshan Mandavi, cricket

lovers and sportspersons.

CHANGE OF NAME

It is informed to the general

public that I Rajesh Sharma

S/o Lt. Radhe Shyam Sharma,

resident of Samta Colony,

Raipur (C.G.) Pin-492001

have changed my old name

Rajesh Kumar Sharma S/O

Radhe Shyam Sharma so in

future I should be recognized

by my new name that is

Rajesh Sharma S/O Radhe

Shyam Sharma in all govt.

and other documents

RAJESH SHARMA

SAMTA COLONY

94255 03333 RAIPUR, (C.G.)

दुर्ग जिला-दुर्ग (छत्तीसगढ़) व्यक्तिगत उपस्थिति समन

प्रेषिती

के पीछे रिसाली भिलाई तहसील व

गैरहाजिरी में की जाकर आपके विरुद्ध एकपक्षीय कार्यवाही की जावेगी।



BHILAI INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, DURG

(AN AUTONOMOUS INSTITUTE) BHILAI HOUSE, DURG-491001 (C.G.)

Web: www.bitdurg.ac.in, E-mail: bit@bitdurg.ac.in

EMPLOYMENT NOTIFICATION

NO. BIT/2023/ADVT/01

DATE: 15.05.2023

Applications are invited from eligible candidates for appointment as Principal. Educational qualifications, experience, research activities, etc. as per AICTE norms. § Interested candidates may apply with full profile, justifying their candidature for the post of Principal.

Applications should reach the undersigned on or before May 31, 2023.

present on this occasion.

were Assistant Director

Gopal Kashyap, Jagdish

Pradas Darro, B.K Lakda,

SDO Rajendra Sori,

B.L.Sori, C.B.Dhruv, BS

CHANGE OF NAME

It is informed to the general

public that I, Avinash

Chhattary S/O Ashok Kumar

Hariharno resident of Flat

No. 68, Block No. 05, Dalip

Parisar Amrit Homes,

Kailash Nagar Housing

Board, Teh & Distt- Durg,

Chhattisgarh have changed

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and other documents.

Avinash Hariharno

Teh & Distt- Durg, Chhattisgarh

Name and address

Thakur,

D.N.Soni,

Amarnish

Dewangan.

E-AUCTION (SALE NOTICE)

pensation of 50 lakh to the family and also the pardon Thakur Ajay Tiwari the loan of farmers com-Virendra Soni Jitendra Sinha and many others ing under the Medha Society. were present. Anand Kanwar, had

Sit-in demonstration for

justice of deceased farmer

committed suicide in a fake loan case in village Medha Society. The protestors demand-

Dongargarh, May 16:

Under the leadership of

Lal Bahadur Nagar BJP

Mandal, a Sit-in demon-

stration for justice of de-

ceased farmer late Anand

Kanwar was done, and the

party demanded a com-

ing justice handed over a memorandum to the Tehsildar after staging a sit-in protest on the main road of Murmunda village.

Former Madhusudan Yadav State Spokesperson Neelu Sharma District BJP President Ramesh Patel President Former Preetpal Belchandan State Backward Class President Bharat Verma State BJP General Secretary Komal Singh Rajput District General Secretary Ravindra Vaishnav Kisan Morcha District President Virendra Sahu Former MLA Kheduram Sahu Vice President Girwar Sahu Lal Bahadur City BJP President Bodhiram

Sahu Kisan Morcha

Tameshwar Sahu Chandrika Dadhsena Jaipal Sinha demanded justice to the deceased and his family.On this occasion BJP Yuva President Morcha Moolchand Lodhi District Kisan Morcha Vice President Vijender Singh

of rural women workers were present.

NAME CHANGE It is informed to the general public that I, Shankar Daga S/o Ballabhdas Daga Resident of House No. 2/3, Amaltas Classic, Sales Tax Colony, Kachna Road, Raipur, Chhattisgarh have changed my old name Shanker Daga S/o Ballabhdas Daga, so in future, I should be recognized by my new name that is Shankar Das Daga S/o Ballabhdas Daga in all Government and other documents.

Shankar Das Daga

House No. 2/3, Amaltas Classic Sales Tax Colony, Kachna Road, Raipur, Chhattisgarh

इंडियन बैंक 🔼 Indian Bank

Branch - Durg (C.G.)

POSSESSION NOTICE (for Immovable Property) [Under Rule-8(1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002]

The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Indian Bank under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 06/02/2023 Calling upon the borrower Smt Meera Soni W/o Shr Yugal Kishor Soni and Shri Yugal Kishor Soni S/o Lt. Shri Makhan Lal Soni with our Durg Branch to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs. 5,93,078.40/- (Rupees Five Lakhs Ninety three Thousand Seventy eight and Paisa Forty Only) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said rules on this 11 day of May of the year 2023

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Indian Bank for an amount of Rs. 5,93,078.40/- and interest thereon. The borrower's attention is invited to the provision of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that part & parcel of the property consisting of Plot No 16/1 in Survey No. Nazul Sheet no 28 D, Marar para Ward No 05, Near Chandi Mandir within the registration Sub-District Durg and District- Durg, Tehsil and Dist. - Durg (C.G.), Bounded: North by: Open Land South by: House of Sunder Lal Soni, East by: Road, West by: House of Heera Lal Sonar

विजय कुमार, उम्र – 27 वर्ष, निवासी ग्राम -Kharora Mandal Yuva बस स्टैण्ड अन्तागढ तहसील – अन्तागढ जिला – उत्तर बस्तर कांकेर (छ.ग.) उपरोक्त शपथकर्ती सत्य एवं निष्ठा से निम्न कथन

शपथ-पत्र

यह कि मेरा सही एवं वास्तविक नाम निधि

कुमार, पिता - विजय कुमार है। यह कि मेरे नाम से भारत सरकार दार प्रदत्त पुराने आधार कार्ड में निधि वी क्मार विजय कुमार उल्लेख है, जिसे सुधार कर मेरे द्वारा निधि कुमार, पिता -

विजय कमार उल्लेख किया गया है। यह कि मेरे नये आधार कार्ड में निधि कमा पिता - विजय कुमार उल्लेख है, जो सही

यह कि मेरे समस्त स्कूल परीक्षा प्रमाण पर में मेरा नाम निधि वी कमार, पिता - विजय कमार है जसके स्थान पर सही नाम निधि कुमार, पिता – विजय कुमार लिखा एवं पढ़ जावें, एवं निधि कुमार, पिता – विजय कुमार के नाम ही जाने जावें, तदाशय का शपथ पत्र निष्पादित करती हूं।

सत्यापन उक्त शपथकर्ती सत्यनिष्ठापर्वव सत्यापन करती हूं, कि उक्त शपथ पत्र के कंडिका 01 से 04 में वर्णित सभी तथ्य सत्य एव मही है। आज दिनांक 26/04/2023 स्थान गनतागढ़ के पढ़ ∕ समझ कर हस्ताक्षर की हूं।

दिनांक 26/04/2023

Date:

PUBLIC NOTICE

Deputy Director of Udanti

Sitanadi Tiger Reserve,

said that this sports com-

petition has been organ-

ized to bring awareness in

conservation and promo-

tion of forests and wild an-

imals, along with estab-

lishing friendly relations

between the villagers and

the conservation and pro-

motion of forests and

wildlife. Prominently

He appealed towards

the forest department.

18.05.2000. uearing uccument respectively.

respectively.

Financial Assistance against the aforesaid property fro State Bank of India and they were expected to hand heir original sale deed which was duly registered 28.02.2007 bearing document No 6207 (Kh) and previous and a sale deed with the was duly registered 28.02.2007 bearing document No 971 (K) and 972 (Kh) respective bearing document No. 971 (K) and 972 (Kh) respective but Smt. Prija Dilip and Shn Dilip Kumar M.S. declared the above mentioned Lease deed and Sale deed with the sale of the sale of the sale of the sale deed and sale deed with the sale of the sale deed with the sale deed the above mentioned Lease deed and Sale deed whi were registered on 18.05.2005 bearing document No. 9 (K) and 972 (K) having lost by them and being in traceable a complaint in this regard had been lodge concerned Police station therefore the original Lea deed and sale deed which were registered on 18.05.20 bearing document No 971 (K) and 972 (K) respective can not be handed over 10 State Bank of India.

can not be nanced over ito State bank or India. I hereby invite objection upon the above declaration loss / missing of the aforesaid original Lease deed at Sale deed registered on 18.05.2006 bearing docume No. 971 (K) and 972 (K) respectively within 15 days for the publication of this notice. It may be noted that a objection thereafter to the above declaration in respect to the above referred property will have no bonaffide and sha not be binding on the State Bank of India an disbursement of loan amount to Smt. Prija Dilip and Sh Dilip Kumar M.S. by State Bank of India will remai jungtificated.

> (Devashish Dutta) Advocate
> For State Bank of India
> 56, Jalvihar Colony, Raipur Mobile No. 9827160468

LAMBDA PACKAGING SOLUTIONS PRIVATE LIMITED CIN: U28994CT2021PTC011923 Registered office: 30 SECTOR-4, A-MARKET, BHILAI- 490001, DURG , CHHATTISGARH INDIA

FORM NO. INC-26 [Pursuant to Rule 30 of the Companies (Incorporation) Rules 2014]

Advertisement to be published in the newspaper for change of registered office of the Company from the State of Chhattisgarh to the State of Maharashtra

Before the Regional Director, North Western Region, Ahmedabad-380013 In the matter of the Companies Act, 2013, Section 13(4) of Companies Act, 2013 and Rule 30(5)(a) of the Companies (Incorporation) Rules, 2014 AND

In the matter of LAMBDA PACKAGING SOLUTIONS PRIVATE LIMITED (CIN: U28994CT2021PTC011923) having its registered office at 30 Sector-4, A-Market, Bhilai- 490001 , Durg , Chhattisgarh, India

Petitioner Notice is hereby given to the General Public that the Company proposes to make application to the Central Government (Regional Director) under Section 13 of the Companies Act, 2013 seeking confirmation of alteration of the Memorandum of Association of the Company in terms of the Special Resolution passed at the Extra-Ordinary General Meeting of the members held on Wednesday, 5th day of May 2023 to enable the Company to change its Registered office from the <u>"State of Chhatisgarh" to</u> the <u>"State of Maharashtra."</u>

Any person whose interest is likely to be affected by the proposed change of the registered office of the Company may deliver either on the MCA-21 portal (www.mca.gov.in) by filing investor complaint form or cause to be delivered send by registered post of his/her objections supported by an affidavit stating the nature of his/her interest and grounds of opposition to the Regiona Director, North Western Region, ROC Bhavan, opp Rupal Park Society, Behind Ankur Bus Stop, Naranpura, Ahmedabad-380013, Gujarat, India within Fourteen days from the date of publication of this notice with a copy to the plicant Company at its registered office at the address mentioned below

30 Sector-4, A-Market, Bhilai- 490001 , Durg , Chhattisgarh India For and on behalf of the Applicant LAMBDA PACKAGING SOLUTIONS PRIVATE LIMITED

> Sd/- ASHISH PANIGRAHI Director: DIN: 09266699

Flat No. 68, Block No. 05. Dalip Parisar Amrit Homes, Kailash Nagar Housing Board,

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank 🗘 Canara Bank, Specialised ARM Branch Plot no. 4, PSP Area, Near AlIMS, Saket Nagar Bhopal Tel.: 8989014648

Demand Notice Dt. Reserve Price

Outstanding

Appendix-IV-A [See provisio to rule 8(6)
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES E-auction Sale Notice For Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforceme

of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rules 8(6) of The Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) & Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged / charged to the secured creditor, the **possession** of which has been taken by the authorised officer the Canara Bank (secured creditor) will be sold on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS, AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" & WHAT EVER THERE IS" on 17-06-2023 for recovery of bank dues to the Canara Bank (secured creditor)

Description of Properties &

	Guarantors	Name of Property Owner	Amount	Bid Increment Am
	Borrower : M/s Adventure Steel & Power		14/12/2018 23/01/2019	₹ 43.57 Lakh
3	Ltd., Plot No. 1160/3/5, Ward No. 15, Shivpuri Canal Road, Jamul, Bhilai, Durg, Chattisgarh- 490026	No. 13, Behind ACC Cement Factory, Shivpuri, Ward No. 15, Jamul, Dist. Durg, Chattis-	as on 30/04/2023 ₹	₹ 4.50 Lakh
	(1) Sh. Awadh Bihari Prasad S/o. Sh. Laxmi Narayan (2) Sh. Devi Prasad Hazra S/o Late Sh. Satya Kinkar Hazra (3) Smt. Raj Kumari Prasad	garh Area- 29600 Sq Ft Boundaries (As Per Deed): East: Govt. Land, West: Road, North: Plot of Yadav, South: Plot of Verma Symbolic Possession	4,05,88,600.26 + Interest + Other Expenses	₹ 10000/-
n e	Borrower : M/s Ganpati Enterprises	Land and Building on situated at Camp No. 1, Ward No. 21,	10/06/2016 18/08/2016	₹ 16.20 Lakh
d S f	Mother Tersa Nagar, Camp -1, Bhilai Chattisgarh - 490026 (1) Shri Awadh Bihari Prasad S/o	Steel nagar, Chhawani, Bhilai, District Durg Admeasuring area-903 Sq Ft	as on 30/04/2023 ₹	₹ 1.65 Lakh
e II d	Shri Laxmi Narayan Prasad (2) Sri Laxmi Narayan Prasad S/o Sri Naresh Prasad Add. of Both : Steel Nagar, Camp-1, Bhilai, Durg, Chattisgarh - 490001	Boundaries: North-Road, South- House of Kapil Sharma, East- Road, West- House of Budhram Symbolic Possession	71,80,819/- + Interest + Other Expenses	₹ 10000/-

Last date for submission of online bids is on or before 15-06-2023 upto 5.00 p.m.

Date and Time of e-auction: 17-06-2023, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM (With unli Account Detail for EMD Submission: Demand draft in favour of Authorized Officer, Canara Bank, SPLSD ARM Branch (6816) OR shall

For sale proceeds of Rs. 50.00.000 (Rupees Fifty lacs) and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at the rate 1% of the Sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the Bank.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (https://www.canara bank.com) or may contact Mr. Ranjan Kumar Pani, Chief Manager ,SPLSD ARM Bhopal, Canara Bank , Plot no. 4, PSP Area, Near AllMS Saket Nagar Bhopal. Contact no. 8989014648 during office hours on any working day.

AUTHORISED OFFICER, CANARA BANK

Place: Bhopal, Date: 16-05-2023

BRIEF



Union Minister **Shipping and Waterways** and AYÚSH Sarbananda Sonowal distributes appointment letter to the candidates during Rozgar Mela, at ITA Mackhowa in Guwahati, Tuesday.

■ Balasore: local court here convicted a school teacher and sentenced him to 20 years of rigorous imprisonment for raping a minor girl. The special judge of POCSO court Balasore. Ranjan Kumar Sutar. also slapped a fine of Rs 5,000 on the convict, failing which he will undergo another two-year jail term.

Mishap

■ Kota: Two labourers died and three others fainted while cleaning a tank at an edible oil factory in Ranpur here, police said. The incident occurred on Monday evening when the five persons were cleaning a tank that stored dirty water discharged from the water filter plant of the oil factory, Ranpur Circle Officer (CO) Balvir Singh said.

Bribe

Nashik: The Anti-Corruption Bureau has caught a 57-yearold deputy registrar of cooperative societies in Maharashtra's Nashik district while allegedly taking a bribe of Rs 30 lakh from the director of an Agriculture Produce Market Committee (APMC), the ACB said on Tuesday.

Probe

Mumbai:

Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis on Tuesday ordered setting up of a Special Investigation Team (SIT) for a probe into the alleged attempt by a group of people from a different religion to force their way into the famous Trimbakeshwar temple in Nashik.

Watery grave

Seraikela: Two teenagers drowned in a check dam at Jhilingora in Seraikela-Kharswan district on Monday, police said. The deceased Shobhit Kumar (18) and Srijan Kumar (17) had gone to take a bath in the dam, he

Techie involved in I-T refund fraud arrested

Bengaluru, May 16 (PTI):

A techie who allegedly siphoned off amounts of money related to income tax refunds from the I-T Department into bank accounts "impersonating" those of original assessees has been arrested, police said on Monday.

The accused has been identified as Dilip Raje Gowda (32), allegedly a habitual offender against whom many cases have been registered in various parts of Karnataka, Maharashtra, Goa and Telangana.

The accused, a Bachelor of Engineering (BE) graduate, was involved in unauthorised accessing of sensitive information from government website portals serving the public, the Cyber Crime Division Criminal Investigation Department

"The arrested person exploited the vulnerabilities existing in the system and thereof siphoned off huge amounts of money related to I-T refunds from the Income Tax Department into the impersonating bank accounts of original assessees," the CID said in a statement.

According to the CID, it received a complaint regarding some unknown person gaining unauthorised access into the PAN account of a victim and accessing the Income Tax filing portal to alter their IT returns to get refunds.

The fraudster altered the bank account details to which the refund should be issued by the IT department, it added.

Fake and fabricated (Know Your Customer) documents were used to open the

of the victim, the CID said.

"In the present case investigated, the accused person was successful in manipulating the I-T returns and (getting) a refund to the tune of Rs 1,41,84,360 credited to the fraudster's bank account," the CID explained.

Subsequently, a criminal case was registered and taken up for investigation, which was supervised by Superintendent of Police (Economic offenses Division) M D Sharath. The team gathered in-

formation from various sources and identified the involvement of the accused person in six more cases in which he had already siphoned off Rs 3.6 crore, the CID said.

Based on the efforts made by the team and with technical support, the accused person was traced and arrested from bank account in the name Dharwad. He is currently

in police custody for further investigation and digital and traditional evidence related to the case have been seized from his possession, the CID said.

The accused is a native Hirisave, Hassan District but is currently residing in Dharwad city.

Investigation has revealed that the accused was involved in several vehicle loan frauds also where he had taken money from a non-banking finance company and cheated it. "The income tax authorities have been informed about the vulnerability in their systems and were requested to plug it. In the same way, 'Kaveri' online portal of the state government, which deals with property registration, was also misused by the accused person, and the same has been intimated to the concerned." the

Partition Museum housed in Delhi's Dara Shikoh Library to open

said.

and its history.

the country better.

Dara Shikoh Library to

not be able to return to

their schools in the affect-

ed areas, their parents' im-

mediate concern is to have

a permanent place to stay.

rials and even all school

documents were in my

house, which was burnt.

My father says we cannot

return to Churachandpur

anymore. I don't know

where I will go to school,"

15-year-old Anu Irom

Chanu, a student of Don

Churachandpur, said.

School

hall

She is taking shelter

along with her family in a

Moirang in neighbouring

Bosco

community

Bishnupur district.

'My books, study mate-

Partition

the

On May 18

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

A museum themed on the Partition, telling the story of the 1947 tragedy and representing the pain and trauma suffered by people on both sides of the border, is all set to open at the Mughal-era Dara Shikoh Library building here on May 18.

This will be the second such museum after the Partition Museum of Amritsar located in the historic Town Hall.

The opening will coincide with International Museum Day. The Art, Culture and Languages Department of the Delhi government shared tweets with descriptive posts about the upcoming museum. "As we approach the launch of the Partition Museum on May 18th, 2023,

Imphal, May 16 (PTI):

Fifteen-year-old Pushpa

Karam fears she will not

be able to perform well in

the class 10 examinations

next year. Her home in

Torbung Bangla area in

Churachandpur district of

Manipur has been gutted

in the recent ethnic vio-

Karam is taking shelter

in a relief camp in Kunbi

area of neighbouring

Bishnupur district along

with 42 other school-going

students and their fami-

lies. She has been forced to

miss her Mathematics and

English tuitions.

lence.

we are excited to share fascinating details about how this historic event shaped Delhi. Only 3 days to go!," it

The library building is ocated in Delhi's located Kashmere Gate area. The museum will tell the story of the 1947 tragedy through interactive media. On February 17, the then

Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia visited the museum site and inspected the progress of the project. The Deputy Chief

Minister's office had earlier said in a statement that the building of the historic library, built in 1637, was being converted into a 1947 Partition Museum by the Delhi government under the leadership of Chief Minister Arvind Keiriwal. "The second such museum in India, it will have seven galleries to explain the events leading up to the Partition,

MANIPUR VIOLENCE

School students stare at uncertain future

well in the class 10 board

examination next year,

which might affect my

dreams of enrolling in a

good school in Imphal,"

Karam is among around

4,000 school-going students

who have been affected by

the recent ethnic violence

in Manipur. Of these,

around 1,000 have been

rendered homeless in

Churachandpur and af-

fected areas of neighbour-

ing Bishnupur district,

while the remaining are

from Imphal East district

and Moreh town, officials

said. While the students

fear they might lose an ac-

ademic year as they will

Karam said.

Independence, migration, refugees, rebuilding homes, art, relationships

and will also have a gallery of hope and courage," it officials said. The museum will also The period transformed feature a "virtual reality experience", donated be-

longings of people who witnessed the Partition, and a souvenir shop. The library will also serve as a cultural after tablished hub with exhibitions on different aspects of the city Sisodia after his visit had said that historical buildings located across Delhi symbolise the country's evolution over a period of time, adding the city government has "prioritised restoration" of these landmarks to help current generations understand There could not have been a better place than the

Museum, he had said. The museum would en-

deavour to depict the memories of the 1947 Partition as experienced by people,

Delhi significantly and major parts of the national capital, including areas like Lajpat Nagar, C R Park and Punjabi Bagh, were es-Partition. The city's Art, Culture and Languages Department is sharing on Twitter tidbits about institutions that were originally located in Lahore and other cities and suffered the pangs of the Partition too, such as the Sir Ganga Ram Hospital and Dyal Singh College. It also shared how some of the food items were brought to Delhi by refugees, and markets set up for rehabilitating refugees such as Meherchand Market in Lodhi Road area.

PROTEST MARCH

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Yuva Chhatra Adhikar Mancha activists and SSC-qualified candidates participate in a protest march demanding their immediate appointment in Kolkata, Tuesday.

SC TO J-K

Ensure treatment of jailed Dutch national in Delhi hospital

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

The Supreme Court on Monday directed the Jammu and Kashmir administration to transfer a Dutch national, who is lodged in a jail in Jammu and suffering from paranoid schizophrenia, to a specialised hospital in the national capital.

A bench comprising Justices

Ramasubramanian and Pankaj Mithal took note of the submissions of lawyer Rohan Garg, appearing for jailed Richard De Wit, and directed that the inmate be treated at a specialised medical centre in New Delhi.

The top court said after the treatment, Wit be transferred back to Jammu jail to face the trial and his family be allowed to visit him during his stay in the hospital here.

The court disposed of the plea with these directions. The bench, on April 21, had sought the response of the Jammu and Kashmir administration on the plea seeking direction to the authorities for providing him proper medical treatment for his ailment, paranoid schizophrenia, at a specialised hospital. The petitioner, 53-year-old Richard De Wit, who was arrested in April 2013 in Srinagar in connection with a murder case and is currently lodged in Jammu district jail, has said in his plea that he has been in jail for nearly 10 years and his medical condition is deteriorating as no proper treatment for the disease is available in the prison.

The petitioner had sought his transfer from district jail, Jammu, to a specialised medical facilitv in New Delhi or to the Netherlands for proper treatment.

The petition had said since adequate medical treatment for the ailment is not available in J&K, the petitioner's fundamental right, the right to health, is being violated.

"Right to health is an inseparable part of the right to life and an inherent and inescapable part of a dignified life. It is a fundamental right under Article 21 of the Constitution of India," it had said.

The plea had urged the apex court to permit the petitioner to travel to the Netherlands for proper treatment at one of the two specialised centres there for treatment with an undertaking that he shall come back and face the trial upon being cured.

The petitioner had said the court concerned had against him in July 2021 owing to his medical condition.

"The trial has been suspended since July 3, 2021 but the petitioner continues to be deprived of adequate medical treatment. In fact, the direction by the trial court on July 3, 2021 to isolate the petitioner in the central jail for treatment may even worsen the petitioner's mental condition." it had said.

The plea said an unfortunate incident took place on a houseboat on Dal Lake in Srinagar in April 2013 when a British woman was found dead in her room.

The petitioner, who was also staying in a separate room on the same houseboat, was accused of being the offender and falsely implicated in the case, the plea had said.

It had claimed the trial court has been repeatedly informed by the medical board that adequate infrastructure is not present there to deal with the petitioner's case and that he be shifted to a specialised facility. The plea had said the petitioner has been a patient of paranoid schizophrenia since his early years when he was in the Netherlands and also un-

derwent therapy there.

Man who worked as street light operator gets elected

As Nagar Panchyat chairman

Shahjahanpur (UP), May 16 (PTI):

From sleeping on streets hungry and attempting suicide, Mukhtar Ahmed Masoodi has come a long way to become the chairman of Meeranpur Katra Nagar Panchyat where he was earlier engaged as street light operator.

He was elected to the post as a Congress candidate in the Uttar Pradesh urban local body polls, the results of which were declared on May 13. Talking to

Masoodi, a resident of Pilibhit district, said that around 10 years ago, his wife left him and went back to her maternal home in Budaun. "I was heartbroken and

decided to come to Meeranpur Katra. I had no acquaintance here. I spent many nights on the pavement and ate whatever I could gather. Fed up, I decided to end my life," he said. According to Masoodi, he had laid on the railway tracks in Meeranpur Katra a few years ago to end his life. But as a train was approaching, some youths pulled him away from the tracks, foiling his suicide attempt.

They took him to the residence Shamiushshan Khan,

then chairman Meeranpur Katra Nagar Panchayat, who upon hearing Masoodi's life story took a liking for him and offered him the job of switching on the streetlights and turning them off. In 2023, the Meeranpur Katra seat was reserved for backward classes making Khan ineligible to contest from the seat. "One day, Masoodi told me that if I want, he can contest the election for the post of chairman," Khan said.

When the results were out, Masoodi had won the election by 742 votes.

Khan said Masoodi's victory is the result of his dedication and hard work and hoped that he would serve the public in a better and more sensetive way as he has experienced poverty personally.

Avneesh Gangwar, the executive officer of Meeranpur Katra Nagar Panchayat said, "This is the beauty of democracy. Masoodi who was once an employee is now the ad-

NO-TOBACCO DAY

"I fear I won't perform



Bollywood playback singer Sunidhi Chauhan takes a selfie during a press conference on the occasion of World No-Tobacco Day, in Mumbai, Tuesday.

School in South Delhi evacuated after bomb threat school after receiving a

Nothing suspicious found

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

A school in South Delhi's Pushp Vihar received a bomb threat via e-mail on Tuesday morning following which a bomb disposal squad was rushed to the spot as panic-stricken parents flocked the school to get their children home, officials said.

According to a senior police officer, Amrita School was evacuated immediately after the threat was received and its buildings were checked but nothing suspicious was found. Choudhary, Deputy Commissioner of Police (South) said, "An email was received today



Secondary School, which received a bomb threat via e-mail, in South Delhi's Pushp Vihar, Tuesday.

(Tuesday) morning at 6.33 am at Amrita School, Saket, regarding a bomb threat. A thorough checking of the school has been through Bomb Disposal Team but nothing was found." A teacher of the school said all students were safely evacuated and

sent home with their par-

"I was conducting the morning assembly in class around 8 am when the teachers were informed to stop all activities and safely lead the students out of the school building," she said. Parents rushed to the message on the school WhatsApp group to receive their children as soon as possible. The parent of a UKG stu-

dent said that she received message on the WhatsApp group around 8.30 am. "We were not told about any bomb threat... It was only after reaching the school that I came to know about it. My child is safe. But the question is who is sending such emails? Fortunately, nothing was found but what is the guarantee that our children will be safe?" She said her elder daughter studies in The Indian School, also in South Delhi, which has received bomb threats at least twice. "It has been

days since the threats, still

they don't know who was

Recently, there has been

a spurt of bomb threat incidents in Delhi schools.

On May 12, the Delhi Public School in Mathura Road received an email about a bomb being planted on the premises that later turned out to be a hoax. It was the second time in less than a month that the school had received such a bomb threat.

The school had on April 26 received another bomb threat over email, which also had turned out to be a hoax. The Indian School received two bomb threats and the latest was on April 12 via an email. A similar threat was also received by the same school over phone in November 2022, which too was later found to be a

BRIEF



South Korea Presidential Office, South Korean President Yoon Suk Yeol, right, shakes hands with Ukraine's first lady Olena Zelenska, at the presi-dential office, in Seoul, South Korea, Tuesday.

Flooding damage

■ Mogadishu: Floods caused by the annual rains have left "a trail of destruction" across Somalia, a United Nations spokesman said, citing inundated homes and farmland as well as the shutdown of health facilities.

"According to early estimates by our partners, more than 460,000 people have been impacted, including nearly 219,000 men, women and children who have been displaced due to this (flooding),' Stephane Dujarric said in a statement.

Fuel deforestation

■ Brussels: The 27 European Union countries have formally adopted new rules that should help the bloc reduce its contribution to global deforestation by regulating the trade in a series of goods. Under the legislation, companies trading palm oil, cattle, wood, coffee, cocoa, rubber and soy will need to verify that the goods they sell in the EU have not led to deforestation and forest degradation anywhere in the world since 2021.

Security protection

■ Dhaka: Bangladesh has withdrawn the "extra security escort" provided to top diplomats of India and three other countries, with foreign minister Dr AK Abdul Momen saying Dhaka will not provide this service with taxpayers' money. Policemen equipped with riot gear used to escort in their vans the envoys of India, the United States, the UK, and Saudi Arabia during their movements in the city and an intensified security vigil for them was enforced following the July 1, 2016, Islamist militant attack in a posh Dhaka restau-

Russia launches 'exceptional' air attack on Kyiv



Ukrainian Emergency firefighters put out fire caused by fragments of a Russian rocket after it was shot down by air defense system during the night Russian rocket attack in Kyiv, Ukraine, early hours Tuesday.

Kyiv, May 16 (AP)

Ukrainian air defences thwarted an intense Russian air attack on Kyiv early Tuesday, shooting down all 18 missiles aimed at the capital,

Loud explosions boomed over Kyiv as the nighttime attack combined Russian missiles launched from the air, sea and land in an apparent attempt to overwhelm Ukraine's air defences. No casualties were reported Western-supplied weapons helped fend off the assault.

The barrage came as European leaders sought new ways to punish Russia for the war and a Chinese envoy sought

traction for Beijing's peace proposal. Russia's latest attack

on Kyiv was "exceptional in its density the maximum number of attacking missiles in the shortest period of time," said Serhii Popko, the head of the Kyiv military admin-Valentyna istration. Myronets, a 64-year-old Kyiv resident, said she felt "pain, fear, nervousness, restlessness" amid the assaults. "God, we are waiting for victory and when all this is over," she said. UK Ambassador Melinda Simmons tweeted that the barrage was "pretty intense." "Bangs and shaking walls are not an easy night," she wrote. It was the eighth time this month that Russian air raids had targeted the capital, a clear escalation after weeks of lull and ahead of a muchanticipated Ukrainian

Army vows to try spoilers' involved in recent attacks on military installations under stringent Act

Islamabad, May 16 (PTI)

The Pakistan Army's top brass has vowed to bring to justice the "spoilers" involved in the recent attacks on military installations, including the storming of its General Headquarters in Rawalpindi, through trials, including stringent the Pakistan Army Act and the Official Secret Act.

Former prime minister Imran Khan's arrest by the Rangers at the Islamabad High Court premises last Tuesday triggered unrest in Pakistan that continued till Friday and led to several deaths and dozens of military and state installations being destroyed by the pro-

For the first time in the country's history, Khan's supporters stormed the Army headquarters in Rawalpindi and torched the historic Corps Commander's House in Lahore in retaliation to his dramatic arrest. The Pakistan Army's move to include the tough Army Act and the Official Secrets Act

which Khan and his Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) supporters could be slapped with charges that can lead to either a death sentence or life imprisonment. A Special Corps Commanders Conference, chaired by Army chief General Asim Munir at the

Rawalpindi, also resolved that restraint will no longer be exercised against perpe trators who attack military installations, according to a statement issued by the Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR) — the media wing of the Pakistan Army on Monday.

Pak high court extends Imran Khan's bail in two cases until June 8

Islamabad, May 16 (PTI) A Pakistan high court on Tuesday extended bail of former prime minister Imran Khan in two cases pertaining to inciting violence and sedition until June 8.

A single bench of the Islamabad High Court (IHC) heard the pleas in cases pertaining to allegations against top officers of state institutions and the manhandling of Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) leader Mohsin Ranjha by Khan's supporters.

Chief Justice Aamer Faroog after hearing the arguments by the lawyers extended Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) chief's bail till June 8. The extension was given after the court also granted the former prime minister exemption from court appearance for the day.

Justice Faroog also inquired about the registration of a first information report related to Khan's arrest made from the court's premises. The attorney general responded that a Supreme Court verdict is pending in the case.

2 dead in shooting at Georgia motorcycle club event

Augusta, May 15 (AP)

Two people were killed and four were injured when more than 150 shots were fired in a gun fight between rival motorcycle clubs in a Georgia city, a sheriff said Monday.

The Richmond County Sheriff's Office charged 12 people with murder and aggravated assault in the gunfight in Augusta on Saturday night, including the four injured people, Sheriff Richard Roundtree said.

The violence erupted at a clubhouse of one of the motorcycle groups in a largely residential area,

the sheriff said. Deputies recovered more than 150 spent shell casings, he said, some of them found a block away.

'With the amount of firepower and carnage we saw at the scene, this could have been a much more horrific event," Roundtree said during a news conference Monday.

Investigators believe the gunfight stemmed from a prior confrontation between members of the two rival clubs in Florida, said Roundtree, who declined to provide details.

Of the 12 people arrested, he said, 11 came from out of town. He said those

arrested included members of both clubs.

"This was a coordinated attack by individuals who came from as far away as Florida." Roundtree said. "We're talking abut travelling three or four hours to come to Augusta, armed to engage in gun violence.

County Richmond Coroner Mark Bowen identified the dead as Keith Coates, 30, of Valdosta, Georgia, and Germayne Farrell, 51, of Daytona Beach, Florida. Three of those who

were injured were still being treated at a hospital Monday, the sheriff said.

Defense ministers from Japan, China inaugurate hotline to avoid clashes, build trust Taiwan, which Beijing China Sea, known as the

Tokyo, May 16 (AP)

The Japanese and Chinese defense ministers inaugurated their longawaited hotline on Tuesday as a step to build trust and improve communication at a time when Japan and other neighbours are concerned about Beijing's increasingly assertive military activities. Japan's Defence

Yasukazu Minister Hamada and his Chinese counterpart, Li Shangfu, talked for about 20 minutes through the hotline

for the first time since it was established on March 31, the Japanese Defence Ministry said.

The two ministers welcomed the start of the operational use of the hotline and affirmed the importance of "the maritime and aerial communication mechanism," which includes the hotline, in building trust between the two sides while avoiding contingencies Tokyo and Beijing are

embroiled in a dispute over tiny Japanese-controlled islands in the East Senkaku in Japan and Diaovu in China. China routinely sends

coast guard vessels and planes into waters and airspace surrounding the islands to harass Japanese vessels and forcing Japan's military to scramble jets in response. China's naval fleet also

regularly circles around Japanese coasts, sometimes in joint military exercises with Russia, irking Tokyo. Japan is increasingly worried about the tensions around self-ruled claims as its territory and has threatened to annex by force if necessary. Hamada, noting the row

over the islands and other disputes between Japan and China, said candid communication between them is necessary especially when their relations are not as good. Hamada and Li also en-

sured the hotline was working properly, and agreed to continue communication between their respective defense authori-

Indian pleads guilty to illegally prescribing opioids

Fire at New Zealand hostel kills at least 6 people

Wellington, May 16 (AP)

A fire ripped through a hostel in New Zealand's capital overnight, killing at least six people and forcing others to flee the fourstory building in their paiamas in what a fire chief on Tuesday called his "worst nightmare".

Fifty-two people had made it out of the building but firefighters were still trying to account for others, Wellington fire chief Nick Pyatt said. Loafers Lodge resident

Tala Sili told news outlet RNZ that he saw smoke pouring through under his door and opened it to find the hallway pitch black.

"I was on the top floor



A drone inspects damage following a fire near a hostel in central Wellington, New Zealand, Tuesday.

and I could not go through the hallway because there was just too much smoke, so I jumped out the window," Sili said.

He said he fell onto a

roof two floors below.

"It was just scary, it was really scary, but I knew I had to jump out the window or just burn inside the building," Sili told RNZ.

He said he was rescued from the roof by paramedics and treated for a sprained ankle.

The Loafers Lodge offered basic, affordable rooms with shared lounges, kitchens and laundry facilities. It attracted people of a wide range of ages. Some were placed there by government agencies and were considered vulnerable because they had little in the way of resources or support networks.

The hostel is in an industrial area and features billboards on one side. Dark smoke stains extended up the exterior walls on the top story of the building.

New York, May 16 (PTI): A 76year-old Indian-American doc-

tor in the US state of California has pleaded guilty to three counts of illegally prescribing opioids and other medication, authorities said. According to a statement from US Attorney Phillip A.

Talbert, Sawtantra Chopra of Modesto pleaded guilty last Wednesday to three counts of illegally prescribing opioids and other medications outside the usual course of professional practice and not for a legitimate medical purpose.

These drugs are highly addictive and commonly abused, the statement said, adding that the medications, which affect the central nervous system, may only be prescribed when medically

Chopra surrendered his medical license in 2020 as the case was pending, the statement said. Chopra is scheduled to be sentenced on September 5 by US District Judge Jennifer

L. Thurston and faces a maximum statutory penalty of 20 years in prison and a USD 1 million fine if convicted, the US Attorney's Office, Eastern District of California said in a

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प्रबंध संचालक

5 sentenced to prison for 15 killed in clash between 2 tribes over delimitation of coal mine GOVERNMENT OF CHHATTISGARH, WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, MANIYARI WATER RESOURCES **Peshawar. May 16 (PTI)** around 35 km southwest of known, but there were ca-DIVISION, MUNGELI, DISTT.-MUNGELI (C.G.) 100-million-euro jewellery heist Peshawar, in Kohat district sualties on both sides in the

Berlin, May 16 (AP)

A German court on Tuesday convicted five men over the theft of 18thcentury jewels worth more than 100 million euros from a Dresden museum in 2019. They were sentenced to prison sentences of between four years and four months and six years months, three German news agency dpa

reported. One defendant

was acquitted. The Dresden state court ruled that the five men aged 24 to 29 were responsible for the break-in at the eastern German city's Green Vault Museum on November 25, 2019, and the theft of 21 pieces of jewellery containing more than 4,300 diamonds, with a total insured value of at least 113.8 million euros

They were convicted of particularly aggravated arson in combination with dangerous bodily injury, theft with weapons, damage to property and intentional arson.

At least 15 people were killed in a bloody clash over the delimitation of a coal mine in the restive northwestern region of Pakistan on Monday, police said. The incident occurred between Sunnykhel and Zarghun Khel tribes in the Darra Adam Khek area.

over the delimitation of the mine, they added.

The bodies and those injured were shifted to a Peshawar hospital. The exact number of injured people was not immediately

exchange of fire, police said. Joint teams of police and other security forces

rushed to the site and halted the firing between the rival tribes.

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Group No. 01 Name of work - C.C. LINING BETWEEN R.D. 5.00 KM. TO R.D. 10.17 KM., CHHATA MINOR R.D. 0 M. TO R.D. 2100 M., KHAPARI MINOR R.D. 0 M. TO 1260 M., RENOVATION OF 05 NOS. STRUCTRES AND CONSTRUCTION OF 2 NOS STRUCTURES, FIXING OF 30 NOS COLABA OF MUNGELI DISTRIBUTORY OF MANIYARI TANK.

SECOND CALL) System Tender No. 133435, Probable Amount of Contract: - Rs. 798.47 Lakhs

(As Per SOR Amended on 22.08.2022) Group No. 02 Name of work - C.C. LINING BETWEEN R.D. 10.17 K.M. TO R.D. 16.74 KM., DEOR MINOR R.D. 7080 M. TO R.D. 7920 M., SURDAMINOR R.D. 0 M. TO 1980 M., SURIGHAT MINOR

R.D. 0.00 M. TO 480 M., RENOVATION OF 06 NOS. STRUCTRES AND CONSTRUCTION OF 4 NOS STRUCTURES, FIXING OF 30 NOS. COLABA OF MUNGELI DISTRIBUTORY O MANIYARI TANK. (SECOND CALL) System Tender No. 133436, Probable Amount of Contract: - Rs. 815.66 Lakhs

(As Per SOR Amended on 22.08.2022) Group No. 03 Name of work - C.C. LINING BETWEEN R.D. 16.74 K.M. TO R.D. 25.50 KM. BIRGAON MINOR R.D. 0 M. TO R.D. 480 M., LALAKAPA MINOR R.D. 0 M. TO 480 M. RENOVATION OF 07 NOS. STRUCTRES AND CONSTRUCTION OF 1 NOS STRUCTURES

FIXING OF 40 NOS. COLABA OF MUNGELI DISTRIBUTORY OF MANIYARI TANK SECOND CALL) System Tender No. 133437, Probable Amount of Contract: - Rs. 601.10 Lakh: (As Per SOR Amended on 22.08.2022)

Group No. 04 Name of work - CONSTRUCTION OF CANAL FROM R.D. 7140 M. TO 12600 M. AND CONSTRUCTION OF 23 NO. STRUCTURES AND CEMENT CONCRETE LINING FROM R.D. 714 M. TO 12600 M. OF HALF RIVER DIVERSION SCHEME & RENOVATION OF TEMRITANK FIFTH CALL) System Tender No. 133438, Probable Amount of Contract: - Rs. 464.97 Lakhs

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Electoral Prelude

Decisive Assembly Polls and Their Significance for the 2024 LS Elections

s the echoes of the Karnataka Assembly Elections fade away, the political landscape of India braces itself for an intense year ahead. The triumph of the Indian National Congress, securing an absolute majority with over 136 seats, has set the stage for a year filled with anticipation and political fervor. With at least five more state assembly elections on the horizon, the democratic carnival of India is far from over in 2023. The northeastern states of Nagaland, Tripura, and Meghalaya kickstarted the electoral spree this year. However, these legislative assembly elections hold a greater significance than ever before, as they serve as determinants for the impending 2024 Lok Sabha Elections. The fate of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's BJP government at the center hangs in the balance, making these state assembly elections critical precursors to the upcoming General Elections. Since assuming office in 2014, Prime Minister Modi has been the driving force behind India's governance. However, the winds of change blow strong in the face of democracy, and the upcoming state assembly elections are poised to test the ruling government's popularity and strength. The latter part of 2023 promises a series of assembly polls, with the terms of legislative assemblies in Mizoram, Chhattisgarh, and Madhya Pradesh expiring on different dates in December. Rajasthan and Telangana will follow suit in January 2024, marking a crucial period of electoral fervor. In addition, it is not implausible to expect simultaneous polls in these five states, as the logistical challenges of conducting elections in quick succession may favor such a decision. Furthermore, the assembly elections in the union territory of Jammu and Kashmir cannot be overlooked, with reports suggesting a possible schedule once the winter conditions subside. Looking ahead, the terms of the legislative assemblies in Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, and Odisha will conclude on different dates in June of the following year. Given that Lok Sabha polls typically take place in April-May, the likelihood of simultaneous assembly elections in these three states alongside the parliamentary exercise cannot be ignored. The year 2023 is poised to be a pivotal moment in Indian politics, where power dynamics will be redefined and electoral strategies meticulously planned. The assembly elections taking place across the nation will serve as a battleground for political parties to test their mettle and gauge public sentiment. The outcome of these polls will undoubtedly shape the trajectory of the nation, leading up to the decisive 2024 Lok Sabha Elections. The forthcoming assembly polls provide a platform for political parties to showcase their strategies and articulate their vision for the future. It is essential for voters to critically analyze the performance of the incumbent governments, assess the promises made by the opposition, and weigh the potential impact of their choices on their respective states and the nation as a whole. Moreover, the significance of these state assembly elections extends beyond regional boundaries. The outcomes will shape the political landscape and influence the course of action at the national level. A strong showing by the ruling party in these assembly elections would solidify their position and potentially boost their campaign momentum for the 2024 Lok Sabha Elections. On the other hand, a resurgence of the opposition parties could indicate a shift in public sentiment and serve as a harbinger of change. In this era of social media and instant communication, it is crucial to foster healthy political discourse. While political parties engage in competitive rhetoric and mud-slinging, it is up to the people, as responsible citizens, to rise above the noise and focus on the issues that truly matter. It is important to hold elected representatives accountable, demand transparency, and insist on policies that address the pressing challenges faced by our nation. The assembly polls scheduled for the year 2023 will undoubtedly set the stage for an intense political year, paying the way for the high-stakes 2024 Lok Sabha Elections. The outcomes of these elections will shape the future of our nation, impacting policies, governance, and the aspirations of millions.

Addressing the Global Concern 'Forever Chemicals'

Krishna Kumar Vepakomma orever chemicals are highly persistent and toxic substances that do not easily break down in the environment or our bodies. They are known as per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) and can last for thousands of years. PFAS are found in everyday products like nonstick pans, food packaging, cosmetics, and firefighting foam. These chemicals seep into the environment, contaminating water bodies, animals, and even our drinking water. PFAS have been linked to serious health issues, including cancer, immune system damage, hormone disruption, and developmental delays. To minimize exposure, it is recommended to avoid using non-stick cookware and products containing PFAS, choose alternative materials, and opt for natural and biodegradable cleaning products. Purchasing food packaged in glass, metal, or paper containers instead of plastic can also reduce the risk of PFAS contamination. Water filtration systems designed to remove these chemicals are useful in areas with concerns of PFAS contamination. The presence of forever chemicals is a global issue, affecting not only humans but also wildlife. Traces of these chemicals have been found in wildlife worldwide, including endangered species. The risk extends to polar bears in the Arctic, tigers, monkeys, pandas, dolphins, and fish across the world's oceans. Addressing forever chemicals requires stricter regulations, monitoring systems, and proper disposal methods. In March 2023, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) established Maximum Contaminant Level goals for PFAS in drinking water. However, more comprehensive measures are needed to protect public health and the environment. In India, PFAS contamination is also a concern, and regulatory agencies like the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) and the Ministry of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change (MoEFCC) play a crucial role in monitoring and regulating the use of forever chemicals. Stricter regulations, proper disposal methods, and awareness campaigns are necessary to mitigate the risks posed by these chemicals. Scientists have made progress in developing filtration systems and methods to degrade forever chemicals. A breakthrough method using common reagents and low temperatures has been discovered to degrade PFAS. This research provides hope for effectively eliminating these pollutants from water sources. However, the challenge of disposing of PFAS after filtration remains, as current methods require harsh treatments. Recent studies have also revealed that toilet paper contains PFAS, further highlighting the pervasiveness of these chemicals in everyday items. This raises concerns about water pollution and the need for effective monitoring and control measures. Overall, forever chemicals pose significant risks to human health and the environment. It is crucial to take precautionary measures, promote safer alternatives, and advocate for stricter regulations to address this global issue.

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CELEBRATION TIME



Students celebrate after the declaration of the Haryana Board of School Education (HBSE) class 10th exam results, at a school in Gurugram, Tuesday.

Religion-based mobilization in politics fueling communalism



When did Gita say this, and where did Quran say it? In the name of religion, the earth bleeds

ommunalism is based on the assumption that Indian society is divided into religious communities whose interests are not only different but also in conflict with each other. It is an aggressive political ideology linked to religion. However, communalism is about politics, not religion. Although sectarians are intimately involved with religion, there is no necessary relationship between individual faith and sectarianism. One of the distinguishing features of communalism is its claim that religious identity is above all else. There is not only one factor responsible for the persistence of communalism in India. Historically, the British used the divide-and-rule policy to undermine nationalist aspirations by creating a rift between Hindus and Muslims. This resulted in communal tension between the two groups and it is believed that the Hindu-Muslim split took place during the continuation of British rule in India. The partition of India was the result of this policy.

The gap of socio-economic inequality that remained after independence widened and the internal tension and tension between the majority community and the minority community for the socio-economic necessity of life also gives rise to communal hatred. Widespread poverty and unemployment create a sense of hopelessness among the people. The unemployed youth of both communities can be easily trapped by the religious fundamentalists and used by them for communal riots. Fundamentalism and communalism have some ideological elements in common. Both attack the concept of separation of religion from politics and the state. Both are opposed to the concept of common truth in all religions. It is against the concept of religious harmony and tolerance. The criminalization of politics has made electoral politics in India more costly and competitive. Political parties are not hesitating to use any means, fair or foul, to win elections. They even create communal tension and try to take political advantage of it. Therefore, the communication of politics as a process is supporting the growth of communalism in India.

The role of media in spreading communal ideologies, behavior, and reactions of different communities has been very powerful. In almost every major communal riot, mediabacked rumors play a role. For example, The Muzaffarnagar riots of 2013 are a prime example of how social media can play an active role during communal tension. External actors including non-state actors

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ommunalism was and is still one of the major challenges to democracy in our country. Communally racy in our country. Communalism can take various forms such as majoritarian dominance, religious prejudice and conservatism, and political mobilization along religious lines. Communal thinking often leads to the search for political dominance in one's religious community. The framers of our constitution were aware of this challenge and therefore $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left($ chose the secular state model. Apart from this, there is a need to counter communal prejudices and propaganda in everyday life and to counter religion-based mobilization in the field of politics.

have a hand in making the problem of communalism worse. They aim to create an atmosphere of instability and gain the sympathy of the minority community. To overcome the problem of communalism, there is an important need for value-based education in the country today. Emphasis should be on imparting values like compassion, secularism, peace, non-violence, and humanism through education and inculcating scientific temper in society. Reforms in the criminal justice system are the need of the hour; The criminal justice system has often been criticized, especially as it stems from communal violence. Measures should be taken to reform police procedures and practices and special investigation and prosecution agencies should be set up to deliver timely justice.

Removing ideological bias is beneficial at such times and news channels play a huge role in influencing the thoughts and mindset of people, one community or religion, it affects the people watching those news channels. Prejudices can develop in the approach Therefore, the media should focus on presenting a balanced view to the audience. Steps should be taken to understand different cultures by arranging festivals, celebrations, and social gatherings to facilitate social and cultural amalgamation. Stopping ghettos and geographical segregation based on religion, promoting inter-religious marriages, etc. should be taken. In creating communal aware-

ness in civil society, NGOs can tie up with the government to create communal awareness, build strong community relations and inculcate the values of communal harmony. By telecasting the heritage of the past, efforts should be made to remind the countrymen of those glorious moments of history in which Hindus, Muslims, and Sikhs were together to protect the interests of the nation. Also, people should be made aware of how India's diversity has served as a source of unity for the country. The principle of the Uniform Civil Code is laid down in Article 44 of the Constitution. Without the UCC, it is observed that each community has separate and conflicting interests. Implementing this can help reduce religious differences. Communalism was and is still one of the major challenges to democracy in our country. Communalism can take various forms such as majoritarian dominance, religious prejudice and conservatism, and political mobi-Communal thinking often leads to the pursuit of political dominance of one's religious community. Our constitution makers were aware of this challenge and therefore chose the secular state model. Apart from this, there is a need to counter communal prejudices and propaganda in everyday life and to counter religionbased mobilization in the field of politics.

(Dr. Satyawan Saurabh, Poet, freelance journalist and columnist, All India Radio and TV panelist. Views

Governor's Role: Ornamental or **Operational?**

The recent rulings by the Supreme Court regarding the role of governors in states and lieutenant governors in Union Territories have significant implications for the future. During the Constituent Assembly discussions, the post of governor was conceived as a means to ensure the diligent implementation of the Constitution. However, the court's scathing remarks against former Maharashtra Governor Koshiari shed light on the need for clarity in defining the governor's responsibilities. The court rightly emphasized that neither the Constitution nor the law empowers the governor to interfere in political disputes within or between parties. The discretion exercised by Governor Koshyari in demanding a floor test from Chief Minister Thackeray was deemed unlawful. It is crucial that governors comprehend the constitutional limits of their power, acting strictly within the framework provided. The Supreme Court's observations on the governor's extraordinary power to act without the Council of Ministers' advice underscore the significance of preserving parliamentary democracy. Discretion to call for a floor test must be exercised judiciously and supported by objective evidence, not merely by requests. The governor's role should not extend beyond constitutional boundaries, and they should refrain from meddling in intra-party or interparty conflicts.

Yash Pal Ralhan, Jalandhar

Monumental Task For Congress

Following its easy victory in Karnataka, the Congress now faces the monumental task of selecting a candidate for CM. The two obvious candidates are DK Shivakumar and Siddaramaiah, but there is also the possibility that party President and seasoned politician Mallikarjun Kharge will run. Even though party observers will compile each newly elected legislator's personal opinion, the final decision will be made by the high command for sure. Another chance is that Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar to take turns holding the chair for two and half years. If both refuse to agree on the rotating CMproposal, Congress National Mallikarjun President Kharge, who has failed to win the position of Chief Minister at least four times before,

> Dr.Vijaykumar H K, Raichur, Karnataka

could be elected as CM.

Safeguarding Medical Staff: Ensuring Optimal Care in a Secure Environment

The tragic incident involving the brutal assault on house surgeon Vandana Das in a Kerala hospital has not

only highlighted the dangers faced by medical personnel in the line of duty but has also brought attention to

the alarming lack of security measures in place to protect them. The failure to ensure the safety of Dr. Das,

despite clear indications of the patient's potential for violence, is a distressing reflection of the existing vul-

nerabilities faced by healthcare professionals. This incident serves as a wake-up call, reminding us of the

Rising Instances of Violence

Regrettably, cases of verbal and physical abuse, as well as outright assaults, against caregivers have been on the rise. Medical professionals, who tirelessly work to save lives, find themselves at the receiving end of aggression from attendants of patients who perceive negligence or dissatisfaction with the treatment provided. Shockingly, a report by the Indian Medical Association (IMA) reveals that 75% of doctors have experienced abuse or assault at some point in their careers. In Kerala alone, there were 137 reported attacks on doctors in the year 2022. These distressing statistics demand immediate attention and ef-

this alarming trend. The Need for Prompt

Information Report (FIR) be registered within one hour of any attack on medical personnel. In March of this year, the court further stressed that the state government publicly declare through the media that strict actions will be taken against those responsible for such fective measures to address acts of violence. However, the recent tragedy involving

urgent need to prioritize the security of medical staff to create an environment where they can deliver the Recognizing the gravity of protection not only for docthe situation, the Kerala tors but also for medical in-High Court had issued directerns, house surgeons, and tives in December, emphasizpostgraduate students. The ing the need for swift action. court has also criticized the

> tack on Dr. Das Addressing the Lack of

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Deterrents The Kerala unit of the IMA has rightly drawn attention to the lack of adequate deterrents in place. Despite the existence of a 2012 legislation that prohibits violence against healthcare staff, with offenses punishable by imprisonment of up to three years, very few convictions

have been made so far. The state government, which has faced criticism for allowing the situation to deteriorate. must take decisive action to strengthen the law and ensure its effective implementation. Expedited efforts are needed to create a safe and stress-free environment in hospitals, not only for the well-being of medical professionals but also for the benefit of patients who deserve the best possible care.

Conclusion

The security and wellbeing of medical staff are essential to ensure the delivery

of optimal healthcare services. It is imperative that governments, healthcare institutions, and society as a whole recognize the urgent need to address the growing incidents of violence against medical personnel. Strict implementation of existing laws, prompt registration of FIRs, and swift conviction of offenders are crucial steps towards creating a safe environment for doctors, nurses and other healthcare work-

Additionally, enhanced security measures, including the presence of trained personnel and effective surveillance systems, should be implemented to deter potential acts of violence. Only by safeguarding our medical staff can we create an environment that fosters excellence in healthcare and ensures that patients receive the best possible care.

BRIEF



New Delhi: The gov ernment has appointed Ravneet Kaur as the Chairperson of the Competition Commission of India (CCI), according to an official order. There has been no full-time Chairperson for the competition regulator since Ashok Kumar Gupta demitted office in October 2022. CCI Member Sangeeta Verma has been acting as the Chairperson since October last year. The appointment of Ravneet Kaur, a 1988 Punjab cadre IAS offi cer, will be for a period of five years from the date of assuming charge or till the date of attaining the age of 65 years or until further orders, whichever is the earliest, as per the order dated May 15. The Chairperson will

WagonR

get a consolidated

salary of Rs 4,50,000

per month without

house and car, it added.

■ New Delhi: Maruti Suzuki India on Tuesday said its hatchback WagonR has crossed 30 lakh milestone in over two decades. The model, which was introduced in the market in 1999, achieved 5 lakh sales mark in 2008; 20 lakh in 2017; 25 lakh in 2021 and 30 lakh milestone in 2023. "WagonR's continued success with over 3 million cumulative sales is a testament to its undisputed reign as one of the most iconic Indian hatchbacks," Maruti Suzuki India Senior **Executive Officer** (Marketing & Sales) Shashank Srivastava

Circular economy



New Delhi : Circular economy is the need of the hour to promote entrepreneurship and livelihood security for better health index of the people, Padma Bhusan awardee agriculture scientist R B Singh said on Tuesday. Singh emphasised the importance of agricul tural and industrial waste management for environmental sus tainability and entrepreneurship after inaugurating a five-day training programme here, an official state ment said.

Quarterly profit

New Delhi: Stateowned Bank of Baroda (BoB) on Tuesday reported over 2-fold jump in its March quarter net profit at Rs 4,775.33 crore on account of higher interest income and low provisions for bad loans. The bank's net profit in January March 2021-22 was Rs 1,778.77 crore on a standalone basis. Interest income increased to Rs 25,857 crore in fourth quarter of 2022-23 from Rs 18,174 crore in the yearago period, the bank said in a stock exchange filing.

Indian banks request RBI for more time for new loan provisioning system

Mumbai, May 16:

Banks have requested the RBI for one more year's time to implement the system of Expected Credit Loss (ECL) for provisioning of loans. At present, banks set aside money after an asset turns bad, and once the new system is put in place, it is widely expected to have an one-time impact on banks' profits. "We have requested the regulator to allow us little more time to prepare ourselves for this,' industry lobby grouping IBA's chief executive Sunil Mehta told reporters on the sidelines of a Fintech event Tuesday. Answering a specific question on the time sought, Mehta said, "we have requested them (RBI) for one



more year" He also added that in the "worst case scenario", the banking system is gearing up for the switch to the new system. "... the banking sector is already geared up, few of the banks have already developed their systems (and) have got their data in place on which they can design their ECLbased risk models." he said.

whatever trade surplus India (RBI) has already they have, you can invest in come up with its proposed government bonds." Mehta guidelines on the switch to said. The Russian invest-ECL but a definite timeline ments are for shorter durais yet to be decided. tion because how long the Meanwhile, Mehta said that war and the sanctions on Russian investors have Russia will last is still unstarted investing in Indian clear, Mehta said and added government securities after that the bets are for less getting a nod from the RBI than one year. When asked for the same. He said the inabout the banks' tie-ups vestment activity has come with fintechs and the trouabout because of the excess bles with the latter, he said rupee liquidity which the whenever fintechs have Russians are saddled with partnered with banking due to the trade deficit with system, they don't get into a India, which is among the problem. few countries buying oil from Russia. "They have surplus of money. They have invested (in local

Banks provide them with resources and big customer base, he added. According to him, the problems with fintechs emanate because of poor governance and noncompliance with regulatory

NITI Aayog pitches for easy financing to attract private investment

In setting up nuclear reactors

New Delhi. May 16:

NITI Aayog has pitched for establishing attractive financing frameworks such as blending finances and green bonds to attract private sector investment in setting up small modular reactors (SMR) to decarbonise India's energy sector. The Aayog in a report titled 'The Role of Small Modular Reactors in Energy Transition' further suggested that availability of low-cost finance, green finance and incorporation of nuclear into green taxonomy can improve the economics of SMR projects. "Derisking SMR projects and establishing attractive financing frameworks such as blending finance, green bonds, etc. is pivotal for investors," it said. According to the report, it

has been observed that venture capital is a poor fit for the "hard" SMR sector. As International per the Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), the SMRs are advanced nuclear reactors with a power generation capacity ranging from less than 30 MWe to 300+ MWe. "Hence, the public and private sectors must work together to identify alternative sources of early-stage finance," it said.

Noting that successful deployment of SMR technologv must leverage private sector investment, the report said a robust and technology-neutral policy framework is required for securing private investment including factors currently having growing influence on investment flows such as taxsocial and governance fac-

The report also pointed out that early realisation of a few demonstration plants for SMR designs can reduce the intensity of risk perception, which can give impetus to supply chain formation and bring investment and stability to the industry. Adaption and streamlining of licensing and regulatory frameworks by taking key SMR attributes into account are also important to develop a global SMR market, it added. While noting that the existing nuclear safety regulations are mostly designed for land-based plants and unit concept of large reactors, the report recommended that for the concept of multi-module and flexible operation of SMRs, these regulations and guidelines

need to be modified.

SGX Nifty to be known as GIFT Nifty from July 3: NSE

New Delhi, May 16:

The National Stock Exchange (NSE) on Tuesday said that SGX Nifty will be known as GIFT Nifty from July 3 as all orders of Singapore Exchange will be completely transferred to NSE IFSC bourse for matching. The exchange said that regulatory approvals have already been obtained from the **Monetary Authority of** Singapore (MAS) and the **International Financial Services** Centres Authority (IFSCA). "From July 3 onwards, all SGX orders will be 100 per cent transferred to GIFT City, NSE IFSC exchange for matching...SGX Nifty will be called GIFT Nifty from July 3,"

IFSC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of NSE, is an exchange at International Financial Service Center (IFSC) in GIFT City, Gujarat. Singapore Exchange (SGX), last month, announced that NSE IFSC-SGX Connect at International Financial Service Center in GIFT City will become operational on July 3 after the transition of SGX Nifty derivatives to NSE IFSC. The move will enable investors to trade in dollardenominated Nifty futures contracts available on the SGX in **Gujarat International Finance** Tec-City or GIFT City. Also, investors would have real-time access to NSE IFSC market data. "Full-scale operation of

the NSE IFSC-SGX Connect (Connect) with the transition of SGX Nifty derivatives to NSE IFSC will take place on July 3, 2023. Following the transition, all US dollar-denominated Nifty derivatives contracts will be exclusively traded on NSE IFSC." the Singapore bourse had informed its trading members in a circular. With the migration of all open positions in SGX Nifty to NSE IFSC Nifty, there will be no open interest remaining in SGX Nifty. The SGX Nifty will be suspended from trading after the end of the trading session on June 30. Further, the Singapore bourse had said it intends to delist the SGX Nifty at a later date, pend-

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To build small modular reactors Mumbai, May 16:

Amitabh Kant Tuesday called for an "unfettered access" to nuclear technology from the US to build small modular reactors (SMR) in the country. He also said the private sector needs to be allowed into the atomic energy sector to take advantage of the more efficient SMRs. "India also needs to work with the US so that it is provided unfettered access to cutting edge technology by granting general authorisation to India," Kant said ad-

India's G20 Sherpa

Kant calls for unfettered access to US nuclear technology

dressing a session at the energy transition working group of G20 meeting here. "We should create an ability to co-produce SMRs in the US and India, and further bring down their costs," Kant said adding that the initiative can be a win-win situation for both countries and will radically re-

duce time, cost overruns and and capex. The career bureaucrat-turned-Sherpa said such an access will ultimately lead to manufacturing of SMRs in India and their export also. It can be noted that India has struggled on the nuclear energy expansion front with big plants like the one at Jaitapur being built with French cooperation yet to take off. Meanwhile, on the domestic front, Kant pitched for allowing the private sector in the atomic energy space for SMRs.

"Private sector participation needs to be allowed in the atomic energy sector for SMRs to take advantage of higher efficiencies." he said, adding that state discoms should also build such plants of up to 300 MW capacity with help of the private sector. The atomic energy regulatory board has to pitch in with needful regulations for timely execution of such projects, he said. Advantages of SMRs lie in the speed of installation and cost savings, enhanced safety, flexibility of installation, base load power in support of renewables and better waste management, he said. This is the time for policy changes to ensure that modular reactors are installed in India in a manner wherein installation is increased

Rupee rises 10 paise to 82.21 against US dollar on FII inflows

Mumbai, May 16:

The rupee appreciated by 10 paise to 82.21 against the US dollar on Tuesday, as the American currency retreated from its elevated levels. Forex traders said significant foreign fund inflows and easing crude oil prices also supported the

At the interbank foreign exchange market, the local opened at 82.22 against the US currency and moved between a high of 82.16 and a low of 82.29 in the day trade. The local units settled at 82.21 (provisional), registering a gain of 10 paise over its previous close. On Monday, the rupee closed at 82.31 against the US currency. The dollar index, which gauges the greenback's



strength against a basket of six currencies, fell 0.14 per cent to 102.28. Global oil benchmark Brent crude futures fell 0.29 per cent to USD 75.01 per barrel.

A weaker greenback, strong foreign fund inflows and lower crude oil prices pushed the rupee higher after falling in the last three days, said Dilip

Parmar, Research Analyst, HDFC Securities. The local unit outperforms Asian currencies as the trade deficit narrows to a 21month low.

Though the rupee outperiormed among Asian currencies, the range remained narrow ahead of US debt ceiling talks. It is widely expected to see no compromise created and a continuation of the current uncertainty, making haven assets volatile. In the near term, spot USD-INR has resistance at 82.50 and support at 82.05. On the domestic equity market front, the 30-share BSE Sensex declined 413.24 points or 0.66 per cent to end at 61,932.47 points, and the broader NSE Nifty fell 112.35 points or 0.61 per cent to 18.286.50 points.

FinMin says stands by 2021 Parl reply that **SEBI** was investigating Adani Group cos

New Delhi, May 16:

As a political row erupted over **SEBI telling Supreme Court** that it has not been probing the Adani group since 2016, Monday said it stands by its July 2021 written reply in Parliament that had stated that the stock market regulator was investigating some Adani group companies. After SEBI filed a fresh affidavit with the Supreme Court to strengthen its case for a sixmonth extension of the deadline to complete the probing allegations of fraud and money laundering against Adani Group, Congress and other opposition parties cited the finance ministry's July 2021 replies in Parliament to ask who was misleading.

Markets fall after 2-day rally; HDFC twins, Reliance drag ■ Sensex over tled lower. European mar-

413 points lower

Mumbai, May 16:

Benchmark equity indices ended lower on Tuesday after two days of rally, dragged down by index majors HDFC twins and Reliance Industries. The 30-share BSE Sensex declined 413.24 points or 0.66 per cent to settle at 61.932.47 even after beginning the trade on a firm note. During the day, it fell 498.3 points or 0.79 per cent to 61,847.41. The NSE Nifty went lower by 112.35 points or 0.61 per cent to end at 18,286.50. Among the Sensex firms, HDFC, HDFC Bank, Mahindra & Mahindra, Kotak Mahindra Bank, Bharti



Tata Motors, Reliance Industries and Maruti were the biggest laggards.

Bajaj Finance, State Bank of India, NTPC, Hindustan Unilever, Titan, Infosys, Bajaj Finserv, Wipro, Asian Paints and Tata Consultancy Services were among the major gainers. In Asia, Seoul, Tokyo and Hong Kong markets ended in the green, while Shanghai set-

kets were trading mostly in the green. The US market had ended with gains on Monday. "The domestic benchmark's ascent towards record high was interrupted by selling pres sure in heavyweight stocks, although small and mid-cap stocks outper formed. As anticipated, the Euro zone economy experienced a modest growth of 0.1 per cent QoQ in the Jan-Mar period, following a stagnant previous quarter. In the US market, cautious trading prevailed as debtceiling negotiations took precedence," said Vinod Nair, Head of Research at Geojit Financial Services. Meanwhile, global oil benchmark Brent crude declined 0.65 per cent to

USD 74.82 per barrel.

Telcos to Push DoT, TRAI for fair contribution from **OTTs for 5G Infrastructure**

Mumbai, May 16:

Over-the-Top (OTT) providers

Inorder to overcome this issue, India"s leading telcos are preparing to once again urge the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) and the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) to develop a mechanism that requires

which generate significant internet data traffic, to contribute financially towards the development of the 5G digital network infrastructure in the country, according to an ET Report. Telecom operators in

the European Union (EU) have initiated a discussion regarding the fairness of burdening customers with the sole responsibility of financing continuous investments in the networks. They have proposed a fair share solution that aims to promote investments in digital infrastructure. The Fair Share solution seeks to enhance the sustainability of network invest ments and expedite their deployment and ensure that all parties are contributing their fair share.

Jio-bp launches new diesel that offers saving of Rs 1.1 lakh per truck annually

Mumbai, May 16:

Jio-bp announced the launch of its diesel with ACTIVE technology, set to elevate diesel standards for Indian consumers. The newly launched additivised diesel, available across the company's network will yield annual savings of up to Rs 1.1 lakh per vehicle to truckers owing to (upto) 4.3% improved fuel economy. This new high performance diesel offering will be available at all Jio-bp outlets and will be offered at regular prices with no additional cost for the first time ever in the Indian market. Diesel at Jio-bp outlets with ACTIVE technology helps reduce the risk of unscheduled maintenance caused by dirt build up and removes existing dirt from critical engine parts

and protects against its build up

with ongoing use. It is designed

to work across a range of com-

mercial vehicles, and with ongoing use it offers a variety of benefits to drivers and fleet owners. It helps restore and maintain the power of the engine with on going use while also reducing the risk of unscheduled vehicle maintenance. Jio-bp CEO, Harish C Mehta said "While every single customer is important, truckers have always held a special place for Jio-bp. Accounting for over half of truckers' operating costs, we understand the critical impact of fuel on their overall business performance. To ease their concerns around fuel performance and engine maintenance. Jio-bp has worked over multiple years with the best technologists to develop customized additive from scratch. This additive laced high performance diesel is designed specifically for Indian vehicles, on Indian roads, and in Indian driving conditions."

With GST evasion crossing over Rs 1 lakh crore in 2022-23, Centre and state tax officers have initiated a two-month long special drive to identify fake GST registration and nab offenders. The GST Policy Wing had earlier this month written to Principal Commissioners

New Delhi, May 16:

Central Tax highlighting that fake/ non-genuine registrations are being used to fraudulently pass on input tax credit to unscrupulous recipients by issuing invoices without any underlying supply of goods or services or both. 'This menace of fake registrations and issuance of bogus invoices for passing of fake ITC has become a serious problem, wherein fraudulent peo-

ple engage in dubious and registration. Still, Goods complex transactions, causing revenue loss to the government," the Central Board of Indirect Taxes (CBIC) had said. Currently, there are 1.39 crore businesses registered under Goods and Services Tax (GST), which was implemented on July 1, 2017. The government has

Centre, state tax officers launch special drive

to identify fake GST registration, curb evasion

been using robust data analytics and artificial intelligence to identify and track risky taxpayers; sharing data with other law enforcement agencies to detect tax evasion. mandatory Aadhaar-based authentication for new GST registrations as well as centralized suspension of registrations of businesses who default in timely

being used to curb fake

and Services Tax (GST) evasion is on rise with about 14,000 cases detected in 2022-23, up from 12,574 in 2021-22 and 12,596 in 2020-21. The evasion detection doubled to over Rs 1.01 lakh crore in 2022-23, while Directorate General of GST Intelligence (DGGI) officers made a recovery of Rs 21,000 crore during the fiscal. During the 'Special All-India Drive' from May 16 to July 15, to detect suspicious/ fake GSTINs, tax officers would also conduct requisite verification and take further remedial action to weed out these fake billers from the GST ecosystem. The Special Drive would take place in close coordination between the State and Central tax adfiling of returns are also

ministrations

apps are the major drivers of internet data traffic for internet service providers across the globe. The streaming of video content by users on these OTT platforms significantly contributes to the data traffic handled by telcos, thereby imposing a heavier load on the digital infrastructure built by communication service

over-the-top (OTT) apps,

Adah Sharma on 'The Kerala Story' ban: 'Watch the movie and then comment'

Kerala Story' lands in controversy and is banned in several parts in the country, actress Adah Sharma, who plays a lead in the Sudipto Sen directorial, said that freedom of expression should be celebrated.

She insisting on watching the film before commenting on it.

On 8 May, Government of West Bengal banned the movie allegedly to prevent any incident related to communal hatred and violence. The film was also stopped from screening in Tamil Nadu by the Tamil Nadu Theatre and Multiplex Owners Association as "a precautionary measure.'

The Supreme Court on Friday had issued a notice to the West Bengal government seeking the reason behind the ban on 'The Kerala Story' in the state. The Supreme Court also asked the Tamil Nadu government to specify all the measures taken to provide security in theatres screening the film.



should celebrate freedom one has a choice to decide "I am not the authority of expression and watch if they want to comment

about it." In the film, Adah plays the role of Fathima Ba, a Malayali Hindu nursing student, who goes missing from Kerala and is recruited to the ISIS (Islamic State of Iraq and Syria) after being lured to

convert to Islam.
She added: "We should also honour the censor board who passed the film and the supreme court. Those who want to ban the film, if they watch it they might realise the film speaks against terrorism and they might decide to increase the screenings and show the film to more young girls."

Cinema is a reflection of society; how does Adah feel politics mixing with

'We live in a democratic country, thankfully. Where there is freedom of speech and expression. Unlike the place where the character I play was taken to in the film. I'm very grateful I love it here in India."

She pointed out to the 'anti-terrorism" aspect of her film. "It is humanity vs terrorism. It's about being cheated in love.

About why you shouldn't rape someone. So any person from any place in the world supporting this film I think is a great thing!"

Adah has to say to those who don't believe that something like this happened and forced conversations are not real: "They should Google two words ISIS brides and get an account of girls worldwide who have gone through this. Terrorism is a global issue.

She added: "We haven't had people who have watched the film and said these things don't happen because our film even has testimonials of parents and victims. So maybe those who say terrorism doesn't exist can watch our film and they might change their mind."

'The Kerala Story' has been written and directed by Sudipto Sen and stars Adah Sharma, Yogita Bihani, Siddhi Idnani and Sonia Balani.

It got into controversy after the trailer of the film stated that 32,000 girls from the state went missing and later joined the terrorist group, ISIS.

&TV characters will face difficulties



n &TV's Doosri Maa, Happu Ki Ultan Paltan and Bhabhiji Ghar Par Hai's episodes this week, its characters will face difficulties. About &TV's Doosri Maa, Mother's Day track, Yashoda shares, "Astha (Aadvika Sharma) and Noopur (Anya Galvan) express their longing for Ashok (Mohit Dagga) while commemorating Mother's Day. Krishna (Aavudh Bhanushali) shares with Yashoda (Neha Joshi) that he is open to attending a government school. After securing admission, he re-

ceives books and a uniform. When Kamini (Priety Sahay) and Mahua (Manisha Arora) see Astha and Noopur returning from school, they ask him to bring Chole Bhautre and Mithai for them. In order to earn money for the treats, he starts working as a laborer, and Yashoda eventually spots him."

About Bhabiji Ghar Par Hai track, Angoori shares, "Tika (Vaibhav Mathur) and Tillu (Salim Zaidi) set up a food stall that uses excessively spicy chilies, causing people to become agitated

and quarrel over trivial matters. Anita (Vidisha Srivastava) and Angoori (Shubhangi Atre) challenge their husbands' loyalty and vow to reward them, but the husbands end up fighting with their wives and being kicked out of their homes. Saxena (Saanand Verma) informs Tiwari and Vibhuti that their obsession with consuming spices and chilies is to blame for their behavior. Anita and Angoori also visit the food stall, consume the spicy food, and end up getting angry themselves."

Rohit Bose Roy on the years after 'Swabhimaan': I didn't know what I was doing

pular actor Rohit Bose Roy looked back at his journey of almost three decades. He minces no words when he says he has had "more lows" than highs.

The actor agrees that after the late 1990's acclaimed 'Swabhimaan' by Mahesh Bhatt, he did not know what he was doing.

Talking about his journey in the industry, Rohit, who is prepping for the stunt-based reality show 'Khatron Ke Khiladi' Season 13, told IANS: "It feels like the first decade went in a flash when I was doing television because right after 'Swabhimaan',



everything I did didn't turn gold.... I really didn't know what I was doing."

Rohit said that he does not regret anything.

"Maybe I should have because then my filmography would have been even better but I don't regret anything. I have

'Hollywood Indie Active' on

DishTV and D2h platforms

more lows than ups but still I am here and I am also considered to be one of the formidable actors, which is for me everytime I talk about I failed to become a superstar' most people say that 'you should be happy with the success you've got' and which is true.'

The actor has made a mark in the industry without any backing. "In hindsight, who lasts

for 30 years without a godfather, without a single person from the industry and zero support.'

However, he feels if he had been focussed in his craft a little more, he

leases in regional lan-

Swedish singer Loreen wins Eurovision for the second time since 2012



wedish contestant Song 'Tattoo' Loreen came first at the Eurovision Song Contest 2023, beating out 25 other countries to garner 583 points, reports 'Variety'.

Loreen's win means the contest will likely be held in Sweden next year. Traditionally the winning country hosts the following year's contest. Sweden was followed by Finland's Kaarija with 526 points and Israel's Noa Kirel with 362 points, who took second and third place respectively, 'Variety' adds.

It is Loreen's second Eurovision win: she previously won the contest in 2012 with her song 'Euphoria'.

Eurovision, which is run European Broadcasting Union (EBU), features musical acts from around Europe as well as a

number of countries outside it, including Israel and Australia, who participate by virtue of their membership of the EBU, 'Variety'

This year's Eurovision

took place in Liverpool, UK, on behalf of last year's winner Ukraine after it was deemed too dangerous to hold Eurovision in the country following the Russian invasion. Ukrainian entry Kalush Orchestra won last year's contest, followed by the UK's Sam Ryder, who came a close second.

Eurovision was hosted this year by rapper turned 'Britain's Got Talent' judge Alisha Dixon, 'Ted Lasso' star Hannah Waddingham, Ukrainian rock star Julia Sanina and the popular longtime Eurovision commentator. Graham Norton. according to 'Variety'.

Jayati Bhatia joins the cast of 'Dil Diyaan Gallaan'

eteran actor Jayati Bhatia is all set to join the cast of Sony SAB's Dil Diyaan Gallaan, a story about a family torn apart by misunderstood circumstances, hurt emotions, and inherent beliefs. The show has struck an emotional chord with the audience and show cases how unspoken words lead to differences between three generations. Jayati Bhatia will portray the role of Tavleen, a strong and intimidating woman who has returned to seek revenge on the Brar family. She is Dilpreet's (Pankaj Berry) nemesis Khushwant's (Jaswant Menaria)'s mother. After twenty-seven years, Tavleen has finally found an opportunity to lestrov everv rela the Brar household as Riya (Hema Sood) has married her grandson Dollar (Reyaansh Chaddha). Jayati Bhatia, who will be donning the character of Tavleen,

said, "Tayleen is a woman with a strong personality who has come back after a long time to seek revenge from those who wronged her daughter. It is a challenging role and is very different from the roles I have played in the past, and I am looking forward to bringing Tayleen's character to life on the screen. The storyline is gripping, and I am sure the viewers will enjoy watching the drama unfold.'



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pany - Dish TV India Ltd announced the launch of a new Value-Added Service (VAS) 'Hollywood Indie Active' on both its DishTV and D2h platforms. Acknowledging without any ad-break on the growing popularity of both DishTV and D2H subscribers viewing conplatforms at a nominal tent in their own lanprice of Rs. 45+ Taxes per month. The Indian marguage, the company has joined hands with One

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guages that have been huge box office hits. Leading Hollywood production houses have also been quick to catch on to this trend, releasing marquee titles in languages that the Indian customer can relate to. However, not all Hollywood movies are dubbed, neither are they dubbed in all regional languages, nor is there a single destination for one movie in various lanket has seen a spate of re-

Aastha Sharma, Rajveer Singh to star in 'Neerja...Ek Nayi Pehchaan'

Sharma and Rajveer Singh have been roped in to play the grownup roles of Neerja and Abeer respectively in the upcoming drama 'Neerjaa Ek Nayi Pehchaan'.

The family drama revolves around the story of a mother (played by Sneha Wagh) and her unvielding love for her daughter 'Neerja', despite living in Kolkata's infamous redlight district, Sonagacchi. The show also showcases the journey of a young man named Abeer who grew up in a privileged background. Set to be seen essaying the role of Neerja, Aastha said: "I'm ecstatic to be portray-



ing the character of Neerja, a young and innocent daughter who is blessed to have a loving and protective mother. Neerja's journey is one of hope, courage, and determination, and I feel fortunate to have been

given the opportunity to bring her story to life." "The show is not just about a mother's love for her daughter, but also about the resilience of the human spirit. I hope the viewers will be to connect with able

Neerja's character and find inspiration in her story.' Rajveer Singh, who will be seen essaying the role of Abeer said: "The character of Abeer that I will be portraying is from a privileged background, whereas Neerja comes from a less privileged one.

"It's fascinating to see how the show beautifully illustrates the impact individuals from different socio-economic grounds can have on each other. I'm excited to bring this tale of love and the triumph of the human spirit in the face of adversity to viewers and hope it inspires them as much as it has inspired me.'

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Jofra Archer out of Ashes series for England after recurrence of elbow injury

England fast bowler Jofra Archer was ruled out of the upcoming Ashes series against Australia on Tuesday because of ongoing problems with his right elbow that have limited his playing time since 2021.

Archer will miss the entire summer of international cricket, England said, after scans revealed he has sustained a recurrence of a stress fracture to his elbow.

28-year-old Barbados-born pacer underwent two operations on his elbow in 2021 and was forced to cut short his time in this season's Indian Premier League after experiencing discomfort in the same area.

"It has been a frustrating and upsetting period for Jofra Archer," England managing director Robert Key said. "He was making

good progress until a recurrence of the elbow injury, which kept him out for an extended period previously.

'We wish him the best of luck with his recovery. I'm sure we will see Jofra back to his best and winning games for England, whatever the format. Hopefully, sooner rather than later."

The Ashes starts on June 16 with the first of five tests. England will warm

up for the series with a oneoff test against Ireland at Lord's from June 1.

England selected a 15man squad for the Ireland match and included Jonny Bairstow, who is set to play for his country for the first time since breaking his left leg and ankle when slipping during a round of

Wicketekeeper Ben Foakes was dropped to

who will play as a wicketkeeper-batter and starred for England with some explosive performances with the bat in the middle order last year. "It was a seriously tough decision to leave Ben Foakes out of the squad," Key said. "He has been excellent for England in the last year, but Jonny Bairstow is one of the best players in the world whose performances last summer epitomised what we are about." With Chris Woakes back in the test squad for the first time since March 2022, Mark Wood returning after taking a break from the New Zealand tour and James Anderson shrugging off a minor groin injury, England has a deep stock of pace bowlers from which to choose. Stuart Broad, Ollie Robinson and Matthew Potts are other

fast bowlers in the squad.

'We rightly deserve the play-off spot'

Ahmedabad, May 16 (PTI):

Gujarat Titans skipper Hardik Pandya said his team "rightly deserve" a place in the play-offs of Indian Premier League after a convincing 34-run win over Sunrisers Hyderebad here on Monday.

"Very proud of the boys, two in two (making it to the play-offs twice in a row). The boys put their hands up and in challenging situations and we rightly deserve the playoff spot," Hardik said at the post-match presenta-

"There will be expectations and for me it was important to focus within the group. We ticked a lot of good boxes, we made a lot of errors but we were always there in the game and tried to stay consistent," he added.

Impressed with their effort, Hardik called himself a bowler's captain.

"Bowlers are very close



batters take a lot of credit, for me I will always be a bowler's captain and ensure they get due credit that they very much de-

serve," Hardik said. Recalling his IPL debut against SRH, man-of-thematch Gill said it has

come a full circle for him.
"My IPL debut was against SRH, now I've my IPL hundred against them. Quite pleased. It's come a full circle. Hopefully I'll get more hundreds this season,' Gill said.

"I'm not the kind of per son who dwells too much on my last innings. The focus is on what's needed at the moment. The most satisfying moment was to hit Abhishek (Sharma) for a six because he is my childhood friend."

Out of reckoning for a place in the play-offs, SRH skipper Aiden Markram said his team will play for pride in its remaining

'England the toughest place in the world to bat for top-three batters'

Brisbane, May 16 (PTI):

Australia opener Usman Khawaja believes England's pitches are the ultimate Test for top-three batters and the only way to train for the conditions there is to work really hard and have very low expectations. Khawaja has struggled in English conditions, averaging just 19.66 from six Tests, which is a below-average showing from him given that he has scored an amazing 1,608 runs at 69.91 in 16 Tests since he was recalled to the Test side in January last year.

The 36-year-old is expected to be in the thick of things during the World Test Championship final against India and the subsequent five-Test Ashes series



WTC final at The Oval in London from June 7, before the Ashes commence on June 16 in Birmingham. The Australians under skipper Pat Cummins will look to clinch

the UK since 2001. "England is, in my opinion, the toughest place in the world to bat for a top three batsman, plain and simple," Khawaja was quoted as saving by cricket.com.au here.

their maiden series triumph in

"New ball is tough work, but then you get some (weather) conditions, and it's a bit of luck involved in it. too: sometimes you get the other team out. then suddenly the clouds roll over... other times you're out

Prannoy achieves career-best world no. 7 ranking



New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

Star India shuttler HS Prannoy climbed up two spots to achieve a careerbest world number seven in men's singles in the latest BWF ranking issued on Tuesday. Commonwealth Games bronze medallists Treesa Jolly and Gayatri

two spots to become world no. 15 women's doubles pair in the latest list.

Prannoy has points to his kitty from 17 tournaments and remains the best placed Indian singles player, followed by double Olympic medallist PV Sindhu, who improved a spot to be at 11th position in

Stokes to return home after CSK's final league game

New Delhi, May 15 (PTI)

Struggling with fitness issues, England Test captain Ben Stokes is set to return home after Chennai Super Kings' final IPL league match to give himself enough time to prepare for next month's Ashes.

The 31-year-old, who was bought by CSK for Rs 16.25 crore during the IPL auction in December 2022, participated in just the first two matches for CSK, scoring 7 and 8 and conceded 18 runs in his only over with the ball.

With the Ashes series be-England and tween Australia beginning with the opening Test on June 16, Stokes will "will return to



group game against Delhi Capitals on Saturday afternoon", according to a report in ESPNcricinfo.

As part of their preparation, England are also set to play a Test against Ireland at Lord's on June 1 and Stokes, who has a long-running knee issue, had expressed his desire to "give myself enough time to get back and play that game'

Following the April 3 game, Stokes didn't play any match for CSK initially due to a toe injury. On April 22, CSK chief

said that Stokes has "suffered an injury setback and will be out for a week." The star all-rounder was

coach Stephen Fleming had

available for selection again last week but didn't feature in the playing XI for CSK. While CSK are sitting

pretty at the second spot in the IPL standings, Fleming said after their loss to Kolkata Knight Riders on Sunday that bowling remains "a bit of a challenge' at the moment for Stokes and he is there as "batting

'First target is India to be no.1 in Asia'

New Delhi. May 16 (PTI):

Barely two weeks into his new role as head coach of Indian men's hockey team, South African Craig Fulton is pretty clear about his goals -- to make the side number one in Asia and qualify for next year's Olympics in Paris.

Fulton, who witnessed the rise of Belgium hockey since 2018, wants India to first dominate Asian hockey and then gradually translating it into the world stage.

"What I have in my head is to be the no.1 team in Asia. Definitely, it is one of the goals which we want to achieve and be there consistently and then push because if we are sitting on world ranking 4 and 5, you need to consistently try to



reach the podium," Fulton said in his first media interaction, held virtually.

'When you have built enough experience and have a game plan which suits all the individuals then you can definitely push on to get into the finals and win them.

"The priority is to qualify for Paris Olympics through the Asian Games.

This is our no.1 priority. By using the FIH Pro League, the four-nation in Spain and then the Asian Champions Trophy we

want to really set us up to

previous stints as coach.

His rise to fame began

be strong and be in a position to qualify straightway," he added. Fulton has achieved exemplary success in his with a stint as Irish men's team head coach between 2014 to 2018 when the team qualified for the 2016 Rio Olympics. That was the Irish

team's first Olympic qualification in 100 years. The historic leat also won him the FIH Coach of the Year award in 2015.

Fulton also worked as assistant coach with the reigning Olympic champions Belgium en route to the gold medal in Tokyo. He was also part of the Belgian coaching staff during their 2018 World Cup win in Bhubaneswar.

The South African was candid about his assessment of the current Indian team, saying there is a gap between it and the top two or three teams in

Sunil Chettri from being a 'backbencher, prankster' to leading by example

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI)

Sunil Chettri was a 'backbencher and prankster' who made fun of senior players during the early days of his international career, but all that changed after he was made captain in 2011 as he realised that he needed to set examples for the team.

After the legendary Bhaichung Bhutia's retirement in the 2011 Asian Cup, then coach Bob Houghton elevated Chhetri to captaincy to lead a young side in the AFC Challenge Cup Qualifiers in Malaysia two months later.

"The day I was given the armband, it was in Malaysia by Bob Houghton, there was an instant pressure because of what I was -- a backbencher," Chhetri said on an episode of 'Let There Be Sports' streaming on Disney Plus Hotstar. "Myself, Steven (Dias) and (NP) Pradeep made fun of the senior players, that



was me. Everything was a prank and I was mischievous. "But when I wore the armband, for the initial threefour games I started sitting ahead," added the 38-year-old, whose last major tournament for India could be the Asian Cup 2024 in Doha. "That

have become captain now. It's not these things but doing the right stuff that you were doing before and being a little more thoughtful. It's not only you, it's the team now," he added.

Senior players like Renedy Singh Climax Lawrence and Mahesh Gawli played their last India matches in the latter part of 2011. Chhetri made his international debut for India in 2005 in a friendly match against Pakistan in Quetta. He scored on his debut in a 1-1 draw. Sukhwinder Singh was the Indian team coach then. Chhetri said he changed his approach to the game after taking charge as captain as he needed to lead the team by example.

"Before there was this mindset that I am Sunil Chhetri -- my dribble my pass, my crossing, my goal. I would raise my hands and go home. Even if I received abuse, I would

Punjab Kings eye big win to keep play-off hopes alive against DC

Dharamsala, May 16 (PTI):

Punjab Kings will be eager to register a big win to keep their IPL play-off hopes alive against woodspooners Capitals, who will play for pride when the two teams here Wednesday.

It has been a rollercoaster ride for PBKS, with six losses and as many wins. They are placed at eighth spot with 12 points and are still in contention to make the qualifiers.

However, they need to improve their net run rate (NRR), which stands at -0.268. A 31-run win against the Capitals last week boosted their NRR and morale and the Shikhar Dhawan-led side will hope for an encore and then hope that other results go their way. Punjab will have



to put up a much improved effort with the bat. Against Delhi, opener Prabhsimran Singh waged a lone battle. Barring Dhawan, who has been their best batter, and to an Prabhsimran Singh, very few PBKS batters have contributed enough to their overall totals. Their bowlers also need to pull up their socks.

Boasting of a sound bowl-

ing attack with Nathan

Ellis, Sam Curran and Arshdeep Singh, PBKS have often failed to defend runs. On the other hand, Delhi Capitals have had a nightmare of a season and already knocked out of the play-off contention.

The batting unit has disappointed all season. Delhi's Indian batters, barring Axar Patel, have flattered to deceive, putting up a dismal show.

'MS Dhoni signing shirt was an emotional moment for me'

Mumbai, May 16 (PTI)

Batting legend Sunil Gavaskar reveals experiencing an "emotional moment" when he got MS Dhoni's autograph on his shirt after Chennai Super Kings' last league round match at the Chepauk against Kolkata Knight Riders in this IPL.

Gavaskar, who was on the field with the broadcast unit after the game on Sunday night, requested Dhoni to sign his shirt as CSK players were doing a lap of honour around the MA Chidambaram Stadium in Chennai.

"When I got to know about Chennai Super Kings and MS Dhoni are going to take a lap of honour at Chepauk, I decided to create a special memory. That's why I ran towards MSD to take his autograph. It was his last home game at Chepauk," Gavaskar was quoted as saying on Star



Sports. "So, I went to Mahi and requested him to sign an autograph on the shirt that I was wearing. It was so nice of him to acknowledge it. It was a very emotional moment for me because this fellow has made immense contributions to Indian cricket," he said in a release.

"Of course, he will get a chance to play here if CSK qualifies for the playoffs. But I decided to make that moment special. I was fortunate enough that someone in the camera unit had a marker pen. So, I am thankful to that person as well," said Gavaskar, also a former India captain.

Lara admits to not getting to grips with hectic IPL season

Ahmedabad, May 16 (PTI):

Legendary West Indian Brian Lara has conceded that he was not able to come to "grips" with the rigours and emotions of the tournament in his first as Sunrisers Hyderabad head coach as the franchise once again made an early exit from the IPL.

Defending champions Gujarat Titans became the first team to make the playoffs following heir their 34-run win over Sunrisers Hyderabad here on Monday. The result also knocked out the Laracoached side who still have two more matches left.

"First of all, it's my first year (as head coach of an IPL side)...," Lara said in the post-match media interaction.

Lara indicated under-



standing the nitty-gritty in his first year of being the chief coach of a T20 side was difficult.

After an unsuccessful 2022 where they finished eighth, SRH parted ways with their most successful coach Tom Moody who had guided them to the playoffs five times and win the IPL 2016.

Formerly a strategic ad-

"Not getting to grips with the emotions of going

viser and batting coach,

this was the West Indian

great's first assignment as

a head coach of a T20

through an IPL season, especially when we were back to travelling to different venues and finding out different surfaces," the 54year-old said.

'Slight delay in onset of monsoon over Kerala'

Arrival likely on Jun 4

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

A slight delay is expected in the onset of the southwest monsoon over Kerala and it is likely to arrive by June 4, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) said on

Tuesday. Scientists, however, said the slight delay is unlikely to impact agriculture and total rainfall over the

country. The southwest monsoon normally sets in over Kerala on June 1, with a standard deviation of about 7 days.

"This year, the southwest monsoon onset over Kerala is likely to be slightly delayed. The monsoon onset over Kerala is likely to be on June 4 with a model error of 4 days,'



the Met office said in a

statement.

The monsoon arrived in the southern state on May 29 last year, June 3 in 2021, June 1 in 2020, June 8 in

2019 and May 29 in 2018. The advance of the southwest monsoon over the Indian mainland is marked by the onset over Kerala and is an important indicator characterising the transition from the

hot and dry season to the

rainy season. The IMD said its forecasts for the monsoon onset over Kerala have proved to be correct during the last 18 years except

in 2015. The predicted monsoon onset is within the standard deviation of 7 days. It is unlikely to impact agriculture and overall rainfall over the country IMD

chief M Mohapatra told

"There is no one-to-one relationship between the onset date and the total rainfall over the country during the season. Also, the monsoon arriving early or in late in Kerala doesn't mean it will cover other parts of the country accordingly. The monsoon characterised largescale variabilities and global, regional and

M Rajeevan, former secretary of the Union Ministry Earth Sciences, said it is unlikely that the delay is due to Cyclone Mocha. "Had the cyclone occured around May 20-May 25, it would have really affected the monsoon. The cyclone is already over.'

local features," he said.

"It could be due to insufficient heating over the Indian subcontinent.

ALL-WOMEN BUS SERVICE



Women bus driver and conductor at the flag-off ceremony of India's first all-women intercity bus from Kashmere Gate ISBT, in New Delhi, Tuesday.

WHO advises against use of sugar substitutes

For weight loss

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

World Health Organization (WHO) has advised against the use of non-sugar sweeteners to control body weight or reduce the risk of non-communicable diseases. The recommendation

is based on the findings of a review of the available evidence which suggests that use of non-sugar sweeteners (NSS) does not provide any longterm benefit in reducing body fat in adults or children. The findings also suggest that there may be potential undesirable impact from long-term use of NSS, such as an increased risk of type 2 diabetes, cardiovascular diseases, and mortality in adults, the WHO said.

"Replacing free sugars with NSS does not help with weight control in

need to consider other ways to reduce free sugars intake, such as consuming food with naturally occurring sugars, like fruit, or unsweetened food and beverages," said Francesco Branca, WHO Director for Nutrition and Food Safety.

"NSS are not essential dietary factors and have no nutritional value. People should reduce the sweetness of the diet altogether, starting early in life, to improve their health," Branca said in a statement.

The recommendation applies to all people except individuals with preexisting diabetes and includes all synthetic and naturally occurring or modified non-nutritive sweeteners that are not classified as sugars.

These sweeteners are found in manufactured foods and beverages, or sold on their own to be

the long term. People added to foods and beverages by consumers. Common NSS include acesulfame K, aspartame, advantame, cyclamates, neotame, saccharin, su-

cralose, stevia and stevia

derivatives.

The guideline does not apply to personal care and hygiene products containing NSS, such as toothpaste, skin cream, and medications, or to low-calorie sugars and sugar alcohols (polyols), which are sugars or sugar derivatives containing calories and are therefore not considered NSS, according to the

The WHO guideline on NSS is part of a suite of existing and forthcoming guidelines on healthy diets that aim to establish lifelong healthy eating habits, improve dietary quality and decrease the risk of non-communicable diseases (NCDs)

FLAGSHIP GOVT SCHEME AP CM hands over financial aid

To 1.2 lakh fishermen **families**

Nizampatnam (AP), May 16 (PTI):

The Andhra Pradesh government on Tuesday disbursed Rs 124 crore into the bank accounts of 1.2 lakh fishermen families under the 'YSR Matsyakara Bharosa' scheme as financial assistance during the breeding season between April 15 and June 14 when they refrain from venturing to sea. Every year during the marine fishing ban period, the coastal state restricts fishermen from going into the Bay of Bengal to fish for enabling the fishes to breed, lay eggs and multiply.

"We have started 'YSR Matsyakara Bharosa' with the noble idea of avoiding any trouble to fishermen who cannot go in to the sea during the ban period. For the families of my fishermen brothers who reposed their faith on the sea," Chief Minister Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy said at a public meeting Nizampatnam town of Bapatla district after the latest instalment of the government scheme was distributed to the benefici-

Besides the aid of Rs 10,000 per family under the programme that is into its fifth year now, the Chief Minister also formally credited Rs 108 crore into the bank accounts of over 23,000 fishermen from Konaseema district who lost their livelihood due to pipeline works taken up by public sector unit ONGC. Till now, the govern-

ment has deposited a total of Rs 538 crore under the Matsyakara Bharosa' scheme to the families in five years.

'Farmers should be given financial aid before crop seasons'

To prevent suicides

Aurangabad, May 16 (PTI):

The Aurangabad divisional commissioner has suggested that in order to farmers stop Marathwada from committing suicide, they should be provided a financial assistance of Rs 10,000 per acre before the commencement every crop season.

This conclusion has been made after the revenue department reached out out nearly five lakh families of farmers in the region as part of a survey conducted in December last year, Divisional Commissioner Kendrekar told reporters on Tuesday. The Marathwada re-

gion, which comprises Aurangabad, Beed,



Hingoli, Jalna, Latur, Nanded, Osmanabad and Parbhani districts, reported 1,023 farmer suicides in 2022. As many as 10,431 farmers committed suicide in this region since 2001, as per figures provided by the divisional commissioner's office.

Marathwada.

Kendrekar said the ad-"To find such suicide ministration studied the socio-economic condition of farmers and their families in the eight districts of

"The survey was conducted to find the families where farmers were vulnerable to taking the extreme step due to various conditions. The farmer Marathwada is more (compared to other parts of Maharashtra," he said. "Less crop yield, no

good returns on crops, climatic conditions, problems due to wild animals and costly farming inputs were some of the main reasons for farmer suicides in the region. We called four such families and had discussions with them," the official said.

He said the families get aid after they lose their member to suicide.

vulnerable farmer families, we decided to reach out to the cultivators through a survey comprising 104 questions.

SC pulls up Chandrasekhar for seeking extension of time

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

The Supreme Court on Tuesday rapped alleged con-Sukesh Chandrasekhar for filing a plea seeking extension of time to meet and consult his lawyers in the Mandoli jail here. A bench of Justices Ajay Rastogi and Bela M Trivedi said visitation is already being provided to Chandrasekhar as per prison rules. "You give the name of the lawyers, we will ask the jail authorities to allow your lawyers stay in the jail. What kind of statement you are making in this court? Do you want a privilege in jail? the bench remarked. The counsel ap-

 To meet lawyers in jail
 pearing for Chandrasekhar submitted that 28 cases are pending against his client in six cities and more than 10 lawyers have been engaged. According to jail rules, only 30 minutes twice a week is being given to meet lawyers, which is not sufficient, his lawyer said, adding his client's right is being contravened. The apex court then said in its order, "It is not is dispute that visitation is provided to the petitioner in compliance of jail rules. What is being prayed for is extraordinary relief which is not permissible." A prisoner is allowed two interviews (meetings) every week with his relations or friends for half-an-hour duration, according to jail rules.

STRAWBERRY HARVESTING

A women plucks strawberries during the harvesting of season's first fruit crop, in a

field on the outskirts of Srinagar, Tuesday.

Basmati-rich farmlands in Jammu adopt ripper technology

To get rid of stubble burning menace

Chakrohi border (R S Pura), May 16 (PTI): India's basmati-rich agriculture fields in Jammu and Kashmir's R S Pura border belt have adopted a new technology, wherein modified rippers are used to get rid of the menace of stubble burning.

The department of agriculture (DoA) has introduced modified rippers to cut stubble and convert it into fodder. Ripper is an agricultural tool that is used to loosen or aerate the soil. "The use of rippers will not only end farm fire and pollution but also

create fodder for cattle, Manager, Multiplication Seed Farm Chakrohi, Rakesh Khanjuria told PTI.

Khajuria said that use of new technology not only prevents pollution, farm fires and destruction of minerals in soil and insects, but creates fodder for cattle of the region and employment for the local youth. Officials said that introduction of rippers to create fodder instead of pollution should be introduced not only in the entire J&K but also in Punjab and Haryana. "Delhi, Haryana and Punjab, where such incidents are increasingly taking place, should adopt

this (ripper technology of stable chopping). It should be used in the entire J&K. This will control pollution and will give fillip to mushroom and dairy enterprises," he said. Farmers and harvesters are working against time to reap 13 varieties of wheat sowed on 850 acres in fertile agriculture land on two sides of border fencing International Border in Jammu and Kashmir's Chakrohi that was off limits till a year ago, due to Pakistani shelling.

Seventy per cent of harvesting has been done. The crops were sown after India and Pakistan agreed

HC takes up PIL seeking ban on children

Kochi, May 16 (PTI):

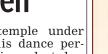
A public interest litigation (PIL) has been moved in the Kerala High Court seeking to prevent participation of children in the 'Thee Chamundi Theyyam' a ritualistic dance in north Malabar region of the state — alleging that they are thrown on to embers 101 times as part of the performance tradition.

A bench of Justices Anil K Narendran and Kauser Edappagath on Tuesday asked the petitioner NGO to implead the Malabar Devaswom Board and the trustees

of the temple under which this dance performance is conducted.



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BRIEF



in a meeting with former Maharashtra governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari, in Mumbai, Tuesday.

Threat call

New Delhi: An unidentified man made a threatening call on the landline number of Union minister Nitin Gadkari's official residence on Motilal Nehru road here, police said on Tuesday. The call was received by a staff of Gadkari's office Monday night. The caller did not share his details and demanded to speak to the minister and threaten him, a senior police officer said.

Public viewing

■ New Delhi: Rashtrapati Bhavan will be open for public viewing for six days in a week from June 1, an official statement issued on Tuesday said. The tour of Rashtrapati Bhavan will be available from Tuesday to Sunday (except on gazetted holidays) in seven time slots, between 9.30 am and 4.30 pm hours, it said.

Collision

■ Fatehpur: Nine people were killed after an autorickshaw they were travelling collided with a milk tanker in Jehanabad area here on Tuesday, police said. Eleven people from Ghatampur in Kanpur were coming to Jehanabad in an auto rickshaw when a speeding tanker hit it near Chilli turn this afternoon, they said.

Fire

■ Noida: A fire broke out inside the intensive care unit (ICU) of a multistorey private hospital building in Greater Noida on Tuesday, prompting the rescue of five persons from the facility, officials said. No person suffered injuries in the incident and the fire was completely doused within an hour, Chief Fire Officer (CFO) Pradeep Kumar Choubev said.

Trial

Mumbai: The trial of the semi-high speed Vande Bhagat Express train on the Mumbai-Goa route began on Tuesday, officials said. A Vande Bharat rake, capable of running at the top speed of 180 kmph, departed from platform number 7 of CSMT in Mumbai at 5:30 AM and reached Madgaon station in Goa at 12.50 PM.

Explosion

■ Kolkata: An explosion at an illegal firecracker unit located in Egra in Purba Medinipur district of Bengal, killed three people and injured four others on Tuesday, police said. The impact of the explosion "was so tremendous" that the factory, which was being run from a residential building, collapsed, a police officer said.



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RACE FOR K'TAKA CM POST

'Decision in a day or two'

Hyderabad, May 16 (PTI):

A decision on the appointment of the Chief Minister of Karnataka will be known in a day or two, AICC spokesperson Pawan Khera said on Tuesday.

Khera told reporters here that the views of the newly-elected MLAs have been elicited and the central leadership is seized of the matter. Noting that the post of Leader of Opposition is equally important in every state, he sought to know when the BJP will appoint the LoP in Karnataka. "Appointing a Chief Minister is not an easy thing. It cannot be imposed from Delhi... Everybody's view has to be taken into consideration. We have to engage with every stakeholder and then decide who the chief minister will be," he said.

'The process is on. The observers have already gone there. Met the MLAs. The MLAs have given their opinions. Now, the opinions have gone, all the



Pawan Khera

record has gone to the central leadership. So, in a day or two you will know the answer," Khera said.

On government formation, the Congress leader said the BJP took seven days in Uttar Pradesh, one month in Maharashtra to put in place a cabinet and nine days in Assam.

Khera was replying to a question on when a decision on the next CM of Karnataka would be announced by the party.

Asked if there would be any alliance with ruling BRS in Telangana for the 2024 Parliament elections. he said Telangana is one of the states where the Congress would take on the regional parties "head on" and defeat them.

Kharge may announce next CM today

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Congress president Mallikariun Kharge is expected to announce the name of the next Karnataka chief minister on Wednesday in Bengaluru, news agency ANI reported quoting people familiar with the development. The report came after Kharge met former Karnataka CM Siddaramaiah and state unit chief DK Shivakumar separately at his residence in New Delhi and discussed the modalities of government formation in the southern state. Kharge will take the final decision after consulting UPA chairperson Sonia Gandhi and former party president Rahul Gandhi.

'My mother is my party, no question of resigning'

Karnataka Congress chief D K Shivakumar, who is one of the top contenders for the state chief minister's post, on Tuesday said the party is his mother and there was no question of his resigning from the organisation. Soon after reaching Delhi, Shivakumar went straight to his brother D K Suresh's office and residence at Kaveri Apartments. He also had his lunch there.

D K Shivakumar The Karnataka Congress chief later told reporters that he has come to Delhi to meet senior party leaders and party chief Kharge

Siddaramaiah, Shivakumar meet Kharge

Karnataka Congress leaders Siddaramaiah and D K Shivakumar on Tuesday met party president Mallikarjun Kharge at his residence here senarately and discussed the modalities of government formation in the southern state. Shivakumar, who arrived in the national capital this morning from Bengaluru, reached Kharge's residence a little after 5 pm and held deliberations over the post of chief minister of Karnataka. He left after a 30-minute meeting and did not speak to the media. Soon after Shivakumar left. Siddaramaiah arrived at Kharge's residence at 10, Rajaji Marg after 6 pm, and the two leaders held discussions on the top post.

Adani helps airlift Indian climber

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

Billionaire Gautam Adani arranged for an air ambulance to help transfer mountaineer Anurag Maloo, who was rescued after falling into a deep crevasse in Nepal's Mount Annapurna last month, from Kathmandu to the AIIMS in New Delhi. Mountaineer's brother Aashish Maloo on Tuesday took to Twitter to express gratitude for the timely action by Adani to airlift the injured.



LATERAL ENTRY

Centre to recruit private sector experts in key posts

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

The Centre has decided to recruit private sector specialists as joint secretaries, directors and deputy secretaries on contract basis in its different departments, an official said on Tuesday.

The Department of Personnel & Training (DoPT) has asked the Union Public Service Commission to recruit such specialists through "lateral entry" mode in 12 government departments/ministries, he said.

Lateral entry refers to appointment of private sector specialists in government departments. Usually the post of joint secretaries, directors and deputy secretaries are manned by officers of all-India and Group A services, among others.

The proposed recruitment will be done for the Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare under

Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Civil Aviation, Department of Chemicals Petrochemicals under

Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers, Ministry of Corporate Department of Food & Public Distribution in Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution and the Ministry

Two Hizb men arrested 33 years after Mirwaiz's killing

Srinagar, May 16 (PTI):

The Jammu and Kashmir Police arrested two people who were involved in the killing of Mirwaiz Mohammad Farooq, 33 years after the then chief priest of the Valley fell to the bullets of Hizbul Mujahideen assassins, a senior police officer said here on Tuesday.

Special DG CID Jammu and Kashmir R R Swain said the State Investigation Agency (SIA) arrested Javed Bhat and Zahoor Bhat who had managed to escape along with two others after the killing of Mirwaiz Farooq at his residence on May 21, 1990. Officials, how-



ever, did not divulge other details such as when and from where the accused were arrested.

Ayoub Dar, also an accused, was already arrested and sentenced to life imprisonment by a court.

'The four accused were absconding. Main accused Abdullah Bangaroo was killed in an encounter while another accused. Ab Rehman Shigan, was also killed in an encounter during the investigation. Javed Bhat alias Azmat

Khan and Zahoor Bhat alias Bilal managed to escape. It was Zahoor who had pulled the trigger after entering bedroom of the Mirwaiz," Swain told reporters here. He said the absconders have been arrested by "the long arms of the law after more than 30 years. They will face a trial now".

'With this all accused of Mirwaiz killing have been brought to justice," he added. Swain said the duo, who was arrested on the basis of intelligence developed by the SIA, have been handed over to the CBI.

'Changes in recruitment system ended corruption, nepotism'

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

Prime Minister Narendra Modi asserted on Tuesday that changes brought by his government in the recruitment system have ended the possibility of corruption and nepotism as he gave away appointment letters to over 71,000 people at a 'Rozgar Mela'.

From applying for government jobs to the announcement of results, the entire process has been made online, he said while elaborating on employment opportunities and infrastructure development ushered in by the



appointment letters to new recruits, in New Delhi, Tuesday.

BJP dispensation at the Centre in the last nine years. The prime minister underscored the importance of today's date as nine years ago on this date

-- May 16 -- Lok Sabha Elections results were announced. "The journey which started with the spirit of 'Sabka Saath,

Sabka Vikas' is working for a 'Viksit Bharat' (developed India)," he said, adding that today is also

Sikkim's statehood day.

He referred to his recent meetings with CEOs of leading global companies, including Walmart, Apple, Foxconn and Cisco, to assert that there is "unprece-

'Rozgar Melas' The Congress on Tuesday

Cong slams PM over

attacked Prime Minister Narendra Modi over the alleged lack of employment opportunities and accused him of "destroying" governance by "personalising" it and taking it to "new lows" through his "Rozgar Melas". The Opposition party also claimed that the job-seeking youth in this country know it is the prime minister who has "destroyed" lakhs and lakhs of jobs.

dented positivity" about industry and investment

in the country **CRUELTY TOWARDS ANIMAL**

ESPIONAGE CHARGES

CBI books freelance journo A number of sensitive

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

The CBI has registered an FIR against a freelance journalist for allegedly collecting sensitive information related to the Defence Research Development Organisation (DRDO) and the army, and sharing them with intelligence agencies of foreign countries, officials said.

Following the FIR, the agency conducted searches on premises linked to Vivek Raghuvanshi and people close to him at 12 locations in Jaipur and National Capital Region (NCR), the officials

documents was recovered during the searches and sent for legal scrutiny, they said. Sources said the agency

has launched an exhaustive probe to find about Raghuvanshi's accomplices in India and abroad.

He was allegedly collecting sensitive information and minute details about the progress of various DRDO projects, the CBI alleged. He was also collecting details of future procurement plans of Indian armed forces which could have adversely affected the country's strategic preparedness, the agency

HOT SUMMER DAY



afternoon, in Nagpur, Tuesday.

Young women use scarves to protect themselves from the heat during a hot summer

Dog dragged for over 1 km behind bike

Video goes viral

Malappuram, May 16 (PTI):

In an incident of animal cruelty, a man dragged a dog for over a kilometer, tying it behind his motorbike near Edakkara in the district. Visuals of the incident have gone viral and were also aired on TV channels where the man's brutal behaviour is being questioned by a bystander even as the canine lies, apparently lifeless, on the road a couple of feet behind the twowheeler. As the bystander berates the man, he is heard

trying to justify his conduct by saying that he found the dog dead on the road and as he did not want to touch it he had tied it behind his two-wheeler. The bystander, who shot the video of the incident, refuses to accept his claim and is heard saying that what he was doing was not right and if it was dead, the dog should have been buried somewhere instead of being dragged on the road.As some others are also seen arriving there, the man picks up the dog and puts it on top of his twowheeler's petrol tank and

CHH'GARH LIQUOR SCAM

Don't create atmosphere of fear, SC to ED ter)". The officers, the gov-

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

Don't create an "atmosphere of fear", the Supreme Court Tuesday told the **Enforcement Directorate** (ED) after the Chhattisgarh government alleged the probe agency is "running amok" and is trying to implicate Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel in a money laundering case linked to the alleged Rs 2,000 crore liquor scam in the state.

The state government alleged before a bench of Justices S K Kaul and A Amanullah that several state excise department officials have complained the ED is threatening them and their family members with arrest and is "trying to implicate the CM (chief minis-

ernment claimed, have said they will not work in the department. "The ED is running amok. They are threatening excise officers," senior advocate Kapil Sibal, appearing for Chhattisgarh, told the bench. "It is shocking state of af-

fairs. Now elections are coming and that is why it is happening," he told the bench. Solicitor Additional

General S V Raju, appearing for ED, countered the allegations and said the agency is probing a scam in the state. "Even a bonafide cause becomes suspect when you

behave like this," the bench

observed, adding, "Don't

create an atmosphere of

fear". Last Chhattisgarh became the first state to move the apex court challenging the constitutional validity of certain provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) alleging that central investigating agencies are being misused to "intimidate, harass and disturb" the normal functioning of the non-BJP state government.

The Bhupesh Baghel-led Congress government has filed an original suit through advocate Sumeer Sodhi challenging the law under Article 131 of the Constitution which empowers a state to move the Supreme Court directly in matters of dispute with the Centre or any other state.

DENGUE VACCINE **Phase-3 trial by**

ICMR from Aug-Sept

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

The phase-3 trial of a dengue vaccine developed by Panacea Biotech in collaboration with the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) is likely to begin in August or September, a senior official said on Tuesday. Also, the phase 1/2 paediatric trials are underway for another dengue vaccine for which apex health research body ICMR has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Serum Institute of India (SII). Dr Nivedita Gupta, who heads the ICMR's Division of Epidemiology and Communicable Diseases (ECD), said Panacea Biotech has already completed the phase 1/2 trials in India on healthy

adults and the safety of the

vaccine has been established.

New Parl building getting final touches ■ No official word yet

on inauguration

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

Final touches are being given to the new parliament building and it is likely to be ready by the end of this month, sources said on Tuesday.

According to them, cleaning of civil structures has begun and there is no word from the government yet on the inauguration of the new building. Construction of the new parliament building began two years ago.

parliament building will be ready before the end of this month. However, The new building is part there is no official date yet of the redevelopment of for its inauguration,' the Central Vista, the nasources said. There is tion's power corridor. speculation that the new Revamping the three-km parliament building is likely to be inaugurated road from the Rashtrapati



constructing a common central secretariat, a new office and residence of the prime minister, and a new vice-president enclave are also part of the project being executed by the Cental Public Works Department. "The new

Opening likely this month to mark 9 years of Modi Govt

India's Parliament building is likely to be inaugurated later this month by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, sources have said. Sources say the new building of Parliament, which is in its final stages, will be inaugurated by the Prime Minister in the last week of May, to mark nine years of his government.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi around May 30 when the BJP government will be completing its nine years.

Four arrested for stealing hydraulic jacks from flyover construction site

Police have arrested four ruffians including a juvenile on charges of stealing hydraulic jacks from the construction site of a flyover at Dabrapara. The accused had stolen four nos high capacity hydraulic jacks, which were fixed beneath the slabs of the flyover. The accused had not just stolen the hydraulic jacks but had even put the under-construction structure at risk. The arrested accused are Dushyant Thakur (19), Rahul Sahu (19), Mohan Nirmalkar (30) and a juvenile, all residents of Dabrapara. Four nos hydraulic jacks and iron plates were recovered from them.

While addressing media



delayed the construction work by about four months. Further, the theft of hydraulic jacks could have caused damage to the under-construction structure and had caused threat to the lives of people engaged in construction

He informed that police

stalled beneath the bridge to give support to the A joint team of Old

Bhilai Police Station and ACCU led by Inspector Manish Sharma and Inspector Santosh Mishra swung into action and interrogated the locals and suspects. Meanwhile, the team came to know about four youths, whose activities were suspicious.

All the four suspects including Dushyant Thakur, Rahul Sahu, Mohan Nirmalkar and a juvenile were taken into custody. During sustained interrogation, they confessed to stealing the hydraulic jacks from the construction site. The stolen items have been recovered from them. Police have booked them under section 379 of

Revenue officers asked to resolve the cases within time limit

Additional Collector Padmini Bhoi Sahu reviewed the works of the officials of the Revenue Department in the Collectorate on Tuesday In the review meeting, she sought information about all the undisputed cases related to land transfer, partition, demarcation, revenue collection, map, diversion etc and gave instructions to resolve them within the stipulated time frame. SDMs and Tehsildars of all development blocks were present in the meeting. She inquired about the pending cases in the High Court and the Rajiv Landless Gandhi Agricultural Laborers Justice Scheme. She asked to resolve the cases

related to demarcation received in Jandarshan within the time limit. Revenue officers were instructed to physically verify all the pending cases and dispose of them in priority order and moni-

On the demand of social organizations, the vacant land outside the city was identified on a large scale and instructions were given to give the munity heads. She instructed to resolve the cases of aabadi land allotment and tree felling at the earliest. Along with this, Deputy Electoral Officer Yogita Dewangan asked the officers to physically verify the polling booths and upload photos in view of the upcoming assembly elections. Along with this, the officers were asked to verify the

allot land to all the com-

arrangement marked Instructions were given to prepare a list of polling station buildings and send them to the PWD, so that repair work could be completed within the time limit. She inquired about the arrangement of ramp for disabled voters in the polling stations, so that they do not face any inconvenience in reaching the polling station.

Villagers approach Jandarshan with complaint of weak mobile network



Bhilai, May 16: A large number of applications were received in the Jandarshan organized in Collectorate.

Continuous efforts are being made by the officials of the district administration to resolve the issues at the earliest. A resident of

Khudmuda, village Amleshwar in Patan block filed an application seeking installation of a mobile tower in Nagar Palika Parishad Amleshwar. He said that there is a problem of weak mobile signals in the area. Mobile tower is installed in the area but the strength and area coverage is very weak. Locals are facing problems related to the internet and call drops. The applicant further stated that due to the weak moblie network, the residents have to move to other places for making mobile calls and accessing the internet. Students who are preparing for exams are also facing difficulties to watch videos of online classes. He added that the residents are not getting significant information due to lack of internet services. His application was forwarded to the concerned authority for resolution of the problem.

A denizen submitted an application regarding the water problem in Junwani Ward No 1. The applicant said that the drinking water supply in the ward is not proper. In Junwani, a major water crisis has arisen due to the breakdown of the hand pump in the scorching heat. He said that the villagers have to depend mainly on the six hand pumps located in the area for drinking water and other works. All the hand pumps are out of order, he said. Complaints have been made for this in the past as well, but no proper action has been taken. Employees are sent by the Corporation for repairing work, but due to lack of resources, even the repairing work is not completed. In view of the seri-

■ 141 applications received in Jandarshan

of the flyover construction

site in Dabrapara in Old

He complained that on

the intervening night of

May 14, a large number of

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(each of 250 tonne capaci-

Bhilai.

ousness of the matter, the concerned officer was instructed to take immediate

An old lady of Bhilai sought justice after being harassed by her son. She said that her son was making efforts to deprive her of her residential house. Her son often locks the house. Due to old age and weak economic conditions, she has no other option. The old lady requested that she should be given his residential house. The application was sent to SDM Durg for legal action.

A resident of Nandini Nagar Ahiwara made a complaint against encroachment on her house. She said that her husband is mentally retarded and the responsibility of the whole family is on her. The applicant said that her residence is built under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojna, but the way of door and window has been closed due to encroachment by the neighbour. Due to this encroachment, the applicant's family is facing difficulties in commuting. The application was forwarded to CMO Ahiwara for legal action. A total of 141 applications were received in Collector

Denizens to face power cut during water supply timings



Bhilai, May 16:

Many people use tullu pumps to fetch water in different areas of the city. Due to the illegal use of tullu pumps to fetch more water from the pipelines, water is not reaching to the last end. People would not be able to use tullu pumps if the power supply is cut during the water supply timings. This will also ensure water supply till the last end.

It needs to be mentioned here that the BMC had been appealing to the people for the last several weeks to stop using Tullu pumps. As tem, the electricity sup the people did not respond in a positive manner, the BMC has sent a letter to the Electricity Department to ensure power cut for an hour

during the water supply timings. The Electricity Department has given its consent for a power cut in Bhilai Corporation area for one hour in the morning. Electricity supply will remain affected in Bhilai Corporation area from 06:30 hrs to 07:30 hrs from May 17.

It needs to be mentioned here that at the time of water supply, water is drawn by most of the people with Tullu pumps from the distribution pipeline. This reduces water pressure in the pipelines and water does not reach to the end. Considering the probply will remain affected in Bhilai Corporation area from 6:30 am to 7:30 am from May 17 to ensure uniform water supply to every house.

'Fight the Bite' successful, not a single dengue case detected

Bhilai, May 16:

the National Dengue Day, rallies were taken out in all the zones of Bhilai Municipal Corporation. Under a special public awareness campaign, people were detailed about mosquito eradication and dengue control and efforts were made to connect people with this campaign.

On the instructions of Collector Pushpendra Kumar Meena, Fight the Bite campaign is being run in the BMC limits. The civic body adopted special activities under mosquito eradication in Bhilai and was successful to great extent. Not a single case of dengue has been found in the last 3 months.

Giving information in this regard, District Malaria Officer CBS Banjare said that due to awareness and mosquito eradication activities, there have been no cases of malaria and filariasis apart from dengue. Under Fight the Bite, a special campaign was launched and people were involved in it. Various colonies Bhilai participated enthusiastically.

The winning colony has also been awarded citations and adjudged as first, second and third prize winners. On the in-



eradication and dengue control. This team, under the leadership of Senior Sanitary Inspector KK Singh, has been carrying out dengue control and prevention activities in Bhilai Corporation area for the last one year. Survey of 7260 houses has been done by the special team from the month of March to May under mosquito eradication, 16554 coolers, tanks, containers etc have been checked. Under public

awareness, efforts are

being made to connect

the year for mosquito

people with the mosquito eradication campaign through pamphlets and interactions.

To prevent dengue. malaria and filariasis, mosquito nets should be used while sleeping, water should not be allowed to accumulate in vessels. Temifas should be used to kill mosquito

If symptoms of Vector Borne Disease appear, one should immediately get examined in the nearest hospital. The surrounding areas should be kept clean and water log ging should not be allowed.

Keeping all these things in mind, citizens can actively participate in the mosquito eradication campaign.

BSP employees of Instrumentation & Automation zone felicitated

With Pali and Karm Shiromani Awards



May Employees Instrumentation and Automation zone of SAIL-Bhilai Steel Plant were awarded with the 'Pali Shiromani' and 'Karm Shiromani' Awards for displaying commendable work performance, in an Award Ceremony held on May 16, 2023. Sant Kumar Keshkar, GM(Instrumentation) was the chief guest of the Award Ceremony. R Srinivas, Sr Mgr

(Instrumentation) was the 'Pali Shiromani Award' for his exemplary performance during the quarter January to March 2023. The 'Karm Shiromani Award' winners included Satanand Sharma for the month of February 2023 and Sohail Hussain Niaz (Instrumentation) for the month of March 2023.

were the Managers Instrumentation Zone, B Madhu Pillai, GK Kund, AM Danny, Rajneesh Jain, M Joy Joseph and MP Singh, GM (INCAS). Mementoes Certificates were presented to the awardees, along Letter

workplace.

The programme was conducted by KL Soni from the Personnel Office, Power and Electricity Department, whereas Santosh Kathare proposed

Present in the program General

Appreciation to their respective Spouses. During the programme, the awardees were appreciated for their achievements and contributions at the

the Vote of Thanks.

Responsibility Department (CSR) of SAIL-Bhilai Steel Plant has always been a step ahead in discharging its social responsibility as a part of the organization's commitment to society. Women Empowerment is one of the prime areas BSP's CSR Department contributes actively. In collaboration with the Chhattisgarh Handicrafts Development the Board Department runs several skill development projects under the Kaushal Vikas Yojna, especially for the women in the adjoining rural areas of the Plant.

The Corporate Social

In the year 2022-23 total 9 training camps have been organized so far by the department, with 4 training camps still in progress. A total of 243 have benefited from these training sessions. Around 25 women can get trained in each camp, selected on the basis of prior application. This training is provided for three months, during each trainee woman also receives a monthly honorarium of Rs 3000.

The CSR Department of weaving. The raw materi-



inaugurated a Handloom Training in collaboration with Rajhara Mahila Bunkar Samiti Kumudkatta

Kopedera villages of Mahamaya Mines, for financially empowering the women of the area. Five Handloom Machines were also inaugurated at Village Kopedera. Under this initiative, 43 village women underwent month-long training in handloom weaving. After completion of the training the Loom Machines will be installed at the homes of respective trainees, to ensure lifelong livelihood from handloom als and weaving equipment used in the training were supplied by the Chhattisgarh Handicraft Development Board. Several training camps

in various other vocational skills have also been initiated by the department, such as Godna Tattoo Art Training in village Nandauri, Dry flower Training in Khamhariya, Shishal Jute Training in Maroda Basti, Kasidakari Embroidery Training in Raipur Naka. Bamboo craft training has been conducted in Dulki village of Dulki Mines area and at present the Chhattisgarh Handicrafts Development

Board is conducting dry flower training in Borai, Jute craft in Pachpedi, and Godna Tattoo training is being provided Chatauna, Hiri Mines, along with Handloom training camps at villages Kumudkatta

Kopedera. Today the women engaged in these training are becoming financially selfreliant by becoming capable of making various do-mestic and decorative items useful in the Household. The training is supervised by Shivrajan Nair GM (CSR), Sushil Kamde, Sr Mgr (CSR), Rajni Rajak, Development

Assistant (CSR), Ashutosh Soni Assistant (CSR) and other members of the CSR The objective of the

camps being organized by the Corporate Social Responsibility Department of SAIL-Bhilai Steel Plant, in collaboration with the Chhattisgarh Handicrafts Development Board, is to empower and economically strengthen the women of rural areas so that they also can financially support their families, and thereby contribute to nation's development. Most of the women trainees belong to the Forest areas

and are Below the Poverty Line category. Today they are becoming self-reliant and generating employment for themselves by making various useful goods. These products made by

the women receiving training under BSP's CSR initiative include tray made of bamboo, Mirror Frame, Brush holder, Cup Stand, flower vase, bamboo chair and round tea table, multipurpose items of daily rural life such as Tukni, Chariha, Supa, Parri-Parra, Jhaapi, Jhouhan, etc. The women are also capable of embroidery, Making beautiful designs with Zardozi, Gotapatti, Mirror, Phulkari, Chikankari, Katha-Stitch etc.

They can also make shishal Jute bags, showcases, tortoises, Lord Krishna, hand purses, fancy sandals etc. The Gudna tattoo art practiced by the trainee women by embossing tattoo designs on colourful clothes is a popular art form in villages. Making different types of bouquets using waste, leaves, branches and easily available materials at home is a part of dry flower craft training.

Discussions held on pre-poll strategy, **BJP, ED's action: Singh Deo**

Kumari Selja takes three-hour long marathon meeting at CM's residence

Meeting was scheduled earlier; PCC state in-charge to come more frequently now

Raipur, May 16: A highlevel meeting was held at CM's official residence on sudden arrival of PCC state in-Charge Kumari Selja here on Tuesday. In this three-hour long meeting, the Health Minister TS Singh Deo informed that it was mainly in context of the elections and it was decided as to what should be the course of action for the VS polls 2023. In the coming 2-3 weeks, by June 15, party workers' convention will be held by



June 15 and in this the block, zone and centrallevel office bearers will be

Speaking to media persons at his official residence, Cabinet Minister TS Singh Deo informed that in the second phase of election works, the Minister in-charge will have to take meeting in the district of which he is incharge once every month. In what all time left now, it was decided to compile and complete the same and what is pending, efforts be made to complete and do

more and more. In the coming days, Singh Deo informed that PCC state incharge Selja will be coming more frequently. Health Minister informed that the procedure of the meeting is the same which used to take place five years back. This time meeting was finalised by Ravindra Choubey, but since he was not well, he

could not come to CM's

house. This meeting was al-

ready fixed and Kumari

Selja has called that she will

be arriving here on May 16.

and the election strategy cannot be made public.

Discussions held about ED action as well

About change in organizational leadership, Singh Deo informed that not a single word on this was dis-

About annoyance by few leaders, Singh Deo said that when they left for lunch with CM Baghel, at that Minister Home Tamradhwaj Sahu came out, as he has to go out for some other programme.

We have seen what has happened in Karnataka polls and after that in Chhattisgarh saw that in CSC (NAN) scam a foreign account was formed. At that time no action was taken by ED and on the other hand BJP also took a stay from the Court. Dharamlal Kaushik hindered the investigations.

Health Minister TS Singh Deo said that CM, PCC Chief and senior party leaders would got to all the districts and meet the people. With hardly four months left for the code of conduct to be implemented, it is likely by October first or second week that it will be enforced and this time also Congress is definitely going to repeat and would touch the figure of 75 seats . The morale of the Congress party workers is high after K'taka polls, he added.

have no moral right to hold talks on corruption. Discussions were held in the meeting about misutilization of ED and that pressure is being created and those taken into remand are being forced to sign and speak against the present government and are being openly harassed.

TRAFFIC CHAOS



The traffic at the heart of city at Jaistambh Chowk is at its peak during morning office and evening returning hours and it often leads to congestion most of the time.

Photo-picture exhibition on May 18th and 19th

awareness in this regard. In this

Raipur, May 16: In order to acquaint the people of Chhattisgarh with the ancient splendor of the state, the Department of Archeology and Archives is organizing a photo exhibition on May 18 and 19 in the art gallery of the Ghasidas Museum in Raipur. In this exhibition, rare pictures related to the archaeological subject will be displayed. These pictures are about 40 to 150 years old. It is worth mentioning that every year May 18 is celebrated as International Museum Day by the International Council of Museums with the aim of discussing various issues related to

series, the exhibition is being organised by the Department of Archeology and archives. On this occasion, Mr. Lokesh Kavadia and office bearers of International Jain Organization, Mahavir International Raipur will felicitate the officers and employees serving in the museum. Officials said that photographs of the tangible cultural heritage of Chhattisgarh, old and present, will be displayed in the photo-picture exhibition related to the archaeological splendor. In this J. D. Wegler (1873-74). A. H. Longhurst (1909-10), M.G. Dixit (1955), Donald

Master, M.A. Published photographs of ancient heritage by Dhaki and Krishnadev (1983) including photographs of the present building of the Mahant Ghasidas Memorial Museum Raipur in 1953 including major monuments from the 3rd century BC to the 15th century AD will be exhibited. On the occasion of the exhibition, an impromptu quiz competition will be organized in the museum on May 18 to increase the awareness of heritage among the school students visiting the museum. After visiting the museum, the children will be

Citizens be given timely benefits of public welfare schemes: Collector

Reviews progress of departmental schemes in the weekly TL meeting

Central Chronicle News

Raipur, May 16: Collector Dr Sarveshwar Narendra Bhure held a weekly timelimit meeting at the Red Cross meeting hall located in the Collectorate premises here today. He told the officers to work in coordination to ensure timely benefits to the citizens from the public welfare schemes of the government. All the district level officers should see to it that all the work is done in a better way, he said. He instructed to seriously perform tasks pertaining to agriculture, employment

All the ongoing construction works must be completed by June 15, he said. He said that apart

from necessary fodder and water, arrangements for electricity should be made in the Gauthans (cow-shelters) of the district. He warned against negligence in this work.

Keeping in mind the upcoming Kharif season, it was said to arrange required quantity of seeds and fertilizers. Before the rains, there should be mandatory drainage system in all those places of the district where problem said. Drains must be cleaned to solve problem of waterlogging, he said.

The Collector discussed schemes with concerned departmental officers. He directed to prepare ration cards for all the eligible beneficiaries in rural and urban areas. The Collector discussed with the officers the issues pertaining to applications, announcements and complaints received during 'Mukhya Mantro Bhent-Mulakat programme held in the district. He instructed the officials to fulfill the target given by the government for procurement of cow dung, production and sale of vermicompost. The meeting was attended by Municipal Commissioner Mayank Chaturvedi, District Panchayat Chief Executive Officer Akash Chhikara, Additional Collectors BB Panchbhai, Gajendra Thakur and BC

Sahu and all SDMs and de-

Based upon the decisions taken in its (BJP) working

committee

Are only making imginary and fake allegations

Raipur, May Expressing comments on the decisions taken in the BJP's working committee meeting, the PCC Chief Mohan Markam charged that the BJP without any issues is unable to understand how to go among the general public. The decisions taken in their working committee meeting are sufficient to disclose that BJP has fallen victim of mental bankruptcy. PCC Chief claimed that Congress government in last four and halt years of its governance has worked for all sections of the society. Contrary to this BJP is



hardly left with any major issue in their hand through which they can gherao the Congress government in

the state, he alleged. PCC Chief Mohan Markam coming down on 'Ch'garh Bachao Sankalp' of BJP said that the people of the state save Chhattisgarh from 15- yrs rule full of commission claims, corruption and anarchy, anti-tribal, anti-ST, SC, OBC Raman government from the power. Today Chhattisgarh has become strong and economiadding that the people are now waiting to save the nation from BJP for LS 2024. Head of State Congress

BJP hardly left with strong issue: Markam

Mohan Markam said that BJP in its term used to pay Rs 2500 per standard sack of tendupatta and then who would believe in them if they lament charges against the Congress government paying Rs 4000 per standard sack to the labourers Tendupatta. BJP closed down the LIC insurance for Tendupatta collectors and to which the Congress government re-started covering them under 'Shaheed Mahendra Karma Tendupatta Sharamik Bima Yojana'. During Raman govt's rule, the tendupatta labourers were fooled and cheated in the name of 'charan paduka' and they (BJP) used to purchase 'charan paduka' and

other materials from their

amount and claim commis-

sion in it. The BJPians eat-

ing up the grants in the name of 'Gaushalas' is now protesting against the 'Gouthans'. Markam charged that BJP now wants to play politics in Chhattisgarh through imaginary and fictitious issues and on which they would never succeed.

PCC Chief Mohan Markam said that when BJP would go to villages, then it is the people of 'Gouthans' and 'chaupal' who will show mirror to BJP. The people are anxiously waiting to give befitting reply to the party and its leaders who cheated the farmers in the name of bonus and MSP on paddy for 15 yrs. Markam claimed that the BJP party chief who went to Godhi along with his party workers were asked to leave the village by the villagers and it is the people who made the BJP's 'Kholbo Pol' campaign a flop on the first day

Admission in colleges will start from June 15 Collector felicitates 14 students Fifty more seats for MBBS admission in Pt JNMMC

Applications to be will have to be completed by July 31

Raipur, May 16: After the declaration of class 12th results, preparations for the admission process have been started in the colleges as well. For this, information is being sought from the colleges. According to the government guidelines, the admission process will start from June 15 in the colleges affiliated to Pandit Ravi Shankar Shukla University. Online applications will be invited from this day itself. Students will have to apply online by visiting the website of the university. The process of admission in colleges will be completed by July 31. Students will be given admission in colleges on the



basis of merit. It is notable that every year about one lakh students take admission in the admission session under Pandit Ravi Shankar Shukla University. This year the number of students taking admission on the basis of 12th marks may increase. The admission process has started for 40 seats in the Center for Basic Science (CBS) of Pandit Ravi Shankar Shukla Vishwavidyalaya, Raipur. For this, online applications have been invited till May 31. Candidates will be appear in the entrance test on June 20th. It has 20-

20 seats for the Faculty of Scholarship up to five thousand will be given to the students during education. It is notable that about 400 applications come every year for admission to 40 seats. In this case, admission is given on basis of merit. Applications are being invited by the Chhattisgarh Professional Testing Board for the entrance examination in Nursing course. The examination for B.Sc Nursing, M.Sc Nursing and Post Basic Nursing will be held on June 24. The online application for the exam has started from May 13. The last date to fill the form is May 28. It is notable that in the previous year examination centers were made in five districts. This time, due to having examination centers in all the districts, students will not have to come

with special needs

For passing 12th, 10th exams with first division

Raipur, May 16: Collector Dr Sarveshwar Bhure today felicitated the children with special needs, studying in various child care institutions, for scoring first division marks in 10th and 12th examina-

tions. Under the Juvenile Justice (Care Protection of Children) Act 2021 and Rules 2022, 10 students studying in various schools falling under the category of need for care and protection reside in child care institutions operated under Mission Vatsalva, subordinate to the Department of Women and Child Development.

The children of 10th and 12th have secured first di-

Class 10th and 12th stu-

dents with needs for care and protection who studied in child care institutions run under 'Mission Vatsalya' obtained first division in their respective examinations. Mission Vatsalya is run under Woman and Child Development Department under Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act 2021 and Rules 2022. By felicitating these children Collector Dr Bhure extended greetings and best wishes to them. In class 12th examination, 04 girls and 01 boy passed with first division. Similarly, in class 10th, 07 girls and 02 boys passed with first division.



Raipur, May 16: The number of seats for admission in MBBS course in Pt Jawahar Lal Nehru Memorial Medical College (Pt JNMMC), Raipur has been increased by 50. Accordingly, the number of admissions in undergraduate medical education has been increased from 150 to 200 from academic session

To this end Letter of Permission (LOP) has been received from the National Medical Commission. The institution had submitted application to NMC for increase in seats. Accordingly the NMC inspection conducted inspection of the fac-



and other medical teaching requirements in the college. After observing fulfillment of the prescribed criteria of 200 seats by the college the NMC granted permission for increasing the number of seats. Apart from these 200 seats, there will be 30 additional seats for students belonging to Economically Weaker Section. A proposal has been sent to NMC for further increase of seats for EWS students to 50.

Pt JNMMC, Raipur started functioning with admission in 60 MBBS seats, sixty years ago in the year 1963. In 1976 the number of seats was 100 which was increased to 150 in 2009. According to NMC Cell Chairman Dr Arvind Neral, the further increase in the number of seats by 50 will prove to be a boon for talented students of the state and it will help overcome shortage of doctors in the state. With 150 Post Graduate (MD/MS) Superspeciality (MCh) courses in 3 disciplines, Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru Medical College is considered best,

largest and oldest medical

education institution in

Chhattisgarh.

'Kashi: Through the Lens of Indian Films and Fiction' Kashi. In the final session, stu-

Raipur, May 16: Amity University Chhattisgarh organised a twoday training cum workshop on 'Scripting and Filmmaking: Depiction of Kashi in Indian Films and Fiction' on 15th-16th May at its university campus in Math. Kharora. The workshop aimed to provide students with comprehensive insights into the art of scriptwriting, filmmaking, and the historical significance of Kashi.

Renowned resource person Prof. (Dr.) Gautam Chatterjee, president of Abhinavagupta Academy and Former Professor **Banaras Hindu University shared** his vast knowledge and expertise in the field of filming and scriptwriting, enlightening students about script crafting techniques and the cultural importance of Kashi in Indian cinema



and literature. In his inaugural address, Prof. (Dr.) Piyush Kant Pandey, Vice Chancellor of **Amity University of Chhattisgarh** said, "For the holistic development of the students, it is essential to understand the root of Indian culture and heritage and Kashi being the oldest city of the world, this workshop will help the students to understand the spiritual essence of Indian cul-

ture." The workshop was divided

into 4 sessions. In the first session named 'Kashi: The Secret of the Sacred', Dr. Chatterjee shed light on the history and importance of Kashi.

The second session was on 'Cinematography and Costume Design in Cinemas'. On second day, the first session focussed on 'Scripting on Kashi' in which Dr. Gautam gave hands-on training to students on writing script and making screenplay on

dents were grouped, and each group presented their works and scripts that they have learnt in the third session. The best script and presentations were awarded in the valedictory session in the second day. During the workshop, students were given the opportunity to apply their learning by creating their own scripts, showcasing their talent and creativity. The event provided a platform for students to learn from an industry expert and gain practical experience in scriptwriting and storytelling. Prof. (Dr.) Indrani Singh Rai, Dean Faculty of Arts was the convener and Mr. Joydev Majumdar, Assistant Professor, Amity University Chhattisgarh was the co-ordinator of the workshop.

President of Chhattisgarh Chamber of Commerce and Industries Amar Parwani, General Secretary Ajay Bhasin, Treasurer Uttamchand Golcha, Working President Rajendra Jaggi, Vikram Singhdeo, Ram Mandhan, Manmohan Agarwal told informed

meeting with MP Sunil

Raipur, May 16: State

that under the leadership Chamber President Amar Parwani, Raipur's Chamber delegation met MP Sunil Soni and handed over a memorandum to make Swami Vivekananda Airport of Raipur an international Chamber State President Amar Parwani said that in



Soni, handed over the memorandum to make Swami Vivekananda Airport an international airport. He said that Chhattisgarh is an emerging developing state, which has achieved national and international success in a very short time. It has made its mark

at the level. Traders, indus-

trialists, students, professionals, and general public of the state have to depend on other cities for international air facility, as a result of which the pressure of air travel is increasing between in other major cities of the country. If the facility of International Airport is available in the airport located in Raipur,

then this pressure can be reduced between other cities. Parwani also informed that the Chhattisgarh will come on the world map after Raipur city gets the status of International Airport and tourism of the state will also get a boost. Member of Parliament Mr. Sunil Soni gave a positive assurance and said to take appropriate steps. Chamber State President Amar Parwani, Working President Vikram Singhdeo, Secretary Jitendra Golcha Jain, Rajendra Khatwani, Youth Chamber Vice President Vipul Patel, Secretary s Goldie Lunia and Jairaj Gurnani were prominently present on the occasion.

CENTRAL CHRONICLE, BILASPUR, WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2023 **'National Ramayan Festival' to be**

organized for the first time in Ch'garh

Ramayan competition to be held in Raigarh's Ram-Leela Ground from June 1-3

- **Artists from all over** the nation and the world will participate in the event
- Special program on themes centred on the **Aranyakand**

Raipur, May 16:

In accordance with the special initiative of Chief Minister Mr. Bhupesh Baghel and on the lines of National Tribal a three-day Festival is being organized in Raigarh from June 1 to June 3. Preparations are in full swing for this event organized by the Culture Foreign artists, along with artists from various states of the country, are being invited to the program. These artists from India and all over the world will pertion of Ramayan on the land of Chhattisgarh. Chhattisgarh shares a

profound bond with Lord Shri Ram. It is believed that Lord Ram passed through the forests of Dandakaranya, which include parts of forests in Chhattisgarh. Keeping this aspect in mind, special programs with themes centred on the Aranya Kand will be held during the festival. According to the information obtained from the officials of the Culture Department. artists of Manas Mandali coming from various states of the nation will perform in the Ramavan Festival from 2 pm to 6 pm, whereas artists of Manas Mandali arriving from foreign countries will perform from 8 pm to 10 pm in the event. Kelo Aarti and chanting Hanuman Chalisa will also be performed during the program, along with

The officers of the Culture Department said it is the first time that the department is organizing the National Ramavan Festival on a grand scale in Raigarh's Ram Leela Ground. The Manas Mandali groups participating in the event will be awarded. The first, second, and third prizes have been decided as Rs. 5 lakh, Rs. 3 lakh, and Rs. 2 lakh respectively. This will be a unique initiative on the national level by the state government to preserve the culture of the state.

It is noteworthy that the story of Ramayan has been written in many languages and performed in many countries. The Ram Leela Ground in Raigarh will now stage the beautiful presentation of Ramayan. There has been an unbroken tradition of Ram Leela in India. When the legend of Lord Ram is

festival, a large number of people will be able to benefit from the story of Ramayan. The presentation of the story of Lord Ram in the form of a festival will educate people about the ideals of Lord

The Ramcharitmanas

by Tulsidas Ji is quite pop-

ular and widespread in

Chhattisgarh. Through

the Ramayan Festival,

viewers will get a glimpse

of the ideals of Lord Ram from the various versions of the Ramayan, ranging Valmiki Bhavabhuti. The Ramayan extends from the Tamil Ramayan of Kamban to the Bangla Ramayan of Kritivas. Additionally, many forms of the story are prevalent in South-East Asian countries as The Ramayan Festival will provide viewbeautiful with glimpses of the character

and personality of Lord

Affected villagers urge for early start of Parsa Coal Block

Submit memo to CM Baghel and Health Minister TS Singh Deo

■ For the land acquired for **RSVUNL**

Raipur/ Surguja, May 16:

The residents of Gram Panchayat Hariharpur, Janardanpur, Fatepur, Tara and Ghatbarra in a memorandum submitted to the Panchayat and Health department TS Singh Deo and in the name of Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel in capital city informed that their land has been acquired for the Parsa Coal Block and have obtained the compensation as well and they all are members of the affected families of Rajasthan State Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Limited (RSVUNL) Parsa Coal Block coming under Udaipur and Premnagar Tehsil of Surguja and Surajpur district.

The affected villagers informed that at the time of rehabilitation and displacement, they have opted for employment in the Company. After obtaining the compensa-

tion of our land is now in the name of RSVUNL and now they do not have any rights on this land. In the last two years, neither we are able to take any crop on this land nor has got any employment in the Company and this is posing huge economic loss to all.

The affected villagers said that with start of Parsa Coal Block, there will be expansion of employment, education, health, infrastructure and drinking water facility in the region. It is norehabilitation and displacement of the land owners affected from Parsa Coal Block, there is provision for free of cost education, health facility and employment as well. For free of cost education, there is CBSE Board facility in English medium upto Class 10th and apart from this free of cost health facility and 24 hours ambulance facility

The affected villagers in the memorandum clarified that some of the outside NGOs for their

too has been provided.

ing the actual truth and are trying to spread negand rumours through social media among the local people here, so that the project gets delayed. Whereas the affected villagers said that they want Parsa Coal Block to be started soon, so that development of the region can The villagers anticipat

ed that if the Coal Block does not start, then at one place where they have lost their land, on the other would not even get employment, education and health facilitiesa and it would deteriorate their family's economic condition and it posses threat to their livelihood as well, putting the future of their families in dark.

Therefore the villagers have urged the MLA Surguja and Minister Of Panchayat TS Singh Deo to take initiatives for early start of Parsa Coal Block, so that they can get employment, health, education and other facil-

Patwaris on indefinite strike for eight point demands



Raipur, May 16: Revenue related works weree carried out in the entire state including Raipur from Monday, as the Revenue Patwari Sangh has gone on an indefinite strike for eight point demands. During this, more than 4000 Patwaris from across the state will go on pen down strike. During this, all Patwaris will protest at Tehsil level and subdivisional level. Salary hike, promotion on the basis of seniority, resources and allowance, stationery al-

Parliamentary Secretary

Vikas Upadhyay and

Chhattisgarh Yoga

Commission Gyanesh

Sharma inaugurated

Raipur, May 16: The 35th

free regular yoga practice

center was inaugurated on

Sunday at Veer Shivaji

Ward, Shivaji Garden,

Khamtarai, Raipur under

the regular yoga practice

program in the Corporation area of Yoga

Commission. The program

concluded under the chief

Parliamentary Secretary

Vikas Upadhyay and

Chairman of Chhattisgarh

Yoga Commission Gyanesh

Jagdalpur, May 16:

Police arrested four vi-

cious thieves, who car-

ried out the theft inci-

dent in four big shops of

the city late on Sunday

night in Thana Kotwali

area of ??the district.

Among the arrested

thieves, Rashid, Mo.

Sukhdev Singh are all

Pradesh. Police arrested

thieves

hours of the incident.

and

Uttar

Salman,

Mohammad

residents of

hospitality

Chairman of

■ Revenue related works will be affected

cluded in their main demands. Due to this, revenue related work will badly effected in the entire state including Raipur. Revenue Patwari Sangh has been demonstrating continuously for the last few months. Earlier, on April 24, a oneday symbolic strike was organized by the Patwari Sangh. After which a warning was given to go on an indefinite strike from May 15. In such a situation, due

to not getting any positive response on the demands, the Patwaris have gone on Chhattisgarh Revenue Patwari Union Provincial President Bhagwat Kashyap said that even in 2020, while giving a positive response to the demands, the government had assured to fulfill the demands, but till now the demands have not been fulfilled. We had also made a symbolic demonstration regarding this, yet the demands are not being considered. Now we will be on

It is our responsibility to provide basic facilities to public: Lakhma

Raipur. May 16: State Industries Minister Kawasi Lakhma performed Bhumi Pujan of BT renewal work at a cost of Rs. 47.45 lakh in Rajendra Nagar ward of Municipal Jagdalpur Corporation.

Minister Kawasi Lakhma said that sufficient funds are being made available by the government for development of Jagdalpur city. Many works have been approved for allround development in the city, he added.

The government has taken care of all sections. Under the leadership of Minister Chief Bhupesh Baghel, the vision 'Garhbo Jagdalpur' is being realized. The city has so far re-



pees. The government is fulfilling what it had promised to the public. It is our responsibility to provide basic facilities to the people of the city, which we are discharging honestly.

this occasion, Parliamentary Secretary Rekhchand Jain, Mayor Mrs. Safira Sahu, Corporation President Mrs. Kavita Sahu, MIC members and ward corporators, departmental officers and dig-

Consul General of France pays a courtesy visit to the CM

Raipur. May 16:

The Consul General of France in Mumbai, Mr. Jean-Marc Sere-Charlet, paid a courtesy visit to the Chief Minister Mr. Bhupesh Baghel at his residential office today. The Chief Minister presented the Consul General with products Chhattisgarh "Rajkiya Gamchha", and a memento of

Chhattisgarh's state animal, the Buffalo, made of bell metal. The Secretary Mr. Amitabh Jain was also present



35th free regular yoga practice centers started

In Khamtarai Raipur



Sharma. Free regular yoga practice will be conducted daily from 06 to 7.30 am by Yoga instructor Mrs. Jageshwari Sen in Shivaji Garden. In the program, 85elderly year-old local woman Dhela Dai and

other elderly women were felicitated for practicing regularly. Yoga Commission Chairman Mr. Gyanesh Sharma and Parliamentary Secretary Mr. Vikas Upadhyay ap-

yoga in their daily life for a healthy lifestyle. During this, a large number of residents including local ward corporator Mrs. Godavari Gajju Sahu, Alderman Mr. Ravi Rao and Yoga Sadhaks

Awareness rally taken out on National Dengue Day Jagdalpur, May 16:

On the occasion of National Dengue Day, an ganized in Jagdalpur for the prevention of dengue. Collector Vijay Dayaram flagged off the rally at Danteshwari temple prem-

The rally, led by the collector, reached back to the Danteshwari temple premises via Guru Nanak Chowk, Sanjay Bazar, Panama Chowk, Hata Ground, Gol Bazar Chowk, Sirhasar Chowk. Collector Vijay said on the occasion that the best way to prevent dengue is not to allow the larvae of mosquitoes that spread it to flourish. If dengue larvae do not flourish, then no one will be a victim of this disease. He said that after incessant rains for several



days, the sun is now shining, which is favorable for the spread of other pests including dengue. He said that through this rally people are being motivated to throw away stagnant

Larvae of dengue mosquitoes thrive easily in coolers, pots and tyres, so it is necessary to throw them from time to time.

He also appealed to the people to maintain cleanliness at home and office. He said that fever, vom-

iting, diarrhoea, headache, pain behind the eyes, body pain, pain in joints and muscles, lethargy, fatigue, nausea, etc. are symptoms of dengue and should get such symptoms checked immediately. If your acquaintances

then advise them to get the tests done immediately. Municipal Corporation President Savita Sahu also addressed on the od casion and appreciated this awareness rally organized to stop the spread of dengue. On this occasion, District Panchayat CEO Prakash Sarve, Additional Collector Haresh Mandavi, Joint Collector Aastha Rajput, Sub-Divisional Magistrate Nandkumar Choubey, Chief Medical and Health Officer Dr. RK Chaturvedi, officials of various departments, employees of Health Department, Mitanin, Members of various social organizations includvolunteers of ing Yuvodaya, Red Cross, Dalpat Bachao Abhiyan

Four theft accused nabbed

For stealing from 4 shops breaking shutters



from Dhamtari district of was received on Monday Chhattisgarh within 24 morning, the top officials of Bastar police reached It is notable that on late the spot and inspected Sunday night, four vithe four shops and the cious thieves targeted surrounding areas along with their team. After four shops located in the Laxmi Anna this, the police immedi-Bhandar, Aman Mobile, ately started investigat-





ing the matter and started searching for the absconding accused. Meanwhile, the police also took the help of technical evidence to trace the accused. During the course of investigation, the police identified the accused with the help of footage from surveillance cameras installed at the crime scene and in the city. During the investigation, the police captured the accused with the help of the footage of the surveillance cameras installed at the scene and in the city. As soon as the investigation was done, a police team arrested all the four vicious thieves Mohd. Rashid, Mohd. Salman, John Mohd. and Sukhdev Singh who had

executed the incident in Dhamtari district of Chhattisgarh. During interrogation, all the accused have accepted their crime.

ASP Nivedita Paul said that all the accused used to roam around in autos and do recce of shops in the city, and used to live

in autos only. Three valuable mobile phones along with cash of about Rs 12000 stolen by the thieves has also been recovered. The total estimated market value of the goods stolen is around Rs 2.60 lakh. Registering a case under Section 457, 380 in Police Station Kotwali, all the accused have been produced before the court

and sent to jail.

552 students selected in the first phase under RTE



Raipur, May 16:

Under the Right to Free and Compulsory Child Education Act (RTE), like every year, for the academic session year 2023-24, the process of applying online in the first phase for admission in private schools of the state has been completed. Director Public Education Mr. Sunil Kumar Jain took out the lottery of the first phase on Monday by pressing the button. In the first phase, lotteries of Sukma, Dantewada and Kondagaon districts of Bastar division were drawn, in which a

total of 552 students were selected. In the first phase of the lottery, 74 students of Dantewada district, 82 students of Narayanpur district and 396 students of Kondagaon district were selected. The lotteries of the remaining districts will be completed by the scheduled date of May 25. It is noteworthy that under RTE, for the year 2023-24, online applications were invited through the RTE portal in private schools operating in the state. A time-table was issued regarding the admission proceedings in private schools.

Online lottery for admission held in HGEEMS

Online lottery for admission in the prestigious Harihar Government Excellent English School Medium (HGEEMS) today. Principal Sandhya Tehsildar Sharma, Vasumitra Diwan, Municipal President Madhyani, Dhanraj Assistant Block Education Dhaneshwari Sahu, Councilor Ajay Ravi Councilor Representative Faguram Vijay Squirrel along with Devgan was taken out in the presence of school staff including parents. In which lottery was drawn for class first to twelfth. Institution Principal Sharma congratulated the selected students and asked them



to submit the documents. He also told that the students who have been selected can submit the documents for verification from 9 am to 12 noon from May 11 to 15. The entire process was coordinated lecturers Mahesh Kansari, Shivshankar Chauhan and Bhumika

Sahu. Srikansari told that the students who have been selected for the admission Class first have to take two passport photos, hard copy of online application, photocopy of birth certificate, photocopy of parents' Aadhar card, photocopy of student's

original residence certificate, survey list of parents of selected students under photocopy of Antyodaya card, selected students of SC, ST category will have to submit caste certificate signed by

Apart from this, the photocopy of the mark sheet of the previous class for the students from class 2 to 12 who studied in English medium, the original copy of the transfer certificate of the previous school has to be submitted. Only after whose verification the admission will be considered complete. If the information in the online application is not found correct in the verification, then the admission will be treated as

Round Table India builds 3-classroom blocks

At Govt Primary, Middle School, Basin, Durg

Bemetara, May 16:

Round Table India supports 'Freedom Through Education' by building a 3classroom block at Government Primary and Middle School, Basin, Durg, with support from Procter & Gamble.

While there are several Community Projects being implemented concurrently by Round Table India across the 'Freedom Country, Through Education' is the ongoing National Project whose primary aim is to provide physical infrastructure to schools aimed at supporting education of underprivileged children.

Round Table India is involved in building Class Rooms, Toilets and providing other amenities like Drinking water facility, Library, Science lab,

schools across the country that are catering to children from lesser privileged sections of the socie-

Since 1997 Round Table India has built over 7890 Classrooms in 3347 Projects impacting 8.67 million children across Rs 380 Crore and covered Area Built of almost 2.67 million sq ft.

Round Table India has built a new classroom block at Government Primary and Middle School, Basin, Durg through chapter 243 Bhilai Round Table on 14th May, 2023 with the help and support of Procter & Gamble.

The new school block consists of 3 classrooms and under the FREEDOM THROUGH EDUCATION initiative by Round Table India. This 3 classroom block would benefit 90 lesser privileged children every year in the nearby

BJP demands prohibition of illegal liquor



Kharora, May 16:

The BJP has largely demanded of prohibition of illegal liquor and a large number of BJP workers along with the state convener of BJP Nasha Mukti Abhiyan, and a large number of women also participated in the protest against illegal liquor being sold in village Kharora tehsil.

The protesters alleged that illegal liquor is

under the protection of Kharora police and in view of the demonstration; heavy police force was deployed at the police station. The party workers also alleged that under the patronage of the police station in-charge and Congress leaders, the illegal liquor business has flourished in the area, due to which the environment in the village is getting spoiled, while liquor is being sold indiscriminately in the

ing of the liquor sellers. Vedram Manhare, the

state convenor of BJP Nasa Mukti, who is leading the protest, accused the police station incharge and regional MLAs and Congress leaders of illegal activities in the are. The same was also alleged by Animesh Kashyap President of Raipur BJP Rural.Station in-charge Brijesh Kumar Tiwari said that the maximum action has been taken against illegal liquor in Kharora police station in the entire district, the allegations of BJP leaders agitating are wrong. On this occasion, Kharora Mandal President Narendra Singh Thakur, District President Tikeshwar Manhare, Convener of Bachao Beti Padhao, Anjay Shukla, President of Nagar Panchayat Kharora, Anil Soni, President of Kharora Mandal Yuva Morcha, Ayush Verma, besides a large number of rural women workers were

Two-day cricket competition organized in Udanti Sanctuary



Mainpur, May 16:

A two-day cricket competition was organized under the joint auspices of Forest and Climate Change Department and Wildlife Trust of India at village Bamhnijhola in Udanti Sanctuary of Udanti Sitanadi Tiger Reserve, to bring awareness to save wild animals. 16 cricket teams participated in this competition in which the final match was played hetween Amad Bamhanijhola, the first

and the second was Amad's team. Varun Jain, Deputy Director of Udanti Sitanadi Tiger Reserve and Dr. RP Mishra of WTI, New Delhi got introduced to the players and prizes were distributed by him. Addressing the organized program, Varun Jain, Deputy Director of Udanti Sitanadi Tiger Reserve, said that this sports competition has been organized to bring awareness in conservation and promotion of forests and wild animals,

tween the villagers and the forest department.

He appealed towards the conservation and promotion of forests and wildlife. Prominently present on this occasion, were Assistant Director Gopal Kashyap, Jagdish Pradas Darro, B.K Lakda, SDO Rajendra Sori, D.N.Soni, D.S.Sahu, Amarnish Thakur, B.L.Sori, C.B.Dhruv, BS Dewangan, Taram, Komal Pradas Bisen, Baikunth Singh Thakur, Ashok Thakur, Roshan Mandavi, cricket

Sit-in demonstration for justice of deceased farmer

Dongargarh, May 16:

Under the leadership of Lal Bahadur Nagar BJP Mandal, a Sit-in demonstration for justice of deceased farmer late Anand Kanwar was done, and the party demanded a compensation of 50 lakh to the family and also the pardon the loan of farmers coming the Medha under

Anand Kanwar, had

Patel Former President Preetpal Belchandan State Backward Class President Bharat Verma State BJP General Secretary Komal Singh Rajput District General Secretary Rayindra Vaishnav Kisan Morcha District President Virendra Sahu Former MLA Kheduram Sahu Vice President Girwar Sahu Lal Bahadur City BJP President Bodhiram Sahu Kisan Morcha



Apathy is services of Head Post Office



Mungeli, May 16:

Services of the Head Post Office of the region is under scrutiny here due to the poor services and lack of employees. From deposit schemes, speed post booking. Gangajal Yojana, many works are proving to be a headache for the common citizens due to the shortage of employees and their working at a snail's pace. The post office, operated in a rented building instead of a government building, is deprived

of many facilities. Here it may be known that in the past, there used to be two post offices in Mungeli since about 1975, but about 25 years ago the sub post office Daupara was closed.

Presently the main post office which once operated in the center of the city is currently operating in a rented building at the cor-Shikshak of apart from servers, work is being affected due to lack of staff. Server related service and because of this; people standing in queues have to face a lot of trouble. Similarly there is no ATM of the department anywhere in the city.

Apart from this, the supply of Ganga water, which is becoming increasingly popular among the common people, has also been stopped for a long time.

It may be known that the Ganga water of Haridwar and Gangotri was being made available at an economical rate by the Central Government through the post office, but due to the negligence and non-cooperative attitude of the officers, the residents of the area are not getting the benefit of both these schemes.

When attention was drawn to regional MP Arun Sao, he said that this is a very important scheme of the Central Government and it has to be implemented smoothly. Mr. Dewangan, in-charge of the head post office, told that the scheme of LED bulbs has been stopped and Ganga Water is not coming from above itself, due to which it is not available and a demand letter has been

Common citizens have opined and demanded to establish another subpost office in Karahi area, since Karahi is an independent Gram Panchayat, and it is attached to Mungeli and Collectorate, Superintendent of Police, District Court, Tehsil Office and others.

Railways to get uniform signages at stations

310 stations in SECR to get uniform signages



May Bilaspur, Signages at railway stations across India will be standardised on the basis of colour, font and the use of pictograms for the ease of passengers, Railways Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said on Monday as he released a booklet containing details of the

which is redeveloping 1,275 stations across India under the 'Amrit Bharat Stations Scheme', will seek to have uniform signages across stations to make it convenient for passengers.

The Indian Railways,

Railway Board Chairman and CEO Anil Kumar Lahoti and railway board members were present in the programme. GM Zonal Railways were also connected to this programme through video conferencing. SECR GM Alok Kumar also got connected through video conferencing.

"As you all know, under the leadership of the prime minister, the Indian Railways has been working tirelessly to enhance passenger experience at

Amrit Bharat Station Scheme

The terminals of three stations-Rani Kamlapati, Gandhinagar Capital and Sir M Visvesvaraya has been started as per Amrit Bharat Station Scheme. A total of 1275 stations from different locations has been selcted for this purpose. Work has been started in 88 stations and for 1187 stations tender and project work is in progress. In SECR, apart from redevelopment of Raipur, Bilaspur and Durg station, 46 other stations under SECR are to be developed in this

railway stations. It was felt to issue standard guidelines on signages at stations that will be consistent and adequate.

"Today, I am delighted to release the booklet on Standard Signages at Stations on Indian Railways. The Indian Railways will adopt modern, standard signages, which are 'divyang (differently-abled)' friendly,' Vaishnaw said.

The Railways network has the largest number of stations in the world. It is important that every passenger should have easy access to facilities by having standard signage, he said. The booklet on Standard

Indian Railways prioritises simple language, clear font, easy-to-see colours and intuitive pictograms. It is made keeping in mind the requirements of all passengers, including the elderly, women, children and 'divyangjan', etc, a ministry statement said.

It said the colours of signages, type and size of fonts have been standardised. The concept of grouping of signages has been introduced for faster wayfinding. New tertiary boards displaying station names with tricolour backgrounds have been in-

troduced. Emphasis has been laid on providing intuitive wayfinding and availabili-Signages at Stations on ty of signages on key deci-

sion-making points. While there is emphasis on standardisation of signages. the need for flexibility in case of stations with strong architectural vocabulary has also been recognised.

NAME CHANGE

It is informed to the general

public that my old name Fatema Mohammad Ali Bohari (FATEMA MOHAMMED ALI BOHARI) father Mohammad Ali changed his old name to new name FATEMA VANAK husband Mr. YUSUF VANAK Residence- Ward no. 24 Tayyabi Manzil, in front of G B Hospital, Juni Line Bilaspur (Chhattisgarh). Therefore, now in future in all government, semi-government and other documents, my name FATEMA

VANAK Husband Mr. YUSUF VANAK should be known and recognized swearer Fatema Vanak Husband Mr. Yusuf Vanak Opposite G B Hospital Juni Line Bilaspur (Chhattisgarh)

committed suicide in a fake loan case in village Medha Society. The protestors demanding jusorandum to tne Tehsildar after staging a sit-in protest on the main road of Murmunda village.

Former Madhusudan Yadav Spokesperson State Neelu Sharma District BJP President Ramesh

Sahu Chandrika Dadhsena Jaipal Sinha demanded justice to the deceased and his family.On this occasion BJP Yuva Morcha President Moolchand Lodhi District Kisan Morcha Vice President Vijender Singh Thakur Ajay Tiwari Virendra Soni Jitendra Sinha and many others were pres-

President Tameshwar

FORM A **PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT** (Under Regulation 6 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE CREDITORS OF ECOMAISTER BEADS INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED							
RELEVANT PARTICULARS							
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rporation of corporate debtor	02-04-2013	_					

Maharashtra - 440 010

Email ID: dharap65@rediffmail.com Add: 47 "Prasad", New Ramdaspeth, Maharashtra – 440 010

 Authority under which corporate debtor I. Corporate Identity No. / Limited Liability U26991CT2013PTC000776 Identification No. of corporate debtor Address of the registered office and B-3, Vrindavan Colony, Bhagwanpur Dhimrapur Bypass Road, RAIGARH - 496001

principal office (if any) of corporate Order pronounced on: 15-05-2023 respect of corporate debtor Estimated date of closure of insolvency

resolution process Name and registration number of the Prasad Kamalakar Dharac IBBI/IPA-001/IP-P00702/2017-18/11228

insolvency professional acting as interim resolution professional resolution professional, as registered

Address and e-mail to be used fo correspondence with the interim resolution professional

clause (b) of sub-section (6A) of section 21, ascertained by the interim resolution

identified to act as Authorised Representative of creditors in a class hree names for each class)

(b) Details of authorized representatives Physical Address: Plot No. 47, Prasad, New Ramdaspeth,

Nagpur - 440 010 Notice is hereby given that the National Company Law Tribunal has ordered the commencement of a corporate insolvency resolution process of the Ecomaister Bead

India Private Limited 15-05-2023. The creditors of Ecomaister Beads India Private Limited, are hereby called upon to submit their claims with proof on or before 29-05-2023 to the interim resolution

professional at the address mentioned against entry No. 10. The financial creditors shall submit their claims with proof by electronic means only. Al other creditors may submit the claims with proof in person, by post or by electronic

A financial creditor belonging to a class, as listed against the entry No. 12, shall indicate its choice of authorised representative from among the three insolvency professionals listed against entry No.13 to act as authorised representative of the class (Nil) in Form CA. ssion of false or misleading proofs of claim shall attract penalties.

Name and Signature of Interim Resolution Professional : Prasad Dharap

Date and Place :17-05-2023 at Nagpu

Nagarm, where problems have increased since the core banking



Union Minister **Shipping and Waterways** and AYUSH Sarbananda Sonowal distributes appointment letter to the candidates during Rozgar Mela, at ITA Mackhowa in Guwahati, Tuesday.

■ Balasore: local court here convicted a school teacher and sentenced him to 20 years of rigorous imprisonment for raping a minor girl. The special judge of POCSO court Balasore. Ranjan Kumar Sutar. also slapped a fine of Rs 5,000 on the convict, failing which he will undergo another two-year jail term.

Mishap

■ Kota: Two labourers died and three others fainted while cleaning a tank at an edible oil factory in Ranpur here, police said. The incident occurred on Monday evening when the five persons were cleaning a tank that stored dirty water discharged from the water filter plant of the oil factory, Ranpur Circle Officer (CO) Balvir Singh said.

Bribe

Nashik: The Anti-Corruption Bureau has caught a 57-yearold deputy registrar of cooperative societies in Maharashtra's Nashik district while allegedly taking a bribe of Rs 30 lakh from the director of an Agriculture Produce Market Committee (APMC), the ACB said on Tuesday.

Probe

Mumbai:

Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis on Tuesday ordered setting up of a Special Investigation Team (SIT) for a probe into the alleged attempt by a group of people from a different religion to force their way into the famous Trimbakeshwar temple in Nashik.

Watery grave

Seraikela: Two teenagers drowned in a check dam at Jhilingora in Seraikela-Kharswan district on Monday, police said. The deceased Shobhit Kumar (18) and Srijan Kumar (17) had gone to take a bath in the dam, he

Techie involved in I-T refund fraud arrested

Bengaluru, May 16 (PTI):

A techie who allegedly siphoned off amounts of money related to income tax refunds from the I-T Department into bank accounts "impersonating" those of original assessees has been arrested, police said on Monday.

The accused has been identified as Dilip Raje Gowda (32), allegedly a habitual offender against whom many cases have been registered in various parts of Karnataka, Maharashtra, Goa and Telangana.

The accused, a Bachelor of Engineering (BE) graduate, was involved in unauthorised accessing of sensitive information from government website portals serving the public. the Cyber Crime Division Criminal Investigation Department

"The arrested person exploited the vulnerabilities existing in the system and thereof siphoned off huge amounts of money related to I-T refunds from the Income Tax Department into the impersonating bank accounts of original assessees," the CID said in a statement.

According to the CID, it received a complaint regarding some unknown person gaining unauthorised access into the PAN account of a victim and accessing the Income Tax filing portal to alter their IT returns to get refunds.

The fraudster altered the bank account details to which the refund should be issued by the IT department, it added.

Fake and fabricated (Know Your Customer) documents were used to open the

of the victim, the CID said.

"In the present case investigated, the accused person was successful in manipulating the I-T returns and (getting) a refund to the tune of Rs 1,41,84,360 credited to the fraudster's bank account," the CID explained.

Subsequently, a criminal case was registered and taken up for investigation, which was supervised by Superintendent of Police (Economic offenses Division) M D Sharath. The team gathered in-

formation from various sources and identified the involvement of the accused person in six more cases in which he had already siphoned off Rs 3.6 crore, the CID said.

Based on the efforts made by the team and with technical support, the accused person was traced and arrested from bank account in the name Dharwad. He is currently

in police custody for further investigation and digital and traditional evidence related to the case have been seized from his possession, the CID said.

The accused is a native Hirisave, Hassan District but is currently residing in Dharwad city.

Investigation has revealed that the accused was involved in several vehicle loan frauds also where he had taken money from a non-banking finance company and cheated it. "The income tax authorities have been informed about the vulnerability in their systems and were requested to plug it. In the same way, 'Kaveri' online portal of the state government, which deals with property registration, was also misused by the accused person, and the same has been intimated to the concerned," the

Partition Museum housed in Delhi's Dara Shikoh Library to open

On May 18

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

A museum themed on the Partition, telling the story of the 1947 tragedy and representing the pain and trauma suffered by people on both sides of the border, is all set to open at the Mughal-era Dara Shikoh Library building here on May 18.

This will be the second such museum after the Partition Museum of Amritsar located in the historic Town Hall.

The opening will coincide with International Museum Day. The Art, Culture and Languages Department of the Delhi government shared tweets with descriptive posts about the upcoming museum. "As we approach the launch of the Partition Museum on May 18th, 2023,

Imphal, May 16 (PTI):

Fifteen-year-old Pushpa

Karam fears she will not

be able to perform well in

the class 10 examinations

next year. Her home in

Torbung Bangla area in

Churachandpur district of

Manipur has been gutted

in the recent ethnic vio-

Karam is taking shelter

in a relief camp in Kunbi

area of neighbouring

Bishnupur district along

with 42 other school-going

students and their fami-

lies. She has been forced to

miss her Mathematics and

English tuitions.

lence.

we are excited to share fascinating details about how this historic event shaped Delhi. Only 3 days to go!," it

The library building is ocated in Delhi's located Kashmere Gate area. The museum will tell the story of the 1947 tragedy through interactive media. On February 17, the then

Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia visited the museum site and inspected the progress of the project. The Deputy Chief

Minister's office had earlier said in a statement that the building of the historic library, built in 1637, was being converted into a 1947 Partition Museum by the Delhi government under the leadership of Chief Minister Arvind Keiriwal. "The second such museum in India, it will have seven galleries to explain the events leading up to the Partition.

MANIPUR VIOLENCE

School students stare at uncertain future

well in the class 10 board

examination next year,

which might affect my

dreams of enrolling in a

good school in Imphal,"

Karam is among around

4,000 school-going students

who have been affected by

the recent ethnic violence

in Manipur. Of these,

around 1,000 have been

rendered homeless in

Churachandpur and af-

fected areas of neighbour-

ing Bishnupur district,

while the remaining are

from Imphal East district

and Moreh town, officials

said. While the students

fear they might lose an ac-

ademic year as they will

Karam said.

rebuilding refugees, homes, art, relationships and will also have a gallery

of hope and courage," it The museum will also

feature a "virtual reality experience", donated belongings of people who witnessed the Partition, and a souvenir shop. The library will also serve as a cultural hub with exhibitions on different aspects of the city and its history.

Sisodia after his visit had said that historical buildings located across Delhi symbolise the country's evolution over a period of time, adding the city government has "prioritised restoration" of these landmarks to help current generations understand the country better.

There could not have been a better place than the Dara Shikoh Library to the Partition

not be able to return to

their schools in the affect-

ed areas, their parents' im-

mediate concern is to have

a permanent place to stay.

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documents were in my

house, which was burnt.

My father says we cannot

return to Churachandpur

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where I will go to school,'

15-year-old Anu Irom

Chanu, a student of Don

She is taking shelter

along with her family in a

Moirang in neighbouring

Churachandpur, said.

community hall

Bishnupur district.

School

Bosco

"My books, study mate-

Independence, migration, Museum, he had said. The museum would en-

deavour to depict the memories of the 1947 Partition as experienced by people, officials said. The period transformed

Delhi significantly and major parts of the national capital, including areas like Lajpat Nagar, C R Park and Punjabi Bagh, were established after Partition. The city's Art, Culture and Languages Department is sharing on Twitter tidbits about institutions that were originally located in Lahore and other cities and suffered the pangs of the Partition too, such as the Sir Ganga Ram Hospital and Dyal Singh College. It also shared how some of the food items were brought to Delhi by refugees, and markets set up for rehabilitating refugees such as Meherchand Market in Lodhi Road area.

PROTEST MARCH



Yuva Chhatra Adhikar Mancha activists and SSC-qualified candidates participate in a protest march demanding their immediate appointment in Kolkata, Tuesday.

SC TO J-K

Ensure treatment of jailed Dutch national in Delhi hospital

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

The Supreme Court on Monday directed the Jammu and Kashmir administration to transfer a Dutch national, who is lodged in a jail in Jammu and suffering from paranoid schizophrenia, to a specialised hospital in the national capital.

A bench comprising Justices

Ramasubramanian and Pankaj Mithal took note of the submissions of lawyer Rohan Garg, appearing for jailed Richard De Wit, and directed that the inmate be treated at a specialised medical centre in New

The top court said after the treatment, Wit be transferred back to Jammu jail to face the trial and his family be allowed to visit him during his stay in the hospital here.

The court disposed of the plea with these directions. The bench, on April 21, had sought the response of the Jammu and Kashmir administration on the plea seeking direction to the authorities for providing him proper medical treatment for his ailment, paranoid schizophrenia, at a specialised hospital. The petitioner, 53-year-old Richard De Wit, who was arrested in April 2013 in Srinagar in connection with a murder case and is currently lodged in Jammu district jail, has said in his plea that he has been in jail for nearly 10 years and his medical condition is deteriorating as no proper treatment for the disease is available in the prison.

The petitioner had sought his transfer from district jail, Jammu, to a specialised medical facility in New Delhi or to the Netherlands for proper treatment.

The petition had said since adequate medical treatment for the ailment is not available in J&K, the petitioner's fundamental right, the right to health, is being violated.

"Right to health is an inseparable part of the right to life and an inherent and inescapable part of a dignified life. It is a fundamental right under Article 21 of the Constitution of India," it had said.

The plea had urged the apex court to permit the petitioner to travel to the Netherlands for proper treatment at one of the two specialised centres there for treatment with an undertaking that he shall come back and face the trial upon being cured.

The petitioner had said

suspended against him in July 2021 owing to his medical condition.

"The trial has been suspended since July 3, 2021 but the petitioner continues to be deprived of adequate medical treatment. In fact, the direction by the trial court on July 3, 2021 to isolate the petitioner in the central jail for treatment may even worsen the petitioner's mental condition," it had said.

The plea said an unfortunate incident took place on a houseboat on Dal Lake in Srinagar in April 2013 when a British woman was found dead in her room.

The petitioner, who was also staying in a separate room on the same houseboat, was accused of being the offender and falsely implicated in the case, the plea had said. It had claimed the trial

court has been repeatedly informed by the medical board that adequate infrastructure is not present there to deal with the petitioner's case and that he be shifted to a specialised facility. The plea had said the petitioner has been a patient of paranoid schizophrenia since his early years when he was in the Netherlands and also un-

the court concerned had

derwent therapy there.

Man who worked as street light operator gets elected

As Nagar Panchyat chairman

Shahjahanpur (UP), May 16 (PTI):

From sleeping on streets hungry and attempting suicide, Mukhtar Ahmed Masoodi has come a long way to become the chairman of Meeranpur Katra Nagar Panchyat where he was earlier engaged as street light operator.

He was elected to the post as a Congress candidate in the Uttar Pradesh urban local body polls, the results of which were declared on May 13. Talking to

Masoodi, a resident of Pilibhit district, said that around 10 years ago, his wife left him and went back to her maternal home in Budaun. "I was heartbroken and

decided to come to Meeranpur Katra. I had no acquaintance here. I spent many nights on the pavement and ate whatever I could gather. Fed up, I decided to end my life," he said. According to Masoodi, he had laid on the railway tracks in Meeranpur Katra a few years ago to end his life. But as a train was ap-

proaching, some youths pulled him away from the tracks, foiling his suicide

attempt.

They took him to the residence

Shamiushshan Khan, then chairman Meeranpur Katra Nagar Panchayat, who upon hearing Masoodi's life story took a liking for him and offered him the job of switching on the streetlights and turning them off. In 2023, the Meeranpur Katra seat was reserved for backward classes making Khan ineligible to contest from the seat. "One day,

Masoodi told me that if I

want, he can contest the election for the post of chairman," Khan said.

When the results were out, Masoodi had won the election by 742 votes.

Khan said Masoodi's victory is the result of his dedication and hard work and hoped that he would serve the public in a better and more sensetive way as he has experienced poverty personally.

Avneesh Gangwar, the executive officer of Meeranpur Katra Nagar Panchayat said, "This is the beauty of democracy. Masoodi who was once an employee is now the ad-

NO-TOBACCO DAY

"I fear I won't perform



Bollywood playback singer Sunidhi Chauhan takes a selfie during a press conference on the occasion of World No-Tobacco Day, in Mumbai, Tuesday.

School in South Delhi evacuated after bomb threat school after receiving a

Nothing suspicious found

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

A school in South Delhi's Pushp Vihar received a bomb threat via e-mail on Tuesday morning following which a bomb disposal squad was rushed to the spot as panic-stricken parents flocked the school to get their children home, officials said.

According to a senior police officer, Amrita School was evacuated immediately after the threat was received and its buildings were checked but nothing suspicious was found. Choudhary, Chandan Deputy Commissioner of Police (South) said, "An email was received today



Secondary School, which received a bomb threat via e-mail, in South Delhi's Pushp Vihar, Tuesday.

(Tuesday) morning at 6.33 am at Amrita School, Saket, regarding a bomb threat. A thorough checking of the school has been through Bomb Disposal Team but nothing was found." A teacher of the school said all students were safely evacuated and

sent home with their par-

"I was conducting the morning assembly in class around 8 am when the teachers were informed to stop all activities and safely lead the students out of the school building," she said. Parents rushed to the message on the school WhatsApp group to receive their children as soon as possible. The parent of a UKG stu-

dent said that she received message on the WhatsApp group around 8.30 am. "We were not told about any bomb threat... It was only after reaching the school that I came to know about it. My child is safe. But the question is who is sending such emails? Fortunately, nothing was found but what is the guarantee that our children will be safe?" She said her elder daughter studies in The Indian School, also in South Delhi, which has received bomb threats at least twice. "It has been days since the threats, still

they don't know who was

Recently, there has been

a spurt of bomb threat incidents in Delhi schools.

On May 12, the Delhi Public School in Mathura Road received an email about a bomb being planted on the premises that later turned out to be a hoax. It was the second time in less than a month that the school had received such a bomb threat.

The school had on April 26 received another bomb threat over email, which also had turned out to be a hoax. The Indian School received two bomb threats and the latest was on April 12 via an email. A similar threat was also received by the same school over phone in November 2022, which too was later found to be a

BRIEF



South Korea Presidential Office, South Korean President Yoon Suk Yeol, right, shakes hands with Ukraine's first lady Olena Zelenska, at the presi-dential office, in Seoul, South Korea, Tuesday.

Flooding damage

■ Mogadishu: Floods caused by the annual rains have left "a trail of destruction" across Somalia, a United Nations spokesman said, citing inundated homes and farmland as well as the shutdown of health facilities.

"According to early estimates by our partners, more than 460,000 people have been impacted, including nearly 219,000 men, women and children who have been displaced due to this (flooding),' Stephane Dujarric said in a statement.

Fuel deforestation

■ Brussels: The 27 European Union countries have formally adopted new rules that should help the bloc reduce its contribution to global deforestation by regulating the trade in a series of goods. Under the legislation, companies trading palm oil, cattle, wood, coffee, cocoa, rubber and soy will need to verify that the goods they sell in the EU have not led to deforestation and forest degradation anywhere in the world since 2021.

Security protection

■ Dhaka: Bangladesh has withdrawn the "extra security escort" provided to top diplomats of India and three other countries, with foreign minister Dr AK Abdul Momen saying Dhaka will not provide this service with taxpayers' money. Policemen equipped with riot gear used to escort in their vans the envoys of India, the United States, the UK, and Saudi Arabia during their movements in the city and an intensified security vigil for them was enforced following the July 1, 2016, Islamist militant attack in a posh Dhaka restau-

Russia launches 'exceptional' air attack on Kyiv



Ukrainian Emergency firefighters put out fire caused by fragments of a Russian rocket after it was shot down by air defense system during the night Russian rocket attack in Kyiv, Ukraine, early hours Tuesday.

Kyiv, May 16 (AP)

Ukrainian air defences thwarted an intense Russian air attack on Kyiv early Tuesday, shooting down all 18 missiles aimed at the capital,

Loud explosions boomed over Kyiv as the nighttime attack combined Russian missiles launched from the air, sea and land in an apparent attempt to overwhelm Ukraine's air defences. No casualties were reported Western-supplied weapons helped fend off the assault.

The barrage came as European leaders sought new ways to punish Russia for the war and a Chinese envoy sought

traction for Beijing's peace proposal. Russia's latest attack

on Kviv was "exceptional in its density the maximum number of attacking missiles in the shortest period of time," said Serhii Popko, the head of the Kviv military administration. Valentyna Myronets, a 64-year-old Kyiv resident, said she felt "pain, fear, nervousness, restlessness" amid the assaults. "God, we are waiting for victory and when all this is over," she said. UK Ambassador Melinda Simmons tweeted that the barrage was "pretty intense." "Bangs and shaking walls are not an easy night," she wrote. It was the eighth time this month that Russian air raids had targeted the capital, a clear escalation after weeks of lull and ahead of a muchanticipated Ukrainian

Army vows to try spoilers' involved in recent attacks on military installations under stringent Act

Islamabad, May 16 (PTI)

The Pakistan Army's top brass has vowed to bring to justice the "spoilers" involved in the recent attacks on military installations, including the storming of its General Headquarters in Rawalpindi, through trials, including stringent the Pakistan Army Act and the Official Secret Act.

Former prime minister Imran Khan's arrest by the Rangers at the Islamabad High Court premises last Tuesday triggered unrest in Pakistan that continued till Friday and led to several deaths and dozens of military and state installations being destroyed by the pro-

For the first time in the country's history, Khan's supporters stormed the Army headquarters in Rawalpindi and torched the historic Corps Commander's House in Lahore in retaliation to his dramatic arrest. The Pakistan Army's move to include the tough Army Act and the Official Secrets Act

which Khan and his Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) supporters could be slapped with charges that can lead to either a death sentence or life imprisonment. A Special Corps Commanders Conference, chaired by Army chief General Asim Munir at the

Rawalpindi, also resolved that restraint will no longer be exercised against perpetrators who attack military installations, according to a statement issued by the Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR) — the media wing of the Pakistan Army on Monday.

Pak high court extends Imran Khan's bail in two cases until June 8

Islamabad, May 16 (PTI) A Pakistan high court on Tuesday extended bail of former prime minister Imran Khan in two cases pertaining to inciting violence and sedition until June 8.

A single bench of the Islamabad High Court (IHC) heard the pleas in cases pertaining to allegations against top officers of state institutions and the manhandling of Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) leader Mohsin Ranjha by Khan's supporters.

Chief Justice Aamer Faroog after hearing the arguments by the lawyers extended Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) chief's bail till June 8. The extension was given after the court also granted the former prime minister exemption from court appearance for the day.

Justice Farooq also inquired about the registration of a first information report related to Khan's arrest made from the court's premises. The attorney general responded that a Supreme Court verdict is pending in the case.

2 dead in shooting at Georgia motorcycle club event

Augusta, May 15 (AP)

Two people were killed and four were injured when more than 150 shots were fired in a gun fight between rival motorcycle clubs in a Georgia city, a sheriff said Monday.

The Richmond County Sheriff's Office charged 12 people with murder and aggravated assault in the gunfight in Augusta on Saturday night, including the four injured people, Sheriff Richard Roundtree said.

The violence erupted at a clubhouse of one of the motorcycle groups in a largely residential area,

the sheriff said. Deputies recovered more than 150 spent shell casings, he said, some of them found a block away.

"With the amount of firepower and carnage we saw at the scene, this could have been a much more horrific event," Roundtree said during a news conference Monday.

Investigators believe the gunfight stemmed from a prior confrontation between members of the two rival clubs in Florida, said Roundtree, who declined to provide details.

Of the 12 people arrested, he said, 11 came from out of town. He said those

arrested included members of both clubs.

"This was a coordinated attack by individuals who came from as far away as Florida," Roundtree said. "We're talking abut travelling three or four hours to come to Augusta, armed to engage in gun violence.

Richmond County Coroner Mark Bowen identified the dead as Keith Coates, 30, of Valdosta, Georgia, and Germayne Farrell, 51, of Daytona Beach, Florida. Three of those who

were injured were still being treated at a hospital Monday, the sheriff said.

Defense ministers from Japan, China inaugurate hotline to avoid clashes, build trust

Tokyo, May 16 (AP)

The Japanese and Chinese defense ministers inaugurated their longawaited hotline Tuesday as a step to build trust and improve communication at a time when Japan and other neighbours are concerned about Beijing's increasingly assertive military activities. Japan's Defence

Yasukazu Minister Hamada and his Chinese counterpart, Li Shangfu, talked for about 20 minutes through the hotline

for the first time since it was established on March 31, the Japanese Defence Ministry said.

The two ministers welcomed the start of the operational use of the hotline and affirmed the importance of "the maritime and aerial communication mechanism," which includes the hotline, in building trust between the two sides while avoiding contingencies Tokyo and Beijing are

embroiled in a dispute over tiny Japanese-controlled islands in the East

Senkaku in Japan and Diaoyu in China. China routinely sends

China Sea, known as the

coast guard vessels and planes into waters and airspace surrounding the islands to harass Japanese vessels and forcing Japan's military to scramble jets in response. China's naval fleet also

regularly circles around Japanese coasts, sometimes in joint military exercises with Russia, irking Tokyo. Japan is increasingly worried about the tensions around self-ruled Taiwan, which Beijing claims as its territory and has threatened to annex by force if necessary.

Hamada, noting the row over the islands and other disputes between Japan and China, said candid communication between them is necessary especially when their relations are not as good. Hamada and Li also en-

sured the hotline was working properly, and agreed to continue communication between their respective defense authori-

Fire at New Zealand hostel kills at least 6 people

Wellington, May 16 (AP)

A fire ripped through a hostel in New Zealand's capital overnight, killing at least six people and forcing others to flee the fourstory building in their pajamas in what a fire chief on Tuesday called his "worst nightmare".

Fifty-two people had made it out of the building but firefighters were still trying to account for others, Wellington fire chief Nick Pyatt said.

Loafers Lodge resident Tala Sili told news outlet RNZ that he saw smoke pouring through under his door and opened it to find the hallway pitch black.

"I was on the top floor



A drone inspects damage following a fire near a hostel in central Wellington, New Zealand, Tuesday.

and I could not go through the hallway because there was just too much smoke. so I jumped out the window," Sili said.

He said he fell onto a

roof two floors below.

"It was just scary, it was really scary, but I knew I had to jump out the window or just burn inside the building," Sili told RNZ.

He said he was rescued from the roof by paramedics and treated for a sprained ankle.

The Loafers Lodge offered basic, affordable with shared rooms lounges, kitchens and laundry facilities. It attracted people of a wide range of ages. Some were placed there by government agencies and were considered vulnerable because they had little in the way of resources or support networks.

The hostel is in an industrial area and features hillhoards on one side. Dark smoke stains extended up the exterior walls on the top story of the building.

New York, May 16 (PTI): A 76-Chopra surrendered his

year-old Indian-American doctor in the US state of California has pleaded guilty to three counts of illegally prescribing opioids and other medication, authorities said. According to a statement from US Attorney Phillip A.

Talbert, Sawtantra Chopra of Modesto pleaded guilty last Wednesday to three counts of illegally prescribing opioids and other medications outside the usual course of professional practice and not for a legitimate medical purpose.

These drugs are highly addictive and commonly abused, the statement said, adding that the medications, which affect the central nervous system, may only be prescribed when medically

Indian pleads guilty to illegally prescribing opioids

medical license in 2020 as the case was pending, the statement said. Chopra is scheduled to be sentenced on September 5 by US District Judge Jennifer

L. Thurston and faces a maximum statutory penalty of 20 years in prison and a USD 1 million fine if convicted, the US Attorney's Office, Eastern District of California said in a

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दिनांक - 16/05/2023

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प्रबंध संचालक

5 sentenced to prison for 15 killed in clash between 2 tribes over delimitation of coal mine GOVERNMENT OF CHHATTISGARH, WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, MANIYARI WATER RESOURCES **Peshawar. May 16 (PTI)** around 35 km southwest of known, but there were ca-DIVISION, MUNGELI, DISTT.-MUNGELI (C.G.) 100-million-euro jewellery heist Peshawar, in Kohat district sualties on both sides in the At least 15 people were

Berlin, May 16 (AP)

A German court on Tuesday convicted five men over the theft of 18thcentury jewels worth more than 100 million euros from a Dresden museum in 2019. They were sentenced to prison sentences of between four years and four months and six years months, three German news agency dpa

reported. One defendant

was acquitted. The Dresden state court ruled that the five men aged 24 to 29 were responsible for the break-in at the eastern German city's Green Vault Museum on November 25, 2019, and the theft of 21 pieces of jewellery containing more than 4,300 diamonds, with a total insured value of at least 113.8 million euros

particularly aggravated arson in combination with dangerous bodily injury, theft with weapons, damage to property and intentional arson.

killed in a bloody clash over the delimitation of a coal mine in the restive northwestern region of Pakistan on Monday, police said. The incident occurred between Sunnykhel and Zarghun Khel tribes in the Darra Adam Khek area.

over the delimitation of the mine, they added.

The bodies and those injured were shifted to a Peshawar hospital. The exact number of injured people was not immediately

exchange of fire, police said. Joint teams of police and

other security forces rushed to the site and halted the firing between the rival tribes.

संचालनालय रोजगार एवं प्रशिक्षण, (प्रशिक्षण पक्ष) इन्द्रावती भवन, ब्लॉक-4, प्रथम तल, नवा रायपूर अटल नगर, छत्तीसगढ़

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e-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE

eProcurement Portal: https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in NIT No.: 02/SAC/2023-24, Gr.No. 01,02,03, & 04 Dated: 15.05.2023

Online Tenders are invited for the following works up to

01-06-2023 at 17.30 Hour Group No. 01 Name of work - C.C. LINING BETWEEN R.D. 5.00 KM. TO R.D. 10.17 KM., CHHATA MINOR R.D. 0 M. TO R.D. 2100 M., KHAPARI MINOR R.D. 0 M. TO 1260 M., RENOVATION OF 05 NOS. STRUCTRES AND CONSTRUCTION OF 2 NOS STRUCTURES, FIXING OF 30 NOS

COLABA OF MUNGELI DISTRIBUTORY OF MANIYARI TANK. SECOND CALL) System Tender No. 133435, Probable Amount of Contract: - Rs. 798.47 Lakhs

(As Per SOR Amended on 22.08.2022) Group No. 02 Name of work - C.C. LINING BETWEEN R.D. 10.17 K.M. TO R.D. 16.74 KM., DEOR MINOR R.D. 7080 M. TO R.D. 7920 M., SURDAMINOR R.D. 0 M. TO 1980 M., SURIGHAT MINOR

R.D. 0.00 M. TO 480 M., RENOVATION OF 06 NOS. STRUCTRES AND CONSTRUCTION OF 4 NOS STRUCTURES, FIXING OF 30 NOS. COLABA OF MUNGELI DISTRIBUTORY O MANIYARI TANK. (SECOND CALL) System Tender No. 133436, Probable Amount of Contract: - Rs. 815.66 Lakhs

(As Per SOR Amended on 22.08.2022) Group No. 03 Name of work - C.C. LINING BETWEEN R.D. 16.74 K.M. TO R.D. 25.50 KM. BIRGAON MINOR R.D. 0 M. TO R.D. 480 M., LALAKAPA MINOR R.D. 0 M. TO 480 M. RENOVATION OF 07 NOS. STRUCTRES AND CONSTRUCTION OF 1 NOS STRUCTURES

FIXING OF 40 NOS. COLABA OF MUNGELI DISTRIBUTORY OF MANIYARI TANK SECOND CALL) System Tender No. 133437, Probable Amount of Contract: - Rs. 601.10 Lakh: (As Per SOR Amended on 22.08.2022)

Group No. 04 Name of work - CONSTRUCTION OF CANAL FROM R.D. 7140 M. TO 12600 M. AND CONSTRUCTION OF 23 NO. STRUCTURES AND CEMENT CONCRETE LINING FROM R.D. 714 M. TO 12600 M. OF HALF RIVER DIVERSION SCHEME & RENOVATION OF TEMRITANK FIFTH CALL) System Tender No. 133438, Probable Amount of Contract: - Rs. 464.97 Lakhs

(As Per SOR 01.08.2010 and Amendments 01.08.2014)

The details can be viewed and downloaded online directly from the Government of Chhattisgarh Integrated e-Procurement Portal (https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in) from Date 22.05.2023, at 17:31 Hours. (IST) onwards. NOTE: - All eligible/interested contractors/bidders are mandated to get enrolled on the Integrate e-procurement portal (https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in) and get approval on specific vendor class

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CORRIGENDUM

Reference to Advertisement No-01/2023 for filling up 17 posts of Assistant Manager in Level - 10 (7th CPC) in TRIFED on deputation basis published on TRIFED website on 07.03.2023, it has been decided to extend the last date of receipt of application till 22.05.2023(5:00 PM).

All other contents of the advertisement shall remain same as provided in the detailed advertisement published on the official website of TRIFED https://trifed.tribal.gov.in/careers-list) under careers section

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e- Registration] invited Online tenders for the following works :-

NIT No./ System Tender No.	Name of Work	Probable amount of contract
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01/133805	BORING WORK UNDER PWD BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION SUB DIVISION NO-3 RAIPUR. (WORK CODE-6010720230001)	Rs. 37.44 Lakh

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Electoral Prelude

Decisive Assembly Polls and Their Significance for the 2024 LS Elections

s the echoes of the Karnataka Assembly Elections fade away, the political landscape of India braces itself for an intense year ahead. The triumph of the Indian National Congress, securing an absolute majority with over 136 seats, has set the stage for a year filled with anticipation and political fervor. With at least five more state assembly elections on the horizon, the democratic carnival of India is far from over in 2023. The northeastern states of Nagaland, Tripura, and Meghalaya kickstarted the electoral spree this year. However, these legislative assembly elections hold a greater significance than ever before, as they serve as determinants for the impending 2024 Lok Sabha Elections. The fate of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's BJP government at the center hangs in the balance, making these state assembly elections critical precursors to the upcoming General Elections. Since assuming office in 2014, Prime Minister Modi has been the driving force behind India's governance. However, the winds of change blow strong in the face of democracy, and the upcoming state assembly elections are poised to test the ruling government's popularity and strength. The latter part of 2023 promises a series of assembly polls, with the terms of legislative assemblies in Mizoram, Chhattisgarh, and Madhya Pradesh expiring on different dates in December. Rajasthan and Telangana will follow suit in January 2024, marking a crucial period of electoral fervor. In addition, it is not implausible to expect simultaneous polls in these five states, as the logistical challenges of conducting elections in quick succession may favor such a decision. Furthermore, the assembly elections in the union territory of Jammu and Kashmir cannot be overlooked, with reports suggesting a possible schedule once the winter conditions subside. Looking ahead, the terms of the legislative assemblies in Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, and Odisha will conclude on different dates in June of the following year. Given that Lok Sabha polls typically take place in April-May, the likelihood of simultaneous assembly elections in these three states alongside the parliamentary exercise cannot be ignored. The year 2023 is poised to be a pivotal moment in Indian politics, where power dynamics will be redefined and electoral strategies meticulously planned. The assembly elections taking place across the nation will serve as a battleground for political parties to test their mettle and gauge public sentiment. The outcome of these polls will undoubtedly shape the trajectory of the nation, leading up to the decisive 2024 Lok Sabha Elections. The forthcoming assembly polls provide a platform for political parties to showcase their strategies and articulate their vision for the future. It is essential for voters to critically analyze the performance of the incumbent governments, assess the promises made by the opposition, and weigh the potential impact of their choices on their respective states and the nation as a whole. Moreover, the significance of these state assembly elections extends beyond regional boundaries. The outcomes will shape the political landscape and influence the course of action at the national level. A strong showing by the ruling party in these assembly elections would solidify their position and potentially boost their campaign momentum for the 2024 Lok Sabha Elections. On the other hand, a resurgence of the opposition parties could indicate a shift in public sentiment and serve as a harbinger of change. In this era of social media and instant communication, it is crucial to foster healthy political discourse. While political parties engage in competitive rhetoric and mud-slinging, it is up to the people, as responsible citizens, to rise above the noise and focus on the issues that truly matter. It is important to hold elected representatives accountable, demand transparency, and insist on policies that address the pressing challenges faced by our nation. The assembly polls scheduled for the year 2023 will undoubtedly set the stage for an intense political year, paying the way for the high-stakes 2024 Lok Sabha Elections. The outcomes of these elections will shape the future of our nation, impact-

Addressing the Global Concern 'Forever Chemicals'

ing policies, governance, and the aspirations of millions.

Krishna Kumar Vepakomma orever chemicals are highly persistent and toxic substances that do not easily break down in the environment or our bodies. They are known as per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) and can last for thousands of years. PFAS are found in everyday products like nonstick pans, food packaging, cosmetics, and firefighting foam. These chemicals seep into the environment, contaminating water bodies, animals, and even our drinking water. PFAS have been linked to serious health issues, including cancer, immune system damage, hormone disruption, and developmental delays. To minimize exposure, it is recommended to avoid using non-stick cookware and products containing PFAS, choose alternative materials, and opt for natural and biodegradable cleaning products. Purchasing food packaged in glass, metal, or paper containers instead of plastic can also reduce the risk of PFAS contamination. Water filtration systems designed to remove these chemicals are useful in areas with concerns of PFAS contamination. The presence of forever chemicals is a global issue, affecting not only humans but also wildlife. Traces of these chemicals have been found in wildlife worldwide, including endangered species. The risk extends to polar bears in the Arctic, tigers, monkeys, pandas, dolphins, and fish across the world's oceans. Addressing forever chemicals requires stricter regulations, monitoring systems, and proper disposal methods. In March 2023, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) established Maximum Contaminant Level goals for PFAS in drinking water. However, more comprehensive measures are needed to protect public health and the environment. In India, PFAS contamination is also a concern, and regulatory agencies like the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) and the Ministry of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change (MoEFCC) play a crucial role in monitoring and regulating the use of forever chemicals. Stricter regulations, proper disposal methods, and awareness campaigns are necessary to mitigate the risks posed by these chemicals. Scientists have made progress in developing filtration systems and methods to degrade forever chemicals. A breakthrough method using common reagents and low temperatures has been discovered to degrade PFAS. This research provides hope for effectively eliminating these pollutants from water sources. However, the challenge of disposing of PFAS after filtration remains, as current methods require harsh treatments. Recent studies have also revealed that toilet paper contains PFAS, further highlighting the pervasiveness of these chemicals in everyday items. This raises concerns about water pollution and the need for effective monitoring and control measures. Overall, forever chemicals pose significant risks to human health and the environment. It is crucial to take precautionary measures, promote safer alternatives, and advocate for stricter regulations to address this global issue.

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CELEBRATION TIME



Students celebrate after the declaration of the Haryana Board of School Education (HBSE) class 10th exam results, at a school in Gurugram, Tuesday.

Religion-based mobilization in politics fueling communalism



When did Gita say this, and where did Quran say it? In the name of religion, the earth bleeds

ommunalism is based on the assumption that Indian society is divided into religious communities whose interests are not only different but also in conflict with each other. It is an aggressive political ideology linked to religion. However, communalism is about politics, not religion. Although sectarians are intimately involved with religion, there is no necessary relationship between individual faith and sectarianism. One of the distinguishing features of communalism is its claim that religious identity is above all else. There is not only one factor responsible for the persistence of communalism in India. Historically, the British used the divide-and-rule policy to undermine nationalist aspirations by creating a rift between Hindus and Muslims. This resulted in communal tension between the two groups and it is believed that the Hindu-Muslim split took place during the continuation of British rule in India. The partition of India was the result of this policy.

The gap of socio-economic inequality that remained after independence widened and the internal tension and tension between the majority community and the minority community for the socio-economic necessity of life also gives rise to communal hatred. Widespread poverty and unemployment create a sense of hopelessness among the people. The unemployed youth of both communities can be easily trapped by the religious fundamentalists and used by them for communal riots. Fundamentalism and communalism have some ideological elements in common. Both attack the concept of separation of religion from politics and the state. Both are opposed to the concept of common truth in all religions. It is against the concept of religious harmony and tolerance. The criminalization of politics has made electoral politics in India more costly and competitive. Political parties are not hesitating to use any means, fair or foul, to win elections. They even create communal tension and try to take political advantage of it. Therefore, the communication of politics as a process is supporting the growth of communalism in India.

The role of media in spreading communal ideologies, behavior, and reactions of different communities has been very powerful. In almost every major communal riot, mediabacked rumors play a role. For example, The Muzaffarnagar riots of 2013 are a prime example of how social media can play an active role during communal tension. External actors including non-state actors

ommunalism was and is still one of the major challenges to democracy in our country. Communally racy in our country. Communalism can take various forms such as majoritarian dominance, religious prejudice and conservatism, and political mobilization along religious lines. Communal thinking often leads to the search for political dominance in one's religious community. The framers of our constitution were aware of this challenge and therefore $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left($ chose the secular state model. Apart from this, there is a need to counter communal prejudices and propaganda in everyday life and to counter religion-based mobilization in the field of politics.

have a hand in making the problem of communalism worse. They aim to create an atmosphere of instability and gain the sympathy of the minority community. To overcome the problem of communalism, there is an important need for value-based education in the country today. Emphasis should be on imparting values like compassion, secularism, peace, non-violence, and humanism through education and inculcating scientific temper in society. Reforms in the criminal justice system are the need of the hour; The criminal justice system has often been criticized, especially as it stems from communal violence. Measures should be taken to reform police procedures and practices and special investigation and prosecution agencies should be set up to deliver timely justice.

Removing ideological bias is beneficial at such times and news channels play a huge role in influencing the thoughts and mindset of people, one community or religion, it affects the people watching those news channels. Prejudices can develop in the approach Therefore, the media should focus on presenting a balanced view to the audience. Steps should be taken to understand different cultures by arranging festivals, celebrations, and social gatherings to facilitate social and cultural amalgamation. Stopping ghettos and geographical segregation based on religion, promoting inter-religious marriages, etc. should be taken. In creating communal aware-

ness in civil society, NGOs can tie up with the government to create communal awareness, build strong community relations and inculcate the values of communal harmony. By telecasting the heritage of the past, efforts should be made to remind the countrymen of those glorious moments of history in which Hindus, Muslims, and Sikhs were together to protect the interests of the nation. Also, people should be made aware of how India's diversity has served as a source of unity for the country. The principle of the Uniform Civil Code is laid down in Article 44 of the Constitution. Without the UCC, it is observed that each community has separate and conflicting interests. Implementing this can help reduce religious differences. Communalism was and is still one of the major challenges to democracy in our country. Communalism can take various forms such as majoritarian dominance, religious prejudice and conservatism, and political mobi-Communal thinking often leads to the pursuit of political dominance of one's religious community. Our constitution makers were aware of this challenge and therefore chose the secular state model. Apart from this, there is a need to counter communal prejudices and propaganda in everyday life and to counter religionbased mobilization in the field of politics.

(Dr. Satyawan Saurabh, Poet, freelance journalist and columnist, All India Radio and TV panelist. Views

Governor's Role: Ornamental or **Operational?**

The recent rulings by the Supreme Court regarding the role of governors in states and lieutenant governors in Union Territories have significant implications for the future. During the Constituent Assembly discussions, the post of governor was conceived as a means to ensure the diligent implementation of the Constitution. However, the court's scathing remarks against former Maharashtra Governor Koshiari shed light on the need for clarity in defining the governor's responsibilities. The court rightly emphasized that neither the Constitution nor the law empowers the governor to interfere in political disputes within or between parties. The discretion exercised by Governor Koshyari in demanding a floor test from Chief Minister Thackeray was deemed unlawful. It is crucial that governors comprehend the constitutional limits of their power, acting strictly within the framework provided. The Supreme Court's observations on the governor's extraordinary power to act without the Council of Ministers' advice underscore the significance of preserving parliamentary democracy. Discretion to call for a floor test must be exercised judiciously and supported by objective evidence, not merely by requests. The governor's role should not extend beyond constitutional boundaries, and they should refrain from meddling in intra-party or interparty conflicts.

Yash Pal Ralhan, Jalandhar

Monumental Task For Congress

Following its easy victory in Karnataka, the Congress now faces the monumental task of selecting a candidate for CM. The two obvious candidates are DK Shivakumar and Siddaramaiah, but there is also the possibility that party President and seasoned politician Mallikarjun Kharge will run. Even though party observers will compile each newly elected legislator's personal opinion, the final decision will be made by the high command for sure. Another chance is that Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar to take turns holding the chair for two and half years. If both refuse to agree on the rotating CMproposal, Congress National Mallikarjun President Kharge, who has failed to win the position of Chief Minister at least four times before, could be elected as CM.

> Dr.Vijaykumar H K, Raichur, Karnataka

Safeguarding Medical Staff: Ensuring Optimal Care in a Secure Environment

Rising Instances of Violence

Regrettably, cases of verbal and physical abuse, as well as outright assaults, against caregivers have been on the rise. Medical professionals, who tirelessly work to save lives, find themselves at the receiving end of aggression from attendants of patients who perceive negligence or dissatisfaction with the treatment provided. Shockingly, a report by the Indian Medical Association (IMA) reveals that 75% of doctors have experienced abuse or assault at some point in their careers. In Kerala alone, there were 137 reported attacks on doctors in the year 2022. These distressing statistics demand immediate attention and effective measures to address this alarming trend.

The Need for Prompt

The tragic incident involving the brutal assault on house surgeon Vandana Das in a Kerala hospital has not only highlighted the dangers faced by medical personnel in the line of duty but has also brought attention to the alarming lack of security measures in place to protect them. The failure to ensure the safety of Dr. Das, despite clear indications of the patient's potential for violence, is a distressing reflection of the existing vulnerabilities faced by healthcare professionals. This incident serves as a wake-up call, reminding us of the urgent need to prioritize the security of medical staff to create an environment where they can deliver the best possible care.

Recognizing the gravity of the situation, the Kerala High Court had issued directives in December, emphasizing the need for swift action. It mandated that a First Information Report (FIR) be registered within one hour of any attack on medical personnel. In March of this year, the court further stressed that the state government publicly declare through the media that strict actions will be taken against those responsible for such acts of violence. However, the recent tragedy involving Dr. Das has prompted the court to call for enhanced

protection not only for doctors but also for medical interns, house surgeons, and postgraduate students. The court has also criticized the police for their failure to anticipate and prevent the attack on Dr. Das

Addressing the Lack of

Deterrents The Kerala unit of the IMA has rightly drawn attention to the lack of adequate deterrents in place. Despite the existence of a 2012 legislation that prohibits violence against healthcare staff, with offenses punishable by imprisonment of up to three years, very few convictions

have been made so far. The state government, which has faced criticism for allowing the situation to deteriorate. must take decisive action to strengthen the law and ensure its effective implementation. Expedited efforts are needed to create a safe and stress-free environment in hospitals, not only for the well-being of medical professionals but also for the benefit of patients who deserve the best possible care.

Conclusion

The security and wellbeing of medical staff are essential to ensure the delivery

of optimal healthcare services. It is imperative that governments, healthcare institutions, and society as a whole recognize the urgent need to address the growing incidents of violence against medical personnel. Strict implementation of existing laws, prompt registration of FIRs, and swift conviction of offenders are crucial steps towards creating a safe environment for doctors, nurses and other healthcare work-

Additionally, enhanced security measures, including the presence of trained personnel and effective surveillance systems, should be implemented to deter potential acts of violence. Only by safeguarding our medical staff can we create an environment that fosters excellence in healthcare and ensures that patients receive the best possible care.

BRIEF



New Delhi: The gov ernment has appointed Ravneet Kaur as the Chairperson of the Competition Commission of India (CCI), according to an official order. There has been no full-time Chairperson for the competition regulator since Ashok Kumar Gupta demitted office in October 2022. CCI Member Sangeeta Verma has been acting as the Chairperson since October last year. The appointment of Ravneet Kaur, a 1988 Punjab cadre IAS offi cer, will be for a period of five years from the date of assuming charge or till the date of attaining the age of 65 years or until further orders, whichever is the earliest, as per the order dated May 15. The Chairperson will

WagonR

get a consolidated

salary of Rs 4,50,000

per month without

house and car, it added.

■ New Delhi: Maruti Suzuki India on Tuesday said its hatchback WagonR has crossed 30 lakh milestone in over two decades. The model, which was introduced in the market in 1999, achieved 5 lakh sales mark in 2008; 20 lakh in 2017; 25 lakh in 2021 and 30 lakh milestone in 2023. "WagonR's continued success with over 3 million cumulative sales is a testament to its undisputed reign as one of the most iconic Indian hatchbacks," Maruti Suzuki India Senior **Executive Officer** (Marketing & Sales) Shashank Srivastava

Circular economy



New Delhi : Circular economy is the need of the hour to promote entrepreneurship and livelihood security for better health index of the people, Padma Bhusan awardee agriculture scientist R B Singh said on Tuesday. Singh emphasised the importance of agricul tural and industrial waste management for environmental sus tainability and entrepreneurship after inaugurating a five-day training programme here, an official state ment said.

Quarterly profit

New Delhi: Stateowned Bank of Baroda (BoB) on Tuesday reported over 2-fold jump in its March quarter net profit at Rs 4,775.33 crore on account of higher interest income and low provisions for bad loans. The bank's net profit in January March 2021-22 was Rs 1,778.77 crore on a standalone basis. Interest income increased to Rs 25,857 crore in fourth quarter of 2022-23 from Rs 18,174 crore in the yearago period, the bank said in a stock exchange filing.

Indian banks request RBI for more time for new loan provisioning system

Mumbai, May 16:

Banks have requested the RBI for one more year's time to implement the system of Expected Credit Loss (ECL) for provisioning of loans. At present, banks set aside money after an asset turns bad, and once the new system is put in place, it is widely expected to have an one-time impact on banks' profits. "We have requested the regulator to allow us little more time to prepare ourselves for this,' industry lobby grouping IBA's chief executive Sunil Mehta told reporters on the sidelines of a Fintech event Tuesday. Answering a specific question on the time sought, Mehta said, "we have requested them (RBI) for one



more year" He also added that in the "worst case scenario", the banking system is gearing up for the switch to the new system. "... the banking sector is already geared up, few of the banks have already developed their systems (and) have got their data in place on which they can design their ECLbased risk models." he said.

India (RBI) has already come up with its proposed guidelines on the switch to ECL but a definite timeline is yet to be decided. Meanwhile, Mehta said that Russian investors have started investing in Indian government securities after getting a nod from the RBI for the same. He said the inabout the banks' tie-ups vestment activity has come with fintechs and the trouabout because of the excess bles with the latter, he said rupee liquidity which the whenever fintechs have Russians are saddled with partnered with banking due to the trade deficit with system, they don't get into a India, which is among the problem. few countries buying oil from Russia. "They have surplus of money. They have invested (in local

Banks provide them with

whatever trade surplus they have, you can invest in government bonds." Mehta said. The Russian investments are for shorter duration because how long the war and the sanctions on Russia will last is still unclear, Mehta said and added that the bets are for less than one year. When asked

resources and big customer base, he added. According to him, the problems with fintechs emanate because of poor governance and noncompliance with regulatory

To build small

NITI Aayog pitches for easy financing to attract private investment

In setting up nuclear reactors

New Delhi. May 16:

NITI Aayog has pitched for establishing attractive financing frameworks such as blending finances and green bonds to attract private sector investment in setting up small modular reactors (SMR) to decarbonise India's energy sector. The Aayog in a report titled 'The Role of Small Modular Reactors in Energy Transition' further suggested that availability of low-cost finance, green finance and incorporation of nuclear into green taxonomy can improve the economics of SMR projects. "Derisking SMR projects and establishing attractive financing frameworks such as blending finance, green bonds, etc. is pivotal for investors," it said. According to the report, it

has been observed that venture capital is a poor fit for the "hard" SMR sector. As International per the Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), the SMRs are advanced nuclear reactors with a power generation capacity ranging from less than 30 MWe to 300+ MWe. "Hence, the public and private sectors must work together to identify alternative sources of early-stage finance," it said.

Noting that successful deployment of SMR technologv must leverage private sector investment, the report said a robust and technology-neutral policy framework is required for securing private investment including factors currently having growing influence on investment flows such as taxsocial and governance fac-

The report also pointed out that early realisation of a few demonstration plants for SMR designs can reduce the intensity of risk perception, which can give impetus to supply chain formation and bring investment and stability to the industry. Adaption and streamlining of licensing and regulatory frameworks by taking key SMR attributes into account are also important to develop a global SMR market, it added. While noting that the existing nuclear safety regulations are mostly designed for land-based plants and unit concept of large reactors, the report recommended that for the concept of multi-module and flexible operation of SMRs, these

regulations and guidelines

need to be modified.

SGX Nifty to be known as GIFT Nifty from July 3: NSE

New Delhi, May 16:

The National Stock Exchange (NSE) on Tuesday said that SGX Nifty will be known as GIFT Nifty from July 3 as all orders of Singapore Exchange will be completely transferred to NSE IFSC bourse for matching. The exchange said that regulatory approvals have already been obtained from the **Monetary Authority of** Singapore (MAS) and the **International Financial Services** Centres Authority (IFSCA). "From July 3 onwards, all SGX orders will be 100 per cent transferred to GIFT City, NSE IFSC exchange for matching...SGX Nifty will be called GIFT Nifty from July 3,"

IFSC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of NSE, is an exchange at International Financial Service Center (IFSC) in GIFT City, Gujarat. Singapore Exchange (SGX), last month, announced that NSE IFSC-SGX Connect at International Financial Service Center in GIFT City will become operational on July 3 after the transition of SGX Nifty derivatives to NSE IFSC. The move will enable investors to trade in dollardenominated Nifty futures contracts available on the SGX in **Gujarat International Finance** Tec-City or GIFT City. Also, investors would have real-time access to NSE IFSC market

the NSE IFSC-SGX Connect (Connect) with the transition of SGX Nifty derivatives to NSE IFSC will take place on July 3, 2023. Following the transition, all US dollar-denominated Nifty derivatives contracts will be exclusively traded on NSE IFSC." the Singapore bourse had informed its trading members in a circular. With the migration of all open positions in SGX Nifty to NSE IFSC Nifty, there will be no open interest remaining in SGX Nifty. The SGX Nifty will be suspended from trading after the end of the trading session on June 30. Further, the Singapore bourse had said it intends to delist the SGX Nifty at a later date, pend-

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modular reactors Mumbai, May 16: India's G20 Sherpa Amitabh

Tuesday called for an "unfettered access" to nuclear technology from the US to build small modular reactors (SMR) in the country. He also said the private sector needs to be allowed into the atomic energy sector to take advantage of the more efficient SMRs. "India also needs to work with the US so that it is provided unfettered access to cutting edge technology by granting general authorisation to India," Kant said ad-

Kant

Kant calls for unfettered access to US nuclear technology

dressing a session at the energy transition working group of G20 meeting here. "We should create an ability to co-produce SMRs in the US and India, and further bring down their costs," Kant said adding that the initiative can be a win-win situation for both countries and will radically re-

duce time, cost overruns and and capex. The career bureaucrat-turned-Sherpa said such an access will ultimately lead to manufacturing of SMRs in India and their export also. It can be noted that India has struggled on the nuclear energy expansion front with big plants like the one at Jaitapur being built with French cooperation yet to take off. Meanwhile, on the domestic front, Kant pitched for allowing the private sector in the atomic energy space for SMRs.

"Private sector participation needs to be allowed in the atomic energy sector for SMRs to take advantage of higher effi-

Markets fall after 2-day rally;

ciencies." he said, adding that state discoms should also build such plants of up to 300 MW capacity with help of the private sector. The atomic energy regulatory board has to pitch in with needful regulations for timely execution of such projects, he said. Advantages of SMRs lie in the speed of installation and cost savings, enhanced safety, flexibility of installation, base load power in support of renewables and better waste management, he said. This is the time for policy changes to ensure that modular reactors are installed in India in a manner wherein installation is increased

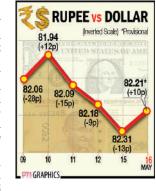
Rupee rises 10 paise to 82.21 against US dollar on FII inflows

data. "Full-scale operation of

Mumbai, May 16:

The rupee appreciated by 10 paise to 82.21 against the US dollar on Tuesday, as the American currency retreated from its elevated levels. Forex traders said significant foreign fund inflows and easing crude oil prices also supported the

At the interbank foreign exchange market, the local opened at 82.22 against the US currency and moved between a high of 82.16 and a low of 82.29 in the day trade. The local units settled at 82.21 (provisional), registering a gain of 10 paise over its previous close. On Monday, the rupee closed at 82.31 against the US currency. The dollar index, which gauges the greenback's



strength against a basket of six currencies, fell 0.14 per cent to 102.28. Global oil benchmark Brent crude futures fell 0.29 per cent to USD 75.01 per barrel.

A weaker greenback, strong foreign fund inflows and lower crude oil prices pushed the rupee higher after falling in the last three days, said Dilip

Parmar, Research Analyst, HDFC Securities. The local unit outperforms Asian currencies as the trade deficit narrows to a 21month low.

Though the rupee outperiormed among Asian currencies, the range remained narrow ahead of US debt ceiling talks. It is widely expected to see no compromise created and a continuation of the current uncertainty, making haven assets volatile. In the near term, spot USD-INR has resistance at 82.50 and support at 82.05. On the domestic equity market front, the 30-share BSE Sensex declined 413.24 points or 0.66 per cent to end at 61,932.47 points, and the broader NSE Nifty fell 112.35 points or 0.61 per cent to 18.286.50 points.

FinMin says stands by 2021 Parl reply that **SEBI** was investigating Adani Group cos

New Delhi, May 16:

As a political row erupted over **SEBI telling Supreme Court** that it has not been probing the Adani group since 2016, Monday said it stands by its July 2021 written reply in Parliament that had stated that the stock market regulator was investigating some Adani group companies. After SEBI filed a fresh affidavit with the Supreme Court to strengthen its case for a sixmonth extension of the deadline to complete the probing allegations of fraud and money laundering against Adani Group, Congress and other opposition parties cited the finance ministry's July 2021 replies in Parliament to ask who was misleading.

HDFC twins, Reliance drag ■ Sensex over

413 points lower

Mumbai, May 16:

Benchmark equity indices ended lower on Tuesday after two days of rally, dragged down by index majors HDFC twins and Reliance Industries. The 30-share BSE Sensex declined 413.24 points or 0.66 per cent to settle at 61.932.47 even after beginning the trade on a firm note. During the day, it fell 498.3 points or 0.79 per cent to 61,847.41. The NSE Nifty went lower by 112.35 points or 0.61 per cent to end at 18,286.50. Among the Sensex firms, HDFC, HDFC Bank, Mahindra & Mahindra, Kotak Mahindra Bank, Bharti



Tata Motors, Reliance Industries and Maruti were the biggest laggards.

Bajaj Finance, State Bank of India, NTPC, Hindustan Unilever, Titan, Infosys, Bajaj Finserv, Wipro, Asian Paints and Tata Consultancy Services were among the major gainers. In Asia, Seoul, Tokyo and Hong Kong markets ended in the green, while Shanghai set-

tled lower. European markets were trading mostly in the green. The US market had ended with gains on Monday. "The domestic benchmark's ascent towards record high was interrupted by selling pres sure in heavyweight stocks, although small and mid-cap stocks outper formed. As anticipated, the Euro zone economy experienced a modest growth of 0.1 per cent QoQ in the Jan-Mar period, following a stagnant previous quarter. In the US market, cautious trading prevailed as debtceiling negotiations took precedence," said Vinod Nair, Head of Research at Geojit Financial Services. Meanwhile, global oil benchmark Brent crude declined 0.65 per cent to

Jio-bp launches new diesel that offers saving of Rs 1.1 lakh per truck annually

Mumbai, May 16:

Jio-bp announced the launch of its diesel with ACTIVE technology, set to elevate diesel standards for Indian consumers. The newly launched additivised diesel, available across the company's network will yield annual savings of up to Rs 1.1 lakh per vehicle to truckers owing to (upto) 4.3% improved fuel economy. This new high performance diesel offering will be available at all Jio-bp outlets and will be offered at regular prices with no additional cost for the first time ever in the Indian market. Diesel at Jio-bp outlets with ACTIVE technology helps reduce the risk of unscheduled maintenance caused by dirt build up and removes existing dirt from critical engine parts

and protects against its build up

with ongoing use. It is designed

to work across a range of com-

mercial vehicles, and with ongoing use it offers a variety of benefits to drivers and fleet owners. It helps restore and maintain the power of the engine with on going use while also reducing the risk of unscheduled vehicle maintenance. Jio-bp CEO, Harish C Mehta said "While every single customer is important, truckers have always held a special place for Jio-bp. Accounting for over half of truckers' operating costs, we understand the critical impact of fuel on their overall business performance. To ease their concerns around fuel performance and engine maintenance. Jio-bp has worked over multiple years with the best technologists to develop customized additive from scratch. This additive laced high performance diesel is designed specifically for Indian vehicles, on Indian roads, and in Indian driving conditions."

to identify fake GST registration, curb evasion New Delhi, May 16: With GST evasion crossing over Rs 1 lakh crore in 2022-23, Centre

and state tax officers have initiated a two-month long special drive to identify fake GST registration and nab offenders. The GST Policy Wing had earlier this month written to Principal

Commissioners Central Tax highlighting that fake/ non-genuine registrations are being used to fraudulently pass on input tax credit to unscrupulous recipients by issuing invoices without any underlying supply of goods or services or both. 'This menace of fake registrations and issuance of bogus invoices for passing of fake ITC has become a serious problem, wherein fraudulent peo-

causing revenue loss to the government," the Central Board of Indirect Taxes (CBIC) had said. Currently, there are 1.39 crore businesses registered under Goods and Services Tax (GST), which was implemented on July 1, 2017.

Centre, state tax officers launch special drive

The government has been using robust data analytics and artificial intelligence to identify and track risky taxpayers; sharing data with other law enforcement agencies to detect tax evasion. mandatory Aadhaar-based authentication for new GST registrations as well as centralized suspension of registrations of businesses who default in timely filing of returns are also

being used to curb fake

ple engage in dubious and registration. Still, Goods and Services Tax (GST) evasion is on rise with about 14,000 cases detected in 2022-23, up from 12,574 in 2021-22 and 12,596 in 2020-21. The evasion detection doubled to over Rs 1.01 lakh crore in 2022-23, while Directorate General of GST Intelligence (DGGI) officers made a recovery of Rs 21,000 crore during the fiscal. During the 'Special All-India Drive' from May 16 to July 15, to detect suspicious/ fake GSTINs, tax officers would also conduct requisite verification and take further remedial action to weed out these fake billers from the GST ecosystem. The Special Drive would take place in close coordination between the

State and Central tax ad-

ministrations

Telcos to Push DoT, TRAI for fair contribution from **OTTs for 5G Infrastructure**

Mumbai, May 16:

Over-the-Top (OTT) apps are the major drivers of internet data traffic for internet service providers across the globe. The streaming of video content by users on these OTT platforms significantly contributes to the data traffic handled by telcos, thereby imposing a heavier load on the digital infrastructure built by communication service providers

Inorder to overcome this issue, India"s leading telcos are preparing to once again urge the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) and the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) to develop a mechanism that requires over-the-top (OTT) apps,

which generate significant internet data traffic, to contribute financially towards the development of the 5G digital network infrastructure in the country, according to an ET Report. Telecom operators in

USD 74.82 per barrel.

the European Union (EU) have initiated a discussion regarding the fairness of burdening customers with the sole responsibility of financing continuous investments in the networks. They have proposed a fair share solution that aims to promote investments in digital infrastructure. The Fair Share solution seeks to enhance the sustainability of network invest ments and expedite their deployment and ensure that all parties are contributing their fair share.

Adah Sharma on 'The Kerala Story' ban: 'Watch the movie and then comment'

Kerala Story' lands in controversy and is banned in several parts in the country, actress Adah Sharma, who plays a lead in the Sudipto Sen directorial, said that freedom of expression should be celebrated.

She insisting on watching the film before commenting on it.

On 8 May, Government of West Bengal banned the movie allegedly to prevent any incident related to communal hatred and violence. The film was also stopped from screening in Tamil Nadu by the Tamil Nadu Theatre and Multiplex Owners Association as "a precautionary measure.'

The Supreme Court on Friday had issued a notice to the West Bengal government seeking the reason behind the ban on 'The Kerala Story' in the state. The Supreme Court also asked the Tamil Nadu government to specify all the measures taken to provide security in theatres screening the film.



should celebrate freedom one has a choice to decide "I am not the authority of expression and watch if they want to comment

about it." In the film, Adah plays the role of Fathima Ba, a Malayali Hindu nursing student, who goes missing from Kerala and is recruited to the ISIS (Islamic State of Iraq and Syria) after being lured to convert to Islam.
She added: "We should

also honour the censor board who passed the film and the supreme court. Those who want to ban the film, if they watch it they might realise the film speaks against terrorism and they might decide to increase the screenings and show the film to more young girls."

Cinema is a reflection of society; how does Adah feel politics mixing with

'We live in a democratic country, thankfully. Where there is freedom of speech and expression. Unlike the place where the character I play was taken to in the film. I'm very grateful I love it here in India."

She pointed out to the 'anti-terrorism" aspect of her film. "It is humanity vs terrorism. It's about being cheated in love.

About why you shouldn't rape someone. So any person from any place in the world supporting this film I think is a great thing!"

Adah has to say to those who don't believe that something like this happened and forced conversations are not real: "They should Google two words ISIS brides and get an account of girls worldwide who have gone through this. Terrorism is a global issue.

She added: "We haven't had people who have watched the film and said these things don't happen because our film even has testimonials of parents and victims. So maybe those who say terrorism doesn't exist can watch our film and they might change their mind."

'The Kerala Story' has been written and directed by Sudipto Sen and stars Adah Sharma, Yogita Bihani, Siddhi Idnani and Sonia Balani.

It got into controversy after the trailer of the film stated that 32,000 girls from the state went missing and later joined the terrorist group, ISIS.

&TV characters will face difficulties



n &TV's Doosri Maa, Happu Ki Ultan Paltan and Bhabhiji Ghar Par Hai's episodes this week, its characters will face difficulties. About &TV's Doosri Maa, Mother's Day track, Yashoda shares, "Astha (Aadvika Sharma) and Noopur (Anya Galvan) express their longing for Ashok (Mohit Dagga) while commemorating Mother's Day. Krishna (Aavudh Bhanushali) shares with Yashoda (Neha Joshi) that he is open to attending a government school. After securing admission, he re-

ceives books and a uniform. When Kamini (Priety Sahay) and Mahua (Manisha Arora) see Astha and Noopur returning from school, they ask him to bring Chole Bhautre and Mithai for them. In order to earn money for the treats, he starts working as a laborer, and Yashoda eventually spots him."

About Bhabiji Ghar Par Hai track, Angoori shares, "Tika (Vaibhav Mathur) and Tillu (Salim Zaidi) set up a food stall that uses excessively spicy chilies, causing people to become agitated

and quarrel over trivial matters. Anita (Vidisha Srivastava) and Angoori (Shubhangi Atre) challenge their husbands' loyalty and vow to reward them, but the husbands end up fighting with their wives and being kicked out of their homes. Saxena (Saanand Verma) informs Tiwari and Vibhuti that their obsession with consuming spices and chilies is to blame for their behavior. Anita and Angoori also visit the food stall, consume the spicy food, and end up getting angry themselves."

Rohit Bose Roy on the years after 'Swabhimaan': I didn't know what I was doing

pular actor Rohit Bose Roy looked back at his journey of almost three decades. He minces no words when he says he has had "more lows" than highs.

The actor agrees that after the late 1990's acclaimed 'Swabhimaan' by Mahesh Bhatt, he did not know

what he was doing.

Talking about his journey in the industry, Rohit, who is prepping for the stunt-based reality show 'Khatron Ke Khiladi' Season 13, told IANS: "It feels like the first decade went in a flash when I was doing television because right after 'Swabhimaan',



everything I did didn't turn gold.... I really didn't know what I was doing."

Rohit said that he does not regret anything.

"Maybe I should have because then my filmography would have been even better but I don't regret anything. I have

more lows than ups but still I am here and I am also considered to be one of the formidable actors, which is for me everytime I talk about I failed to become a superstar' most people say that 'you should be happy with the success you've got' and which is true.'

The actor has made a mark in the industry without any backing. "In hindsight, who lasts

for 30 years without a godfather, without a single person from the industry and zero support.'

However, he feels if he had been focussed in his craft a little more, he

Swedish singer Loreen wins Eurovision for the second time since 2012



wedish contestant Song 'Tattoo' Loreen came first at the Eurovision Song Contest 2023, beating out 25 other countries to garner 583 points, reports 'Variety'.

Loreen's win means the contest will likely be held in Sweden next year. Traditionally the winning country hosts the following year's contest. Sweden was followed by Finland's Kaarija with 526 points and Israel's Noa Kirel with 362 points, who took second and third place respectively, 'Variety' adds.

It is Loreen's second Eurovision win: she previously won the contest in 2012 with her song 'Euphoria'.

Eurovision, which is run European Broadcasting Union (EBU), features musical acts from around Europe as well as a

number of countries outside it, including Israel and Australia, who participate by virtue of their membership of the EBU, 'Variety'

This year's Eurovision took place in Liverpool, UK, on behalf of last year's winner Ukraine after it was deemed too dangerous to hold Eurovision in the country following the Russian invasion. Ukrainian entry Kalush Orchestra won last year's contest, followed by the UK's Sam Ryder, who came a close second.

Eurovision was hosted this year by rapper turned 'Britain's Got Talent' judge Alisha Dixon, 'Ted Lasso' star Hannah Waddingham, Ukrainian rock star Julia Sanina and the popular longtime Eurovision commentator. Graham Norton. according to 'Variety'.

Jayati Bhatia joins the cast of 'Dil Diyaan Gallaan'

eteran actor Jayati Bhatia is all set to join the cast of Sony SAB's Dil Diyaan Gallaan, a story about a family torn apart by misunderstood circumstances, hurt emotions, and inherent beliefs. The show has struck an emotional chord with the audience and show cases how unspoken words lead to differences between three generations. Jayati Bhatia will portray the role of Tavleen, a strong and intimidating woman who has returned to seek revenge on the Brar family. She is Dilpreet's (Pankaj Berry) nemesis Khushwant's (Jaswant Menaria)'s mother. After twenty-seven years, Tavleen has finally found an opportunity to destrov everv rela the Brar household as Riya (Hema Sood) has married her grandson Dollar (Reyaansh Chaddha). Jayati Bhatia, who will be donning the character of Tavleen,

said, "Tayleen is a woman with a strong personality who has come back after a long time to seek revenge from those who wronged her daughter. It is a challenging role and is very different from the roles I have played in the past, and I am looking forward to bringing Tayleen's character to life on the screen. The storyline is gripping, and I am sure the viewers will enjoy watching the drama unfold.'



'Hollywood Indie Active' on DishTV and D2h platforms n a continuous endeavleases in regional lan-

 $oldsymbol{ol}}}}}}}}}}$ and quality entertainment to its customers. India's leading DTH company - Dish TV India Ltd announced the launch of

a new Value-Added Service (VAS) 'Hollywood Indie Active' on both its DishTV and D2h platforms. Acknowledging the growing popularity of subscribers viewing content in their own language, the company has joined hands with One

Take Media to showcase popular and finest Hollywood movies dubbed in 4 languages -Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, and Marathi. Movies on this service can be watched without any ad-break on both DishTV and D2H platforms at a nominal price of Rs. 45+ Taxes per month. The Indian market has seen a spate of re-

guages that have been huge box office hits. Leading Hollywood production houses have also been quick to catch on to this trend, releasing marquee titles in languages that the Indian customer can relate to. However, not all Hollywood movies are dubbed, neither are they dubbed in all regional languages, nor is there a single destination for one movie in various lan-

Aastha Sharma, Rajveer Singh to star in 'Neerja...Ek Nayi Pehchaan'

Sharma and Rajveer Singh have been roped in to play the grownup roles of Neerja and Abeer respectively in the upcoming drama 'Neerjaa Ek Nayi Pehchaan'.

The family drama revolves around the story of a mother (played by Sneha Wagh) and her unvielding love for her daughter 'Neerja', despite living in Kolkata's infamous redlight district, Sonagacchi. The show also showcases the journey of a young man named Abeer who grew up in a privileged background. Set to be seen essaying the role of Neerja, Aastha said: "I'm ecstatic to be portray-



ing the character of Neerja, a young and innocent daughter who is blessed to have a loving and protective mother. Neerja's journey is one of hope, courage, and determination, and I feel fortunate to have been

given the opportunity to bring her story to life." "The show is not just about a mother's love for her daughter, but also about the resilience of the human spirit. I hope the viewers will be to connect with able

Neerja's character and find inspiration in her story.' Rajveer Singh, who will be seen essaying the role of Abeer said: "The character of Abeer that I will be portraying is from a privileged background, whereas Neerja comes from a less privileged one.

"It's fascinating to see how the show beautifully illustrates the impact individuals from different socio-economic grounds can have on each other. I'm excited to bring this tale of love and the triumph of the human spirit in the face of adversity to viewers and hope it inspires them as much as it has inspired me.'

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Jofra Archer out of Ashes series for

England fast bowler Jofra Archer was ruled out of the upcoming Ashes series against Australia on Tuesday because of ongoing problems with his right elbow that have limited his playing time since 2021.

Archer will miss the entire summer of international cricket, England said, after scans revealed he has sustained a recurrence of a stress fracture to his elbow.

28-year-old Barbados-born pacer underwent two operations on his elbow in 2021 and was forced to cut short his time in this season's Indian Premier League after experiencing discomfort in the same area.

"It has been a frustrating and upsetting period for Jofra Archer," England managing director Robert Key said. "He was making



England after recurrence of elbow injury

good progress until a recurrence of the elbow injury, which kept him out for an extended period previously.

'We wish him the best of luck with his recovery. I'm sure we will see Jofra back to his best and winning games for England, whatever the format. Hopefully,

sooner rather than later." The Ashes starts on June 16 with the first of five tests. England will warm

up for the series with a oneoff test against Ireland at Lord's from June 1.

England selected a 15man squad for the Ireland match and included Jonny Bairstow, who is set to play for his country for the first time since breaking his left leg and ankle when slipping during a round of

Wicketekeeper Ben Foakes was dropped to

who will play as a wicketkeeper-batter and starred for England with some explosive performances with the bat in the middle order last year. "It was a seriously tough decision to leave Ben Foakes out of the squad," Key said. "He has been excellent for England in the last year, but Jonny Bairstow is one of the best players in the world whose performances last summer epitomised what we are about." With Chris Woakes back in the test squad for the first time since March 2022, Mark Wood returning after taking a break from the New Zealand tour and James Anderson shrugging off a minor groin injury, England has a deep stock of pace bowlers from which to choose. Stuart Broad, Ollie Robinson and

Matthew Potts are other

fast bowlers in the squad.

'We rightly deserve the play-off spot'

Ahmedabad, May 16 (PTI):

Gujarat Titans skipper Hardik Pandya said his team "rightly deserve" a place in the play-offs of Indian Premier League after a convincing 34-run win over Sunrisers Hyderebad here on Monday.

"Very proud of the boys, two in two (making it to the play-offs twice in a row). The boys put their hands up and in challenging situations and we rightly deserve the playoff spot," Hardik said at the post-match presenta-

"There will be expectations and for me it was important to focus within the group. We ticked a lot of good boxes, we made a lot of errors but we were always there in the game and tried to stay consistent," he added.

Impressed with their effort, Hardik called himself a bowler's captain.

"Bowlers are very close



batters take a lot of credit, for me I will always be a bowler's captain and ensure they get due credit that they very much de-

serve," Hardik said. Recalling his IPL debut against SRH, man-of-the-

match Gill said it has

come a full circle for him.
"My IPL debut was against SRH, now I've my IPL hundred against them. Quite pleased. It's come a full circle. Hopefully I'll get more

Gill said. "I'm not the kind of per son who dwells too much on my last innings. The focus is on what's needed at the moment. The most satisfying moment was to hit Abhishek (Sharma) for a six because he is my childhood friend."

hundreds this season,'

Out of reckoning for a place in the play-offs, SRH skipper Aiden Markram said his team will play for pride in its remaining

'England the toughest place in the world to bat for top-three batters'

Brisbane, May 16 (PTI):

Australia opener Usman Khawaja believes England's pitches are the ultimate Test for top-three batters and the only way to train for the conditions there is to work really hard and have very low expectations. Khawaja has struggled in English conditions, averaging just 19.66 from six Tests, which is a below-average showing from him given that he has scored an amazing 1,608 runs at 69.91 in 16 Tests since he was recalled to the Test side in January last year. The 36-year-old is expected to

be in the thick of things during the World Test Championship final against India and the subsequent five-Test Ashes series



WTC final at The Oval in London from June 7, before the Ashes commence on June 16 in Birmingham. The Australians under skipper Pat Cummins will look to clinch their maiden series triumph in

the UK since 2001. "England is, in my opinion, the toughest place in the world to bat for a top three batsman, plain and simple," Khawaja was quoted as saving by cricket.com.au here.

"New ball is tough work, but then you get some (weather) conditions, and it's a bit of luck involved in it. too: sometimes you get the other team out. then suddenly the clouds roll over... other times you're out

Prannoy achieves career-best world no. 7 ranking



New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

Star India shuttler HS Prannoy climbed up two spots to achieve a careerbest world number seven in men's singles in the latest BWF ranking issued on Tuesday. Commonwealth Games bronze medallists Treesa Jolly and Gayatri

two spots to become world no. 15 women's doubles pair in the latest list.

Prannoy has points to his kitty from 17 tournaments and remains the best placed Indian singles player, followed by double Olympic medallist PV Sindhu, who improved a spot to be at 11th position in

Stokes to return home after CSK's final league game

New Delhi, May 15 (PTI)

Struggling with fitness issues, England Test captain Ben Stokes is set to return home after Chennai Super Kings' final IPL league match to give himself enough time to prepare for next month's Ashes.

The 31-year-old, who was bought by CSK for Rs 16.25 crore during the IPL auction in December 2022, participated in just the first two matches for CSK, scoring 7 and 8 and conceded 18 runs in his only over with the ball.

With the Ashes series be-England and tween Australia beginning with the opening Test on June 16, Stokes will "will return to



group game against Delhi Capitals on Saturday afternoon", according to a report in ESPNcricinfo.

As part of their preparation, England are also set to play a Test against Ireland at Lord's on June 1 and Stokes, who has a long-running knee issue, had expressed his desire to "give myself enough time to get back and play that game'

Following the April 3 game, Stokes didn't play any match for CSK initially due to a toe injury. On April 22, CSK chief

coach Stephen Fleming had said that Stokes has "suffered an injury setback and will be out for a week." The star all-rounder was

available for selection again last week but didn't feature in the playing XI for CSK.

While CSK are sitting pretty at the second spot in the IPL standings, Fleming said after their loss to Kolkata Knight Riders on Sunday that bowling remains "a bit of a challenge' at the moment for Stokes and he is there as "batting

'First target is India to be no.1 in Asia'

New Delhi. May 16 (PTI):

Barely two weeks into his new role as head coach of Indian men's hockey team, South African Craig Fulton is pretty clear about his goals -- to make the side number one in Asia and qualify for next year's Olympics in Paris.

Fulton, who witnessed the rise of Belgium hockey since 2018, wants India to first dominate Asian hockey and then gradually translating it into the world stage.

"What I have in my head is to be the no.1 team in Asia. Definitely, it is one of the goals which we want to achieve and be there consistently and then push because if we are sitting on world ranking 4 and 5, you need to consistently try to



reach the podium," Fulton said in his first media interaction, held virtually.

'When you have built enough experience and have a game plan which suits all the individuals then you can definitely push on to get into the finals and win them.

"The priority is to qualify for Paris Olympics through the Asian Games.

This is our no.1 priority. By using the FIH Pro League, the four-nation in Spain and then the Asian Champions Trophy we

tion to qualify straightway," he added. Fulton has achieved exemplary success in his previous stints as coach.

His rise to fame began

want to really set us up to

be strong and be in a posi-

with a stint as Irish men's team head coach between 2014 to 2018 when the team qualified for the 2016 Rio Olympics.

That was the Irish team's first Olympic qualification in 100 years. The historic leat also won him the FIH Coach of the Year award in 2015.

Fulton also worked as assistant coach with the reigning Olympic champions Belgium en route to the gold medal in Tokyo. He was also part of the Belgian coaching staff during their 2018 World Cup win in Bhubaneswar.

The South African was candid about his assessment of the current Indian team, saying there is a gap between it and the top two or three teams in

Sunil Chettri from being a 'backbencher, prankster' to leading by example

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI)

Sunil Chettri was a 'backbencher and prankster' who made fun of senior players during the early days of his international career, but all that changed after he was made captain in 2011 as he realised that he needed to set examples for the team.

After the legendary Bhaichung Bhutia's retirement in the 2011 Asian Cup, then coach Bob Houghton elevated Chhetri to captaincy to lead a young side in the AFC Challenge Cup Qualifiers in Malaysia two months later.

"The day I was given the armband, it was in Malaysia by Bob Houghton, there was an instant pressure because of what I was -- a backbencher," Chhetri said on an episode of 'Let There Be Sports' streaming on Disney Plus Hotstar. "Myself, Steven (Dias) and (NP) Pradeep made fun of the senior players, that



was me. Everything was a prank and I was mischievous. "But when I wore the armband, for the initial threefour games I started sitting ahead," added the 38-year-old, whose last major tournament for India could be the Asian Cup 2024 in Doha. "That have become captain now. It's not these things but doing the right stuff that you were doing before and being a little more thoughtful. It's not only you, it's the team now," he added.

Senior players like Renedy Singh Climax Lawrence and Mahesh Gawli played their last India matches in the latter part of 2011. Chhetri made his international debut for India in 2005 in a friendly match against Pakistan in Quetta. He scored on his debut in a 1-1 draw. Sukhwinder Singh was the Indian team coach then. Chhetri said he changed his approach to the game after taking charge as captain as he needed to lead the team by example.

"Before there was this mindset that I am Sunil Chhetri -- my dribble my pass, my crossing, my goal. I would raise my hands and go home. Even if I received abuse, I would

Punjab Kings eye big win to keep play-off hopes alive against DC

Dharamsala, May 16 (PTI):

Punjab Kings will be eager to register a big win to keep their IPL play-off hopes alive against woodspooners Capitals, who will play for pride when the two teams here Wednesday.

It has been a rollercoaster ride for PBKS, with six losses and as many wins. They are placed at eighth spot with 12 points and are still in contention to make the qualifiers.

However, they need to improve their net run rate (NRR), which stands at -0.268. A 31-run win against the Capitals last week boosted their NRR and morale and the Shikhar Dhawan-led side will hope for an encore and then hope that other results go their way. Punjab will have



to put up a much improved effort with the bat. Against Delhi, opener Prabhsimran Singh waged a lone battle. Barring Dhawan, who has been their best batter, and to an Prabhsimran Singh, very few PBKS batters have contributed enough to their overall totals. Their bowlers also

need to pull up their socks.

Boasting of a sound bowl-

ing attack with Nathan

Ellis, Sam Curran and Arshdeep Singh, PBKS have often failed to defend runs. On the other hand, Delhi Capitals have had a nightmare of a season and already knocked out of the play-off contention.

The batting unit has disappointed all season. Delhi's Indian batters, barring Axar Patel, have flattered to deceive, putting up a dismal show.

'MS Dhoni signing shirt was an emotional moment for me'

Mumbai, May 16 (PTI)

Batting legend Sunil Gavaskar reveals experiencing an "emotional moment" when he got MS Dhoni's autograph on his shirt after Chennai Super Kings' last league round match at the Chepauk against Kolkata Knight Riders in this IPL.

Gavaskar, who was on the field with the broadcast unit after the game on Sunday night, requested Dhoni to sign his shirt as CSK players were doing a lap of honour around the MA Chidambaram Stadium in Chennai.

"When I got to know about Chennai Super Kings and MS Dhoni are going to take a lap of honour at Chepauk, I decided to create a special memory. That's why I ran towards MSD to take his autograph. It was his last home game at Chepauk," Gavaskar was quoted as saying on Star



and requested him to sign an autograph on the shirt that I was wearing. It was so nice of him to acknowledge it. It was a very emotional moment for me because this fellow has made immense contributions to Indian cricket," he said in a release.

India captain.

"Of course, he will get a chance to play here if CSK qualifies for the playoffs. But I decided to make that moment special. I was fortunate enough that someone in the camera unit had a marker pen. So, I am thankful to that person as well," said Gavaskar, also a former

Lara admits to not getting to grips with hectic IPL season Ahmedabad, May 16 (PTI):

Legendary West Indian Brian Lara has conceded that he was not able to come to "grips" with the rigours and emotions of the tournament in his first as Sunrisers Hyderabad head coach as the franchise once again made an early exit from the IPL.

Defending champions Gujarat Titans became the first team to make the playoffs following heir their 34-run win over Sunrisers Hyderabad here on Monday. The result also knocked out the Laracoached side who still have two more matches left.

"First of all, it's my first year (as head coach of an IPL side)...," Lara said in the post-match media interaction.

Lara indicated under-



standing the nitty-gritty in his first year of being the chief coach of a T20 side was difficult.

After an unsuccessful 2022 where they finished eighth, SRH parted ways with their most successful coach Tom Moody who had guided them to the playoffs five times and win the IPL 2016.

Formerly a strategic ad-

"Not getting to grips with the emotions of going through an IPL season, especially when we were back to travelling to different venues and finding out different surfaces," the 54-

viser and batting coach,

this was the West Indian

great's first assignment as

a head coach of a T20

year-old said.

'Slight delay in onset of monsoon over Kerala'

Arrival likely on Jun 4

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

A slight delay is expected in the onset of the southwest monsoon over Kerala and it is likely to arrive by June 4, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) said on Tuesday.

Scientists, however, said the slight delay is unlikely to impact agriculture and total rainfall over the

country. The southwest monsoon normally sets in over Kerala on June 1, with a standard deviation of about 7 days.

"This year, the southwest monsoon onset over Kerala is likely to be slightly delayed. The monsoon onset over Kerala is likely to be on June 4 with a model error of 4 days,'

For weight loss

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

Organization (WHO) has

advised against the use of

non-sugar sweeteners to

control body weight or re-

duce the risk of non-com-

The recommendation

is based on the findings of

a review of the available

evidence which suggests

that use of non-sugar

sweeteners (NSS) does

not provide any long-

term benefit in reducing

body fat in adults or chil-

dren. The findings also

suggest that there may be

potential undesirable im-

pact from long-term use

of NSS, such as an in-

creased risk of type 2 dia-

betes, cardiovascular dis-

eases, and mortality in

"Replacing free sugars

with NSS does not help

with weight control in

adults, the WHO said.

municable diseases.

World Health



the long term. People added to foods and bever-

the Met office said in a

statement.

The monsoon arrived in the southern state on May 29 last year, June 3 in 2021, June 1 in 2020, June 8 in 2019 and May 29 in 2018.

The advance of the southwest monsoon over the Indian mainland is marked by the onset over Kerala and is an important indicator characterising the transition from the

WHO advises against use of sugar substitutes

need to consider other

ways to reduce free sug-

ars intake, such as con-

suming food with natu-

rally occurring sugars,

like fruit, or unsweetened

food and beverages," said

Francesco Branca, WHO

Director for Nutrition

dietary factors and have

no nutritional value.

People should reduce the

sweetness of the diet alto-

gether, starting early in

life, to improve their

health," Branca said in a

The recommendation

applies to all people ex-

cept individuals with pre-

existing diabetes and in-

cludes all synthetic and

naturally occurring or

modified non-nutritive

sweeteners that are not

found in manufactured

foods and beverages, or

sold on their own to be

These sweeteners are

classified as sugars.

"NSS are not essential

and Food Safety.

statement.

hot and dry season to the rainy season.

The IMD said its forecasts for the monsoon onset over Kerala have proved to be correct during the last 18 years except in 2015.

The predicted monsoon onset is within the standard deviation of 7 days. It is unlikely to impact agriculture and overall rainfall over the country IMD

ages by consumers.

Common NSS include

acesulfame K, aspartame,

advantame, cyclamates,

neotame, saccharin, su-

cralose, stevia and stevia

The guideline does not

apply to personal care

and hygiene products

containing NSS, such as

toothpaste, skin cream,

and medications, or to

low-calorie sugars and

sugar alcohols (polyols),

which are sugars or

sugar derivatives con-

taining calories and are

therefore not considered

NSS, according to the

The WHO guideline on

NSS is part of a suite of

existing and forthcoming

guidelines on healthy

diets that aim to establish

lifelong healthy eating

habits, improve dietary

quality and decrease the

risk of non-communica-

ble diseases (NCDs)

derivatives.

chief M Mohapatra told

"There is no one-to-one relationship between the onset date and the total rainfall over the country during the season. Also, the monsoon arriving early or in late in Kerala doesn't mean it will cover other parts of the country accordingly. The monsoon characterised largescale variabilities and global, regional and

M Rajeevan, former secretary of the Union Ministry Earth Sciences, said it is unlikely that the delay is due to Cyclone Mocha. "Had the cyclone occured around May 20-May 25, it would have really affected the monsoon. The cyclone is already over.'

local features," he said.

"It could be due to insufficient heating over the Indian subcontinent.

ALL-WOMEN BUS SERVICE



Women bus driver and conductor at the flag-off ceremony of India's first all-women intercity bus from Kashmere Gate ISBT, in New Delhi, Tuesday.

FLAGSHIP GOVT SCHEME

AP CM hands over financial aid

To 1.2 lakh fishermen **families**

Nizampatnam (AP), May 16 (PTI):

The Andhra Pradesh government on Tuesday disbursed Rs 124 crore into the bank accounts of 1.2 lakh fishermen families under the 'YSR Matsyakara Bharosa' scheme as financial assistance during the breeding season between April 15 and June 14 when they refrain from venturing to sea. Every year during the marine fishing ban period, the coastal state restricts fishermen from going into the Bay of Bengal to fish for enabling the fishes to breed, lay eggs and multiply.

"We have started 'YSR Matsyakara Bharosa' with the noble idea of avoiding any trouble to fishermen who cannot go in to the sea during the ban period. For the families of my fishermen brothers who reposed their faith on the sea," Chief Minister Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy said at a public meeting Nizampatnam town of Bapatla district after the latest instalment of the government scheme was distributed to the benefici-

Besides the aid of Rs 10,000 per family under the programme that is into its fifth year now, the Chief Minister also formally credited Rs 108 crore into the bank accounts of over 23,000 fishermen from Konaseema district who lost their livelihood due to pipeline works taken up by public sector unit ONGC.

Till now, the government has deposited a total of Rs 538 crore under the Matsyakara Bharosa' scheme to the families in five years.

'Farmers should be given financial aid before crop seasons'

To prevent suicides

Aurangabad, May 16 (PTI):

The Aurangabad divisional commissioner has suggested that in order to farmers stop Marathwada from committing suicide, they should be provided a financial assistance of Rs 10,000 per acre before the commencement every crop season.

This conclusion has been made after the revenue department reached out out nearly five lakh families of farmers in the region as part of a survey conducted in December last year, Divisional Commissioner Kendrekar told reporters on Tuesday. The Marathwada re-

gion, which comprises Aurangabad, Beed,

Sunil Kendrekar

Hingoli, Jalna, Latur, Nanded, Osmanabad and Parbhani districts, reported 1,023 farmer suicides in 2022. As many as 10,431 farmers committed suicide in this region since 2001, as per figures provided by the divisional commissioner's office.

Kendrekar said the administration studied the socio-economic condition of farmers and their families in the eight districts of Marathwada.

ducted to find the families where farmers were vulnerable to taking the extreme step due to various conditions. The farmer Marathwada is more (compared to other parts of Maharashtra," he said. "Less crop yield, no

"The survey was con-

good returns on crops, climatic conditions, problems due to wild animals and costly farming inputs were some of the main reasons for farmer suicides in the region. We called four such families and had discussions with them," the official said.

He said the families get aid after they lose their member to suicide.

"To find such suicide vulnerable farmer families, we decided to reach out to the cultivators through a survey comprising 104 questions.

SC pulls up Chandrasekhar for seeking extension of time

New Delhi, May 16 (PTI):

The Supreme Court on Tuesday rapped alleged con-Sukesh Chandrasekhar for filing a plea seeking extension of time to meet and consult his lawyers in the Mandoli jail here. A bench of Justices Ajay Rastogi and Bela M Trivedi said visitation is already being provided to Chandrasekhar as per prison rules. "You give the name of the lawyers, we will ask the jail authorities to allow your lawyers stay in the jail. What kind of statement you are making in this court? Do you want a privilege in jail? the bench remarked. The counsel ap-

 To meet lawyers in jail
 pearing for Chandrasekhar submitted that 28 cases are pending against his client in six cities and more than 10 lawyers have been engaged. According to jail rules, only 30 minutes twice a week is being given to meet lawyers, which is not sufficient, his lawyer said, adding his client's right is being contravened. The apex court then said in its order, "It is not is dispute that visitation is provided to the petitioner in compliance of jail rules. What is being prayed for is extraordinary relief which is not permissible." A prisoner is allowed two interviews (meetings) every week with his relations or friends for half-an-hour duration, according to jail rules.

Basmati-rich farmlands in Jammu adopt ripper technology

To get rid of stubble burning menace

Chakrohi border (R S Pura), May 16 (PTI): India's basmati-rich agriculture fields in Jammu and Kashmir's R S Pura border belt have adopted a new technology, wherein modified rippers are used to get rid of the menace of

stubble burning. The department of agriculture (DoA) has introduced modified rippers to cut stubble and convert it into fodder. Ripper is an agricultural tool that is used to loosen or aerate the soil. "The use of rippers will not only end farm fire and pollution but also

create fodder for cattle, Manager, Multiplication Seed Farm Rakesh Chakrohi, Khanjuria told PTI.

Khajuria said that use of new technology not only prevents pollution, farm fires and destruction of minerals in soil and insects, but creates fodder for cattle of the region and employment for the local youth. Officials said that introduction of rippers to create fodder instead of pollution should be introduced not only in the entire J&K but also in Punjab and Haryana. "Delhi, Haryana and Punjab, where such incidents are increasingly taking place, should adopt

this (ripper technology of stable chopping). It should be used in the entire J&K. This will control pollution and will give fillip to mushroom and dairy enterprises," he said. Farmers and harvesters are working against time to reap 13 varieties of wheat sowed on 850 acres in fertile agriculture land on two sides of border fencing International Border in Jammu and Kashmir's Chakrohi that was off limits till a year ago, due to Pakistani shelling.

Seventy per cent of harvesting has been done. The crops were sown after India and Pakistan agreed



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A women plucks strawberries during the harvesting of season's first fruit crop, in a

field on the outskirts of Srinagar, Tuesday.

A public interest litigation (PIL) has been moved in the Kerala High Court seeking to

prevent participation of children in the 'Thee Chamundi Theyyam' – a ritualistic dance in north Malabar region of the state — alleging that they are thrown on to embers 101 times as part of the performance tradition.

Kochi, May 16 (PTI):

of the temple under which this dance performance is conducted.

अत्याधनिक तकनीक द्वारा केश

HC takes up PIL seeking

ban on children

A bench of Justices Anil K Narendran and कालड़ा बर्ज एवं प्लास्टिक कॉस्मैटिक सर्जरी सेंटर आर.के.सी.कू सामने, चीब कालोनी एवं पचपेढ़ी Kauser Edappagath on Tuesday asked the petitioner NGO to implead the Malabar Devaswom Board and the trustees



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