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An artisan gives final touches to a fiber glass idol of Goddess Durga that will be sent to London for the upcoming Durga Puja, in Kolkata, Saturday.

#### **Bad weather**

■ Itanagar: An Advanced Light Helicopter of the Indian Army, which was tasked to undertake a medical evacuation mission in Arunachal Pradesh, was forced to make a 'one-skid landing' on a road after it encountered adverse weather conditions.

#### Ban

■ Patna: The Bihar Police have approached the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), seeking a ban on more than 100 gambling or gaming and loan-providing apps that are allegedly engaged in money laundering and pose a threat to the financial security of the country.



# **Cong means 'loot ki dukaan'** and 'jhooth ka bazaar': PM

Lashing out at the Congress, Prime Minister Narendra Modi Saturday dubbed the party as a 'loot ki dukaan' and 'jhooth ka bazaar", and said it is clear that its government in Rajasthan is on its way out.

The prime minister alleged the Ashok Gehlot government has carved a new identity for itself when it comes to corruption, crime and politics of appeasement. Addressing an election rally here, Modi said Rajasthan

PM Modi launches various development projects, in Bikaner, Saturday. should have been at the top in the implementation of the Jal Jeevan Mission, but today it is among the laggard states. "In terms of

crime against women,

Rajasthan tops the list in

rape cases. The situation is such that here the protectors are becoming the predators. The whole government here seems to be busy in saving rape and murder accused." Modi ally on the Congress, he said if it remains in power, it makes the country hollow and when it goes out of power, it defames the country by abusing it. "Their leaders go abroad

and abuse India," he said.

"There is only one meaning of the Congress... 'loot ki dukaan' and 'jhooth ka bazaar'," the prime minister said in an obvious jibe at Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's frequent remarks about his party opening 'mohabbat ki dukaan' in 'nafarat ka

Violence rocks Bengal's panchayat polls

#### Na tired hu, na retired hu: Sharad **Pawar's jibe at Ajit**

Mumbai, Jul 08:

**Nationalist Congress Party** 

chief Sharad Pawar has scoffed at estranged nephew Aiit Pawar's suggestion that he should retire from active politics, saying he will continue working as party workers want him to keep going. "Do you know at what age Morarii Desai became the prime minister? I don't want to become the PM or a minister but only want to serve the people," Pawar said when asked about Ajit's remark that at 83 years, it was time for his uncle to retire. Asserting that he was not old yet, Pawar echoed former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee's words, saying, "Na tired hu, na retired hu," (I am neither tired nor retired).

Among flashpoints were

The polling began at 7



NH MMI Narayana Superspeciality Hospital, Lalpur, Raipur

Bilaspur, Jul 09:

A three-storey building collapsed in Bilaspur city on Saturday, the police

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No one was injured in the incident that occurred in the Mangla Chowk area of the city under the Civil Lines police station limits, an official said. The structure, which housed commercial units, came crashing down around 6.45 am and completely destroyed a jewellery shop and a medicine shop belonging to two brothers, he said.

Bilaspur MLA Shailesh Pandey, former minister Amar Agrawal, ex-mayor Rajesh Pandey and local businessmen have demanded compensation for those affected, alleging that the digging for a drain adjacent to the building weakened its foundation and caused its collapse.

Mavor Ramsharan Yadav said the demand for compensation will be considered sympathetically after an investigation into the incident. Municipal Commissioner Dudawat said that a 5member inquiry commit-

tee has been formed and it will submit its report in 3 days. The civic chief said that the local contractors' association has provided an immediate relief of Rs 5 lakh to the owners of the jewellery and medical shops. The municipal corporation is constructing drains across Bilaspur city to deal with waterlogging during monsoon. The work on a drain from Mangla Chowk to Ring Road-2 is going on even after the arrival of the rains.

### MLAs of 2 Sena camps get notices over disqualification

Mumbai. Jul 08 (PTI):

Maharashtra Legislative Assembly Speaker Rahul Narwekar on Saturday said notices have been issued to 40 MLAs of Chief Minister Eknath Shindeled Shiv Sena and 14 of the Uddhav Thackeray faction, seeking their replies on disqualification petitions against them.

These legislators have been given seven days to file their reply, he said.

The notices have been issued against a total of 54 MLAs, including Chief

Minister Eknath Shinde and Shiv Sena (UBT) leader Aaditya Thackeray. But notice was not issued against Shiv Sena (UBT) MLA Rutuja Latke who was elected after the Shiv Sena split last year.

The development comes a day after Narwekar said that he has received a copy of the Shiv Sena's constitution from the Election Commission of India, and that hearing on the disqualification petitions against 16 Shiv Sena MLAs, including CM Shinde would start soon.

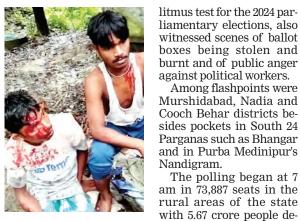


Kolkata, Jul 08 (PTI):

Bengal's rural polls drew towards a bloody finish as 15 people died. bombs exploded and all parties leveled allegations of strong arm tactics against their rivals on Saturday.

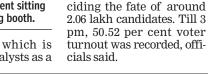
Twelve people, including eight from the ruling TMC and one worker each of the BJP, CPI(M), Congress and ISF died since midnight in the crucial three-tier panchayat polls, officials said

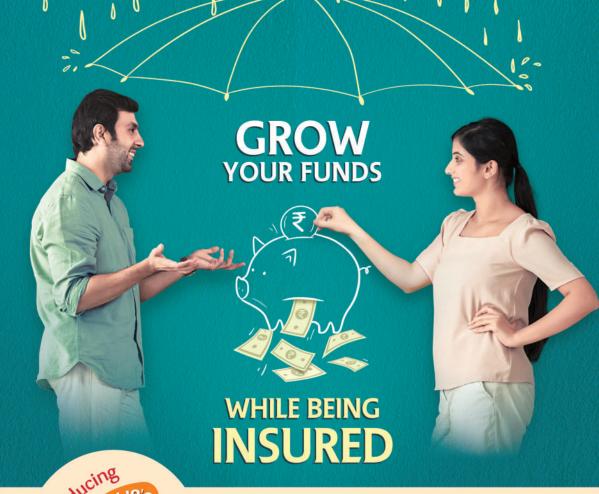
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Injured CPI(M) agent sitting outside a polling booth.

The election which is being seen by analysts as a





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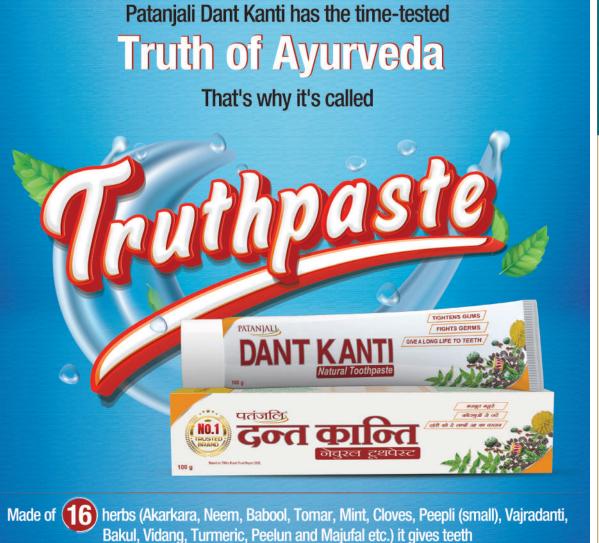
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of toothpaste has resulted not only in

unclean teeth, but its chemicals made the teeth and gums even worse!

# Cops attend training on Man arrested for peddling **Vulnerability Mapping**

**Central Chronicle News** 

Administration launched preparations for the upcoming Vidhan Sabha polls in the state. In this sequel, more than 25 officers of Durg district received training of Vulnerability Mapping in relation to sensitive, very sensitive booths. This will help in ensuring peaceful, free and fair elections.

Training Vulnerability Mapping was organized through video conferencing by the Chief Electoral Officer, Raipur, Chhattisgarh in the auditorium of Police Control Room Bhilai. More than 25 officers of Durg Police attended this



Training was given on tailed discussion was held important points regard-Vulnerability Mapping in the video conference organized in connection with the upcom-Vidhansabha

regarding the definition of Vulnerability Mapping and necessary information regarding disruptions arising in sensitive information about the criteria of critiventive law and order proceedings for peaceful, free and fair elections. More than 25 officers from different stations of Durg Police received training and got necessary information on Vulnerability

**Central Chronicle News** 

Bhilai, Jul 08: With the arrest of a drug peddler, police claimed to have busted the illegal supply and distribution network of the scheduled and banned psychotropic drugs. About 912 psychotropic tablets and capsules were seized from him. It was a joint operation of Mohan Nagar Police Station and Durg Civil Team.

The accused is identified as Santosh Kumar Mishra (49) son of Ramavtar Mishra a resident of Hanuman Nagar, Durg. He is a native of village Bela, District Rewa. Madhya Pradesh. It needs to be mentioned here that

psychotropic drugs

officers. Durg Police are taking action against illegal drug dealers and peddlers in the

The cops are continuously working against the people involved in trade of narcotics drugs and illegal sale of scheduled psychotropic drugs. In this sequel, Police received a tip off regarding a drug peddler, who was selling the banned psychotropic drugs to the addicts.

After confirming the information, the joint team conducted a well-planned

drug peddler with the psy-Surya Hotel in Kailash Nagar.

The accused has been booked under the provisions mentioned in NDPS Act. 768 nos Spascorevon Plus Capsules and 144 nos Aadspa Pro capsules, total worth Rs 10373, have been seized from him.

Inspector Vipin Rangari (SHO, Mohan Nagar), SI Uma Thakur, Head Constable Suryadev Singh, Constable Rajkumar Dalai, Civil team members Kishore Soni, Naseer Baksh, Kamlesh Yadav, Thomson Peter, Prashant Patankar, Bharthari Nishad and Ajay Yadu played a vital role in arresting the ac-

### **Applications invited for Ran-Niti-Director (Personnel) Cup - 2023**

**Central Chronicle News** 

Bhilai, Jul 08: SAIL-Resource Development (HRD) Department in collaboration with AIMA is going to organize Ran-Niti- Director (Personnel) Cup, a 2-day Unit Level Simulation Business Games - 2023-24.

The two-day competition will be organised online for each Quiz Centre, by the SAIL- Corporate Office, New Delhi from 19th to 20th July 2023. The exercise will cover all aspects of business, including Finance, Marketing, Operations etc.

The competition rounds for Bhilai Steel Plant will be organized at MP Hall, BMDČ, Sector -7, Bhilai. The executives working in various units of Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) are invited to participate in teams of three members each and make it a grand success. Interested executives may submit their applications by 15th July 2023.

12 teams will compete Ran-Niti-Director (Personnel) Cup - 2023, which shall be organized in three stages. In the Level-1 of the competition, participants will be selected at Plant/Unit Level, which will be organized online by AIMA for all Plants/Units.

Followed by the Level-2,

to be organized physically among the 6 selected teams at the SAIL level at MTI, Ranchi. The Head of Training/HRD of respective Plant/Unit shall conduct the competition at the respective units. Director (Personnel) SAIL will felicitate the top three winning teams at the Valedictory Ceremony of the competition.

Ran-Niti-Director (Personnel) Cup - 2023-24 is an initiative to identify and develop strategic leaders through Business Simulation Games and encourage the Employees to work in cross-functional teams and understand the importance of team

#### **Central Chronicle News**

Mahotsay, a week-long festival of tree plantation was organized in DAV, Hudco, Bhilai in the first week of July from 3rd to 8th July, 2023 in the school campus. The week celebration was an ideal opportunity to instill personal and social responsibility in our students towards safeguarding trees and forests, forming a personal connection between the students and trees through a process of experience, reflection and creation and remind us of the fineness and superiority of trees while making the implications of our inherited assets and that without us trees cannot adjust or sur-

### DAV celebrates Van Mahotsav flooded with assortments of

Bhilai. Jul 08: Van

The entire week was

activities and competitions which culminated with an exhibition on Saturday (8th July, 2023). The week commenced with a special assembly which was a blend of poems, speeches, quiz and facts which was a mind altering experience for everyone. In the concluding days of the week children participated in various activities conducted in a weeklong event like fancy dress for tiny tots, poem recitation and paper bag making competition for the primary wing, middle wing was engaged in poster making whereas the secondary and senior secondary were engrossed in speech and slogan writing competition. The theme for all the activi-

ties and competition was

the importance of Van



Mahotsav and the value of trees. Prashant Kumar, Principal cum Deputy Regional Officer CG, Zone A, expressed a great zeal of contentment towards students' effort and encouraged them to preserve trees which play a vital role in maintaining the ecological balance. He further added that the week was an

vironment and let them be aware of their role in conserving it.

The highlight of the celebration was the event 'Green Exhibition' organized by the Eco Club on 8th July, 2023 which was cordially inaugurated by Prashant Kumar where the best two of all the activities like best earnest attempt to lend a out of the waste, slogan

writing, Poster Making, showcasing Conservation of Nature and various medicinal plants were displayed making the ambience green and fresh. On the occasion, Prashant Kumar remarked that the week was indeed an innovative, informative and an interesting celebration. Trees are poems that the earth writes on the sky. Green is the colour of Nature, life, prosperity, harmony and energy, which is closely associated with meanings of hope freshness and environment and revitalizes our body and mind. He also added that celebrating Van Mahotsava is a good way to foster feelings of respect for the environment in students. The program ended with a pledge to cut our greed and

# Efforts for lease deed registry intensified

Meeting of lease holders today

**Central Chronicle News** 

Bhilai, Jul 08: Under the leadership of BSP Officers Association President and SEFI Chairman Narendra Kumar Banchore, a review meeting of the progress made in the context of lease deed registration was conducted by the House Lease Coordination Committee. SK Vardhan, MK Vinodia, Krishna Shah and Satyawan Nayak of the core group along with Banchor and Parvinder Singh partic-

ipated in this meeting. The meeting reviewed the complete procedure in which the Registrar has given necessary information to the BSP management for making the lease deed; completing the process of registering the

power of attorney and authorizing the BSP officials to sign the lease deed. In this context, the core group of the House Lease Coordination Committee under the leadership of Banchor met various officials of the Town Services Department of BSP.

In relation to lease deed registration, Banchor said that according to the information received from the Town Services Department, drafts of various formats of lease deed have been prepared. Along with this, consent has also been obtained from the Town Services Department by making 'Sample Deed' on an experimental basis.

Keeping in view the various requirements of employees having quarters in lease and officers for getting the lease deed done, special discussion was conducted to start a 'help desk'

towards driving social

progress and making a tan-

gible difference in the lives



for the lease holders at the Pragati Bhavan of the Officers' Association and gather necessary resources for it. Banchor said that very soon a help desk will be started in OA.

Giving information in this regard, Banchor said that the signature of the officer authorized by BSP is necessary in the registration of lease deeds. Therefore, taking a positive initiative, the BSP management has started the process of registering the Power of Attorney and authorizing the BSP officials to sign the lease deed. This process is likely to be completed soon.

Intensifying its efforts, House Coordination Committee under the leadership of Narendra Kumar Banchore has organized an important meeting of lease holders on July 9, 2023 around 10.30 am at the Pragati Bhavan of the Officers' Association. Detailed information will be given about

the progress made in the registration of lease deed so far and the various formats prescribed for making lead deed and the documents required for it. Banchor has appealed to the lease holders to keep patience and avoid being misled by unnecessary information. The House Lease Committee and the Officers' Association will make every possible effort to provide assistance to all the house lease holders. The process of lease deed registry will be started

OA President and SEFI Chairman Narendra Kumar Banchore, OA General Secretary Parvinder Singh, OA Secretary Remi Thomas. Satyawan Nayak, SK Bardhan, Krishna Shah, MK Vinodia, KK Bahre, RC Sharma and other leaseholders were present in the

### Two held for stealing iron angles from factory

**Central Chronicle News** 

Bhilai, Jul 08: Old Bhilai Police arrested two ruffians on charges of stealing iron angles from a factory. Inspector Manish Sharma (SHO, Old Bhilai) informed that they received a complaint from Virendra Kumar, the manager of VS Engineering Company, Fabrication Hathkhoj, regarding theft of iron angles from the

scrap yard of the company. The unidentified thieves trespassed into the yard by making a hole in the boundary wall and escaped with 10-11 nos iron angles worth Rs 25000. Police lodged a complaint under section 457, 380 of IPC.

The investigation team examined the CCTV footage and collected information about the suspects



and habitual offenders of that area. In this sequel, police received a tip off regarding two youths, who were looking for junk dealers to sell some iron items.

Acting on this tip off, police nabbed the suspects and during interrogation, they confessed to committing theft at the factory. The accused are identified as Bhojendra Netam alias Bhola (22) son of Faguram

tive pf village Jhalam, Bemetara and Ramji Sahu (24) son of Jitendra Sahu a resident of Zone 3 Khursipar and a native of Gobrapedi, Dhamdha. The stolen iron angles have been recovered. Head Constable Rakesh Singh, Constable Harish Rao, Ishwarlal Bharadwaj and Shashikant Yadav played a vital role in arresting the accused.

## Yuvoday Durg Doots: Empowering youth volunteers to drive positive change in Durg District

**Central Chronicle News** 

Bhilai, Jul 08: Yuvoday Durg ke Doots, a transformative volunteering initiative driven by the people of Durg District and supportby the District Administration and UNICEF, celebrated its official launch with tremendous success.

The youth platform aims to foster social and behavioural change within families and society to promote the well-being of women and children in the district. The launch event witnessed an overwhelming response, with more than 150 individuals pledging their support

by signing up as volunteers. Durg District Collector Pushpendra Kumar Meena expressed his belief in the potential of youth to bring



of individuals and commuing, "Yuvoday Durg Doots nities.' will provide them with a Chief of platform to channel their Chhattisgarh energy, ideas, and passion

UNICEF Zachariah emphasized the significance of the Durg Doots Volunteer programme in empowering providing opportunities

young people and addressing critical community challenges.

He said, "UNICEF is committed to supporting adolescents and young people by enhancing their skills and

This transformative inithrough civic engagement initiatives like Yuvoday tiative aims to address five Durg ke Doots." He called priority areas of communiupon the young volunteers ty development in the Durg to work towards adapting district: community-based their lifestyles for the betmental health, adolescent terment of the environwell-being, Village Health, Sanitation, and Nutrition and substance abuse prevention. By empowering volunteers, the programme seeks

Days (VHSND), youth leadership for climate action,

to create sustainable positive change and enhance the overall well-being of individuals and the entire Durg district. The platform will build a group of youth champions and advocates who will promote and advocate key behavioural practices across the district. UNICEF will provide technical support to the plat-

The event witnessed the of Bhilai presence Municipal Commissioner Rohit Vyas, senior district administration officials, and over 200 youth volunteers of Yuvoday Durg ke Doots, among others.

**Ramkaran Tiwari** Bhilai: Retired BSP

**OBITUARY** 

employee Ramkaran Tiwari left for heavenly abode at the age of 76 years on Saturday. Funeral procession was taken out from his residence situated at Street 2, Sector 1 and last rites of the mortal remains were performed Ramnagar Muktidham. He was the father of Atul, Prabhat and Sanjay Tiwari.

# 'Chh'garh liquor revenue went up in more than four years, no scam'

Minister Bhupesh Baghel on Saturday said liquor revenue in the state has gone up in the last fourand-a-half years and there is no question of any

Baghel told reporters that the state excise department has issued notices to three distilleries regarding the allegations about the use of fake holograms on (liquor) bottles.

A day earlier. Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched a scathing attack on Congress during a rally in Raipur saying the party had promised a liquor ban in Chhattisgarh, but in reality, crores of rupees of liquor scam went into the account of the party.

"Under Raman Singh's government in 2017, liquor revenue of the state stood at Rs 3.900 crore which is now increased to Rs 6,500 crore. There is no question of any scam".

The Congress government assumed office in Chhattisgarh in December 2018 after dislodging the BJP from power in elec-

Baghel said holograms are pasted (on bottles) in factories. "If the factory owner and any person are involved (in any irregularity), they should be investigated but the factory/distillery owners are free.

"The state Excise department has issued notices to three distilleries asking if they have not

used (genuine) holograms or used a duplicate hologram, then why recoveries shouldn't be made from you," the chief minister

Enforcement Directorate has claimed Rs 2,161 crore of corruption money was generated in the alleged "liquor scam" which began in 2019 with a syndicate comprising senior bureaucrats of Chhattisgarh, politicians, their associates and excise department officials.

Baghel, meanwhile, took a dig at BJP referring to the induction of nine Nationalist Congress Party leaders, including Aiit Pawar, in the Shiv Sena-BJP government of Maharashtra.

"Eight days back, those

people who were facing charges of corruption in Maharashtra switched sides and all of them became ministers..... Now the charges against them have been washed with Gangajal," the chief minister said.

He claimed that ED and the Income Tax department are being misused against Opposition par-"They (BJP) do not have

a problem with corruption

or else they would have

replied to Rahul Gandhi's question about the relations between you (BJP) and (businessman) Adani. His (Rahul Gandhi's) membership Parliament) was ended

and he had to vacate his bungalow," the CM added.

### **Buses to run with GPS, panic button**

Initiative for the safety of women passengers, students

Chhattisgarh is preparing to install panic buttons in passenger and school buses to ensure safety of women and students. In case of any accident or tampering in the bus due to the installation of the panic button, the control room will be immediately informed on pressing of the panic button. Location, speed etc. of the buses will also be known. This will help stop arbitrary activity of the drivers besides reducing the possibility of accident. The control room of the GPS system has been opened in the office of Dial 112.

According to the information received from the

with the introduction of this system, the public will be greatly facilitated in dealing with any kind of danger and untoward incident. At present, a total of 12 thousand buses are operating in the state, which are going to every corner of the state through different routes. Similarly, about 6000 school buses are also operating in the state. With the installation

of panic button and GPS

in the buses, it will be pos-

sible to get instant infor-

mation about the buses.

public convenience, continuous efforts are being made by the department for smooth arrangements under the direction of Transport Minister Md Akbar in accordance with the intention of Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel. Officials Department told that under the new system, the route of the school bus will also be mapped so that if the school bus carrying children goes some-

scribed route, an automatic alert will come.

Four employees to be assigned according to the shift in the control room, will continuously monitor all the buses and will inform the police department in case of emer-

In case of an accident or any problem panic button can be pressed. As soon as the button is pressed, the police control room and transport control room will get the information and the staff of the nearest police station will immediately reach the bus and help the passengers.

'It has been decided to install GPS system and panic buttons in private buses plying in the state. With this, it will be possible to get moment-to-moment information about the bus', said Transport Commissioner Deepanshu Kabra.

### Plantation drive held at Sejbahar campus of Mahant College



**Central Chronicle News** 

Raipur, Jul 08: A massive plantation drive was launched at the Sejbaharbased new campus of Mahant Laxminarayan Das College by the volunteers from Navsrijan Manch and NCC cadets.

Member of Legislative from Raipur Assembly Satyanarayan Sharma was chief guest of the event whereas social worker Mahendra Agrawal presided over the function.

Speaking on the occasion,

Satyanarayan Sharma said that the forest wealth is essential not only to strengthen the economy but also to save human life and added that youth needs to play de-

Presiding over the function, the noted social worker said that additional land has been given to the College to establish better infrastructure as per the current academic requirements. Dr Suresh Shukla, Aiav Tiwari and others were present on the occasion, informs a press re-

#### Youth to vote **Congress out of** power: Bhagat



Jul 08:

Raipur,

Bharatiya Janata Yuva (BJYM) Morcha President Ravi Bhagat on Saturday said that the Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel is resorting to double speech as during the programme Minister Prime Narendra Modi whereas after the proramme, the former denies of receiving any central assistance. Bhagat said that youth would teach a lesson to Congress in the upcoming polls by voting it out of power, stated a press release issued by the Media incharge Vikas Mittal.

### 87 LMT paddy procured by state govt agencies so far this year

Raipur, Jul 08: As per the provisions of NFSA, the Central Government conducts procurement of Paddy directly through FCI or through the State Govt Agencies in all the including Chhattisgarh. The procured stock of paddy is being milled and the resultant Rice is being procured under the Central Pool which is completely funded by the Central Government. The surplus rice after fulfilling the requirement of State is transported to other needy

states by FCI. Chhattisgarh has adopted the Decentralized (DCP) mode of procurement since 2001-02. In DCP mode, the State Govt./its agencies procure/ store paddy and distribute the resultant rice (against Gol's allocation for NFSA & OWS) within the state. The surplus stock of rice, after meeting the NFSA/ OWS requirement of the state, is handed over to FCI

for movement to deficit

This year a total of 87 LMT Paddy has been purchased from farmers by the State Government Agencies, the expenditure of which is to be completely borne by the Central Government. Out of this 87 LMT Paddy, 48.94 LMT Rice of 72.84 LMT Paddy has been delivered to Central Pool and the rest will be delivered till 30th September 2023. This is worth mentioning here that the expenditure of Rice distributed under NFSA (from procurement to distribution including interest) by state govt. of CG to its 2 crores beneficiaries is also reimbursed by Central Government. In the last 5 years i.e. 2018-19 to 2022-23, the central government purchased the paddy stock of 58.4, 74.85, 71.07, 92.01 and 87.53 LMT in Central Pool respective ly through state agencies the

### **Renewed strategy changes political** equations with Chh'garh BJP

**Sushil Agrawal** 

Jul 08: Raipur, Renewed election stratefor the next Legislative Assembly polls, has created fresh political equations within the Chhattisgarh Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leaving the ticket aspirants on tenterhooks. Select meeting of visiting Union Home Minister Amit Shah with handful of people from Chhattisgarh BJP recently, has created a buzz over the political strategy but the leaders who were hopeful of getting better opportunity to lead the campaign in the upcoming elections are speechless as they have not even been considered to remain close to Shah. Senior leaders like Briimohan Agrawal. Prem Prakash Pandey and Ajay Chandrakar

912 failed students of class 10th-12th

passed after revaluation

considered to bete-noire former Minister Dr Raman Singh were ignored in key discussions so far while they were hopeful of getting key responsibilities.

It is notable that Shah, considered to be chief strategist, had held close door talks State BJP President Arun Sao, Leader of Opposition in Chhattisgarh Legislative Assembly Narayan Chandel, Dr Raman Singh as well as former Rajya Sabha member Ramvichar Netam.

However, the importance given to senior OBC leader Dharmlal Kaushik, has further created confusion among party rank and file as he was considered to be a non-performer and was replaced by Chandel as Leader of Opposition last year.

Further the appointment of central leaders OP Mathur and Union Minister Mansukh Mandaviva as election in-charge and co incharge has made it clear that the BJP would be contesting the upcoming polls jointly instead of project few leaders for the leadership role. It has been considered to an exercise by the central leadership to ease the growing aspirations among senior leaders as well as to put a pause to the growing groupism within the

Existing scenario has changed the political equations with both senior leaders given key role as well as the youngsters hopeful of their better future prospect in the run up for the next polls.

saffron brigade.

### Roads and bridges will be constructed in Naxalite areas with pre-cast tech: Gadkari

**Raipur, Jul 08:** Union Road Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari has stressed on the need for construction of roads and bridges using pre-cast technology in view of cost control and law and order challenges in Naxal-affected areas. Addressing the Indian Road Congress meeting at Hotel Babylan, Raipur, he said that there is a need to adopt new methods of construction while fully protecting the environment and ecosystem. Cost can be reduced with modern technology and new initiatives without any reduction in quality. Gadkari said that the use of bamboo crash barriers is one such initiative, which has met every safety standard. It is being implemented in many highways and expressways including the Delhi-Mumbai



Gadkari Expressway. stressed the need to increase the use of materials like plastic and steel slag in road construction to promote environmental protection. Such technology and material should be used so that there is no need to maintain the roads for 20-25 years. For this, referring to the use of white topping of a certain thickness on the roads made of coal tar, he said that this

experiment has been successful in many places. This has facilitated maintenance of roads for 25 years. Gadkari suggested in the meeting that if there is an accident with any structure or road, the report of the inquiry committee and commission should be published separately along with the actual reasons for the fault and the measures to prevent it. It should be shared with all the states. It is not necessary to name any officer for this, but it is necessary for everyone to know why the mistake was made and what was lacking. If there mistake Maharashtra then why should it be repeated in Chhattisgarh? This suggestion of Gadkari is important in the context of the recent accidents with

Raipur, Jul Chhattisgarh Board of Secondary Education has released the revaluation results. After the revaluation result released by the board, 912 students have passed from fail status. After the revaluation result, the merit list will also be revised. A new list will be issued soon after including the names of new students in the old merit list. More than 10,000 had applied for revaluation and recounting after being unhappy with the results of the board exams conducted by Board of Secondary

Education. Board had re-

leased the results in the

month of April itself. In

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this, 75.05 percent students passed in class X and 79.96 percent students passed in class X. The results of 547 students in Class X and 365 in Class X were changed after re-

tion. Those students who were eligible for supplementary and failed have been declared now passed.

As large number of failed students have passed, now questions are

also being raised on the evaluation. Board has taken action against more than 100 teachers who were negligent in evaluation in the examination year 2022 and has blacklisted them. On the other hand, some teachers were completely blacklisted. Along with this, the increment of one year has been stopped for many teachers. 101 teachers who were negligent in evaluation were blacklisted for three years, 51 teachers of class 12th and 30 teachers of class 10th were blacklisted due to increase of 20-40 marks in re-calculation. On the other hand, two teachers of class 12th and eight teachers of class 10th have been blacklisted for

increasing 41-49 marks. Three teachers of class 12th and seven teachers of class 10th were blacklisted forever for increase of above 50 marks. Along with the results of 10th, 12th CG Board, the provisional merit list of top 10 was also released. After re-evaluation and re-calculation, the final merit list will now be issued by the board. It is being said that some new names will get a place in the final merit list. But the students whose names ap pear in the provisional merit list, Their names will also be there in the final list. After re-evaluation, the students whose marks will be as per the merit list will also be included in the list.

### **Education, Healthcare sectors top priorities: CM**

Raipur, Jul 08: Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel virtually participated in the inauguration ceremothe 'Rajmata ny of Shrimati Devendra Deo Kumari Singh Medical Government College' in Surguja district. Due to adverse weather conditions, the Chief Minister was unable to attend the event in person but addressed the people present at the venue through video conferencing. He expressed his regret at not being able to visit the venue. The medical college was inaugurated in response to the sentiments and demands of the

people of Surguja. Baghel reminisced about the love, affection, and care they all received from Rajmata Ji during their interactions. The Chief Minister highlighted the government's efforts to improve healthcare services, generate employment opportunities, and improve the agricultural sector in Surguja, aiming to uplift the standard of living of the people residing in forest areas. He expressed confidence in receiving the blessings of the locals for the state government's endeavours.

Chief Minister Baghel shared that today is a momentous day for the people of Surguja as the inauguration 'Rajmata of Shrimati Devendra Singhdev Kumari Government Medical College' fills the air with joy. The project, encompassing the medical college building, hospital, and residential complex, has been accomplished at a total cost of Rs 374 crore. Notably, this medical college stands out for its focus on developing the skills and competencies of medical students, featuring a state-of-the-art skill lab and specialised facilities for testing and treating hearing impairments.

Mata Rajmohini Devi

Memorial Hospital, affiliated with the college, boasts various departments such as Medicine, Surgery, Orthopaedics, Gynaecology Obstetrics, Paediatrics, Anaesthesia, and Ophthalmology. The hos-

pital will also provide a wide range of advanced diagnostic facilities. Additionally, the new college building will consist of eight departments, including Anatomy, Biochemistry, Physiology, Community Medicine, Forensic Medicine,

Pharmacology. The completion of this project, equipped with modern facilities, will bring immense benefits to the entire Surguja division.

In his address, Chief Minister Baghel emphasized the significance of the Surguja division, which is predominantly inhabited by tribal communities. For centuries, the people of this area have been deprived of basic facilities and rights. However, through the state government's efforts, the improved facilities of medicine and education are now reaching

the tribal areas of the state. The Chief Minister highlighted healthcare initiatives launched by the government, such as the 'Mukhyamantri Haat-Bazar Clinic Yojana', which aims to provide health facilities to remote areas. Additionally, the 'Mukhyamantri Slum Swasthya Yojana' and 'Dai-Didi Clinic Yojana' were initiated to ensure medical facilities for impoverished individuals and women residing in urban slums. However, the government's vision extends beyond mere facilitating convenience for

the people; the government is striving to establish access for impoverished individuals and women to state-of-the-art, high-quality facilities. The Chief Minister shared that the state government has a larger goal to develop a robust infrastructure in the fields of medicine and education that will give a new identity to Chhattisgarh on the international map. He shared that significant steps have been taken to open eight new government medical colleges in the state, with four already established and four in progress.

# **SECL to develop old mine** into an eco-tourism spot

**Central Chronicle News** Korba will spend more

than Rs 11 crore to devel-Raipur, Jul 08: SECL op Manikpur Pokhari located in the district as an has decided to develop Manikpur Pokhari in eco-tourism destination. Korba district as an eco-Under this project, the tourism destination. This closed Manikpur OC,

will be the second such which has taken the form eco-tourism site in the of a lake, will be developed as a beautiful eco-Earlier, the closed mine tourism destination at Kenapara in Surajpur equipped with various district was developed by facilities. SECL as an eco-tourism Recently, the company has released an amount of site which is now being visited by tourists from Rs 5.60 crore to Collector far and wide for boating Korba by cheque for the and other amusement acimplementation of the

project. Sprawled over an area Minister Narendra Modi himself of more than 8 hectares, has praised this tourist this Pokhari will be condestination through a into an ecoverted tourism site with various tweet. Under this project, facilities for tourists such with Municipal Corporation as boating facility, float-

ing restaurant/ cafeteria, garden in the Pokhari complex, selfie zone, chil-Climbing Wall, Repelling Zipline Coaster, Musical Fountain. Grand

Entrance, etc. Manikpur OC is one of the first mines in Korba district. In the year 1966, coal mining was started here with Russian technical consultation.

About 24 years later, during the excavation for coal mining, due to the discovery of ground water source here, there was so much water storage here that it could not be taken out even with the help of motor pumps etc. and finally the mine project, the people of Korba district will not only get a new tourist destination, but it will also provide new sources of livelihood for the people.

It maybe noted here that about 16% of the national coal production comes from Korba district and it has coal power plants of about 6,428 MW capacity. Not only the country but Asia's largest coal mines are located

Coal India is working on a plan to convert closed/abandoned mines into eco-tourism sites across the country, so that not only these mines are becoming popular as tourist places but they are also providing employ-



Raipur: Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel presented a souvenir to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, which included a specially handcrafted 'Angvastram' by the weavers of Chhattisgarh and a basket of millet based products.

# Waterlogging on streets causing traffic-jam, accidents

Just after medium to heavy showers in a day

along

state of Chhattisgarh.

Prime

**By Himanshu Sori** 

Raipur, Jul 08: Raipur is experiencing waterlogging in several areas due to heavy rainfall. The ongoing monsoon season has brought torrential rains, resulting in extensive waterlogging on main thoroughfares across the city. The inadequate drainage systems exacerbate the problem as rainwater inundates the roads. Moreover, the combination of recent downpours followed by intense sunlight has led to a rise in humidity, compelling individuals to seek refuge indoors with air condition-

Reports have flooded in regarding waterlogging in



various areas, including Pachpedi Chowk. Chowk, Bhatagaon Tatiband Chowk, and other parts of the city. The deficiency in drainage infrastructure further compounds the issue, leaving underdeveloped roads susceptible to damage caused by water accumulation and the movement of heavy-loaded trucks and vehicles. Substantial puddles have formed due to

medium to heavy showers, rendering vehicular passage and pedestrian movement arduous within the affected areas.

Moreover. numerous areas within the city have been subjected to ongoing excavation for the Jal Jeewan Mission. However, in several instances, these excavation sites have been left uncovered or inadequately leveled, resulting in the pooling of water



muddy terrain. The flooded roads have significantly heightened traffic con-

surfaces and compromised embankments. sive rainfall has caused flooding in surrounding areas, particularly in lowlying communities or those situated near ponds. These waterlogged zones impede smooth navigation, leading to widespread traffic congestion, delays, and an increased incidence of accidents

### **Street Food vendors, unorganized** parking leading to chaos

On city main roads and at M.G Road, Telibandha pond

**By Anti Debnath** 

renowned for its street food delicacies, has become a hot spot for chaos and disorder due to the escalating number of street food vendors. The surge in vendors along M.G. Road and Marine Drive has resulted in a plethora of problems, including overcrowding, littering, and restricted accessibility. The root cause of this predicament lies in the unorganized parking of vehicles along the roadside, as the concerned authorities have yet to take any substantial action.

The exponential growth of street food vendors on M.G. Road has led to significant traffic congestion, impeding the smooth moveand vehicles. The stalls have encroached upon the footpaths, rendering it arduous for people to navigate through the area safely. This not only jeopardizes their

bates the traffic situation. The narrow alleys, congested with food vendors, parked cars, and customers, pose a formidable challenge for passing vehicles. The traffic snarl-ups are most pronounced during the evening hours when numerous street food sellers set up shop, exacerbating the congestion further.

well-being but also exacer-

Speaking on the condition of anonymity, one venmented stringent regulations stipulating that any car parked on the street will be promptly towed away by the authorities.

The local government is actively seeking solutions to address this issue, aiming to strike a balance between supporting street food vendors and addressing the concerns of residents and commuters. Various possibilities are being explored such as designating specific areas for vendors, enforcing operating hours, and ensuring proper waste management to minimize the impact on the community, the

#### **Yoga Institute conducts** 'Mahabharata Gyaan Yagya'

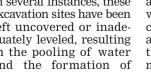


**Central Chronicle News** 

Raipur, Jul 08: Under the guidance of Guru Maa Hansa J. Yogendra, The Yoga Institute Shankar Nagar organised free session on the life lessons from the Indian ancient epic Mahabharata and Bhagwad Geeta.

Manjeet Sthapak informed

that The Yoga Institute is a 105 years old organization and committed to provide a holistic health to its members and by following the footprint of the great lineage the institute decides to conduct these free sessions on every Saturday morning. More than 50 members gained the wis-



gestion, frequently impeding the flow of vehicles and elevating the risk of accidents. Reduced visibility coupled with waterfilled potholes has made it challenging for pedestrians to navigate the roadways, significantly increasing the likelihood of accidents. Furthermore, the city's infrastructure

# Monsoon rain pushes up prices of vegetable in Raipur

**Central Chronicle News** 

Raipur, Jul 08: Already reeling from high inflation on account of costlier food items, the common man is now getting further hit by surging vegetable prices in Raipur. Vegetables prices have spoiled the whole taste of the kitchen in every house. The skyrocketing prices of vegetables have created problems for the common consumers. Within a fortnight, the prices of most vegetables, including tomatoes, have doubled.

Tomatoes are the worst hit as the local supply has run dry. Vegetable traders said that the main reason behind the rise in prices is the decrease in arrivals. They said that the prices



will not fall until there is an improvement in ar-

These days the price of tomato has reached Rs 120 per kg in retail, as a result of which tomatoes have

started disappearing from the salads served in hotels. Along with this, Bhel, Pav Bhaji stall owners are using less tomato in their preparations. In addition to this, the tomato tray

filled in the fridge has become empty in the houses. Traders said that toma-

to has touched Rs 1,700 to 1,800 a carat in the wholesale market itself. A few

days ago, the price of

More than 25.87 lakh families

reached Rs 2000 per carat. It is being told that earlier in the year 2018, tomato in bulk had reached Rs 2,000 a carat. A fortnight ago, about 22 vehicles of tomato were coming daily, which has now reduced to six vehicles.

Along with this, the arrival of other vegetables has also halved, which has affected the prices. The demand is high and the arrival is very less, due to which the prices have pushed up in local Raipur market. T Srinivasa Reddy, president of the Wholesale Vegetable Traders Association, says, these days the dependence on external arrivals has increased and local arrivals

vegetables have increased tremendously. The prices of vegetables will improve only when there is an increase in arrivals. These days the arrival has reduced considerably and the demand has increased.

Vegetables	Price
	per k
Tomato	Rs 100-12
Cabbage	Rs 50-8
Bhindi	Rs 40-6
Gourd	Rs 20-3
Brinjal	Rs 25-3
Coriander	Rs 110-12
Ginger	Rs 200-22

### **Collector holds weekly time-limit meeting**

**Instructions given** for speedy disposal of pending cases

**Central Chronicle News** 

Bemetara, Jul 08: Collector Padum Singh Elma Tuesday reviewed the departmental work by taking a timelimit meeting in the Collectorate's hall. In the meeting, the Collector gave instructions to fulfill the announcements of the Chief Minister on priority. While reviewing the pending cases and letters under the time limit, he directed the officers to ensure that the pending cases are re-

Apart from this, while taking information about the flagship scheme of the government and storage and distribu-

solved within the time limit.

tion of vermi compost, he said that the rural industrial park is a very important scheme of the government, which is going to change the condition and direction of the rural economy. He emphasized on working together showing uniformity for the sale of the finished product in the rural industrial park.

dom from great Guru-

Shishya traditions.

In the meeting, the Collector directed other departments and construction agencies including PWD, RES, Education, Tribal Department and said that all the departments and agencies should submit the demand for cow dung paint as per their requirement and work in construction, repair and painting.

Make sure to use it. Applications received in the meeting regarding unemployment allowance scheme, veri-

status of revenue cases, building construction by Janpad Panchayat, drinking water system in school buildings and Anganwadi centers, education, Haat Bazar clinic, Dhanwantri, CREDA, social welfare, public construction Reviewed the pending cases and works of other departments including the department and instructed the officers to work according to the target and within the time limit. During this, the officials were reprimanded for the delay in disposal of departmental cases and instructions were given for early disposal of

fication and recommendation,

pending cases. He inquired about the farmers taking other crops instead of paddy in Kharif year 2023-24 and gave instructions to the ofof Agriculture Department to encourage

more and more farmers to take other crops. The agriculture department was asked to keep sufficient quantity of fertilizers available in the district and said that farmers should not have to wander for fertilizers. During this, he asked all district CEOs to provide information about eligible, ineligible and migrated beneficiaries for cent percent Aadhaar verification under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana Gramin. After this, he inquired about

the preparations related to the upcoming elections and gave instructions to prepare an action plan and complete the necessary preparations. He instructed all the professors to organize the SWIPE program in the college and to make voter IDs of those who have completed 18 years as on 01

October 23.

### got domestic tap connections Under Jal Jeevan Mission in the state

**Central Chronicle News** 

Raipur, Jul 08: The work of providing free domestic tap connections in the rural areas of the state is being done at a fast pace. Domestic tap connections are to be given to 50 lakh 10 thousand 812 families under the campaign being run for the supply of pure drinking water in the houses under the Jal Jeevan Mission in the state.

At present 25 lakh 87 thousand 068 domestic tap connections have been given. Along with this, arrangements have been made to supply pure drinking water through tap taps in 43, 981 schools, 41,725

Anganwadi centers and 17,290 gram panchayat buildings and community sub-health centers of the state. In which Janjgir-Champa district of Chhattisgarh is leading in providing domestic tap connections to maximum 2 lakh 30 thousand 343 families. Similarly, Rajnandgaon district is on second and third place respectively in providing domestic tap connections to 1 lakh 79 thousand 187 and Raigarh district to 1 lakh 53 thousand 318 families. Under the Jal Jeevan Mission, being run under the leadership of Chief Minister Mr. Bhupesh Baghel and under the guidance of Public Health Engineering Minister Guru Rudrakumar, pure drinking water is being made available at the

rate of 55 liters per person per day

in the state, for this an action plan

has been prepared in all the districts. Under this mission, in addition to domestic tap connections, arrangements for water are also being made in schools, sub-health centers and Anganwadi centers. Simultaneously, the implementation of the works of Jal Jeevan Mission including Single Village Scheme and Multi Village Scheme and other drinking water schemes in the state at the ground level. Secretary Public Health Engineering Dr. S. Bharathidasan said that constant monitoring is being done by Mission Director Mr. Alok Katiyar. So far under Jal Jeevan Mission 1 lakh 38 thousand 137 in Raipur district, 1 lakh 26 thousand 221 in Mahasamund district, 1 lakh 26 thousand 213 in Balodabazar-Bhatapara, 1 lakh 25 thousand 966 in

Dhamtari district, 1 lakh 15 thousand 919 in Kawardha, 1 lakh 11 thousand 117 tap connections have been given in Bilaspur district, 1 lakh 10 thousand 002 in Durg and 1 lakh 06 thousand 796 in Bemetara district. Similarly, 1 lakh 04 thousand 526 in Mungeli, 01 lakh 01 thousand 907 in Balod, 85 thousand 878 in Gariaband, 78 thousand 832 in Balrampur, 77 thousand 405 in Surguja district, 76,939 in Jashpur, 74,324 in Korba, Surajpur 71,104, 69,384 in Bastar, 66,601 in Kondagaon, 66,145 in Kanker, 64.505 in Korea tap connections were given. Domestic tap connections have been given to 33,418 rural families in Gorela-Pendra-Marwahi, 27,253 in Sukma, 25,071 in Bijapur, 23,565 in Dantewada and 16,944 in Narayanpur district.

# Pass on benefits of govt schemes to beneficiaries: Langeh

Holds meeting of **DLRC and DLCC** 

**Central Chronicle News** 

Korea, Jul 08: Collector Vinay Kumar Langeh convened a meeting of District-Level Revision Committee (DLRC) and District-Level Credit Committee (DLCC) in Collectorate's meeting hall on Friday.

He took information about the Kissan Credit Card (KCC) from Dy. Director of Agriculture Department. He gave instructions to pass on the benefits of government schemes to more and more beneficiaries and by hold-



ing camps, pass on the benefit of KCC to farmers left

In the DLCC meeting, he reviewed about the advance deposits and C.D. ratio with different banks

and about the 'Varshik Saakh Yojana'. Collector directed all the Banks to increase CD ratio.

The decisions taken in the last meeting were also reviewed along with, confirmation on action under 'Varshik Saakh' and achievements of 'Varshik Saakh Yojana' and about other schemes viz.

NULM, MMYSY, PMEGP. Antyavyasai Antodaya,

Adivasi Swarojgar Yojana. Along with this he also reviewed about PM Jandhan Yojana and Samajik Suraksha Yojana and PM Mruda Yojana.

Along with this under Kissan Credit Card's KCC scheme, he held detailed Animal on Husbandry, Fisheries, Crop Insurance Scheme. With Central Bank he discussed about Gramin Swarojgar

Meeting was attended by CEO District Panchayat Ashutosh Chatuvedi, RBI's LDO SP Soni, Branch managers of different banks; GM Industries. Dy. Director Agriculture, Animal Husbandry and EE and Antayavyasais.

## **Asian Bill Stork dies** of lightening strike

Korba, Jul 08: An Asian Bill Stork bird died due to lightening in Kankeshwar Dhaam here on Thursday. For safety of birds, the conductor to absorb lightening strikes has been installed, but since it is not in sufficient number, the birds are dying unnatural death.

Kankeshwar The Dhaam in Gram Kanki of Kartala block of the District is very famous. Here during 'Shravan Maas', lakhs of devotees from different districts of the state pay a visit to offer obeisance to Lord Shiv Shambhu.

Set aside this Kanki is also favourable from cli-

matic point of view towards migratory birds as well. But failing to provide proper protection of these birds is leading to unnatural death of these birds. Even nets have been laid below the trees, so as to save birds from falling and that too has now broken and fell down. The villagers said that there should be

tation done for safety of birds and conductors be installed for

plenty of plan-

prevention from light-

### **Red-bricks being used in Anganbadi building construction**

Violating govt norms by not using **Fly-Ash bricks** 

**Central Chronicle News** 

Katgi, Jul 08: The construction of Anganbadi building in Gram Basinpalli, dependent upon Gram Panchayat Devtarai of Kasdol Janpad Panchayat, is being done sidelining the standards laid by the government. This work of Anganbadi building is being carried out by Sarpanch of the village.

It is notable here that there are instructions to get the work of government building is to be done using



easy availability. As per the government's rule, if the flyash bricks construction site is within 35 kms site, then the fly-ash bricks should be used in any government construction site. Set aside this the columns and beams at the construction site for the building too seems to be below standard and it appears that the building can

collapse anytime, as the iron rods in the column and beams are projecting outward. In this regard, when Sub-Engineer Ramprasad Joshi was contacted, he expressed unawareness about the government rules. When the SE of PHE department himself is not aware of government norms, then what more can be expected from the quality

of the construction site. In this regard, CEO Janpad Panchayat Kasdol Himanshu Verma said that red-bricks are being used in the construction and it is not in government rules and so long as the work that of quality at the con-

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struction site, by forming a

committee, I would get is

examined and take neces-

### **Central Chronicle News**

Dalli-Rajhara, Jul 08: Hindustan Steel Employees to solve the problems and demands pending for many months of contract workers of IOC Rajhara, under the auspices Mines Chhattisgarh Workers Union Rajhara and United Mines Workers Union (AITUC) Rajhara, took out a massive movement and submitted the demand of workers.

After 04 hours of demonstration, the joint delegation handed over an ultimatum notice in the name of Mr. Chief General Manager Mines and Rowghat Bhilai Steel Plant Bhilai to Chief General Manager IOC Raihara for resolution of all demands. Chief General



Three unions jointly submit demand of contract workers

labor leaders Told that after holding a high-level meeting of the management very soon, you will be informed about it and within a week the demands and problems will be positively resolved by holding a meeting on this subject.

The demands include contract workers working in the mine should be given one grade higher pay scale

made for annual increment to maintain the status of senior and junior employees. Also such workers, who are already being given the pay scale of higher workers and who have worked in the mine for more than 15 years, should be given the pay scale being given to the employees of the labor co-

operative society. The amount of revised

dearness allowance should be paid by the Government of India from April 1, 2021, October 1, 2021 and April 1, 2022 without delay by making arrears. The demand also asked for any contract below the departmental rate (more than 10%) should be canceled and the contractor who does not pay proper or timely wages to the workers, their contract should be banned and the contractor should be blacklisted.

Equal pay and safety demand for gratuity was also made. It also demanded relocation work of Hitkasa contract workers and wage settlement of workers working in SSS Society and compassionate of laborers working Mahamaya mines.



# भारतीय रिज़र्व बैंक

भारतीय रिज़र्व बैंक द्वारा विनियमित संस्थाओं के विरुद्ध शिकायतों का निवारण Redressal of complaints against entities regulated by RBI

रिजर्व बैंक - एकीकत लोकपाल योजना

Reserve Bank - Integrated Ombudsman Scheme

भारतीय रिज़र्व बैंक ने बैंकों, गैर-बैंकिंग वित्तीय कंपनियों, भुगतान प्रणाली प्रतिभागियों और साख सुचना कंपनियों(सीआईसी) के लिए लाग् तीन पुर्ववर्ती लोकपाल योजनाओं को एकीकत करके "रिज़र्व बैंक - एकीकत लोकपाल योजना, 2021 (आरबी-आईओएस)" की शरूआत की है। यदि शिकायत का निवारण ग्राहकों की संतृष्टि के अनुसार नहीं किया जाता है या आरई द्वारा 30 दिन की अवधि के भीतर जवाब नहीं दिया जाता है, तो आरबी-आईओएस आरबीआई की विनियमित संस्थाओं (आरई) द्वारा प्रदान की गई सेवाओं में कमी से संबंधित ग्राहक शिकायतों का लागत मक्त निवारण प्रदान करती है।

आरबी-आईओएस के तहत किसी आरई के विरुद्ध सभी शिकायतों के लिए "एक राष्ट्र एक लोकपाल" योजना अपनाई गई है। अत: शिकायतकर्ता के लिए अब यह जानना आवश्यक नहीं है कि वह किस लोकपाल योजना/कार्यालय के तहत लोकपाल को अपनी शिकायत दर्ज कराए।

आरबीआई-ओएस के अंतर्गत न आने वाली विनियमित संस्थाओं के विरुद्ध भारतीय रिज़र्व बैंक में प्राप्त शिकायतों का समाधान भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक के उपभोक्ता शिक्षण और संरक्षण कक्षों (सीईपीसी) द्वारा किया जाता है। आरई के विरुद्ध कोई भी शिकायत निम्न माध्यमों द्वारा दर्ज की जा सकती है:

- i. ऑनलाइन-आरबीआई के शिकायत प्रबंध प्रणाली (सीएमएस) पोर्टल के माध्यम से <u>https://cms.rbi.org.in</u> → पर शिकायत दर्ज करें।
- ii. आरबी-आईओएस के अनुबंध 'ए' में निर्दिष्ट फॉर्म में भौतिक शिकायत (पत्र /डाक) "केंद्रीकृत प्राप्ति और प्रसंस्करण केंद्र, चौथी मंजिल, भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक, सेक्टर-17, सेंट्रल विस्टा, चंडीगढ़-160017" को प्रेषित की जा सकती है।

आरबी-आईओएस और सीईपीसी के अंतर्गत आने वाली संस्थाओं के नाम सहित अन्य जानकारी हेत् कृपया वेबसाइट <u>https://cms.rbi.org.in</u> देखें। टोल-फ्री #14448 के साथ इंटरएक्टिव वॉयस रिस्पांस सिस्टम (आईवीआरएस) वाला एक संपर्क केंद्र 24x7 उपलब्ध है, जबकि संपर्क केंद्र किमेयों से अंग्रेजी और हिंदी में बात करने की सुविधा पुर्वाह्न 8:00 बजे से अपराह्न 10:00 बजे (राष्ट्रीय छुट्टियों को छोड़कर) और दस क्षेत्रीय भाषाओं (असमिया, बंगाली, गुजराती, कन्नड, मराठी, मलयालम, ओडिया, पंजाबी, तेलग और तमिल) में बात करने की सविधा पर्वाह्न 9:30 बजे से अपराह्न 5:15 बजे तक उपलब्ध है।

#### आरबीआई-लोकपाल के निर्णय के विरुद्ध अपील

आरबीआई-लोकपाल के निर्णय के विरुद्ध अपील <mark>सीएमएस पोर्टल https://cms.rbi.org.in</mark> पर ऑनलाइन दर्ज की जा सकती है या अपीलीय प्राधिकारी, भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक, उपभोक्ता शिक्षण और संरक्षण विभाग, केंद्रीय कार्यालय, पहली मंजिल, अमर बिल्डिंग, सर पीएम रोड, फोर्ट, मुंबई 400 001 (ई-मेल aaos@rbi.org.in) को आरबीआई-लोकपाल के निर्णय की सूचना प्राप्ति के 30 दिन के भीतर अपील प्रेषित की जा सकती है, बंशर्ते शिकायत आरबी-आईओएस के अपीलीय खंड के तहत बंद की गई हो।

#### महत्वपूर्ण जानकारी

नोट 1: आरबी-आईओएस/सीईपीसी के तहत शिकायत दर्ज करने से पूर्व, शिकायतकर्ता को संबंधित बैंक/एनबीएफसी/भुगतान प्रणाली प्रतिभागी के पास अपनी शिकायत दर्ज करानी चाहिए। यदि शिकायत का निवारण 30 दिन के भीतर नहीं किया जाता है या शिकायतकर्ता बैंक/एनबीएफसी/भगतान प्रणाली प्रतिभागी/ साख सृचना कंपनियों द्वारा दिए गए उत्तर से संतुष्ट नहीं है, तो वह आरबीआई-लोकपाल/सीईपीसी से संपर्क कर सकता है। **शिकायतकर्ता संबंधित** बैंक/एनबीएफसी/प्रणाली प्रतिभागी/साख सुचना कंपनियों से प्राप्त उत्तर के एक वर्ष के भीतर कभी भी आरबीआई-लोकपाल से संपर्क कर **सकते हैं।** यदि बैंक / एनबीएफसी / भुगतान प्रणाली प्रतिभागी/ साख सुचना कंपनियों से कोई उत्तर प्राप्त नहीं होता है, तो शिकायतकर्ता संस्था को शिकायत करने की तारीख से एक वर्ष तथा एक माह के भीतर आरबीआई-लोकपाल से कभी भी संपर्क कर सकता है।

नोट 2: लिखित शिकायत में शिकायतकर्ता को अपने नाम, पते और वर्तमान संपर्क नंबर का उल्लेख अवश्य करना चाहिए।

निक्षेप बीमा और प्रत्यय गारंटी निगम (डीआईसीजीसी)

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The RB-IOS adopts a "One Nation One Ombudsman" approach for all complaints against any RE. It is therefore no longer necessary for a complainant to identify under which Ombudsman scheme/office, he/she should file a complaint with the Ombudsman.

Complaints received at RBI against the REs not covered under the RB-IOS are redressed at the Consumer Education and Protection Cells (CEPCs) of RBI. Any complaint against an RE can be filed through one of the following modes:

- Online through the Complaint Management System (CMS) portal of RBI on https://cms.rbi.org.in → File a
- Physical complaint (letter/post) in the form as specified in Annexure 'A' in the RB-IOS to "Centralised Receipt and Processing Centre, 4th Floor, Reserve Bank of India, Sector -17, Central Vista, Chandigarh - 160 017"

For more information including the name of the regulated entities covered under the ambit of RB-IOS and CEPC, please visit https://cms.rbi.org.in. A contact center with Interactive Voice Response System (IVRS) with Toll-Free #14448 is available 24x7, while the facility to connect to Contact Centre personnel is available from 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM (weekdays except National Holidays) for English and Hindi, and in ten Regional Languages (Assamese, Bengali, Gujarati, Kannada, Marathi, Malayalam, Odia, Punjabi, Telugu, and Tamil) from 9:30 AM to 5:15 PM.

#### Appeal against decision of RBI-Ombudsman

Appeal against the decision of RBI-Ombudsman can be filed online on CMS portal at https://cms.rbi.org.in → File an Appeal or send to the Appellate Authority, Reserve Bank of India, Consumer Education and Protection Department, Central Office, 1st Floor, Amar Building, Sir P M Road, Fort, Mumbai 400 001 (E-mail aaos@rbi.org.in) within 30 days of receipt of the communication of the RBI-Ombudsman's decision, only if the complaint is closed under the appealable clauses of RB-IOS.

#### Important Information

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within one year and one month from the date of representation to the entity. Note 2: The complainant MUST indicate his/her name, address, and present contact number in the written complaint.

Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation (DICGC)

(For complaints against DICGC, members of public can lodge the complaint at following address/e-mail Id)

Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation (DICGC)

The General Manager

DICGC, Complaint Redressal Cell,

Reserve Bank of India, 2nd Floor,

Opp. Mumbai Central Railway Station, Byculla, Mumbai - 400008.

The complainant can also approach Shri Raj Kumar, Deputy General Manager on Telephone No. 022-23028209, Ext No-8209 or through generic e-mail at dicgc.complaints@rbi.org.in



**BRIEF** 



during the interaction with Delhi government school students who qualified NEET and JEE this year, in New Delhi, Saturday.

#### **Hoax call**

■ Lucknow: Security was heightened and a bomb disposal squad deployed at the Hazratganj metro station here in response to a phone call reporting a bomb threat, which later turned out to be a hoax, officials said on Saturday. A senior official of the Uttar Pradesh Metro Rail Corporation said the 112 police helpline received the hoax threat call around 9 pm on Friday which warned of targeting the metro station at 11.48 pm.

#### Stabbed

■ New Delhi: Two men were arrested for allegedly killing a person over a trivial issue in north Delhi's Sarai Rohilla area, police said on Saturday. The accused have been identified as Abhishek alias Dancer (21) and Sunit (18), residents of Shastri Nagar, they said. On Wednesday around 10 pm, victim Kamal (23), a resident of Wazirpur, was stabbed to death by Abhishek with the help of Sunit, a senior

police officer said.

#### Held

■ **Chennai:** Two youths who allegedly pushed a woman passenger at a local railway station here on July 2, after robbing her mobile phone, were arrested for causing her death, oolice said on Saturday. The woman, an employee of a private firm, who sustained grievous injuries succumbed at a private hospital on Friday night.

#### **20 years jail**

■ Thane: A special NDPS court in Thane has sentenced a man to 20 years in jail for possession of drugs. In his order of July 1, details of which were made available on Saturday, Special Judge AN Sirsikar convicted Sanjay Jain under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act and also fined him Rs 1 lakh.

### **Watery grave**

■ Jammu: Two Army soldiers were feared drowned in a swollen stream in Jammu and Kashmir's Poonch district on Saturday, officials said. The soldiers were crossing the Dogra nallah at Poshana in Surankote area when they were swept away by flash floods triggered by heavy rains, the officials said. A joint rescue operation by the Army, police and State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) is on but there was no trace of the soldiers who were swept away by the

strong current, they

# **Stranded Amarnath pilgrims ask** authorities to evacuate them

Srinagar, July 08 (PTI)

Amarnath pilgrims stranded at the twin base camps of Baltal and Pahalgam following the suspension of the Yatra due to inclement weather have urged authorities to evacuate them.

The yatra was suspended on Friday following widespread rain and landslides, particularly along the twin tracks — the traditional 48-kilometre Pahalgam route Anantnag district and the 14-kilometre Baltal route in Ganderbal district.

Nearly 50,000 pilgrims are put up at various base camps in Kashmir valley with almost 19,000 at Baltal base camp in the Ganderbal district.

Ronali Shah said she has been stuck at Panjtarni base camp since Thursday noon. reached here three days

ago at 4 pm. Despite the sunny weather, the helicopter services operator did not fly us down to

She even urged authorities to change the private helicopter service provider that flew stranded pilgrims from the Panjtarni base camp.

Pahalgam" Shah said.

"The private helicopter passengers who had booked tickets offline," a

man accompanying Shah said. However, several are determined to wait for the weather to improve and proceed with the yatra thereafter.

Two pilgrims from Punjab said they have been waiting for the rainfall to subside and are praying sincerely so that they can resume their pilgrimage.

Rahul, one of the pilgrims who encountered a landslide near Nathal said

look back at how he respond-

Panthachowk base camp

Narendra Kumar, another yatri, said the pilgrims had to face difficulties on the way due to heavy rain, landslides and shooting stones. "We had to run several kilometres to escape the shooting stones. Now we are stuck here at the camp," Kumar

Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha, who is also the chairman of the Shri Amarnathji Shrine Board, is scheduled to address a press conference later today.

The Met office has predicted widespread moderate to heavy rain, accompanied by thundershowers, under the influence of monsoon winds and western disturbances across Jammu and Kashmir till

cessive term as CM in then

combined AP. He was 60. The

Chief Minister also recalled

the fee reimbursement

scheme, lakhs of houses

built for the poor and several

other programmes that re-

mind everyone of the good

name that Rajasekhar Reddy

earned. Though he may not

be with us in person, the for-

mer CM's good deeds will al-

ways be remembered, said

Reddy, observing that sever-

al schemes under agricul-

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### 'Maha taking all efforts to make Gadchiroli free of Naxalite violence' Focus is on employment,

Dy CM of Uttar Pradesh Keshav Prasad Maurya listens to people's problems during a

Janata Darshan programme, in Prayagraj, Saturday.

empowerment

**Gadchiroli, Jul 08 (PTI)** 

The Maharashtra government is taking all efforts to make Gadchiroli free of Naxalite violence, Chief Minister Eknath Shinde said on Saturday during a 'shaasan aplya dari' (government at your doorstep) programme.

He said 6.70 lakh of the 11 lakh population of the district were registered beneficiaries of the programme and asserted his government would reach out to every single person to bring about welfare.

"Beneficiaries have received tractors, harvesters, cycles, godowns, caste certificates under the 'shaasan aplya dari' scheme. There is focus on women's empowerment," the CM said at the event where he and Deputy CMs Devendra Fadnavis and Ajit Pawar launched various projects.

A steel plant being set up in Gadchiroli has provided direct and indirect employment to 4000 per-

Ministers Devendra Fadnavis and Ajit Pawar during a programme under the 'Shasan Aplya Dari' initiative, in **Gadchiroli, Saturday.** sons and 20,000 more jobs sistance due to ego tussles. will be created once a proposed second steel plant

comes up, Shinde said. "Naxailte activities have reduced considerably in Gadchiroli and the state government is determined claimed to make the district free of

Maharashtra CM Eknath Shinde with Deputy Chief

said. Shinde said the Union government was giving financial assistance for the state's welfare schemes and alleged the previous Maha Vikas Aghadi dispensation under Uddhav Thackeray did not ap-

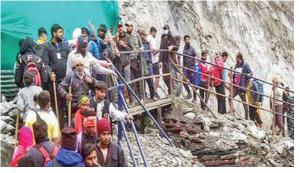
proach the Centre for as-

Naxalite violence," he

The induction of Nationalist Congress Party leader Ajit Pawar as deputy CM would speed up development

Shinde Maharashtra, Pawar led a vertical split

in the NCP on July 2 and joined the Shinde government along with eight MLAs, including Chhagan Bhujbal and Dilip Walse Patil. Speaking at the event, Pawar said the country was progressing rapidly under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.



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**Andhra CM transfers Rs 1,117 crore** 

As part of crop insurance compensation for farmers

Anantapuramu. Jul 08 (PTI)

Commemorating former chief minister of combined Andhra Pradesh Y S Rajasekhar Reddy's birth anniversary as 'Rythu Dinothsavam' (farmer's day), Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy on Saturday disbursed Rs 1,117 crore to more than 10 lakh farmers

For pro-people'

Agartala, Jul 08 (PTI)

The BJP will organise

across Tripura on July 10

for presenting a "pro-peo-

ple" budget for the current

fiscal, a senior party leader said on Saturday.

Minister Pranajit Singha

Roy on Friday introduced

a budget which included a

health insurance scheme

to cover the marginalised

sections of society and an-

other scheme to give free

scooters to meritorious

girl students as part of a

Rs 27,654-crore budget for

"The state finance min-

ister has presented a pro-

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ance compensation for 2022 Kharif season. The Chief Minister released the funds at a public meeting under the Dr YSR Free Crop Insurance Scheme in Kalyandurgam town of Anantapuramu district. He also inaugurated multi-purpose facilitation centre (MPFC) godowns and 52 Dr YSR Agri Testing Labs at a cost of Rs 70 crore, taking the number of such labs to 127 across the state. 'Whenever I remember

in the state as crop insur-

father (Rajasekhar Reddy), I

Minister Manik Saha, The

budget will benefit all sec-

tions of people - employ-

ees, students, youth and

poor", the party's state

Bhattacharjee said at a

He said the state finance

minister has promised to

introduce the Chief Minister Jan Arogya

Yojana-2023, a health in-

surance plan, on the lines

of the Ayushman Bharat

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"The party will organise

thanksgiving rallies in all

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et that ensures fulfilment

Rs. 5 lakh each year.

Under the scheme, the

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ed to farmers. I remember free power, Jalayagnam, Aarogyasri schemes which benefit farmers and poor people, 104, 108 and the sound of the ambulance," said Reddy, in a video link shared by the government, about the pro-poor schemes introduced by his father when Rajasekhar Reddy govunited Andhra Pradesh between 2004 and 2009. Rajasekhar Reddy died in a helicopter crash on September 2, 2009, just months after securing a suc-

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Ek Tripura Shrestha

Tripura (one Tripura, best

Tripura) ", the BJP leader

said. Bhattacharjee also

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to the opposition MLAs

for their acts inside the

Friday witnessed uproari-

ous scenes as opposition

members protested and

walked out twice over the

Speaker's decision to sus-

pend five MLAs and not to

allow a discussion on a

ruling BJP MLA allegedly

watching a pornographic

The state Assembly on

House", he said.

"The people of the state witnessed the way opposi-

Assembly on July 7.

BJP to organise thanksgiving rallies on July 10 clip inside the house in the

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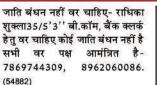




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समुचित जांच कर लें. वर-वधु के स्तर, आयु, आय संबंधी विवरण के संबंध में विज्ञापनदाताओं दवारा किये गये दावों और वर्णनों के लिये यह समाचार पत्र समर्थक अथवा उत्तरदायी नहीं है.

# Waterlogging, traffic snarls as Delhi witnesses season's first heavy spell of rain



People stuck in traffic jam after heavy monsoon rains, near ITO in New Delhi, Saturday.

**New Delhi, Jul 08 (PTI)** 

Heavy rains led to massive traffic congestion and waterlogging across Delhi on Saturday, making life difficult for commuters and proving to be a night-

mare for traders. Several market areas,

including Connaught Place in central Delhi, faced waterlogging issues and less footfall of customers.

This was the season's first heavy spell of rain. An "orange" alert has been sounded for more showers on Saturday. A

"yellow" alert has been sounded for Sunday, the Meteorological Department (IMD) said.

The Safdarjung observatory, Delhi's primary weather station, recorded 98.7 mm rainfall till 2.30 pm. The Ridge observatory recorded 111.4 mm rainfall.

The Minto Bridge has been closed for vehicular traffic due to the incessant rains that have led to waterlogging. Heavy waterlogging was also reported from the Tilak Bridge un-

Amit Gupta, a trader at Connaught Place, said the tall claims of Delhi being a Smart City are exposed every year during monsoon, when shops get flooded and the traders face losses.

Suitable match for Bengali Brahman girl, 32/ 5'1", BE/ MBA, parents are working New Delhi Traders' Association president in govt job in bhilai preference MNC / PSC / Govt Atul Bhargava said, "The government only wants to working well settled box collect taxes. We have not vats 35 years MB Excuse. been involved in the develcontact no.-7389626286. ( opment of Connaught 252339)





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# **Zelenskyy honours Ukraine's** soldiers from Black Sea Island

To mark 500 days of war

Kyiv, Jul 08 (AP):

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy marked the 500th day of the war Saturday by hailing the country's soldiers in a video from a Black Sea island that became the symbol of Ukraine's resilience in the face of the Russian inva-

Speaking from Snake Island, Zelenskyy honored the Ukrainian soldiers who fought for the island and all other defenders of the country, saying that reclaiming control of the island "is a great proof that Ukraine will regain every bit of its

"I want to thank from here, from this place of victory each of our soldiers for these 500 days," Zelenskyy said. "Thank you to everywho fights for

It was unclear when the



Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, left, listens to a statement by Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew I, the spiritual leader of the world's Orthodox Christians, at the Patriarchal Church of St. George in Istanbul, Turkey, Saturday, July 8, 2023. Zelenskyy attended a memorial ceremony for the victims of the war in Ukraine led by Patriarch Bartholomew I.

video was filmed. Zelenskyy was in Turkey on Saturday.

Russian forces took control of the tiny stone island on February 24, 2022, the day Moscow launched its in-

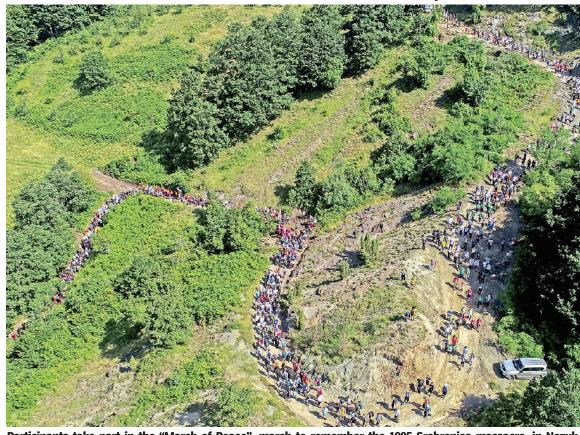
vasion, in the apparent hope of using it as a staging ground for an assault on Odesa, Ukraine's biggest port and the headquarters

endary significance for Ukraine's resistance to the Russian invasion, when Ukrainian troops there reportedly received a demand from a Russian warship to surrender or be bombed. The answer supposedly came back, "Go (expletive)

The island's Ukrainian defenders were captured by the Russians but later freed as part of a prisoner exchange. After the island was taken, the Ukrainian military heavily bombarded the small Russian garrison there, forcing the Russians to pull back on June 30, 2022.

The Russian retreat reduced the threat of a seaborne Russian attack on Odesa and helped pave the way for a deal to resume Ukrainian grain exports. "Let the freedom that all our heroes of different times wanted for Ukraine and that must be won right now be a tribute to all those who their lives for

### **MARCH OF PEACE**



Participants take part in the "March of Peace", march to remember the 1995 Srebrenica massacre, in Nezuk, Bosnia, Saturday, July 8. A solemn peace march started on Saturday through forests in eastern Bosnia in memory of the 1995 Srebrenica massacre, Europe's only acknowledged genocide since World War II. The 100-kilometre (60mile) march traces a route taken by Bosniak men and boys as they tried to flee Srebrenica after it was captured by Bosnian Serb forces in the closing days of the country's interethnic war in the 1990s.

### South Koreans protest Japan's plans to release treated wastewater from damaged Fukushima plant

Seoul, Jul 08 (AP):

Hundreds of people marched in South Korea's capital on Saturday demanding Japan scrap its plans to release treated wastewater from the damaged Fukushima nuclear power plant, as the head of the UN nuclear agency met with senior officials to discuss public concerns over foods safety.

The protests came a day after South Korea's government formally endorsed the safety of the Japanese plans, saying that the contamination levels of water pumped out from the plant would be within acceptable standards and wouldn't meaningfully affect South Korean seas as long as the plant's treatment systems

announcement aligned with the views of the International Atomic Energy Agency, which

greenlit the Japanese discharge plans this week, saying the treated wastewater would meet international safety standards and pose negligible envi-ronmental and health im-Braving blistering sum-

mer heat and closely watched by police, the protesters walked in long lines through a commercial district in downtown Seoul, holding signs reading "We denounce the sea disposal of Fukushima's nuclear wastewater!" and "We oppose with our lives the sea discharge." The marches proceeded peacefully and there were no immediate reports of major clashes or injuries.

"Other than discharging the water into the sea, there is an option to store the water on their land, and there are other options being suggested." Han Sang-jin, spokesperson of the

Korean Confederation of Trade Unions, whose members accounted for many of the marchers.

He said that allowing Japan to discharge the water "is like an international crime."

The protests provided a tense backdrop to a meetbetween Director General Rafael Mariano Grossi and South Korean Foreign Minister Park Jin, which was expected to include discussions over people's fear of food contamination.

South Korea's Foreign Ministry didn't immediately release details of the talks. Speaking to reporters in Tokyo Friday before his flight to South Korea. Grossi said he was aware of the unease in South Korea and was willing to communicate more actively with critics, including South Korean opposition politicians, to re-

### with Tanzania's President Samia



**External Affairs Minister S.** Jaishankar meets President of Tanzania Samia Hassan, in Tanzania.

Dar es Salaam, Jul 08 (PTI):

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar on Saturday called on Tanzania's President Samia Hassan and discussed ways to strengthen bilateral ties in areas like defence and security, maritime cooperation and capacity building.

He conveyed the personal greetings of Prime Minister Narendra Modi to President

**Islamabad, Jul 08 (PTI):** 

Cash-strapped Pakistan

has provided the IMF with a

financing plan for external

payments, in which it has

informed the global lender

that it will arrange USD 8

staff-level agreement on

June 29 to inject USD 3 bil-

Standby

"Honoured to call on President Samia Hassan of Tanzania. Conveyed the personal greetings of President @rashtrapatibhvn and PM @narendramodi," he tweet-

"Thank her for the warm sentiments expressed about our development activities. Our water partnership and ICT collaboration have already made a strong impact. The IIT campus will take our ties to new heights," he said. A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed for the setting up of the first overseas campus of IIT Madras in Zanzibar, which is a Tanzanian archipelago off the coast of East Africa, during Jaishankar's

Jaishankar said he discussed ties in defence and security, maritime cooperation and capacity building with President Samia.

"Appreciate Tanzania's positive view of India's G20 presidency and Global South initiatives,"

to review the SBA for

According to sources in

the finance ministry, the

IMF had asked Pakistan for

assurances of USD 6 billion

for external payments, The

Express Tribune newspaper

reported. However, the

sources added that Pakistan

had given the IMF assur-

ances of USD 8 billion for

external payments. The

sources said China would

provide USD 3.5 billion to

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of bid document through Speed/Registered post, failing which the bids shall

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Office of Engineer-In-Chief

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and also available on website of Public Works Department

Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) from authorized certifying authorities.

### EAM Jaishankar discusses defence ties Yellen urges China to cooperate on **Climate & Global Challenges**

Beijing, Jul 08 (AP):

Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen appealed to China on Saturday for cooperation on climate change and other global challenges and not to let disagreements about trade and other irritants derail relations.

In a meeting with her Chinese counterpart, Vice Premier He Lifeng, Yellen defended US restrictions on technology exports that rankle Beijing. She said the two governments shouldn't let such disagreements disrupt thriving economic and finan-"We also face important

global challenges, such as debt distress in emerging markets and developing countries and climate change," Yellen said. "We have a duty to both our own economies and to other countries to cooperate." Yellen is one of a se-



Yellen, left, shakes hands with Chinese Vice Premier He Lifeng during a meeting at the Diaoyutai State Guesthouse in Beijing, China, Saturday.

ries of U.S. officials who are due to visit Beijing as part of efforts to revive relations that are at their lowest level in decades due to disputes over technology, security, and Taiwan among other issues.

Yellen has received a warm welcome from leaders including Premier Li Qiang, the No. 2 figure in the ruling Communist

Party, though they gave no sign they will change policies that irk Washington and other governments.

Treasury officials said the goal of the trip was to encourage communication and no agreements on big disputes were expected. They said Yellen was n't scheduled to meet Chinese leader Xi Jinping.

mate discussions with Washington last August in retaliation for a visit by then-Speaker Nancy Pelosi the House Representatives

Beijing broke off cli-

Taiwan, the self-ruled island democracy claimed by China as part of its ter-

President Joe Biden's climate envoy, John Kerry, is due to become the next senior U.S. official to visit China next week.

China and the United States are the world's top emitters of climate-chang-

### US Diplomat to visits India and Bangladesh

#### **Democracy and Human Rights** on focus

**Washington, Jul 08 (PTI):** 

Uzra Zeya, a senior US diplomat in charge of democracy and human rights, will embark on a visit to India and Bangladesh beginning on Saturday to engage with civil society organisations on freedom of expression and inclusion of women and girls and vulnerable groups including religious and ethnic minori-

In India, the Indian-American diplomat will also meet with senior government officials to discuss the deepening US-India partnership, the State Department said in a release on Friday.

Under Secretary for Civilian Security, Democracy and Human Rights and US Special Coordinator for Tibetan Issues Uzra Zeya will travto India Bangladesh from July 8 to

In both countries, Under Secretary Zeya will engage with civil society organisations on freedom of expression and association, and inclusion of women and girls, persons with disabilities, and vul-

marginalised religious and ethnic minorities. "In India, she will meet

with senior government officials to discuss the deepening and enduring US-India partnership, including advancing shared solutions to global challenges, democracy, regional stability and cooperation on humanitarian relief," the release said.

In Bangladesh, she will meet with senior officials to discuss shared humanitarian concerns, including the Rohingya refugee crisis, labour issues, human rights and free and fair elections, it said.

Taking to Twitter, Zeya said, "Traveling to India and Bangladesh next week to advance shared solutions to global challenges; contribute to a more free, open, secure & prosperous Indo-Pacific; and bolster humanitarian support for refugees & host communities throughout the region."

Sworn in as the Under Secretary for Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights by Secretary of State Antony Blinken on July 14, 2021, Zeya leads global diplomatic efforts to strengthen democracy, advance universal human rights, support refugees and humanitar-

nerable groups, including ian relief, promote rule of law and counter-narcotics eliminate human traffick-

> Blinken announced that she will concurrently serve as the US Special Coordinator for Tibetan

> and linguistic identity.

cooperation, fight corruption and intolerance, prevent armed conflict and

She leads US efforts to

support human rights, meet the humanitarian needs of the Tibetan people and preserve their unique cultural, religious,

billion for the purpose instead of USD 6 billion, according to a media report on Saturday. On December 20, 2021, The Pakistan government and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) reached a long-awaited

Arrangement (SBA) into the ailing economy after months-long negotiations that pushed the country to the brink of default. The Executive Board of

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पात्र अपात्र उम्मीदवारों की सुची तथा दावा-आपित की सूचना

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Pak assures IMF of USD 8 billion external payments

Pakistan

the IMF will meet on July 12 Pakistan Islamabad would keep USD 2 billion in deposits, while the commercial banks of Beijing would provide the

country with USD 1.5 bil-

Besides, Saudi Arabia and the UAE will provide USD 2 billion and USD 1 billion to Pakistan, respectively Pakistan will also receive USD 500 million from the World Bank in addition to the Asian Infrastructure Investment

Dated 03.07.2023

Bank's USD 250 million. The finance ministry offi-

cials said the USD 350 million pledged during the Geneva Conference would also come to Pakistan

The government has set a

target to raise a record-high debt-financing of Rs 11.10 trillion from domestic commercial and Shariah-compliant banks in the first three months of the current

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ndia(GSI)) for electronic auction and hereby invites bids for the purpose of grant of Com-

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Mineral Resources Department,

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4	Basna II Diamond Block	Diamond	Mahasamund	2500	50,000/-
5	Chanat-Jogidadar Gold and Associated Minerals block		Mahasamund	176	50,000/-
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# Safeguarding Personal Data A Crucial Step Towards Digital Privacy

n an era where data plays a pivotal role in shaping our lives, the protection of personal information has become an utmost concern. With the impending introduction of the Digital Personal Data Protection Bill in the monsoon session of Parliament, the government is taking a significant stride towards addressing this crucial issue. The draft Bill, after extensive consultations, reflects the evolving landscape of data privacy and aims to establish a robust framework for safeguarding personal data. The journey of this legislation has been rife with complexities. Initially introduced as the Personal Data Protection Bill in December 2019, it underwent a lengthy process of scrutiny and review. After two years, the joint parliamentary committee submitted its recommendations, emphasizing the need for safeguards to prevent misuse of personal data by government agencies. Subsequently, the Bill was withdrawn in August 2022, and a revised draft, known as the Digital Personal Data Protection Bill, was released for public consultations. One of the contentious aspects of the initial draft was the exemption granted to certain entities from providing explanations to citizens regarding the purpose of collecting and processing their data. However, it is encouraging to note that the latest version reportedly does not offer blanket exemption to government agencies. Furthermore, the proposed legislation introduces substantial penalties, with recommendations of fines up to Rs 250 crore for violations of its provisions. Such measures serve as a deterrent and reinforce the seriousness with which data protection is being approached. The significance of personal data protection and privacy cannot be overstated. Recent incidents, such as the alleged breach of data of Covid vaccine recipients in the CoWIN case, have raised concerns and highlighted the need for robust safeguards. It is imperative that the new Bill addresses these concerns and establishes stringent measures to ensure data safety. Transparency emerges as a crucial principle within the proposed legislation. Public and private entities, with a few exceptions, are barred from collecting and utilizing personal data without explicit consent. This provision aims to strike a delicate balance between the rights of individuals to protect their personal information and the legitimate needs for data processing in various sectors. Achieving this equilibrium will undoubtedly be a litmus test for the effectiveness of the proposed law. The Digital Personal Data Protection Bill holds the potential to shape the future of data privacy in India. As our lives become increasingly intertwined with digital platforms and services, it is imperative that individuals have control over their personal information. The proposed legislation must establish clear guidelines, stringent safeguards, and effective mechanisms for redressal in case of any violations. Additionally, it should promote awareness among citizens about their rights and responsibilities regarding their personal data. The introduction of this Bill is an opportunity for India to align with global standards of data protection and privacy. As technology continues to advance and data becomes an invaluable asset, we must prioritize the security and privacy of individuals. The government's commitment to establishing a robust legal framework is commendable, and it is now crucial that all stakeholders work together to ensure the final legislation reflects the aspirations and needs of a digitally empowered nation. In the digital age, personal data protection is not just a legal obligation but a fundamental right. The Digital Personal Data Protection Bill has the potential to safeguard this right and establish India as a torchbearer for digital privacy. Let us seize this opportunity to shape a future where our personal information is respected, our privacy is preserved, and

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#### Rahul Gandhi's Legal Battle and Implications for Free Speech

he dismissal of Rahul Gandhi's plea by the Gujarat High Court to stay his conviction in a criminal defamation case has significant implications for his political future. With limited legal remedies at his disposal, the Congress leader now faces the possibility of disqualifica tion as a Lok Sabha MP, jeopardizing his eligibility to contest the upcoming General Election. While the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has applauded the court's decision, the Congress has decried it as a "travesty of justice." However, the controversy surrounding this case extends beyond political rivalries and raises important questions about the quantum of sentence and its impact on free speech in a democratic society. At the heart of the matter lies the severity of the sentence imposed on Rahul Gandhi. The court awarded him the maximum punishment under Section 500 of the Indian Penal Code for defamation. However, a shorter prison term, such as six months or one year, could have sufficed to serve the ends of justice and prevent his disqualification. A contrasting example can be seen in the Kerala High Court's suspension of the conviction and ten-year sentence of disqualified MP Mohammed Faizal in an attempt-to-murder case, leading to his reinstatement earlier this year. This raises concerns about whether the swift trial proceedings and subsequent conviction of Rahul Gandhi were strategically orchestrated to ensure his disqualification. As Rahul Gandhi prepares to approach the Supreme Court, his political future hangs in the balance. The apex court must carefully consider the implications of his "disproportionate" sentence on free speech within a democratic polity. It is crucial that the judiciary addresses the broader issue of decriminalizing defamation, while lawmakers also engage in meaningful deliberations on this matter. The Congress party has announced its intention to challenge the verdict in the Supreme Court, accusing the government of employing "newer techniques" to suppress Rahul Gandhi's voice, which they claim is rattling the ruling party. The Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) has come out in support of Rahul Gandhi, accusing the BJP of engaging in "unproductive politics" to divert attention from real issues. It is worth noting the recent tensions between the AAP and Congress over the services ordinance issue, highlighting the complex dynamics of Indian politics. The BJP, on the other hand, has welcomed the court's decision, citing Rahul Gandhi's habit of abusing and defaming others. In response to the cases faced by Gandhi, the High Court emphasized the need for purity in politics and stressed the importance of representatives with clear antecedents. It asserted that staying the conviction on nonexistent grounds is not a general rule but an exception applied only in rare cases. Furthermore, it highlighted the existence of ten pending criminal cases against the applicant. This case raises important questions about the balance between freedom of speech and the consequences of making defamatory statements in the political arena. While it is essential to hold individuals accountable for their words, it is equally vital to ensure that the punishment aligns with the severity of the offense and does not unduly restrict free expression. In light of this controversy, it is crucial for the judiciary and lawmakers to address the broader issue of decriminalizing defamation. A balanced and thoughtful approach to this matter will safeguard both the right to free speech and the need to maintain a healthy political discourse.

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#### **Well Armed Four Pillars**

### **A Critical Look at Democracy's Defenders**

#### DR. DUGGARAJU SRINIVASA RAO





emocracy rests on four namely Executive, Legislature, Judiciary and the Press. Each one acts independently at the same time depending on each and not venturing into the domains of the others. Without these four strong pillars the democratic edifice will fall apart. So it is the duty of other to strengthen the remaining three pillars. This is all what we are taught in the text books and this is what each pillar loudly proclaims whenever their deficiency or the weakness is shown in the mirror.

Never before none of those pillars accepted the criticism of theirs and even when responsible citizens tried to correct them. For, each pillar feels that it supreme in its own way and none can interfere in their functioning and there in nobody who is qualified to tell them that they are wrong. As long as the public, however great their qualification may be in the chosen field, persist

with their criticism and take cudgels against the four pillars to set the things correct the democratic edifice pillars suddenly fire their latent weapons from their armory to silent them or even punish them.

Legislature, the House, is the holiest place in democracy and those people who enter that house are really privileged. But what those privileged persons doing in the holy place is not always acceptable for the lovers of democracy. Instead healthy and meaningful debates on the issues concerning the people and nation we often found political cacophony producing more noise and less purpose. Sometimes the houses witness the fisticuffs, dances on the chairs, broken mikes thrown at the opponents, verbal and physical abuses sometimes all in the name of debate. If anyone questions them on their behavior they refuse to answer and if someone dares to complain the weapon of 'privilege of the house' is thrown at us. though the facts of the case are similar, are dragged for vears. No one knows on what

powered to execute the debated and decided issues of the House think that House is meant for their political agenda and formal approval for that through the majority they got through elections. Beyond that there is no accommodating the other view in the executive level. The executive is runs in most secretive way and GOs are kept secretive by some Executive authorities. Transparency which is expected back seat and it is opaque mirrors and iron curtains have taken over. This is despite the highly praised Right to Information Act. Beyond a point the Executive can't take the poking of public into their actions. Anyone who some have makes his own way into the strong ironed Executive fort and comes out with a document into public domain is taken to task by its weapon 'Official Secrets Act".

Judiciary which is constitutionally mandated to supervise on the actions of the executive and legislative actions have its own separated agenda and this is perhaps the most secretive pillar holding a very powerful weapon- "Contempt of Court". The judiciary hears certain people's petitions at their houses and at the deadly night and sends certain other petitions into cold storage. Some cases gets immediate reliefs and some cases,

though the facts of the case are similar, are dragged for years. No one knows on what basis the cases are listed and taken up by the bench. The very creation and authority of collegium itself is a mystery and leave alone challenging the actions, the judicial ways are not even allowed to discuss in public platforms. People are worried about the weapon of third pillar more than the weapons of first two pillars.

Freedom of the Press is the weapon that is held by the fourth pillar. In the name of freedom the media has set up its own political agendas. Freedom not to publish news which is inimical to its own political slant is the real freedom the Press is enjoying now. The slant hitherto confined to edit page has now crept into the general news. The media is enjoying the freedom to run as 'mikes' and 'pamphlets' of their chosen and paid political parties. Their freedom can't be challenged is what the media people say and they will go to any extent to protect their 'Freedom'.

With such a weaponry holding pillars guarding the fort of democracy the common man is worried to shout "long live democracy".

(The views and opinions expressed in this article are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect the official policy or position of the newspaper.)

### LETTERS

#### **Managing Diversity**

The ongoing debate surrounding the Uniform Civil Code (UCC) in India raises questions about its practicality in a diverse nation. Homogeneity holds little value when the country comprises people of various religions, languages, races, and ethnic communities. In such a diverse landscape, embracing a nationalist narrative becomes challenging without respecting the diverse religious, racial, and tribal backgrounds. It is crucial for the government to not exploit this diversity but rather manage it effectively. Respecting and acknowledging the differences in religion, color, race, and tribe will be instrumental in fostering unity and harmonv. Muzakkir Khan, Mumbai

#### Preserving Diversity

Prime Minister Narendra Modi's assertion of a Uniform Civil Code (UCC) for India is deemed highly implausible in this secular and diverse nation. Articles 25-28 of the Constitution safeguard the fundamental rights of Indian citizens, which the UCC would contradict. Hence, I strongly oppose the UCC and the recent attempts by the Law Commission to impose it on the public. The UCC undermines the cherished values of diversity that we express through our brotherhood, traditions, customs, culture, language, and religion. The notion of a UCC in the directive principles conflicts with the constitutional values, stability, and integrity of India. Instead, the Law Commission should draft and recommend the abolition of the UCC from the directive principles.

## Afazuddin Kazi Qasmi, Mumbai Data significance The significance of data in shap-

ing policy decisions is undeniable. Regular assessments of various parameters inform welfare policies. However, the recent exclusion of disability-specific questions from the National Family Health Survey (NFHS)-6 by the Union government raises concerns. While the overall disability data may only change marginally, including these questions in the survey would ensure a more representative dataset, considering the substantial sample of 6.1 lakh households relied upon by the NFHS. The comprehensive questions asked by the NFHS provide valuable insights into the lives of disabled individuals, addressing crucial aspects such as health, nutrition, accessibility, education, caregiving, employment, and more. While the Sample Registration System (SRS) offers some information on disability, the NFHS goes beyond, delving into critical areas that have been lacking attention until now. By incorporating disability-related questions, training field staff, and ensuring comprehensive data collection, the state can make strides in better understanding and addressing the needs of the disabled population. It is imperative to include this significant section in the extensive population count.

MT.Farooqi, Bhopal

### The technology behind deep sea mining

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O n the ocean floor, robots will gather the rocks and suction pipes and hydraulic lifts will transport these to a surface vessel. Renewable energy targets and the infrastructure needed to achieve them have created a high demand for certain metals and minerals, including critical metals.

Since the bottom of the world's seas and oceans possesses significant amounts of critical metals, including manganese, cobalt, copper, zinc, gold, platinum and rare earth elements, deep-sea mining has emerged as a controversial yet promising method for diversifying critical metal supply chains.

Complex geological processes such as plate tectonics, volcanic activity at the ocean floor and hydrothermal vents have resulted in deep sea resources rich in critical metals and minerals over millions of years. The European Commission and the US Geological Survey each have lists of critical minerals/materials needed for renewable energy technologies.

Building a three-megawatt wind turbine consumes 4.7 tonnes of copper, two tonnes of rare earth elements, three tonnes of aluminium, and a considerable amount of zinc and molybdenum.

Battery chemistries of electric vehicles (EVs) are rapidly evolving and lithium, manganese, nickel and cobalt are key critical metals to manufacture EV batteries. For now, current land-based mining and mineral processing activities supply the required critical metals but demand is increasing by the day.

The primary mineral deposits targeted in deep-sea mining are manganese nodules, seafloor massive sulphides and cobalt-rich crusts. Manganese nodules or polymetallic nodules are mineral accumulations found on the seabed in sizes from one to 10cm.

These contain critical metals such as manganese, nickel, cobalt, copper and rare earth elements in high concentrations. The sulphide deposits have high base metal and sulphide contents plus gold and silver. The cobaltrich crusts are also termed

polymetallic crusts or ferromanganese crusts and these are found on the slopes and surfaces of underwater hills and mountains and other rocky seabed structures at depths of 400 to 4,000 metres.

These crusts primarily comprise cobalt, manganese, nickel, titanium, rare earth elements, platinum, tellurium, vanadium and zirconium. The International Seabed Authority which governs deep-sea mining, estimates cobalt content in crusts at one billion tonnes.

Deep-sea mining has yet to begin but it is challenging compared to terrestrial mining. Since polymetallic nodules sit on a soft-sediment layer, large remotely operated vehicles with suction mechanisms can harvest the nodules from the ocean floor.

The nodules will be transported to the surface through a riser system to a ship. Once the nodules are separated on the ship, water and sediments will be pumped back into the ocean.

ocean.

The challenging job is to remove the crusts containing only the targeted critical met-

als. For cobalt-rich crusts at-

tached to rocks, remote-controlled vehicles with cutting and suction devices are used. These employ real-time video feeds and precise control systems to ensure accurate mineral collection.

eral collection.

In 2021, the malfunction of a mining robot in the Pacific Ocean highlighted the challenges of deep sea mining. Another method is to deploy dredging tools attached to surface vessels or remote-controlled vehicles to cut and extract the crusts. This requires a hydraulic pipe lift system to transport the extracted minerals to the surface.

erals to the surface.

Despite the great potential of deep sea mining in diversifying critical metal supply chains, the exploitation of deep sea resources poses significant risks to ocean ecosystems. These are unique and fragile, and commercial mining activities' short- and long-term impacts on ocean ecosystems have not yet been fully assessed.

Another risk is the potential release of methane, which is responsible for 30 percent of global warming. Methane hydrates (white, icelike solids that consist of

methane and water) in the ocean hold around 1,000-5,000

gigatonnes of methane.

The release of this methane and the oxidation of methane to carbon dioxide due to warmer sea floor temperatures are significant climate change-related concerns in deep-sea mining. The effects on marine ecosystems due to oxygen depletion and acidification of the oceans also need to be understood before deep-sea mining is allowed.

Several multinational companies including Google, BMW, AB Volvo Group and Samsung signed a moratorium on deep-sea mining in 2021, initiated by the World Wildlife Fund.

These companies said they would not use critical metals mined from the seabed in their supply chains, including for EVs and smartphones. This development demonstrates the required balance between critical metals through deep-sea mining and conserving ocean ecosystems.

(Monash University and Nimila Dushyantha, Uwa Wellassa University).

#### **BRIEF**

#### **Resignation**



New Delhi: Microsoft India President Anant Maheshwari has resigned from his role after a stint of almost seven years at the software company. The exit led to a shuffle among the top executives of the multinational software giant. Microsoft has elevated company's chief operating officer Irina Ghose to the role of Managing Director for India. When contacted a Microsoft spokesperson confirmed the development. "We can confirm that Anant has decided to leave Microsoft to pursue a role outside the company. We would like to thank Anant for his many contributions to our business and culture in India and wish him every success in his future endeavors. the spokesperson said.

#### **Collaborative work**



■ New Delhi: Telecom secretary K Rajaraman appealed to industry players to set aside their petty differences and work in collaboration for inno vation. While speaking at the National Workshop on Enhancing Indian Participation in Telecom Global Standards Bodies. Rajaraman said that India needs to follow the path of frugal inno vation as the company has limited resources. 'We can extract far more outcome than what we are doing even now if we are able to put our heads and

### Fintech

Governor

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heart together.

■ Mumbai: The Reserve Bank is looking at coming out with a regulation for fintech players, Deputy

Sankar said on Friday. "RBI is closely watching the evolving space of fintech...there are no fintech regulations right now. We are talking to the industry and understanding whether there is a need to regulate them," Sankar said, speaking at the

Moneycontrol startup

India is in an "exciting

# Mandaviya stresses on reduction in chemical fertilisers

#### Bats for use of alternative fertilisers, natural farming

**New Delhi. Jul 08:** 

Union Mansukh Mandaviya on Saturday said the excessive use of chemical fertilisers affects soil fertility and also has side effects on human and animal health, and stressed on the need to promote alternative fertilisers such as nano liquid urea-DAP.

The chemical and fertiliser minister was addressing a "Stakeholder workshop on strategy for promotion of alternative nutrition to reduce dependence on chemical fertilizers for Soil health and sustainability' here. The workshop was attended by vice chancellors of agricultural universities, state agriculture officers, manufacturers and distributors, farmer groups and NGOs, besides senior officials



Union Minister for Health & **Family Welfare and Chemicals** & Fertilizers Mansukh

Mandaviya speaks during a workshop on 'strategy for promotion of alternative nutrition to reduce dependence on chemical fertilizers for soil health and sustainability', in

New Delhi, Saturday.

from the ministry of agriculture, ministry of chemicals and fertilizers, and Niti Aayog. "The side effects of over consumption of chemical fertilisers are visible now. Soil health has impacted," Mandaviya said, adding

that the growth in produc-

stagnated. Citing a medical study in few districts where usage of chemical fertilsers are high, the minister said it was found that there are negative impacts on health of human as well as animals. Mandaviya highlighted that the the government has recently approved a new scheme PM-PRANAM (PM Programme Restoration, Awareness, Generation, Nourishment and Amelioration of Mother Earth) to incentivise states to promote alternative fertilisers and reduce the use of chemical fertilisers. It has also decided to introduce sulphurcoated urea (Urea Gold) in the country for the first time to address sulphur deficiency in the soil. That the Cabinet apart. Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) approved an outlay of Rs 1,451 crore subsidy to promote organic manure. Mandaviya emphasised that all stakehold-

ers and the government should work together to offset the negative impact of chemical fertilizers on agriculture. He stressed on the need to create awareness among farmers about the negative impact of chemical fertilisers. The minister spoke about the need to promote alternative fertilisers like nano liquid urea and nano liquid Di-ammonium phosphate (DAP), organic farming and natural farming. Mandaviya said there are no negative impact of nano-fertilisers and farmers will not adopt if it does not help in boosting production. Cooperative major IFFCO has introduced nano-Urea and nano-DAP in the market. He complemented the farm scientists for their contribution in the growth of agriculture sector and asked them to take new research and innovations to farmers in such as way that they can be easily implemented.

### India raises concerns over EU's carbon tax, deforestation regulation in WTO meeting

New Delhi, Jul 08:

A number of countries, including India, Russia, and Brazil, have flagged concerns over European Union's (EU) carbon tax and deforestation regulation in a meeting of the World Trade Organisation (WTO) in Geneva, stating that these measures would affect their industries, an official said.

These countries raised the issues in a two-day meeting of the WTO's Council for Trade in Goods, which concluded on July 7 in Geneva. On EU's deforestation regulation, India said that the agriculture sector in developing countries is a key driver for employment as well as economic wellbeing for a large part of the population and it was unfortunate that the EU is making policy choices, which "directly harmed" economic interests of socio-economic groups, the Geneva-based

EU's regulation will enter application on December 29, 2024, with an additional six months flexibility for small enterprises. Nine WTO members Indonesia, Russia, Brazil, Ecuador, India, Peru, Paraguay, T rkiye and Argentina cited concerns about the EU's new regulation on deforestation free products which entered into force on 29 June; operators and traders will have 18 months to implement the new rules.

Further on European Union's Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM), twelve WTO members including China, Russia, Indonesia. Brazil, Paraguay, and India raised their concerns. Certain members stated that it is a unilateral measure that deviates from the basic principles of common but differentiated responsibilities and does not comply with the basic principles of non-discriminatory trade official said. The under the WTO. Many also did not provide enough time for WTO members to comment on the measure before it enters into force in October. The EU stated that it has been transpar ent throughout the design stage of CBAM and will continue to engage with members during the transitional period as it is gradually introduced through the end of 2025. The EU is introducing the Carbon Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) from October 1 this year. According to a report of the think-tank GTRI, CBAM would translate into a 20-35 per cent tax on select imports into the EU starting January 1, 2026. From October, domestic companies from seven carbon-intensive sectors -- including steel, cement, fertiliser, aluminium and hydrocarbon products -- will have to seek compliance certificates from the EU authorities to comply with the CBAM

complained that the EU

### India to become largest connected nation with

### 1.2 billion internet users: Union Minister

**Chennai. Jul 08:** 

India is set to become the largest connected nation in the globe with 1.2 billion internet users, Union Minister of State for Electronics and information technology Rajeev Chandrasekhar said here on Friday. With a large number of internet users, the country is playing a leadership role in the principles of safety, trust, and accountability on the internet to other countries, said the minister who was here to unveil the fully automated state-of-the-art electromagnetic interference and compatibility laboratories at the Society for Applied Microwave Electronics Engineering



and Research (SAMEER). The Digital India Act has three specific policies which is -- the internet must be open, the internet should be safe and trusted for every citizen, and the digital enterprise and internet ecosystem must be accountable to their users. "In my opinion, more countries are grappling

with this problem...but they are following the lead of India in the principles of safety, trust, and accountability, and more than anything else, India has a leadership role here," he told reporters. Pointing to the large in-

ternet user base in India, he said, "Today 830 million internet users are there and it will become 1.2 billion. We are going to be the largest connected nation in the world." To a query on cyber security, he said it was a challenge in a country that has both digitally literate and digitally not-so-literate people using the internet, which includes children and women in rural areas as

#### Dar es Salaam. Jul 08:

External Minister S Jaishankar on Saturday said that India and Tanzania have started trade settlements in local currencies and this new initiative will help in promoting commerce between the two countries. Addressing industry leaders at a function, the minister said India-Tanzania bilateral trade has seen very strong growth, and stood at USD 6.4 billion in 2022-23.

"Now, bear in mind, this is not only a very substantial bilateral trade, but it's also actually a bilateral trade, which is getting increasingly balanced. Many new products are being



India and Tanzania started trade settlements

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar with dignitaries during regional Ambassadorial conference in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

basket...India remains the biggest destination for Tanzanian exports," he

There's also an issue which has been brought up from time to time, which is the possibility of trade settlements in our own currencies. Jaishankar said

"And I want to share with you that the India central bank has cleared such a possibility. So the three Indian banks, which are here, have that ability to do trade settlements in each other's currencies. "I am told few transactions have already taken place in

Tanzanian shillings, and certainly this will provide an additional mechanism to promote trade between our two countries," he said. Bank of India, Bank of Baroda, and Canara Bank operations in Tanzania. Last year, the Reserve Bank of India and Indian finance ministry asked the top managemen of banks and representatives of trade bodies to push export and import transactions in rupee. They want banks in India to connect with their foreign counter parts for opening special rupee vostro accounts to facilitate cross-border trade in the Indian currency rather than the popular mode of the US dollar.

rupees

### **FDCI** partners with Reliance **Brands for the coming India Couture Week**

New Delhi, Jul 08:

Fashion Design Council of India (FDCI) on Friday announced partnering with Reliance Brands for the Hyundai India Couture Week, scheduled to be held here from from July 25 to August 2, 2023. The partnership will bring additional heft to the event which has been India's premier showcase for bridal and couture designers for the past 16 years, said a joint statement. Reliance Brands (RBL) with its experience and expertise in launching and partnering with international and Indian luxury brands will help accelerate and widen this proposition, it added. FDCI Chairman Sunil Sethi said: "We look forward to the value that

this partnership will bring towards the growth of the property in the years to come as we strive to make it a showcase at par with any-

where in the world." Group Jaspreet President Chandok said: "This partnership re-affirms our commitment towards the growth of the designer fashion industry in India as we look at creating global benchmarks in terms of showcase, appeal and visibility." India's renowned couturiers will unveil their exclusive collections in 17 artistic showcases. FDCL having over 400 members, is a not-for-profit organisation that works to further the business of fashion in India and ensure its sustainable

### **AIRPORT STREAMLINE**



Officials during an event where the Noida International Airport (NIA) has selected global airlines IT services solution provider SITA's airport management system to help automate and streamline its operations.

#### **PNB infuses Rs 72.83 crore** in its Bhutan **subsidiary**

New Delhi, Jul 08:

State-owned Punjab National Bank on Friday said it has infused Rs 72.82 crore in its Bhutan subsidiary Druk PNB Bank Ltd via a rights issue. The investment in Rights Issue has been made on July 7, 2023 through participation in the issue of Druk PNB Bank Ltd (DPNBL), PNB said in a regulatory filing Following the rights issue PNB retains 51 per cent in the subsidiary as of now DPNBL was incorporated on December 31, 2008, with FDI participation, it said. The rights issue of DPNBL of Bhutan was at a premium of Rs 7 (face value of Rs 10) -- Rs 17 per share, the filing said.

### 'India in exciting period in technology space'

Chennai, Jul 08:

conclave.

period" in the history of the country when it comes to the technology space, Union Minister of State for Electronics Information Technology Rajeev Chandrasekhar on Friday said. Speaking at the 113th annual general meeting of industry body Southern India Chamber Commerce Industry (SICCI) here today, Chandrasekhar said

the country has developed capabilities, capacities, and confidence in the last nine years, particularly with regard to technology and innovation.

Releasing the 'Emerging Tech Trends in 2023" guide at the event, the minister said that in the global value chain, electronics is the second highest traded commodity after hydrocarbons and energy but India did not find a place in it before 2014. "I want to draw attention to two quotes one from Google CEO Sundar Pichai, a son of Chennai and Tamil Nadu. He spoke about how it was almost prescient on the part of Prime Minister Narendra Modi ji to anticipate the power of technology and launch Digital India in 2015," Chandrasekhar said. 'Secondly, Apple CEO

Tim Cook, when he met me and PM Modi ji, spoke about how investments in India had created an en-

abling environment for

manufacturing electronics, which is why Apple could ramp up their operations here," he added.

Stating that the country has "travelled a significant distance" in technology advances in the past 9 years, he said, "Being a tech professional for over three decades, I can safely say that we are living in the most exciting period in the history of India.'

"After a lot of hard work, we have reached a point where we are the 5th largest economy in the world, the fastest growing economy in the world. We have developed capabilities, capacities, and confidence in the last 9 years in innovation and technology," he added.

### **IOC** announces Rs 22,000 cr rights issue

New Delhi, Jul 08:

Indian Oil Corporation (IOC), the nation's top oil firm, plans to raise Rs 22,000 crore capital through a rights issue of equity shares as part of a government's plan to infuse capital into three state-owned fuel retailers to fund their net zero carbon emission projects. In a stock exchange filing, IOC said its board has approved "raising of capital by way of issue of equity shares on rights basis up to an amount not exceeding Rs 22,000 crore, subject to receipt of necessary statutory approvals as may be required." The government, which is the majority owner of the company, is likely to subscribe to the rights issue and

infuse equity in the company. The board of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL) had on June 28 approved raising up to Rs 18,000 crore through a

rights issue. The government had in the annual Budget for 2023-24 (April 2023 to March 2024 fiscal) announced Rs 30,000 crore of capital support to state-run fuel retailers --BPCL, IOC, and Hindustan **Petroleum Corporation Ltd** (HPCL) -- to support their energy transition and net zero initiatives. HPCL, which is majority owned by stateowned Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC), is likely to make a preferential share allotment to the government

to get the capital.

### Govt, global retailers, domestic toy makers to discuss ways to promote toy exports

New Delhi, Jul 08:

The government will hold discussions with global retailers and domestic toy manufacturers on ways to promote toy exports from India in a meeting on Saturday, an official said. The official said that top retailers, including Hasbro, Walmart, Spinmaster, Ikea, Lego, Simba Dickie, IMC, Hamleys, Lulu, and Sanrio, have been invited for the deliberations.

Representatives from Indian companies such as Microplastic, Aequs, Funskool, Playgro, Dreampalst, OK Play,

Universal, and Play Shifu are also expected to participate in the meeting. "The discussions will focus on establishing India as a preferred sourcing destination, highlighting the advantages and opportunities available to international companies looking to partner with Indian manufacturers," the official The round-table discus-

sion is organised by the Toy Association of India (TAI), in collaboration with Invest India and the Department Promotion of Industry Internal Trade and

and leading Indian manufacturers to explore the immense potential of India as a sourcing destination for the global toy industry. It will be chaired by DPIIT Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh. It also aims to showcase the competitive advantages of the Indian toy industry, including its manufacturing capabilities, skilled workforce, technological advancements, and adherence to international quality and safety standards.

(DPIIT). This event brings

together key industry

stakeholders, renowned international companies,

### Honored in same frame with Prabhas: Big B in 'Project K'

Megastar Amitabh Bachchan expressed his heartfelt gratitude towards the crew and cast of 'Project K' and shared his honor in being part of the movie and appearing alongside Prabhas. Taking to Twitter, Amitabh shared the news from Vyjayanthi Movies that 'Project K' will make its debut at the San Diego Comic Con. In his caption, Big B expressed, "I am honored and privileged to be part of this great venture in Telugu Cinema, 'Project K,' and to be in the same frame as the idol, Prabhas."

itude to all involved and thanked director Nag Ashwin for considering him. Amitabh was ty, respect, and care towards him. He conveyed his love, prayers, and wished for the hard work of everyone in 'Project K' to touch new horizons

'Project K' is a multi-lingual sci-fi film produced by Vyjayanthi Movies, featuring an ensemble cast in-Amitabh Bachchan, Kamal Haasan, Deepika Padukone, and Disha Patani. Each actor plays a pivotal role contributing to the film's extraordinary

Vyjayanthi Movies aims to captivate attendees of the San Diego Comic Con with engaging conversations and unforgettable performances, offering a glimpse into India's vibrant culture and the world of science fiction.

The SDCC celebration will kick off with an exciting panel featuring special guests Kamal Haasan, Prabhas, Deepika Padukone, and director Nag Ashwin on July 20. During this panel, the creveil the film's title, trailer, and release date, providing the audience with an immersive experience on Comic-Con's grandest

Will Pushpa be able to

find out who has stolen

her father's statue?

ony SAB's "Pushpa Impossible" revolves

Pandey. Pushpa is a remarkable woman who

defies all odds with her indomitable spirit and

embodies hope, persistently striving for a bet-

ter and more fulfilling future. The upcoming

storyline focuses on Pushpa's invitation as the

chief guest to the town of Patan with an invite

extended by Viren (Hemant Kher), a promi-

nent Patola businessman in the region.

During the event, her father's statue is set to be

A source of inspiration for her, Pushpa's fa-

ther's artistry and expertise in using

'hathchal" (a traditional weaving technique)

for creating "patola" sarees has always capti-

vated her. This opportunity fills Pushpa with

great excitement as it allows her to delve deep-

er into her father's legacy. However, things

take an unexpected turn in Patan when some-

one steals her father's statue. Will Pushpa be

able to find the person behind such a deed?

Karuna Pandey, who plays the character of

Pushpa, said, "Pushpa is faced with new chal-

lenges at various instances in her life, and this

time, when she reaches Patan for a momen-

tous occasion, commemorating her father, she

encounters a new challenge as her father's

statue goes missing. The series of events that

unfold will stun the audience as Pushpa grap-

ples with a new situation at hand, while she's

unveiled by Pushpa herself.

around the inspiring journey of Pushpa, portrayed by the talented Karuna



#### **Rachel Shelley returns** to Indian screens: **'Kohrra' on Netflix**



ctress Rachel Shelley, Aknown for her role in the iconic film 'Lagaan.' is set to make a comeback to Indian tigative series 'Kohrra' on Netflix. Rachel gained widespread recognition in India for her portraval of Elizabeth Russell in 'Lagaan,' alongside Aamir Khan, when the film was released in 2001. In 'Kohrra,' Rachel's character delves into the complexities of love through her relationship with her son. Her commitment to her son's happiness is evident in the choices and actions she takes throughout the series. Expressing her fascination with the layered story, Rachel acknowledges its ability to uplift and challenge individuals. She shared, "'Kohrra' revolves around love, a force that has the power to uplift and disrupt.

# 'Neil nurtures a growing dislike for the Mahajans'

Sony SAB's captivating family drama, Vanshaj takes the audience on an exciting journey through the world of a legacy business empire. Recently, the show introduced Mohit Kumar as Neil, harboring a deep-rooted hatred towards Mahajans. Yuvika (played by Anjali Tatrari) and Neil's paths have earlier Rishikesh and they meet once again when Yuvika moves to the Mahajan house, adding exciting twists and turns to the upcoming storyline.

In a candid conversa-tion, Mohit Kumar re-

Tell us something about your character, Neil, and his relationwith Mahajans?

My character Neil is Vidur's (Aliraza Namdar) rebellious son. He shares

ther, Vidur, although they mean the world to each other, their loyalties differ. While Vidur is the esteemed right-hand man of the Mahajan family, known for his unwavering loyalty throughout the years, Neil harbors a deep-rooted hatred towards Mahajans. Neil's

relationship with the

Mahajans is complex be-

cause he believes they

have wronged his father.

What is your perspective on the show's concept: Inheritance vs Capability?

The discussion about ability and inheritance is complex and multifaceted. It can't be reduced to a simple either/or situation. While natural talent and hard work are important for success, we must also recognise the role of society and the access to opportunities.

Can you provide any

trajectory in the show? Will there be any significant changes or developments in his charac-

upcoming

episodes, Neil's character is set to take a thrilling turn, introducing new layers to the storyline. His dynamics with other characters on the show promise to add a complex and intriguing element as the audience delves deeper into Neil's past and unravels the reasons behind his hatred towards the Mahajans, especially Dhanraj. With this development, Neil's character will bring forth unexpected twists and emotional conflicts, further enriching the show's overall narrative.

Stay tuned to Sony SAB's Vanshaj every Monday to Saturday at 10

#### Parizaad shares her excitement about seeing Kapil Sharma hosting his own show



his Saturday, Sony Entertainment Television's popular comedy show, The Kapil Sharma Show, promises to deliver your weekend dose of entertainment and laughter. The show will host renowned female anchors Mini Mathur, Renuka Sahane. Rìcha Anirudh. Parizaad Kolah, and Deepti Bhatnagar. This incredible gathering of talented women, along with curious host Kapil Sharma and his atrangi mohalla will bring you an evening packed with ribtickling humour, soulful melodies, and a whole lot of interesting anecdotes from their lives. Amidst the fun conver-

sation, popular anchor Parizaad Kolah will share how proud she feels seeing Kapil Sharma achieve the success he enjoys today. She shares, "I am truly proud of Kapil's suc-

cess. It's amazing how far he has come since our days on the "Laughter Challenge Show." I still remember being the host back then, and now, sitting here on his show, it feels surreal. Watching Kapil's journey has brought so much laughter into my life, it has even strengthened my core muscles (laughs). But beyond the laughter, I genuinely feel a sense of pride today. We started our journey together on that stage, and I distinctly recall introducing Kapil Sharma to the audience. Now, after all these years, hearing him mention my name fills me with immense joy. I am genuinely happy and tremendously proud of you, Kapil."

Tune into The Kapil Show this Sharma Saturday at 9:30 PM only on Sony Entertainment Television.

### Shilpa Shetty: India's Got Talent can transforms lives



Shilpa Shetty, set to return as a judge for the 10th season of 'India's Got Talent,' expressed her belief that the reality show has the lower to change lives. She eagerly awaits witnessing awe-inspiring talent on the show.

India is making its mark globally, as evidenced by the unique and outstanding talent showcased on platforms like America's Got Talent (AGT), Shilpa emphasized. Dance, singing, magic, stunts, comedy -India excels in various art forms. Shilpa is thrilled to be part of a show that celebrates talent in all its forms. The previous season brought daring acts and age-old art forms to life, intro-

48. Boxer's weapon

57. Terminal (abbr.)

60. Mailbox item

64. Orbiting object

67. Unsophisticated

68. Significant times

69. Adam's abode

70. Fork features

71. Camp shelter

72. Royal address

**DOWN** 

1. Have to

2. Penny

5. Orb

3. Skim over 4. Loafer ornar

6. Horned viper

8. Bible book

10. CBS rival

21. Warbled

29. Egg on

25. Pick

9. Oddball (sl.)

7. Sister's daughte

11. Humming sound

12. Railroad station

13. Stockholm residen

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53, Affirm

56. Animated

ducing viewers to the diverse talents of India. With the 10th season

marking a milestone. Shilpa is eager to witness the extraordinary talent it will bring. Being a judge on such a prominent platform has been an exciting and learning experience for her. She considers herself privileged to be part of the transformative journey of budding talent.

Shilpa believes that 'India's Got Talent' has the ability to change lives and looks forward to discovering unique talents alongside her co-judges, Kirron Ma'am Badshah.

The 10th season of 'India's Got Talent' will premiere on July 29 on Sony TV.

visiting Patola.'

enowned for his contributions to Indian reality televi-**L**sion, Rannvijay Singha is ready to take on a new role as part of the jury for the 'Chief Gaming Officer Hunt.' Collaborating with Mythpat, Rannvijay will bring his vast experience and expertise to the smartphone brand's search for a Chief Gaming Officer.

Expressing his enthusiasm, the 40-year-old actor shared, "Being a part of iQOO's CGO Hunt is like embarking on a gaming adventure with GenZ gamers. As a fellow gaming enthusiast, I understand their passion, drive for excellence, and thirst for victory.'

He continued, "I am eagerly looking forward to witnessing the incredible talent and dedication that GenZ brings to the gaming space in India. Together, I am confident that we will unlock new levels of excitement and innovation within the

Indian gaming community.' Nipun Marya, CEO of iQOO



India, introduced Rannvijay as a jury member, stating, "As a jury member, Rannvijay's role goes beyond evaluating the contestants'

gaming skills. Leveraging his insights, he will assess their overall personality traits, including leadership qualities, teamwork abilities, communication skills, and strategic thinking.'

The 'CGO Hunt' aims to discover exceptional individuals who not only excel in gaming but also possess well-rounded qualities essential for success. Rannvijay's involvement as a jury member ensures a

comprehensive evaluation of the participants, considering not just their gaming prowess but also their overall potential as future gaming

With Rannvijay's guidance and expertise, the 'CGO Hunt' promises to be an extraordinary platform for GenZ gamers in India to showcase their talent, passion, and drive. This exciting venture will undoubtedly uplift the gaming community, encouraging innovation and pushing the boundaries of gaming excel-



**ACROSS** 

1. Sail supports

6. Once more 10. Does sums

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17. Stockpile 20. Verb forms

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# Indian women's team looks to shake off rust in Bangladesh

Mirpur, Jul 08 (PTI):

The Indian women's cricket team will be expecting the fresh faces to grab the opportunity with both hands and finishers to flourish in the threematch T20 series against Bangladesh beginning here on Sunday, its first international assignment in four months. The T20 series will be followed by three ODIs beginning July

The Harmanpreet Kaurled side was last in action at the T20 World Cup in South Africa where it endured a narrow loss to Australia in the knockout phase. In an era where most male cricketers live out of a suitcase due to a relentless schedule, the members of the Indian women's team has had a lot of time to reflect and work on their game.

The last competitive event for the Indian players inaugural Women's Premier League in March.

India, who now have all the resources at their disposal, have not been able to take their game to the next level and match the mighty



#### **Match starts 1.30 IST.**

Australia on a regular basis.

The team needs to improve on various aspects including fitness, bowling and the lack of finishers which come at a premium in the shortest format.

The star performers of the team over the past 12 months -- pacer Renuka Thakur and wicketkeeper Richa Ghosh - are not part

of this side due to injury and fitness issues respectively, providing an opening for the rookies to impress. The seasoned Deepti Sharma will be expected to play the finisher's role in Ghosh's absence with Pooja Vastrakar and Amanjot also needing to chip in with quickfire knocks towards the end of

Yastika Bhaita and the uncapped Uma Chetry are

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Bangladesh: Nigar Sultana (captain, wk), Nahida Akter, Dilara Akter, Shathi Rani, Shamima Sultana, Sobhana Mostary, Murshida Khatun, Shorna Akter, Ritu Moni, Disha Biswas, Marufa Akter, Sanjida Akter Meghla, Rabeya Khan, Sultana Khatun, Salma Khatun,

India: Harmanpreet Kaur (captain), Smriti Mandhana, Deepti Sharma, Shafali Verma, Jemimah Rodrigues, Yastika Bhatia (wk), Harleen Deol, Devika Vaidya, Uma Chetry (wk), Amanjot Kaur, S. Meghana, Pooja Vastrakar, Meghna Singh, Anjali Sarvani, Monica Patel, Rashi Kanojiya, Anusha Bareddy, Minnu Mani.

the two wicketkeeping options in the side. Yastika is expected to start on Sunday and needs to bat a lot quicker than her current strike rate of 85.38.

Bangladesh should not pose a lot of problems to India but pressure will be on opener Shafali Verma who has often been found wanting against the short ball since making her international debut in 2019.

The absence of left-arm spinners Radha Yadav and Raieshwari Gavakwad can hand maiden caps to 20year-old Anusha Bareddy and Rashi Kanojiya.

The series will also be a comeback for pacer Monica Patel and Meghna Singh will be eager to cement her place in the side after warming up the bench for the most of the last season.

Nooshin Al Khadeer, who guided India U-19s to the World Cup title and more recently the U-23 unit in Hong Kong, has been named interim coach for the tour with Amol Muzumdar's full-time appointment yet to be formalised. The players trained at the National Cricket Academy in Bengaluru before leaving for Bangladesh. All games will be played at the Shere Bangla National Stadium.

"Bangladesh are a very good side, they always play good cricket in home conditions. We are ready for the challenge. We have had two three days to prepare and we feel prepared in all the departments," said Harmanpreet on the eve of

### Sindhu, Sen enter semifinals of Canada Open

Calgary, Jul 08 (PTI):

Commonwealth Games champions PV Sindhu and Lakshya Sen notched up contrasting wins to advance to the semifinals of the Canada Open Super 500 badminton tournament here.

Sindhu, a double Olympic medallist, stamped her authority over Fang Jie to register her first victory in four meetings against her opponent with a dominating 21-13 21-7 margin in the women's singles quarterfinals late on Friday night. Later, Sen staved off a spirited fight from German qualifier Julien Carraggi 21-8 17-21 21-10 in the men's singles quarterfinal.

Sindhu will now face world number one Japan's Yamaguchi and Sen is pitted against fourth seeded Japanese Kenta Nishimoto. The 28-year-old from Hyderabad has a favourable 14-10 headto-head record against the top seeded Japanese, who had beaten the Indian in their last meeting at Singapore Open this year. Sen, on the other hand, has a 1-1 record against Nishimoto, having last played him at the 2022 Japan Open.

Sindhu looked more alert as she zoomed to a 5-1 lead early on. Her trademark smashes and drops troubled Fang Jie, who also committed lot of unforced errors. The Indian entered the break with a 11-6 lead.

Sindhu was quick on her feet and covered the court well, returning everything thrown at her with ease. With the shuttle going to net a few times, Fang Jie reduced the deficit to 10-14 and then 12-16 but Sindhu finished things with two whipping smashes. The second game



managing a slender 5-3 lead at one stage but Sindhu quickly turned things around, reaching the interval at 11-5 with her opponent finding the net. It was mostly a one-way traffic as Sindhu made her opponent work hard, dominating the rallies to keep moving ahead. Looking for precision, the Chinese missed the lines and soon handed over the match to the Indian with two net errors.

### I don't like to change my aggressive batting style: Shaw

**Bengaluru, Jul 08 (PTI):** 

After a bright start to his career, Prithvi Shaw has now slipped down the India pecking order but the Mumbai youngster on Saturday said he is banking on his natural "aggressive" game to score runs and earn his place back in the national side.

Shaw last appeared for India in a T20I match against Sri Lanka at Colombo in July 2021.

"Personally, I feel I don't have to change my game, but a little smarter than what I am. I can't bat like Pujara sir bats or Pujara sir can't bat like me.

"So, what I am trying to



do are those things that have brought me here till, for example, the aggressive batting, I don't like to change that," said Shaw after West Zone's Duleep Trophy semifinal against Central Zone at Alur.

Shaw said he was looking to play as many games as possible at this stage of

**■** Face West in repeat of 2022 final

Bengaluru, Jul 08 (PTI):

Tamil Nadu's R Sai Kishore came up with a splendid all-round show as South Zone trumped North Zone by two wickets on a rain-interrupted but thrilling last day of the Duleep Trophy semifinal here on Saturday. In the final, South will take on de-

fending champions West Zone in a repeat of the 2022 title clash.

Chasing 215 in overcast conditions. South Zone were in the driver's seat with Mayank Agarwal (54; 57b) and skipper Hanuma Vihari's (43; 42b) playing counterattacking knocks. But the pace trio of Harshit Rana (3/84), Baltej Singh (2/47) and Vaibhav Arora (2/46) gave their side timely breakthroughs, while North skipper Jayant Yadav grabbed the prized scalp of Agarwal.

There were two rain interrup-



tions, the longest was for about two hours just before the final session. when South required 32 runs with Ricky Bhui (34; 29b) and Tilak Varma (25; 19b) going great guns.

With five wickets intact, South had one foot in the final but they

#### **Brief scores**

North Zone 198 and 211. South Zone 195 and 219/8; 82 overs (Mayank Agarwal 54, Hanuma Vihari 43, Ricky Bhui 34, Tilak Varma 25, R Sai Kishore 15 not out). South Zone won by by two wickets.

faced some anxious moments as

they were aware that North would make the cut by virtue of their three-run first-innings lead, if there was no further play. But play resumed and more

drama followed when Rana and Baltej's twin bursts pushed South in a precarious 213/8, after they lost four wickets for just 22 runs.

However, spin-bowling all-rounder Sai Kishore, who grabbed a tidy 3/28 to dismiss North for 211 in their second essay, played the finisher's role with an unbeaten 15 that included two sixes under pressure.

### South Zone edge out North in intense finish West Zone storm into **Duleep Trophy final**

Alur. Jul 08 (PTI): West Zone on Saturday

entered the Duleep Trophy final on the back of a crucial first innings lead after their semifinal clash against Central Zone ended in a draw. The summit clash between West and either South Zone or North Zone will be held at the M Chinnaswamy Stadium from July 12. Chasing an improbable 399 to

win, Central could only manage 128 for 4 when the skies opened up to force the closure at tea during the Duleep Trophy semifinal at the KSCA Oval. West, perhaps, could have gone hunting for the remaining six wickets had the

eventually West were not in need of that because they had a 98-run first innings lead in the bank to garner a favourable result. Starting the fourth and final day from 292 for 9, West Zone could add only 5 more runs before getting bowled

weather remained clear. But

Openers Vivek Singh and Himanshu Mantri returned to the hut without offering much fight, reducing Central to 17 for 2. Dhruy Jurel started off well in the company of Amandeep Khare but left-arm spinner Dharmendra Jadeja had him stumped by Het Patel as Central further slipped to 55 for 3.

#### WIMBLEDON

## Bopanna-Ebden make winning start

Wimbledon, Jul 08 (PTI):

India's Rohan Bopanna and his men's doubles partner Matthew Ebden from Australia survived a scare before prevailing over Argentine duo of Guillermo Duran and Tomas Etcheverry to advance to the second round of the Wimbledon here.

Australian duo outwitted the spirited Argentine pair 6-2 6-7 (5-7) 7-6 (10-8) in their opening match that lasted two hours and 12 minutes. 43-year-old

The sixth-seeded Indo-

Bopanna and 35-year-old Ebden, who claimed two doubles titles on the ATP Tour earlier this year, will



next face the unseeded British pair of Jacob Fearnley and Johannus Monday on Sunday.

Bopanna and Ebden claimed the Qatar Open in February and in March, the Indian became the oldest player to win a Master Series tournament (ATP1000) at Indian Wells in USA.

Bopanna had broken the record of Canadian Daniel Nestor, who had won the Cincinnati Masters title when he was 42 in 2015. Bopanna will pair up with Canada's Gabriela Dabrowski in the mixed doubles on Saturday. The sixth seeded pair, which won the French Open crown in 2017, will open against the unseeded duo of Croatia's Ivan Dodig and Latisha Chan of Chinese Taipei. More Indians will be in

action on Saturday with Yuki Bhambri and Saketh Myneni taking on Alejandro Davidovich Fokina of Spain and Adrian Mannarino of France, and Jeevan Nedunchezhiyan and N Sriram Balaji facing second seeds Austin Krajicek of the USA and Ivan Dodig in the opening

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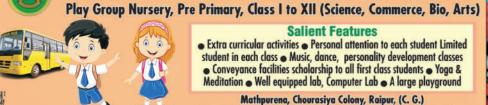
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### Swiatek advances to next round



**Wimbledon, Jul 08 (AP):** 

An avid reader, Iga Swiatek knows how to contextualize Wimbledon experiences.

Her third-round exit last year after winning the French Open was a disappointment. The topranked Swiatek cleared that hurdle Friday at the All England Club, dispatching 30th-seeded Petra Martic 6-2, 7-5 to reach the fourth round. "It's just a totally different chapter," the 22-yearold Pole said. The four-

time Grand Slam champion can reach her first Wimbledon quarterfinal when she faces 14th-seeded Belinda Bencic on Sunday. Swiatek has said she felt a lot of pressure last year from high expectations and the 35match winning streak carried Wimbledon.

"I do feel more relaxed. I think also because I won Roland Garros and I feel like after that the pressure is a little bit off because I reached my goal kind of for the season," she said.

### loss to Stefanos Tsitsipas Wimbledon, Jul 08 (AP):

Andy Murray exits after

Andy Murray didn't know. As

he was asked to dissect his loss to Stefanos Tsitsipas in the second round of Wimbledon a rollicking fivesetter that lasted more than 4 1/2 hours spread over two days before a packed Centre Court filled with thousands of his closest and loudest friends Murray started answers to question after question at his news conference Friday with some variation of that theme. It was, likely, a verbal crutch, something used to gather his thoughts before offering a more complete response. It also embodied the uncertainty

that seems to surround a for-



mer No. 1 player who owns three Grand Slam titles, two at the All England Club, but also is now 36 and with an artificial hip after two opera-

# 'Collective leadership only way forward going into polls'

**Pilot buries the** hatchet with Gehlot

New Delhi. Jul 08 (PTI)

Congress leader Sachin Pilot made it clear on Saturday that he has buried the hatchet with Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot on the advice of party president Mallikarjun Kharge, saying collective leadership was the "only way" forward going into the assembly polls.

In an exclusive interview with PTI just days after the crucial Rajasthan polls strategy meeting of the party, Pilot said Kharge advised him to "forgive and forget" and move forward. "It was as much an advice as a directive." "Ashok Gehlot ji is older than me, he has more experience. He has heavy responsibilities on

Says 'pot calling kettle black'

**Hyderabad, Jul 08 (PTI)** 

Hitting back at Prime

Minister Narendra Modi

over his remarks on the

Telangana Minister KT

Rama Rao on Saturday

said the PM has insulted

the people of the state by

setting up a Rs 520 crore

wagon factory while "tak-

ing away" a Rs 20,000 crore

rupees locomotive factory

Referring to PM's com-

ments that there are thou-

sands of teacher posts va-

cant in Telangana, KTR

said it is like "pot calling

the kettle black" as the

centre is not filling more

than 16 lakh central gov-

ernment jobs and is per-

manently privatising jobs

in public sector organisa-

tions. "Before speaking

about the vacancies in

state universities, the PM

should fill all the vacan-

to Guiarat.

Government,



the Rajasthan Congress president, I tried to take everyone along. I think that today he is the Chief Minister (Gehlot), so he is trying to take everyone

"If there is a little back and forth, then it is not a big issue because the party and the public are more important than any individual. I also understand this and he also understands it," the former Rajasthan deputy chief minister said.

Asked about Gehlot call-

sities across the country. The prime Minister

should respond to the issue of the Governor not

ry which was mentioned

minister said.

**BRS hits back on PM's** 

remarks on KCR govt

Gehlot government over inaction on issues such as corruption in the previous Vasundhara Raje government, Pilot said that in a Congress chief Kharge said that time that has gone by will not come back and one has to look at the

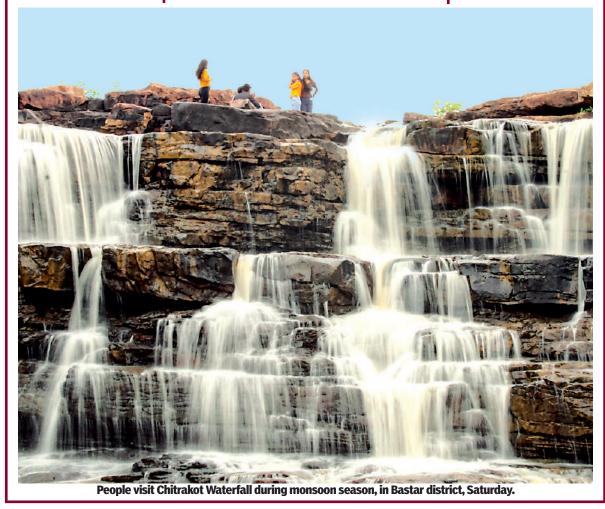
"He (Kharge) said for-

give and forget and look forward and that is applicable to everybody. I believe in that, we now have to move forward and meet new challenges. This country needs the Congress to do well. We need to seek blessings of the people of Rajasthan and in order to do that we have to work unitedly and move forward in a way that is acceptable to the people and to the party workers," Pilot said. "So who said what, at which time, there is no point talking about it as it does not mean anyfrained from using any word or language that I feel is unpleasant or is something that I would not want to hear about myself. In public life and politics, it is always good to maintain certain dignity of discourse." Pilot said.

"Next challenge for us is to win elections, neither individuals nor statements matter, those are bygones," he said.

His remarks come after Kharge, former party chief Rahul Gandhi, AICC in-charge for Rajasthan Sukhjinder Randhawa, Rajasthan Pradesh Congress Committee president Govind Dotasra, he and several MLAs and ministers from the state attended a polls strategy meeting at the AICC headquarters here. Gehlot, who is recovering from injuries to his toes, attended the meeting via video confer-

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### **Doctor learns sign language for kidney transplant** of speech-hearing-impaired patient

New Delhi, Jul 08 (PTI)

clearing the legislation In a unique display of brought out by our gov-ernment on the filling of commitment, a doctor at a private hospital here learned sign language to jobs in universities," the help a 21-year-old speech-KTR said Modi did not and hearing-impaired pasay a single word about tient during and after a the Bayyaram steel factokidney transplant surgery.

The challenging aspect

in the AP Bifurcation Act of the case was the patient's inability to hear aiming to provide employment to 15,000 locals. and speak and, hence, it He further alleged that was difficult for him to communicate his probit has become a habit of lems and pain, especially Modi to come to Telangana and lash out at during the transplant the BRS government here, process, said Dr Tejendra speak lies, and give a lec-Singh Chauhan, a senior ture before leaving with consultant in the nephrol-"empty hands." ogy department of Fortis KTR said that the PM, Escorts Hospital,

who spoke about the Faridabad Telangana government "The bond between a paschool education system, tient and a doctor is a special one. When a patient is should remember that the BRS regime is spending suffering from an ailment Rs 1.25 lakh on each stuand is also burdened with dent annually to impart difficulty in communicaquality education which tion, a doctor's challenge increases manifold," he nowhere in the country is

The patient had been on hemodialysis since 2017 but showed no significant improvement. He was brought to the hospital last month.

His mother's blood group was a match and she readily agreed to donate her kidney. The transplant was conducted by Chauhan and Urology and Kidney Transplant Director Dr Anup Gulati on June 22.

However, as the patient is hearing and speech impaired, it was difficult for him to express and convey his pain and requirements. With the help of sign language, Chauhan facilitated the patient's pre- and post-operative procedures.

Giving details of the case, Chauhan said, "The kidney transplantation was a success and the newly transplanted kidney is functioning optimally. The challenging astient's inability to hear and speak and hence, it was difficult for him to communicate his problems and pain, especially during the transplantation

His parents have become proficient in sign language, enabling effective communication.

"Additionally, I had taken the initiative to learn sign language. As total proficiency was not needed, it took only a week to learn simple communications," Chauhan said.

"Through my research, I discovered applications that generate short videos demonstrating various signs based on typed text. I also used WhatsApp to communicate with him through simple language. These methods were useful in enhancing communication with the patient,

Both the donor and the receipinet are stable, the

# **Guv Bais presides over** 108th Foundation Day



Of SNDT Women's University

Mumbai. Jul 08:

Maharashtra Governor and Chancellor of universities Ramesh Bais presided over the 108th Foundation Day of the SNDT Women's University at Patkar Hall of the University in Mumbai on Fri (7 July).

upon the University to provide entrepreneurship training to women graduates to ensure their economic empowerment. He further asked the university to reach out to

women with a basket of skill development programmes to increase the gross enrollment of women in higher edu-

Minister of higher

said that the University is expected to receive the status of a Central University shortly and that a proposal has been presented to the central government in this regard. Minister of Forests and

tion Chandrakant Patil

Cultural Affairs Sudhir Mungantiwar, Chancellor Prof Ujwala Chakradeo, Principal Secretary, Higher and Technical Education Vikas Chandra Rastogi, Pro Vice Chancellor Prof Ruby Ojha, playback singer Anuradha Paudwal, industrialist Shekhar Bajaj, members of faculty and students were present.

### **Railways to launch spl trains connecting heritage sites: Vaishnaw**

**Chennai, Jul 08( PTI)** 

Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw on Saturday unveiled a special train that would be run on Heritage routes across the country. The Minister after in-

specting a train modified as a steam loco train at the MGR Central Railway Station here said more such trains would be introduced on heritage routes in the coming months. Elaborating on the con-

cept, Vaishnaw said the

River Ganga, in Varanasi, Saturday.

Railways had planned to introduce a new concept — 'Heritage special' which would be built using 'steam engines' as the theme.

"The steam engine as

we all know, is very emotionally connected to us and even though it is not running today, we thought we can create a new concept that looks like a steam engine but actually operates by electricity," he told reporters. The Minister, who

began his speech in Tamil, said the special concept

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was presented to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and he (the PM) believes in the concept which is 'virasat bhi, vikas bhi' which means 'heritage' and 'development' should go to-

been created as heritage special, I thank the very good technical officers, staff and Golden Rock Workshop, Tiruchirappalli, Perambur, and Avadi who have all contributed in creating this concept," he

"This new concept has

To a query, he said the special train would be first tested on long heritage routes and later it would be open for tourists in two-three months.

"We will first try this and then manufacture more of this. In another two or three months, it should get into public use. Basically, our testing on the ground is complete, we received the safety certificate for it. we will be running it on longer routes and then take it into regular commercial opera-

### 'DRDO scientist attracted to Pak agent, revealed missile secrets'

Pune. Jul 08 (PTI)

DRDO scientist Pradeep Kurulkar was attracted to the Pakistani Intelligence Operative, who used the alias 'Zara Dasgupta', and chatted with her about Indian missile systems among other classified defence projects, the chargesheet has said. The Anti-Terrorism

Squad (ATS) of the

the chargesheet against Kurulkar, who was the director of one of the labs of the Defence Research Development Organisation (DRDO) in Pune, in a court here last

He was arrested on May 3 under the Official Secrets Act and is now in iudicial custody.

Kurulkar and 'Zara

Maharashtra police filed Dasgupta' were in contact through WhatsApp as well as voice and video calls, the chargesheet

> 'Dasgupta' claimed to be a software engineer based in the UK and befriended him by sending obscene messages and videos. During the investigation, her IP address was traced to Pakistan, the ATS said in the chargesheet.



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#### **PM inaugurates projects worth** over Rs 24,300 cr in Bikaner ment of the Bikaner railstrength to the industry of

Jaipur, Jul 08 (PTI)

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday dedicated and laid the foundation stones of development projects worth more than Rs 24,300 crore in Rajasthan's Bikaner district.

Modi dedicated to people the six-lane greenfield expressway section of the Amritsar-Jamnagar Economic Corridor, the first phase of the Inter-State Transmission Line for the Green Energy Corridor, a Bikaner-to-Bhiwadi transmission line and a 30-bed Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) hospital. He also laid the foundation stone for the redevelop-

way station and the doubling of the 43-km-long Churu-Ratangarh section. The prime minister pressed a remote button to inaugurate the projects at a programme in Norangdesar, Bikaner.

Speaking on the occa-Modi Rajasthan has got two modern six-lane expressways within a few months, while pointing out that he had dedicated to people the Delhi-Dausa-Lalsot section of the Delhi-Mumbai expressway in February.

He said the Amritsar-Jamnagar Economic Corridor will give new

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#### **Bad weather**

■ Itanagar: An Advanced Light Helicopter of the Indian Army, which was tasked to undertake a medical evacuation mission in Arunachal Pradesh, was forced to make a 'one-skid landing' on a road after it encountered adverse weather conditions.

#### Ban

■ Patna: The Bihar Police have approached the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), seeking a ban on more than 100 gambling or gaming and loan-providing apps that are allegedly engaged in money laundering and pose a threat to the financial security of the country.



**Cong means 'loot ki dukaan'** and 'jhooth ka bazaar': PM

Lashing out at the Congress, Prime Minister Narendra Modi Saturday dubbed the party as a 'loot ki dukaan' and 'jhooth ka bazaar", and said it is clear that its government in Rajasthan is on its way out.

The prime minister alleged the Ashok Gehlot government has carved a new identity for itself when it comes to corruption, crime and politics of appeasement. Addressing an election rally here, Modi said Rajasthan



of the Jal Jeevan Mission, but today it is among the laggard states. "In terms of crime against women, Rajasthan tops the list in rape cases. The situation is such that here the protectors are becoming the predators. The whole government here seems to be busy in saving rape and murder accused." Modi ally on the Congress, he said if it remains in power, it makes the country hollow and when it goes out of power, it defames the country by abusing it.

"Their leaders go abroad and abuse India," he said.

"There is only one meaning of the Congress... 'loot ki dukaan' and 'jhooth ka bazaar'," the prime minister said in an obvious jibe at Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's frequent remarks about his party opening 'mohabbat ki dukaan' in 'nafarat ka

#### Na tired hu, na retired hu: Sharad **Pawar's jibe at Ajit**

Mumbai, Jul 08:

**Nationalist Congress Party** 

chief Sharad Pawar has scoffed at estranged nephew Aiit Pawar's suggestion that he should retire from active politics, saying he will continue working as party workers want him to keep going. "Do you know at what age Morarii Desai became the prime minister? I don't want to become the PM or a minister but only want to serve the people," Pawar said when asked about Ajit's remark that at 83 years, it was time for his uncle to retire. Asserting that he was not old yet, Pawar echoed former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee's words, saying, "Na tired hu, na retired hu," (I am neither tired nor retired).

Among flashpoints were

The polling began at 7

### Three-storey building collapses; no injuries

NH MMI Narayana Superspeciality Hospital, Lalpur, Raipur

Bilaspur, Jul 09:

A three-storey building collapsed in Bilaspur city on Saturday, the police

No one was injured in the incident that occurred in the Mangla Chowk area of the city under the Civil Lines police station limits, an official said. The structure, which housed commercial units, came crashing down around 6.45 am and completely destroyed a jewellery shop and a medicine shop belonging to two brothers, he said.

Bilaspur MLA Shailesh Pandey, former minister Amar Agrawal, ex-mayor Rajesh Pandey and local businessmen have demanded compensation for those affected, alleging that the digging for a drain adjacent to the building weakened its foundation and caused its collapse.

Mavor Ramsharan Yadav said the demand for compensation will be con-



Commissioner Dudawat said that a 5member inquiry committhat the local contractors' association has provided an immediate relief of Rs 5 jewellery and medical shops. The municipal corporation is constructing drains across Bilaspur city to deal with waterlogging during monsoon. The work on a drain from Mangla Chowk to Ring Road-2 is

going on even after the ar-

rival of the rains.

### MLAs of 2 Sena camps get notices over disqualification

Mumbai. Jul 08 (PTI):

Maharashtra Legislative Assembly Speaker Rahul Narwekar on Saturday said notices have been issued to 40 MLAs of Chief Minister Eknath Shindeled Shiv Sena and 14 of the Uddhav Thackeray faction, seeking their replies on disqualification petitions against them.

These legislators have been given seven days to file their reply, he said.

The notices have been issued against a total of 54 MLAs, including Chief

Minister Eknath Shinde and Shiv Sena (UBT) leader Aaditya Thackeray. But notice was not issued against Shiv Sena (UBT) MLA Rutuja Latke who was elected after the Shiv Sena split last year.

The development comes a day after Narwekar said that he has received a copy of the Shiv Sena's constitution from the Election Commission of India, and that hearing on the disqualification petitions against 16 Shiv Sena MLAs, including CM Shinde would start soon.

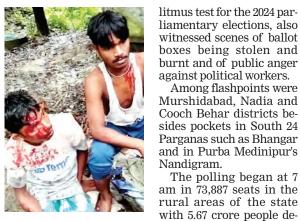


Kolkata, Jul 08 (PTI):

Bengal's rural polls drew towards a bloody finish as 15 people died. bombs exploded and all parties leveled allegations of strong arm tactics against their rivals on Saturday.

Twelve people, including eight from the ruling TMC and one worker each of the BJP, CPI(M), Congress and ISF died since midnight in the crucial three-tier panchayat polls, officials said

PATANJALI



Injured CPI(M) agent sitting outside a polling booth.

The election which is being seen by analysts as a

ciding the fate of around

2.06 lakh candidates. Till 3 pm, 50.52 per cent voter turnout was recorded, officials said.

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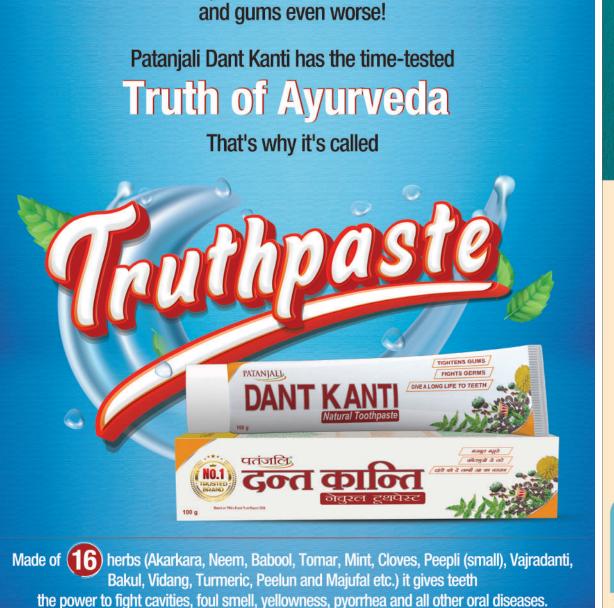
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Using 'Jhoothpaste' in the name

of toothpaste has resulted not only in

unclean teeth, but its chemicals made the teeth

# Cops attend training on Man arrested for peddling **Vulnerability Mapping**

**Central Chronicle News** 

Administration launched preparations for the upcoming Vidhan Sabha polls in the state. In this sequel, more than 25 officers of Durg district received training of Vulnerability Mapping in relation to sensitive, very sensitive booths. This will help in ensuring peaceful, free and fair elections.

Training Vulnerability Mapping was organized through video conferencing by the Chief Electoral Officer, Raipur, Chhattisgarh in the auditorium of Police Control Room Bhilai. More than 25 officers of Durg Police attended this



Training was given on tailed discussion was held important points regard-Vulnerability Mapping in the video conference organized in connection with the upcom-Vidhansabha

regarding the definition of Vulnerability Mapping and necessary information regarding disruptions arising in sensitive information about the criteria of critiventive law and order proceedings for peaceful, free and fair elections. More than 25 officers from different stations of Durg Police received training and got necessary information on Vulnerability

**Central Chronicle News** 

Bhilai, Jul 08: With the arrest of a drug peddler, police claimed to have busted the illegal supply and distribution network of the scheduled and banned psychotropic drugs. About 912 psychotropic tablets and capsules were seized from him. It was a joint operation of Mohan Nagar Police Station and Durg Civil Team. The accused is identi-

fied as Santosh Kumar Mishra (49) son of Ramavtar Mishra a resident of Hanuman Nagar, Durg. He is a native of village Bela, District Rewa. Madhya Pradesh. It needs to be mentioned here that

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gan writing competition.

The theme for all the activi-

ties and competition was

the importance of Van

psychotropic drugs

officers. Durg Police are taking action against illegal drug dealers and peddlers in the

The cops are continuously working against the people involved in trade of narcotics drugs and illegal sale of scheduled psy-

DAV celebrates Van Mahotsav

chotropic drugs. In this sequel, Police received a tip off regarding a drug peddler, who was selling the banned psychotropic drugs to the addicts.

After confirming the information, the joint team conducted a well-planned

drug peddler with the psy-Surya Hotel in Kailash Nagar.

The accused has been booked under the provisions mentioned in NDPS Act. 768 nos Spascorevon Plus Capsules and 144 nos Aadspa Pro capsules, total worth Rs 10373, have been seized from him.

Inspector Vipin Rangari (SHO, Mohan Nagar), SI Uma Thakur, Head Constable Suryadev Singh, Constable Rajkumar Dalai, Civil team members Kishore Naseer Baksh, Kamlesh Yadav, Thomson Peter, Prashant Patankar, Bharthari Nishad and Ajay Yadu played a vital role in arresting the ac-

### **Applications invited for Ran-Niti-Director (Personnel) Cup - 2023**

**Central Chronicle News** 

Bhilai, Jul 08: SAIL-Resource Development (HRD) Department in collaboration with AIMA is going to organize Ran-Niti- Director (Personnel) Cup, a 2-day Unit Level Simulation Business Games - 2023-24.

The two-day competition will be organised online for each Quiz Centre, by the SAIL- Corporate Office, New Delhi from 19th to 20th July 2023. The exercise will cover all aspects of business, including Finance, Marketing, Operations etc.

The competition rounds for Bhilai Steel Plant will be organized at MP Hall, BMDČ, Sector -7, Bhilai. The executives working in various units of Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) are invited to participate in teams of three members each and make it a grand success. Interested executives may submit their applications by 15th July 2023.

12 teams will compete Ran-Niti-Director (Personnel) Cup - 2023, which shall be organized in three stages. In the Level-1 of the competition, participants will be selected at Plant/Unit Level, which will be organized online by AIMA for all Plants/Units.

Followed by the Level-2,

to be organized physically among the 6 selected teams at the SAIL level at MTI, Ranchi. The Head of Training/HRD of respective Plant/Unit shall conduct the competition at the respective units. Director (Personnel) SAIL will felicitate the top three winning teams at the Valedictory Ceremony of the competition.

Ran-Niti-Director (Personnel) Cup - 2023-24 is an initiative to identify and develop strategic leaders through Business Simulation Games and encourage the Employees to work in cross-functional teams and understand the importance of team

**Central Chronicle News** Bhilai. Jul 08: Van

Mahotsay, a week-long festival of tree plantation was organized in DAV, Hudco, Bhilai in the first week of July from 3rd to 8th July, 2023 in the school campus. The week celebration was an ideal opportunity to instill personal and social responsibility in our students towards safeguarding trees and forests, forming a personal connection between the students and trees through a process of experience, reflection and creation and remind us of the fineness and superiority of trees while making the implications of our inherited assets and that without us trees cannot adjust or sur-

The entire week was

#### flooded with assortments of activities and competitions which culminated with an exhibition on Saturday (8th July, 2023). The week commenced with a special assembly which was a blend of poems, speeches, quiz and facts which was a mind altering experience for everyone. In the concluding days of the week children participated in various activities conducted in a weeklong event like fancy dress for Mahotsav and the value of

trees. Prashant Kumar, Principal cum Deputy Regional Officer CG, Zone A, expressed a great zeal of contentment towards students' effort and encouraged them to preserve trees which play a vital role in maintaining the ecological balance. He further added that the week was an green touch to the school environment and let them be aware of their role in conserving it.

The highlight of the celebration was the event 'Green Exhibition' organized by the Eco Club on 8th July, 2023 which was cordially inaugurated by Prashant Kumar where the best two of all the activities like best earnest attempt to lend a out of the waste, slogan

writing, Poster Making, showcasing Conservation of Nature and various medicinal plants were displayed making the ambience green and fresh. On the occasion, Prashant Kumar remarked that the week was indeed an innovative, informative and an interesting celebration. Trees are poems that the earth writes on the sky. Green is the colour of Nature, life, prosperity, harmony and energy, which is closely associated with meanings of hope freshness and environment and revitalizes our body and mind. He also added that celebrating Van Mahotsava is a good way to foster feelings of respect for the environment in students. The program ended with a pledge to cut our greed and

# Efforts for lease deed registry intensified

Meeting of lease holders today

**Central Chronicle News** 

Bhilai, Jul 08: Under the leadership of BSP Officers Association President and SEFI Chairman Narendra Kumar Banchore, a review meeting of the progress made in the context of lease deed registration was conducted by the House Lease Coordination Committee. SK Vardhan, MK Vinodia, Krishna Shah and Satyawan Nayak of the core group along with Banchor and Parvinder Singh partic-

ipated in this meeting. The meeting reviewed the complete procedure in which the Registrar has given necessary information to the BSP management for making the lease deed; completing the process of registering the

power of attorney and authorizing the BSP officials to sign the lease deed. In this context, the core group of the House Lease Coordination Committee under the leadership of Banchor met various officials of the Town Services Department of BSP.

In relation to lease deed registration, Banchor said that according to the information received from the Town Services Department, drafts of various formats of lease deed have been prepared. Along with this, consent has also been obtained from the Town Services Department by making 'Sample Deed' on an experimental basis.

Keeping in view the various requirements of employees having quarters in lease and officers for getting the lease deed done, special discussion was conducted to start a 'help desk'

towards driving social

progress and making a tan-

gible difference in the lives



for the lease holders at the Pragati Bhavan of the Officers' Association and gather necessary resources for it. Banchor said that very soon a help desk will be started in OA.

Giving information in this regard, Banchor said that the signature of the officer authorized by BSP is necessary in the registration of lease deeds. Therefore, taking a positive initiative, the BSP management has started the process of registering the Power of Attorney and authorizing the BSP officials to sign the lease deed. This process is likely to be completed soon.

Intensifying its efforts, House Coordination Committee under the leadership of Narendra Kumar Banchore has organized an important meeting of lease holders on July 9, 2023 around 10.30 am at the Pragati Bhavan of the Officers' Association. Detailed information will be given about

the progress made in the registration of lease deed so far and the various formats prescribed for making lead deed and the documents required for it. Banchor has appealed to the lease holders to keep patience and avoid being misled by unnecessary information. The House Lease Committee and the Officers' Association will make every possible effort to provide assistance to all the house lease holders. The process of lease deed registry will be started

OA President and SEFI Chairman Narendra Kumar Banchore, OA General Secretary Parvinder Singh, OA Secretary Remi Thomas. Satyawan Nayak, SK Bardhan, Krishna Shah, MK Vinodia, KK Bahre, RC Sharma and other leaseholders were present in the

### Two held for stealing iron angles from factory

**Central Chronicle News** 

Bhilai, Jul 08: Old Bhilai Police arrested two ruffians on charges of stealing iron angles from a factory. Inspector Manish Sharma (SHO, Old Bhilai) informed that they received a complaint from Virendra Kumar, the manager of VS Engineering Company, Fabrication Hathkhoj, regarding theft of iron angles from the

scrap yard of the company. The unidentified thieves trespassed into the yard by making a hole in the boundary wall and escaped with 10-11 nos iron angles worth Rs 25000. Police lodged a complaint under section 457, 380 of IPC.

The investigation team examined the CCTV footage and collected information about the suspects



and habitual offenders of that area. In this sequel, police received a tip off regarding two youths, who were looking for junk dealers to sell some iron items.

Acting on this tip off, police nabbed the suspects and during interrogation, they confessed to committing theft at the factory. The accused are identified as Bhojendra Netam alias Bhola (22) son of Faguram

tive pf village Jhalam, Bemetara and Ramji Sahu (24) son of Jitendra Sahu a resident of Zone 3 Khursipar and a native of Gobrapedi, Dhamdha. The stolen iron angles have been recovered. Head Constable Rakesh Singh, Constable Harish Rao, Ishwarlal Bharadwaj and Shashikant Yadav played a vital role in arresting the accused.

## Yuvoday Durg Doots: Empowering youth volunteers to drive positive change in Durg District

**Central Chronicle News** 

Bhilai, Jul 08: Yuvoday Durg ke Doots, a transformative volunteering initiative driven by the people of Durg District and supportby the District Administration and UNICEF, celebrated its official launch with tremendous success.

The youth platform aims to foster social and behavioural change within families and society to promote the well-being of women and children in the district. The launch event witnessed an overwhelming response, with more than 150 individuals pledging their support

by signing up as volunteers. Durg District Collector Pushpendra Kumar Meena expressed his belief in the potential of youth to bring



of individuals and commuing, "Yuvoday Durg Doots nities.' will provide them with a Chief of platform to channel their Chhattisgarh energy, ideas, and passion

UNICEF Zachariah emphasized the significance of the Durg Doots Volunteer programme in empowering providing opportunities

young people and addressing critical community challenges.

He said, "UNICEF is committed to supporting adolescents and young people by enhancing their skills and

through civic engagement initiatives like Yuvoday Durg ke Doots." He called upon the young volunteers to work towards adapting their lifestyles for the betterment of the environ-

This transformative initiative aims to address five priority areas of community development in the Durg district: community-based mental health, adolescent well-being, Village Health, Sanitation, and Nutrition

Days (VHSND), youth leadership for climate action, and substance abuse prevention.

By empowering volunteers, the programme seeks to create sustainable positive change and enhance the overall well-being of individuals and the entire Durg district. The platform will build a group of youth champions and advocates who will promote and advocate key behavioural practices across the district. UNICEF will provide technical support to the plat-

The event witnessed the of Bhilai presence Municipal Commissioner Rohit Vyas, senior district administration officials, and over 200 youth volunteers of Yuvoday Durg ke Doots, among others.



employee Ramkaran Tiwari left for heavenly abode at the age of 76 years on Saturday. Funeral procession was taken out from his residence situated at Street 2, Sector 1 and last rites of the mortal remains were performed Ramnagar Muktidham. He was the father of Atul, Prabhat and Sanjay Tiwari.

Bhilai: Retired BSP

# 'Chh'garh liquor revenue went up in more than four years, no scam'

Minister Bhupesh Baghel on Saturday said liquor revenue in the state has gone up in the last fourand-a-half years and there is no question of any

Baghel told reporters that the state excise department has issued notices to three distilleries regarding the allegations about the use of fake holograms on (liquor) bottles.

A day earlier. Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched a scathing attack on Congress during a rally in Raipur saying the party had promised a liquor ban in Chhattisgarh, but in reality, crores of rupees of liquor scam went into the account of the party.

"Under Raman Singh's government in 2017, liquor revenue of the state stood at Rs 3.900 crore which is now increased to Rs 6,500 crore. There is no question of any scam".

The Congress government assumed office in Chhattisgarh in December 2018 after dislodging the BJP from power in elec-Baghel said holograms

are pasted (on bottles) in factories. "If the factory owner and any person are involved (in any irregularity), they should be investigated but the factory/distillery owners are free.

"The state Excise department has issued notices to three distilleries asking if they have not

used (genuine) holograms or used a duplicate hologram, then why recoveries shouldn't be made from you," the chief minister

Enforcement Directorate has claimed Rs 2,161 crore of corruption money was generated in the alleged "liquor scam" which began in 2019 with a syndicate comprising senior bureaucrats of Chhattisgarh, politicians, their associates and excise department officials.

Baghel, meanwhile, took a dig at BJP referring to the induction of nine Nationalist Congress Party leaders, including Ajit Pawar, in the Shiv Sena-BJP government of Maharashtra.

"Eight days back, those

charges of corruption in Maharashtra switched sides and all of them became ministers..... Now the charges against them have been washed with Gangajal," the chief minister said.

He claimed that ED and the Income Tax department are being misused against Opposition par-"They (BJP) do not have

a problem with corruption

or else they would have

replied to Rahul Gandhi's

question about the relations between you (BJP) and (businessman) Adani. His (Rahul Gandhi's) membership Parliament) was ended and he had to vacate his

bungalow," the CM added.

# **Buses to run with GPS, panic button**

Initiative for the safety of women passengers, students

Chhattisgarh is preparing to install panic buttons in passenger and school buses to ensure safety of women and students. In case of any accident or tampering in the bus due to the installation of the panic button, the control room will be immediately informed on pressing of the panic button. Location, speed etc. of the buses will also be known. This will help stop arbitrary activity of the drivers besides reducing the possibility of accident. The control room of the GPS system has been opened in the office of Dial 112.

According to the information received from the

with the introduction of this system, the public will be greatly facilitated in dealing with any kind of danger and untoward incifor dent. At present, a total of 12 thousand buses are operating in the state, which

are going to every corner of the state through different routes. Similarly, about 6000 school buses are also operating in the state. With the installation of panic button and GPS in the buses, it will be possible to get instant infor-

public convenience, continuous efforts are being made by the department smooth arrangements under the direction of Transport Minister Md Akbar in ac-

cordance with the intention of Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel. Officials Department told that under the new system, the route of the school bus will also be mapped so that if the school bus carrying children goes some-

scribed route, an automatic alert will come.

Four employees to be assigned according to the shift in the control room, will continuously monitor all the buses and will inform the police department in case of emergency.

In case of an accident or any problem panic button can be pressed. As soon as the button is pressed, the police control room and transport control room will get the information and the staff of the nearest police station will immediately reach the bus and help the passengers.

'It has been decided to install GPS system and panic buttons in private buses plying in the state. With this, it will be possible to get moment-to-moment information about the bus', said Transport Commissioner

### Plantation drive held at Sejbahar campus of Mahant College



**Central Chronicle News** 

Raipur, Jul 08: A massive plantation drive was launched at the Sejbaharbased new campus of Mahant Laxminarayan Das College by the volunteers from Navsrijan Manch and NCC cadets.

Member of Legislative Assembly from Raipur Satyanarayan Sharma was chief guest of the event whereas social worker Mahendra Agrawal presided over the function.

Speaking on the occasion,

Satyanarayan Sharma said that the forest wealth is essential not only to strengthen the economy but also to save human life and added that youth needs to play de-

Presiding over the function, the noted social worker said that additional land has been given to the College to establish better infrastructure as per the current academic requirements. Dr Suresh Shukla, Ajay Tiwari and others were present on the occasion, informs a press release issued here.

#### Youth to vote **Congress out of** power: Bhagat



Bharatiya Janata Yuva (BJYM) Morcha President Ravi Bhagat on Saturday said that the Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel is resorting to double speech as during the programme Minister Prime Narendra Modi whereas after the proramme, the former denies of receiving any central assistance. Bhagat said that youth would teach a lesson to Congress in the upcoming polls by voting it out of power, stated a press release issued by the Media incharge Vikas Mittal.

### 87 LMT paddy procured by state govt agencies so far this year

Raipur, Jul 08: As per the provisions of NFSA, the Central Government conducts procurement of Paddy directly through FCI or through the State Govt Agencies in all the including Chhattisgarh. The procured stock of paddy is being milled and the resultant Rice is being procured under the Central Pool which is completely funded by the Central Government. The surplus rice after fulfilling the requirement of State is transported to other needy

states by FCI. Chhattisgarh has adopted the Decentralized (DCP) mode of procurement since 2001-02. In DCP mode, the State Govt./its agencies procure/ store paddy and distribute the resultant rice (against Gol's allocation for NFSA & OWS) within the state. The surplus stock of rice. after meeting the NFSA/ OWS requirement of the state, is handed over to FCI for movement to deficit

This year a total of 87 LMT Paddy has been purchased from farmers by the State Government Agencies, the expenditure of which is to be completely borne by the Central Government. Out of this 87 LMT Paddy, 48.94 LMT Rice of 72.84 LMT Paddy has been delivered to Central Pool and the rest will be delivered till 30th September 2023. This is worth mentioning here that the expenditure of Rice distributed under NFSA (from procurement to distribution including interest) by state govt. of CG to its 2 crores beneficiaries is also reimbursed by Central Government. In the last 5 years i.e. 2018-19 to 2022-23, the central government purchased the paddy stock of 58.4, 74.85, 71.07, 92.01 and 87.53 LMT in Central Pool respectively through state agencies the

### **Renewed strategy changes political** equations with Chh'garh BJP

**Sushil Agrawal** 

mation about the buses.

Jul 08: Raipur, Renewed election stratefor the next Legislative Assembly polls, has created fresh political equations within the Chhattisgarh Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leaving the ticket aspirants on tenterhooks. Select meeting of visiting Union Home Minister Amit Shah with handful of people from Chhattisgarh BJP recently, has created a buzz over the political strategy but the leaders who were hopeful of getting better opportunity to lead the campaign in the upcoming elections are speechless as they have not even been considered to remain close to Shah. Senior leaders like Brijmohan Agrawal, Prem Prakash Pandey and Ajav Chandrakar

912 failed students of class 10th-12th

passed after revaluation

considered to bete-noire former Minister Dr Raman Singh were ignored in key discussions so far while they were hopeful of getting key responsibilities.

It is notable that Shah, considered to be chief strategist, had held close door talks BJPState President Arun Sao, Leader of Opposition in Chhattisgarh Legislative Assembly Narayan Chandel, Dr Raman Singh as well as former Rajya Sabha member Ramvichar Netam.

However, the importance given to senior OBC leader Dharmlal Kaushik, has further created confusion among party rank and file as he was considered to be a non-performer and was replaced by Chandel as

Leader of Opposition last year.

Further the appointment of central leaders OP Mathur and Union Minister Mansukh Mandaviya as election in-charge and co incharge has made it clear that the BJP would be contesting the upcoming polls jointly instead of project few leaders for the leadership role. It has been considered to an exercise by the central leadership to ease the growing aspirations among senior leaders as well as to put a pause to the growing groupism within the

Existing scenario has changed the political equations with both senior leaders given key role as well as the youngsters hopeful of their better future prospect in the run up

saffron brigade.

### Roads and bridges will be constructed in Naxalite areas with pre-cast tech: Gadkari

**Raipur, Jul 08:** Union Road Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari has stressed on the need for construction of roads and bridges using pre-cast technology in view of cost control and law and order challenges in Naxal-affected areas. Addressing the Indian Road Congress meeting at Hotel Babylan, Raipur, he said that there is a need to adopt new methods of construction while fully protecting the environment and ecosystem. Cost can be reduced with modern technology and new initiatives without any reduction in quality. Gadkari said that the use of bamboo crash barriers is one such initiative, which has met every safety standard. It is being implemented in many highways and expressways including the Delhi-Mumbai



Gadkari Expressway. stressed the need to increase the use of materials like plastic and steel slag in road construction to promote environmental protection. Such technology and material should be used so that there is no need to maintain the roads for 20-25 years. For this, referring to the use of white topping of a certain thickness on the roads made of coal tar, he said that this

experiment has been suc cessful in many places. This has facilitated maintenance of roads for 25 years. Gadkari suggested in the meeting that if there is an accident with any structure or road, the report of the inquiry committee and commission should be published separately along with the actual reasons for the fault and the measures to prevent it. It should be shared with all the states. It is not necessary to name any officer for this, but it is necessary for everyone to know why the mistake was made and what was lacking. If there mistake Maharashtra then why should it be repeated in Chhattisgarh? This suggestion of Gadkari is im-

portant in the context of

the recent accidents with

many bridges.

#### **Central Chronicle News**

Raipur, Jul Chhattisgarh Board of Secondary Education has released the revaluation results. After the revaluation result released by the board, 912 students have passed from fail status. After the revaluation result, the merit list will also be revised. A new list will be issued soon after including the names of new students in the old merit list. More than 10,000 had applied for revaluation and recounting after being unhappy with the results of the board exams conducted by Board of Secondary Education. Board had released the results in the month of April itself. In



this, 75.05 percent students passed in class X and 79.96 percent students passed in class X. The results of 547 students in Class X and 365 in Class X were changed after re-

tion. Those students who were eligible for supplementary and failed have been declared now passed.

As large number of failed students have passed, now questions are

also being raised on the evaluation. Board has taken action against more than 100 teachers who were negligent in evaluation in the examination year 2022 and has blacklisted them. On the other hand, some teachers were completely blacklisted. Along with this, the increment of one year has been stopped for many teachers. 101 teachers who were negligent in evaluation were blacklisted for three years, 51 teachers of class 12th and 30 teachers of class 10th were blacklisted due to increase of 20-40 marks in re-calculation. On the other hand, two teachers of class 12th and eight teachers of class 10th have been blacklisted for

increasing 41-49 marks. Three teachers of class 12th and seven teachers of class 10th were blacklisted forever for increase of above 50 marks. Along with the results of 10th, 12th CG Board, the provisional merit list of top 10 was also released. After re-evaluation and re-cal culation, the final merit list will now be issued by the board. It is being said that some new names will get a place in the final merit list. But the students whose names ap pear in the provisional merit list, Their names will also be there in the final list. After re-evaluation, the students whose marks will be as per the merit list will also be included in the list.

### **Education, Healthcare sectors top priorities: CM**

Raipur, Jul 08: Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel virtually participated in the inauguration ceremony of the 'Rajmata Shrimati Devendra Deo Kumari Singh Medical Government College' in Surguja district. Due to adverse weather conditions, the Chief Minister was unable to attend the event in person but addressed the people present at the venue through video conferencing. He expressed his regret at not being able to visit the venue. The medical college was inaugurated in response to the sentiments and demands of the

people of Surguja. Baghel reminisced about the love, affection, and care they all received from Rajmata Ji during their interactions. The Chief Minister highlighted the government's efforts to improve healthcare services, generate employment opportunities, and improve the agricultural sector in Surguja, aiming to uplift the standard of living of the people residing in forest areas. He expressed confidence in receiving the blessings of the locals for the state government's en-

Chief Minister Baghel shared that today is a mo-

mentous day for the people of Surguja as the inauguration of 'Rajmata Shrimati Devendra Kumari Singhdev Government Medical College' fills the air with joy. The project, encompassing the medical college building, hospital, and residential complex, has been accomplished at a total cost of Rs 374 crore. Notably, this medical college stands out for its focus on developing the skills and competencies of medical students, featuring a state-of-the-art skill lab and specialised facilities for testing and treating hearing impairments.

Mata Rajmohini Devi

Memorial Hospital, affiliated with the college, boasts various departments such as Medicine, Surgery, Orthopaedics, Gynaecology Obstetrics, Paediatrics, Anaesthesia, and Ophthalmology. The hospital will also provide a wide range of advanced diagnostic facilities. Additionally, the new college building will consist of eight departments, including Anatomy, Biochemistry, Physiology, Community Medicine, Forensic Medicine,

Pharmacology. The completion of this project, equipped with modern facilities, will bring immense benefits to the entire Surguja division.

In his address, Chief Minister Baghel emphasized the significance of the Surguja division, which is predominantly inhabited by tribal communities. For centuries, the people of this area have been deprived of basic facilities and rights. However, through the state government's efforts, the improved facilities of medicine and education are now reaching

the tribal areas of the state. The Chief Minister highlighted healthcare initiatives launched by the government, such as 'Mukhyamantri Haat-Bazar Clinic Yojana', which aims to provide health facilities to remote areas. Additionally, the 'Mukhyamantri Slum Swasthya Yojana' and 'Dai-Didi Clinic Yojana' were initiated to ensure medical facilities for impoverished individuals and women residing in urban slums. However, the government's vision extends beyond mere facilitating convenience for the people; the government is striving to establish access for impoverished individuals and women to state-of-the-art, high-quality facilities. The Chief Minister shared that the state government has a larger goal to develop a robust infrastructure in the fields of medicine and education that will give a new identity to Chhattisgarh on the international map. He shared that significant steps have been taken to open eight new government medical colleges in the state, with four already established and four in progress.

# SECL to develop old mine into an eco-tourism spot

Manikpur Pokhri in Korba district will be developed

Central Chronicle News Korba will spend mo

Raipur, Jul 08: SECL has decided to develop Manikpur Pokhari in Korba district as an ecotourism destination. This will be the second such eco-tourism site in the

state of Chhattisgarh.
Earlier, the closed mine at Kenapara in Surajpur district was developed by SECL as an eco-tourism site which is now being visited by tourists from far and wide for boating and other amusement ac-

Prime Minister Narendra Modi himself has praised this tourist destination through a tweet. Under this project, SECL along with Municipal Corporation Korba will spend more than Rs 11 crore to develop Manikpur Pokhari located in the district as an eco-tourism destination.

Under this project, the

closed Manikpur OC, which has taken the form of a lake, will be developed as a beautiful ecotourism destination equipped with various tourist facilities. Recently, the company has released an amount of Rs 5.60 crore to Collector Korba by cheque for the implementation of the

project.
Sprawled over an area of more than 8 hectares, this Pokhari will be converted into an ecotourism site with various facilities for tourists such as boating facility, float-

ing restaurant/ cafeteria, garden in the Pokhari complex, selfie zone, children's play area, Climbing Wall, Repelling Wall, Zipline Roller Coaster, Musical Fountain, Grand

Entrance, etc.

Manikpur OC is one of the first mines in Korba district. In the year 1966, coal mining was started here with Russian technical consultation.

About 24 years later, during the excavation for coal mining, due to the discovery of ground water source here, there was so much water storage here that it could not be taken out even with the help of motor pumps etc. and finally the mine had to be closed. With this

project, the people of Korba district will not only get a new tourist destination, but it will also provide new sources of livelihood for the people.

It maybe noted here that about 16% of the national coal production comes from Korba district and it has coal power plants of about 6,428 MW capacity. Not only the country but Asia's largest coal mines are located here.

Coal India is working on a plan to convert closed/abandoned mines into eco-tourism sites across the country, so that not only these mines are becoming popular as tourist places but they are also providing employment to the local people.

#### SOUVENIR PRESENTATION



Raipur: Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel presented a souvenir to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, which included a specially handcrafted 'Angvastram' by the weavers of Chhattisgarh and a basket of millet based products.

# Waterlogging on streets causing traffic-jam, accidents

 Just after medium to heavy showers in a day

**By Himanshu Sori** 

Raipur, Jul 08: Raipur is experiencing waterlogging in several areas due to heavy rainfall. The ongoing monsoon season has brought torrential rains, resulting in extensive waterlogging on main thoroughfares across the city. The inadequate drainage systems exacerbate the problem as rainwater inundates the roads. Moreover, the combination of recent downpours followed by intense sunlight has led to a rise in humidity, compelling individuals to seek refuge indoors with air condition-

Reports have flooded in regarding waterlogging in



various areas, including Pachpedi Chowk. Chowk, Bhatagaon Tatiband Chowk, and other parts of the city. The deficiency in drainage infrastructure further compounds the issue, leaving underdeveloped roads susceptible to damage caused by water accumulation and the movement of heavy-loaded trucks and vehicles. Substantial puddles have formed due to

medium to heavy showers, rendering vehicular passage and pedestrian movement arduous within the affected areas.

Moreover, numerous areas within the city have been subjected to ongoing excavation for the Jal Jeewan Mission. However, in several instances, these excavation sites have been left uncovered or inadequately leveled, resulting in the pooling of water and the formation of



muddy terrain. The flooded roads have significantly heightened traffic congestion, frequently impeding the flow of vehicles and elevating the risk of accidents. Reduced visibility coupled with waterfilled potholes has made it challenging for pedestrians to navigate the roadways, significantly increasing the likelihood of accidents. Furthermore, the city's infrastructure may sustain damage, in-

cluding weakened road surfaces and compromised embankments. Additionally, the excessive rainfall has caused flooding in surrounding areas, particularly in lowlying communities or those situated near ponds. These waterlogged zones impede smooth navigation, leading to widespread traffic congestion, delays, and an increased incidence of accidents throughout the city.

# Street Food vendors, unorganized parking leading to chaos

 On city main roads and at M.G Road, Telibandha pond

**By Anti Debnath** 

renowned for its street food delicacies, has become a hot spot for chaos and disorder due to the escalating number of street food vendors. The surge in vendors along M.G. Road and Marine Drive has resulted in a plethora of problems, including overcrowding, littering, and restricted accessibility. The root cause of this predicament lies in the unorganized parking of vehicles along the roadside, as the concerned authorities have yet to take any substantial action.

The exponential growth of street food vendors on M.G. Road has led to significant traffic congestion, impeding the smooth movement of both pedestrians



bates the traffic situation.

The narrow alleys, congested with food vendors, parked cars, and customers, pose a formidable challenge for passing vehicles. The traffic snarl-ups are most pronounced during the evening hours when numerous street food sellers set up shop, exacerbating the congestion further.

not only jeopardizes their

well-being but also exacer-

Speaking on the condition of anonymity, one vendor revealed that the Nagar mented stringent regulations stipulating that any car parked on the street will be promptly towed away by the authorities.

The local government is actively seeking solutions to address this issue, aiming to strike a balance between supporting street food vendors and addressing the concerns of residents and commuters. Various possibilities are being explored, such as designating specific areas for vendors, enforcing operating hours, and ensuring proper waste management to minimize the impact on the community, the

#### Yoga Institute conducts 'Mahabharata Gyaan Yagya'



Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Jul 08: Under the guidance of Guru Maa Hansa J. Yogendra, The Yoga Institute Shankar Nagar organised free session on the life lessons from the Indian ancient epic Mahabharata and Bhagwad Geeta.

Manjeet Sthapak informed

that The Yoga Institute is a 105 years old organization and committed to provide a holistic health to its members and by following the footprint of the great lineage the institute decides to conduct these free sessions on every Saturday morning. More than 50

### Monsoon rain pushes up prices of vegetable in Raipur

Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Jul 08: Already reeling from high inflation on account of costlier food items, the common man is now getting further hit by surging vegetable prices in Raipur. Vegetables prices have spoiled the whole taste of the kitchen in every house. The skyrocketing prices of vegetables have created problems for the common consumers. Within a fortnight, the prices of most vegetables, including tomatoes, have doubled.

Tomatoes are the worst hit as the local supply has run dry. Vegetable traders said that the main reason behind the rise in prices is the decrease in arrivals. They said that the prices



will not fall until there is an improvement in arrivals.

These days the price of tomato has reached Rs 120 per kg in retail, as a result of which tomatoes have started disappearing from the salads served in hotels. Along with this, Bhel, Pav Bhaji stall owners are using less tomato in their preparations. In addition to this, the tomato tray

filled in the fridge has become empty in the houses. Traders said that toma-

Traders said that tomato has touched Rs 1,700 to 1,800 a carat in the wholesale market itself. A few

days ago, the price of

More than 25.87 lakh families

tomato in bulk has also reached Rs 2000 per carat. It is being told that earlier in the year 2018, tomato in bulk had reached Rs 2,000 a carat. A fortnight ago, about 22 vehicles of tomato were coming daily, which has now reduced to six vehicles.

Along with this, the arrival of other vegetables has also halved, which has affected the prices. The demand is high and the arrival is very less, due to which the prices have pushed up in local Raipur market. T Srinivasa Reddy, president of the Wholesale Vegetable Traders Association, says, these days the dependence on external arrivals has increased and local arrivals

Due to this, the prices of vegetables have increased tremendously. The prices of vegetables will improve only when there is an increase in arrivals. These days the arrival has reduced considerably and the demand has increased.

Vegetables	Price
	per k
Tomato	Rs 100-12
Cabbage	Rs 50-8
Bhindi	Rs 40-6
Gourd	Rs 20-3
Brinjal	Rs 25-3
Coriander	Rs 110-12
Ginger	Rs 200-22

### **Collector holds weekly time-limit meeting**

 Instructions given for speedy disposal of pending cases

**Central Chronicle News** 

Bemetara, Jul 08: Collector Padum Singh Elma on Tuesday reviewed the departmental work by taking a time-limit meeting in the Collectorate's hall. In the meeting, the Collector gave instructions to fulfill the announcements of the Chief Minister on priority. While reviewing the pending cases and letters under the time limit, he directed the officers to ensure that the pending cases are re-

Apart from this, while taking information about the flagship scheme of the government and storage and distribu-

solved within the time limit.

tion of vermi compost, he said that the rural industrial park is a very important scheme of the government, which is going to change the condition and direction of the rural economy. He emphasized on working together showing uniformity for the sale of the finished product in the rural industrial park.

members gained the wis-

dom from great Guru-

Shishya traditions.

In the meeting, the Collector directed other departments and construction agencies including PWD, RES, PHE, Education, Tribal Department and said that all the departments and agencies should submit the demand for cow dung paint as per their requirement and work in construction, repair and painting.

Make sure to use it. Applications received in the meeting regarding unemployment allowance scheme, veri-

status of revenue cases, building construction by Janpad Panchayat, drinking water system in school buildings and Anganwadi centers, education, Haat Bazar clinic, Dhanwantri, CREDA, social welfare, public construction Reviewed the pending cases and works of other departments including the department and instructed the officers to work according to the target and within the time limit. During this, the officials were reprimanded for the delay in disposal of departmental cases and instructions were given for early disposal of pending cases.

fication and recommendation,

He inquired about the farmers taking other crops instead of paddy in Kharif year 2023-24 and gave instructions to the officials of Agriculture Department to encourage

more and more farmers to take other crops. The agriculture department was asked to keep sufficient quantity of fertilizers available in the district and said that farmers should not have to wander for fertilizers. During this, he asked all district CEOs to provide information about eligible, ineligible and migrated beneficiaries for cent percent Aadhaar verification under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana Gramin.

After this, he inquired about

the preparations related to the upcoming elections and gave instructions to prepare an action plan and complete the necessary preparations. He instructed all the professors to organize the SWIPE program in the college and to make voter IDs of those who have completed 18 years as on 01

October 23.

# • Under Jal Jeevan Anganwadi centers and 17,290 has been prepared in all the disconding the propagation in additional pro

Mission in the state

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Raipur, Jul 08: The work of providing free domestic tap connections in the rural areas of the state is being done at a fast pace. Domestic tap connections are to be given to 50 lakh 10 thousand 812 families under the campaign being run for the supply of pure drinking water in the houses under the Jal Jeevan Mission in the state.

At present 25 lakh 87 thousand 068 domestic tap connections have been given. Along with this, arrangements have been made to supply pure drinking water through tap taps in 43, 981 schools, 41,725

gram panchayat buildings and community sub-health centers of the state. In which Janjgir-Champa district of Chhattisgarh is leading in providing domestic tap connections to maximum 2 lakh 30 thousand 343 families. Similarly, Rajnandgaon district is on second and third place respectively in providing domestic tap connections to 1 lakh 79 thousand 187 and Raigarh district to 1 lakh 53 thousand 318 families. Under the Jal Jeevan Mission, being run under the leadership of Chief Minister Mr. Bhupesh Baghel and under the guidance of Public Health Engineering Minister Guru Rudrakumar, pure drinking

water is being made available at the

rate of 55 liters per person per day

in the state, for this an action plan

has been prepared in all the districts. Under this mission, in addition to domestic tap connections, arrangements for water are also being made in schools, sub-health centers and Anganwadi centers. Simultaneously, the implementation of the works of Jal Jeevan Mission including Single Village Scheme and Multi Village Scheme and other drinking water schemes in the state at the ground level. Secretary Public Health Engineering Dr. S. Bharathidasan said that constant monitoring is being done by Mission Director Mr. Alok Katiyar. So far under Jal Jeevan Mission 1 lakh 38 thousand 137 in Raipur district, 1 lakh 26 thousand 221 in Mahasamund district, 1 lakh 26 thousand 213 in Balodabazar-Bhatapara, 1 lakh 25 thousand 966 in

Dhamtari district, 1 lakh 15 thousand 919 in Kawardha, 1 lakh 11 thousand 117 tap connections have been given in Bilaspur district, 1 lakh 10 thousand 002 in Durg and 1 lakh 06 thousand 796 in Bemetara district. Similarly, 1 lakh 04 thousand 526 in Mungeli, 01 lakh 01 thousand 907 in Balod, 85 thousand 878 in Gariaband, 78 thousand 832 in Balrampur, 77 thousand 405 in Surguja district, 76,939 in Jashpur, 74,324 in Korba, Surajpur 71,104, 69,384 in Bastar, 66,601 in Kondagaon, 66,145 in Kanker, 64.505 in Korea tap connections were given. Domestic tap connections have been given to 33,418 rural families in Gorela-Pendra-Marwahi, 27,253 in Sukma, 25,071 in Bijapur, 23,565 in Dantewada and 16,944 in Narayanpur district.

### Pass on benefits of govt schemes to beneficiaries: Langeh

#### Holds meeting of **DLRC** and **DLCC**

Korea, Jul 08: Collector Vinay Kumar Langeh convened a meeting of District-Level Revision Committee (DLRC) and District-Level Credit Committee (DLCC) in Collectorate's meeting hall on Friday. He took information about the Kissan Credit Card (KCC) from Dy. Director of Agriculture Department. He gave instructions to pass on the benefits of government schemes to more and more beneficiaries and by holding camps, pass on the benefit of KCC to farmers left from it.

In the DLCC meeting, he reviewed about the advance deposits and C.D. ratio with different banks and about the 'Varshik Saakh Yojana'. Collector directed all the Banks to in-

नाम परिवर्तन

शपथकर्ता दिलीप क्रमार सिंह पिता श्री राजेंद्र सिंह उम्र 50 वर्ष निवासीँ–बी–600, सबक नं.–33, स्मति नगर भिलाई तहसील व जिला दुर्ग (छ.ग.) को हैं जो कि निम्नलिखित कथन शपथपूर्वक करत

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व्यक्ति हैं। ५. यह कि आज से मेरे नाम को दिलीप कुमार सिंह पेता श्री राजेंद्र सिंह जाना, समझा, पढ़ा, लिखा जावे एवं मेरे समस्त दस्तावेज में यही नाम अंकित कराना

यह कि मेरे द्वारा दी गई जानकारी सही एवं सत्य है कोई जानकारी या बात छुपाया नहीं गया है यदि कोई जानकारी असत्य पायी जाती है तो शपथकर्ता स्वयं जवाबदार रहे्गा ।

अतः यह शपथपत्र उपरोक्त तथ्यों की सत्यता नाम सुधार हेतु शासकीय गजट प्रकाशन हेतू सध मविकारी के समक्ष प्रस्तत करना है ।

Date: 09.07.2023



crease CD ratio. The decisions taken in the last meeting were also reviewed along with, confirmation on action under 'Varshik Saakh' and achievements of 'Varshik Saakh Yojana' and about other schemes viz. NULM, MMYSY, PMEGP,

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Antyavyasai Antodaya, Adivasi Swarojgar Yojana. Along with this he also reviewed about PM Jandhan Yojana and Samajik Suraksha Yojana and PM Mruda Yojana.

Along with this under Kissan Credit Card's KCC

scheme, he held detailed Husbandry, Fisheries, Crop Insurance Scheme. With Central Bank he discussed about Gramin Swarojgar Yojana. Meeting was attended by CEO District Ashutosh Panchayat Chatuvedi, RBI's LDO SE Soni, Branch managers of different banks; GM Industries. Dy. Director Agriculture, Husbandry and EE and Antayavyasais.

#### फुटकर अस्ति केन्द्रीयकृत प्रक्रिया केन्द्र आंचलिक कार्यालय, बैरन बाजार,

रायपुर 492 001 (छ.ग.) RETAIL ASSET CENTRALIZED PROCESSING CENTRE (RACPO

ZONAL OFFICE, BYRON BAZAR, RAIPUR 492 001 (C.G.) [See rule 8(1)]

#### POSSESSION NOTICE

(For immovable property)

Notice is hereby given under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, a demand notice was issued on the dates mentioned against each account are stated herein after calling upon them to repay the amount within 60 days from the date of receipt of said notice. The Borrow having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to Borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has tak symbolic possession of the properties described herein below in exercise of power conferred on him/her under section 13(4) the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Act on the dates mentioned against each account. The Borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of the STATE BANK OF INDIA for an amount and interest thereon.

The borrowers attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available

SI No.	Name of the Borrower	Description of the Immovable Property	Demand Notice Date Possession Notice Date	Outstanding Amount Symbolic Possession
1.	1. Mr. Abdul Salam S/o Mr. Abdul Sattar 2. Mr. Sheikh Abdul Nadeem S/o Mr. Abdul Salam	Plot No. 48/3, Khasra No. 146/19 Patwari Halka No. 109, Pt. Ravishankar Shukla Ward 26 Raja Talab Pandari Tarai, Raipur, Tehsil & District Raipur (C.G.)	(1) 05.04.2023 (2) 03.07.2023	Rs. 2893889.86 + (Twenty Eight Lakh Ninety Three Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Nine & Eighty Six Paise) Interest & Other charges thereon.
2.	Mrs. Muskan Aarif Ali W/o Shri Saiyyad Aarif Ali 2. Mr. Saiyyad Aarif Ali S/o Saiyyad Shakir Ali	At- Rawatpura Nagar Phase-III, Khasra No. 325/405, Area 650 Sq. Feet Mathpurena, Raipur, Tehsil & District Raipur (C.G.)	(1) 12.04.2023 (2) 03.07.2023	Rs. 2040088.00 + (Twenty Lakh Forty Thousand Eighty Eight) Interest & Other charges thereon.
3.	Smt. Gauri Yadav W/o Shri Ramdeo Yadav     Shri Ramdeo Yadav S/o Shri Kishan Yadav	Flat No-LIG-542 3rd Floor, Block-34 Deendayal Awas Yojna Boriyakala Raipur, Tehsil & District Raipur (C.G.)	(1) 26.04.2023 (2) 03.07.2023	Rs. 689155.03 + (Six Lakh Eighty Nine Thousand One Hundred Fifty Five & Three Paise) Interest & Other charges thereon.
4.	1. Smt. Pinki Dubey W/o Shri Jeewan Dubey 2. Shri Jeewan Dube S/o Shri Laxmi Narayan	Khasra No. 295/71 Patwari Halka No. 61, Sai Vihar Colony Near Sai Mandir Rawatpura Mathpurena Ward No. 52 Raipur, Tehsil & District Raipur (C.G.)	(1) 12.04.2023 (2) 05.07.2023	Rs. 2916138.00 + (Twenty Nine Lakh Sixteen Thousand One Hundred Thirty Eight) Interest & Other charges

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#### E -AUCTION SALE NOTICE

Sale of immovable property mortgaged to Bank under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (SARFAESI)Act, 2002 (No.54 of 2002) Whereas, the Authorized Officer of LIC HOUSING FINANCE LTD had taken possession of the following property/ies pursuant to the notice issued under Sec 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (SARFAESI) Act, 2002 in the following loan accounts with our Branch with a right to sell the same on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS AND AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" for realization of Bank's dues. The sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the

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	E-:	auction Date: 29/07/2023				r E-auction: https://bankeauctions.com
Sr. No.	Name of the Borrowers & Loan Ac. No.	Property Description	Date Of Demand Notice	Date & Time	A- Reserve Price B- EMD (Rs) C- Bid Inc. Amt.	Bank details EMD
1)	Loan No. 120600002711 Mr. KAUSHIK ROY	Plot No 15, Block- L, Tilak Vihar, Saloni, Abhanpur, Dist- Raipur C.G. Plot Area: 1500 Sq.ft.	30.09.2019	24.07.2023 11.00 AM TO 2.00 PM	A- Rs. 575000/- B- Rs. 57500/- C- Rs. 10000/-	Beneficiary Name-LIC HOUSING FINANCE LTD. Beneficiary Branch Name -AXIS BANK, CENTRALISED COLLECTION HUB, Account Number - HFLECRRARI02711 IFSC Code- UTIBOCCH274
2)	Loan No. 120600004598 Mr. Jai Prakash Sonwani	Plot No03, Block-1, Aranya Lake shore city, Bahanakadi, Mandir Hasaud, Dist-Raipur C.G. Plot Area: 1250 Sq ft	17.11.2020	23.07.2023 11.00 AM TO 2.00 PM	A- Rs. 5,30,000/- B- Rs. 53000/- C- Rs. 10000/-	Beneficiary Name-LIC HOUSING FINANCE LTD. Beneficiary Branch Name -AXIS BANK, CENTRALISEI COLLECTION HUB, Account Number - HFLECRRARI04598 IFSC Code- UTIBOCCH274
3)	Loan No 121200000470 Ms Kumud Pradhan/ Mr Pitamber Pradhan	Plot No- N-3, Sai Naman Residency, Mauja Gotiyardih, Abhanpur, Dist -Raipur, (C.G.) Plot Area-1500 Sq Ft	13.12.2018	24.07.2023 11.00 AM TO 2.00 PM	A- Rs. 575000/- B- Rs. 57500/- C- Rs. 10000/-	Beneficiary Name-LIC HOUSING FINANCE LTD. Beneficiary Branch Name -AXIS BANK, CENTRALISEI COLLECTION HUB, Account Number - HFLECRRANY00470 IFSC Code- UTIBOCCH274
4)	Loan No 121200001046 Ms Amita Kumari / Madan Kumar Rai	Plot No- H-7, Sai Naman Residency, Mauja Gotiyardih, Abhanpur, Dist -Raipur, (C.G.) Plot Area-1250 Sq Ft	30.09.2019	24.07.2023 11.00 AM TO 2.00 PM	A- Rs. 600000/- B- Rs. 60000/- C- Rs. 10000/-	Beneficiary Name-LIC HOUSING FINANCE LTD. Beneficiary Branch Name -AXIS BANK, CENTRALISE COLLECTION HUB, Account Number - HFLECRRANY01046 IFSC Code- UTIBOCCH274
5)	Loan No. 121200001242 Dhiraj gautam	Plot nos C1, C2, C3 Sai naman Residency, Gotiyardih, Abhanpur, Raipur, CG plot Area - 3696 sqft	10.02.2022	24.07.2023 11.00 AM TO 2.00 PM	A- Rs. 1580000/- B- Rs. 158000/- C- Rs. 10000/-	Beneficiary Name-LIC HOUSING FINANCE LTD. Beneficiary Branch Name -AXIS BANK, CENTRALISED COLLECTION HUB, Account Number - HFLECRBPNY01242 IFSC Code- UTIBOCCH274
6)	Loan No. 121200001170 Ms Lalita Parakh/ Sachin dev Parakh	Plot nos T1,T2,T6,T7 Sai naman Residency , Gotiyardih , Abhanpur, Raipur ,CG plot Area - 4500 sqft	10.02.2022	24.07.2023 11.00 AM TO 2.00 PM	A- Rs. 2050000/- B- Rs. 205000/- C- Rs. 10000/-	Beneficiary Name- LIC HOUSING FINANCE LTD. Beneficiary Branch Name -AXIS BANK, CENTRALISED COLLECTION HUB, Account Number - HFLECRBPNY01170 IFSC Code- UTIBOCCH274
7)	Loan No. 120600005859 &120600007696, Mr Arun Kumar Agrawal/ Ms Kavita, Agrawal/ Mr Daya Ram Agrawal.	Flat No-A-402, Forth floor , euphoria apartment, Mowa, Raipur CG Area 1979 Sq ft (Carpet)	20.01.2022	23.07.2023 11.00 AM TO 2.00 PM	A- Rs. 9600000/- B- Rs. 960000/- C- Rs. 10000/-	Beneficiary Name- LIC HOUSING FINANCE LTD. Beneficiary Branch Name -AXIS BANK, CENTRALISED COLLECTION HUB, Account Number - HFLECRBPRI05859 IFSC Code- UTIBOCCH274
8)	Loan No. 120600002436, Ms Mukti lata Tiharu/ Shalendra Kumar Tiharu.	Plot Nos. 25 and 26, Block C , Tilak Vihar , Saloni, abhanpur, Raipur CG plot area 3000 sq ft	27.05.2019	24.07.2023 11.00 AM TO 2.00 PM	A- Rs. 1200000/- B- Rs. 120000/- C- Rs. 10000/-	Beneficiary Name- LIC HOUSING FINANCE LTD. Beneficiary Branch Name -AXIS BANK, CENTRALISED COLLECTION HUB, Account Number - HFLECRBPRI02436 IFSC Code- UTIBOCCH274

OFFERS EITHER in sealed cover/s or in Online mode to purchase the said properties on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" TERMS & CONDITIONS OF THE AUCTION SALEARE AS FOLLOWS:-

1. E-auctions is being held on , As is where is Basis, As is what is basis , Whatever there is and without Any Recourse Basis; and will be conduct Online, the E-auction will be conducted through LIC- Housing Finance approved E-auction service Provider " M/S C1 INDIA PVT LTD". 2. THE Intrested bidders should register their their names at portal https://bankeauctions.com and get their user id and password free of cost prospective bidder may email online training on E-auction from the service provider M/S C1 INDIA PVT LTD, contact person: Mr. Mithalesh Kumar, Contact mo. 7080804466, 9935955925, E-mail Id: mpcg@c1india.com, 3. For detailed terms & conditions of the sale notice and full description of the properties please refer to the website of approved e-auctions Service provider" M/S C1 INDIA PVT LTD" at https://bankeauctions.com;

Authorised Officer Date: 09.07.2023. Place: Raipu LIC Housing Finance Ltd



# भारतीय रिज़र्व बैंक

भारतीय रिज़र्व बैंक द्वारा विनियमित संस्थाओं के विरुद्ध शिकायतों का निवारण Redressal of complaints against entities regulated by RBI

रिजर्व बैंक - एकीकृत लोकपाल योजना

Reserve Bank – Integrated Ombudsman Scheme

भारतीय रिज़र्व बैंक ने बैंकों, गैर-बैंकिंग वित्तीय कंपनियों, भुगतान प्रणाली प्रतिभागियों और साख सुचना कंपनियों(सीआईसी) के लिए लागु तीन पुर्ववर्ती लोकपाल योजनाओं को एकीकत करके "रिज़र्व बैंक - एकीकत लोकपाल योजना, 2021 (आरबी-आईओएस)" की शरुआत की है। यदि शिकायत का निवारण ग्राहकों की संतृष्टि के अनुसार नहीं किया जाता है या आरई द्वारा 30 दिन की अवधि के भीतर जवाब नहीं दिया जाता है, तो आरबी-आईओएस आरबीआई की विनियमित संस्थाओं (आरई) द्वारा प्रदान की गई सेवाओं में कमी से संबंधित ग्राहक शिकायतों का लागत मक्त निवारण प्रदान करती है।

आरबी-आईओएस के तहत किसी आरई के विरुद्ध सभी शिकायतों के लिए "एक राष्ट्र एक लोकपाल" योजना अपनाई गई है। अत: शिकायतकर्ता के लिए अब यह जानना आवश्यक नहीं है कि वह किस लोकपाल योजना/कार्यालय के तहत लोकपाल को अपनी शिकायत दर्ज कराए।

आरबीआई-ओएस के अंतर्गत न आने वाली विनियमित संस्थाओं के विरुद्ध भारतीय रिज़र्व बैंक में प्राप्त शिकायतों का समाधान भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक के उपभोक्ता शिक्षण और संरक्षण कक्षों (सीईपीसी) द्वारा किया जाता है। आरई के विरुद्ध कोई भी शिकायत निम्न माध्यमों द्वारा दर्ज की जा सकती है:

- i. ऑनलाइन-आरबीआई के शिकायत प्रबंध प्रणाली (सीएमएस) पोर्टल के माध्यम से https://cms.rbi.org.in → पर शिकायत दर्ज करें।
- ii. आरबी-आईओएस के अनुबंध 'ए' में निर्दिष्ट फॉर्म में भौतिक शिकायत (पत्र /डाक) "केंद्रीकृत प्राप्ति और प्रसंस्करण केंद्र, चौथी मंजिल, भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक, सेक्टर -17, सेंट्रल विस्टा, चंडीगढ़ - 160017" को प्रेषित की जा सकती है।

आरबी-आईओएस और सीईपीसी के अंतर्गत आने वाली संस्थाओं के नाम सहित अन्य जानकारी हेतु कृपया वेबसाइट <u>https://cms.rbi.org.in</u> देखें। टोल-फ्री #14448 के साथ इंटरएक्टिव वॉयस रिस्पांस सिस्टम (आईवीआरएस) वाला एक संपर्क केंद्र 24x7 उपलब्ध है, जबकि संपर्क केंद्र किमेंयों से अंग्रेजी और हिंदी में बात करने की सविधा पर्वाह्न 8:00 बजे से अपराह्न 10:00 बजे (राष्ट्रीय छड़ियों को छोड़कर) और दस क्षेत्रीय भाषाओं (असमिया, बंगाली, गजराती, कन्नड़, मराठी, मलयालम, ओडिया, पंजाबी, तेलुगु और तमिल) में बात करने की सुविधा पूर्वाह्न 9:30 बजे से अपराह्न 5:15 बजे तक उपलब्ध है।

#### आरबीआई-लोकपाल के निर्णय के विरुद्ध अपील

आरबीआई-लोकपाल के निर्णय के विरुद्ध अपील **सीएमएस पोर्टल https://cms.rbi.org.in पर ऑनलाइन दर्ज की जा सकती है या अपीलीय** प्राधिकारी, भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक, उपभोक्ता शिक्षण और संरक्षण विभाग, केंद्रीय कार्यालय, पहली मंजिल, अमर बिल्डिंग, सर पीएम रोड, फोर्ट, मुंबई 400 001 (ई-मेल aaos@rbi.org.in) को आरबीआई-लोकपाल के निर्णय की सूचना प्राप्ति के 30 दिन के भीतर अपील प्रेषित की जा सकती है, बंशर्ते शिकायत आरबी-आईओएस के अपीलीय खंड के तहत बंद की गई हो।

#### महत्वपर्ण जानकारी

**नोट 1:** आरबी-आईओएस/सीईपीसी के तहत शिकायत दर्ज करने से पूर्व, शिकायतकर्ता को संबंधित बैंक/एनबीएफसी/भुगतान प्रणाली प्रतिभागी के पास अपनी शिकायत दर्ज करानी चाहिए। यदि शिकायत का <u>निवारण 30 दिन के भीतर नहीं किया जाता है</u> या शिकायतकर्ता बैंक/एनबीएफसी/भुगतान प्रणाली प्रतिभागी/ साख सचना कंपनियों द्वारा दिए गए उत्तर से संतष्ट नहीं है, तो वह आरबीआई-लोकपाल/सीईपीसी से संपर्क कर सकता है। **शिकायतकर्ता संबंधित** बैंक/एनबीएफसी/प्रणाली प्रतिभागी/साख सचना कंपनियों से प्राप्त उत्तर के एक वर्ष के भीतर कभी भी आरबीआई-लोकपाल से संपर्क कर **सकते हैं।** यदि बैंक / एनबीएफसी / भगतान प्रणाली प्रतिभागी/ साख सुचना कंपनियों से कोई उत्तर प्राप्त नहीं होता है, तो शिकायतकर्ता संस्था को शिकायत करने की तारीख से एक वर्ष तथा एक माह के भीतर आरबीआई-लोकपाल से कभी भी संपर्क कर सकता है।

नोट 2: लिखित शिकायत में शिकायतकर्ता को अपने नाम, पते और वर्तमान संपर्क नंबर का उल्लेख अवश्य करना चाहिए।

#### निक्षेप बीमा और प्रत्यय गारंटी निगम (डीआईसीजीसी)

(डीआईसीजीसी के विरुद्ध शिकायतों के लिए कोई भी व्यक्ति निम्नलिखित पते/ईमेल आईडी पर शिकायत दर्ज कर सकते/ सकती हैं)

#### निक्षेप बीमा और प्रत्यय गारंटी निगम (डीआईसीजीसी)

महाप्रबंधक

डीआईसीजीसी, शिकायत निवारण कक्ष

भारतीय रिज़र्व बैंक भवन, दुसरी मंजिल

मुम्बई सेंट्रल रेलवे स्टेशन के सामने मुम्बई-400 008

शिकायतकर्ता श्री राज कुमार, उप महाप्रबंधक से टेलीफोन नं. 022-23028209, विस्तार नं. 8209 अथवा जेनेरिक ई-मेल dicgc.complaints@rbi.org.in के माध्यम से भी संपर्क कर सकते/ सकती हैं।



### RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

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#### Redressal of complaints against entities regulated by RBI

#### Reserve Bank - Integrated Ombudsman Scheme

Reserve Bank of India (RBI) launched the "Reserve Bank - Integrated Ombudsman Scheme, 2021" (RB-IOS) by integrating the erstwhile Ombudsman Schemes applicable for banks, non-banking financial companies, payment system participants, and Credit Information Companies (CICs). The RB-IOS provides cost-free redress of customer complaints involving deficiency in services rendered by the Regulated Entities (REs) of RBI, if not resolved to the satisfaction of the customers or not replied within a period of 30 days by the RE.

The RB-IOS adopts a "One Nation One Ombudsman" approach for all complaints against any RE. It is therefore no longer necessary for a complainant to identify under which Ombudsman scheme/office, he/she should file a complaint

Complaints received at RBI against the REs not covered under the RB-IOS are redressed at the Consumer Education and Protection Cells (CEPCs) of RBI. Any complaint against an RE can be filed through one of the following modes:

- Online through the Complaint Management System (CMS) portal of RBI on https://cms.rbi.org.in → File a
- Physical complaint (letter/post) in the form as specified in Annexure 'A' in the RB-IOS to "Centralised Receipt and Processing Centre, 4th Floor, Reserve Bank of India, Sector -17, Central Vista, Chandigarh - 160 017"

For more information including the name of the regulated entities covered under the ambit of RB-IOS and CEPC, please visit <a href="https://cms.rbi.org.in">https://cms.rbi.org.in</a>. A contact center with Interactive Voice Response System (IVRS) with Toll-Free #14448 is available 24x7, while the facility to connect to Contact Centre personnel is available from 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM (weekdays except National Holidays) for English and Hindi, and in ten Regional Languages (Assamese, Bengali, Gujarati, Kannada, Marathi, Malayalam, Odia, Punjabi, Telugu, and Tamil) from 9:30 AM to 5:15 PM.

#### Appeal against decision of RBI-Ombudsman

Appeal against the decision of RBI-Ombudsman can be filed online on CMS portal at https://cms.rbi.org.in → File an Appeal or send to the Appellate Authority, Reserve Bank of India, Consumer Education and Protection Department, Central Office, 1st Floor, Amar Building, Sir P M Road, Fort, Mumbai 400 001 (E-mail aaos@rbi.org.in) within 30 days of receipt of the communication of the RBI-Ombudsman's decision, only if the complaint is closed under the appealable clauses of RB-IOS.

#### Important Information

Note 1: Before lodging any complaint under the RB-IOS/CEPC, the complainant must approach the concerned bank/NBFC/Payment System Participant/CIC with the grievance. If the grievance is not redressed within 30 days or if complainant is not satisfied with the reply given by the bank/NBFC/Payment System Participant/CIC, he/she can approach the RBI-Ombudsman/CEPC. The complainants can approach the RBI-Ombudsman anytime within one year of receipt of such reply from the concerned bank / NBFC / system participant/CIC. In case no reply is received from the bank/NBFC/Payment System Participant/CIC, RBI-Ombudsman can be approached anytime within one year and one month from the date of representation to the entity.

Note 2: The complainant MUST indicate his/her name, address, and present contact number in the written complaint.

#### Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation (DICGC)

(For complaints against DICGC, members of public can lodge the complaint at following address/e-mail Id)

#### Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation (DICGC)

The General Manager

DICGC, Complaint Redressal Cell,

Reserve Bank of India, 2nd Floor,

Opp. Mumbai Central Railway Station, Byculla, Mumbai – 400008.

The complainant can also approach Shri Raj Kumar, Deputy General Manager on Telephone No. 022-23028209, Ext No-8209 or through generic e-mail at <a href="mailto:dicgc.complaints@rbi.org.in">dicgc.complaints@rbi.org.in</a>



Delhi CM Arvind Keiriwa during the interaction with Delhi government school students who qualified NEET and JEE this year, in New Delhi, Saturday.

#### **Hoax call**

■ Lucknow: Security was heightened and a bomb disposal squad deployed at the Hazratganj metro station here in response to a phone call reporting a bomb threat, which later turned out to be a hoax, officials said on Saturday. A senior official of the Uttar Pradesh Metro Rail Corporation said the 112 police helpline received the hoax threat call around 9 pm on Friday which warned of targeting the metro station at 11.48 pm.

#### Stabbed

■ New Delhi: Two men were arrested for allegedly killing a person over a trivial issue in north Delhi's Sarai Rohilla area, police said on Saturday. The accused have been identified as Abhishek alias Dancer (21) and Sunit (18), residents of Shastri Nagar, they said. On Wednesday around 10 pm, victim Kamal (23), a resident of Wazirpur, was stabbed to death by Abhishek with the help of Sunit, a senior

#### Held

■ **Chennai:** Two youths who allegedly pushed a woman passenger at a local railway station here on July 2, after robbing her mobile phone, were arrested for causing her death, oolice said on Saturday. The woman, an employee of a private firm, who sustained grievous injuries succumbed at a private hospital on Friday night.

police officer said.

#### 20 years jail

■ Thane: A special NDPS court in Thane has sentenced a man to 20 years in jail for possession of drugs. In his order of July 1, details of which were made available on Saturday, Special Judge AN Sirsikar convicted Sanjay Jain under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act and also fined him Rs 1 lakh.

### **Watery grave**

■ Jammu: Two Army soldiers were feared drowned in a swollen stream in Jammu and Kashmir's Poonch district on Saturday, officials said. The soldiers were crossing the Dogra nallah at Poshana in Surankote area when they were swept away by flash floods triggered by heavy rains, the officials said. A joint rescue operation by the Army, police and State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) is on but there was no trace of the soldiers who were swept away by the strong current, they

# **Stranded Amarnath pilgrims ask** authorities to evacuate them

Srinagar, July 08 (PTI)

Amarnath pilgrims stranded at the twin base camps of Baltal and Pahalgam following the suspension of the Yatra due to inclement weather have urged authorities to evacuate them.

The yatra was suspended on Friday following widespread rain and landslides, particularly along the twin tracks — the traditional 48-kilometre Pahalgam route Anantnag district and the 14-kilometre Baltal route in Ganderbal district.

Nearly 50,000 pilgrims are put up at various base camps in Kashmir valley with almost 19,000 at Baltal base camp in the Ganderbal district.

Ronali Shah said she has been stuck at Panjtarni base camp since Thursday noon. reached here three days

As part of crop insurance

compensation for

Anantapuramu. Jul 08 (PTI)

Commemorating former

chief minister of combined

Andhra Pradesh Y S

Rajasekhar Reddy's birth

anniversary as 'Rythu Dinothsavam' (farmer's

day), Andhra Pradesh Chief

Minister Y S Jagan Mohan

Reddy on Saturday dis-

farmers

ago at 4 pm. Despite the sunny weather, the helicopter services operator did not fly us down to

She even urged authorities to change the private helicopter service provider that flew stranded pilgrims from the Panjtarni base camp.

Pahalgam" Shah said.

"The private helicopter left behind the yatris who had made online bookings while they were taking passengers who had booked tickets offline," a

in the state as crop insur-

ance compensation for 2022

Kharif season. The Chief

Minister released the funds

at a public meeting under

the Dr YSR Free Crop

Insurance Scheme in

Kalyandurgam town of

Anantapuramu district. He

also inaugurated multi-pur-

pose facilitation centre

(MPFC) godowns and 52 Dr

YSR Agri Testing Labs at a

cost of Rs 70 crore, taking

the number of such labs to

127 across the state.

man accompanying Shah said. However, several are determined to wait for the weather to improve and

proceed with the yatra

thereafter.

Two pilgrims from Punjab said they have been waiting for the rainfall to subside and are praying sincerely so that they can resume their pilgrimage.

Rahul, one of the pilgrims who encountered a landslide near Nathal said

look back at how he respond-

ed to farmers. I remember

free power, Jalayagnam,

Aarogyasri schemes which

benefit farmers and poor people, 104, 108 and the

sound of the ambulance,"

said Reddy, in a video link

shared by the government,

about the pro-poor schemes

introduced by his father

when Rajasekhar Reddy gov-

Pradesh between 2004 and

2009. Rajasekhar Reddy died

in a helicopter crash on

united Andhra

Panthachowk base camp

Narendra Kumar, another yatri, said the pilgrims had to face difficulties on the way due to heavy rain, landslides and shooting stones. "We had to run several kilometres to escape the shooting stones. Now we are stuck here at the camp," Kumar

Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha, who is also the chairman of the Shri Amarnathji Shrine Board, is scheduled to address a press conference later today.

The Met office has predicted widespread moderate to heavy rain, accompanied by thundershowers, under the influence of monsoon winds and western disturbances across Jammu and Kashmir till

cessive term as CM in then

combined AP. He was 60. The

Chief Minister also recalled

the fee reimbursement

scheme, lakhs of houses

built for the poor and several

other programmes that re-

mind everyone of the good

name that Rajasekhar Reddy

earned. Though he may not

be with us in person, the for-

mer CM's good deeds will al-

ways be remembered, said

Reddy, observing that sever-

al schemes under agricul-

ture, health and housing sec-

### 'Maha taking all efforts to make Gadchiroli free of Naxalite violence'

Dy CM of Uttar Pradesh Keshav Prasad Maurya listens to people's problems during a

Janata Darshan programme, in Prayagraj, Saturday.

Focus is on employment, empowerment

**Gadchiroli, Jul 08 (PTI)** 

The Maharashtra government is taking all efforts to make Gadchiroli free of Naxalite violence, Chief Minister Eknath Shinde said on Saturday during a 'shaasan aplya dari' (government at your doorstep) programme.

He said 6.70 lakh of the 11 lakh population of the district were registered beneficiaries of the programme and asserted his government would reach out to every single person to bring about welfare.

"Beneficiaries have received tractors, harvesters, cycles, godowns, caste certificates under the 'shaasan aplya dari' scheme. There is focus on women's empowerment," the CM said at the event where he and Deputy CMs Devendra Fadnavis and Ajit Pawar launched various projects.

A steel plant being set up in Gadchiroli has provided direct and indirect employment to 4000 persons and 20,000 more jobs sistance due to ego tussles. will be created once a pro-

"Naxailte activities have claimed

Shinde said the Union



Maharashtra CM Eknath Shinde with Deputy Chief Ministers Devendra Fadnavis and Ajit Pawar during a programme under the 'Shasan Aplya Dari' initiative, in **Gadchiroli, Saturday.** 

The induction of posed second steel plant Nationalist comes up, Shinde said.

reduced considerably in Gadchiroli and the state government is determined to make the district free of Naxalite violence," he

government was giving financial assistance for the state's welfare schemes and alleged the previous Maha Vikas Aghadi dispensation under Uddhav Thackeray did not approach the Centre for as-

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Party leader Ajit Pawar as deputy CM would speed up development Shinde Maharashtra, Pawar led a vertical split in the NCP on July 2 and

Congress

joined the Shinde government along with eight MLAs, including Chhagan Bhujbal and Dilip Walse Patil. Speaking at the event, Pawar said the country was progressing rapidly under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

#### 'Whenever I remember bursed Rs 1,117 crore to September 2, 2009, just tors have been named after father (Rajasekhar Reddy), I more than 10 lakh farmers months after securing a suchis father (Dr YSR) BJP to organise thanksgiving rallies on July 10

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**Andhra CM transfers Rs 1,117 crore** 

For pro-people' budget

Agartala, Jul 08 (PTI)

The BJP will organise thanksgiving rallies across Tripura on July 10 for presenting a "pro-people" budget for the current fiscal, a senior party leader said on Saturday.

Tripura Finance Minister Pranajit Singha Roy on Friday introduced a budget which included a health insurance scheme to cover the marginalised sections of society and another scheme to give free scooters to meritorious girl students as part of a Rs 27,654-crore budget for the current fiscal.

"The state finance minister has presented a propeople budget under the leadership of Chief

Minister Manik Saha. The budget will benefit all sections of people — employees, students, youth and poor", the party's state president Rajib Bhattacharjee said at a press conference.

He said the state finance minister has promised to introduce the Chief Minister Jan Arogya Yojana-2023, a health insurance plan, on the lines of the Ayushman Bharat scneme of the Central gov ernment.

Under the scheme, the families who are not included in Ayushman Bharat will get health insurance benefits of up to Rs. 5 lakh each year.

The party will organise thanksgiving rallies in all the ten organisational districts on Monday for presenting a pro-people budget that ensures fulfilment

Waterlogging, traffic snarls as Delhi

witnesses season's first heavy spell of rain

of our dream of making Ek Tripura Shrestha Tripura (one Tripura, best Tripura) ", the BJP leader said. Bhattacharjee also criticised the opposition MLAs for creating a ruckus on the first day of the budget session of the Assembly on July 7.

"The people of the state witnessed the way opposition lawmakers had tarnished the sanctity of the Assembly. They (people) will give a befitting reply to the opposition MLAs for their acts inside the House", he said.

The state Assembly on Friday witnessed uproarious scenes as opposition members protested and walked out twice over the Speaker's decision to suspend five MLAs and not to allow a discussion on a ruling BJP MLA allegedly watching a pornographic

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# **New Delhi, Jul 08 (PTI)**

Heavy rains led to massive traffic congestion and waterlogging across Delhi on Saturday, making life difficult for commuters and proving to be a night-

near ITO in New Delhi, Saturday.

mare for traders. Several market areas,

including Connaught Place in central Delhi, faced waterlogging issues and less footfall of cus-

People stuck in traffic jam after heavy monsoon rains,

This was the season's first heavy spell of rain. An "orange" alert has been sounded for more showers on Saturday. A sounded for Sunday, the Meteorological Department (IMD) said. The Safdarjung obser-

"yellow" alert has been

vatory, Delhi's primary weather station, recorded 98.7 mm rainfall till 2.30 pm. The Ridge observatory recorded 111.4 mm rainfall.

The Minto Bridge has been closed for vehicular traffic due to the incessant rains that have led to waterlogging. Heavy waterlogging was also reported from the Tilak Bridge underpass

Amit Gupta, a trader at Connaught Place, said the tall claims of Delhi being a Smart City are exposed every year during monsoon, when shops get flooded and the traders face losses.

New Delhi Traders' Association president Atul Bhargava said, "The government only wants to collect taxes. We have not been involved in the development of Connaught 252339)

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# **Zelenskyy honours Ukraine's** soldiers from Black Sea Island

To mark 500 days of war

Kviv. Jul 08 (AP):

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy marked the 500th day of the war Saturday by hailing the country's soldiers in a video from a Black Sea island that became the symbol of Ukraine's resilience in the face of the Russian inva-

Speaking from Snake Island, Zelenskyy honored the Ukrainian soldiers who fought for the island and all other defenders of the country, saying that reclaiming control of the island "is a great proof that Ukraine will regain every bit of its

"I want to thank from here, from this place of victory each of our soldiers for these 500 days," Zelenskyy said. "Thank you to everywho fights for

It was unclear when the



Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, left, listens to a statement by Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew I, the spiritual leader of the world's Orthodox Christians, at the Patriarchal Church of St. George in Istanbul, Turkey, Saturday, July 8, 2023. Zelenskyy attended a memorial ceremony for the victims of the war in Ukraine led by Patriarch Bartholomew I.

video was filmed. Zelenskyy was in Turkey on Saturday.

Russian forces took control of the tiny stone island on February 24, 2022, the day Moscow launched its in-

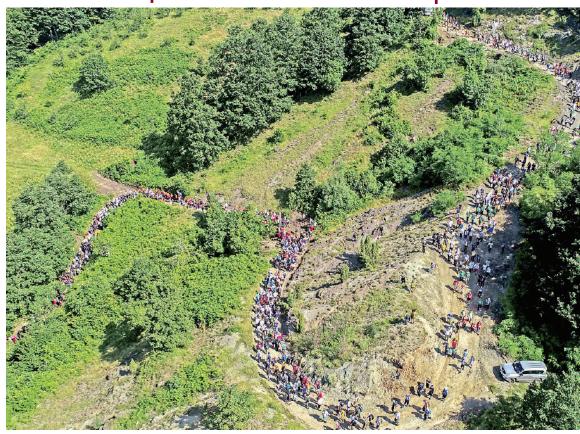
vasion, in the apparent hope of using it as a staging ground for an assault on Odesa, Ukraine's biggest port and the headquarters

endary significance for Ukraine's resistance to the Russian invasion, when Ukrainian troops there reportedly received a demand from a Russian warship to surrender or be bombed. The answer supposedly came back, "Go (expletive) vourself."

The island's Ukrainian defenders were captured by the Russians but later freed as part of a prisoner exchange. After the island was taken, the Ukrainian military heavily bombarded the small Russian garrison there, forcing the Russians to pull back on June 30, 2022.

The Russian retreat reduced the threat of a seaborne Russian attack on Odesa and helped pave the way for a deal to resume Ukrainian grain exports. "Let the freedom that all our heroes of different times wanted for Ukraine and that must be won right now be a tribute to all those who

### **MARCH OF PEACE**



Participants take part in the "March of Peace", march to remember the 1995 Srebrenica massacre, in Nezuk, Bosnia, Saturday, July 8. A solemn peace march started on Saturday through forests in eastern Bosnia in memory of the 1995 Srebrenica massacre, Europe's only acknowledged genocide since World War II. The 100-kilometre (60mile) march traces a route taken by Bosniak men and boys as they tried to flee Srebrenica after it was captured by Bosnian Serb forces in the closing days of the country's interethnic war in the 1990s.

### South Koreans protest Japan's plans to release treated wastewater from damaged Fukushima plant

Seoul, Jul 08 (AP):

Hundreds of people marched in South Korea's capital on Saturday demanding Japan scrap its plans to release treated wastewater from the damaged Fukushima nuclear power plant, as the head of the UN nuclear agency met with senior officials to discuss public concerns over foods safety

The protests came a day after South Korea's government formally endorsed the safety of the Japanese plans, saying that the contamination levels of water pumped out from the plant would be within acceptable standards and wouldn't meaningfully affect South Korean seas as long as the plant's treatment systems work as designed

announcement aligned with the views of the International Atomic Energy Agency, which

greenlit the Japanese discharge plans this week, saying the treated wastewater would meet international safety standards and pose negligible envi-ronmental and health im-Braving blistering sum-

mer heat and closely watched by police, the protesters walked in long lines through a commercial district in downtown Seoul, holding signs reading "We denounce the sea disposal of Fukushima's nuclear wastewater!" and "We oppose with our lives the sea discharge." The marches proceeded peacefully and there were no immediate reports of major clashes or injuries.

"Other than discharging the water into the sea, there is an option to store the water on their land, and there are other options being suggested," Sang-jin, Han spokesperson of the

Korean Confederation of Trade Unions, whose members accounted for many of the marchers.

He said that allowing Japan to discharge the water "is like an international crime.'

The protests provided a tense backdrop to a meetbetween IAEA Director General Rafael Mariano Grossi and South Korean Foreign Minister Park Jin, which was expected to include discussions over people's fear of food contamination.

South Korea's Foreign Ministry didn't immediately release details of the talks. Speaking to reporters in Tokyo Friday before his flight to South Korea, Grossi said he was aware of the unease in South Korea and was willing to communicate more actively with critics, including South Korean opposition politicians, to re-

### with Tanzania's President Samia



**External Affairs Minister S.** Jaishankar meets President of Tanzania Samia Hassan, in Tanzania.

Dar es Salaam, Jul 08 (PTI):

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar on Saturday called on Tanzania's President Samia Hassan and discussed ways to strengthen bilateral ties in areas like defence and security, maritime cooperation and capacity building.

He conveyed the personal greetings of Prime Minister Narendra Modi to President

**Islamabad, Jul 08 (PTI):** 

"Honoured to call on President Samia Hassan of Tanzania. Conveyed the personal greetings of President @rashtrapatibhvn and PM @narendramodi," he tweet-

"Thank her for the warm sentiments expressed about our development activities. Our water partnership and ICT collaboration have already made a strong impact. The IIT campus will take our ties to new heights," he said. A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed for the setting up of the first overseas campus of IIT Madras in Zanzibar, which is a Tanzanian archipelago off the coast of East Africa, during Jaishankar's

Jaishankar said he discussed ties in defence and security, maritime cooperation and capacity building with President Samia.

"Appreciate Tanzania's positive view of India's G20 presidency and Global South initiatives," he

### EAM Jaishankar discusses defence ties Yellen urges China to cooperate on **Climate & Global Challenges**

Beijing, Jul 08 (AP):

Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen appealed to China on Saturday for cooperation on climate change and other global challenges and not to let disagreements about trade and other irritants derail relations.

In a meeting with her Chinese counterpart, Vice Premier He Lifeng, Yellen defended US restrictions on technology exports that rankle Beijing. She said the two governments shouldn't let such disagreements disrupt thriving economic and financial relations. 'We also face important

global challenges, such as debt distress in emerging markets and developing countries and climate change," Yellen said. "We have a duty to both our own economies and to other countries to cooperate." Yellen is one of a se-



Yellen, left, shakes hands with Chinese Vice Premier He Lifeng during a meeting at the Diaoyutai State Guesthouse in Beijing, China, Saturday.

ries of U.S. officials who are due to visit Beijing as part of efforts to revive re-. lations that are at their lowest level in decades due to disputes over technology, security, and Taiwan among other issues.

Yellen has received a warm welcome from leaders including Premier Li Qiang, the No. 2 figure in the ruling Communist

Party, though they gave no sign they will change policies that irk Washington and other governments.

Treasury officials said the goal of the trip was to encourage communication and no agreements on big disputes were expected. They said Yellen was n't scheduled to meet Chinese leader Xi Jinping.

Beijing broke off climate discussions with Washington last August in retaliation for a visit by then-Speaker Nancy Pelosi the House

Representatives Taiwan, the self-ruled island democracy claimed by China as part of its ter-

President Joe Biden's climate envoy, John Kerry, is due to become the next senior U.S. official to visit China next week.

China and the United States are the world's top emitters of climate-chang-

### US Diplomat to visits India and Bangladesh

#### **Democracy and Human Rights** on focus

**Washington, Jul 08 (PTI):** 

Uzra Zeya, a senior US diplomat in charge of democracy and human rights, will embark on a visit to India and Bangladesh beginning on Saturday to engage with civil society organisations on freedom of expression and inclusion of women and girls and vulnerable groups including religious and ethnic minori-

In India, the Indian-American diplomat will also meet with senior government officials to discuss the deepening US-India partnership, the State Department said in a release on Friday.

Under Secretary for Civilian Security, Democracy and Human Rights and US Special Coordinator for Tibetan Issues Uzra Zeya will travto India Bangladesh from July 8 to

In both countries, Under Secretary Zeya will engage with civil society organisations on freedom of expression and association, and inclusion of women and girls, persons with disabilities, and vul-

marginalised religious and ethnic minorities. "In India, she will meet

with senior government officials to discuss the deepening and enduring US-India partnership, including advancing shared solutions to global challenges, democracy, regional stability and cooperation on humanitarian relief," the release said.

In Bangladesh, she will meet with senior officials to discuss shared humanitarian concerns, including the Rohingva refugee crisis, labour issues, human rights and free and fair elections, it said.

Taking to Twitter, Zeya said, "Traveling to India and Bangladesh next week to advance shared solutions to global challenges; contribute to a more free, open, secure & prosperous Indo-Pacific; and bolster humanitarian support for refugees & host communities throughout the region."

Sworn in as the Under Secretary for Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights by Secretary of State Antony Blinken on July 14, 2021, Zeya leads global diplomatic efforts to strengthen democracy, advance universal human rights, support refugees and humanitar-

nerable groups, including ian relief, promote rule of law and counter-narcotics cooperation, fight corruption and intolerance, prevent armed conflict and eliminate human traffick-

On December 20, 2021, Blinken announced that she will concurrently serve as the US Special Coordinator for Tibetan

She leads US efforts to support human rights, meet the humanitarian needs of the Tibetan people and preserve their unique cultural, religious, and linguistic identity.

Arrangement (SBA) into the ailing economy after months-long negotiations that pushed the country to the brink of default.

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पात्र अपात्र उम्मीदवारों की सुची तथा दावा-आपित की सूचना

विमानन संचालनालय द्वारा विज्ञापन क्रमांक 239/AVI/DIR/2023 Date:- 29.05.2023 के माध्यम से सीनियर पायलट (विमान) 01 (मुक्त), पायलट (विमान) 01 (मुक्त) के रिक्त पद पर संविदा नियुक्ति हेतुं आवेदन आमंत्रित किया गया हैं। पदों हेतु प्राप्त आवेदनों के जाँच व छंटनी के आधार पर तदर्थ रूप से पात्र-अपात्र उम्मीदवारों की सूची बनाई गई है, जो शासकीय वेबसाईट www.cgstate.gov.in में उपलब्ध है।

उम्मीदवार सूची पर दिनांक 14.07.2023 तक वांछित जानकारी उपयुक्त दस्तावेजों के साथ अपनी दावा-आपित्त ई-मेल के माध्यम से directoraviation1@gmail.com में अथवा डाक द्वारा संचालक, विमानन संचालनालय, मंत्रालय महानदी भवन, नवा रायपुर, अटल नगर के पते पर प्रेषित/प्रस्तुत कर सकते है। निर्धारित तिथि उपरांत प्राप्त दावा-आपितत पर विचार नहीं किया जायेगा।

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the IMF will meet on July 12 to review the SBA for Pakistan

Cash-strapped Pakistan has provided the IMF with a According to sources in financing plan for external the finance ministry, the IMF had asked Pakistan for payments, in which it has assurances of USD 6 billion informed the global lender that it will arrange USD 8 for external payments, The billion for the purpose in-Express Tribune newspaper reported. However, the stead of USD 6 billion, acsources added that Pakistan cording to a media report had given the IMF assur-The Pakistan governances of USD 8 billion for ment and the International external payments. The Monetary Fund (IMF) sources said China would

provide USD 3.5 billion to

Pakistan Islamabad would keep USD 2 billion in deposits, while the commercial banks of Beijing would provide the country with USD 1.5 bil-

Pak assures IMF of USD 8 billion external payments

Besides, Saudi Arabia and the UAE will provide USD 2 billion and USD 1 billion to Pakistan, respectively. Pakistan will also receive USD 500 million from the World Bank in addition to the Asian Infrastructure Investment

Bank's USD 250 million.

The finance ministry officials said the USD 350 million pledged during the Geneva Conference would also come to Pakistan.

target to raise a record-high debt-financing of Rs 11.10

The government has set a

trillion from domestic commercial and Shariah-compliant banks in the first three months of the current

Mineral Resources Department, Government of Chhattisgarh Directorate of Geology & Mining Indravati Bhavan, Block-4, Second Floor, Nawa Raipur Atal Nagar, Raipur, Chhattisgarh - 492002, India

06 July 2023

**Notice Inviting Tender** 

Invitation of bids for grant of Composite Licence of mineral blocks exercise of the powers conferred by Section 10B/11 of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act. 1957 and in accordance with the Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015(as amende no regional on Jack, 1997 and maccordance with the winter Auction (Notes, 2015) as an interfec-om time to time) notified thereunder, Mineral Resources Department, Government o hhattisgarh has identified following Mineral Blocks (**explored by Geological Survey** o ndia(GSI)) for electronic auction and hereby invites bids for the purpose of grant of Com

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5	Chanat-Jogidadar Gold and Associated Minerals block	Gold and Associated Minerals		176		
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Accordingly, Financial bids are invited in digital format only and Technical bids are invited both in digital and physical format from Eligible bidders.

rms and conditions, deadlines etc. for participating in the electronic auction are provided in the nder Document. The Model Tender Document for the mineral blocks and mineral block immary are available free of cost in electronic form and can be downloaded from the website of MSTC Ltd. (http://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/mlcl/lindex.jsp) and websites of Mineral Resources Department, Government of Chhattisgarh (www.chhattisgarhmines.gov.in

ose interested and eligible for bidding can participate in the bidding only after online purchase of the Tender Document on payment of the non-refundable tender fee as mentioned above Goods and Service Tax (GST) shall be payable at 18% of tender fee), from the website of -auction platform provider MSTC Ltd. Bidder shall be able to make payment of the Tender ocument fee through RTGS/ net banking (through the payment gateway of e-auction platform After registration at MSTC website, interested & eligible bidders can purchase the Tende Document. On successful registration, eligible bidders will obtain Login ID and passwor

necessary for participation in the e-auction process. ast date for online purchase of Tender Document is Friday, 18 August 2023, and last date for ubmission of the bid is 15:00 Hours IST on Monday, 21 August 2023. Any further ommunications, amendments etc. shall be available on the above website of MSTC and the rebsites of Mineral Resources Department, Government of Chhattis

> Director Geology & Mining, Chhattisgarh

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or the purpose of information only.

Office of Engineer-In-Chief

Dated 03.07.2023

NIT No.214/TC/EinC/PWD/2023-24 The Engineer-in-Chief, Public Works Department on behalf of Governor

**Public Works Department** 

Sector-19, North Block, Naya Raipur (C.G.)

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The bid document shall be available to bidders online free of cost and should be submitted online e-procurement system of government of Chhattisgarh in https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in. Bids form will be available on the website from 05.07.2023 and may be submitted up to 17:00 Hrs. on For participating in bidding process, bidders are required to register in the

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and (b) original affidavit duly verified and notarized as per clause 4.4 B (a) (ii) and 4.4 B (c) to Chief Engineer, Tender Cell, First Floor, Nirman Bhawan, PWD, North Block, Sector-19, Naya Raipur (C.G.) 492-002 as per provisions of bid document through Speed/Registered post, failing which the bids shall Detailed schedule of important dates may be seen on notice board of offices

http://pwd.cg.nic.in **Chief Engineer** (Central Tender Cell)

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# **Safeguarding Personal Data**A Crucial Step Towards Digital Privacy

n an era where data plays a pivotal role in shaping our lives, the protection of personal information has become an utmost concern. With the impending introduction of the Digital Personal Data Protection Bill in the monsoon session of Parliament, the government is taking a significant stride towards addressing this crucial issue. The draft Bill, after extensive consultations, reflects the evolving landscape of data privacy and aims to establish a robust framework for safeguarding personal data. The journey of this legislation has been rife with complexities. Initially introduced as the Personal Data Protection Bill in December 2019, it underwent a lengthy process of scrutiny and review. After two years, the joint parliamentary committee submitted its recommendations, emphasizing the need for safeguards to prevent misuse of personal data by government agencies. Subsequently, the Bill was withdrawn in August 2022, and a revised draft, known as the Digital Personal Data Protection Bill, was released for public consultations. One of the contentious aspects of the initial draft was the exemption granted to certain entities from providing explanations to citizens regarding the purpose of collecting and processing their data. However, it is encouraging to note that the latest version reportedly does not offer blanket exemption to government agencies. Furthermore, the proposed legislation introduces substantial penalties, with recommendations of fines up to Rs 250 crore for violations of its provisions. Such measures serve as a deterrent and reinforce the seriousness with which data protection is being approached. The significance of personal data protection and privacy cannot be overstated. Recent incidents, such as the alleged breach of data of Covid vaccine recipients in the CoWIN case, have raised concerns and highlighted the need for robust safeguards. It is imperative that the new Bill addresses these concerns and establishes stringent measures to ensure data safety. Transparency emerges as a crucial principle within the proposed legislation. Public and private entities, with a few exceptions, are barred from collecting and utilizing personal data without explicit consent. This provision aims to strike a delicate balance between the rights of individuals to protect their personal information and the legitimate needs for data processing in various sectors. Achieving this equilibrium will undoubtedly be a litmus test for the effectiveness of the proposed law. The Digital Personal Data Protection Bill holds the potential to shape the future of data privacy in India. As our lives become increasingly intertwined with digital platforms and services, it is imperative that individuals have control over their personal information. The proposed legislation must establish clear guidelines, stringent safeguards, and effective mechanisms for redressal in case of any violations. Additionally, it should promote awareness among citizens about their rights and responsibilities regarding their personal data. The introduction of this Bill is an opportunity for India to align with global standards of data protection and privacy. As technology continues to advance and data becomes an invaluable asset, we must prioritize the security and privacy of individuals. The government's commitment to establishing a robust legal framework is commendable, and it is now crucial that all stakeholders work together to ensure the final legislation reflects the aspirations and needs of a digitally empowered nation. In the digital age, personal data protection is not just a legal obligation but a fundamental right. The Digital Personal Data Protection Bill has the potential to safeguard this right and establish India as a torchbearer for digital privacy. Let us seize this opportunity to shape a future where our personal information is respected, our privacy is preserved, and our digital experiences are secure.

### **Challenging Conviction**

#### Rahul Gandhi's Legal Battle and Implications for Free Speech

he dismissal of Rahul Gandhi's plea by the Gujarat High Court to stay his conviction in a criminal defamation case has significant implications for his political future. With limited legal remedies at his disposal, the Congress leader now faces the possibility of disqualifica tion as a Lok Sabha MP, jeopardizing his eligibility to contest the upcoming General Election. While the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has applauded the court's decision, the Congress has decried it as a "travesty of justice." However, the controversy surrounding this case extends beyond political rivalries and raises important questions about the quantum of sentence and its impact on free speech in a democratic society. At the heart of the matter lies the severity of the sentence imposed on Rahul Gandhi. The court awarded him the maximum punishment under Section 500 of the Indian Penal Code for defamation. However, a shorter prison term, such as six months or one year, could have sufficed to serve the ends of justice and prevent his disqualification. A contrasting example can be seen in the Kerala High Court's suspension of the conviction and ten-year sentence of disqualified MP Mohammed Faizal in an attempt-to-murder case, leading to his reinstatement earlier this year. This raises concerns about whether the swift trial proceedings and subsequent conviction of Rahul Gandhi were strategically orchestrated to ensure his disqualification. As Rahul Gandhi prepares to approach the Supreme Court, his political future hangs in the balance. The apex court must carefully consider the implications of his "disproportionate" sentence on free speech within a democratic polity. It is crucial that the judiciary addresses the broader issue of decriminalizing defamation, while lawmakers also engage in meaningful deliberations on this matter. The Congress party has announced its intention to challenge the verdict in the Supreme Court, accusing the government of employing "newer techniques" to suppress Rahul Gandhi's voice, which they claim is rattling the ruling party. The Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) has come out in support of Rahul Gandhi, accusing the BJP of engaging in "unproductive politics" to divert attention from real issues. It is worth noting the recent tensions between the AAP and Congress over the services ordinance issue, highlighting the complex dynamics of Indian politics. The BJP, on the other hand, has welcomed the court's decision, citing Rahul Gandhi's habit of abusing and defaming others. In response to the cases faced by Gandhi, the High Court emphasized the need for purity in politics and stressed the importance of representatives with clear antecedents. It asserted that staying the conviction on nonexistent grounds is not a general rule but an exception applied only in rare cases. Furthermore, it highlighted the existence of ten pending criminal cases against the applicant. This case raises important questions about the balance between freedom of speech and the consequences of making defamatory statements in the political arena. While it is essential to hold individuals accountable for their words, it is equally vital to ensure that the punishment aligns with the severity of the offense and does not unduly restrict free expression. In light of this controversy, it is crucial for the judiciary and lawmakers to address the broader issue of decriminalizing defamation. A balanced and thoughtful approach to this matter will safeguard both the right to free speech

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and the need to maintain a healthy political discourse.

### INDIAN TRI-SERVICES CONTINGENT



#### **Well Armed Four Pillars**

### A Critical Look at Democracy's Defenders

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emocracy rests on four namely Executive, Legislature, Judiciary and the Press. Each one acts independently at the same time depending on each and not venturing into the domains of the others. Without these four strong pillars the democratic edifice will fall apart. So it is the duty of other to strengthen the remaining three pillars. This is all what we are taught in the text books and this is what each pillar loudly proclaims whenever their deficiency or the weakness is shown in the mirror.

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Never before none of those pillars accepted the criticism of theirs and even when responsible citizens tried to correct them. For, each pillar feels that it supreme in its own way and none can interfere in their functioning and there in nobody who is qualified to tell them that they are wrong. As long as the public, however great their qualification may be in the chosen field, persist

with their criticism and take cudgels against the four pillars to set the things correct the democratic edifice pillars suddenly fire their latent weapons from their armory to silent them or even punish them.

Legislature, the House, is the holiest place in democracy and those people who enter that house are really privileged. But what those privileged persons doing in the holy place is not always acceptable for the lovers of democracy. Instead healthy and meaningful debates on the issues concerning the people and nation we often found political cacophony producing more noise and less purpose. Sometimes the houses witness the fisticuffs, dances on the chairs, broken mikes thrown at the opponents, verbal and physical abuses sometimes all in the name of debate. If anyone questions them on their behavior they refuse to answer and if someone dares to complain the weapon of 'privilege of the house' is thrown at us. though the facts of the case are similar, are dragged for vears. No one knows on what

powered to execute the debated and decided issues of the House think that House is meant for their political agenda and formal approval for that through the majority they got through elections. Beyond that there is no accommodating the other view in the executive level. The executive is runs in most secretive way and GOs are kept secretive by some Executive authorities. Transparency which is expected back seat and it is opaque mirrors and iron curtains have taken over. This is despite the highly praised Right to Information Act. Beyond a point the Executive can't take the poking of public into their actions. Anyone who some have makes his own way into the strong ironed Executive fort and comes out with a document into public domain is taken to task by its weapon 'Official Secrets Act".

Judiciary which is constitutionally mandated to supervise on the actions of the executive and legislative actions have its own separated agenda and this is perhaps the most secretive pillar holding a very powerful weapon- "Contempt of Court". The judiciary hears certain people's petitions at their houses and at the deadly night and sends certain other petitions into cold storage. Some cases gets immediate reliefs and some cases,

are similar, are dragged for years. No one knows on what basis the cases are listed and taken up by the bench. The very creation and authority of collegium itself is a mystery and leave alone challenging the actions, the judicial ways are not even allowed to discuss in public platforms. People are worried about the weapon of third pillar more than the weapons of first two pillars.

Freedom of the Press is the weapon that is held by the fourth pillar. In the name of freedom the media has set up its own political agendas. Freedom not to publish news which is inimical to its own political slant is the real freedom the Press is enjoying now. The slant hitherto confined to edit page has now crept into the general news. The media is enjoying the freedom to run as 'mikes' and 'pamphlets' of their chosen and paid political parties. Their freedom can't be challenged is what the media people say and they will go to any extent to protect their 'Freedom'.

With such a weaponry holding pillars guarding the fort of democracy the common man is worried to shout "long live democracy".

(The views and opinions expressed in this article are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect the official policy or position of the newspaper.)

### LETTERS

#### **Managing Diversity**

The ongoing debate surrounding the Uniform Civil Code (UCC) in India raises questions about its practicality in a diverse nation. Homogeneity holds little value when the country comprises people of various religions, languages, races, and ethnic communities. In such a diverse landscape, embracing a nationalist narrative becomes challenging without respecting the diverse religious, racial, and tribal backgrounds. It is crucial for the government to not exploit this diversity but rather manage it effectively. Respecting and acknowledging the differences in religion, color, race, and tribe will be instrumental in fostering unity and harmonv. Muzakkir Khan, Mumbai

#### **Preserving Diversity**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi's assertion of a Uniform Civil Code (UCC) for India is deemed highly implausible in this secular and diverse nation. Articles 25-28 of the Constitution safeguard the fundamental rights of Indian citizens, which the UCC would contradict. Hence, I strongly oppose the UCC and the recent attempts by the Law Commission to impose it on the public. The UCC undermines the cherished values of diversity that we express through our brotherhood, traditions, customs, culture, language, and religion. The notion of a UCC in the directive principles conflicts with the constitutional values, stability, and integrity of India. Instead, the Law Commission should draft and recommend the abolition of the UCC from the directive principles.

## Afazuddin Kazi Qasmi, Mumbai Data significance The significance of data in shap-

ing policy decisions is undeniable. Regular assessments of various parameters inform welfare policies. However, the recent exclusion of disability-specific questions from the National Family Health Survey (NFHS)-6 by the Union government raises concerns. While the overall disability data may only change marginally, including these questions in the survey would ensure a more representative dataset, considering the substantial sample of 6.1 lakh households relied upon by the NFHS. The comprehensive questions asked by the NFHS provide valuable insights into the lives of disabled individuals, addressing crucial aspects such as health, nutrition, accessibility, education, caregiving, employment, and more. While the Sample Registration System (SRS) offers some information on disability, the NFHS goes beyond, delving into critical areas that have been lacking attention until now. By incorporating disability-related questions, training field staff, and ensuring comprehensive data collection, the state can make strides in better understanding and addressing the needs of the disabled population. It is imperative to include this significant section in the extensive population count.

MT.Farooqi, Bhopal

### The technology behind deep sea mining

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O n the ocean floor, robots will gather the rocks and suction pipes and hydraulic lifts will transport these to a surface vessel. Renewable energy targets and the infrastructure needed to achieve them have created a high demand for certain metals and minerals, including critical metals.

Since the bottom of the world's seas and oceans possesses significant amounts of critical metals, including manganese, cobalt, copper, zinc, gold, platinum and rare earth elements, deep-sea mining has emerged as a controversial yet promising method for diversifying critical metal supply chains.

Complex geological processes such as plate tectonics, volcanic activity at the ocean floor and hydrothermal vents have resulted in deep sea resources rich in critical metals and minerals over millions of years. The European Commission and the US Geological Survey each have lists of critical minerals/materials needed for renewable energy technologies.

Building a three-megawatt wind turbine consumes 4.7 tonnes of copper, two tonnes of rare earth elements, three tonnes of aluminium, and a considerable amount of zinc and molybdenum.

Battery chemistries of electric vehicles (EVs) are rapidly evolving and lithium, manganese, nickel and cobalt are key critical metals to manufacture EV batteries. For now, current land-based mining and mineral processing activities supply the required critical metals but demand is increasing by the day.

The primary mineral deposits targeted in deep-sea mining are manganese nodules, seafloor massive sulphides and cobalt-rich crusts. Manganese nodules or polymetallic nodules are mineral accumulations found on the seabed in sizes from one to 10cm.

These contain critical metals such as manganese, nickel, cobalt, copper and rare earth elements in high concentrations. The sulphide deposits have high base metal and sulphide contents plus gold and silver. The cobaltrich crusts are also termed

polymetallic crusts or ferromanganese crusts and these are found on the slopes and surfaces of underwater hills and mountains and other rocky seabed structures at depths of 400 to 4,000 metres.

These crusts primarily comprise cobalt, manganese, nickel, titanium, rare earth elements, platinum, tellurium, vanadium and zirconium. The International Seabed Authority which governs deep-sea mining, estimates cobalt content in crusts at one billion tonnes.

Deep-sea mining has yet to begin but it is challenging compared to terrestrial mining. Since polymetallic nodules sit on a soft-sediment layer, large remotely operated vehicles with suction mechanisms can harvest the nodules from the ocean floor.

The nodules will be transported to the surface through a riser system to a ship. Once the nodules are separated on the ship, water and sediments will be pumped back into the ocean.

ocean.

The challenging job is to remove the crusts containing only the targeted critical metals. For cobalt-rich crusts at-

tached to rocks, remote-controlled vehicles with cutting and suction devices are used. These employ real-time video feeds and precise control systems to ensure accurate mineral collection.

eral collection.

In 2021, the malfunction of a mining robot in the Pacific Ocean highlighted the challenges of deep sea mining. Another method is to deploy dredging tools attached to surface vessels or remote-controlled vehicles to cut and extract the crusts. This requires a hydraulic pipe lift system to transport the extracted minerals to the surface.

erals to the surface.

Despite the great potential of deep sea mining in diversifying critical metal supply chains, the exploitation of deep sea resources poses significant risks to ocean ecosystems. These are unique and fragile, and commercial mining activities' short- and long-term impacts on ocean ecosystems have not yet been fully assessed.

Another risk is the potential release of methane, which is responsible for 30 percent of global warming. Methane hydrates (white, icelike solids that consist of

methane and water) in the ocean hold around 1,000-5,000 gigatonnes of methane.

The release of this methane and the oxidation of methane to carbon dioxide due to warmer sea floor temperatures are significant climate change-related concerns in deep-sea mining. The effects on marine ecosystems due to oxygen depletion and acidification of the oceans also need to be understood before deep-sea mining is allowed.

Several multinational companies including Google, BMW, AB Volvo Group and Samsung signed a moratorium on deep-sea mining in 2021, initiated by the World Wildlife Fund.

These companies said they would not use critical metals mined from the seabed in their supply chains, including for EVs and smartphones. This development demonstrates the required balance between critical metals through deep-sea mining and conserving ocean ecosystems.

(Monash University and Nimila Dushyantha, Uwa Wellassa University).

#### **BRIEF**

#### **Resignation**



New Delhi: Microsoft India President Anant Maheshwari has resigned from his role after a stint of almost seven years at the software company. The exit led to a shuffle among the top executives of the multinational software giant. Microsoft has elevated company's chief operating officer Irina Ghose to the role of Managing Director for India. When contacted a Microsoft spokesperson confirmed the development. "We can confirm that Anant has decided to leave Microsoft to pursue a role outside the company. We would like to thank Anant for his many contributions to our business and culture in India and wish him every success in his future endeavors.

#### **Collaborative work**



■ New Delhi: Telecom secretary K Rajaraman appealed to industry players to set aside their petty differences and work in collaboration for inno vation. While speaking at the National Workshop on Enhancing Indian Participation in Telecom Global Standards Bodies. Rajaraman said that India needs to follow the path of frugal inno vation as the company has limited resources. 'We can extract far more outcome than what we are doing even now if we are able to put our heads and

### Fintech

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Bank is looking at coming out with a regulation for fintech players,

Sankar said on Friday. "RBI is closely watching the late them," Sankar

# Mandaviya stresses on reduction in chemical fertilisers

#### Bats for use of alternative fertilisers, natural farming

**New Delhi. Jul 08:** 

Union Mansukh Mandaviya on Saturday said the excessive use of chemical fertilisers affects soil fertility and also has side effects on human and animal health, and stressed on the need to promote alternative fertilisers such as nano liquid urea-DAP.

The chemical and fertiliser minister was addressing a "Stakeholder workshop on strategy for promotion of alternative nutrition to reduce dependence on chemical fertilizers for Soil health and sustainability' here. The workshop was attended by vice chancellors of agricultural universities, state agriculture officers, manufacturers and distributors, farmer groups and NGOs, besides senior officials



Union Minister for Health & **Family Welfare and Chemicals** & Fertilizers Mansukh

Mandaviya speaks during a workshop on 'strategy for promotion of alternative nutrition to reduce dependence on chemical fertilizers for soil health and sustainability', in

New Delhi, Saturday.

from the ministry of agriculture, ministry of chemicals and fertilizers, and Niti Aayog. "The side effects of over consumption of chemical fertilisers are visible now. Soil health has impacted," Mandaviya said, adding

stagnated. Citing a medical study in few districts where usage of chemical fertilsers are high, the minister said it was found that there are negative impacts on health of human as well as animals. Mandaviya highlighted that the the government has recently approved a new scheme PM-PRANAM (PM Programme Restoration, Awareness, Generation, Nourishment and Amelioration of Mother Earth) to incentivise states to promote alternative fertilisers and reduce the use of chemical fertilisers. It has also decided to introduce sulphurcoated urea (Urea Gold) in the country for the first time to address sulphur deficiency in the soil. That the Cabinet apart. Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) approved an outlay of Rs 1,451 crore subsidy to promote organic manure. Mandaviya emphasised that all stakehold-

ers and the government should work together to offset the negative impact of chemical fertilizers on agriculture. He stressed on the need to create awareness among farmers about the negative impact of chemical fertilisers. The minister spoke about the need to promote alternative fertilisers like nano liquid urea and nano liquid Di-ammonium phosphate (DAP), organic farming and natural farming. Mandaviya said there are no negative impact of nano-fertilisers and farmers will not adopt if it does not help in boosting production. Cooperative major IFFCO has introduced nano-Urea and nano-DAP in the market. He complemented the farm scientists for their contribution in the growth of agriculture sector and asked them to take new research and innovations to farmers in such as way that they can be easily im-

### India raises concerns over EU's carbon tax, deforestation regulation in WTO meeting

New Delhi, Jul 08:

A number of countries, including India, Russia, and Brazil, have flagged concerns over European Union's (EU) carbon tax and deforestation regulation in a meeting of the World Trade Organisation (WTO) in Geneva, stating that these measures would affect their industries, an official said.

These countries raised the issues in a two-day meeting of the WTO's Council for Trade in Goods, which concluded on July 7 in Geneva. On EU's deforestation regulation, India said that the agriculture sector in developing countries is a key driver for employment as well as economic wellbeing for a large part of the population and it was unfortunate that the EU is making policy choices, which "directly harmed" economic interests of socio-economic groups, the Geneva-based

EU's regulation will enter application on December 29, 2024, with an additional six months flexibility for small enterprises. Nine WTO members Indonesia, Russia, Brazil, Ecuador, India, Peru, Paraguay, T rkiye and Argentina cited concerns about the EU's new regulation on deforestation free products which entered into force on 29 June; operators and traders will have 18 months to implement the new rules.

Further on European Union's Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM), twelve WTO members including China, Russia, Indonesia. Brazil, Paraguay, and India raised their concerns. Certain members stated that it is a unilateral measure that deviates from the basic principles of common but differentiated responsibilities and does not comply with the basic principles of non-discriminatory trade official said. The under the WTO. Many also did not provide enough time for WTO members to comment on the measure before it enters into force in October. The EU stated that it has been transpar ent throughout the design stage of CBAM and will continue to engage with members during the transitional period as it is gradually introduced through the end of 2025. The EU is introducing the Carbon Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) from October 1 this year. According to a report of the think-tank GTRI, CBAM would translate into a 20-35 per cent tax on select imports into the EU starting January 1, 2026. From October, domestic companies from seven carbon-intensive sectors -- including steel, cement, fertiliser, aluminium and hydrocarbon products -- will have to seek compliance certificates from the EU authorities to

comply with the CBAM

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the spokesperson said.



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■ Mumbai: The Reserve Deputy Governor

evolving space of fintech...there are no fintech regulations right now. We are talking to the industry and understanding whether there is a need to regusaid, speaking at the Moneycontrol startup conclave.

### India to become largest connected nation with 1.2 billion internet users: Union Minister

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**Chennai. Jul 08:** 

India is set to become the largest connected nation in the globe with 1.2 billion internet users, Union Minister of State for Electronics and information technology Rajeev Chandrasekhar said here on Friday. With a large number of internet users, the country is playing a leadership role in the principles of safety, trust, and accountability on the internet to other countries, said the minister who was here to unveil the fully automated state-of-the-art electromagnetic interference and compatibility laboratories at the Society for Applied Microwave Electronics Engineering

New Delhi, Jul 08:

Fashion Design Council

of India (FDCI) on Friday

announced partnering with

Reliance Brands for the Hyundai India Couture

Week, scheduled to be held

here from from July 25 to

August 2, 2023. The partner-

ship will bring additional

heft to the event which has

been India's premier show-

case for bridal and couture

designers for the past 16

years, said a joint state-

ment. Reliance Brands

(RBL) with its experience

and expertise in launching

and partnering with inter-

national and Indian luxury

brands will help accelerate

and widen this proposition,

it added. FDCI Chairman

Sunil Sethi said: "We look

forward to the value that



and Research (SAMEER). The Digital India Act has three specific policies which is -- the internet must be open, the internet should be safe and trusted for every citizen, and the digital enterprise and internet ecosystem must be accountable to their users. "In my opinion, more countries are grappling

this partnership will bring towards the growth of the

property in the years to

come as we strive to make it

a showcase at par with any-

Chandok said: "This part-

nership re-affirms our com-

mitment towards the

growth of the designer fash-

ion industry in India as we

look at creating global

benchmarks in terms of

showcase, appeal and visi-

bility." India's renowned

couturiers will unveil their

exclusive collections in 17

artistic showcases. FDCL

having over 400 members, is

a not-for-profit organisation

that works to further the

business of fashion in India

and ensure its sustainable

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**Couture Week** 

with this problem...but they are following the lead of India in the principles of safety, trust, and accountability, and more than anything else, India has a leadership role here," he told reporters. Pointing to the large in-

ternet user base in India, he said, "Today 830 million internet users are there and it will become 1.2 billion. We are going to be the largest connected nation in the world." To a query on cyber security, he said it was a challenge in a country that has both digitally literate and digitally not-so-literate people using the internet, which includes children and women in rural areas as

#### Dar es Salaam. Jul 08:

plemented.

External Minister S Jaishankar on Saturday said that India and Tanzania have started trade settlements in local currencies and this new initiative will help in promoting commerce between the two countries. Addressing industry leaders at a function, the minister said India-Tanzania bilateral trade has seen very strong growth, and stood at USD 6.4 billion in 2022-23.

"Now, bear in mind, this is not only a very substantial bilateral trade, but it's also actually a bilateral trade, which is getting increasingly balanced. Many new products are being



India and Tanzania started trade settlements

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar with dignitaries during regional Ambassadorial conference in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

basket...India remains the biggest destination for Tanzanian exports," he

There's also an issue which has been brought up from time to time, which is the possibility of trade settlements in our own currencies. Jaishankar said

"And I want to share with you that the India central bank has cleared such a possibility. So the three Indian banks, which are here, have that ability to do trade settlements in each other's currencies. "I am told few transactions have already taken place in

promote trade between our two countries," he said. Bank of India, Bank of Baroda, and Canara Bank operations in Tanzania. Last year, the Reserve Bank of India and Indian finance ministry asked the top managemen of banks and representatives of trade bodies to push export and import transactions in rupee. They want banks in India to connect with their foreign counter parts for opening special rupee vostro accounts to facilitate cross-border trade in the Indian currency rather than the popular mode of the US dollar.

### **AIRPORT STREAMLINE**



Officials during an event where the Noida International Airport (NIA) has selected global airlines IT services solution provider SITA's airport management system to help automate and streamline its operations.

#### **PNB infuses Rs 72.83 crore** in its Bhutan **subsidiary**

New Delhi, Jul 08:

State-owned Punjab National Bank on Friday said it has infused Rs 72.82 crore in its Bhutan subsidiary Druk PNB Bank Ltd via a rights issue. The investment in Rights Issue has been made on July 7, 2023 through participation in the issue of Druk PNB Bank Ltd (DPNBL), PNB said in a regulatory filing Following the rights issue PNB retains 51 per cent in the subsidiary as of now DPNBL was incorporated on December 31, 2008, with FDI participation, it said. The rights issue of DPNBL of Bhutan was at a premium of Rs 7 (face value of Rs 10) -- Rs 17 per share, the filing said.

### 'India in exciting period in technology space'

Chennai, Jul 08:

India is in an "exciting period" in the history of the country when it comes to the technology space, Union Minister of State for Electronics Information Technology Rajeev Chandrasekhar on Friday said. Speaking at the 113th annual general meeting of industry body

Southern India Chamber Commerce Industry (SICCI) here today, Chandrasekhar said the country has developed capabilities, capacities, and confidence in the last nine years, particularly with regard to technology and innovation.

Releasing the 'Emerging Tech Trends in 2023" guide at the event, the minister said that in the global value chain, electronics is the second highest traded commodity after hydrocarbons and energy but India did not find a place in it before 2014. "I want to draw attention to two quotes one from Google CEO Sundar Pichai, a son of Chennai and Tamil Nadu. He spoke about how it was almost prescient on the part of Prime Minister Narendra Modi ji to anticipate the power of technology and launch Digital India in 2015," Chandrasekhar said. 'Secondly, Apple CEO

Tim Cook, when he met me and PM Modi ji, spoke about how investments in India had created an enabling environment for manufacturing electronics, which is why Apple could ramp up their operations here," he added. Stating that the country

has "travelled a significant distance" in technology advances in the past 9 years, he said, "Being a tech professional for over three decades, I can safely say that we are living in the most exciting period in the history of India.'

"After a lot of hard work, we have reached a point where we are the 5th largest economy in the world, the fastest growing economy in the world. We have developed capabilities, capacities, and confidence in the last 9 years in innovation and technology," he added.

### **IOC** announces Rs 22,000 cr rights issue

New Delhi, Jul 08:

Indian Oil Corporation (IOC), the nation's top oil firm, plans to raise Rs 22,000 crore capital through a rights issue of equity shares as part of a government's plan to infuse capital into three state-owned fuel retailers to fund their net zero carbon emission projects. In a stock exchange filing, IOC said its board has approved "raising of capital by way of issue of equity shares on rights basis up to an amount not exceeding Rs 22,000 crore, subject to receipt of necessary statutory approvals as may be required." The government, which is the majority owner of the company, is likely to subscribe to the rights issue and

infuse equity in the company. The board of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL) had on June 28 approved raising up to Rs 18,000 crore through a

rights issue. The government had in the annual Budget for 2023-24 (April 2023 to March 2024 fiscal) announced Rs 30,000 crore of capital support to state-run fuel retailers --BPCL, IOC, and Hindustan **Petroleum Corporation Ltd** (HPCL) -- to support their energy transition and net zero initiatives. HPCL, which is majority owned by stateowned Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC), is likely to make a preferential share allotment to the government

to get the capital.

### Govt, global retailers, domestic toy makers to discuss ways to promote toy exports

New Delhi, Jul 08:

The government will hold discussions with global retailers and domestic toy manufacturers on ways to promote toy exports from India in a meeting on Saturday, an official said. The official said that top retailers, including Hasbro, Walmart, Spinmaster, Ikea, Lego, Simba Dickie, IMC, Hamleys, Lulu, and Sanrio, have been invited for the deliberations.

Representatives from Indian companies such as Microplastic, Aequs, Funskool, Playgro, Dreampalst, OK Play,

Universal, and Play Shifu are also expected to participate in the meeting. "The discussions will focus on establishing India as a preferred sourcing destination, highlighting the advantages and opportunities available to international companies looking to partner with Indian manufacturers," the official

The round-table discussion is organised by the Toy Association of India (TAI), in collaboration with Invest India and the Department Promotion of Industry

and

Internal Trade

international companies, and leading Indian manufacturers to explore the immense potential of India as a sourcing destination for the global toy industry. It will be chaired by DPIIT Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh. It also aims to showcase the competitive advantages of the Indian toy industry, including its manufacturing capabilities, skilled workforce, technological advancements, and adherence to international quality and safety standards.

(DPIIT). This event brings

together key industry

stakeholders, renowned

### Honored in same frame with Prabhas: Big B in 'Project K'

Megastar Amitabh Bachchan expressed his heartfelt gratitude towards the crew and cast of 'Project K' and shared his honor in being part of the movie and appearing alongside Prabhas. Taking to Twitter, Amitabh shared the news from Vyjayanthi Movies that 'Project K' will make its debut at the San Diego Comic Con. In his caption, Big B expressed, "I am honored and privileged to be part of this great venture in Telugu Cinema, 'Project K,' and to be in the same frame as the idol, Prabhas."

itude to all involved and thanked director Nag Ashwin for considering him. Amitabh was ty, respect, and care towards him. He conveyed his love, prayers, and wished for the hard work of everyone in 'Project K' to touch new horizons

'Project K' is a multi-lingual sci-fi film produced by Vyjayanthi Movies, featuring an ensemble cast in-Amitabh Bachchan, Kamal Haasan, Deepika Padukone, and Disha Patani. Each actor plays a pivotal role contributing to the film's extraordinary

Vyjayanthi Movies aims to captivate attendees of the San Diego Comic Con with engaging conversations and unforgettable performances, offering a glimpse into India's vibrant culture and the world of science fiction.

The SDCC celebration will kick off with an exciting panel featuring special guests Kamal Haasan, Prabhas, Deepika Padukone, and director Nag Ashwin on July 20. During this panel, the creveil the film's title, trailer, and release date, providing the audience with an immersive experience on Comic-Con's grandest

Will Pushpa be able to

find out who has stolen

her father's statue?

ony SAB's "Pushpa Impossible" revolves

Pandey. Pushpa is a remarkable woman who

defies all odds with her indomitable spirit and

embodies hope, persistently striving for a bet-

ter and more fulfilling future. The upcoming

storyline focuses on Pushpa's invitation as the

chief guest to the town of Patan with an invite

extended by Viren (Hemant Kher), a promi-

nent Patola businessman in the region.

During the event, her lather's statue is set to be

A source of inspiration for her, Pushpa's fa-

ther's artistry and expertise in using

'hathchal" (a traditional weaving technique)

for creating "patola" sarees has always capti-

vated her. This opportunity fills Pushpa with

great excitement as it allows her to delve deep-

er into her father's legacy. However, things

take an unexpected turn in Patan when some-

one steals her father's statue. Will Pushpa be

able to find the person behind such a deed?

Karuna Pandey, who plays the character of

Pushpa, said, "Pushpa is faced with new chal-

lenges at various instances in her life, and this

time, when she reaches Patan for a momen-

tous occasion, commemorating her father, she

encounters a new challenge as her father's

statue goes missing. The series of events that

unfold will stun the audience as Pushpa grap-

ples with a new situation at hand, while she's

unveiled by Pushpa herself.

around the inspiring journey of Pushpa,

portrayed by the talented Karuna



#### **Rachel Shelley returns** to Indian screens: **'Kohrra' on Netflix**



ctress Rachel Shelley, Aknown for her role in the iconic film 'Lagaan.' is set to make a comeback to Indian tigative series 'Kohrra' on Netflix. Rachel gained widespread recognition in India for her portraval of Elizabeth Russell in 'Lagaan,' alongside Aamir Khan, when the film was released in 2001. In 'Kohrra,' Rachel's character delves into the complexities of love through her relationship with her son. Her commitment to her son's happiness is evident in the choices and actions she takes throughout the series. Expressing her fascination with the layered story, Rachel acknowledges its ability to uplift and challenge individuals. She shared, "'Kohrra' revolves around love, a force that has the power to uplift and disrupt.

# 'Neil nurtures a growing dislike for the Mahajans'

Sony SAB's captivating family drama, Vanshaj takes the audience on an exciting journey through the world of a legacy business empire. Recently, the show introduced Mohit Kumar as Neil, harboring a deep-rooted hatred towards Mahajans. Yuvika (played by Anjali Tatrari) and Neil's paths have earlier Rishikesh and they meet once again when Yuvika moves to the Mahajan house, adding exciting twists and turns to the upcoming storyline.

In a candid conversa-tion, Mohit Kumar re-

Tell us something about your character, Neil, and his relationwith Mahajans?

My character Neil is Vidur's (Aliraza Namdar) rebellious son. He shares

ther, Vidur, although they mean the world to each other, their loyalties differ. While Vidur is the esteemed right-hand man of the Mahajan family, known for his unwavering loyalty throughout the years, Neil harbors a deep-rooted hatred to-

wards Mahajans. Neil's

relationship with the

Mahajans is complex be-

cause he believes they

have wronged his father.

What is your perspective on the show's concept: Inheritance vs Capability?

The discussion about ability and inheritance is complex and multifaceted. It can't be reduced to a simple either/or situation. While natural talent and hard work are important for success, we must also recognise the role of society and the access to opportunities.

Can you provide any

trajectory in the show? Will there be any significant changes or developments in his charac-

upcoming

episodes, Neil's character is set to take a thrilling turn, introducing new layers to the storyline. His dynamics with other characters on the show promise to add a complex and intriguing element as the audience delves deeper into Neil's past and unravels the reasons behind his hatred towards the Mahajans, especially Dhanraj. With this development, Neil's character will bring forth unexpected twists and emotional conflicts, further enriching the show's overall narrative.

Stay tuned to Sony SAB's Vanshaj every Monday to Saturday at 10

#### Parizaad shares her excitement about seeing Kapil Sharma hosting his own show



his Saturday, Sony Entertainment Television's popular comedy show, The Kapil Sharma Show, promises to deliver your weekend dose of entertainment and laughter. The show will host renowned female anchors Mini Mathur, Renuka Sahane. Rìcha Anirudh. Parizaad Kolah, and Deepti Bhatnagar. This incredible gathering of talented women, along with curious host Kapil Sharma and his atrangi mohalla will bring you an evening packed with ribtickling humour, soulful melodies, and a whole lot of interesting anecdotes from their lives. Amidst the fun conver-

sation, popular anchor Parizaad Kolah will share how proud she feels seeing Kapil Sharma achieve the success he enjoys today. She shares, "I am truly proud of Kapil's suc-

cess. It's amazing how far he has come since our days on the "Laughter Challenge Show." I still remember being the host back then, and now, sitting here on his show, it feels surreal. Watching Kapil's journey has brought so much laughter into my life, it has even strengthened my core muscles (laughs). But beyond the laughter, I genuinely feel a sense of pride today. We started our journey together on that stage, and I distinctly recall introducing Kapil Sharma to the audience. Now, after all these years, hearing him mention my name fills me with immense joy. I am genuinely happy and tremendously proud of you, Kapil."

Tune into The Kapil Show this Sharma Saturday at 9:30 PM only on Sony Entertainment Television.

### Shilpa Shetty: India's Got Talent can transforms lives



Shilpa Shetty, set to return as a judge for the 10th season of 'India's Got Talent,' expressed her belief that the reality show has the lower to change lives. She eagerly awaits witnessing awe-inspiring talent on the show.

India is making its mark globally, as evidenced by the unique and outstanding talent showcased on platforms like America's Got Talent (AGT), Shilpa emphasized. Dance, singing, magic, stunts, comedy -India excels in various art forms. Shilpa is thrilled to be part of a show that celebrates talent in all its forms. The previous season brought daring acts and age-old art forms to life, intro-

48. Boxer's weapon

57. Terminal (abbr.)

60. Mailbox item

64. Orbiting object

67. Unsophisticated

68. Significant times

69. Adam's abode

70. Fork features

71. Camp shelter

72. Royal address

**DOWN** 

1. Have to

2. Penny

5. Orb

3. Skim over 4. Loafer ornar

6. Horned viper

8. Bible book

10. CBS rival

9. Oddball (sl.)

7. Sister's daughte

11. Humming sound

12. Railroad station

13. Stockholm residen

53, Affirm

56. Animated

ducing viewers to the diverse talents of India.

With the 10th season marking a milestone. Shilpa is eager to witness the extraordinary talent it will bring. Being a judge on such a prominent platform has been an exciting and learning experience for her. She considers herself privileged to be part of the transformative journey of budding talent.

Shilpa believes that 'India's Got Talent' has the ability to change lives and looks forward to discovering unique talents alongside her co-judges, Kirron Ma'am Badshah.

The 10th season of 'India's Got Talent' will premiere on July 29 on Sony TV.

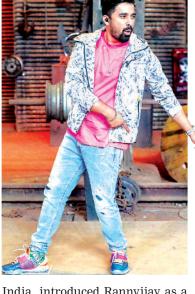
visiting Patola.'

enowned for his contributions to Indian reality televi-**L**sion, Rannvijay Singha is ready to take on a new role as part of the jury for the 'Chief Gaming Officer Hunt.' Collaborating with Mythpat, Rannvijay will bring his vast experience and expertise to the smartphone brand's search for a Chief Gaming Officer.

Expressing his enthusiasm, the 40-year-old actor shared, "Being a part of iQOO's CGO Hunt is like embarking on a gaming adventure with GenZ gamers. As a fellow gaming enthusiast, I understand their passion, drive for excellence, and thirst for victory.'

He continued, "I am eagerly looking forward to witnessing the incredible talent and dedication that GenZ brings to the gaming space in India. Together, I am confident that we will unlock new levels of excitement and innovation within the

Indian gaming community.' Nipun Marya, CEO of iQOO



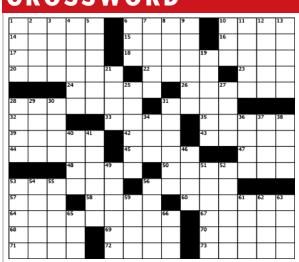
India, introduced Rannvijay as a jury member, stating, "As a jury member, Rannvijay's role goes beyond evaluating the contestants'

gaming skills. Leveraging his insights, he will assess their overall personality traits, including leadership qualities, teamwork abilities, communication skills, and strategic thinking.'

The 'CGO Hunt' aims to discover exceptional individuals who not only excel in gaming but also possess well-rounded qualities essential for success. Rannvijay's involvement as a jury member ensures a

comprehensive evaluation of the participants, considering not just their gaming prowess but also their overall potential as future gaming

With Rannvijay's guidance and expertise, the 'CGO Hunt' promises to be an extraordinary platform for GenZ gamers in India to showcase their talent, passion, and drive. This exciting venture will undoubtedly uplift the gaming community, encouraging innovation and pushing the boundaries of gaming excel-



#### **ACROSS**

1. Sail supports

6. Once more

10. Does sums 14. Open soda

15. Small or large, e.g. 16. Prepare tea 17. Stockpile

18. Submarine's viewe

20. Verb forms 22. Wagon 23. Head movement 24. Wipe out

42. Have supper

45. Make well

47. Former GI

43. "Phantom of the

28. Actress 31. Skin opening

32. Lincoln's nickname 33. Mirth

35. Our planet 39. Closes tightly

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29. Egg on

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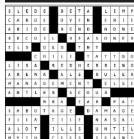
49. Actress Julia 51. Incidents

53. Desirable quality

54. Gape 55. Lucifer 56. Autumn bloom

59. Average skirt 61. Songstress 62. Divisible by two

63. Repose 65. Baltimore time zone (abbr.)



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# Indian women's team looks to shake off rust in Bangladesh

Mirpur, Jul 08 (PTI):

The Indian women's cricket team will be expecting the fresh faces to grab the opportunity with both hands and finishers to flourish in the threematch T20 series against Bangladesh beginning here on Sunday, its first international assignment in four months. The T20 series will be followed by three ODIs beginning July

The Harmanpreet Kaurled side was last in action at the T20 World Cup in South Africa where it endured a narrow loss to Australia in the knockout phase. In an era where most male cricketers live out of a suitcase due to a relentless schedule, the members of the Indian women's team has had a lot of time to reflect and work on their game.

The last competitive event for the Indian players inaugural Women's Premier League in March.

India, who now have all the resources at their disposal, have not been able to take their game to the next level and match the mighty



#### **Match starts 1.30 IST.**

Australia on a regular basis.

The team needs to improve on various aspects including fitness, bowling and the lack of finishers which come at a premium in the shortest format.

The star performers of the team over the past 12 months -- pacer Renuka Thakur and wicketkeeper Richa Ghosh - are not part

of this side due to injury and fitness issues respectively, providing an opening for the rookies to impress. The seasoned Deepti Sharma will be expected to play the finisher's role in Ghosh's absence with Pooja Vastrakar and Amanjot also needing to chip in with quickfire knocks towards the end of

Yastika Bhaita and the uncapped Uma Chetry are

Bangladesh: Nigar Sultana (captain, wk), Nahida Akter, Dilara Akter, Shathi Rani, Shamima Sultana, Sobhana Mostary, Murshida Khatun, Shorna Akter, Ritu Moni, Disha Biswas, Marufa Akter, Sanjida Akter Meghla, Rabeya Khan, Sultana Khatun, Salma Khatun,

India: Harmanpreet Kaur (captain), Smriti Mandhana, Deepti Sharma, Shafali Verma, Jemimah Rodrigues, Yastika Bhatia (wk), Harleen Deol, Devika Vaidya, Uma Chetry (wk), Amanjot Kaur, S. Meghana, Pooja Vastrakar, Meghna Singh, Anjali Sarvani, Monica Patel, Rashi Kanojiya, Anusha Bareddy, Minnu Mani.

the two wicketkeeping options in the side. Yastika is expected to start on Sunday and needs to bat a lot quicker than her current strike rate of 85.38.

Bangladesh should not pose a lot of problems to India but pressure will be on opener Shafali Verma who has often been found wanting against the short ball since making her international debut in 2019.

The absence of left-arm spinners Radha Yadav and Raieshwari Gavakwad can hand maiden caps to 20year-old Anusha Bareddy and Rashi Kanojiya.

The series will also be a comeback for pacer Monica Patel and Meghna Singh will be eager to cement her place in the side after warming up the bench for the most of the last season.

Nooshin Al Khadeer, who guided India U-19s to the World Cup title and more recently the U-23 unit in Hong Kong, has been named interim coach for the tour with Amol Muzumdar's full-time appointment yet to be formalised. The players trained at the National Cricket Academy in Bengaluru before leaving for Bangladesh. All games will be played at the Shere Bangla National Stadium.

"Bangladesh are a very good side, they always play good cricket in home conditions. We are ready for the challenge. We have had two three days to prepare and we feel prepared in all the departments," said Harmanpreet on the eve of

### Sindhu, Sen enter semifinals of Canada Open

Calgary, Jul 08 (PTI):

Commonwealth Games champions PV Sindhu and Lakshya Sen notched up contrasting wins to advance to the semifinals of the Canada Open Super 500 badminton tournament here.

Sindhu, a double Olympic medallist, stamped her authority over Fang Jie to register her first victory in four meetings against her opponent with a dominating 21-13 21-7 margin in the women's singles quarterfinals late on Friday night. Later, Sen staved off a spirited fight from German qualifier Julien Carraggi 21-8 17-21 21-10 in the men's singles quarterfinal.

Sindhu will now face world number one Japan's Yamaguchi and Sen is pitted against fourth seeded Japanese Kenta Nishimoto. The 28-year-old from Hyderabad has a favourable 14-10 headto-head record against the top seeded Japanese, who had beaten the Indian in their last meeting at Singapore Open this year. Sen, on the other hand, has a 1-1 record against Nishimoto, having last played him at the 2022 Japan Open.

Sindhu looked more alert as she zoomed to a 5-1 lead early on. Her trademark smashes and drops troubled Fang Jie, who also committed lot of unforced errors. The Indian entered the break with a 11-6 lead.

Sindhu was quick on her feet and covered the court well, returning everything thrown at her with ease. With the shuttle going to net a few times, Fang Jie reduced the deficit to 10-14 and then 12-16 but Sindhu finished things with two whipping smashes. The second game



managing a slender 5-3 lead at one stage but Sindhu quickly turned things around, reaching the interval at 11-5 with her opponent finding the net. It was mostly a one-way traffic as Sindhu made her opponent work hard, dominating the rallies to keep moving ahead. Looking for precision, the Chinese missed the lines and soon handed over the match to the Indian with two net errors.

### I don't like to change my aggressive batting style: Shaw

**Bengaluru, Jul 08 (PTI):** 

After a bright start to his career, Prithvi Shaw has now slipped down the India pecking order but the Mumbai youngster on Saturday said he is banking on his natural "aggressive" game to score runs and earn his place back in the national side.

Shaw last appeared for India in a T20I match against Sri Lanka at Colombo in July 2021.

"Personally, I feel I don't have to change my game, but a little smarter than what I am. I can't bat like Pujara sir bats or Pujara sir can't bat like me.

"So, what I am trying to



do are those things that have brought me here till, for example, the aggressive batting, I don't like to change that," said Shaw after West Zone's Duleep Trophy semifinal against Central Zone at Alur.

Shaw said he was looking to play as many games as possible at this stage of

### **■** Face West in repeat of 2022 final

Bengaluru, Jul 08 (PTI):

Tamil Nadu's R Sai Kishore came up with a splendid all-round show as South Zone trumped North Zone by two wickets on a rain-interrupted but thrilling last day of the Duleep Trophy semifinal here on Saturday.

In the final, South will take on defending champions West Zone in a repeat of the 2022 title clash.

Chasing 215 in overcast conditions. South Zone were in the driver's seat with Mayank Agarwal (54; 57b) and skipper Hanuma Vihari's (43; 42b) playing counterattacking knocks. But the pace trio of Harshit Rana (3/84), Baltej Singh (2/47) and Vaibhav Arora (2/46) gave their side timely breakthroughs, while North skipper Jayant Yadav grabbed the prized scalp of Agarwal.

There were two rain interrup-



tions, the longest was for about two hours just before the final session. when South required 32 runs with Ricky Bhui (34; 29b) and Tilak Varma (25; 19b) going great guns.

With five wickets intact, South had one foot in the final but they

#### **Brief scores**

North Zone 198 and 211. South Zone 195 and 219/8; 82 overs (Mayank Agarwal 54, Hanuma Vihari 43, Ricky Bhui 34, Tilak Varma 25, R Sai Kishore 15 not out). South Zone won by by two wickets.

faced some anxious moments as

they were aware that North would make the cut by virtue of their three-run first-innings lead, if there was no further play. But play resumed and more

drama followed when Rana and Baltej's twin bursts pushed South in a precarious 213/8, after they lost four wickets for just 22 runs. However, spin-bowling all-rounder

Sai Kishore, who grabbed a tidy 3/28 to dismiss North for 211 in their second essay, played the finisher's role with an unbeaten 15 that included two sixes under pressure.

### South Zone edge out North in intense finish West Zone storm into **Duleep Trophy final**

Alur. Jul 08 (PTI): West Zone on Saturday

entered the Duleep Trophy final on the back of a crucial first innings lead after their semifinal clash against Central Zone ended in a draw. The summit clash between West and either South Zone or North Zone will be held at the M Chinnaswamy Stadium from July 12. Chasing an improbable 399 to

win, Central could only manage 128 for 4 when the skies opened up to force the closure at tea during the Duleep Trophy semifinal at the KSCA Oval. West, perhaps, could have gone hunting for the remaining six wickets had the

eventually West were not in need of that because they had a 98-run first innings lead in the bank to garner a favourable result. Starting the fourth and final day from 292 for 9, West Zone could add only 5 more

runs before getting bowled

weather remained clear. But

Openers Vivek Singh and Himanshu Mantri returned to the hut without offering much fight, reducing Central to 17 for 2. Dhruy Jurel started off well in the company of Amandeep Khare but left-arm spinner Dharmendra Jadeja had him stumped by Het Patel as Central further slipped to 55 for 3.

#### WIMBLEDON

## Bopanna-Ebden make winning start

Wimbledon, Jul 08 (PTI):

India's Rohan Bopanna and his men's doubles partner Matthew Ebden from Australia survived a scare before prevailing over Argentine duo of Guillermo Duran and Tomas Etcheverry to advance to the second round of the Wimbledon here.

The sixth-seeded Indo-Australian duo outwitted the spirited Argentine pair 6-2 6-7 (5-7) 7-6 (10-8) in their opening match that lasted two hours and 12 minutes.

43-year-old Bopanna and 35-year-old Ebden, who claimed two doubles titles on the ATP Tour earlier this year, will



next face the unseeded British pair of Jacob Fearnley and Johannus Monday on Sunday.

Bopanna and Ebden claimed the Qatar Open in February and in March, the Indian became the oldest player to

win a Master Series tournament (ATP1000) at Indian Wells in USA.

Bopanna had broken the record of Canadian Daniel Nestor, who had won the Cincinnati Masters title when he was 42 in 2015. Bopanna will pair up with Canada's Gabriela Dabrowski in the mixed doubles on Saturday. The sixth seeded pair, which won the French Open crown in 2017, will open against the unseeded duo of Croatia's Ivan Dodig and Latisha Chan of Chinese Taipei.

More Indians will be in action on Saturday with Yuki Bhambri and Saketh Myneni taking on Alejandro Davidovich Fokina of Spain and Adrian Mannarino of France, and Jeevan Nedunchezhiyan and N Sriram Balaji facing second seeds Austin Krajicek of the USA and Ivan Dodig in the opening

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### Swiatek advances to next round



**Wimbledon, Jul 08 (AP):** 

An avid reader, Iga Swiatek knows how to contextualize Wimbledon experiences.

Her third-round exit last year after winning the French Open was a disappointment. The topranked Swiatek cleared that hurdle Friday at the All England Club, dispatching 30th-seeded Petra Martic 6-2, 7-5 to reach the fourth round. "It's just a totally different chapter," the 22-year-

old Pole said. The fourtime Grand Slam champion can reach her first Wimbledon quarterfinal when she faces 14th-seeded Belinda Bencic on Sunday. Swiatek has said she felt a lot of pressure last year from high expectations and the 35match winning streak carried

Wimbledon. "I do feel more relaxed. I think also because I won Roland Garros and I feel like after that the pressure is a little bit off because I reached my goal kind of for the season," she said.

### loss to Stefanos Tsitsipas Wimbledon, Jul 08 (AP):

Andy Murray exits after

Andy Murray didn't know. As he was asked to dissect his loss to Stefanos Tsitsipas in

the second round of Wimbledon a rollicking fivesetter that lasted more than 4 1/2 hours spread over two days before a packed Centre Court filled with thousands of his closest and loudest friends Murray started answers to question after question at his news conference Friday with some variation of that theme. It was, likely, a verbal crutch, something used to gather his thoughts before offering a more complete response. It

also embodied the uncertainty

that seems to surround a for-



mer No. 1 player who owns three Grand Slam titles, two at the All England Club, but also is now 36 and with an artificial hip after two opera-

# 'Collective leadership only way forward going into polls'

**Pilot buries the** hatchet with Gehlot

New Delhi. Jul 08 (PTI)

Congress leader Sachin Pilot made it clear on Saturday that he has buried the hatchet with Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot on the advice of party president Mallikarjun Kharge, saying collective leadership was the "only way" forward going into the assembly polls.

In an exclusive interview with PTI just days after the crucial Rajasthan polls strategy meeting of the party, Pilot said Kharge advised him to "forgive and forget" and move forward. "It was as much an advice as a directive." "Ashok Gehlot ji is older than me, he has more experience. He has heavy responsibilities on

Says 'pot calling kettle black'

**Hyderabad, Jul 08 (PTI)** 

Hitting back at Prime

Minister Narendra Modi

over his remarks on the

Telangana Minister KT

Rama Rao on Saturday

said the PM has insulted

the people of the state by

setting up a Rs 520 crore

wagon factory while "tak-

ing away" a Rs 20,000 crore

rupees locomotive factory

Referring to PM's com-

ments that there are thou-

sands of teacher posts va-

cant in Telangana, KTR

said it is like "pot calling

the kettle black" as the

centre is not filling more

than 16 lakh central gov-

ernment jobs and is per-

manently privatising jobs

in public sector organisa-

tions. "Before speaking

about the vacancies in

state universities, the PM

should fill all the vacan-

to Guiarat.

Government,



the Rajasthan Congress president, I tried to take everyone along. I think that today he is the Chief Minister (Gehlot), so he is trying to take everyone

"If there is a little back and forth, then it is not a big issue because the party and the public are more important than any individual. I also understand this and he also understands it," the former Rajasthan deputy chief minister said.

Asked about Gehlot call-

sities across the country. The prime Minister

should respond to the issue of the Governor not

the Bayyaram steel facto-

ry which was mentioned

minister said.

**BRS hits back on PM's** 

remarks on KCR govt

Gehlot government over inaction on issues such as corruption in the previous Vasundhara Raje government, Pilot said that in a Congress chief Kharge said that time that has gone by will not come back and one has to look at the

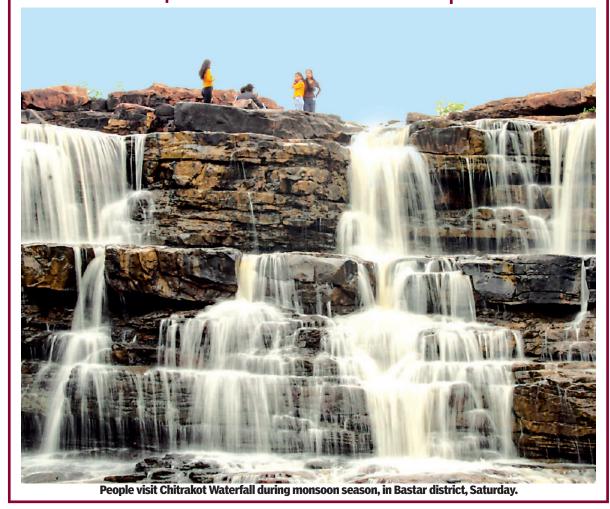
"He (Kharge) said for-

give and forget and look forward and that is applicable to everybody. I believe in that, we now have to move forward and meet new challenges. This country needs the Congress to do well. We need to seek blessings of the people of Rajasthan and in order to do that we have to work unitedly and move forward in a way that is acceptable to the people and to the party workers," Pilot said. "So who said what, at which time, there is no point talking about it as it does not mean anyfrained from using any word or language that I feel is unpleasant or is something that I would not want to hear about myself. In public life and politics, it is always good to maintain certain dignity of discourse." Pilot said.

"Next challenge for us is to win elections, neither individuals nor statements matter, those are bygones," he said.

His remarks come after Kharge, former party chief Rahul Gandhi, AICC in-charge for Rajasthan Sukhjinder Randhawa, Rajasthan Pradesh Congress Committee president Govind Dotasra, he and several MLAs and ministers from the state attended a polls strategy meeting at the AICC headquarters here. Gehlot, who is recovering from injuries to his toes, attended the meeting via video confer-

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### **Doctor learns sign language for kidney transplant** of speech-hearing-impaired patient

New Delhi, Jul 08 (PTI)

clearing the legislation In a unique display of brought out by our gov-ernment on the filling of commitment, a doctor at a private hospital here learned sign language to jobs in universities," the help a 21-year-old speech-KTR said Modi did not and hearing-impaired pasay a single word about tient during and after a kidney transplant surgery.

The challenging aspect

in the AP Bifurcation Act of the case was the patient's inability to hear aiming to provide employment to 15,000 locals. and speak and, hence, it He further alleged that was difficult for him to communicate his probit has become a habit of lems and pain, especially Modi to come to Telangana and lash out at during the transplant the BRS government here, process, said Dr Tejendra Singh Chauhan, a senior speak lies, and give a lecture before leaving with consultant in the nephrology department of Fortis "empty hands." KTR said that the PM, Escorts Hospital,

who spoke about the Faridabad Telangana government "The bond between a paschool education system, tient and a doctor is a special one. When a patient is should remember that the BRS regime is spending suffering from an ailment Rs 1.25 lakh on each stuand is also burdened with dent annually to impart difficulty in communicaquality education which tion, a doctor's challenge increases manifold," he nowhere in the country is

The patient had been on hemodialysis since 2017 but showed no significant improvement. He was brought to the hospital last month.

His mother's blood group was a match and she readily agreed to donate her kidney. The transplant was conducted by Chauhan and Urology and Kidney Transplant Director Dr Anup Gulati on June 22.

However, as the patient is hearing and speech impaired, it was difficult for him to express and convey his pain and requirements. With the help of sign language, Chauhan facilitated the patient's pre- and post-operative procedures.

Giving details of the case, Chauhan said, "The kidney transplantation was a success and the newly transplanted kidney is functioning optimally. The challenging astient's inability to hear and speak and hence, it was difficult for him to communicate his problems and pain, especially during the transplantation

His parents have become proficient in sign language, enabling effective communication.

"Additionally, I had taken the initiative to learn sign language. As total proficiency was not needed, it took only a week to learn simple communications," Chauhan said.

"Through my research, I discovered applications that generate short videos demonstrating various signs based on typed text. I also used WhatsApp to communicate with him through simple language. These methods were useful in enhancing communication with the patient,

Both the donor and the receipinet are stable, the

# **Guv Bais presides over** 108th Foundation Day



Of SNDT Women's University

Mumbai. Jul 08:

Maharashtra Governor and Chancellor of universities Ramesh Bais presided over the 108th Foundation Day of the SNDT Women's University at Patkar Hall of the University in Mumbai on Fri (7 July).

'DRDO scientist attracted to Pak

upon the University to provide entrepreneurship training to women graduates to ensure their economic empowerment He further asked the university to reach out to women with a basket of

skill development programmes to increase the gross enrollment of women in higher edu-Minister of higher

said that the University is expected to receive the status of a Central University shortly and that a proposal has been presented to the central government in this regard. Minister of Forests and

tion Chandrakant Patil

Cultural Affairs Sudhir Mungantiwar, Chancellor Prof Ujwala Chakradeo, Principal Secretary, Higher and Technical Education Vikas Chandra Rastogi, Pro Vice Chancellor Prof Ruby Ojha, playback singer Anuradha Paudwal, industrialist Shekhar Bajaj, members of faculty and students were present.

### **Railways to launch spl trains connecting heritage sites: Vaishnaw**

Chennai, Jul 08( PTI)

Minister Railway Ashwini Vaishnaw on Saturday unveiled a special train that would be run on Heritage routes across the country. The Minister after in-

specting a train modified as a steam loco train at the MGR Central Railway Station here said more such trains would be introduced on heritage routes in the coming months.

Elaborating on the concept, Vaishnaw said the

River Ganga. in Varanasi. Saturdav.

Railways had planned to introduce a new concept — 'Heritage special' which would be built using 'steam engines' as

the theme.

"The steam engine as we all know, is very emotionally connected to us and even though it is not running today, we thought we can create a new concept that looks like a steam engine but actually operates by electricity," he told reporters.

The Minister, who began his speech in Tamil, said the special concept

**FLOODED GANGES** 

A partially submerged temple at the Manikarnika Ghat due to rise in water level of

was presented to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and he (the PM) believes in the concept which is 'virasat bhi, vikas bhi' which means 'heritage' and 'development' should go to-

"This new concept has been created as heritage special, I thank the very good technical officers, staff and Golden Rock Workshop, Tiruchirappalli, Perambur, and Avadi who have all contributed in creating this concept," he

To a query, he said the special train would be first tested on long heritage routes and later it would be open for tourists in two-three months.

"We will first try this and then manufacture more of this. In another two or three months, it should get into public use. Basically, our testing on the ground is complete, we received the safety certificate for it. we will be running it on longer routes and then take it into regular commercial opera-

#### agent, revealed missile secrets' Pune. Jul 08 (PTI)

DRDO scientist Pradeep Kurulkar was attracted to the Pakistani

Intelligence Operative, who used the alias 'Zara Dasgupta', and chatted with her about Indian missile systems among other classified defence projects, the chargesheet has said.

The Anti-Terrorism Squad (ATS) of the

the chargesheet against Kurulkar, who was the director of one of the labs of the Defence Research Development Organisation (DRDO) in Pune, in a court here last

He was arrested on May 3 under the Official Secrets Act and is now in iudicial custody.

Kurulkar and 'Zara

Maharashtra police filed Dasgupta' were in contact through WhatsApp as well as voice and video calls, the chargesheet

> 'Dasgupta' claimed to be a software engineer based in the UK and befriended him by sending obscene messages and videos. During the investigation, her IP address was traced to Pakistan, the ATS said in the chargesheet.



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Jaipur, Jul 08 (PTI)

Modi on Saturday dedicated and laid the foundation stones of development projects worth more than Rs 24,300 crore in Rajasthan's Bikaner district. Modi dedicated to people

Prime Minister Narendra

the six-lane greenfield expressway section of the Amritsar-Jamnagar Economic Corridor, the first phase of the Inter-State Transmission Line for the Green Energy Corridor, a Bikaner-to-Bhiwadi transmission line and a 30-bed Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) hospital. He also laid the foundation stone for the redevelop-

ment of the Bikaner railway station and the doubling of the 43-km-long Churu-Ratangarh section. The prime minister pressed a remote button to inaugurate the projects at a programme in Norangdesar, Bikaner.

Speaking on the occa-Modi Rajasthan has got two modern six-lane expressways within a few months, while pointing out that he had dedicated to people the Delhi-Dausa-Lalsot section of the Delhi-Mumbai expressway in February.

He said the Amritsar-Jamnagar Economic Corridor will give new

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western India and that the

supply chain will be



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