



BRIEF



Prime Minister Narendra Modi arrives, in Jabalpur, Saturday.

Penalty

Hyderabad: The Reserve Bank has imposed a penalty of Rs 65 lakh on city-based AP Mahesh Co-operative Urban Bank, for non-compliance with provisions of Cyber Security Framework for Primary (Urban) cooperative banks, Hyderabad Police said on Saturday.

Recover

Aizawl: Personnel of Assam Rifles recovered 33 grams of heroin and 150 bags of smuggled Burmese areca nuts in two separate operations in east Mizoram's Champhai district on Friday, the force said in a statement. One person was apprehended for possessing heroin, the statement said, adding the market price of both the items is Rs 1.07 crore.

Flyover

Chennai: Chennai's familiar landmark that got etched in people's minds and ignited the imagination of Tamil filmmakers due to its unique design, the Anna flyover, on Saturday completed a half-century of service and is still going strong. This structure at the arterial junction, connecting various places in the metro, handles a huge volume of traffic, over one lakh vehicles in five hours now, as per official estimates. But in the initial years, when the city was not bustling with traffic, it appeared to be deserted.

Shot at

Meerut: A alleged cattle smuggler was arrested on Saturday after an encounter with police in which he was shot and wounded, an officer said. Senior Superintendent of Police Rohit Singh Sajwan said, "We arrested one Arun, a known cattle smuggler. Arun was injured in the retaliatory firing by a team of Partapur Police Station."

Weather
High 33 Low 26

AAP to blow 2023 poll bugle today

Raipur, Jul 01:

The Aam Admi Party (AAP) is going to blow election bugle for 2023 assembly election in Chhattisgarh with its mega rally to be held in Bilaspur on July 2, 2023. AAP Convener and Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal and Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann will address the mega rally at Science College Ground, Bilaspur, AAP state in-charge Sanjiv Jha said while talking to the re-

'Kejriwal attacks PM over price rise'

Gwalior: Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal on Saturday attacked Prime Minister over price rise, saying it was the result of the "open" loot going on in the country. Addressing a rally in Gwalior of Madhya Pradesh, where Assembly elections are due by the year-end, he also narrated the story of a "fourth class pass" king whom he said God unseated. The Aam Admi Party convener blamed Modi for price rise while crediting himself for "bring-



ing smiles on the faces of people with revdis". "The state exchequer is being looted. A loan of Rs 34,000 crore to a friend of his has been waived in Mumbai, Rs 22,000-crore loan of a man from Gujarat has also been written off," he claimed. God is not behind rising inflation, he said. "Open loot is going on. This money is coming by taxing food things like milk and rice... Even the British people did not torment us as badly," he said.

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porters at a press conference today. There is enthusiasm among the people and supporters of Chhattisgarh over the mega rally, Jha said, adding that people of Chhattisgarh are now seeing AAP as an alternative. People of Chhattisgarh are now feeling cheated by the misrule of the Bharatiya Janata Party thrice and then Congress, he said and added that Arvind Kejriwal's model of governance in Delhi and Punjab was being liked.

25 dead as bus catches fire

On Samruddhi Expressway; driver's error suspected

Nagpur, Jul 01 (PTD)

Twenty-five passengers were charred to death when the private bus they were travelling in caught fire after hitting a pole and a divider on the Nagpur-Mumbai 'Samruddhi Expressway' in eastern Maharashtra's Buldhana district in the early hours of Saturday, police said. Eight persons, including the driver and 'cleaner' (driver's assistant) survived. A case for negligent driving was registered against the driver with police believing, prima facie, that he dozed off and lost control of the vehicle. The private sleeper coach bus was on its way to Pune from Nagpur when it met with the accident around 1.30 am at Pimpalkhuta village near Sindkhedraja, 130 km from Nagpur. "After hitting the pole and divider, the bus overturned and fell on its right side with its entry/exit door facing



A passenger bus in flames after it overturned, on the Samruddhi Expressway, in Buldhana district, Saturday.

the sky. Within minutes, the vehicle caught fire. Some of the passengers were able to come out through broken windows from the rear side," a senior police official from Buldhana said. As most victims' bodies were charred beyond recognition, the authorities have decided to conduct DNA testing to identify them before handing them over to the relatives. Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde or-

Prez, PM express grief

President Droupadi Murmu, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Union Home Minister Amit Shah and other leaders expressed grief over the loss of life. In a tweet, President Murmu said, "The heart-wrenching tragedy in Buldhana, Maharashtra, claiming many precious lives, including children and women, is extremely disturbing. My deepest condolences to the bereaved families..." PM Modi tweeted, "Deeply saddened by the devastating bus mishap in Buldhana, Maharashtra. My thoughts and prayers are with the families of those who lost their lives. May the injured recover soon. The local administration is providing all possible assistance to the affected."

dered a probe into the accident and announced an ex-gratia assistance of Rs five lakh for the families of each deceased. President Droupadi Murmu, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Union Home Minister Amit Shah and other leaders expressed grief over the loss of life.

HC asks Centre to reduce women's consent age to 16

Gwalior, Jul 01 (PTD):

The Gwalior bench of Madhya Pradesh High Court has requested the Centre to reduce the consent age of females to 16, observing that the present age of 18 has disturbed the fabric of society as injustice is going on with adolescent boys. The court's request came on June 27 through an order quashing a First Information

Report (FIR) against a man who was accused of repeatedly raping a minor girl and impregnating her in 2020. Nowadays, every male or female near the age of 14 years, due to social media awareness and easily accessible internet connectivity, is getting puberty at an early age, the judge said. The court said boys and girls get attracted to each other owing to early puberty, which is ul-

timately "resulting in consensual physical relationships", read the order. "I request the Government of India to think over the matter for reducing the age of procreatrix (female complainant) from 18 to 16 years as earlier before (IPC) amendments (were made) so that injustice should be redressed," read the order by Justice Deepak Kumar Agarwal.

Seven arrested with tiger skin

Bijapur, Jul 01:

Seven persons were arrested after a tiger skin was allegedly found in their possession in Bijapur district in Chhattisgarh, officials said on Saturday. The seven were held on a specific inputs on Friday night from Rudram village in Madded buffer range of Indravati Tiger Reserve, its deputy director Ganvir Dhamshil said. "The action was carried out by a joint team of Indravati Tiger Reserve,



anti-poaching team of Udanti-Sitanadi Tiger Reserve (Gariaband district) and Bijapur forest division. Those held were identified as Vikram Thakur, Pritam Lal Sahu, Tameshwar Jain, Kaka Dipak, Manoj Kursam, Kishore Dashrahiya and Arti Das," he said.

'Manipur situation will improve in 7-10 days'

Dibrugarh, Jul 1 (PTD):

Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Saturday said the situation in neighbouring Manipur will improve within 7-10 days, with the state and central governments working silently to restore peace. He hit out at the Congress and alleged that the opposition party is showing its concern when "relative peace has come in the northeastern state." More than 100 people have lost their lives in the ethnic violence between Meitei and Kuki communities in Manipur since clashes first started on May 3.

Journey of faith begins amid high security and enthusiasm

Drizzle no dampener

Srinagar, Jul 01 (PTD):

The breeze blew gently, borrowing the cool from the drizzle and energy from the first rays of the dawn, as chants in the praise of Lord Shiva rent the base camps for Amarnath Yatis as they began their journey to the cave shrine nestled at 3,880 metres in the Himalayas. Most pilgrims spent the night awake in excitement and anticipation -- and some because they were sold fake registration slips



Pilgrims on their way to the holy cave shrine of Amarnath at Baltal in Ganderbal district of central Kashmir, Saturday.

by agents. Prime Minister Narendra Modi wished new enthusiasm and energy to devotees who knew

the journey ahead was going to be hectic, but felt assured by the security arrangements.

The weather also played hide and seek, but nothing dampened their spirit as the echoes of 'Bam Bam Bhole' and 'Har Har Mahadev' lent warmth to the cold rain droplets. "Even though it is raining," said a yatri from Mumbai, "Bhole Baba has gifted us with enthusiasm. There is tremendous enthusiasm all around, notwithstanding the bad weather." "I came last year also," added a pilgrim from Amritsar. "The arrangements are very good, they are managing everything, including cards, properly. The weather should remain good."

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RAJNATH TO 'NEIGHBOUR' 'If anyone tries to harm country, befitting reply will be given'

Kanker, Jul 01:

Defence minister Rajnath Singh on Saturday warned India's "neighbour" that if anyone tried to harm the country, a befitting reply will be given. He was speaking at a rally in tribal-dominated Kanker district. India has emerged as a powerful country under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership and it is not weak anymore, he said. "I want to tell our neighbour, if anyone tries to cast evil eye on us, a befitting reply will be given," the minister added. He also said that the influence of the Left Wing Extremism has declined and it is restricted to just 10-12 districts due to the effective action taken by the Modi government in the last nine years. The Naxal menace would have been wiped out from



Chhattisgarh had the Congress government in the state cooperated fully, he claimed. Notably, elections are due in Chhattisgarh by year-end. The defence minister also alleged that forced religious conversions were on rise in the state, particularly in Bastar, and said the Congress government should put a stop to them. Prime minister Modi has the same commitment to the welfare of Dalits, tribals and backward classes as former PM Atal Bihari Vajpayee had, the senior BJP leader said.

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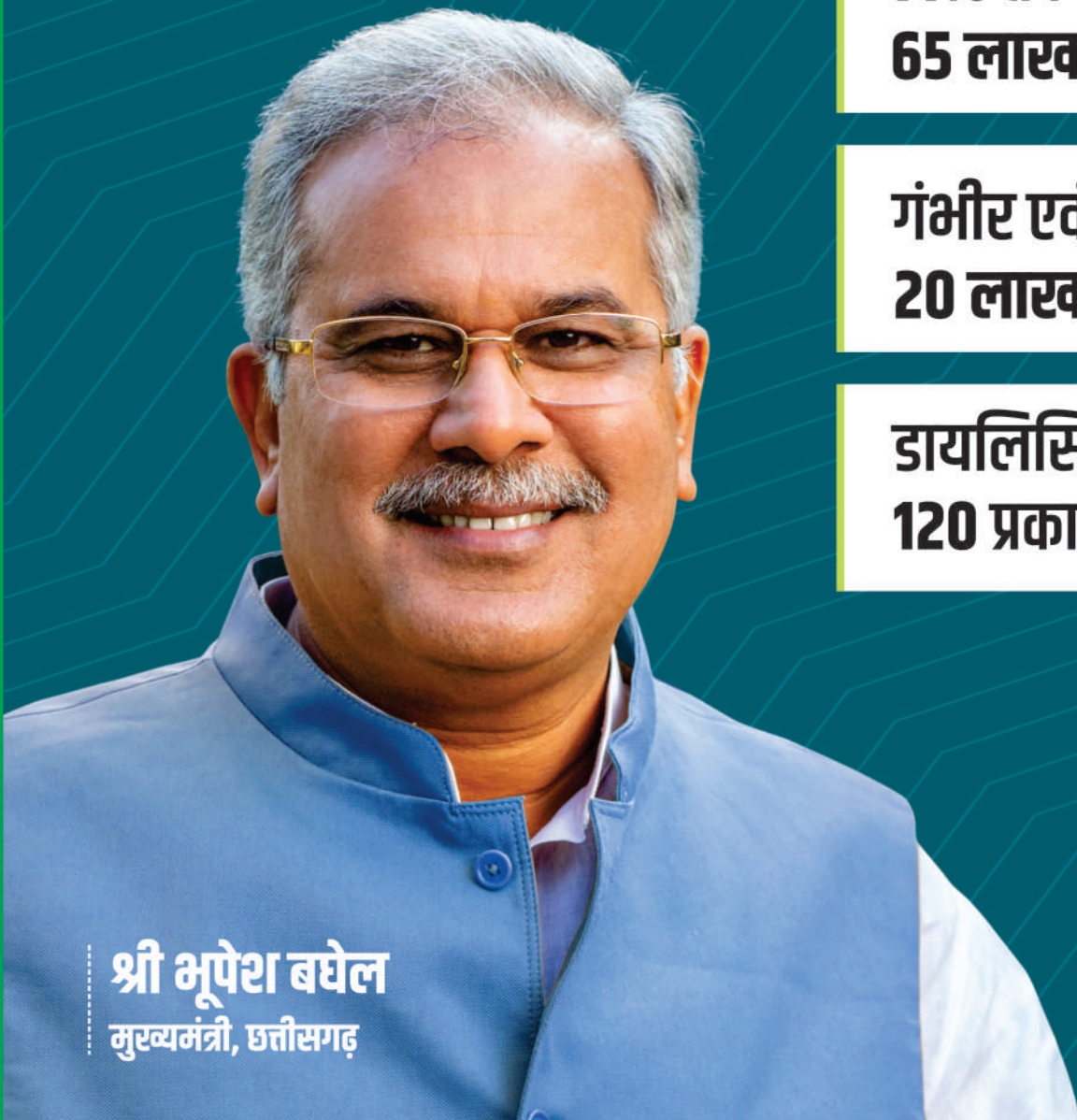


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BJP sets target of 1.5 lakh people for PM Modi's Public Meet

● **Top leaders given responsibility for the July 7 event**

Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Jul 01: Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has set a target to ensure presence of more than 1.5 lakh people during the Public Meeting of Prime Minister Narendra Modi scheduled to be held on July 7 at Government Science College Ground. BJP leaders meeting was held in presence of BJP in-charge of party affairs in Chhattisgarh Om Prakash Mathur at party headquarters situated at Kushabhau Thakre premises here.

According to the information received, the senior leaders of the party have been given the responsibility to ensure mammoth public meeting next week.

Briefing media persons after the meeting, the National Vice President of BJP and former Chief Minister Dr Raman Singh said that PM Modi would be arriving Raipur in the morning on July 7. On his arrival, he would be attending the government programme on inauguration for a development works and public dedication. Later, he would be addressing a public meeting at Science College ground. Dr Singh informed that apart from the Raipurians,

the people from Durg, Bilaspur, Bastar and Sarguja would also be attending the meet. He added that guidance of PM Modi would boost enthusiasm among people for success.

Leaders have been asked to invite representatives from various section of society at the meeting. It is notable that the Lok Sabha member Sunil Soni and MLA Brijmohan Agrawal had on Friday inspected the venue for the Public meeting during which the District Collector and Superintendent of Police were also present.

PMO is yet to release final scheduled of the proposed visit of PM Modi on July 7.

Four SAS Officers transferred to Election Office for polls

Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Jul 01: Gearing up for the administrative preparations for the forthcoming Legislative Assembly polls, the state government on Saturday posted four State Administrative Services (SAS) Officer to Chhattisgarh State Election Office.

Deputy Commissioner Land Records Umashanker Agrawal has been posted as Deputy Chief Election Officer whereas Additional Chief Executive Officer of SUDA Ashish Tikariha too has been posted as Deputy Chief Election Officer at the Office of CEO. Similarly, the

General Manager of Land Records Smart City Limited Raipur Arvind Sharma too has been transferred as Assistant Chief Election Officer at the Office of CEO. Apart from them, Deputy Collector from Balod District Rashmi Verma too has been posted as Assistant CEO at the Office of Chief Election Office.

General Administration Department (GAD) Secretary DD Singh has issued fresh posting order of all the above SAS Officers to strengthen the administrative set up at the office of CEO for the upcoming Legislative Assembly polls.

Practice session inaugurated at Shri Ram Mandir, VIP Chowk

Raipur, Jul 01: The practice session of Benga, Guniya, Panda, Gaita, Mata Pujari's was held at Shri Ram Mandir, VIP Chowk, Raipur from June 28 in which Benga, Guniya, Panda, Gaita, Mata Pujari's from all over the state participated in various programs. The inauguration of this practice session was done by Shri Ram Mandir Trust, President, Brajlal Goyal in the presence of Mr Mahesh, Mr. Amar. Chief Priest Hanumant Lal inaugurated the session by performing religious rituals and pooja of Bharat Mata and Lord Shri Ram Chandra. The practice session starts with taking out Prabhath Pheri along with Bhajan playing mridang,



and other musical instruments which is followed discussion and other religious rituals throughout the day. Conducting the entire practice session, Chief Priest Hanumant Lal said scholars delivers lectures on Hindutva, Hindutva life Methodology, astrology, rituals, sixteen rites, Vedas, Shastras, Upanishads and Shree Bhagwat Gita. Sri Hanuman Chalisa recita-

tion was done in the temple premises performing Yajna on Friday evening. The practice session ended on July 01 at 2 pm. In this program, on behalf of Shri Ram Mandir Trust, the temples in the villages where is no idol of God, Sri Hanuman ji idols will be gifted to those villages. Will go. The entire Shri Ram Mandir family participated in this program.

Bhavan's RK Sarada Vidya Mandir Raipur students excel in 'Olympics of Science Fairs'

● **3 teams from Bhavan's RK Sarada Vidya Mandir made 25% of the Indian delegation to ISEF**

Raipur, Jul 01: The International Science and Engineering Fair known as the "Olympics of Science Fairs" in the scientific community is the world's largest and most prestigious pre-college Science fair which was held at Dallas, Texas, USA from May 14-19 of this year. It brought together more than 1800 of the most curious and capable young science pioneers from more than 70 countries to an arena where they shared their ideas, showcased cutting-edge science and competed for over \$6 million in awards and scholarships. 3 teams from Bhavan's RK Sarada Vidya Mandir Raipur, Chhattisgarh made 25% of the Indian delegation to ISEF, said Amitabh Ghosh, Principal, Bhavan's RK Sarada Vidya Mandir Raipur while speaking to the scribes here. The team of Aditya Kumar Jha and



Ishan Choudhary, who presented their research project "HepaEase" in the category of Biochemistry, was one of the youngest teams of the Indian delegation and won the 2nd Grand Award along with a prize of \$2,000 and a Special Award of \$3,000 from the U.S. Agency for International Development. The team of Vanshika Digania and Soumya Agrawal with their research project "Ovydrome's Catch", won the 3rd Grand Award in their Category of Translational Medical Sciences and a prize money of 1000\$. The team of Vineet Narayan Prajapati and Sneha Pandey with their project "Curalgia" competed in

one of the most competitive categories of Computational Biology and Bioinformatics. The competition provided a forum for exchange of ideas and experiences among young minds. The finalists were able to know their competitors via a pin exchange ceremony wherein pins representing their nation were exchanged. With the International Shout Out and performances that would astound anybody, the ISEF Opening ceremony was a night to remember. Numerous symposiums like Science for the Social Good, 3D Printing in Healthcare, panels with entrepreneurs, women in STEM, and ISEF alumni were held in the days that

followed. Wide variety of College and Career Fairs were hosted to lighten the paths of young scientists in their career. The students were given the opportunity to visit the Perot Museum and along with a campus tour of University of Texas at Arlington. Following the judging day, student and adult mixers featuring the arcade, dance, music, and much more took place. The public visitation day provided the finalists to present their projects to an open audience and new budding students to motivate and encourage them. The Special Awards and the Grand Awards Ceremony, together with a call for this year's ISEF, brought it all to a close.

Ekta Child hospital felicitated by veteran cricketer Kapil Dev

● **For their dedicated childcare service for past 24 years**

Raipur, Jul 01: State's renowned children's hospital located in the heart of City EKTA children's Hospital was felicitated with 'Dhanwantri Saman' by veteran cricketer Kapil Dev for their outstanding work for past 24 years. Ekta Children's Hospital is a unit of Sparkle Hospital, committed to providing high quality, cost-efficient children's healthcare for the past 24 years.

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nursing staff who plays a vital role in monitoring and assisting patients with personalized care. Transparency being the core value, a hospital is a synonym of best emergency management and has continuously outperformed the industry benchmarks in medical outcomes. Ekta is the first non-govt paediatric teaching institute in Chhattisgarh. They are running DNB Program for last 20 years and more than 60 successful budding doctors had gone to various part of the country and are disseminating the skills knowledge and the philosophy in various part of the country

INTUC to protest against release of chemical polluted water in river

● **INTUC to gherao company on July 03**

Raipur, Jul 01: The chemical and acid-rich polluted water coming out of the company from the industrial area, Urla Bendri, is being drained into the Kharun river, through a drain, for the last several years, by the Apollo Pipe located in the industrial area. Apart from Municipal Corporation Birgaon, it is done in many nearby villages. Skin diseases, cancer and other incurable diseases are spreading to

local residents due to use of acid and other chemical polluted water. The information about chemical-rich polluted water being discharged by the company into the Kharun river was earlier given by Raipur District INTUC, President, Ashish Dubey to the Environmental Protection Board and Municipal Corporation, Birgaon by writing a letter to the company management and urged to stop the flow of contaminated water coming out of the company into the Kharun river; but Kharun

river is being polluted continuously by discharge of dirty water by the company management. In protest against the arbitrariness of the company management even after repeated requests, on Monday, July 3, under the leadership of Raipur District INTUC President Ashish Dubey, along with all the office bearers, workers and local members of INTUC gherao of Apollo Pipe Company, Bendri will be done. Such type of protest will be further done if company management takes no action.

Baghel announces expansion of schemes for urban areas

Raipur, Jul 01: Announcing the expansion of schemes for urban areas Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel launched the 'Mitan Yojana' in all Nagar Palikas. Under the 'Mitan Yojana', home delivery of 25 services, including labour cards, will be facilitated. He inaugurated Urban Industrial Parks (UIPA) in the urban areas of the state.

Baghel stated that Chhattisgarh gained nationwide fame owing to its splendid culture and robust agriculture-based economy. 'Over the past four and a half years, our efforts focused not only on strengthening the rural economy but also on boosting the urban economy of the state. To this end, we have undertaken measures to enhance urban infrastructure, arrange additional financial



resources, and implement schemes aimed at benefiting every individual in society', he said.

The 'Swami Atmanand Utkrishit Vidyalyay Yojana' has been initiated to ensure quality education in English and Hindi mediums for children from all income groups. Under the 'Mukhyamantri Suposhan Abhiyan', good nutrition has been ensured for everyone, helping children overcome malnutrition and women overcome ane-

mia, he said. He also said that 'Half Bijli Bill Yojana' was launched to ensure affordable and quality electricity supply. The Mor Bijli App has been developed to make electricity services easily accessible. 'Alongside creating new employment opportunities on a large scale for the youth, we have also focused on their skill development. The Unemployment Allowance Scheme is being implemented for educated unemployed individuals, provid-

ing them with a monthly financial assistance of Rs 2500. In just three months, a total of Rs 80.64 crores is disbursed to the beneficiaries as allowances', said the Chief Minister.

'To strengthen urban healthcare, we have launched the Chief Minister's Urban Slum Health Scheme and the Shri Dhanvantari Generic Medical Store Scheme', Baghel said, adding that the extension of pipeline networks ensured access to clean drinking water in every household. Chhattisgarh has consistently received recognition from the Central Government for three consecutive years for its excellent work in maintaining cleanliness. The state government is providing a grant of Rs 2 crore to each industrial park to their respective bod-

ies, he said. 'In order to create better employment opportunities for startup entrepreneurs and self-help groups in urban areas, we are initiating the establishment of Urban Industrial Parks on the lines of Mahatma Gandhi Rural Industrial Parks', he added. 'Mukhyamantri Mitan Yojana' was launched with an aim to strengthen service delivery and provide citizens with essential documents from the comfort of their homes. Various government documents are now accessible to citizens through 'Mitans' in the urban areas of Chhattisgarh. In the urban areas of Chhattisgarh, citizens can now conveniently get various government documents delivered at their doorsteps through the Mitan Yojana.

PtJNMMC remembers Dr Bidhan Chandra Roy

● **Various programs including blood donation organized on National Doctors Day**

Raipur, Jul 01: Dr Bidhan Chandra Roy was remembered through various events by doctors on the occasion of National Doctor's Day at Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial Medical College, Raipur. All the doctors remembered Dr Bidhan Chandra Roy by lighting a lamp and offering wreaths in front of his picture in the assembly hall of the medical college. National Doctor's Day is observed to commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy. Apart from being a doctor,



Dr. Roy was also a social worker and the second Chief Minister of West Bengal. He was honored with the Bharat Ratna for his sense of duty and social service. Dean Dr. Tripti Nagaria congratulated all the doctors on National Doctor's Day. Referring to the duties of the doctors towards the patients, the Dean wished all the doctors for the efficient discharge of their responsibilities. President of

the Medical Teachers Association, Dr. Arvind Neral said that doctors are honored. A blood donation camp was organized by doctors and junior doctors in Medical College Raipur. More than 40 doctors donated blood in the camp. Dr. Arvind Neral donated blood for the 122nd time, which is an inspiration for the society. Other doctors including pediatrician Dr. Akash Lalwani and Dr. Devpriya Rath also donat-

ed blood. Hospital Superintendent Dr. S.B.S. Netam felicitated the doctors. Doctors planted trees to maintain greenery in the medical college campus and to make this day memorable.

During the program, Dean of the Medical College, Dr. Tripti Nagaria, Hospital Superintendent, Dr. S.B.S. Netam, Dr. Arvind Neral, Dr. Manoj Sahu, Dr. R. Of. Singh, Dr. Jyoti Jaiswal, Dr. Vivek Patre, Dr. Vinit Jain, Dr. Santosh Patel, Dr. Jaya Lalwani, Dr. Pratibha Jain Shah, Dr. Hansa Banjara, Dr. Sumit Tripathi, Dr. K.K. Of. Sahu, Dr. Jagruti Agarwal, Dr. Snigdha Jain, Dr. Mrityunjay Singh and Dr. Nirmal Verma and other doctors were present.

Kejriwal, Mann to address AAP mega rally today

Raipur, Jul 01: Aam Admi Party (AAP) Convenor and Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal and Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann will address AAP's mega rally to be held in Science College Ground Bilaspur on Sunday. All preparations for the mega rally of AAP have been completed, AAP state in-charge Sanjiv Jha said at a press conference. After their arrival in Bilaspur at 1:30 pm Kejriwal and Mann will go to Science College Ground to address AAP's mega rally, Jha said.

People of Chhattisgarh want development model of Delhi and Punjab, Jha said. He said that AAP emerged as an alternative for the people of Chhattisgarh. People of Chhattisgarh are feeling cheat-

ed by BJP's misrule thrice and then Congress, he alleged. The public is feeling that Bhupesh Baghel's government has broken the BJP's misrule and loot since 15 years, he alleged. People of Delhi and Punjab fought for their rights and the record that was made is in front of everyone, Jha said. People of Chhattisgarh are reposing faith in AAP in the same way as people of Delhi, Punjab, Gujarat and Goa have reposed faith in the party, he said.

In response to a question, Jha said it is the people who decide that Arvind Kejriwal has given a good model in Delhi and Punjab and has done good work for the people. 'In the journey of 11 years, not only did we form the government thrice in Delhi but also in Punjab', he added.

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Pranavananda Academy hosts FLN exhibition and parents' orientation

Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Jul 01: BSS Pranavananda Academy hosted an Exhibition cum Orientation Program on FLN (a national initiative by Ministry of Education for proficiency in reading with understanding & numeracy) on 1st July. The school also observed School Foundation Day & Doctor's Day on 1st July. Dr. Balakrishna graced the occasions as the Chief Guest.

The exhibition organised in the school showcased the models and TLMs prepared by the teachers for promoting skills of language & numbers for children. Hundreds of parents visited the exhibition and the core purpose of the event was to share innovative practices being adopted by



the school with the parents.

On this occasion the key speaker Tulika Ghosh, Psychologist, highlighted the importance of competencies to be developed among the small children

with the involvement of the parents

The principal of the school Mrs Anindita Ghosh in her address stressed that FLN is the need of the hour. She added that the parents has



to play a crucial role in implementing FLN practices at their home with their children to make them able to cope with the challenges of the future, informs Principal Pranavananda Academy.

State level competition for RBI All India quiz on Financial Literacy held

Kendriya Vidyalaya, Koriya emerges as winners for Chhattisgarh

Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Jul 01: Reserve Bank of India conducted an All-India Quiz on Financial Literacy for school children. RBI, Raipur is the nodal office for the conduct of quiz in the State of Chhattisgarh. Selected students from Govt/Municipal schools participated in Block level quizzes organized at 146 blocks.

Subsequently, block level winners participated in District level quizzes in 33 districts. The quiz included content related to financial education material available on the RBI/NCFE website, and current topics related to



banking/financial sector and economy including G 20 foray. After elimination rounds and on-stage competition, team from Kendriya Vidyalaya, Koriya emerged as winners for Chhattisgarh. Teams from Pt. R.D Tiwari English medium school, Raipur and SAGES, Pali, Korba, were 1st and 2nd

runner ups respectively. Winner of the State level quiz will participate in Zonal level quiz, and subsequently in National level quiz.

On June 30, 2023, State level quiz was organized for the State of Chhattisgarh at Hotel Babylon Inn, Jail Road, Raipur where in winners

of all 33 districts have participated. Mrs. Reeny Ajith, Regional Director for Chhattisgarh, Reserve Bank of India, was the Chief guest. Rajesh Rana, Special Secretary, School Education department, Govt. of Chhattisgarh, Mohan Rawat, DGM, RBI, D K Updhyay, DGM, RBI, SLBC, A Mishra, DGM, BoB, and teachers from all 33 districts attended the event. Reserve Bank of India is conducting an All-India Quiz on Financial Literacy for school children. RBI, Raipur is the nodal office for the conduct of quiz in the State of Chhattisgarh. Selected students from Govt/Municipal schools participated in Block level quizzes organized at 146 blocks. Subsequently, block level winners participated in District level quizzes in 33 districts.

32 railway employees achieve superannuation



Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Jul 01: As like previous months, 32 railway staff working in different departments achieved superannuation on the last day of June. On this occasion Assistant Divisional Personal Officer Ruhina Tufail Khan, ADFM

Niranjan Guniram Badge and other members of welfare department were present. Of the 32 retired employees, 08 were from Operating, 09 from Engineering, 02 from Mechanical, 05 from Commercial, 01 from Electrical, 01 from Personal, 01 from Medical and 01 from

Security respectively. In a programme organized at Community Hall, a total payment of Rs 11, 26, 04, 347 was made to the retired employees part from pension payment order, ID and pass, sewa medals and other documents. All of them were wished for a happy and healthy retired life.

CM attends conclusion ceremony of free disabled service camp

Disabled were provided with wheelchairs, tricycles, crutches and other equipment

Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Jul 01: Chief Minister Mr. Bhupesh Baghel reached the closing ceremony of the free disabled service camp of Bharatiya Jain Sangathan organised at Gujarati Bhawan in Bilaspur on Friday. He provided wheelchairs, tricycles, hearing aids, crutches, artificial limbs to the Divyangs in the camp.

The Chief Minister thanked the organization working selflessly and all the doctors serving in the camp. Inquiring about



their well-being from the Divyangs present in the

camp, the Chief Minister wished everyone a healthy

life. It is worth mentioning that this 6-day disabled camp was organized with the help of Bhagwan Mahaveer Viklang Sahayata Samiti Jaipur and Rural Electrification Corporation Limited with the help of Bhartiya Jain Sangathan and Gujarati Samaj.

The camp, which started on June 25, ended on Friday. So far, 145 artificial limbs, 105 calipers, 135 artificial hands, 110 crutches, 53 tricycles, 75 wheelchairs and 215 hearing aids have been distributed to the differently-abled in the camp.

Guru Purnima celebration at Sai Temple Kota

Raipur, Jul 01: As like previous years, sai devotees this year are organising Guru Purnima celebration at Sai Temple Kota on July 03. As per the programme released, at 7 am there will be Kakkad Arti, at 7:30 am Panchamrit Abhishek, 8 am Shringar Aarti, 12 noon Madhya Arti and Prasad Arpan, 12:30 pm bhandara, 6:30 pm Maha Aarti and from 7 pm Bhajan Sandhya to be followed by bh-nadara.

Plying on roads without fitness and tax to be expensive

- Arrangement of automatic e-challan by Transport Department
- ANPR system prepared in different routes of the state

Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Jul 01: Chhattisgarh government is now preparing to crack down on vehicles which are running without fitness, tax and without documents. Preparations have now been completed to start ANPR e-detection system in various routes of the state, so that vehicles without fitness and without tax will be automatically challaned when they pass through the roads.

Transport facilities are being implemented smoothly in the state as per the intention of Chief

Minister Bhupesh Baghel and under the efficient guidance of Transport Minister Mohammad Akbar. The Chief Minister had given instructions to take action to reduce road accidents in the state by looking at the figures of deaths due to road accidents. One of the main reasons for road accidents is heavy vehicles running without fitness.

In order to reduce road accidents caused by unfit vehicles, ANPR cameras are being installed on various routes in the state on the initiative of the Transport Department, which will detect vehicles running without fitness and tax and will take automatic challan action. In the first phase, ANPR cameras have been installed at 09 places, which are connected to the vehicle software and e-detection system of the Transport Department.

Teachers, students, parents administered pledge



- To give best performance in new session during 'Shala Pravesh Utsav'

Central Chronicle News

Berla, Jul 01: 'Shala Pravesh Utsav' is celebrated every year, but this year it was something special. In the celebrations this year, the members of Palak Samiti and all teachers and students were administered a pledge to give best performance and the

CM's address to the students was also recited.

In order to explain the importance of education, every year the parents in order to motivate their children give the educational material to them.

There is no dearth of talent among the teachers here and they leave no stone unturned in order to provide best of the education and studies, apart from sports and other activities in the School. Every year Summer Camp is organised and this is leading to skill development among children and

in such conditions how parents can stay behind.

Every year the Shala Prabandhan Samiti also felicitates the toppers in each class by the President of Samiti Bholuram Veram on occasion of Independence Day. Similarly the member of Shala Samiti Dy.

Sarpanch Tabalghor provides sports materials to promote sports. Dileshwar Sinha, Hari Nishad and Chandrashekhar Verma are also always there to motivate the children.

At the same time, Dauram Patel, Narsingh

Nadda meets Sheer Laldas Saheb of Sindhu Amardham



Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Jul 01: Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) President JP Nadda during his day long visit to Bilaspur on Friday evening, called on Sheer Laldas Saheb of Sindhu Amardham to seek blessings. During the meeting, the BJP President Nadda also presented a booklet to him which highlights the achievements of 9 years rule of Narendra Modi government at Centre.

Speaking on the occasion,

the Sheer Laldas Saheb said that their community had left the country for the Religion which is a rare example in the World to leave everything for the Religion. He further added that the Community would always stand for the campaign and upliftment of Sanatan Culture and would keep on blessing to those who are working for the Religion. State BJP President Arun Sao, former Chief Minister Dr Raman Singh and other senior BJP leaders were present on the occasion.

Sachiv Navagaon suspended on charges of using Panchayat funds

Central Chronicle News

Kawardha, Jul 01: CEO District Panchayat Sandeep Kumar Agrawal has suspended the Sachiv Gulab Kashyap of Gram Panchayat Navagaon of Janpad

For personal use; proposal sent for recovery of Rs 6.03 lakh embezzled

Panchayat Lohara with immediate effect. Kashyap is facing the charges of withdrawal of funds in forged manner and using it for personal use and not delegating the responsibilities given to him seriously. He has been suspended under the provisions of Chhattisgarh Panchayat Services Discipline & Appeal Act 1999. Apart from this for the recovery of the amount worth Rs 6.03 lakh embezzled by him, a proposal has been sent to the SDM (Revenue) sub-division Lohara. Seeing the alleged irregularities by the Sachiv, CEO Janpad Panchayat Sahaspur Lohara has been instructed to file FIR against him in the nearest police check-post or the police station. It is notable here that CEO Janpad Panchayat Sahaspur- Lohara had apprised about this proposal in District Panchayat that the Sachiv Gram Panchayat Navagaon Gulab Kashyap has withdrawn funds for various construction works and used it for personal work. Action was taken against him, taking the same into cognizance and he was suspended along with recovery of the amount embezzled and filing of FIR against him.

Deepak Thakur appointed District President CWJF

Central Chronicle News

Kawardha, Jul 01: The formation of District working committee of state's largest organisation of journalists viz. Chhattisgarh Working Journalist Federation (CWJF) was held few days back in rest house building and during this the state-level office bearers and district-level journalists and all the other office bearers of other organisation of journalists were present.

It was in the presence of all the nomination of District President CWJF and other office bearers was held. It was with consent of all, Deepak Thakur was appointed as the District President CWJF

and Satish Patre as District Gen. Secy; Shailendra Upadhyay as District V-P; Mehboob Khan as District Secy; Pushkar Lahangi as Asst. Secy; Sanjeev Mishra as co-secy; Sanjay Tiwari as Treasurer. In the same way, Dukharan Singh Thakur was nominated as President CWJF (urban) and Sanjay Gupta as Gen. Secy. (Urban). Maheshwar Sahu was appointed as President Kunda Block.

In this meeting of CWJF, State Gen. Secy. BD Nijami, founder member Ravi Vatane, Sanjeev Tiwari, Surendra Kapoor (kake), working state president Avinash Thakur, were present. Giving information about the working of CWJF, BD Nizami



cited the importance of the organisation and extended greetings to all the newly appointed office bearers of the district. State Working President CWJF Avinash Thakur informed that CWJF is the

strongest organisation in the district and all work unitedly and for the benefit of the journalists. Newly appointed District President Deepak Thakur said that the journalists of the region can

move ahead with the help of CWJF and can strengthen the organisation. He said that so far he was working as District Gen.Secy. and all his colleagues now have given him the responsibility as that of CWJF District President and through which he will always try to meet up the expectations of the local journalists.

On this occasion, Umesh Sharma was appointed as advisor and others present included Chandrashekhar Sharma, Sanjeev Pandey, Mannu Chandel, Surya Chandravanshi, Ravi Gwal, Vagheesh, Bhuneshwar Vaishnav, Arvind Tiwari, Suraj Yadav, and others office bearers and members of the region.

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Problem of NH road will be resolved soon: Bais

Mega employment fair organized at Livelihood College

Central Chronicle News

Kusumaksa, Jul 01: Owing to the problems of National Highway (NH) road, on 28th June, the SDM office was to be surrounded under the leadership of district member Sanjay Bais, in Gram Panchayat Armurkasa.

Along with Manoj Markam, a meeting with district member Sanjay Bains and the villagers was held by Sarpanch Saroj Balendra of the village. However the movement has been canceled after administrative officials agreed to resume the work.

The demands kept are



due to the increase in the height of 1. National Highway road, the locality has gone down, stagnant

water is entering the houses, and therefore drains should be constructed on both sides.

The pond crossing and pachari adjacent to the main road have been broken by the contractor of National Highway, while the water of more than 100 acres of land on this pond comes to this pond and due to non-crossing of this pond, therefore the road of National Highway can also be uprooted.

Also demand for maintenance should be given to all the roads going from Main Road of Armurkasa to Basti. Vinod Kumar Balendra, Praveen Kumar, Dayalu Ram Bhandari, Yashwant, Khuman Singh, Gulab Singh and all the villagers were present.

Central Chronicle News

Korba, Jul 01: One has to be mentally prepared to go out to move ahead in the field of employment and improve his or her future, and sacrifice and dedication make the path of professional career easier.

District Collector Sanjeev Kumar Jha said these at the mega employment fair organized at Livelihood College for the eligible beneficiaries of unemployment allowance scheme and other unemployed youth of the district.

Addressing the youth, the Collector said that **C h h a t t i s g a r h G o v e r n m e n t ' s**



Unemployment Allowance Scheme is not only aimed at providing unemployment allowance to the unemployed, but also providing employment-self-employment to the unemployed by upgrading their skills by training them according to their interest.

Regarding the mega em-

ployment fair, he said that unemployed youth should take advantage of it with open thoughts and get employment. The Collector further said that in this organized fair, not only employment is available for technical degree holders, but employment opportunities are also available for

freshers and 10th-12th pass unemployed.

On this occasion, the Collector gave appointment certificates to the youths selected for employment and wished them all the best for their future.

Representatives of 25 regional and inter-state companies interviewed the youth in the mega employment fair and more than 400 unemployed youths registered for employment in the fair, in which 409 applicants were initially selected and 38 applicants were finally selected. Under the Berojgari Bhatta Yojana, more than 200 youths were initially selected for employment.

'68-year-old boundary of GMHSS pulled down'

School entrance festival celebrated with enthusiasm

Central Chronicle News

Paundra Marwahi, Jul 01: There is outrage in the whole city due to the incident of breaking the boundary of Gaurav Government Multi Purpose School (GMHSS) Paundra, and meanwhile Nagar Panchayat has taken up the task of rebuilding the broken boundary wall, which is supported by public representatives of all parties, students, former students and residents of Paundra Nagar.

English and Hindi medium Swami Atmanand School is also running in this school of Paundra. The principal of the school had reportedly complained about breaking the boundary in the police station.

The Principal has demanded action and reconstruction against those who break the boundary,



while the Nagar Panchayat Paundra has talked about rebuilding the boundary from June 29 in the public interest. According to information received in this regard, Manendragarh resident Kishore Agarwal father Hari Prasad Agarwal, Faheem Khan and others broke the boundary wall of the school premises and laid wires on about 38 decimals of land next to the

Shiva temple, by placing a pole, after which the principal applied for registering an FIR against the person who broke the boundary wall in Paundra police station and after informing the Nagar Panchayat Paundra, a request was made to build the broken boundary wall.

After getting information about the incident of breaking the boundary wall, Shankar Patel,

President of Public Participation Committee and Nagar Panchayat President Rakesh Jalan and all the officials of the Nagar Panchayat went along with the people's representatives and students of the city broke the pillars and wire planted by the alleged land owner given.

Now the Nagar Panchayat is going to reconstruct the boundary

wall of Paundra School on June 29, which is supported by public representatives of all parties, students, former students and residents of Paundra Nagar.

The boundary was made 68 years ago

In the year 1955, then Deputy Minister Pandit Mathura Prasad Dubey had laid the foundation stone of this school, as well as Vidya Upanagar Colony. All the above construction work was done on the land given by the donors.

The boundary of the land whose boundary wall was broken was built 68 years ago. Chhattisgarh's first Chief Minister late Ajit Jogi, former minister late Bhanwar Singh Porte, NRI Lakhman Pandey and many big personalities have studied in this institution.

Central Chronicle News

Korea, Jul 01: On the occasion of the inauguration of the education session 2023-24 and the school entrance festival, a development block level program was organized at the Government Ramanuja Higher Secondary School here under the chief hospitality of the District Panchayat Vice President Vedanti Tiwari.

District Panchayat Saubhagyavati Singh Kusro, Municipality Saubhagyavati Singh Kusro, Municipal Vice President Navita Shivhare along with local public representatives, officers-employees, principals of schools, teachers, parents and school children were present



On this occasion, the school children were made to enter the school by applying tilak, garlanding them and feeding them sweets. On this occasion, uniforms and textbooks

were distributed to the newly admitted school children, along with this, cycles were distributed to newly admitted girl students taking admission in class 9th under Saraswati Cycle Yojana.

Soil erosion near river's bank due to admn negligence

Students forced to sit in dilapidated schools in new session

- Farmers suffer loss in large quantity
- BJP leaders reach near Anicut to conduct inspection
- Contractor was given just 8 days to complete work worth Rs 1 cr!



rains, even the materials and machines of the contractor also got washed away and due to which loss is expected to be around lakhs.

BJP leaders reach to conduct inspection

To take stock of the loss to the farmers due to washing away of soil from the land of farmers near Matia-Darri Anicut, the BJP leaders reached here on Thursday afternoon. They were accompanied with ex-District Panchayat President Dinesh Gandhi, BJP leader from Assam Dipti Gogai, District Panchayat member Indumati Sahu, Jagriti Yadu, Ramkumar Gupta, Chuneswar Sahu, Kishore Yadav, Santosh Yadav, and others were present.

During this BJP leader Gandhi charged the MLA of the region for this natural calamity and said that even after completion of one year and despite CM's declaration, this work was not taken seriously and failing to take timely action resulted in this heavy loss to the farmers.

Why the delay

Last year due to non-opening of

Anicut gate that the crop in around 1 acre land of farmers was washed away due to floods in Sheonath river. It is fault of two departments that the farmers of the region are made to face the outcome and even after allegations and counter-allegations, so far the farmers have not been provided relief and the percentage of cutting of soil is regularly increasing.

It was after long struggle by the farmers and sanction for filling of soil and repair work of embankment near the river and inordinate delay on part of the government authorities, that only 8 days back the fortunate moment came and during which works worth Rs 1 cr were completed. But the engineers and officers failed to realise the impact of strong waves and current of this river and due to which the newly constructed embankment on the banks of the river got washed away and the cutting of soil compared to last year, was even higher this time.

- Basic amenities also missing

Central Chronicle News

Churikala, Jul 01: The new academic session started from June 26, but due to the education department not showing honesty regarding the repair of dilapidated schools, students in many places are made to sit in dilapidated schools, while in some places arrangements have been made to run schools by making alternative arrangements.

In many schools, there is no seating arrangement for the chil-

dren and the study work of the children will be affected in due time. Every year, before the start of the new academic session, the state government gives crores of rupees to the education department for the repair and painting of schools, but due to the negligence of the education department, the condition of schools in rural areas is very dilapidated and buildings are mostly fallen and ruined. In the Nagri Panchayat area, all the buildings

from middle school to primary school have collapsed, for which funds are allocated every year, but repairs are not done. The boy's middle school has become a ruin due to lack of repair, but for the operation of the boy's middle school, the boy's middle school lying vacant in the stand can be done under alternative arrangements. On the other hand, the District Education Department has not done any kind of inspection

of the school buildings, while on the other hand, due to lack of adequate arrangements in the schools, the children have to sit on the ground.

Central Chronicle News

Dongargaon, Jul 01: The land of many farmers near the Matia-Darri Anicut near the city got washed away due to heavy rains and this loss has increased after construction of Anicut. Last year the soil on the land of farmers got washed away due to closure of anicut gate and floods in Sheonath River and after which the victimised farmers demanding restoration of their land along with compensation. It was on completion of one full year, their demands were accepted, but due to sheer carelessness of the administration and negligence by the local public representatives, the work was started just 8 days before start of rains.

Though the contractor was doing the work on war-footing putting entire force and was working day & night without any breaks, but due to sudden rains and release of water from the reservoirs, this work came to a standstill. Along with this the soil filling work on the banks of Sheonath River and the soil on the land of farmers got washed away. The cutting of soil after the first rains was severe and compared to the first, this time the cutting was many times higher. Due to sudden

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2)	Mr. Deepak Shrivastava / Ms. Nisha Shrivastava / Mr. Suraj Shrivastava / Ms. Poonam Shrivastava / Ms. Ektas Shrivastava / Mr. Santosh Shrivastava	A Open Land bearing Area- 5170 Sqft., KH No 27/6/30/1P Plot No 27/6, Ward No 37, Street No 36/D, Nr Digvijay College, Rajnandgaon (C.G.) Bounded: North: Another house of Deepak Shrivastava, South: House of Santosh Shrivastava, East: House of Srivastava family, West: Road	23.01.2023	Rs. 29488590.17 +intt. & other charges from 31.01.2023
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1.	Shri Akash Pandey S/o Shri Suresh Kumar Pandey, Address: C/o Mr. R. K. Singh, H. No. 581, Kavilash Nagar, Bhanpuri, Dist. Raipur 492001	CAR Hyundai i-20 Asta Engine No. D4FCGM054649 Chassis No. MALBM51RLGM231408C RC-CG 04 LG 6664 Date of Registration-07.05.2016	₹ 235000/-	₹ 23500/-	SBI Baloda Bazar (Code No. 01048) Mobile No. 9739969950, 9179456522, 7987552939

Interested buyers, should pay 10% (Column 5) of the minimum reserve price (Column 4) by draft or banker cheque payable in favour of Branch Manager, State Bank of India, Name of Branch- (as mentioned in Column 6 above)-Branch. Submit your offer amount, ID proof, Address and phone number in closed envelope with tender form in plain paper. Interested person can contact the Branch Manager of Respective Branch on mentioned mobile number for the terms and conditions of the tender and vehicle inspection information. The last date for submitting the tender from in SBI Branch (as mentioned in Column 6 above) is 12.07.2023 at 3.00 pm. Date of tender opening 12.07.2023 at 4.00 pm at Respective Branches has been fixed. The Bank reserves the right to cancel or suspend any tender/complete tender process without assigning any reason. Note: Auction of vehicle will take place in respective branches, for further details please contact on the given mobile numbers.

Date: 02.07.2023, Place: Baloda Bazar (C.G.) Authorized Officer, State Bank of India

बैंक ऑफ बरौडा Bank of Baroda Regional Office, First Floor, Zonal Market, Sector-10, Bhilai (C.G.) - 490006 PH: 0788 - 2261892, 2264992, E-mail: recovery.durg@bankofbaroda.com

POSSESSION NOTICE
(As per Appendix IV read with rule 8(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002)

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Bank of Baroda under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice to the following borrowers / guarantors calling upon the Borrowers to repay the amount mentioned in the respective notices within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The under mentioned Borrower / Guarantor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers/Guarantors and the Public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub - section (4) of section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 and under section 14 of the Act of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 .

S. N.	Branch Name/Ph.No.	Name of Borrower / Guarantor	Description of Property	Demand Notice Date, Amount & Symbolic / Physical Possession Date
01	Rasmada Branch Durg 9752410595	M/s. Om Sai Industries Prop. Mr. Haribhau Matlane Plot No. 138, Zone-A, Industrial Growth Centre Borai, Village - Rasmada, Durg - 491001 (C.G.) Mr. Haribhau Matlane S/o Mr. Babu Rao Matlane, 495, Ramnagar, Bhilai, Ward No. 13, Supela Bhilai, Durg, C.G. - 490023	All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Leasehold Industrial Land and Shed & Building Plot No: 138, zone A, Borai, Rasmada Industrial Area Growth Centre, Tahsil - Durg and District - Durg (C.G.), standing in the name of Om Sai Industries Prop.- Mr. Haribhau Matlane. Bounded: On the North by: Plot No. 138, On the South by: Plot No. 2, On the East by: Plot No. 137, On the West by: Cross Street No. 01.	12.04.2023 Rs. 41,13,112.00 + interest + other charges 27.06.2023 Symbolic Possession

The Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagees in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the above mentioned property and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of Bank of Baroda for above mentioned amount interest and other charges thereon. The Borrower's attention is invited to provision of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Date: 02.07.2023, Place: Bhilai, Chhattisgarh Authorised Officer, Bank of Baroda

Man arrested for abducting and assaulting youth

Bhilai, Jul 01: Police have arrested a man on charges of abducting and assaulting a youth. The incident was the outcome of some money dispute. The accused is reportedly an ex-army man while the victim works as a manager in a private cast iron foundry in Raipur.



crime. Police received a complaint from Gangdev Prasad (40) son of Late Sampat Barie a resident of

5A/31A/07 Bhilai Nagar. The victim complained that one Beni Prasad Deshmukh abducted him from the road near Sector 7 Overbridge and took him to Balod Road in a car. He assaulted him in the car and demanded money. Later he dropped the victim at Sector 7.

The accused also threatened to kill the victim. Police lodged an FIR under section 294, 506, 323, 365 IPC against Beni Prasad Deshmukh.

Police traced the accused Beni Prasad Deshmukh and recovered

the vehicle used in the incident from his possession. Police seized the car bearing registration number HR 26 CV 6484, telephone wire, kitchen knife, shallow tape, etc from the accused.

These items were used in the crime. The accused was produced before the court and has been sent to jail on judicial remand. ASI Surendra Rajput, Head Constable Prem Kumar Singh, Constable Amit Verma and Hemendra Kurre played a vital role in arresting the accused.

Notorious thief nabbed

Bhilai, Jul 01: Police nabbed a notorious thief and recovered gold jewellery worth Rs 4.5 lakh from his possession. The accused used to move around on foot and targeted the locked houses. A joint team of Durg Civil Team and Police Station Nagar nabbed the accused.



Considering the rising cases of thefts in the district, Superintendent of Police Shalabh Kumar Sinha had instructed his subordinates to trace the accused and recover the stolen items. Under the supervision of Additional Superintendent of Police (City) Sanjay Dhruva and City Superintendent of Police Banker Vaibhav Ramanlal (IPS), a special team was formed for the investigation of theft cases. The special team of the police interrogated the

accused who were earlier arrested in theft cases. Meanwhile, they received a tip off about a person named Pitambar Rao, a resident of Deepak Nagar. He was trying to sell some gold ornaments. Acting on this tip off, the civil team of Durg and Mohan Nagar police station nabbed him near Malviya Nagar Check Post of Deepak Nagar area.

The suspect Pitambar Rao was taken into custody. During sustained interrogation, the suspect Pitambar Rao confessed to committing theft at a house in Scindia Nagar about one year ago. Police took the accused to the crime scene where the accused disclosed how he entered the house from the back door of the house and burgled gold

jewellery and cash from the almira. He had concealed the jewellery at his friend's place and had spent the stolen cash. Police have recovered the gold ornaments. The accused has been challaned in many cases of thefts in the past also. Advance action is being taken by Mohan Nagar police station. The accused Pitambar Rao (55) son of Purushottam Rao a resident of Deepak Nagar has been booked under the provisions mentioned in section 457, 380 of IPC. Inspector Vipin Rangari, Head Constable Monika Gupta, Constables Javed Khan, Kisha Saini, Nasir Bux, Gaur Singh, Thomson Peter, Kamlesh Yadav, Prashant Patankar, Bharthari Nishad, Ajay Kumar Yadu, Rajeev Ranjan Singh played a vital role in arresting the accused.

Disproportionate assets: Mining Officer gets 7 years RI

Bhilai, Jul 01: A Special Court in Durg convicted and sentenced an Assistant Mining Officer to seven years rigorous imprisonment for amassing assets worth Rs 1.48 crore disproportionate to known sources of income. Special Judge (Anti Corruption) Aditya Joshi convicted erstwhile Assistant Mining Officer Ganesh Prasad Kumhare a resident of Radha Bhavan, Vijay Nagar, Durg for amassing disproportionate assets including movable and immovable properties.

ACB conducted searches at the premises of Kumhare and recovered documents of investments, properties, etc.

During trial, the court found that the total income of the accused and his family during the period January 01, 2004 to October 12, 2010 was Rs 61.59 lakhs. In this period, he amassed disproportionate assets of Rs 1.48 crore. The court found him guilty for offences under section 13 (1)(e) and Section 13 (2) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and sentenced him to seven years rigorous imprisonment and Rs 20000 fine. The court opined that the misconduct and acquiring disproportionate wealth by public servants is failing the concept of public welfare state. The disproportionate assets to the tune of Rs 1.48 crore lakhs shall be recovered from Ganesh Prasad Kumhare from his assets, and movable and immovable properties, the court said.

Special Pubic Prosecutor Jahida Parveen informed that the Anti-Corruption Bureau, Raipur registered a case on October 09, 2010 based on the information from a source that while working as Assistant Mining Officer in Durg during January 01, 2004 to October 12, 2010, Ganesh Prasad Kumhare had acquired disproportionate assets.

Narva scheme proves to be a boon for farmers

Bhilai, Jul 01: The Narva scheme is proving to be a boon for all such farmers who were able to harvest only one crop in the rainy season. The income of farmers is increasing due to expansion of irrigation facilities through the Narva scheme. At the same time, they are also becoming empowered socially and economically. Narva structure brushwood is a great example of recharging groundwater at no cost. Structures are being constructed on the nullahs in the forest areas as well. Now the animals need not to migrate to populated areas in search of food and water. Drinking water and means of irrigation are being developed by the administration for farmers. Availability of water is being ensured so that the farmers do not face any difficulty in farming. Chhattisgarh has ample amount of water, forests and natural resources. Paddy, various crops, fruits, greens and vegetables are produced in large quantities. Apart from increasing the production in the agriculture sector, the agricultural development and farmers' welfare are two

important aspects. The Suraji Gaon scheme of the state government is enhancing all these aspects of development. Under the Chhattisgarh government's Suraji Gaon scheme, continuous efforts are being made to give employment to the people in the village itself and to develop Narva, Garva, Ghurva and Bari for the development of the village. The picture of the villages is changing now. Concrete efforts are being made in the direction of conservation and promotion of underground water sources through the Narva program so that agriculture and agricultural related activities can be promoted. This scheme is proving very beneficial for the farmers who were dependent on rain water.

In Durg district, various works are being done continuously for the protection and promotion of rivers and nullahs. The villagers are now getting enough water for activities like farming and animal husbandry.

In Chhattisgarh, the drains are called Narva. Under this scheme, water is stopped by making check dams on the nullahs and that



water is used for irrigation of fields. Apart from this, the groundwater is recharged by stopping the rain water that flows through the drains. The Narva Yojana is mainly based on this scientific technique which provides more time to earth to absorb water. Now farmers are getting sufficient quantities of water for Kharif as well as Rabi crops. The groundwater level is also increasing in the surrounding areas. Along with this, the villagers are also getting employment by participating in Narva development works under MGNREGA.

Area treatment and drainage line treatment works have been given a new shape under Narva in Durg district. For area treatment,

raw drain, private dubri, new pond, tree plantation, water absorption trench, land reclamation, recharge pit and wells have been constructed. For drainage line treatment, nullah revitalization and deepening, Narva renovation, check dam, check dam renovation, brushwood check dam, recharge pit etc have been constructed. The figures of work sanctioned under Narva are commendable. A total of 6207 works were taken up in the DPR, out of which 6164 works have been approved. 5890 works have been completed. A total of 196 narvas have been made in 304 gram panchayats and narvas have been treated.

The increase in the amount of moisture in the

soil is assessed on the basis of vegetation cover and agricultural productivity in the area. Due to moisture, the roots of plants spread and plants take their food from the soil with moisture. The excess water creates a problem of fungal diseases like wet rot and root rot in the crop. The status of ground water surface is assessed twice a year. The pre-monsoon is from March to May and the post-monsoon is from October to December.

The flow of water in Narva is estimated on the basis of liters per second. When the amount of water in Narva is good, the farmer gets convenience in farming. The impact of this indicator is assessed on the basis of change in irrigated area of rabi and kharif crops. The drain water is being used by the farmers for irrigation, which has increased productivity.

Due to water accumulation in Gajra Nala watershed, the farmers are getting water for irrigation in the areas which remained dry in the summer. Ground water level is rising in nearby hand pumps and bore wells. In Gram Panchayats Akatai, Auri, Pauha and Ranitarai,

the rain water is collected in the drains. Now the farmers are getting plenty of water for irrigation. 1500 farmers are now producing rabi crop after treatment in Lumti drain, 1610 farmers are fetching water from bore wells in 745 hectares.

Farmers used to dig boreholes up to 500 meters on both sides of the drain but were not getting enough water. Now they are taking water from the drain. Collector Pushpendra Kumar Meena regularly inspects the development works in Dhamdha. The water level is expected to rise by five inches through the Narva structure ready to welcome the rain drops of monsoon. The works of two phases of Narva have been successfully completed and the water level has increased by 586 inches, due to which the hard work of 15,000 workers has paid off. The aim of this scheme is also that the water level in wells, handpumps and borewells should not decrease during the summer season and the farmers of the state can do farming easily. Narva is now emerging as a national model in water conservation.

358 Executives of SAIL-BSP elevated



Bhilai, Jul 01: 358 Executives of SAIL-Bhilai Steel Plant from different departments were promoted and elevated to senior grades on June 30, 2023.

General Managers at a felicitation ceremony organised at Ispat Bhavan on June 30, 2023.

Anirban Dasgupta, Director I/c (BSP) congratulated the newly promoted Executives and stated that they have worked well for this well-deserved promotion. Your responsibilities will increase manifold. I urge you to contribute more for the company and our Plant in the future, Dasgupta said. Among sen-

ior officers present on the occasion as Special Guests were, Anjani Kumar, ED (Works), AK Chakraborty, ED (MM), AK Panda, ED (F&A), Samir Swarup, CGM I/c (Mines & Rowghat), Dr Ravindranath M, CMO I/c (M&HS), Nisha Soni, CGM (HRD), along with NK Banchor, Chairman, (SEFI) & President (OA). Respective zonal heads and HODs of different areas distributed promo-

tion orders in their respective zones earlier during the day. 18 Executives have been promoted from E1 to E2 grade and become Deputy Managers, 04 Executives have become Senior Managers after getting promoted from E2 to E3 grade, while 61 have got promoted from E3 to E4 grade to become Senior Managers.

197 Executives have become Assistant General Managers after getting promoted from E4 to E5 grade, whereas 29 Executives have been promoted from E5 to E6 grade to become Deputy General Managers.

Among the BSP Employees from the Medical and Health Services Department, 03 executives have been promoted from E5 to E6 grade to become Chief Consultants, while 03 Deputy Chief Medical Officers (DCMOs) have been promoted from E6 to E7 grade to become Additional Chief Medical Officers (ACMO) respectively.

Komal & Akanksha to participate in selection trials

Of Indian women's volleyball team

Bhilai, Jul 01: City's young sports talents Komal Singh and Akanksha Banafar, are participating in the selection trials for the senior Indian women's volleyball Team for the upcoming Asian Games 2023. The selection trials are being organised from June 29 to July 01, 2023 at Bangalore. The women players selected in this trial will represent India in the Asian Games to be held at



Hangzhou, China, from September 23 to October 08, 2023.

Both the players started their sports career from the BSP Volleyball Ground, where they received training from the BSP's Volleyball Instructors. Both Komal & Akanksha have also been members of the women's team of Bhilai Steel Plant. Also both have played for HVC Club Bhilai. Akanksha Banafar has been a regular player of HVC, Bhilai during her school days, however last year she got selected in

S A I , Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, where she is undergoing advanced training in Volleyball. Komal Singh's grandfather has been a BSP Employee. All the volleyball lovers of Bhilai-Durg have congratulated Komal & Akanksha on this achievement and wished them luck for their trials. The Asian Games, also known as Asiad, is a multi-sport event held every four years, and is participated by a cross-section of players from different countries of Asia.

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King Charles and Queen Camilla give environmental award to Indian conservationists

London, Jul 01 (PTD):

Britain's King Charles III and Queen Camilla presented the coveted Elephant Family environmental award to Indian conservationists — filmmaker Kartiki Gonsalves behind Oscar-winning documentary 'The Elephant Whisperers' and the Real Elephant Collective (TREC) of 70 Adivasi artists — at a ceremony here.

Gonsalves received the Tara Award, inspired by the sacred bond between elephants and humans to recognise extraordinary achievements in storytelling and advocacy for coexistence.

The debut director of 'The Elephant Whisperers' collected the award, an elephant statuette as a nod to the wildlife conservation charity Elephant Family, from the royals at an Animal Ball at Lancaster House on Wednesday.

"This powerful film explores the profound connection between humans and elephants through the heartwarming story of



Filmmaker Kartiki Gonsalves accepts the Tara Award from King Charles III and Queen Camilla in London, UK.

importance, emphasising the importance of respect for indigenous communities and empathy towards all living beings," the Elephant Family said in a statement. The Elephant Family said in a statement. The Elephant Whisperers, which won the 2023 Academy Award for Best Documentary Short Film earlier this year, captures the inspiring journey of an indigenous couple as they nurture and care for Raghu, forming an unbreakable bond with the elephant.

The Elephant Family said the globally acclaimed documentary stands as a "testament to the beauty of India's wilderness, the wisdom of tribal communities, and the empathy that exists between people and animals who share the same space".

"As Kartiki Gonsalves, a true champion for wildlife and nature, receives this esteemed award, Elephant Family honours her unwavering dedication and unyielding enthusiasm towards the preservation of our natural world," it noted.

Raghu, an orphaned elephant from the same herd depicted in TREC's sculptures. Gonsalves dedicated her award to Mother India and the idea of coex-

308 Indian prisoners in Pakistani jails

Islamabad, Jul 01 (PTD):

Pakistan on Saturday handed over a list of 308 Indian prisoners, including 42 civil and 266 fishermen, lodged in its jails to the High Commission of India here as part of a bilateral agreement.

The step was taken in consistency with the provisions of the 2008 Agreement on Consular Access between the two countries, the Foreign Office (FO) said in a statement.

The FO said that "the Government of Pakistan today handed over a list of 308 Indian prisoners in Pakistan (42 civilian prisoners and 266 fishermen) to the High Commission of India in Islamabad."

It further said that the Government of India handed over the list of Pakistani prisoners in Indian jails to the Pakistan High Commission, New Delhi.

According to the list, there are a total of 417

Pakistanis in Indian jails, 343 of whom are civilian prisoners and 74 fishermen.

Islamabad urged New Delhi to release and repatriate all those Pakistani civilian prisoners and fishermen, who have completed their respective sentences and their national status stands confirmed.

Pakistan and India regularly arrest fishermen for violating the maritime boundary, which is poorly marked at some points.

India also requested Pakistan to ensure the safety, security and welfare of all Indians and those believed to be Indian civilian prisoners and fishermen, pending their release and repatriation, the Ministry of External Affairs said in a statement in New Delhi.

It said India remains committed to addressing, on priority, all humanitarian matters, including those pertaining to prisoners and fishermen in each other's country.

3 killed, 17 wounded in Ukraine from Russian attacks

Kyiv, Jul 01 (AP):

Ukrainian officials on Saturday morning reported more civilian casualties from Russian shelling in the country's east and south, as a visit by Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez began in Kyiv as a show of continuing support from Madrid and the European Union for Ukraine's fight to dislodge invading Russian forces from its territory.

In an address to Ukraine's parliament that received several standing ovations, Sanchez said, "We'll be with you as long as it takes." "I am here to express the firm determination of the European (Union) and Europe against the illegal and unjustified Russian aggression to Ukraine," he said on the day that Spain took over the six-month rotating presidency of the 27-nation EU.

Sanchez will meet with President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, with the two set to give a joint news conference on Saturday afternoon.

Elsewhere in Ukraine, regional officials reported that at least three civilians were killed and at least 17 more wounded by Russian shelling on Friday and overnight.

Three people died and 10 more suffered wounds on Friday in the front-line eastern Donetsk region, where fierce battles are raging, Gov. Pavlo Kyrylenko said on Saturday. The Ukrainian General Staff reported that fierce clashes continued in three areas in Donetsk where it said Russia has massed troops and attempted to advance. In the latest of regular social media updates, the General Staff named the outskirts of three cities Bakhmut, Lyman and Marinka as front-line hot spots, and said that Russia over the previous day staged unsuccessful assault attempts there.

7 killed, 20 injured in road accident

In Sindh province of Pakistan

Karachi, Jul 01 (PTD):

At least seven persons were killed and 20 injured after two overspeeding buses collided in Pakistan's Sindh province, officials said.

A police official confirmed that the accident took place on Friday, the second day of Eid.

"One passenger coach was coming to Karachi from Lahore while the other one was going from Karachi upcountry when they collided due to overspeeding by the drivers," he said.

At least seven were killed and 20 injured in the collision near Moro in Naushero Feroze during the Eid holidays, SHO Nazim Bhutto said.

The injured have been rushed to hospitals in

Nawabshah and Naushero Feroze.

Earlier this month, seven persons were killed and 42 injured when two passenger coaches collided near Nawabshah on a side road of Mehran Highway.

In April, nine people

were killed when a truck collided head-on with a minivan near Keenhar Lake in Sindh's Thatta district. Road accidents are common in Pakistan and are caused mainly due to poor roads, badly maintained vehicles and unprofessional driving.

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एकलव्य आदर्श-आवासीय विद्यालयों में शैक्षणिक सत्र 2023-24 के रिक्त सीटों में लेटरल एंट्री के माध्यम से प्रवेश की सूचना

जिला स्तरीय आदिम जाति कल्याण, आवासीय एवं आश्रम शैक्षणिक संस्थान समिति गौरेला-पेण्ड्रा-मरवाही छ.ग. अंतर्गत संचालित एकलव्य आदर्श आवासीय विद्यालयों में वर्ष 2023-24 में विभिन्न कक्षाओं में रिक्त सीट के विरूद्ध प्रवेश लेटरल एंट्री प्रवेश परीक्षा नियमावली एवं प्रवेश निति 2023-24 के माध्यम से प्रवेश दिया जाना है। विद्यालयवार तथा कक्षावार रिक्त सीटों की जानकारी निम्नानुसार है:-

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उक्त कक्षावार रिक्त सीट के विरूद्ध प्रवेश हेतु आवेदन पत्र दिनांक 30.06.2023 से 05.07.2023 तक कार्यालय प्राचार्य, एकलव्य आदर्श आवासीय विद्यालय डोंगरिया, लाटा व नेवसा से प्राप्त एवं जमा किया जा सकता है। प्रवेश परीक्षा की तिथि एवं परीक्षा का स्थान को जानकारी पृथक से उपलब्ध कराई जावेगी।

प्रवेश परीक्षा के संबंध में अधिक जानकारी हेतु कार्यालय सहायक आयुक्त, आदिवासी विकास जिला गौरेला-पेण्ड्रा-मरवाही छ.ग. एवं प्राचार्य, एकलव्य संयुक्त आदर्श आवासीय विद्यालय डोंगरिया/लाटा/नेवसा से संपर्क कर प्राप्त किया जा सकता है।

(डॉ. ललित शुक्ला) सहायक आयुक्त आदिवासी विकास, गौरेला-पेण्ड्रा-मरवाही (छ.ग.)

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JOYFUL PADDY FESTIVITIES



People play with mud in a paddy field during Asar Pandra, or paddy planting day at Bahunbesi, Nuwakot District, 30 miles North from Kathmandu, Nepal. Nepalese people celebrate the festival by planting paddy, playing in the mud, singing traditional songs, eating yogurt and beaten rice.

France arrests more than 1,300 people after fourth night of rioting



Police investigators examine charred buses after a fourth night of unrest at the bus depot of Aubervilliers, outside Paris.

Over teen's killing by police

Paris, Jul 01 (AP):

Rioting raged in cities around France for a fourth night despite a huge police deployment and 1,311 arrests, with cars and buildings set ablaze and stores looted, as family and friends prepared Saturday to bury the 17-year-old whose killing by police unleashed the unrest.

France's Interior Ministry announced the new figure for arrests around the country, where 45,000 police officers fanned out in a so-far unsuccessful bid to quell violence.

Despite an appeal to parents by President Emmanuel Macron to keep their children at home, street clashes between young protesters and police raged on. About 2,500 fires were set and stores were ransacked, according to authorities.

The funeral ceremony for the teen, identified only as Nahel, who was killed by police in the Paris suburb of Nanterre on Tuesday, began on Saturday. Family and friends were viewing the open coffin before it will be taken to a mosque for a ceremony and later burial in a town cemetery.

As the number of arrests continued to mount,

the government suggested the violence was beginning to lessen thanks to tougher security measures. Since the unrest began on Tuesday night, police have made a total of 2,400 arrests more than half of those in the fourth night of violence. Still, the damage was widespread, from Paris to Marseille and Lyon and even far away, in the French territories overseas, where a 54-year-old died after

being hit by a stray bullet in French Guiana. Hundreds of police and firefighters have been injured, including 79 overnight, but authorities haven't released injury tallies for protesters.

France's national soccer team including international star Kylian Mbappe, an idol to many young people in the disadvantaged neighbourhoods where the anger is rooted pleaded for an end to the violence.

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कार्यालय, मुख्य चिकित्सा एवं स्वास्थ्य अधिकारी, जगदलपुर, जिला- बस्तर के पत्र क्र./मु.वि.स्वा.अ./स्था/2023-24/532, जगदलपुर, दिनांक 30/06/2023, द्वारा बस्तर जिले अन्तर्गत संचालित शहीद महेन्द्र कर्मा स्मृति चिकित्सालय, डिमरापाल एवं जिला चिकित्सालय, महारानी अस्पताल, जगदलपुर में स्वास्थ्य सेवाओं के सुदृढीकरण हेतु रेडियोलॉजिस्ट के रिक्त पदों की पूर्ति करने हेतु वॉक इन इंटरव्यू (Walk In Interview) आयोजित किया गया है। इच्छुक उम्मीदवार वांछित समस्त दस्तावेजों की मूलप्रति एवं आवेदन के साथ दिनांक 07.07.2023 को प्रातः 11:00 बजे से शाम 05:30 तक कार्यालय, मुख्य चिकित्सा एवं स्वास्थ्य अधिकारी जगदलपुर, जिला बस्तर में उपस्थित होकर मांग ले सकते हैं, साथ ही उम्मीदवार आवेदन पत्र एवं वांछित समस्त दस्तावेजों शासकीय ई-मेल आई डी dtc.bastar2017@gmail.com में प्रेषित कर सकते हैं (आवेदक आवेदन पत्र के साथ समस्त अनिवार्य आवश्यक दस्तावेजों की स्वप्रमाणित छायाप्रति उच्च गुणवत्ता वाले PDF फॉर्मेट में निर्धारित ई-मेल आई डी पर भेज सकते हैं।

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मुख्य चिकित्सा एवं स्वास्थ्य अधिकारी, जगदलपुर, जिला-बस्तर (छ.ग.)

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निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना दिनांक: 27/06/2023

क्रमांक 2798/NIT-06/2023-24/ब.ले.लि.	दिनांक: 27/06/2023
निविदा प्रपत्र क्रय करने हेतु आवेदन प्रस्तुत करने की अंतिम तिथि:-	12/07/2023 अपरान्ह 5.30 बजे तक
ठेकेदारों द्वारा प्रस्तुत निविदाएं प्राप्त करने की अंतिम तिथि:-	19/07/2023 अपरान्ह 5.30 बजे तक
निविदा खोलने की तिथि:-	20/07/2023 पूर्वाह्न 11.30 बजे तक
निविदा प्रपत्र की कीमत (रु. में)	T0040 to T0041 and T0045 and T0048 to T0049=750.00 and T0042 to T0044 and T0046 to T0047=1500.00
निविदाकर्ता की श्रेणी	ई-पंजीयन के अंतर्गत श्रेणी "द" से "अ" तक
कार्य की अवधि	T0040 to T0041 and T0048 to T0049=01 Months and T0042 to T0044 and T0046 to T0047=02 Months

पत्रांश/टी.क्र.	कार्य का नाम NoOffCalls	कार्य की अनुमानित लागत (लाख में)	अमानत राशि (रु. में)	बैंक गारंटी (रु. में)
6 T0040	SPECIAL REPAIR WORK ON ITI BUILDING AT VISHRAMPURी प्रथम आमंत्रण	5.00 3750.00 75000.00		
6 T0041	SPECIAL REPAIR WORK ON ITI HOSTEL BUILDING AT VISHRAMPURी प्रथम आमंत्रण	5.00 3750.00 75000.00		
6 T0042	BT PATCH REPAIR WORK ON SH AND VARIOUS VR ROAD UNDER SUB DIVISION NO 01 KONDAGAON प्रथम आमंत्रण	49.27 37000.00 740000.00		
6 T0043	BT PATCH REPAIR WORK ON VARIOUS VILLAAGE ROAD UNDER SUBDN 01 KONDAGAON प्रथम आमंत्रण	24000.00 478800.00		
6 T0044	BT PATCH REPAIR WORK ON VARIOUS ROAD UNDER SUB DIVISION KESHKAL PART 1 03road प्रथम आमंत्रण	33.00 25000.00 495000.00		
6 T0045	BT PATCH REPAIR WORK ON VARIOUS ROAD UNDER SUB DIVISION KESHKAL part 02 03road प्रथम आमंत्रण	13500.00 269900.00		
6 T0046	BT PATCH REPAIR WORK ON SH AND MDR VILLAAGE ROAD UNDER SUB DIVISION NO 02 KONDAGAON PART 01 08 Road प्रथम आमंत्रण	35.00 26300.00 525000.00		
6 T0047	BT PATCH WORK ON MDR AND VARIOUS ROAD UNDER SUB DIVISION NO 02 KONDAGAON PART 02 07 Roads प्रथम आमंत्रण	26.60 20000.00 399000.00		
6 T0048	उपसंभाग कोडगावाव क्रमांक 02 विभिन्न मार्गों में wmm पंच रिपेयर कार्य प्रथम आमंत्रण	5.00 3750.00 75000.00		
6 T0049	केशकाल बॉसकोट माकड़ी अमरावती किमी 8 से 9 एंड 22 से 52 एंड अंतर्गद से बेड़मा मार्ग के किमी 36 से 6५/८ में Wmm पंच रिपेयर कार्य 10.300 प्रथम आमंत्रण	17.99 10.00 7500.00 150000.00		

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1	137871	देवगढ़ व्यवर्तन योजना के शीर्ष कार्य का निर्माण।	रु. 4218.32 लाख
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UCC's Prudent Path

With the Lok Sabha elections looming ahead, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has intensified his call for the implementation of the Uniform Civil Code (UCC), while accusing Opposition parties of sowing discord among minority communities. In response, the Congress has criticized the government's push for a 'divisive' code, cautioning against imposing an agenda-driven majoritarian ideology. The UCC remains a crucial electoral agenda for the ruling BJP, following the fulfillment of core promises such as the abrogation of Article 370 and the upcoming completion of the Ram Mandir. The concept of the UCC entails a unified set of personal laws encompassing aspects like marriage, divorce, inheritance, and adoption, applicable to all citizens irrespective of their religion. The Law Commission has recently initiated the process of soliciting views from various stakeholders, including the public and recognized religious organizations, on this contentious issue. Spearheading the UCC campaign is Uttarakhand, a BJP-ruled state. Notably, the Supreme Court had earlier acknowledged that state governments possess the authority to examine the feasibility of implementing a common code. Article 44 of the Constitution, a directive principle of state policy, calls for the state's endeavor to secure a uniform civil code for all citizens across India. The Union government now faces the daunting task of building consensus on the UCC. The apprehensions and doubts among minority communities, fueled by concerns that the code may favor a Hindu-centric approach, must be addressed. To gain credibility and acceptance, the UCC must embody the essence of Article 25, which guarantees freedom of religion, and seek to eliminate regressive practices prevalent in various faiths. An ideal code should be reformative, aiming to uplift society as a whole. It is essential that the central government takes into account the perspectives of all stakeholders while formulating the UCC. The process of implementing a Uniform Civil Code requires meticulous attention, consultation, and inclusivity. It must not be perceived as a tool to impose the cultural practices of one religious group on others. Instead, the code should be a platform for dialogue, where diverse religious beliefs and customs are respected, while simultaneously working towards harmonizing conflicting laws and practices. The UCC should strive to create a just and equitable society, safeguarding the rights and freedoms enshrined in our Constitution. Furthermore, the government's responsibility is not limited to drafting the UCC but also to address the concerns and aspirations of minority communities. The UCC should not be wielded as a weapon to suppress or marginalize any particular group. Instead, it should serve as an instrument for social progress, modernization, and gender equality. The code must ensure that discriminatory practices, prevalent in certain religious laws, are eradicated, thereby fostering a more inclusive and egalitarian society. The path to implementing a Uniform Civil Code may be arduous, but it presents an opportunity for the government to demonstrate its commitment to upholding the principles of justice, secularism, and inclusivity. The UCC should not be approached as a political tool to polarize society but rather as a means to unify and strengthen the fabric of our diverse nation. It is imperative that the Union government takes a cautious and deliberative approach, engaging in constructive dialogue with all stakeholders, including legal experts, scholars, religious leaders, and representatives of marginalized communities. This collaborative effort will ensure that the Uniform Civil Code is not only legally sound but also respects the sentiments, beliefs, and rights of all citizens.

Defending Democracy

Pakistan's Delicate Balance

The purging of military officers in Pakistan, including a Lt General, sends a strong message from the army to deter sympathizers of former Prime Minister Imran Khan. In the wake of the violent unrest following Imran's arrest on May 9, where over 20 defence installations and government buildings were attacked, the Pakistan army has taken decisive action to demonstrate its authority and weed out those who failed to protect key military sites. The attacks, allegedly carried out by supporters of Imran's Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) party, revealed deep divisions within the military, an institution that has historically wielded significant influence over the country's politics. The fact that the protesters managed to breach heavily guarded premises suggests complicity from insiders. Major Generals, Brigadiers, and more than 100 individuals are now facing trial in military courts for their involvement in these attacks, a clear indication that the military is committed to strict self-accountability regardless of rank or position. As Pakistan prepares for the upcoming General Election, both the military and the Shehbaz Sharif government are leaving no stone unturned in neutralizing Imran and his loyalists. Imran himself claims victimization, alleging that he and other PTI leaders are targeted due to their outspoken criticism of the army. The military's dual strategy of cracking down on PTI leaders while simultaneously purging its own ranks aims to regain control and influence over the political landscape. However, this approach carries inherent risks and could potentially backfire, leading to an electoral advantage for Imran and further political unrest. It is essential for Pakistan, a nation grappling with severe economic challenges, to brace itself for a prolonged period of political instability. The outcome of the upcoming election will shape the country's future trajectory. As the military asserts its authority, it must ensure that its actions are not perceived as undermining the democratic process or stifling dissent. Upholding the principles of accountability, transparency, and respect for democratic institutions will be crucial in maintaining public trust and stability. Furthermore, the ongoing political turmoil should serve as a wake-up call for all stakeholders to prioritize national unity and the welfare of the people. Pakistan's progress and development can only be achieved through inclusive governance, economic reforms, and social cohesion. The upcoming election should be an opportunity to showcase the strength of democracy, with a level playing field for all political parties, ensuring fair and transparent proceedings. Military's purge in Pakistan reflects a firm resolve to address internal weaknesses and deter sympathizers of Imran Khan. While the move may be driven by the desire to regain control and influence, it also carries inherent risks. It is crucial for the military and the government to maintain a delicate balance, upholding democratic values while effectively addressing security concerns. The upcoming election will be a litmus test for Pakistan's democratic journey, and it is imperative for all stakeholders to prioritize national stability, inclusivity, and economic progress. Only through unity and a commitment to democratic principles can Pakistan overcome its challenges and pave the way for a brighter future.

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MONSOON PREPARATIONS



A farmer prepares a field for cultivation during the monsoon season, in Nadia district of West Bengal, Saturday, July 1.

AI: Democratizing Nutritional Advice with Safety and Accuracy

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When you search online to see how people are using artificial intelligence (AI) tools such as ChatGPT, you will quickly find that food requests are popular. More specifically, users are seeking help with menu planning to meet their personal dietary goals. But how effective is this technology in providing dietary advice? In a consumer poll, over three out of five consumers agreed they would like to eat a healthier diet. Some 73% felt it was important to buy food that has a low environmental impact. A substandard diet is a leading cause of chronic disease and death around the world. Additionally, a third of all human-caused greenhouse gas emissions are linked to food. Against this background, it's clear that help is required to achieve the transformational shift from goals to behaviour. However, for the 19.9% of Europeans who live with a self-reported food allergy, every eating decision has to align with protecting themselves from an adverse reaction. This comes at a cost: the average spend on weekly food purchases for those with food hyper-sensitivities is 12-27% higher than for those with no allergies. An extra 40.37 days is required for those with allergies to research and plan their diet. So, while AI could help many households have healthier diets, the consequences of an error for those with food allergies can be life threatening. With concern also raised for consum-

ing purported healthy ingredients such as coconut oil, it is extremely important that nutrition experts help inform these technological solutions.

How can AI help?
Academics in Canada used specific types of AI, known as natural language processing (NLP) and machine learning, to process text on food labels. This is done to accurately categorise food products by their specific nutritional criteria. Such criteria include the Table of Reference Amounts for food categorisation used by Health Canada the country's government department for health policy along with the nutrient profiling system of Food Standards Australia New Zealand, the authority that develops food standards for both Oceanian countries. This work showed that technology could be used to reduce the time needed to manually categorise large numbers of food products.

Commercial offerings using technology in this way already exist. One example is the company Food Maestro. The company I am involved with, Spoon Guru, has been working with global retailers for eight years, helping them facilitate the food search and find features within online grocery shopping platforms using AI systems that are co-developed with registered nutritionists. The field of generative AI uses large language models (LLM) and machine learning to not only identify words within text but also to understand their order and context to produce human-like responses to text-based prompts.

AI chatbots such as Chat GPT use this technology to synthesise information, summarise text and answer questions. It can be used to provide tailored menu plans, generate recipe ideas and compile shopping lists.

Chatbot test
Early expert reviews using Chat GPT for menu planning and dietary advice have produced mixed results. A study to assess the chatbot's ability to produce dietary plans for those with

allergies found that out of 56 diets, it generated an unsafe plan on one occasion, including almond milk within a nut-free dietary plan.

There were other errors too. For example, there were mistakes in the way food quantities and energy values were described and there was repetition of the same foods within menu plans.

In a review of ChatGPT's potential for personalised obesity treatment, the authors raised concerns about patient privacy and security. They also noted a lack of accountability should harmful advice be provided. These models currently do not have to abide by professional standards or codes of ethics.

Dietitians tested ChatGPT's ability to define an ideal diet for those with type 2 diabetes or those undergoing haemodialysis a treatment for kidney failure. They too found errors. The chatbot responded with foods that would not be optimal for these conditions, without any warnings. Menu plans were again repetitive and the authors raised concerns that such solutions could encourage users not to consult qualified health professionals.

The lack of references to the sources of information used to generate the answers meant they couldn't check if they were of high scientific quality. A cardiologist tested the advice that ChatGPT generated in relation to his specialist area, which was the link between dietary fat and cardiovascular disease. He felt the answers misinterpreted the research studies, repeatedly producing errors and inconsistencies in a tone described as sensible, confident and convincing.

Ethical implications

Despite clear signs that caution is warranted, some early reviews also noted that AI had strengths and the potential for providing personalised nutrition advice. ChatGPT's responses often aligned with published food-based dietary guidelines. For example, the chatbot included fruit and vegeta-

bles in every meal, and incorporated advisory statements, such as "it is important to read labels carefully" and "consult a health professional".

The ethical implications, safety and quality of the technology will need to be more fully understood before it is likely to be used within these professions. However, customers and patients may choose to make regular use of it regardless.

Technology like ChatGPT could be seen as a useful tool for dietitians and registered nutritionists to quickly find information about foods, helping inform their work.

Academics investigating the relationship between food and health could also use AI to save time or develop innovative approaches to their research. This could help increase the impact of their research, increasing its accessibility in a way that benefits society.

Policy makers, regulators and those working in the food industry are very interested in the health and sustainability of food. They are also interested in how advice in this area is communicated to the public.

Tools such as ChatGPT represent a whole new dimension of information and misinformation about food and health. The response to it will be crucial for ensuring the accurate, safe and transparent communication of dietary advice.

Using the technology could greatly increase access to personalised dietary advice for the general public. It could also help address the barriers individuals face in achieving their health goals.

However safety must come first. Nutrition experts, traceable sources of scientifically robust information and quality assurance processes need to be central to the development and implementation of such technologies when using them to provide dietary advice.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Uniting for a Drug-Free India

The realization of a drug-free India necessitates collaborative endeavors from both the government and civil society. While the challenge may seem daunting, the Modi government's unwavering commitment to combat this menace is a positive stride forward. Through the implementation of stringent laws, heightened awareness campaigns, robust rehabilitation programs, bolstered law enforcement, and enhanced international cooperation, India can foster an environment conducive to eradicating drug abuse. Let us stand united as a nation, recognizing that a drug-free India is not merely a slogan, but a collective responsibility we all share. Together, we can create a healthier and brighter future for our nation.

Krishna Kumar KT, Kollam

Putin's Vulnerabilities

The recent mutiny orchestrated by Yevgeny Prigozhin, a powerful military oligarch heading the Wagner Group, has sent shockwaves through Russia, exposing its weaknesses and challenging President Putin's authority. While a resolution has been reached through Belarusian mediation, the fallout has left Russia in a defensive position. Prigozhin's discontent with the Defense Minister and the Chief of the General Staff stems from their failure to provide sufficient provisions and ammunition to the Wagner troops during the Battle of Bakhmut. These events have not only shaken the country but also revealed vulnerabilities within Putin's regime.

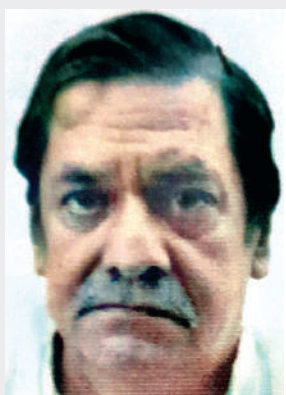
Ram Kumar Gupta, Korba

Manipur and UCC

As Manipur faces escalating turmoil, Prime Minister Modi's focus on the Uniform Civil Code (UCC) raises concerns about misplaced priorities. Unemployment, poverty, and inflation continue to plague the nation, demanding urgent attention. Merely constructing a temple or exploiting divisive issues for electoral gains falls short of addressing the pressing challenges faced by the country. It is high time political leaders prioritize the welfare of the poor and tackle critical issues instead of indulging in populist rhetoric. The crisis in Manipur serves as a stark reminder that genuine concerns should take precedence over political expediency.

MK Nair, Raipur

Empowering India: Progress and Challenges in the Pursuit of Gender Equality



Yash Pal Raihan

India's efforts to address gender inequality have shown a slight improvement, as reflected in the country's higher ranking in the annual Gender Gap Report 2023. However, the progress made is nominal, and significant challenges persist in achieving true gender parity. With a population of over 135 crores, India has a long way to go in closing the gender gap across economic participation, education, health, and political empowerment. This article explores the recent developments, remaining obstacles, and the importance of creating an inclusive environment to promote gender equality in the armed forces.

Closing the Gender Gap in India

India's improved ranking, moving from 135th to 127th out of 146 countries in the Gender Gap Report, represents a step in the right direction. However, the report highlights the need for India to address key areas, including economic participation and opportunity, educational attainment, health and survival, and political empowerment, to ensure that women can contribute fully to the economy, growth, and overall well-being of society. While India has made strides in education and political empowerment, more

work is required to achieve gender equality across all sectors.

Political Empowerment and Representation

India's progress in political empowerment is notable, with women representing over 40% of local governance positions due to efforts made after the 73rd and 74th amendments. However, women's representation in Parliament remains low at 15.1%. To bridge this gap, the Women's Reservation Bill, which proposes a 33% reservation for women in the Lok Sabha and State Legislative Assemblies, needs

to be passed. Recent examples, such as Nagaland electing its first two women MLAs in 2023, demonstrate the need for continued efforts to ensure women's participation in politics.

Economic Participation and Opportunity

India's ranking on economic participation and opportunity remains low, with less than 40% parity between men and women. While there have been improvements in wage and income parity, the representation of women in senior and technical roles has declined. To address this, it is crucial to provide girls with access to education at all levels and ensure equal opportunities for paid work. By offering job-assured education for girls, development indices, including nutrition, can be improved, and the cycle of early marriage leading to poor maternal and child health can be broken.

Health and Survival

India's performance in health and survival also requires attention, despite an improvement in the sex ratio at birth. To enhance women's well-being, it is essential to prioritize their access to education, paid work, and address safety concerns. The COVID-19 pandemic further highlighted the challenges faced by women, with decreased labor force

participation and reduced household incomes. Efforts to achieve gender equality must continue in earnest, as the pandemic has disrupted progress towards the goal of equality by 2030.

Promoting Gender Equality in the Armed Forces

The Supreme Court of India has played a crucial role in advocating for gender equality. Recently, the court expressed its disapproval of the recruitment process for the Army Dental Corps, which had reserved only 10% of vacancies for women. The court deemed this a violation of Article 14 of the Constitution, which guarantees equality before the law. In response, the government has implemented a gender-neutral recruitment policy, aligning with the court's decision and granting equal opportunities to both male and female candidates. This step complements the court's 2020 judgement granting permanent commission to women in the defense forces.

Overcoming Challenges and Fostering Inclusion

The journey to eliminate gender bias from the Indian Armed Forces requires collective efforts from the government, armed forces, and society as a whole. It entails addressing cultural attitudes, biases, and providing equal opportunities for

men and women. Creating a supportive environment that values diversity and inclusion is paramount. Acknowledging the contributions of women in the armed forces is crucial, as they have proven their capabilities and dedication to duty in various roles, including combat and non-combat positions.

While the government and military leadership have taken significant steps to address gender bias in the armed forces, true gender equality is yet to be achieved. Ensuring the safety and well-being of female military personnel should be a priority. The government must assure them that their concerns and issues will be addressed effectively. Sympathy towards their problems is not enough; concrete actions and support are required.

In this endeavor, the government can seek the assistance of NGOs and social organizations that are actively working in the field of gender equality. These organizations possess valuable expertise and resources that can contribute to creating a more inclusive and diverse environment within the armed forces.

(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.)

BRIEF**India market**

New Delhi: Leading FMCG maker Procter & Gamble is very "optimistic" in the mid and long-term prospects of India, where it will invest Rs 2,000 crore to set up an export hub, on the back of robust growth, according to company's country CEO LV Vaidyanathan. Procter & Gamble (P&G) India will continue to grow categories that are currently undeveloped and bring product propositions that are meaningful to the quality-conscious Indian consumer, he said. In the last three years, P&G has driven consistent double-digit growth in both the topline and bottomline.

Retail inflation

New Delhi: Retail inflation for industrial workers eased to 4.42 per cent in May from 5.09 per cent in April, mainly due to lower prices of certain food items. "Year-on-year inflation for the month stood at 4.42 per cent compared to 5.09 per cent for the previous month and 6.97 per cent during the corresponding month a year before," a labour ministry statement said on Friday. Food inflation stood at 3.24 per cent in May as against 4.16 per cent in the previous month and 7.92 per cent during the year-ago period. The All India CPI-IW for May 2023 increased by 0.5 points to 134.7.

Resignation

Mumbai: State Bank of India (SBI) on Monday said its Chief Financial Officer Charanjit Surinder Singh Attra has put in his papers. "We submit that Charanjit Surinder Singh Attra, Chief Financial Officer, has resigned from the services of the bank, the resignation is accepted by the appropriate authority with effect from close of the business hours on 30th June 2023," the bank said in a filing to stock exchanges. In another filing, the country's largest lender informed about appointment of four director on the bank's central board for a period of three years.

Forex reserves

Mumbai: India's forex reserves dropped USD 2.901 billion to USD 593.198 billion in the week ended June 23, the Reserve Bank said on Friday. The overall reserves increased by USD 2.35 billion to USD 596 in the previous reporting week. It can be noted that in October 2021, the country's forex kitty had reached an all-time high of USD 645 billion. The reserves have been declining as the central bank deploys the kitty to defend the rupee amid pressures caused majorly by global developments.

PSBs profit tripled to Rs 1.04 lakh in nine years: FM

New Delhi, Jul 01:

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Saturday said the public sector banks' profit in the last nine years has tripled to Rs 1.04 lakh crore due to initiatives taken by the government and underlined the need for continuing the momentum to fuel economy. The net profit of public sector banks (PSBs) has almost tripled to Rs 1.04 lakh crore in FY23 from Rs 36,270 crore in FY2014. Inaugurating the corporate office of Punjab and Sind Bank here, the minister said that banks need to "build on laurels" by following the best corporate governance principles. "Banks should not sit back and revel in success. They should follow best corporate governance practices, adhere to regulatory norms, ensure pru-



Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman virtually inaugurates a branch of the Punjab and Sind Bank in Assam's Karimganj, in New Delhi, Saturday, July 1. Union MoS for Finance Bhagwat Kishanrao Karad and Punjab & Sind Bank Non-Executive Chairman Charan Singh are also seen.

dent liquidity management and continue to focus on having robust asset-liability and risk management," she said, stressing that the Indian economy has moved away from the 'twin balance sheet problem' to 'twin balance sheet advantage'.

The finance minister said that there was a time when the Indian economy faced the problem of twin balance sheets - stress on the balance sheets of banks and corporate at the same time. Before the Modi government came to power in 2014, difficulty in

the Indian banking system actually started because of irrational 'Phone Banking', which happened during the tenure of the UPA government, she said. Back then, Sitharaman said, the priority in lending was given to not-so-worthy customers in an unprofessional manner. As a result, they became NPAs. "As a result (of various initiatives of the government), I'm glad to say the problems of twin balance sheets have gone away," she said, adding that as per the Reserve Bank, it is a twin balance sheet advantage that is benefiting the Indian economy. Observing that combined profits of the public sector banks tripled to Rs 1.04 lakh crore in 2022-23 against Rs 36,270 crore in FY14, Sitharaman said the banks "need to build on laurels".

Hero MotoCorp to hike two-wheeler prices

■ By around 1.5% from next month

**New Delhi, Jul 01:**

Two-wheeler maker Hero MotoCorp on Friday said it will hike prices of its motorcycles and scooters by around 1.5 per cent from July 3, citing several factors, including a rise in input costs. The company, which raised prices by around 2 per cent in April this year, said the exact quantum of its latest increase would vary by specific models and markets. "The upward revision of the prices of motorcycles and scooters is part of the price review that the company undertakes from time to time, keeping in mind various factors like price positioning, input costs and business imperatives," it added. Hero MotoCorp further said it will continue with innovative financing programmes to minimise the impact on the customers.

Meeting 780 MT production target, supply to power sector top priority in FY24: Prasad

New Delhi, Jul 01:

Coal India Ltd (CIL) will work on priority to meet the 780 MT production target for FY24, its new Chairman PM Prasad said on Saturday. Prasad took charge as the Chairman of the mining giant on July 1. He succeeds Pramod Agrawal, who superannuated on June 30, 2023. "Underlining his priority, the chairman said CIL would achieve the 780 million tonne (MT) output target of FY2024 with all efforts and means available at its disposal," a Coal India statement said. In FY 2022-23, CIL produced 703 MT of coal. Ensuring uninterrupted coal flow to the power sector will be another priority area, he said. In his last stint, Prasad was the chairman of CIL's Jharkhand-based arm Central Coalfields Limited (CCL). Coal India, under the Ministry of Coal, has eight sub-

siidiaries in total. He began his CIL career in 1984 as a management trainee at Western Coalfields Limited and served in different capacities across different CIL subsidiaries. He also had a three-year stint in NTPC as Executive Director (coal mining). The coal mining veteran is a post-graduate in mining engineering from the Indian School of Mines IIT Dhanbad. Sharing details of Q1 FY24, CIL said production has shot up by 10 per cent year-on-year to 175.5 MT, which is the highest ever recorded in the first quarter.

ATF price up 1.6 pc on global cues

New Delhi, Jul 01:

Jet fuel or ATF price on Saturday was hiked by 1.65 per cent - the first increase in rate after four months of reduction warranted by softening oil prices. Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF) price was increased by Rs 1,476.79 per kilolitre, or 1.65 per cent, in the national capital to Rs 90,779.88 per kl, according to a price notification of state-owned fuel retailers.

Rates, which vary from state to state depending on incidence of local sales tax or VAT, have been increased on firming up of global rates that followed four months of decline. Jet fuel prices had been cut on previous four monthly revisions that happen on the first of every month. ATF prices were last reduced by Rs 6,632.25 per kl on June 1. Prices of commercial LPG, used in establishments

such as hotels and restaurants, remained unchanged in Delhi but were marginally increased in Mumbai, Kolkata and Chennai. While the price of a 19-kg commercial LPG cylinder was unchanged at Rs 1,773 in the national capital, the rate went up by Rs 8.50 per cylinder to Rs 1,733.50 in Mumbai.

The price was increased by Rs 20 per cylinder to Rs 1,895 in Kolkata and by Rs 8 to Rs 1,945 for 19-kg cylinder in Chennai. The rate change was primarily because of local incidence of taxes and transportation, industry officials said. Commercial LPG rates were cut on three previous monthly revisions. In three cuts, prices had gone down by Rs 346.5 per 19-kg cylinder. The price of domestic LPG - used in the kitchen for cooking purposes - remained unchanged at Rs 1,103 per 14.2-kg cylinder in

the national capital. Domestic LPG rates were last changed on March 1, when they were hiked by Rs 50 per cylinder. State-owned Indian Oil Corporation (IOC), Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL) and Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd (HPCL) revise cooking gas and ATF prices on the 1st of every month based on the average international price in the previous month. Petrol and diesel prices continued to remain on freeze for a record 15th month in a row.

Petrol costs Rs 96.72 per litre in the national capital and diesel comes for Rs 89.62. State-owned fuel retailers are supposed to revise petrol and diesel prices daily based on a 15-day rolling average of benchmark international fuel prices but they haven't done that since April 6, 2022.

Centre asks states to promote organic farming, stop urea diversion to industry

New Delhi, Jul 01:

Union Chemicals and Fertilisers Minister Mansukh Mandaviya on Friday urged states to promote organic farming for preservation of soil health and make efforts to reduce use of chemical fertilisers. The minister also asked states to take up effective steps to curtail diversion of urea meant for agriculture and farmers, to other sectors, according to an official statement.

Mandaviya said this while virtually interacting with agriculture ministers of states and Union Territories on the recent decisions made by the Cabinet regarding fertiliser sector. On June 28, the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) approved a new scheme,



PM-PRANAM to incentivise states to promote alternative fertilisers and reduce the use of chemical fertilisers and also decided to continue the current urea subsidy scheme for three years ending March 2025, with an outlay of Rs 3.68 lakh crore. That apart, CCEA approved an outlay of Rs 1,451 crore subsidy to promote organic manure, taking the total package to over Rs 3.70 lakh crore. It also decided to introduce

sulphur-coated urea (Urea Gold) in the country for the first time to address sulphur deficiency in the soil. Addressing the event, Mandaviya said, "The package focuses on the overall welfare and economic wellbeing of farmers by promoting sustainable agriculture.

These initiatives will enhance farmers' income, strengthen natural and organic farming, revive soil productivity and ensure food security at the same time". Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar and agriculture ministers of more than 20 states and Union Territories also participated in the virtual meeting. Mandaviya said CCEA has approved the continuation of the urea subsidy scheme to ensure avail-

ability of urea to farmers at a flat price of Rs 266.70 per 45 kg bag, excluding taxes and neem coating charges.

At present, MRP of urea is Rs 266.70 per 45 kg bag (excluding neem coating duty and applicable taxes) while the actual cost of the bag is around Rs 2,200, he added. Mandaviya noted that Mother Earth has always provided ample sources of sustenance to mankind.

"It is the need of the hour to promote more natural methods of farming and balanced/sustainable use of chemical fertilisers," he underscored. Promotion of natural/organic farming, alternative fertilisers, nano fertilisers and bio fertilisers can help in restoring the fertility of the Earth, he added.

Govt warns online players to stop menace of dark patterns, else face strict action

**New Delhi, Jul 01:**

The government warned on Friday that strict action will be taken against online players if they do not stop the menace of 'dark patterns' - tactics used to manipulate consumer choice and nudge users to sign up for a free trial or provide personal data. Briefing media, Consumer Affairs Secretary Rohit Kumar

Singh said: "We took a soft approach and told them on June 13 not to indulge in this. On June 28, we wrote a tough letter and asked them not to stop this, otherwise we will take action". Maybe after a couple of months, the department will also issue specific guidelines on dark patterns, he said. He said the dark pattern has caught the attention of the government and consumer protection regulator amid a rise in online shopping and an increase in the number of internet users, which is expected to touch 900 million by 2025. "We were not aware of the dark patterns. Then we started reading what is happening in other geographies and countries and realised that this is a big problem.

GST CELEBRATIONS

Celebrating 6 Years of GST

1st July, 2023

Maharashtra Governor Ramesh Bais attends the Central GST & Central Excise (Mumbai Zone) function celebrating 6 years of GST, at Nariman Point, in Mumbai, Saturday, July 1.

Govt spending Rs 6.5 lakh cr annually on agriculture, farmers' welfare: PM

New Delhi, Jul 01:

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday said his government was spending Rs 6.5 lakh crore annually for the agriculture sector and farmers' welfare, and called upon cooperatives to help in making the country self-reliant in cooking oils. Speaking at an event on the occasion of International Day of Cooperatives, the prime minister also highlighted the work done by his government, like PM Kisan scheme, MSP operations, and fertilizer subsidy since coming to power in 2014. In the last 9 years, Modi said more than Rs 15 lakh crore have been given to farmers by procuring



their produce on the MSP. The government, he said spent Rs 10 lakh crore towards fertilizer subsidy last year. In other words, the government is spending around Rs 6.5 lakh crore per year on agriculture and farmers, the prime minister said. "This means that every year the government is providing an average of Rs 50,000 to every farmer in some form or the other.

Bigbasket offering customers doorstep delivery of daily essentials

Mumbai, Jul 01:

Bigbasket, a TATA Enterprise, providing customers with an unmatched range of over 30,000 daily-use items at the convenience of their fingertips. With a minimum discount of 6% on 5000+ products, the platform offers customers an affordable shopping experience. What's more, customers can get Rs 200 off on their first order.

Bigbasket's entrance is sure to revolutionize the grocery shopping experience for local residents. With a short delivery window and a no-questions-asked return policy, cus-

tomers can enjoy safe and hassle-free shopping. bigbasket's range of products includes rice, dals, oils, masalas, personal care, fruits & vegetables, kitchen, and household items, catering to all daily needs. bigbasket takes pride in offering a wide variety of exotic fruits, which are not easily available in the city. bigbasket offers products that no other retailer in Raipur currently offers. Being a TATA Enterprise, bigbasket brings with it trust and credibility that customers can rely on. The company's commitment to quality and affordability has made it a preferred choice for cus-

tomers across India. Commenting on bigbasket's, ShashiShekhar, National Head - Tier 2 cities, bigbasket, said, "We are excited to extend our services to the people and cater to their grocery needs. We are confident that our on-time delivery, no-questions-asked return policy, lowest prices, and wide range of products will be well-received by the local residents. We have consistently maintained excellent retention rates and basket sizes across all cities where we operate, and we are confident that we will achieve the same in Raipur and twin cities as well."

India to import 35 pc more tur dal at 12 lakh tons to check prices

New Delhi, Jul 01:

Facing a sharp rise in tur prices amid lower production, India will import 12 lakh tonne of the pulse in the current fiscal, up by 35 per cent from the last year, to boost domestic availability and contain price rise. "Tur is giving us trouble. All-India average retail price of tur is up by 25 per cent to Rs 128.66 per kg, when compared to last year's level. But it will start cooling down after import begins," Consumer Affairs Secretary Rohit Kumar

Singh said in a media briefing. The issue in tur (pigeon peas) is lower domestic production. The country's tur production remained lower at 30 lakh tonne in the 2022-23 crop year (July-June) against 39 lakh tonne last year. "We consume around 44-45 lakh tonne in India. Every year, we have to import. This year, obviously, we have to import more. We will import 12 lakh tonne in the current fiscal," Kumar said. So far, the country has imported 6 lakh tonne of tur. Imports

are undertaken from Myanmar and East African countries. The crop in East African countries will start arriving in August, so the domestic prices will cool down, he added. The country imported 8.9 lakh tonne during the 2022-23 fiscal. To check the prices of tur, the secretary said the government has taken several measures. The stock limit imposed on traders, millers and importers on June 2 has helped bring down the prices of tur. "From the day the stock

limit was imposed, there is a downward trend in prices," he noted. The government has also decided to offload 50,000 tonne from the buffer stock in the market, and this will also ease pressure on the rates, Singh added. Besides tur, the secretary said there is about a 7.22 per cent increase in the all-India average retail price of urad at Rs 111.77 per kg on June 28, when compared to the last year. The correction will start happening with supplies improving from Myanmar.

Rajesh Wagle extends a helping hand to Pushpa during a storm

Sony SAB's Pushpa Impossible revolves around the life of Pushpa Patel, portrayed by Karuna Pandey, a middle-aged single mother whose journey is a testament of resilience, determination, and an unwavering spirit to overcome obstacles. Through her captivating journey, the show captures the essence of transforming the word "impossible" into "I M POSSIBLE," emphasizing the power of self-belief, perseverance, and the strength to rewrite one's destiny. In the upcoming episodes, the characters from Sony SAB's popular shows Pushpa Impossible and Wagle Ki Duniya are set to unite for a special sequence. This unique crossover episode revolves around how Pushpa Patel (Karuna Pandey) desperately tries to save her daughter, Rashi (Deshna Dugad) from the clutches of a devastating storm. Trapped in a dangerous situation, Pushpa's hope is rekindled when Rajesh Wagle (Sumeet Raghavan) and Harshad (Amit Soni) walk in to lend her a helping hand. This wonderful collaboration gives the viewers yet another chance to see their favourite characters from Pushpa Impossible and Wagle Ki Duniya come together to help those in need emphasizing the act of kindness. Sony SAB's initiative serves as a reminder that compassion and support can make a significant difference in the lives of others, inspiring viewers to embrace these virtues in their own lives.



'Satyaprem Ki Katha' mints Rs 7 crore on day two

Kartik Aaryan and Kiara Advani-starrer "Satyaprem Ki Katha" witnessed a "bare minimal drop" as it collected Rs 7 crore at the domestic box office on the second day, the makers said on Saturday.

Produced by Sajid Nadiadwala and Namah Pictures, the film opened in theatres countrywide on Thursday. The movie raised Rs 9.25 crore on the first day. In a press note, the makers said "Satyaprem Ki Katha" has impressed the audience with "its pure love story and strong impactful social message". "Released on Eid al-Adha which is a holiday, the film saw a rush of audience that has created a positive word of mouth. However, the film faced the next working Friday but witnessed a bare minimal drop on a working



day and collected 7 crore on day two," the statement read. "Satyaprem Ki Katha", a musical romance drama, is directed by National award-winning filmmaker Sameer Vidwans, known for the critically-acclaimed 2019 Marathi drama "Anandi

Gopal". The film marks a reunion between Aaryan and Advani, who most recently featured in horror comedy "Bhool Bhulaiyaa 2". "Satyaprem Ki Katha" also stars Gajraj Rao, Supriya Pathak and Rajpal Yadav.

Embracing Motherhood: Disha Parmar thrilled to work on 'Bade Achhe Lagte Hain 3'

Disha Parmar, the radiant mom-to-be, is overjoyed to be a part of the much-anticipated series 'Bade Achhe Lagte Hain 3.' Last month, she and her husband, singer Rahul Vaidya, shared the exciting news of their pregnancy, leaving their fans ecstatic to welcome their bundle of joy. Attending the launch of a Menstrual Health and Hygiene Management event organized by UNESCO and Whisper, Disha spoke about her experience of working while expecting.

Expressing her delight about working during her pregnancy, she shared, "This phase of my life is incredibly beautiful. I go to work every day, wrap up, and return home. My production house, team, and producer Ektaa Kapoor take great care of me. They ensure that I work for fewer hours. I'm thoroughly enjoying it and I'm extremely happy to



continue working during my pregnancy."

Sonam Kapoor Ahuja: Embracing a Balanced Film Journey



Bollywood luminary Sonam Kapoor Ahuja, marking her return to the silver screen after a two-year maternity break, has revealed her plan to adopt a selective approach to her film choices. The actress intends to work on just two projects each year, allowing her to prioritize quality time with her family while managing her professional commitments more effectively.

Opening up about her decision, Sonam shared, "After taking two years off due to my pregnancy and wanting to spend time with my son, I am now signed on for two projects—a upcoming show and a film. The film will be released in about a year, as that is how the industry

operates. Moving forward, my goal is to take up two projects annually, nothing more. I want to strike a balance and ensure I have ample time for my family."

Sonam, who is set to portray the lead role in the streaming project 'Blind,' has also been garnering recognition on the global stage. She was recently invited to the reception hosted by the British Prime Minister at 10 Downing Street, where she represented India and its profound cultural impact worldwide. The actress expressed her belief that Indian celebrities possess immense soft power, which has led to international brands appointing them as brand ambassadors and showcasing their talent on a broader scale.

She remarked, "The world is realizing the extent of influence Indian celebrities possess and how far their reach can extend. With social media and OTT platforms bridging gaps, the recognition is coming more effortlessly. It's fascinating to witness India's growing prominence in the international arena."

Sonam Kapoor Ahuja's measured approach to her film career reflects her commitment to striking a harmonious balance between personal and professional aspirations. As she embarks on her upcoming ventures, fans eagerly anticipate the depth and artistry she will bring to the screen, underscoring her status as a leading figure in Bollywood.

Romantic delight unveiled in 'Pyaar Ka Pehla Adhyaya ShivShakti' Promo



Arjun Bijlani and Neesha Sharma

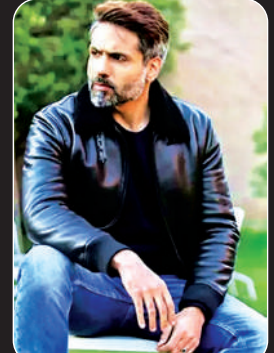
Arjun Bijlani and Neesha Sharma, the captivating leads of the highly anticipated show 'Pyaar Ka Pehla Adhyaya ShivShakti,' have set hearts aflutter with their on-screen chemistry. Viewers were introduced to the key characters through special episodes titled 'Rishton Ka Mahasangam' in the popular series 'Pyaar Ka Pehla Naam Radha Mohan.' In a grand launch event held in New Delhi, the makers brought the enchanting love story of Shiv and Shakti to life, captivating the media and fans alike.

Set against the spiritual backdrop of Varanasi, India's holy city, the show delves into the question of whether Shakti can become the pillar of support that heals Shiv's broken soul through the power of love. Arjun Bijlani, portraying the character of Shiv, expressed his excitement

ment, stating that playing such a beautifully written role enabled him to showcase his acting prowess. He emphasized that returning to a fiction show after a four-year hiatus was a decision he couldn't resist, especially with the overwhelming response from fans in Delhi, who showered him and the cast with love and affection.

Nikki Sharma, essaying the role of Shakti, considers herself privileged to be part of this captivating tale of love and healing. She commended the well-crafted character of Shakti and expressed her satisfaction in portraying the role. The first promo garnered an abundance of compliments, and witnessing the tremendous excitement in Delhi left Nikki on cloud nine. The immense anticipation for the show warms her heart, and she can't wait to present it to the fans and followers who have shown immense love and support.

'Equality begins at home'



'Na Umra Ki Seema Ho' is making waves in challenging societal norms and stereotypes with its thought-provoking content. Led by acclaimed actors Iqbal Khan and Rachana Mistry, the show has captivated audiences with its remarkable storyline. Starting with the tale of two individuals bridging a significant age gap to find love, the series showcases that age becomes inconsequential when true love is involved.

The ongoing storyline of the show continues to break social stigmas, particularly those surrounding women who wish to pursue careers after marriage. In the current track, the Raichand family warmly embraces Vidhi and Priya, extending their support as they join the family business and carve out their own professional paths. Iqbal Khan, who portrays a pivotal character in the show, emphasizes the importance of equality within the household. He states, "Equality begins at home and as an advocate for gender equality, I wholeheartedly support women who wish to work after marriage."

&TV characters will fail in their attempts



In &TV's Doosri Maa, Happu Ki Ultan Paltan and Bhabiji Ghar Par Hai the characters will fail in their attempts. About &TV's Happu Ki Ultan Paltan track, Yogesh Tripathi shares, "Gabbar (Saheb Das Manikpuri) requests ten lacks from Rajesh (Kamna Pathak). Rajesh instructs Happu (Yogesh Tripathi) to get it arranged. When Happu arrives at the police station the next day, he finds Commissioner Kishore Bhanushali agitated. Commissioner says he feels old and wishes to be ten years younger. On his journey back home, Happu encounters a

Baba, who gives him a plant that produces a flower and tells him that whoever consumes the flower will become ten years younger. Happu gets an idea to arrange ten lakhs. Meanwhile, Benni (Vishwanath Chatterjee) learns about the flower and requests Happu give it to him after overhearing Bimlesh's conversation with Rajesh about how old he has become and feels disturbed." Tune in to Doosri Maa at 8:00 pm, Happu Ki Ultan Paltan at 10:00 pm, and Bhabiji Ghar Par Hai at 10:30 pm, airing every Monday to Friday only on &TV!

Actors' express gratitude towards their gurus

The guru, a beacon of guidance, fulfills the roles of teacher, mentor, and counselor, sharing wisdom and inspiring ideals. Guru Purnima is observed annually to honour these Gurus in one's life. On this occasion, &TV artists talk about people who have been their mentors and have deeply inspired them. These artists include Darshan Dave (Randheer Sharma, Doosri Maa), Yogesh Tripathi (Daroga Happu Singh, Happu Ki Ultan Paltan), and Rohitashv Gour (Manmohan Tiwari, Bhabiji Ghar Par Hai). Darshan Dave, aka Randheer Sharma from Doosri Maa, shares, "Throughout every stage of my life, I have been fortunate to have my mother as not only a guiding presence but also as my Guru. She is a professor in vocal music in university of Rajasthan. Her unwavering support and mentorship have been instrumental in shaping my journey. However, it is her profound impact on my musical

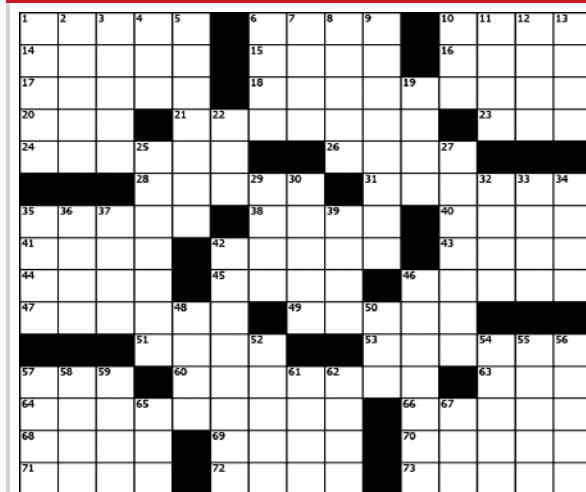


endeavours that truly stands out. She introduced me to music, nurturing my passion and talents and serving as my dedicated teacher. With

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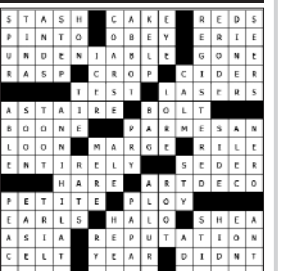
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Neeraj Chopra wins second straight Diamond League title

Hints that his next competition could be World C'ship in Budapest from Aug 19

Lausanne, Jul 01 (PTD):

Olympic champion Neeraj Chopra clinched the prestigious Diamond League title for the second consecutive time by throwing his spear to 87.66m but the coveted 90m mark eluded the star Indian javelin thrower yet again.

Germany's Julian Weber was second with a best throw of 87.03m, while Jakub Vadlech of the Czech Republic was third with an 86.13m effort. Chopra had won the Lausanne leg in August last year also for his maiden Diamond League title. He then went on to win the Diamond League trophy in the grand finale a month later.

Coming back from a one-month injury lay-off, Chopra's title-winning performance at the Lausanne leg in challenging conditions was below his own top-10 efforts but he still stamped his authority in the prestigious One-day meet.

Neeraj Chopra on Saturday hinted that he would straightaway compete in the World Athletics Championships in Budapest starting August 19, without participating in any other meet in intervening period. The 25-year-old Chopra, who returned to action after a one-month injury lay-off, won his second consecutive Diamond League title in Switzerland on Friday night with a throw of 87.66m. He had also won the season-opening Diamond League meet in Doha on May 5.

"The next competition, Budapest, will be a big one for me," Chopra said in Lausanne after winning the men's javelin throw event. "I wanted to win so I'm super happy with the results but I also want to go back to training and fix some of the things that I noticed and those are going to make me stronger." He termed Lausanne as a lucky city for him.

"Lausanne always treats me well. Last year, I won and this year too, so I look forward to coming again next year and win again," said Chopra, referring to the win last year, which was his maiden Diamond League title. The men's javelin throw qualification round of the Budapest World Championships is scheduled for August 25, which is more than 50 days from now. If he does not compete in the intervening period, Chopra will be going to the World Championships after being part of just two top competitions - Doha and Lausanne legs of Diamond League.

In the men's long jump, India's Murali Sreesankar finished fifth with a below-par jump of 7.88m which he achieved in the third round.

The 24-year-old Sreesankar, who had clinched the third spot in the Paris leg on June 9 for his maiden Diamond League podium finished had produced a career-best 8.41m during the National Inter-State Championships in Bhubaneswar earlier this month.

Deepak, Nishant, Parveen secure Asian Games berths; Amit Panghal, Nitu miss out

New Delhi, Jul 01 (PTD):

World Championship bronze medallist boxers Deepak Bhoria (51kg) and Nishant Dev (71kg) were on Saturday named in the Indian men's boxing team for this year's Asian Games in Hangzhou, China after undergoing assessment.

Parveen Hooda (57kg), the 2022 Worlds bronze medallist, Commonwealth Games bronze medallist Jaismine Lamboria (60kg), Arundhati Chaudhary and Preeti Pawar joined star boxers Nikhat Zareen (51kg) and Lovlina Borgohain (75kg) in the women's team for the continental event to be held from September 23 to October 8.

Two-time world champion Nikhat and Tokyo Olympics bronze medallist Lovlina had automatically qualified for the Asian Games by virtue of reaching the final of the World Championships in March.

The Asia boxing competitions assume greater significance as they are also the first Olympic Qualifiers for the 2024 Paris Games for the boxers from the continent.

Reigning Asian Games light flyweight champion and 2019 World Championship silver medallist Amit Panghal



Nishant Dev

will, however, not be able to defend his crown as he once again finished behind Deepak in the assessment. The two-time Commonwealth Games medallist and 2019 Asian Champion had lost out to Deepak for a spot in this year's World Championships as well under the Boxing Federation of India's new selection policy that evaluates a boxer on various parameters over two-three weeks.

On the other hand, the duo of Deepak and Nishant had impressed at the World Championships in May, losing closely-fought semi-final bouts to return home with bronze medals. Reigning 48kg women's world champion Nitu Ghanghas also couldn't make the cut as she was pipped by Preeti Pawar in the 54kg weight class.

Central Zone crush East Zone by 170 runs, enter semifinals

Bangalore, Jul 01 (PTD):

Riding on an excellent eight-wicket haul by Saurabh Kumar, Central Zone advanced to the semifinals of the Duleep Trophy with a facile 170-run win over East Zone here on Saturday.

Resuming from the overnight 69 for 6, East Zone never really offered any fight and were bowled out for 129 in their second innings.

In their semifinal match, Central will face West Zone at the Alur grounds from July 5. In the

second semifinal, North Zone will take on South Zone at the Chinnaswamy Stadium. The presence of Riyan Parag was the lone hope for East to at least run Central close. But that was soon snuffed out when left-arm spinner Saurabh trapped the Assam youngster in front of the wicket.

Saurabh soon added the wickets of Akash Deep, Shahbaz Nadeem and Ishan Porel to his kitty to walk away with an impressive figure of 8 for 64.

Saurabh grabbed 11 wickets in the match to complete a fine outing.

Manika Batra, Sharath Kamal out of WTT Zagreb Contender

Zagreb, Jul 01 (PTD):

Top Indian paddlers Manika Batra and Achanta Sharath Kamal lost their respective pre-quarterfinal matches as the country's challenge in the singles events of the WTT Contender ended here on Saturday. Batra and Sharath lost by identical 0-3 margins against their higher-ranked opponents. While Batra lost to world no.11 Shin Yubin of Korea 11-13, 5-11, 14-16, Sharath was shown the door by world no.16 Lin Shidong of China 6-11, 7-11, 5-11.

Kuwait beat Bangladesh 1-0 to enter SAFF Championship final

Bengaluru, Jul 01 (PTD):

Kuwait had to stretch their last sinew before eking out a nervy 1-0 win over Bangladesh to enter the SAFF Championship final here on Saturday.

Abdullah Al Bloushi scored the winner for Kuwait in the dying minutes of the first half of extra time. They will face either India or Lebanon in the summit clash on July 4. Before the goal, the match saw both the sides frittering away chances with abandon. It started in the second minute of the first half itself when Bangladesh's

Shekh Morsalin only had Kuwait goalkeeper Anisur Rahman to beat but shot the ball straight into the latter's hands. Kuwait were not far behind either. Mobarak Al Faneeni made a header into an open goal but there was no real power in it as a Bangladesh defender cleared the ball near the line. As the match progressed, the tussle for superiority intensified without a clear winner emerging. Even amid that clash of equals, Bangladesh's veteran striker Rakib Hossain shone brightly with his quick invasions of the rival box.

Dream11 is the Indian cricket team's new lead sponsor

New Delhi, Jul 01:

The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) club on Saturday, announced Dream11 as Team India's lead sponsor.

The fantasy sports gaming platform has signed a three-year sponsorship deal with the BCCI.

Financial details of the deal were not released. Dream11 replaces Byju's as lead sponsor, after the BCCI's contract with the education technology firm ended in March.

Dream11 will be seen on Team India jerseys starting from the Test series against the West Indies, the team's first assignment in the ICC World



Test Championship 2023-25 cycle. Commenting on the partnership, Mr Roger Binny, BCCI President said, "I congratulate Dream11 and welcome them on board again. From being BCCI's official sponsor to now being the lead sponsor, the BCCI-

Dream11 partnership has grown from strength to strength. It is a direct testament to the trust, value, potential and growth that Indian Cricket offers. As we prepare to host the ICC World Cup later this year, enhancing fan experience is among our top priorities

and I am confident that this partnership will help us elevate the fan engagement experience."

Earlier this year, Adidas came on board as India's kit sponsors in a deal until March 2028. In case of principal jersey sponsors, the money given for every bilateral fixture where the sponsors name is in the middle of the shirt is three times more compared to what it pays for an ICC fixture where the centre of the jersey carries the country name and sponsors logo doesn't get a vantage positioning.

India's tour to the Caribbean commences with the opening Test, starting on July 12.

FC Goa rope in two-time A-League-winning midfielder Paulo Retre



midfielder Paulo Retre, the Indian Super League (ISL) club said on Saturday.

The central midfielder will arrive after the Gaurs agreed on an undisclosed transfer fee with his former Club Sydney FC with whom he had won the A-League twice in 2019 and 2020.

This is FC Goa's sixth addition to the squad in this window following the arrivals of Indian internationals Sandesh Jhingan, Rowlin Borges, Raynier Fernandes, and Udanta Singh in addition to the exciting youngster, Boris Singh.

England takes 3 wickets but Australia leads by 313

London, Jul 01 (AP):

England repaid Australia with short-ball bowling and snared three wickets to rein in the visitors on the fourth morning of the second Ashes test at Lord's on Saturday.

Overnight batters Usman Khawaja and Steve Smith, followed by Travis Head, were dismissed in a half-hour period after drinks. By lunch, Australia was 222-5 in its second innings and leading by a solid 313 runs. But England hopes were revived. The bowlers resorted to the short ball to try and break up Khawaja and Smith, who were cruising and unconcerned. They took Australia

from 130-2 overnight to 187. England set the trap with six fielders behind square. The batters resisted the temptation to pull and hook until the first over after drinks, also Stuart Broad's first over of the day. Khawaja top-edged Broad to substitute fielder Matthew Potts at fine leg. Khawaja's 188-ball stay ended with him on 77. Head came in and was dropped, first ball, by James Anderson at gully. Anderson dropped a catch off a Josh Tongue delivery for the second time in the innings. But on the next ball, Smith steered Tongue straight to Zak Crawley at deep backward square.

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'Family-centric' Cong and others giving fake guarantees: PM

● Launches sickle cell anemia eradication mission

Shahdol (MP), Jul 01 (PTI)

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday launched National Sickle Cell Anemia Eradication Mission 2027 by unveiling a portal and also released a guideline for the management of the disease and different modules for its monitoring.

At a function held at Shahdol in Madhya Pradesh, the prime minister took a swipe at the opposition and asked people to be aware of "fake guarantees" being given by "family-centric" political parties including Congress.



PM Modi at the launch of National Sickle Cell Anaemia Elimination Mission, in Shahdol district, Saturday.

country and one crore PVC Ayushman Bharat cards in MP. He announced that Rani Durgavati's 500th birth anniversary will be celebrated across India and stamps will be released.

The prime minister distributed Sickle Cell coloured counselling cards to a few beneficiaries. He also handed over Ayushman cards and PVC Ayushman Bharat cards physically to some beneficiaries. The National Sickle Cell Anemia Eradication Mission (NSCAEM), which aims to address the pressing health challenges posed by sickle cell disease, particularly among the tribal population, was announced in the Union Budget 2023.

cal) guarantee," Modi said. He said, "Family-centric parties including Congress are hobnobbing together". On the occasion, Modi started the distribution of more than 3 crore digital Ayushman cards in the

GURU PURNIMA CELEBRATION



Students give flowers to their teacher on the occasion of Guru Purnima festival, in Surat, Saturday.

K'taka govt's 2 more guarantees come into force

Bengaluru, July 01 (PTI)

Two more "guarantee" schemes of the Congress government in Karnataka — cash for beneficiaries in lieu of the additional 5 kg of rice under 'Anna Bhagya' scheme, and 200 units of free electricity to households under 'Gruha Jyothi' scheme, has come into force effective from Saturday. The government has already implemented one of its five poll guarantees, "Shakti", by providing free services for women in public transport buses. Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah said payment of money to beneficiaries under Anna Bhagya scheme for this month is likely to begin after July 10; while the Gruha Jyothi scheme has come into effect from today and the electricity bill for

the same for this month will come in beginning of August, as per the billing cycle. "We have said July month's amount (under Anna Bhagya scheme) will be paid to beneficiaries in July itself, instead of rice. We had not said, we will pay it on July 1st itself...most likely we will start making the payments after July 10. This month's amount will be deposited into bank account of the beneficiaries within this month," Siddaramaiah said.

Speaking to reporters here, he said, "The Gruha Jyothi scheme will begin from today, so from this month it will be free (upto 200 units), but the bill will come in August." Facing difficulty in procuring large quantities of rice required to fulfil its poll guarantee, the state government decid-

ed to pay cash to beneficiaries at the rate of Rs 34 per kilo, for the additional 5kg of rice under the free rice scheme, which is applicable to every member of a BPL household.

Food and Civil Supplies Minister K H Muniyappa said, amount will be transferred to the bank account of the beneficiaries in a week or 10 days.

"90 percent of beneficiaries have a bank account...5kgs per person means, the beneficiary will get Rs 170," he told reporters in Devanahalli.

Meanwhile, speaking to reporters in Chikkamagaluru regarding 'Gruha Jyothi', Energy Minister K J George said, registration for the scheme is going on, and about 86.5 lakh consumers have registered.

NTPC records remarkable growth in coal production and despatch

New Delhi, July 01:

NTPC Ltd., India's leading integrated power producer, has reported a substantial growth of 99% in coal production from its captive mines during the first quarter of the fiscal year 2024, as compared to the corresponding period in the previous year. The company achieved an impressive coal production of 8.48 million metric tonnes (MMT) during Q1 FY24, as compared to 4.27 MMT in Q1 FY23.

In addition, NTPC has also achieved a coal despatch of 8.82 MMT in Q1 FY24, marking a significant 112% increase over the previous year for the same period. This out-



standing performance reflects NTPC's relentless commitment to enhancing coal production from its captive mines and ensuring efficient supply to meet the nation's energy needs.

To achieve sustained growth in coal production, NTPC has implemented a range of strategies and

technologies. These include the adoption of rigorous safety measures, improved mine planning, equipment automation, workforce training, and the implementation of continuous monitoring and analysis systems. These initiatives have played a vital role in optimizing operations, en-

hancing productivity, and ensuring the safety of the workforce.

NTPC remains committed to delivering reliable and sustainable power to the nation. This remarkable growth in coal production and despatch is a testament to NTPC's dedication to operational excellence and its contribution

to meeting India's energy demands. The company will continue to explore innovative technologies and sustainable practices to further enhance its performance and support the nation's energy goals.

NTPC Ltd. is India's largest integrated power utility, contributing 1/4th of the power requirement of the country. With a diverse portfolio of thermal, hydro, solar, and wind power plants, NTPC is dedicated to delivering reliable, affordable, and sustainable electricity to the nation. The company is committed to adopting best practices, fostering innovation, and embracing clean energy technologies for a greener future.

Seers in K'taka oppose move to repeal anti-conversion, cow slaughter laws

Mangaluru, Jul 01 (PTI)

Heads of various mutts in Dakshina Kannada district have strongly opposed the decision of the Karnataka government to repeal anti-conversion law and the cow slaughter prevention Act.

The meeting of the seers condemned the recent statements by some ministers on the move to withdraw Karnataka Protection of Right to Freedom of Religion Act and amend Karnataka Prevention of Slaughter and Preservation of Cattle Act, Gurudevanda Swami of Odiyuru Mutt told reporters here on Friday.

The seers called upon

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy Chief Minister D K Shivakumar not to go ahead with any move to change the Acts as it will lead to social unrest in Dakshina Kannada and other districts of Karnataka.

Terming the move as a n t i - H i n d u , Gurudevanda Swami said the government should not hurt the sentiments of Hindus. He also threatened that the seers will go on a hunger strike if the government proceeds with the move.

The seers will submit a memorandum to the Governor, Chief Minister, and Deputy Chief Minister urging them not to repeal the

laws. Vajradehi mutt chief Rajashekarananda Swami said they will also take a legal path if the anti-conversion law is repealed or changes are made to the cow slaughter Act.

He also asked the police not to victimise Hindu activists by raking up old cases of moral policing' using the new anti-communal wing of the force.

The heads of 10 mutts in Dakshina Kannada district took part in the meeting.

The state government had in June said that it will introduce a bill to repeal the anti-conversion law in the legislature session, which starts on July 3.

Kin of AP blast victims seek compensation

● From pharmaceutical company

Atchutapuram (AP), July 01 (PTI) Relatives of two persons who died in an explosion at a pharma company in Anakapalli district are demanding compensation from the employer. The duo succumbed to chemical burns they suffered in the blast at Sahiti Pharma company, while undergoing treatment at a hospital in Visakhapatnam on Friday evening. "Around 30 relatives of the deceased persons are at the company now. They are demanding compensation from the company side," a police official said on Saturday. The government has announced ex-gratia of Rs 25

lakh lakh each for the deceased persons.

Meanwhile, four injured persons were shifted from KGH Hospital to Indus Hospital for better treatment, said Anakapalli district superintendent of police K V Murali Krishna, adding that one person was undergoing treatment at KGH hospital.

The company officials are in touch with the family members of the injured persons to provide support for their treatment.

Further, he said the company has insured its employees and there are hopes of receiving some compensation through insurance as well.

There were 35 people in the plant when the explosion occurred and most of them escaped unhurt.

Bengal Guv visits violence-hit Dinhati

● Meets oppn leaders ahead of rural polls

Cooch Behar/Kolkata, Jul 01 (PTI) West Bengal Governor CV Ananda Bose on Saturday visited the violence-hit areas of Dinhati in Cooch Behar district and met the family members of a man who was killed during an incident of firing on June 27 ahead of the panchayat elections, an official said.

The governor also visited a hospital in Cooch Behar where the injured in clashes are undergoing treatment.

Bose is on a trip to the northern districts of the state. Earlier in the day, Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Nisith Pramanik met the governor at the circuit house in the district. Bose also talked to candidates and

leaders of the CPI(M), Congress and the BJP, who voiced their concern over alleged incidents of violence in Cooch Behar ahead of the July 8 rural polls. One man was killed and four others were injured in the incident of firing during a clash between two groups of people at Dinhati on Tuesday morning.

At least four people were detained for their alleged involvement in the killing ahead of the panchayat elections, a senior police officer said. "The governor went to meet family members of the deceased at his residence in Dinhati," the official said. Pramanik and the opposition party leaders also urged Bose to ensure that law and order are maintained and peo-

ple can exercise their franchise in the panchayat polls.

PADDY PLANTATION



A farmer plants paddy saplings in a field, in Gurugram, Saturday.

Octopuses' sleep found to have active and quiet phases, similar to human sleep

New Delhi, Jul 01 (PTI)

The quiet slumbering periods of octopuses' sleep have been observed to be interrupted by frenzied activity, such as twitching of arms and eyes and quickening of breathing rate, highlighting remarkable similarities between sleeping behaviours of octopuses and humans.

Examining neural activity and skin patterning in octopuses during this active period of sleep, researchers found them to resemble those seen when the octopuses were awake, terming it 'wake-like' activity.

Wake-like activity also occurs during rapid eye movement (REM) sleep in mammals, or the sleep

phase associated with dreaming.

"All animals seem to show some form of sleep, even simple animals like jellyfish and fruit flies. But for a long time, only vertebrates were known to cycle between two different sleep stages," said senior author, Sam Reiter, who leads the Computational Neuroethology Unit at OIST.

The team also discovered that preventing their sleep or disrupting their active sleep phase only led to the octopuses later entering active sleep sooner and more frequently, thus, "nailing down the active stage as being an essential stage of sleep needed for octopuses to properly func-

tion," according to Aditi Pophale, co-first author of the study published in the journal Nature and PhD student at OIST.

Studying the brain activity of octopuses, the researchers saw sleep spindles, which are brain waves typical of non-REM sleep in mammalian brains, during quiet sleep.

They further determined these waves to occur in octopuses' brain regions associated with learning and memory, suggesting a similar function of these waves in humans, they said.

Roughly once an hour, the octopuses were observed to enter an active sleep phase

for around a minute, when the octopuses' brain activity very closely resembled their brain activity while awake, just like REM sleep does in humans.

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BRIEF



Prime Minister Narendra Modi arrives, in Jabalpur, Saturday.

Penalty

Hyderabad: The Reserve Bank has imposed a penalty of Rs 65 lakh on city-based AP Mahesh Co-operative Urban Bank, for non-compliance with provisions of Cyber Security Framework for Primary (Urban) cooperative banks, Hyderabad Police said on Saturday.

Recover

Aizawl: Personnel of Assam Rifles recovered 33 grams of heroin and 150 bags of smuggled Burmese areca nuts in two separate operations in east Mizoram's Champhai district on Friday, the force said in a statement. One person was apprehended for possessing heroin, the statement said, adding the market price of both the items is Rs 1.07 crore.

Flyover

Chennai: Chennai's familiar landmark that got etched in people's minds and ignited the imagination of Tamil filmmakers due to its unique design, the Anna flyover, on Saturday completed a half-century of service and is still going strong. This structure at the arterial junction, connecting various places in the metro, handles a huge volume of traffic, over one lakh vehicles in five hours now, as per official estimates. But in the initial years, when the city was not bustling with traffic, it appeared to be deserted.

Shot at

Meerut: A alleged cattle smuggler was arrested on Saturday after an encounter with police in which he was shot and wounded, an officer said. Senior Superintendent of Police Rohit Singh Sajwan said, "We arrested one Arun, a known cattle smuggler. Arun was injured in the retaliatory firing by a team of Partapur Police Station."

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AAP to blow 2023 poll bugle today

Raipur, Jul 01:

The Aam Admi Party (AAP) is going to blow election bugle for 2023 assembly election in Chhattisgarh with its mega rally to be held in Bilaspur on July 2, 2023. AAP Convener and Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal and Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann will address the mega rally at Science College Ground, Bilaspur, AAP state in-charge Sanjiv Jha said while talking to the re-

'Kejriwal attacks PM over price rise'

Gwalior: Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal on Saturday attacked Prime Minister over price rise, saying it was the result of the "open" loot going on in the country. Addressing a rally in Gwalior of Madhya Pradesh, where Assembly elections are due by the year-end, he also narrated the story of a "fourth class pass" king whom he said God unseated. The Aam Admi Party convener blamed Modi for price rise while crediting himself for "bring-



ing smiles on the faces of people with revdis". "The state exchequer is being looted. A loan of Rs 34,000 crore to a friend of his has been waived in Mumbai, Rs 22,000-crore loan of a man from Gujarat has also been written off," he claimed. God is not behind rising inflation, he said. "Open loot is going on. This money is coming by taxing food things like milk and rice... Even the British people did not torment us as badly," he said. (More news on Pg3)

porters at a press conference today. There is enthusiasm among the people and supporters of Chhattisgarh over the mega rally, Jha said, adding that people of Chhattisgarh are now seeing AAP as an alternative. People of Chhattisgarh are now feeling cheated by the misrule of the Bharatiya Janata Party thrice and then Congress, he said and added that Arvind Kejriwal's model of governance in Delhi and Punjab was being liked.

25 dead as bus catches fire

On Samruddhi Expressway; driver's error suspected

Nagpur, Jul 01 (PTD)

Twenty-five passengers were charred to death when the private bus they were travelling in caught fire after hitting a pole and a divider on the Nagpur-Mumbai 'Samruddhi Expressway' in eastern Maharashtra's Buldhana district in the early hours of Saturday, police said.



A passenger bus in flames after it overturned, on the Samruddhi Expressway, in Buldhana district, Saturday.

Eight persons, including the driver and 'cleaner' (driver's assistant) survived. A case for negligent driving was registered against the driver with police believing, prima facie, that he dozed off and lost control of the vehicle. The private sleeper coach bus was on its way to Pune from Nagpur when it met with the accident around 1.30 am at Pimpalkhuta village near Sindkhedraja, 130 km from Nagpur. "After hitting the pole and divider, the bus overturned and fell on its right side with its entry/exit door facing

the sky. Within minutes, the vehicle caught fire. Some of the passengers were able to come out through broken windows from the rear side," a senior police official from Buldhana said. As most victims' bodies were charred beyond recognition, the authorities have decided to conduct DNA testing to identify them before handing them over to the relatives. Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde or-

Prez, PM express grief

President Droupadi Murmu, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Union Home Minister Amit Shah and other leaders expressed grief over the loss of life. In a tweet, President Murmu said, "The heart-wrenching tragedy in Buldhana, Maharashtra, claiming many precious lives, including children and women, is extremely disturbing. My deepest condolences to the bereaved families..." PM Modi tweeted, "Deeply saddened by the devastating bus mishap in Buldhana, Maharashtra. My thoughts and prayers are with the families of those who lost their lives. May the injured recover soon. The local administration is providing all possible assistance to the affected."

dered a probe into the accident and announced an ex-gratia assistance of Rs five lakh for the families of each deceased. President Droupadi Murmu, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Union Home Minister Amit Shah and other leaders expressed grief over the loss of life.

HC asks Centre to reduce women's consent age to 16

Gwalior, Jul 01 (PTD):

The Gwalior bench of Madhya Pradesh High Court has requested the Centre to reduce the consent age of females to 16, observing that the present age of 18 has disturbed the fabric of society as injustice is going on with adolescent boys. The court's request came on June 27 through an order quashing a First Information

Report (FIR) against a man who was accused of repeatedly raping a minor girl and impregnating her in 2020. Nowadays, every male or female near the age of 14 years, due to social media awareness and easily accessible internet connectivity, is getting puberty at an early age, the judge said. The court said boys and girls get attracted to each other owing to early puberty, which is ul-

timately "resulting in consensual physical relationships", read the order. "I request the Government of India to think over the matter for reducing the age of prosecutrix (female complainant) from 18 to 16 years as earlier before (IPC) amendments (were made) so that injustice should be redressed," read the order by Justice Deepak Kumar Agarwal.

Seven arrested with tiger skin

Bijapur, Jul 01:

Seven persons were arrested after a tiger skin was allegedly found in their possession in Bijapur district in Chhattisgarh, officials said on Saturday.



anti-poaching team of Udanti-Sitanadi Tiger Reserve (Gariaband district) and Bijapur forest division. Those held were identified as Vikram Thakur, Pritam Lal Sahu, Tameshwar Jain, Kaka Dipak, Manoj Kursam, Kishore Dashrahiya and Arti Das," he said.

'Manipur situation will improve in 7-10 days'

Dibrugarh, Jul 1 (PTD):

Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Saturday said the situation in neighbouring Manipur will improve within 7-10 days, with the state and central governments working silently to restore peace. He hit out at the Congress and alleged that the opposition party is showing its concern when "relative peace has come in the northeastern state." More than 100 people have lost their lives in the ethnic violence between Meitei and Kuki communities in Manipur since clashes first started on May 3.

Journey of faith begins amid high security and enthusiasm

Drizzle no dampener
Srinagar, Jul 01 (PTD):



Pilgrims on their way to the holy cave shrine of Amarnath at Baltal in Ganderbal district of central Kashmir, Saturday.

The breeze blew gently, borrowing the cool from the drizzle and energy from the first rays of the dawn, as chants in the praise of Lord Shiva rent the base camps for Amarnath Yatis as they began their journey to the cave shrine nestled at 3,880 metres in the Himalayas. Most pilgrims spent the night awake in excitement and anticipation -- and some because they were sold fake registration slips

by agents. Prime Minister Narendra Modi wished new enthusiasm and energy to devotees who knew

the journey ahead was going to be hectic, but felt assured by the security arrangements.

The weather also played hide and seek, but nothing dampened their spirit as the echoes of 'Bam Bam Bhole' and 'Har Har Mahadev' lent warmth to the cold rain droplets. "Even though it is raining," said a yatri from Mumbai, "Bhole Baba has gifted us with enthusiasm. There is tremendous enthusiasm all around, notwithstanding the bad weather." "I came last year also," added a pilgrim from Amritsar. "The arrangements are very good, they are managing everything, including cards, properly. The weather should remain good."

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RAJNATH TO 'NEIGHBOUR' 'If anyone tries to harm country, befitting reply will be given'

Kanker, Jul 01:

Defence minister Rajnath Singh on Saturday warned India's "neighbour" that if anyone tried to harm the country, a befitting reply will be given.



He was speaking at a rally in tribal-dominated Kanker district. India has emerged as a powerful country under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership and it is not weak anymore, he said. "I want to tell our neighbour, if anyone tries to cast evil eye on us, a befitting reply will be given," the minister added. He also said that the influence of the Left Wing Extremism has declined and it is restricted to just 10-12 districts due to the effective action taken by the Modi government in the last nine years. The Naxal menace would have been wiped out from

Chhattisgarh had the Congress government in the state cooperated fully, he claimed. Notably, elections are due in Chhattisgarh by year-end. The defence minister also alleged that forced religious conversions were on rise in the state, particularly in Bastar, and said the Congress government should put a stop to them. Prime minister Modi has the same commitment to the welfare of Dalits, tribals and backward classes as former PM Atal Bihari Vajpayee had, the senior BJP leader said.

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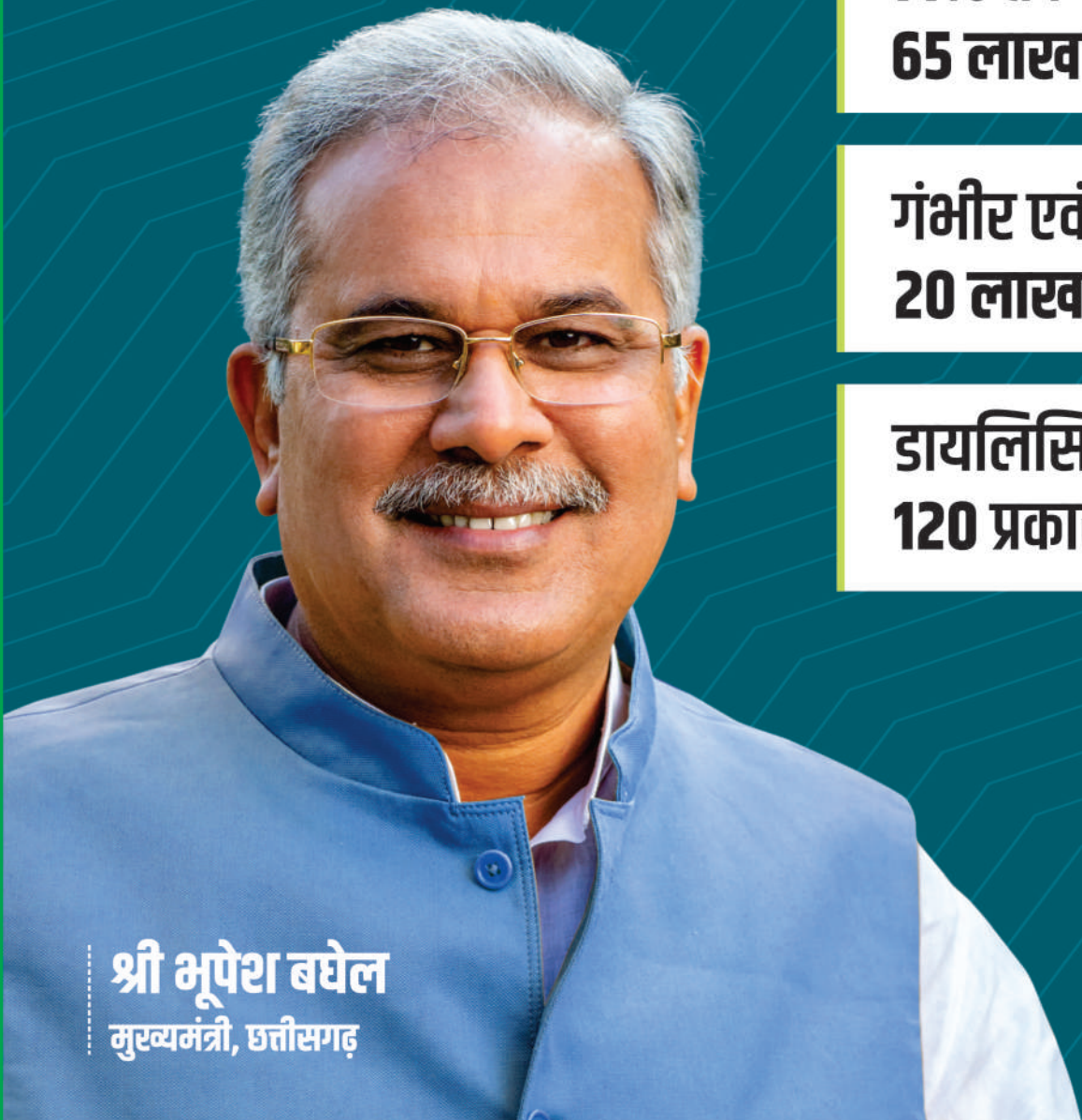


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BJP sets target of 1.5 lakh people for PM Modi's Public Meet

● Top leaders given responsibility for the July 7 event

Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Jul 01: Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has set a target to ensure presence of more than 1.5 lakh people during the Public Meeting of Prime Minister Narendra Modi scheduled to be held on July 7 at Government Science College Ground. BJP leaders meeting was held in presence of BJP in-charge of party affairs in Chhattisgarh Om Prakash Mathur at party headquarters situated at Kushabhau Thakre premises here.

According to the information received, the senior leaders of the party have been given the responsibility to ensure mammoth public meeting next week.

Briefing media persons after the meeting, the National Vice President of BJP and former Chief Minister Dr Raman Singh said that PM Modi would be arriving Raipur in the morning on July 7. On his arrival, he would be attending the government programme on inauguration for a development works and public dedication. Later, he would be addressing a public meeting at Science College ground. Dr Singh informed that apart from the Raipurians,

the people from Durg, Bilaspur, Bastar and Sarguja would also be attending the meet. He added that guidance of PM Modi would boost enthusiasm among people for success.

Leaders have been asked to invite representatives from various section of society at the meeting. It is notable that the Lok Sabha member Sunil Soni and MLA Brijmohan Agrawal had on Friday inspected the venue for the Public meeting during which the District Collector and Superintendent of Police were also present.

PMO is yet to release final scheduled of the proposed visit of PM Modi on July 7.

Four SAS Officers transferred to Election Office for polls

Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Jul 01: Gearing up for the administrative preparations for the forthcoming Legislative Assembly polls, the state government on Saturday posted four State Administrative Services (SAS) Officer to Chhattisgarh State Election Office.

Deputy Commissioner Land Records Umashanker Agrawal has been posted as Deputy Chief Election Officer whereas Additional Chief Executive Officer of SUDA Ashish Tikariha too has been posted as Deputy Chief Election Officer at the Office of CEO. Similarly, the

General Manager of Land Records Smart City Limited Raipur Arvind Sharma too has been transferred as Assistant Chief Election Officer at the Office of CEO. Apart from them, Deputy Collector from Balod District Rashmi Verma too has been posted as Assistant CEO at the Office of Chief Election Office.

General Administration Department (GAD) Secretary DD Singh has issued fresh posting order of all the above SAS Officers to strengthen the administrative set up at the office of CEO for the upcoming Legislative Assembly polls.

Practice session inaugurated at Shri Ram Mandir, VIP Chowk

Raipur, Jul 01: The practice session of Benga, Guniya, Panda, Gaita, Mata Pujari's was held at Shri Ram Mandir, VIP Chowk, Raipur from June 28 in which Benga, Guniya, Panda, Gaita, Mata Pujari's from all over the state participated in various programs. The inauguration of this practice session was done by Shri Ram Mandir Trust, President, Brajraj Goyal in the presence of Mr Mahesh, Mr. Amar. Chief Priest Hanumant Lal inaugurated the session by performing religious rituals and pooja of Bharat Mata and Lord Shri Ram Chandra. The practice session starts with taking out Prabhat Pheri along with Bhajan playing mridang,



and other musical instruments which is followed discussion and other religious rituals throughout the day. Conducting the entire practice session, Chief Priest Hanumant Lal said scholars delivers lectures on Hindutva, Hindutva life Methodology, astrology, rituals, sixteen rites, Vedas, Shastras, Upanishads and Shree Bhagwat Gita. Sri Hanuman Chalisa recita-

tion was done in the temple premises performing Yajna on Friday evening

The practice session ended on July 01 at 2 pm. In this program, on behalf of Shri Ram Mandir Trust, the temples in the villages where is no idol of God, Sri Hanuman ji idols will be gifted to those villages. Will go. The entire Shri Ram Mandir family participated in this program.

Bhavan's RK Sarada Vidya Mandir Raipur students excel in 'Olympics of Science Fairs'

● 3 teams from Bhavan's RK Sarada Vidya Mandir made 25% of the Indian delegation to ISEF

Raipur, Jul 01: The International Science and Engineering Fair known as the "Olympics of Science Fairs" in the scientific community is the world's largest and most prestigious pre-college Science fair which was held at Dallas, Texas, USA from May 14-19 of this year. It brought together more than 1800 of the most curious and capable young science pioneers from more than 70 countries to an arena where they shared their ideas, showcased cutting-edge science and competed for over \$6 million in awards and scholarships. 3 teams from Bhavan's RK Sarada Vidya Mandir Raipur, Chhattisgarh made 25% of the Indian delegation to ISEF, said Amitabh Ghosh, Principal, Bhavan's RK Sarada Vidya Mandir Raipur while speaking to the scribes here. The team of Aditya Kumar Jha and



Ishan Choudhary, who presented their research project "HepaEase" in the category of Biochemistry, was one of the youngest teams of the Indian delegation and won the 2nd Grand Award along with a prize of \$2,000 and a Special Award of \$3,000 from the U.S. Agency for International Development. The team of Vanshika Digania and Soumya Agrawal with their research project "Oxydrome's Catch", won the 3rd Grand Award in their Category of Translational Medical Sciences and a prize money of 1000\$. The team of Vineet Narayan Prajapati and Sneha Pandey with their project "Curalgia" competed in

one of the most competitive categories of Computational Biology and Bioinformatics. The competition provided a forum for exchange of ideas and experiences among young minds. The finalists were able to know their competitors via a pin exchange ceremony wherein pins representing their nation were exchanged. With the International Shout Out and performances that would astound anybody, the ISEF Opening ceremony was a night to remember. Numerous symposiums like Science Good, 3D Printing in Healthcare, panels with entrepreneurs, women in STEM, and ISEF alumni were held in the days that

followed. Wide variety of College and Career Fairs were hosted to lighten the paths of young scientists in their career. The students were given the opportunity to visit the Perot Museum and along with a campus tour of University of Texas at Arlington. Following the judging day, student and adult mixers featuring the arcade, dance, music, and much more took place. The public visitation day provided the finalists to present their projects to an open audience and new budding students to motivate and encourage them. The Special Awards and the Grand Awards Ceremony, together with a call for this year's ISEF, brought it all to a close.

Ekta Child hospital felicitated by veteran cricketer Kapil Dev

● For their dedicated childcare service for past 24 years

Raipur, Jul 01: State's renowned children's hospital located in the heart of City EKTA children's Hospital was felicitated with 'Dhanwantri Saman' by veteran cricketer Kapil Dev for their outstanding work for past 24 years. Ekta Children's Hospital is a unit of Sparkle Hospital, committed to providing high quality, cost-efficient children's healthcare for the past 24 years.

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nursing staff who plays a vital role in monitoring and assisting patients with personalized care. Transparency being the core value, a hospital is a synonym of best emergency management and has continuously outperformed the industry benchmarks in medical outcomes. Ekta is the first non-govt paediatric teaching institute in Chhattisgarh. They are running DNB Program for last 20 years and more than 60 successful budding doctors had gone to various part of the country and are disseminating the skills knowledge and the philosophy in various part of the country

INTUC to protest against release of chemical polluted water in river

● INTUC to gherao company on July 03

Raipur, Jul 01: The chemical and acid-rich polluted water coming out of the company from the industrial area, Urla Bendri, is being drained into the Kharun river, through a drain, for the last several years, by the Apollo Pipe located in the industrial area. Apart from Municipal Corporation Birgaon, it is done in many nearby villages. Skin diseases, cancer and other incurable diseases are spreading to

local residents due to use of acid and other chemical polluted water.

The information about chemical-rich polluted water being discharged by the company into the Kharun river was earlier given by Raipur District INTUC, President, Ashish Dubey to the Environmental Protection Board and Municipal Corporation, Birgaon by writing a letter to the company management and urged to stop the flow of contaminated water coming out of the company into the Kharun river, but Kharun

river is being polluted continuously by discharge of dirty water by the company management. In protest against the arbitrariness of the company management even after repeated requests, on Monday, July 3, under the leadership of Raipur District INTUC President Ashish Dubey, along with all the office bearers, workers and local members of INTUC gherao of Apollo Pipe Company, Bendri will be done. Such type of protest will be further done if company management takes no action.

Baghel announces expansion of schemes for urban areas

Raipur, Jul 01: Announcing the expansion of schemes for urban areas Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel launched the 'Mitan Yojana' in all Nagar Palikas. Under the 'Mitan Yojana', home delivery of 25 services, including labour cards, will be facilitated. He inaugurated Urban Industrial Parks (UIPA) in the urban areas of the state.

Baghel stated that Chhattisgarh gained nationwide fame owing to its splendid culture and robust agriculture-based economy. 'Over the past four and a half years, our efforts focused not only on strengthening the rural economy but also on boosting the urban economy of the state. To this end, we have undertaken measures to enhance urban infrastructure, arrange additional financial



resources, and implement schemes aimed at benefiting every individual in society', he said.

The 'Swami Atmanand Utkrisht Vidyalay Yojana' has been initiated to ensure quality education in English and Hindi mediums for children from all income groups. Under the 'Mukhyamantri Suposhan Abhiyan', good nutrition has been ensured for everyone, helping children overcome malnutrition and women overcome ane-

mia, he said.

He also said that 'Half Biji Bill Yojana' was launched to ensure affordable and quality electricity supply. The Mor Biji App has been developed to make electricity services easily accessible. 'Alongside creating new employment opportunities on a large scale for the youth, we have also focused on their skill development. The Unemployment Allowance Scheme is being implemented for educated unemployed individuals, provid-

ing them with a monthly financial assistance of Rs 2500. In just three months, a total of Rs 80.64 crores is disbursed to the beneficiaries as allowances', said the Chief Minister.

'To strengthen urban healthcare, we have launched the Chief Minister's Urban Slum Health Scheme and the Shri Dhanvantari Generic Medical Store Scheme', Baghel said, adding that the extension of pipeline networks ensured access to clean drinking water in every household. Chhattisgarh has consistently received recognition from the Central Government for three consecutive years for its excellent work in maintaining cleanliness. The state government is providing a grant of Rs 2 crore to each industrial park to their respective bod-

ies, he said. 'In order to create better employment opportunities for startup entrepreneurs and self-help groups in urban areas, we are initiating the establishment of Urban Industrial Parks on the lines of Mahatma Gandhi Rural Industrial Parks', he added. 'Mukhyamantri Mitan Yojana' was launched with an aim to strengthen service delivery and provide citizens with essential documents from the comfort of their homes. Various government documents are now accessible to citizens through 'Mitans' in the urban areas of Chhattisgarh. In the urban areas of Chhattisgarh, citizens can now conveniently get various government documents delivered at their doorsteps through the Mitan Yojana.

PtJNMMC remembers Dr Bidhan Chandra Roy

● Various programs including blood donation organized on National Doctors Day

Raipur, Jul 01: Dr Bidhan Chandra Roy was remembered through various events by doctors on the occasion of National Doctor's Day at Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial Medical College, Raipur. All the doctors remembered Dr Bidhan Chandra Roy by lighting a lamp and offering wreaths in front of his picture in the assembly hall of the medical college.

National Doctor's Day is observed to commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy. Apart from being a doctor,



Dr. Roy was also a social worker and the second Chief Minister of West Bengal. He was honored with the Bharat Ratna for his sense of duty and social service. Dean Dr Tripti Nagaria congratulated all the doctors on National Doctor's Day. Referring to the duties of the doctors towards the patients, the Dean wished all the doctors for the efficient discharge of their responsibilities. President of

the Medical Teachers Association, Dr. Arvind Neral said that doctors are honored. A blood donation camp was organized by doctors and junior doctors in Medical College Raipur. More than 40 doctors donated blood in the camp. Dr. Arvind Neral donated blood for the 122nd time, which is an inspiration for the society. Other doctors including pediatrician Dr. Akash Lalwani and Dr. Devpriya Rath also donat-

ed blood. Hospital Superintendent Dr. S.B.S. Netam felicitated the doctors. Doctors planted trees to maintain greenery in the medical college campus and to make this day memorable.

During the program, Dean of the Medical College, Dr. Tripti Nagaria, Hospital Superintendent, Dr. S.B.S. Netam, Dr. Arvind Neral, Dr. Manoj Sahu, Dr. R. Of. Singh, Dr. Jyoti Jaiswal, Dr. Vivek Patre, Dr. Vinit Jain, Dr. Santosh Patel, Dr. Jaya Lalwani, Dr. Pratibha Jain Shah, Dr. Hansa Banjara, Dr. Sumit Tripathi, Dr. K.K. Of. Sahu, Dr. Jagruti Agarwal, Dr. Snigdha Jain, Dr. Mrityunjay Singh and Dr. Nirmal Verma and other doctors were present.

Kejriwal, Mann to address AAP mega rally today

Raipur, Jul 01: Aam Admi Party (AAP) Convenor and Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal and Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann will address AAP's mega rally to be held in Science College Ground Bilaspur on Sunday. All preparations for the mega rally of AAP have been completed, AAP state in-charge Sanjiv Jha said at a press conference. After their arrival in Bilaspur at 1:30 pm Kejriwal and Mann will go to Science College Ground to address AAP's mega rally, Jha said.

People of Chhattisgarh want development model of Delhi and Punjab, Jha said. He said that AAP emerged as an alternative for the people of Chhattisgarh. People of Chhattisgarh are feeling cheat-

ed by BJP's misrule thrice and then Congress, he alleged. The public is feeling that Bhupesh Baghel's government has broken the BJP's misrule and loot since 15 years, he alleged. People of Delhi and Punjab fought for their rights and the record that was made is in front of everyone, Jha said. People of Chhattisgarh are reposing faith in AAP in the same way as people of Delhi, Punjab, Gujarat and Goa have reposed faith in the party, he said.

In response to a question, Jha said it is the people who decide that Arvind Kejriwal has given a good model in Delhi and Punjab and has done good work for the people. 'In the journey of 11 years, not only did we form the government thrice in Delhi but also in Punjab', he added.

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Pranavananda Academy hosts FLN exhibition and parents' orientation

Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Jul 01: BSS Pranavananda Academy hosted an Exhibition cum Orientation Program on FLN (a national initiative by Ministry of Education for proficiency in reading with understanding & numeracy) on 1st July. The school also observed School Foundation Day & Doctor's Day on 1st July. Dr. Balakrishna graced the occasions as the Chief Guest.

The exhibition organised in the school showcased the models and TLMs prepared by the teachers for promoting skills of language & numbers for children. Hundreds of parents visited the exhibition and the core purpose of the event was to share innovative practices being adopted by



the school with the parents.

On this occasion the key speaker Tulika Ghosh, Psychologist, highlighted the importance of competencies to be developed among the small children

with the involvement of the parents

The principal of the school Mrs Anindita Ghosh in her address stressed that FLN is the need of the hour. She added that the parents has

to play a crucial role in implementing FLN practices at their home with their children to make them able to cope with the challenges of the future, informs Principal Pranavananda Academy.

State level competition for RBI All India quiz on Financial Literacy held

● **Kendriya Vidyalaya, Koriya emerges as winners for Chhattisgarh**

Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Jul 01: Reserve Bank of India conducted an All-India Quiz on Financial Literacy for school children. RBI, Raipur is the nodal office for the conduct of quiz in the State of Chhattisgarh. Selected students from Govt/Municipal schools participated in Block level quizzes organized at 146 blocks.

Subsequently, block level winners participated in District level quizzes in 33 districts. The quiz included content related to financial education material available on the RBI/NCFE website, and current topics related to



banking/financial sector and economy including G 20 foray. After elimination rounds and on-stage competition, team from Kendriya Vidyalaya, Koriya emerged as winners for Chhattisgarh. Teams from Pt. RD Tiwari English medium school, Raipur and SAGES, Pali, Korba, were 1st and 2nd

runner ups respectively. Winner of the State level quiz will participate in Zonal level quiz, and subsequently in National level quiz.

On June 30, 2023, State level quiz was organized for the State of Chhattisgarh at Hotel Babylon Inn, Jail Road, Raipur where in winners

of all 33 districts have participated. Mrs. Reeny Ajith, Regional Director for Chhattisgarh, Reserve Bank of India, was the Chief guest. Rajesh Rana, Special Secretary, School Education department, Govt. of Chhattisgarh, Mohan Rawat, DGM, RBI, D K Upadhyay, DGM, convener; SLBC, A Mishra, DGM, BoB, and teachers from all 33 districts attended the event. Reserve Bank of India is conducting an All-India Quiz on Financial Literacy for school children. RBI, Raipur is the nodal office for the conduct of quiz in the State of Chhattisgarh. Selected students from Govt/Municipal schools participated in Block level quizzes organized at 146 blocks. Subsequently, block level winners participated in District level quizzes in 33 districts.

32 railway employees achieve superannuation



Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Jul 01: As like previous months, 32 railway staff working in different departments achieved superannuation on the last day of June. On this occasion Assistant Divisional Personal Officer Ruhina Tufail Khan, ADFM

Niranjan Guniram Badge and other members of welfare department were present. Of the 32 retired employees, 08 were from Operating, 09 from Engineering, 02 from Mechanical, 05 from Commercial, 01 from Electrical, 01 from Personal, 01 from Medical and 01 from

Security respectively. In a programme organized at Community Hall, a total payment of Rs 11, 26, 04, 347 was made to the retired employees part from pension payment order; ID and pass, sewa medals and other documents. All of them were wished for a happy and healthy retired life.

CM attends conclusion ceremony of free disabled service camp

Disabled were provided with wheelchairs, tricycles, crutches and other equipment

Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Jul 01: Chief Minister Mr. Bhupesh Baghel reached the closing ceremony of the free disabled service camp of Bharatiya Jain Sangathan organised at Gujarati Bhawan in Bilaspur on Friday. He provided wheelchairs, tricycles, hearing aids, crutches, artificial limbs to the Divyangs in the camp.

The Chief Minister thanked the organization working selflessly and all the doctors serving in the camp. Inquiring about



their well-being from the Divyangs present in the camp, the Chief Minister wished everyone a healthy

life. It is worth mentioning that this 6-day disabled camp was organized with the help of Bhagwan Mahaveer Viklang Sahayata Samiti Jaipur and Rural Electrification Corporation Limited with the help of Bhartiya Jain Sangathan and Gujarati Samaj.

The camp, which started on June 25, ended on Friday. So far, 145 artificial limbs, 105 calipers, 135 artificial hands, 110 crutches, 53 tricycles, 75 wheelchairs and 215 hearing aids have been distributed to the differently-abled in the camp.

Guru Purnima celebration at Sai Temple Kota

Raipur, Jul 01: As like previous years, sai devotees this year are organising Guru Purnima celebration at Sai Temple Kota on July 03. As per the programme released, at 7 am there will be Kakkad Arti, at 7:30 am Panchamrit Abhishek, 8 am Shringar Aarti, 12 noon Madhya Arti and Prasad Arpan, 12:30 pm bhandarda, 6:30 pm Maha Aarti and from 7 pm Bhajan Sandhya to be followed by bhandarda.

Plying on roads without fitness and tax to be expensive

● **Arrangement of automatic e-challan by Transport Department**
● **ANPR system prepared in different routes of the state**

Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Jul 01: Chhattisgarh government is now preparing to crack down on vehicles which are running without fitness, tax and without documents. Preparations have now been completed to start ANPR e-detection system in various routes of the state, so that vehicles without fitness and without tax will be automatically challaned when they pass through the roads.

Transport facilities are being implemented smoothly in the state as per the intention of Chief

Minister Bhupesh Baghel and under the efficient guidance of Transport Minister Mohammad Akbar. The Chief Minister had given instructions to take action to reduce road accidents in the state by looking at the figures of deaths due to road accidents. One of the main reasons for road accidents is heavy vehicles running without fitness.

In order to reduce road accidents caused by unfit vehicles, ANPR cameras are being installed on various routes in the state on the initiative of the Transport Department, which will detect vehicles running without fitness and tax and will take automatic challan action. In the first phase, ANPR cameras have been installed at 09 places, which are connected to the vehicle software and e-detection system of the Transport Department.

Teachers, students, parents administered pledge



● **To give best performance in new session during 'Shala Pravesh Utsav'**

Central Chronicle News

Berla, Jul 01: 'Shala Pravesh Utsav' is celebrated every year, but this year it was something special. In the celebrations this year, the members of Palak Samiti and all teachers and students were administered a pledge to give best performance and the

CM's address to the students was also recited.

In order to explain the importance of education, every year the parents in order to motivate their children give the educational material to them.

There is no dearth of talent among the teachers here and they leave no stone unturned in order to provide best of the education and studies, apart from sports and other activities in the School. Every year Summer Camp is organised and this is leading to skill development among children and

in such conditions how parents can stay behind.

Every year the Shala Prabandhan Samiti also felicitates the toppers in each class by the President of Samiti Bholuram Veram on occasion of Independence Day. Similarly the member of Shala Samiti Dy.

Sarpanch Tabalghor provides sports materials to promote sports. Dilleshwar Sinha, Hari Nishad and Chandrashekar Verma are also always there to motivate the children.

At the same time, Dauram Patel, Narsingh

Nadda meets Sheer Laldas Saheb of Sindhu Amardham



Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Jul 01: Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) President JP Nadda during his day long visit to Bilaspur on Friday evening, called on Sheer Laldas Saheb of Sindhu Amardham to seek blessings. During the meeting, the BJP President Nadda also presented a booklet to him which highlights the achievements of 9 years rule of Narendra Modi government at Centre. Speaking on the occasion,

the Sheer Laldas Saheb said that their community had left the country for the Religion which is a rare example in the World to leave everything for the Religion. He further added that the Community would always stand for the campaign and upliftment of Sanatan Culture and would keep on blessing to those who are working for the Religion. State BJP President Arun Sao, former Chief Minister Dr Raman Singh and other senior BJP leaders were present on the occasion.

Sachiv Navagaon suspended on charges of using Panchayat funds

Central Chronicle News

Kawardha, Jul 01: CEO District Panchayat Sandeep Kumar Agrawal has suspended the Sachiv Gulab Kashyap of Gram Panchayat Navagaon of Janpad

For personal use; proposal sent for recovery of Rs 6.03 lakh embezzled

Panchayat Lohara with immediate effect. Kashyap is facing the charges of withdrawal of funds in forged manner and using it for personal use and not delegating the responsibilities given to him seriously. He has been suspended under the provisions of Chhattisgarh Panchayat Services Discipline & Appeal Act 1999. Apart from this for the recovery of the amount worth Rs 6.03 lakh embezzled by him, a proposal has been sent to the SDM (Revenue) sub-division Lohara. Seeing the alleged irregularities by the Sachiv, CEO Janpad Panchayat Sahaspur Lohara has been instructed tofile FIR against him in the nearest police check-post or the police station. It is notable here that CEO Janpad Panchayat Sahaspur- Lohara had apprised about this proposal in District Panchayat that the Sachiv Gram Panchayat Navagaon Gulab Kashyap has withdrawn funds for various construction works and used it for personal work. Action was taken against him, taking the same into cognizance and he was suspended along with recovery of the amount embezzled and filing of FIR against him.

Deepak Thakur appointed District President CWJF

Central Chronicle News

Kawardha, Jul 01: The formation of District working committee of state's largest organisation of journalists viz. Chhattisgarh Working Journalist Federation (CWJF) was held few days back in rest house building and during this the state-level office bearers and district-level journalists and all the other office bearers of other organisation of journalists were present.

It was in the presence of all the nomination of District President CWJF and other office bearers was held. It was with consent of all, Deepak Thakur was appointed as the District President CWJF

and Satish Patre as District Gen. Secy; Shailendra Upadhyay as District V-P; Mehboob Khan as District Secy; Pushkar Lahangi as Asst. Secy; Sanjeev Mishra as co-secy; Sanjay Tiwari as Treasurer. In the same way, Dukharan Singh Thakur was nominated as President CWJF (urban) and Sanjay Gupta as Gen. Secy. (Urban). Maheshwar Sahu was appointed as President Kunda Block.

In this meeting of CWJF, State Gen. Secy. BD Nijami, founder member Ravi Vatane, Sanjeev Tiwari, Surendra Kapoor (kake), working state president Avinash Thakur, were present. Giving information about the working of CWJF, BD Nizami



cited the importance of the organisation and extended greetings to all the newly appointed office bearers of the district. State Working President CWJF Avinash Thakur informed that CWJF is the

strongest organisation in the district and all work unitedly and for the benefit of the journalists. Newly appointed District President Deepak Thakur said that the journalists of the region can

move ahead with the help of CWJF and can strengthen the organisation. He said that so far he was working as District Gen.Secy. and all his colleagues now have given him the responsibility as that of CWJF District President and through which he will always try to meet up the expectations of the local journalists.

On this occasion, Umesh Sharma was appointed as advisor and others present included Chandrashekar Sharma, Sanjeev Pandey, Mannu Chandel, Surya Chandravanshi, Ravi Gwal, Vagheesh, Bhuneshwar Vaishnav, Arvind Tiwari, Suraj Yadav, and others office bearers and members of the region.

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Problem of NH road will be resolved soon: Bais

Central Chronicle News

Kusumaksa, Jul 01: Owing to the problems of National Highway (NH) road, on 28th June, the SDM office was to be surrounded under the leadership of district member Sanjay Bais, in Gram Panchayat Armurkasa.



Along with Manoj Markam, a meeting with district member Sanjay Bais and the villagers was held by Sarpanch Saroj Balendra of the village. However the movement has been canceled after administrative officials agreed to resume the work. The demands kept are

due to the increase in the height of 1. National Highway road, the locality has gone down, stagnant water is entering the houses, and therefore drains should be constructed on both sides.

The pond crossing and pachari adjacent to the main road have been broken by the contractor of National Highway, while the water of more than 100 acres of land on this pond comes to this pond and due to non-crossing of this pond, therefore the road of National Highway can also be uprooted.

Also demand for maintenance should be given to all the roads going from Main Road of Armurkasa to Basti. Vinod Kumar Balendra, Praveen Kumar, Dayalu Ram Bhandari, Yashwant, Khuman Singh, Gulab Singh and all the villagers were present.

Mega employment fair organized at Livelihood College

Central Chronicle News

Korba, Jul 01: One has to be mentally prepared to go out to move ahead in the field of employment and improve his or her future, and sacrifice and dedication make the path of professional career easier. District Collector Sanjeev Kumar Jha said these at the mega employment fair organized at Livelihood College for the eligible beneficiaries of unemployment allowance scheme and other unemployed youth of the district.



Addressing the youth, the Collector said that Chhattisgarh Government's Unemployment Allowance

Scheme is not only aimed at providing unemployment allowance to the unemployed, but also providing employment-self-employment to the unemployed by upgrading their skills by training them according to their interest. Regarding the mega employment fair, he said that unemployed youth should take advantage of it with open thoughts and get employment. The Collector further said that in this organized fair, not only employment is available for technical degree holders, but employment opportunities are also available for freshers and 10th-12th pass unemployed.

On this occasion, the Collector gave appointment certificates to the youths selected for employment and wished them all the best for their future. Representatives of 25 regional and inter-state companies interviewed the youth in the mega employment fair and more than 400 unemployed youths registered for employment in the fair, in which 409 applicants were initially selected and 38 applicants were finally selected. Under the Berojgari Bhatta Yojana, more than 200 youths were initially selected for employment.

'68-year-old boundary of GMHSS pulled down'

Central Chronicle News

Gaurela Pendra Marwahi, Jul 01: There is outrage in the whole city due to the incident of breaking the boundary of Gaurav Government Multi Purpose School (GMHSS) Pendra, and meanwhile Nagar Panchayat has taken up the task of rebuilding the broken boundary wall, which is supported by public representatives of all parties, students, former students and residents of Pendra Nagar.



English and Hindi medium Swami Atmanand School is

also running in this school of Pendra. The principal of the school had reportedly complained about breaking the boundary in the police station. The Principal has demanded

interest. According to information received in this regard, Manendragarh resident Kishore Agarwal father Hari Prasad Agarwal, Faheem Khan and others broke the boundary wall of the school premises and laid wires on about 38 decimas of land next to the Shiva temple, by placing a pole, after which the principal applied for registering an FIR against the person who broke the boundary wall in Pendra police station and after informing the Nagar Panchayat Pendra, a request was made to build the broken boundary wall.

After getting information about the incident of breaking the boundary wall, Shankar Patel, President of Public Participation Committee and Nagar Panchayat President Rakesh Jalan and all the officials of the Nagar Panchayat went along with the people's representatives and students of the city broke the pillars and wire planted by the alleged land owner. Now the Nagar Panchayat is going to reconstruct the boundary wall of Pendra School on June 29, which is supported by public representatives of all parties, students, former students and residents of Pendra Nagar.

The boundary was made 68 years ago
In the year 1955, the then Deputy Minister Pandit Mathura Prasad Dubey had laid the foundation stone of this school, as well as Vidya Upanagar Colony. All the above construction work was done on the land given by the donors. The boundary of the land whose boundary wall was broken was built 68 years ago. Chhattisgarh's first Chief Minister late Ajit Jogi, former minister late Bhanwar Singh Porte, NRI Lakhan Pandey and many big personalities have studied in this institution.

School entrance festival celebrated with enthusiasm

Central Chronicle News



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Korea, Jul 01: On the occasion of the inauguration of the education session 2023-24 and the school entrance festival, a development block level program was organized at the Government Ramanuja Higher Secondary School here under the chief hospitality of the District Panchayat Vice President Vedanti Tiwari.

District Panchayat Baikunthpur President Saubhagayati Singh Kusro, Municipality Baikunthpur President Navita Shivhare along with local public representatives, officers-employees, principals of schools, teachers, parents and school children were present on this occasion.

On this occasion, the school children were made to enter the school by applying tilak, garlanding them and feeding them sweets. On this occasion, uniforms and textbooks were distributed to the newly admitted school children, along with this; cycles were distributed to newly admitted girl students taking admission in class 9th under Saraswati Cycle Yojana.

एलआईसी हाऊसिंग फायनेंस लि.

प्रथम तल, भारतीय जीवन बीमा निगम, मंडल कार्यालय, मारपारा रोड, बिलासपुर - 495001 (छ.ग.) फ़ोन: 07752-418136

जाहीर सूचना

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DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE U/S 13 (2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

Borrower's & Guarantor's Name & Address	Type	Details of Mortgaged Property
Mrs. Sharma Parveen S/o. Mr. Ismail Ansari, Ward 4, Momin Para, Ambikapur, Sarguja (Chhattisgarh)	Cash Credit/Term Loan Term Loan (GECL)	Fly Ash Blocks plot on Kharsa No. 38/137, Area- 1628 sq. mtr. at Sumerpur, Lundra, Sarguja (C.G.) Documents-Deed no. 4937. dated 20.02.2017.
	₹ 10,20,494.98	NPA Date 31.07.2022

The Borrower mentioned above has availed total credit facilities as mentioned above from UCO Bank, Branch: Ambikapur (CG) and the mentioned Guarantors provided guarantee and secured by way of mortgaged of above mentioned property. The borrower failed to adhere to terms and conditions of sanction. The account became irregular and classified as NPA as mentioned above as per RBI guidelines. The Bank intends to enforce the said property mortgaged by you and issued Demand Notice as mentioned above for recovery of outstanding amount as mentioned above with interest and expenses thereon under registered post with acknowledgment due which were not served to the borrowers and guarantors. Hence this publication issued. Hereby Borrower/Guarantor are called upon to pay the amount mentioned above with rate of interest (Contractual Rate), costs, charges etc., thereon within 60 Days from the date of publication failing which the undersigned will be constrained to initiate action against mortgaged property under section 13(4) and the provision of said Act to realize our Bank's dues. Your attention is invited to provisions of the Sec (8) of Sec (13) of the act in respect of time available to you to redeem the secured assets.

Date: 01.07.2023, Place: Ambikapur (C.G.) Authorised officer / UCO Bank

BRANCH: SAKTI (C.G.)

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE U/S 13 (2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

Borrower's & Guarantor's Name & Address	Type	Details of Mortgaged Property
Mr. Magesh Kumar Sahu, Mr. Ram Kumar Sahu, Mrs. Noni Bai Sahu, Nawadha Chowk, Ward No-16, Amandula, Tehsil-Malkhuraouda, Dist- Sakti- 495691	Term Loan (Home Loan)	Land and building at KhNo 722/9, PHN. 15, area 0.10 acre at Village- Amandula, Tehsil Malkhuraouda, Dist- Sakti, CG. Boundaries: East- Land of 722/4 Rulsay, West- Land of Seller 722/1, North- Land of 729 Shankar Singh, South- Ghans Bhoomi
	₹ 10.00 Lakh	
	Total Dues as on 23.06.2023 an amount of ₹ 9,80,118.17	
	NPA Dt. 20.06.2023	

The Borrower mentioned above has availed total credit facilities as mentioned above from Bank of Baroda, Branch: Sakti (CG) and the mentioned Guarantors provided guarantee and secured by way of mortgaged of above mentioned property. The borrower failed to adhere to terms and conditions of sanction. The account became irregular and classified as NPA as mentioned above as per RBI guidelines. The Bank intends to enforce the said property mortgaged by you and issued Demand Notice as mentioned above for recovery of outstanding amount as mentioned above with interest and expenses thereon under registered post with acknowledgment due which were not served to the borrowers and guarantors. Hence this publication issued. Hereby Borrower/Guarantor are called upon to pay the amount mentioned above with rate of interest (Contractual Rate), costs, charges etc., thereon within 60 Days from the date of publication failing which the undersigned will be constrained to initiate action against mortgaged property under section 13(4) and the provision of said Act to realize our Bank's dues. Your attention is invited to provisions of the Sec (8) of Sec (13) of the act in respect of time available to you to redeem the secured assets.

Date: 01.07.2023, Place: Sakti (C.G.) Authorized Officer, Bank of Baroda

Circle Office, Plot No. A-48, Ring Road No. 2, Gaurav Path, Bilaspur, Ph.: (07752) 432710/729

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immoveable Properties)

[Under Rule-8(1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002]

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Punjab National Bank, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of Powers conferred under section 13(2) read with the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued Demand Notice on the dates, mentioned against each Account (given below) calling upon the Borrowers/ Guarantors / Mortgages to repay the amount as mentioned against each account within 60 days from the date of notices / date of receipt of the said notices. The Borrowers/ Guarantors / Mortgages having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers/ Guarantors / Mortgages and the on this below mention date, Public in general that the undersigned has taken Symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub-section (4) of section 13 of the said Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 on the date mentioned below.

The Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgages' attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

The Borrowers/ Guarantors / Mortgages in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the property/ies will be subject to the charge of Punjab National Bank for the amounts and interest thereon.

Sl. No.	Name of Account/ Borrower/ Guarantor and Branch Name	Description of the Property Mortgaged & Owner of the Property	Date of Demand/ Possession Notice	Amount outstanding as on the date of Possession Notice
1.	M/S Aditya Tractors Prop. Vijay Chhabariya S/O Late Ramdas Sindi, Guarantor/ Mortgages- Rajesh Kumar Gupta. Branch- Pendra.	Diverted Land Kh. No. 144/3, Admeasuring 6976 Sq. Ft. Opposite Dav School, Marwahi Road, Mouza & Gram Panchayat-Kudri, Block- Pendra, Tehsil Pendra Road, Distt. -Bilaspur, Cg. In the Name of Shri Rajesh Kumar Gupta. Boundaries: East- Land Of Rama, West- Land Of Chain Singh, North- Land Of Ratan Singh, South- Road To 'Chaura'	30.12.2022	₹ 36,01,005.16
			26.06.2023	plus charges and interest from 01.12.2022
2.	M/S Maa Sharda Traders prop. Shri Shrawan Kumar Agrawal, Mort./Guarantor- Legal Heir- Sharda Devi Agrawal. Branch- Pendra.	All That Part And Parcel Of Diverted Land Bearing Kh. No. 2354/11, Admeasuring 0.20 Acre And House Constructed On It. Village- Pendra P.C. No-01 R.L.C. Pendra, Tehsil- Pendra, Tahsil- Pendra Distt- Bilaspur (CG) Boundaries: East- Pendra-Marwahi Main Road, West- Land Of Shankar Agrawal, North- House Of Prahlad Rai, South- Land Of Sanjay Agrawal.	25.01.2023	₹ 39,63,996.17
			26.06.2023	plus charges and interest from 01.02.2023
3.	Smt. Madhu Agrawal, Guarantor/Mortgages- Shrawan Kumar Agrawal Branch- Pendra.	1. Diverted Land Kh. No. 514/5, Admeasuring 0.08 Acre Or 3485 Sq. Ft, M/S Radha Krishna Automobiles, Rear Portion Of Farmtrac Showroom Campur, Gram-Kudkai, Near Marwahi Road, Tehsil-Pendra, Distt- Bilaspur (CG), Standing In the Name Of Shri Shrawan Kumar Agrawal S/O Prahlad Rai. Boundaries: East- Land Of Shrawan Kumar & Road (Front Portion Of Tractor Showroom & Side Road), West- Land Of Sheetal Prasad, North- Land Of Owner Shrawan, South- Land Of Ganesh. 2. Diverted Land Kh. No. 514/6, Admeasuring 0.20 Acre And House Constructed On It. Village- Pendra P.C. No-01 R.L.C. Pendra, Tehsil- Pendra, Tahsil- Pendra Distt- Bilaspur (CG) Boundaries: East- Owner's Property & Workshop Shed, West- Land Of Owner Shrawan, North- Land Of Owner Shrawan, South- Land Of Owner Shrawan.	16.01.2023	₹ 11,45,353.91
			26.06.2023	plus charges and interest from 01.01.2023
4.	M/S Nayak Traders, prop. Indrapal Singh Nayak. Branch- Pendra.	All That Part And Parcel Of Open Plot, Kharsa Number-Part Of 81/8, Total Land Area- 0.40 Acres, Diverted Land Area- 0.20 Acre Or 8712 Sq.Ft. Behind Owner's House, Silpahi Road, Gram- Andi, Tehsil- Marwahi, Distt. - Bilaspur, CG. Boundaries: East- Land Of Man Singh, West- Land Of Chourasia Bai & Man Singh, North- Land Of Bhup Singh, South- 20' Wide Kachha Road In Own Land.	25.01.2023	₹ 22,32,320.91
			26.06.2023	plus charges and interest from 01.02.2023
5.	Shri Shrawan Kumar Agrawal, S/O Shri Prahlad Rai Agrawal, Mort./Guarantor- Legal Heir- Sharda Devi Agrawal. Branch- Pendra.	Em Of Diverted Land Bearing Kh. No. 2354/11, Admeasuring 0.20 Acre And House Constructed On It. Village- Pendra P.C. No-01 R.L.C. Pendra, Tehsil- Pendra Distt- Bilaspur (CG) Boundaries: East- Pendra-Marwahi Main Road, West- Land Of Shankar Agrawal, North- House Of Prahlad Rai, South- Land Of Sanjay Agrawal.	31.12.2022	₹ 93,22,440.92
			26.06.2023	plus charges and interest from 01.01.2023

Date: 01.07.2023 Place : Bilaspur (C.G.) Authorized Officer, Punjab National Bank

आम सूचना

सर्वसाधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि श्री कलमकांत कोशिक पिता श्री महावीर कोशिक निवासी ग्राम बिकोना हस्ताक्षर पारा थाना कोनी जिला बिलासपुर (छगम) के द्वारा मौजा सरकंडा प.छं. 20/32 रा.निं. व हत्सल बिलासपुर अंतर्गत नगर पालिका निगम बिलासपुर स्थित भूमि परियोजना भूमि शॉट नं. 23 / 1 1992/ 9 क्रमांक 358 खसरा नं. 1183 1182, 1194 में से क्षेत्रफल 1256 वर्गफुट भूमि को पंजीकृत किया गया है। उक्त भूमि के विक्रय क्रमांक 06/08/2016 दस्तावेज क्रमांक 3021 जिसमें विक्रेता श्री नेमीचंद जैन था, गुम गया है। उमेशचंद्र केकरवानी द्वारा बैंक आफ बडौदा शाखा भुवनेश्वर रोड मंगला बिलासपुर में ऋण प्राप्त करने हेतु आवेदन पत्र प्रस्तुत किया है। उक्त भूमि के विक्रय पत्र दिनांक 06/08/2016 दस्तावेज क्रमांक 3021 जो श्री नेमीचंद जैन के द्वारा श्री कलमकांत कोशिक के पक्ष में निष्पादित किया गया था, के संबंध में किसी व्यक्ति, संस्था, निगम, निकाय, वित्तिय संस्थान, बैंक, समिति को कोई आपत्ति हो तो अतिविलंब दस्तावेजों के साथ मेरे कार्यालय में 14 दिनों के भीतर प्रस्तुत कर सकते हैं। समाजवर्षी पश्चात् आपत्ति अमान्य होगी। सो सूचना जानें।
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विविध प्रकरण क्रमांक- 15/ब-121/2021-22 पेशी तारीख- 07.08.2023

बैंक ऑफ इंडिया द्वारा- प्राधिकृत अधिकारी, व्यापार विहार शाखा, जौन-1, फ्लॉट-22 व्यापार विहार, बिलासपुर (छगम)

विरुद्ध आवेदक

मेसर्स डिवाइन्स इन्डस्ट्रीज, प्रो। श्रीमती जसमीत कौर पति श्री जसबीर होरा, फ्लॉट नं. 07, औद्योगिक क्षेत्र तिलफरा, बिलासपुर जिला-बिलासपुर (छ.ग.) अनावेदक

अनावेदक के विरुद्ध इस न्यायालय में आवेदक बैंक ऑफ इंडिया, व्यापार विहार शाखा बिलासपुर, द्वारा प्राधिकृत अधिकारी, के द्वारा आवेदन पत्र वास्तु धारा- 14 वित्तीय आस्तियों के प्रतिभूतिकरण और पुनर्गठन तथा प्रतिभूति हित का प्रवर्तन अधिनियम 2002 प्रस्तुत कर मौजा तिलफरा इंडस्ट्रियल एरिया, जिला बिलासपुर (छगम) सर्वे नं./फ्लॉट नंबर पी-07, 900 वर्गफुट में स्थित डायवर्टेड लैंड होल्ड की जमीन और वाणिज्यिक भवन 6000 वर्गफुट, (फ्लॉट एवं मशीनरी एवं स्टॉक तथा कच्चा माल) प्रतिभूति आस्तिका का आधिपत्य दिलाने जाने का निवेदन किया गया है। उपरोक्त प्रकरण सुनवाई हेतु दिनांक 07.08.2023 के लिये नियत है। दिनांक 07.08.2023 को दिन के 3.00 बजे उक्त प्रकरण पर आपको उत्तर देने के लिये उपसंज्ञा/ हाजिरी होने के लिये नोटिस प्रकाशन किया जाता है, आप इस न्यायालय में स्वयं या अपने अधिवक्ता के माध्यम से उपसंज्ञा हो सकते हैं, जिसे सत्यक अनुदेश दिये गये हों और इस दबा से संबंधित सभी सारवान प्रश्नों का उत्तर दे सकें, तथा उन सभी दस्तावेज को पेश करने के लिये तैयार रहें, जिस पर आप अपनी प्रतिरक्षा के लिये निर्भर रहना चाहते हैं। आपके सूचित किया जाता है कि आप उक्त तिथि को इस न्यायालय में हाजिर नहीं होंगे तो आपके विरुद्ध एक पक्षीय कार्यवाही करते हुए लंबित प्रकरण का निराकरण आपकी अनुपस्थिति में किया जावेगा। यदि किसी कारणवश पेशी तिथि दिनांक 07.08.2023 को अवकाश घोषित हो जाता है तो प्रकरण की सुनवाई आगामी कार्यदिवस को की जावेगी। जिला दण्डाधिकारी, बिलासपुर के आदेशानुसार आज दिनांक 26.06.2023 को मेरे हस्ताक्षर एवं न्यायालय की पदमुद्रा से जारी किया गया। कार्यपालक दण्डाधिकारी जिला दण्डाधिकारी, बिलासपुर (जिला मजिस्ट्रेट द्वारा आदेशित)

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विरुद्ध आवेदक

1. श्रीमती वर्षा मिश्रा पति श्री राजेश मिश्रा, 2. राजेश मिश्रा पिता श्री देवी प्रसाद मिश्रा, दोनों निवासी वार्ड-40, ब्रमात चौक, चिंगराजपुरा, बिलासपुर जिला-बिलासपुर (छ.ग.) अनावेदकगण

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POSSESSION NOTICE

(As per Appendix IV read with rule 8(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002)

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Bank of Baroda under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice to the following borrowers / guarantors calling upon the Borrowers to repay the amount mentioned in the respective notices within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The under mentioned Borrower / Guarantor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers/Guarantors and the Public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub - section (4) of section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 and under section 14 of the Act of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 .

S. N.	Branch Name/Ph.No.	Name of Borrower / Guarantor	Description of Property	Demand Notice Date, Amount & Symbolic / Physical Possession Date
01	Rasmada Branch Durg 9752410595	M/s. Om Sai Industries Prop. Mr. Haribhau Matlane Plot No. 138, Zone-A, Industrial Growth Centre Boral, Village - Rasmada, Durg - 491001 (C.G.) Mr. Haribhau Matlane S/O Mr. Babu Rai Matlane, 495, Ramnagar, Bhilai, Ward No. 13, Supela Bhilai, Durg, C.G. - 490023	All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Leasehold Industrial Land and Shed & Building Plot No: 138, zone A, Boral, Rasmada Industrial Area Growth Centre, Tahsil - Durg and District - Durg (C.G.), standing in the name of Om Sai Industries Prop.- Mr. Haribhau Matlane. Bounded: On the North by: Plot No. 138, On the South by Plot No. 2, On the East by: Plot No. 137, On the West by: Cross Street No. 01.	12.04.2023 ₹. 41,13,112.00 + interest + other charges 27.06.2023 Symbolic Possession

The Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgages in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the above mentioned property and any dealings with the property/ies will be subject to the charge of Bank of Baroda for above mentioned amount interest and other charges thereon. The Borrower's attention is invited to provision of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Date: 02.07.2023, Place: Bhilai, Chhattisgarh Authorised Officer, Bank of Baroda

Man arrested for abducting and assaulting youth

Bhilai, Jul 01: Police have arrested a man on charges of abducting and assaulting a youth. The incident was the outcome of some money dispute. The accused is reportedly an ex-army man while the victim works as a manager in a private cast iron foundry in Raipur.



crime. Police received a complaint from Gangdev Prasad (40) son of Late Sampat Barie a resident of

5A/31A/07 Bhilai Nagar. The victim complained that one Beni Prasad Deshmukh abducted him from the road near Sector 7 Overbridge and took him to Balod Road in a car. He assaulted him in the car and demanded money. Later he dropped the victim at Sector 7.

The accused also threatened to kill the victim. Police lodged an FIR under section 294, 506, 323, 365 IPC against Beni Prasad Deshmukh.

Police traced the accused Beni Prasad Deshmukh and recovered

the vehicle used in the incident from his possession. Police seized the car bearing registration number HR 26 CV 6484, telephone wire, kitchen knife, shallow tape, etc from the accused.

These items were used in the crime. The accused was produced before the court and has been sent to jail on judicial remand. ASI Surendra Rajput, Head Constable Prem Kumar Singh, Constable Amit Verma and Hemendra Kurre played a vital role in arresting the accused.

Notorious thief nabbed

Bhilai, Jul 01: Police nabbed a notorious thief and recovered gold jewellery worth Rs 4.5 lakh from his possession. The accused used to move around on foot and targeted the locked houses. A joint team of Durg Civil Team and Police Station Nagar nabbed the accused.

Considering the rising cases of thefts in the district, Superintendent of Police Shalabh Kumar Sinha had instructed his subordinates to trace the accused and recover the stolen items. Under the supervision of Additional Superintendent of Police (City) Sanjay Dhruva and City Superintendent of Police Banker Vaibhav Ramanlal (IPS), a special team was formed for the investigation of theft cases. The special team of the police interrogated the



accused who were earlier arrested in theft cases. Meanwhile, they received a tip off about a person named Pitambar Rao, a resident of Deepak Nagar. He was trying to sell some gold ornaments. Acting on this tip off, the civil team of Durg and Mohan Nagar police station nabbed him near Malviya Nagar Check Post of Deepak Nagar area.

The suspect Pitambar Rao was taken into custody. During sustained interrogation, the suspect Pitambar Rao confessed to committing theft at a house in Scindia Nagar about one year ago. Police took the accused to the crime scene where the accused disclosed how he entered the house from the back door of the house and burgled gold

jewellery and cash from the almirah. He had concealed the jewellery at his friend's place and had spent the stolen cash. Police have recovered the gold ornaments. The accused has been challaned in many cases of thefts in the past also. Advance action is being taken by Mohan Nagar police station. The accused Pitambar Rao (55) son of Purushottam Rao a resident of Deepak Nagar has been booked under the provisions mentioned in section 457, 380 of IPC. Inspector Vipin Rangari, Head Constable Monika Gupta, Constables Javed Khan, Kisha Saini, Nasir Bux, Gaur Singh, Thomson Peter, Kamlesh Yadav, Prashant Patankar, Bharghari Nishad, Ajay Kumar Yadu, Rajeev Ranjan Singh played a vital role in arresting the accused.

Disproportionate assets: Mining Officer gets 7 years RI

Bhilai, Jul 01: A Special Court in Durg convicted and sentenced an Assistant Mining Officer to seven years rigorous imprisonment for amassing assets worth Rs 1.48 crore disproportionate to known sources of income. Special Judge (Anti Corruption) Aditya Joshi convicted erstwhile Assistant Mining Officer Ganesh Prasad Kumhare a resident of Radha Bhavan, Vijay Nagar, Durg for amassing disproportionate assets including movable and immovable properties.

Special Prosecutor Jahida Parveen informed that the Anti-Corruption Bureau, Raipur registered a case on October 09, 2010 based on the information from a source that while working as Assistant Mining Officer in Durg during January 01, 2004 to October 12, 2010, Ganesh Prasad Kumhare had acquired disproportionate assets.

ACB conducted searches at the premises of Kumhare and recovered documents of investments, properties, etc.

During trial, the court found that the total income of the accused and his family during the period January 01, 2004 to October 12, 2010 was Rs 61.59 lakhs. In this period, he amassed disproportionate assets of Rs 1.48 crore. The court found him guilty for offences under section 13 (1)(e) and Section 13 (2) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and sentenced him to seven years rigorous imprisonment and Rs 20000 fine. The court opined that the misconduct and acquiring disproportionate wealth by public servants is failing the concept of public welfare state. The disproportionate assets to the tune of Rs 1.48 crore lakhs shall be recovered from Ganesh Prasad Kumhare from his assets, and movable and immovable properties, the court said.

Narva scheme proves to be a boon for farmers

Bhilai, Jul 01: The Narva scheme is proving to be a boon for all such farmers who were able to harvest only one crop in the rainy season. The income of farmers is increasing due to expansion of irrigation facilities through the Narva scheme. At the same time, they are also becoming empowered socially and economically. Narva structure brushwood is a great example of recharging groundwater at no cost. Structures are being constructed on the nullahs in the forest areas as well. Now the animals need not to migrate to populated areas in search of food and water. Drinking water and means of irrigation are being developed by the administration for farmers. Availability of water is being ensured so that the farmers do not face any difficulty in farming. Chhattisgarh has ample amount of water, forests and natural resources. Paddy, various crops, fruits, greens and vegetables are produced in large quantities. Apart from increasing the production in the agriculture sector, the agricultural development and farmers' welfare are two

important aspects. The Suraji Gaon scheme of the state government is enhancing all these aspects of development. Under the Chhattisgarh government's Suraji Gaon scheme, continuous efforts are being made to give employment to the people in the village itself and to develop Narva, Garva, Ghurva and Bari for the development of the village. The picture of the villages is changing now. Concrete efforts are being made in the direction of conservation and promotion of underground water sources through the Narva program so that agriculture and agriculture related activities can be promoted. This scheme is proving very beneficial for the farmers who were dependent on rain water.



water is used for irrigation of fields. Apart from this, the groundwater is recharged by stopping the rain water that flows through the drains. The Narva Yojana is mainly based on this scientific technique which provides more time to earth to absorb water. Now farmers are getting sufficient quantities of water for Kharif as well as Rabi crops. The ground water level is also increasing in the surrounding areas. Along with this, the villagers are also getting employment by participating in Narva development works under MGNREGA.

Area treatment and drainage line treatment works have been given a new shape under Narva in Durg district. For area treatment,

raw drain, private dubri, new pond, tree plantation, water absorption trench, land reclamation, recharge pit and wells have been constructed. For drainage line treatment, nullah revitalization and deepening, Narva renovation, check dam, check dam brushwood, recharge pit etc have been constructed. The figures of work sanctioned under Narva are commendable. A total of 6207 works were taken up in the DPR, out of which 6164 works have been approved. 5890 works have been completed. A total of 196 narvas have been made in 304 gram panchayats and narvas have been treated.

The increase in the amount of moisture in the

soil is assessed on the basis of vegetation cover and agricultural productivity in the area. Due to moisture, the roots of plants spread and plants take their food from the soil with moisture. The excess water creates a problem of fungal diseases like wet rot and root rot in the crop. The status of ground water surface is assessed twice a year. The pre-monsoon is from March to May and the post-monsoon is from October to December.

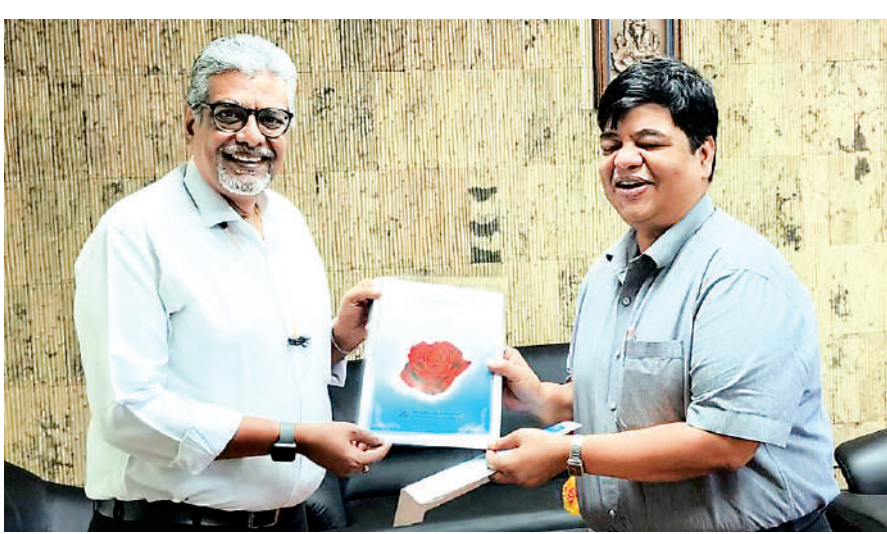
The flow of water in Narva is estimated on the basis of liters per second. When the amount of water in Narva is good, the farmer gets convenience in farming. The impact of this indicator is assessed on the basis of change in irrigated area of rabi and kharif crops. The drain water is being used by the farmers for irrigation, which has increased productivity.

Due to water accumulation in Gajra Nala watershed, the farmers are getting water for irrigation in the areas which remained dry in the summer. Ground water level is rising in nearby hand pumps and bore wells. In Gram Panchayats Akatai, Auri, Pauha and Ranitarai,

the rain water is collected in the drains. Now the farmers are getting plenty of water for irrigation. 1500 farmers are now producing rabi crop after treatment in Lumti drain, 1610 farmers are fetching water from bore wells in 745 hectares.

Farmers used to dig boreholes up to 500 meters on both sides of the drain but were not getting enough water. Now they are taking water from the drain. Collector Pushpendra Kumar Meena regularly inspects the development works in Dhamdha. The water level is expected to rise by five inches through the Narva structure ready to welcome the rain drops of monsoon. The works of two phases of Narva have been successfully completed and the water level has increased by 586 inches, due to which the hard work of 15,000 workers has paid off. The aim of this scheme is also that the water level in wells, handpumps and borewells should not decrease during the summer season and the farmers of the state can do farming easily. Narva is now emerging as a national model in water conservation.

358 Executives of SAIL-BSP elevated



Bhilai, Jul 01: 358 Executives of SAIL-Bhilai Steel Plant from different departments were promoted and elevated to senior grades on June 30, 2023.

General Managers at a felicitation ceremony organised at Ispat Bhavan on June 30, 2023.

Anirban Dasgupta, Director I/c (BSP) congratulated the newly promoted Executives and stated that they have worked well for this well-deserved promotion. Your responsibilities will increase manifold. I urge you to contribute more for the company and our Plant in the future, Dasgupta said. Among senior

officers present on the occasion as Special Guests were, Anjali Kumar, ED (Works), AK Chakraborty, ED (MM), AK Panda, ED (F&A), Samir Swarup, CGM I/c (Mines & Rowghat), Dr Ravindranath M, CMO I/c (M&HS), Nisha Soni, CGM (HRD), along with NK Banchar, Chairman, (SEFI) & President (OA). Respective zonal heads and HODs of different areas distributed promotion orders in their respective zones earlier during the day. 18 Executives have been promoted from E1 to E2 grade and become Deputy Managers, 04 Executives have become Senior Managers after getting promoted from E2 to E3 grade, while 61 have got promoted from E3 to E4 grade to become Senior Managers.

197 Executives have become Assistant General managers after getting promoted from E4 to E5 grade, whereas 29 Executives have been promoted from E5 to E6 grade to become Deputy General Managers. Among the BSP Employees from the Medical and Health Services Department, 03 executives have been promoted from E5 to E6 grade to become Chief Consultants, while 03 Deputy Chief Medical Officers (DCMOs) have been promoted from E6 to E7 grade to become Additional Chief Medical Officers (ACMO) respectively.

Komal & Akanksha to participate in selection trials

• Of Indian women's volleyball team

Bhilai, Jul 01: City's young sports talents Komal Singh and Akanksha Banafar, are participating in the selection trials for the senior Indian women's volleyball Team for the upcoming Asian Games 2023. The selection trials are being organised from June 29 to July 01, 2023 at Bangalore. The women players selected in this trial will represent India in the Asian Games to be held at



Hangzhou, China, from September 23 to October 08, 2023.

Both the players started their sports career from the BSP Volleyball Ground, where they received training from the BSP's Volleyball Instructors. Both Komal & Akanksha have also been members of the women's team of Bhilai Steel Plant. Also both have played for HVC Club Bhilai. Akanksha Banafar has been a regular player of HVC, Bhilai during her school days, however last year she got selected in

S A I , Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, where she is undergoing advanced training in Volleyball. Komal Singh's grandfather has been a BSP Employee. All the volleyball lovers of Bhilai-Durg have congratulated Komal & Akanksha on this achievement and wished them luck for their trials. The Asian Games, also known as Asiad, is a multi-sport event held every four years, and is participated by a cross-section of players from different countries of Asia.

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UCC's Prudent Path

With the Lok Sabha elections looming ahead, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has intensified his call for the implementation of the Uniform Civil Code (UCC), while accusing Opposition parties of sowing discord among minority communities. In response, the Congress has criticized the government's push for a 'divisive' code, cautioning against imposing an agenda-driven majoritarian ideology. The UCC remains a crucial electoral agenda for the ruling BJP, following the fulfillment of core promises such as the abrogation of Article 370 and the upcoming completion of the Ram Mandir. The concept of the UCC entails a unified set of personal laws encompassing aspects like marriage, divorce, inheritance, and adoption, applicable to all citizens irrespective of their religion. The Law Commission has recently initiated the process of soliciting views from various stakeholders, including the public and recognized religious organizations, on this contentious issue. Spearheading the UCC campaign is Uttarakhand, a BJP-ruled state. Notably, the Supreme Court had earlier acknowledged that state governments possess the authority to examine the feasibility of implementing a common code. Article 44 of the Constitution, a directive principle of state policy, calls for the state's endeavor to secure a uniform civil code for all citizens across India. The Union government now faces the daunting task of building consensus on the UCC. The apprehensions and doubts among minority communities, fueled by concerns that the code may favor a Hindu-centric approach, must be addressed. To gain credibility and acceptance, the UCC must embody the essence of Article 25, which guarantees freedom of religion, and seek to eliminate regressive practices prevalent in various faiths. An ideal code should be reformative, aiming to uplift society as a whole. It is essential that the central government takes into account the perspectives of all stakeholders while formulating the UCC. The process of implementing a Uniform Civil Code requires meticulous attention, consultation, and inclusivity. It must not be perceived as a tool to impose the cultural practices of one religious group on others. Instead, the code should be a platform for dialogue, where diverse religious beliefs and customs are respected, while simultaneously working towards harmonizing conflicting laws and practices. The UCC should strive to create a just and equitable society, safeguarding the rights and freedoms enshrined in our Constitution. Furthermore, the government's responsibility is not limited to drafting the UCC but also to address the concerns and aspirations of minority communities. The UCC should not be wielded as a weapon to suppress or marginalize any particular group. Instead, it should serve as an instrument for social progress, modernization, and gender equality. The code must ensure that discriminatory practices, prevalent in certain religious laws, are eradicated, thereby fostering a more inclusive and egalitarian society. The path to implementing a Uniform Civil Code may be arduous, but it presents an opportunity for the government to demonstrate its commitment to upholding the principles of justice, secularism, and inclusivity. The UCC should not be approached as a political tool to polarize society but rather as a means to unify and strengthen the fabric of our diverse nation. It is imperative that the Union government takes a cautious and deliberative approach, engaging in constructive dialogue with all stakeholders, including legal experts, scholars, religious leaders, and representatives of marginalized communities. This collaborative effort will ensure that the Uniform Civil Code is not only legally sound but also respects the sentiments, beliefs, and rights of all citizens.

Defending Democracy

Pakistan's Delicate Balance

The purging of military officers in Pakistan, including a Lt General, sends a strong message from the army to deter sympathizers of former Prime Minister Imran Khan. In the wake of the violent unrest following Imran's arrest on May 9, where over 20 defence installations and government buildings were attacked, the Pakistan army has taken decisive action to demonstrate its authority and weed out those who failed to protect key military sites. The attacks, allegedly carried out by supporters of Imran's Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) party, revealed deep divisions within the military, an institution that has historically wielded significant influence over the country's politics. The fact that the protesters managed to breach heavily guarded premises suggests complicity from insiders. Major Generals, Brigadiers, and more than 100 individuals are now facing trial in military courts for their involvement in these attacks, a clear indication that the military is committed to strict self-accountability regardless of rank or position. As Pakistan prepares for the upcoming General Election, both the military and the Shehbaz Sharif government are leaving no stone unturned in neutralizing Imran and his loyalists. Imran himself claims victimization, alleging that he and other PTI leaders are targeted due to their outspoken criticism of the army. The military's dual strategy of cracking down on PTI leaders while simultaneously purging its own ranks aims to regain control and influence over the political landscape. However, this approach carries inherent risks and could potentially backfire, leading to an electoral advantage for Imran and further political unrest. It is essential for Pakistan, a nation grappling with severe economic challenges, to brace itself for a prolonged period of political instability. The outcome of the upcoming election will shape the country's future trajectory. As the military asserts its authority, it must ensure that its actions are not perceived as undermining the democratic process or stifling dissent. Upholding the principles of accountability, transparency, and respect for democratic institutions will be crucial in maintaining public trust and stability. Furthermore, the ongoing political turmoil should serve as a wake-up call for all stakeholders to prioritize national unity and the welfare of the people. Pakistan's progress and development can only be achieved through inclusive governance, economic reforms, and social cohesion. The upcoming election should be an opportunity to showcase the strength of democracy, with a level playing field for all political parties, ensuring fair and transparent proceedings. Military's purge in Pakistan reflects a firm resolve to address internal weaknesses and deter sympathizers of Imran Khan. While the move may be driven by the desire to regain control and influence, it also carries inherent risks. It is crucial for the military and the government to maintain a delicate balance, upholding democratic values while effectively addressing security concerns. The upcoming election will be a litmus test for Pakistan's democratic journey, and it is imperative for all stakeholders to prioritize national stability, inclusivity, and economic progress. Only through unity and a commitment to democratic principles can Pakistan overcome its challenges and pave the way for a brighter future.

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MONSOON PREPARATIONS



A farmer prepares a field for cultivation during the monsoon season, in Nadia district of West Bengal, Saturday, July 1.

AI: Democratizing Nutritional Advice with Safety and Accuracy

DANIELLE MCCARTHY

When you search online to see how people are using artificial intelligence (AI) tools such as ChatGPT, you will quickly find that food requests are popular. More specifically, users are seeking help with menu planning to meet their personal dietary goals. But how effective is this technology in providing dietary advice? In a consumer poll, over three out of five consumers agreed they would like to eat a healthier diet. Some 73% felt it was important to buy food that has a low environmental impact. A substandard diet is a leading cause of chronic disease and death around the world. Additionally, a third of all human-caused greenhouse gas emissions are linked to food. Against this background, it's clear that help is required to achieve the transformational shift from goals to behaviour. However, for the 19.9% of Europeans who live with a self-reported food allergy, every eating decision has to align with protecting themselves from an adverse reaction. This comes at a cost: the average spend on weekly food purchases for those with food hyper-sensitivities is 12-27% higher than for those with no allergies. An extra 40.37 days is required for those with allergies to research and plan their diet. So, while AI could help many households have healthier diets, the consequences of an error for those with food allergies can be life threatening. With concern also raised for consum-

ing purported healthy ingredients such as coconut oil, it is extremely important that nutrition experts help inform these technological solutions.

How can AI help?

Academics in Canada used specific types of AI, known as natural language processing (NLP) and machine learning, to process text on food labels. This is done to accurately categorise food products by their specific nutritional criteria.

Such criteria include the Table of Reference Amounts for food categorisation used by Health Canada the country's government department for health policy along with the nutrient profiling system of Food Standards Australia New Zealand, the authority that develops food standards for both Oceania countries. This work showed that technology could be used to reduce the time needed to manually categorise large numbers of food products.

Commercial offerings using technology in this way already exist. One example is the company Food Maestro. The company I am involved with, Spoon Guru, has been working with global retailers for eight years, helping them facilitate the food search and find features within online grocery shopping platforms using AI systems that are co-developed with registered nutritionists.

The field of generative AI uses large language models (LLM) and machine learning to not only identify words within text but also to understand their order and context to produce human-like responses to text-based prompts.

AI chatbots such as Chat GPT use this technology to synthesise information, summarise text and answer questions. It can be used to provide tailored menu plans, generate recipe ideas and compile shopping lists.

Chatbot test

Early expert reviews using Chat GPT for menu planning and dietary advice have produced mixed results. A study to assess the chatbot's ability to produce dietary plans for those with

allergies found that out of 56 diets, it generated an unsafe plan on one occasion, including almond milk within a nut-free dietary plan.

There were other errors too. For example, there were mistakes in the way food quantities and energy values were described and there was repetition of the same foods within menu plans.

In a review of ChatGPT's potential for personalised obesity treatment, the authors raised concerns about patient privacy and security. They also noted a lack of accountability should harmful advice be provided. These models currently do not have to abide by professional standards or codes of ethics.

Dietitians tested ChatGPT's ability to define an ideal diet for those with type 2 diabetes or those undergoing haemodialysis a treatment for kidney failure. They too found errors. The chatbot responded with foods that would not be optimal for these conditions, without any warnings. Menu plans were again repetitive and the authors raised concerns that such solutions could encourage users not to consult qualified health professionals.

The lack of references to the sources of information used to generate the answers meant they couldn't check if they were of high scientific quality. A cardiologist tested the advice that ChatGPT generated in relation to his specialist area, which was the link between dietary fat and cardiovascular disease. He felt the answers misinterpreted the research studies, repeatedly producing errors and inconsistencies in a tone described as sensible, confident and convincing.

Ethical implications

Despite clear signs that caution is warranted, some early reviews also noted that AI had strengths and the potential for providing personalised nutrition advice. ChatGPT's responses often aligned with published food-based dietary guidelines. For example, the chatbot included fruit and vegeta-

bles in every meal, and incorporated advisory statements, such as "it is important to read labels carefully" and "consult a health professional".

The ethical implications, safety and quality of the technology will need to be more fully understood before it is likely to be used within these professions. However, customers and patients may choose to make regular use of it regardless.

Technology like ChatGPT could be seen as a useful tool for dietitians and registered nutritionists to quickly find information about foods, helping inform their work.

Academics investigating the relationship between food and health could also use AI to save time or develop innovative approaches to their research. This could help increase the impact of their research, increasing its accessibility in a way that benefits society.

Policy makers, regulators and those working in the food industry are very interested in the health and sustainability of food. They are also interested in how advice in this area is communicated to the public.

Tools such as ChatGPT represent a whole new dimension of information and misinformation about food and health. The response to it will be crucial for ensuring the accurate, safe and transparent communication of dietary advice.

Using the technology could greatly increase access to personalised dietary advice for the general public. It could also help address the barriers individuals face in achieving their health goals.

However safety must come first. Nutrition experts, traceable sources of scientifically robust information and quality assurance processes need to be central to the development and implementation of such technologies when using them to provide dietary advice.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Uniting for a Drug-Free India

The realization of a drug-free India necessitates collaborative endeavors from both the government and civil society. While the challenge may seem daunting, the Modi government's unwavering commitment to combat this menace is a positive stride forward. Through the implementation of stringent laws, heightened awareness campaigns, robust rehabilitation programs, bolstered law enforcement, and enhanced international cooperation, India can foster an environment conducive to eradicating drug abuse. Let us stand united as a nation, recognizing that a drug-free India is not merely a slogan, but a collective responsibility we all share. Together, we can create a healthier and brighter future for our nation.

Krishna Kumar KT, Kollam

Putin's Vulnerabilities

The recent mutiny orchestrated by Yevgeny Prigozhin, a powerful military oligarch heading the Wagner Group, has sent shockwaves through Russia, exposing its weaknesses and challenging President Putin's authority. While a resolution has been reached through Belarusian mediation, the fallout has left Russia in a defensive position. Prigozhin's discontent with the Defense Minister and the Chief of the General Staff stems from their failure to provide sufficient provisions and ammunition to the Wagner troops during the Battle of Bakhmut. These events have not only shaken the country but also revealed vulnerabilities within Putin's regime.

Ram Kumar Gupta, Korba

Manipur and UCC

As Manipur faces escalating turmoil, Prime Minister Modi's focus on the Uniform Civil Code (UCC) raises concerns about misplaced priorities. Unemployment, poverty, and inflation continue to plague the nation, demanding urgent attention. Merely constructing a temple or exploiting divisive issues for electoral gains falls short of addressing the pressing challenges faced by the country. It is high time political leaders prioritize the welfare of the poor and tackle critical issues instead of indulging in populist rhetoric. The crisis in Manipur serves as a stark reminder that genuine concerns should take precedence over political expediency.

MK Nair, Raipur

Empowering India: Progress and Challenges in the Pursuit of Gender Equality

Yash Pal Raihan

India's efforts to address gender inequality have shown a slight improvement, as reflected in the country's higher ranking in the annual Gender Gap Report 2023. However, the progress made is nominal, and significant challenges persist in achieving true gender parity. With a population of over 135 crores, India has a long way to go in closing the gender gap across economic participation, education, health, and political empowerment. This article explores the recent developments, remaining obstacles, and the importance of creating an inclusive environment to promote gender equality in the armed forces.



Closing the Gender Gap in India
India's improved ranking, moving from 135th to 127th out of 146 countries in the Gender Gap Report, represents a step in the right direction. However, the report highlights the need for India to address key areas, including economic participation and opportunity, educational attainment, health and survival, and political empowerment, to ensure that women can contribute fully to the economy, growth, and overall well-being of society. While India has made strides in education and political empowerment, more

work is required to achieve gender equality across all sectors.

Political Empowerment and Representation

India's progress in political empowerment is notable, with women representing over 40% of local governance positions due to efforts made after the 73rd and 74th amendments. However, women's representation in Parliament remains low at 15.1%. To bridge this gap, the Women's Reservation Bill, which proposes a 33% reservation for women in the Lok Sabha and State Legislative Assemblies, needs

to be passed. Recent examples, such as Nagaland electing its first two women MLAs in 2023, demonstrate the need for continued efforts to ensure women's participation in politics.

Economic Participation and Opportunity

India's ranking on economic participation and opportunity remains low, with less than 40% parity between men and women. While there have been improvements in wage and income parity, the representation of women in senior and technical roles has declined. To address this, it is crucial to provide girls with access to education at all levels and ensure equal opportunities for paid work. By offering job-assured education for girls, development indices, including nutrition, can be improved, and the cycle of early marriage leading to poor maternal and child health can be broken.

Health and Survival

India's performance in health and survival also requires attention, despite an improvement in the sex ratio at birth. To enhance women's well-being, it is essential to prioritize their access to education, paid work, and address safety concerns. The COVID-19 pandemic further highlighted the challenges faced by women, with decreased labor force

participation and reduced household incomes. Efforts to achieve gender equality must continue in earnest, as the pandemic has disrupted progress towards the goal of equality by 2030.

Promoting Gender Equality in the Armed Forces

The Supreme Court of India has played a crucial role in advocating for gender equality. Recently, the court expressed its disapproval of the recruitment process for the Army Dental Corps, which had reserved only 10% of vacancies for women. The court deemed this a violation of Article 14 of the Constitution, which guarantees equality before the law. In response, the government has implemented a gender-neutral recruitment policy, aligning with the court's decision and granting equal opportunities to both male and female candidates. This step complements the court's 2020 judgement granting permanent commission to women in the defense forces.

Overcoming Challenges and Fostering Inclusion

The journey to eliminate gender bias from the Indian Armed Forces requires collective efforts from the government, armed forces, and society as a whole. It entails addressing cultural attitudes, biases, and providing equal opportunities for

men and women. Creating a supportive environment that values diversity and inclusion is paramount. Acknowledging the contributions of women in the armed forces is crucial, as they have proven their capabilities and dedication to duty in various roles, including combat and non-combat positions.

While the government and military leadership have taken significant steps to address gender bias in the armed forces, true gender equality is yet to be achieved. Ensuring the safety and well-being of female military personnel should be a priority. The government must assure them that their concerns and issues will be addressed effectively. Sympathy towards their problems is not enough; concrete actions and support are required.

In this endeavor, the government can seek the assistance of NGOs and social organizations that are actively working in the field of gender equality. These organizations possess valuable expertise and resources that can contribute to creating a more inclusive and diverse environment within the armed forces.

(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.)

BRIEF
India market


New Delhi: Leading FMCG maker Procter & Gamble is very "optimistic" in the mid and long-term prospects of India, where it will invest Rs 2,000 crore to set up an export hub, on the back of robust growth, according to company's country CEO LV Vaidyanathan. Procter & Gamble (P&G) India will continue to grow categories that are currently undeveloped and bring product propositions that are meaningful to the quality-conscious Indian consumer, he said. In the last three years, P&G has driven consistent double-digit growth in both the topline and bottomline.

Retail inflation

New Delhi: Retail inflation for industrial workers eased to 4.42 per cent in May from 5.09 per cent in April, mainly due to lower prices of certain food items. "Year-on-year inflation for the month stood at 4.42 per cent compared to 5.09 per cent for the previous month and 6.97 per cent during the corresponding month a year before," a labour ministry statement said on Friday. Food inflation stood at 3.24 per cent in May as against 4.16 per cent in the previous month and 7.92 per cent during the year-ago period. The All India CPI-IW for May 2023 increased by 0.5 points to 134.7.

Resignation


Mumbai: State Bank of India (SBI) on Monday said its Chief Financial Officer Charanjit Surinder Singh Attra has put in his papers. "We submit that Charanjit Surinder Singh Attra, Chief Financial Officer, has resigned from the services of the bank, the resignation is accepted by the appropriate authority with effect from close of the business hours on 30th June 2023," the bank said in a filing to stock exchanges. In another filing, the country's largest lender informed about appointment of four directors on the bank's central board for a period of three years.

Forex reserves

Mumbai: India's forex reserves dropped USD 2.901 billion to USD 593.198 billion in the week ended June 23, the Reserve Bank said on Friday. The overall reserves increased by USD 2.35 billion to USD 596 in the previous reporting week. It can be noted that in October 2021, the country's forex kitty had reached an all-time high of USD 645 billion. The reserves have been declining as the central bank deploys the kitty to defend the rupee amid pressures caused majorly by global developments.

PSBs profit tripled to Rs 1.04 lakh in nine years: FM

New Delhi, Jul 01:

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Saturday said the public sector banks' profit in the last nine years has tripled to Rs 1.04 lakh crore due to initiatives taken by the government and underlined the need for continuing the momentum to fuel economy. The net profit of public sector banks (PSBs) has almost tripled to Rs 1.04 lakh crore in FY23 from Rs 36,270 crore in FY2014. Inaugurating the corporate office of Punjab and Sind Bank here, the minister said that banks need to "build on laurels" by following the best corporate governance principles. "Banks should not sit back and revel in success. They should follow best corporate governance practices, adhere to regulatory norms, ensure pru-



Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman virtually inaugurates a branch of the Punjab and Sind Bank in Assam's Karimganj, in New Delhi, Saturday, July 1. Union MoS for Finance Bhagwat Kishanrao Karad and Punjab & Sind Bank Non-Executive Chairman Charan Singh are also seen.

dent liquidity management and continue to focus on having robust asset-liability and risk management," she said, stressing that the Indian economy has moved away from the 'twin balance sheet problem' to 'twin balance sheet advantage'.

The finance minister said that there was a time when the Indian economy faced the problem of twin balance sheets - stress on the balance sheets of banks and corporate at the same time. Before the Modi government came to power in 2014, difficulty in

the Indian banking system actually started because of irrational 'Phone Banking', which happened during the tenure of the UPA government, she said. Back then, Sitharaman said, the priority in lending was given to not-so-worthy customers in an unprofessional manner. As a result, they became NPAs. "As a result (of various initiatives of the government), I'm glad to say the problems of twin balance sheets have gone away," she said, adding that as per the Reserve Bank, it is a twin balance sheet advantage that is benefiting the Indian economy. Observing that combined profits of the public sector banks tripled to Rs 1.04 lakh crore in 2022-23 against Rs 36,270 crore in FY14, Sitharaman said the banks "need to build on laurels".

Hero MotoCorp to hike two-wheeler prices

By around 1.5% from next month



New Delhi, Jul 01:

Two-wheeler maker Hero MotoCorp on Friday said it will hike prices of its motorcycles and scooters by around 1.5 per cent from July 3, citing several factors, including a rise in input costs. The company, which raised prices by around 2 per cent in April this year, said the exact quantum of its latest increase would vary by specific models and markets. "The upward revision of the prices of motorcycles and scooters is part of the price review that the company undertakes from time to time, keeping in mind various factors like price positioning, input costs and business imperatives," it added. Hero MotoCorp further said it will continue with innovative financing programmes to minimise the impact on the customers.

Meeting 780 MT production target, supply to power sector top priority in FY24: Prasad

New Delhi, Jul 01:



Coal India Ltd (CIL) will work on priority to meet the 780 MT production target for FY24, its new Chairman PM Prasad said on Saturday. Prasad took charge as the Chairman of the mining giant on July 1. He succeeds Pramod Agrawal, who superannuated on June 30, 2023. "Underlining his priority, the chairman said CIL would achieve the 780 million tonne (MT) output target of FY2024 with all efforts and means available at its disposal," a Coal India statement said. In FY 2022-23, CIL produced 703 MT of coal. Ensuring uninterrupted coal flow to the power sector will be another priority area, he said. In his last stint, Prasad was the chairman of CIL's Jharkhand-based arm Central Coalfields Limited (CCL). Coal India, under the Ministry of Coal, has eight sub-

sidaries in total. He began his CIL career in 1984 as a management trainee at Western Coalfields Limited and served in different capacities across different CIL subsidiaries. He also had a three-year stint in NTPC as Executive Director (coal mining). The coal mining veteran is a post-graduate in mining engineering from the Indian School of Mines IIT Dhanbad. Sharing details of Q1 FY24, CIL said production has shot up by 10 per cent year-on-year to 175.5 MT, which is the highest ever recorded in the first quarter.

ATF price up 1.6 pc on global cues

New Delhi, Jul 01:

Jet fuel or ATF price on Saturday was hiked by 1.65 per cent - the first increase in rate after fourth months of reduction warranted by softening oil prices. Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF) price was increased by Rs 1,476.79 per kilolitre, or 1.65 per cent, in the national capital to Rs 90,779.88 per kl, according to a price notification of state-owned fuel retailers.

Rates, which vary from state to state depending on incidence of local sales tax or VAT, have been increased on firming up of global rates that followed four months of decline. Jet fuel prices had been cut on previous four monthly revisions that happen on the first of every month. ATF prices were last reduced by Rs 6,632.25 per kl on June 1. Prices of commercial LPG, used in establishments

such as hotels and restaurants, remained unchanged in Delhi but were marginally increased in Mumbai, Kolkata and Chennai. While the price of a 19-kg commercial LPG cylinder was unchanged at Rs 1,773 in the national capital, the rate went up by Rs 8.50 per cylinder to Rs 1,733.50 in Mumbai.

The price was increased by Rs 20 per cylinder to Rs 1,895 in Kolkata and by Rs 8 to Rs 1,945 for 19-kg cylinder in Chennai. The rate change was primarily because of local incidence of taxes and transportation, industry officials said. Commercial LPG rates were cut on three previous monthly revisions. In three cuts, prices had gone down by Rs 346.5 per 19-kg cylinder. The price of domestic LPG - used in the kitchen for cooking purposes - remained unchanged at Rs 1,103 per 14.2-kg cylinder in

the national capital. Domestic LPG rates were last changed on March 1, when they were hiked by Rs 50 per cylinder. State-owned Indian Oil Corporation (IOC), Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL) and Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd (HPCL) revise cooking gas and ATF prices on the 1st of every month based on the average international price in the previous month. Petrol and diesel prices continued to remain on freeze for a record 15th month in a row.

Petrol costs Rs 96.72 per litre in the national capital and diesel comes for Rs 89.62. State-owned fuel retailers are supposed to revise petrol and diesel prices daily based on a 15-day rolling average of benchmark international fuel prices but they haven't done that since April 6, 2022.

Centre asks states to promote organic farming, stop urea diversion to industry

New Delhi, Jul 01:

Union Chemicals and Fertilisers Minister Mansukh Mandaviya on Friday urged states to promote organic farming for preservation of soil health and make efforts to reduce use of chemical fertilisers. The minister also asked states to take up effective steps to curtail diversion of urea meant for agriculture and farmers, to other sectors, according to an official statement.

Mandaviya said this while virtually interacting with agriculture ministers of states and Union Territories on the recent decisions made by the Cabinet regarding fertiliser sector. On June 28, the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) approved a new scheme,



PM-PRANAM to incentivise states to promote alternative fertilisers and reduce the use of chemical fertilisers and also decided to continue the current urea subsidy scheme for three years ending March 2025, with an outlay of Rs 3.68 lakh crore. That apart, CCEA approved an outlay of Rs 1,451 crore subsidy to promote organic manure, taking the total package to over Rs 3.70 lakh crore. It also decided to introduce

sulphur-coated urea (Urea Gold) in the country for the first time to address sulphur deficiency in the soil. Addressing the event, Mandaviya said, "The package focuses on the overall welfare and economic wellbeing of farmers by promoting sustainable agriculture. These initiatives will enhance farmers' income, strengthen natural and organic farming, revive soil productivity and ensure food security at the same time". Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar and agriculture ministers of more than 20 states and Union Territories also participated in the virtual meeting. Mandaviya said CCEA has approved the continuation of the urea subsidy scheme to ensure avail-

ability of urea to farmers at a flat price of Rs 266.70 per 45 kg bag, excluding taxes and neem coating charges.

At present, MRP of urea is Rs 266.70 per 45 kg bag (excluding neem coating duty and applicable taxes) while the actual cost of the bag is around Rs 2,200, he added. Mandaviya noted that Mother Earth has always provided ample sources of sustenance to mankind.

"It is the need of the hour to promote more natural methods of farming and balanced/sustainable use of chemical fertilizers," he underscored. Promotion of natural/organic farming, alternative fertilizers, nano fertilizers and bio fertilizers can help in restoring the fertility of the Earth, he added.

Govt warns online players to stop menace of dark patterns, else face strict action



New Delhi, Jul 01:

The government warned on Friday that strict action will be taken against online players if they do not stop the menace of 'dark patterns' - tactics used to manipulate consumer choice and nudge users to sign up for a free trial or provide personal data. Briefing media, Consumer Affairs Secretary Rohit Kumar

Singh said: "We took a soft approach and told them on June 13 not to indulge in this. On June 28, we wrote a tough letter and asked them not to stop this, otherwise we will take action". Maybe after a couple of months, the department will also issue specific guidelines on dark patterns, he said. He said the dark pattern has caught the attention of the government and consumer protection regulator amid a rise in online shopping and an increase in the number of internet users, which is expected to touch 900 million by 2025. "We were not aware of the dark patterns. Then we started reading what is happening in other geographies and countries and realised that this is a big problem."

GST CELEBRATIONS

Celebrating 6 Years of GST

1st July, 2023

Maharashtra Governor Ramesh Bais attends the Central GST & Central Excise (Mumbai Zone) function celebrating 6 years of GST, at Nariman Point, in Mumbai, Saturday, July 1.

Govt spending Rs 6.5 lakh cr annually on agriculture, farmers' welfare: PM

New Delhi, Jul 01:

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday said his government was spending Rs 6.5 lakh crore annually for the agriculture sector and farmers' welfare, and called upon cooperatives to help in making the country self-reliant in cooking oils. Speaking at an event on the occasion of International Day of Cooperatives, the prime minister also highlighted the work done by his government, like PM Kisan scheme, MSP operations, and fertilizer subsidy since coming to power in 2014. In the last 9 years, Modi said more than Rs 15 lakh crore have been given to farmers by procuring



their produce on the MSP. The government, he said spent Rs 10 lakh crore towards fertilizer subsidy last year. In other words, the government is spending around Rs 6.5 lakh crore per year on agriculture and farmers, the prime minister said. "This means that every year the government is providing an average of Rs 50,000 to every farmer in some form or the other."

Bigbasket offering customers doorstep delivery of daily essentials

Mumbai, Jul 01:

Bigbasket, a TATA Enterprise, providing customers with an unmatched range of over 30,000 daily-use items at the convenience of their fingertips. With a minimum discount of 6% on 5000+ products, the platform offers customers an affordable shopping experience. What's more, customers can get Rs 200 off on their first order.

Bigbasket's entrance is sure to revolutionize the grocery shopping experience for local residents. With a short delivery window and a no-questions-asked return policy, cus-

tomers can enjoy safe and hassle-free shopping. bigbasket's range of products includes rice, dals, oils, masalas, personal care, fruits & vegetables, kitchen, and household items, catering to all daily needs. bigbasket takes pride in offering a wide variety of exotic fruits, which are not easily available in the city. bigbasket offers products that no other retailer in Raipur currently offers. Being a TATA Enterprise, bigbasket brings with it trust and credibility that customers can rely on. The company's commitment to quality and affordability has made it a preferred choice for cus-

tomers across India. Commenting on bigbasket's, ShashiShekhar, National Head - Tier 2 cities, bigbasket, said, "We are excited to extend our services to the people and cater to their grocery needs. We are confident that our on-time delivery, no-questions-asked return policy, lowest prices, and wide range of products will be well-received by the local residents. We have consistently maintained excellent retention rates and basket sizes across all cities where we operate, and we are confident that we will achieve the same in Raipur and twin cities as well."

India to import 35 pc more tur dal at 12 lakh tons to check prices

New Delhi, Jul 01:

Facing a sharp rise in tur prices amid lower production, India will import 12 lakh tonne of the pulse in the current fiscal, up by 35 per cent from the last year, to boost domestic availability and contain price rise. "Tur is giving us trouble. All-India average retail price of tur is up by 25 per cent to Rs 128.66 per kg, when compared to last year's level. But it will start cooling down after import begins," Consumer Affairs Secretary Rohit Kumar

Singh said in a media briefing. The issue in tur (pigeon peas) is lower domestic production. The country's tur production remained lower at 30 lakh tonne in the 2022-23 crop year (July-June) against 39 lakh tonne last year. "We consume around 44-45 lakh tonne in India. Every year, we have to import. This year, obviously, we have to import more. We will import 12 lakh tonne in the current fiscal," Kumar said. So far, the country has imported 6 lakh tonne of tur. Imports

are undertaken from Myanmar and East African countries. The crop in East African countries will start arriving in August, so the domestic prices will cool down, he added. The country imported 8.9 lakh tonne during the 2022-23 fiscal. To check the prices of tur, the secretary said the government has taken several measures. The stock limit imposed on traders, millers and importers on June 2 has helped bring down the prices of tur. "From the day the stock

limit was imposed, there is a downward trend in prices," he noted. The government has also decided to offload 50,000 tonne from the buffer stock in the market, and this will also ease pressure on the rates, Singh added. Besides tur, the secretary said there is about a 7.22 per cent increase in the all-India average retail price of urad at Rs 111.77 per kg on June 28, when compared to the last year. The correction will start happening with supplies improving from Myanmar.

Rajesh Wagle extends a helping hand to Pushpa during a storm

Sony SAB's Pushpa Impossible revolves around the life of Pushpa Patel, portrayed by Karuna Pandey, a middle-aged single mother whose journey is a testament of resilience, determination, and an unwavering spirit to overcome obstacles. Through her captivating journey, the show captures the essence of transforming the word "impossible" into "I M POSSIBLE," emphasizing the power of self-belief, perseverance, and the strength to rewrite one's destiny. In the upcoming episodes, the characters from Sony SAB's popular shows Pushpa Impossible and Wagle Ki Duniya are set to unite for a special sequence. This unique crossover episode revolves around how Pushpa Patel (Karuna Pandey) desperately tries to save her daughter, Rashi (Deshna Dugad) from the clutches of a devastating storm. Trapped in a dangerous situation, Pushpa's hope is rekindled when Rajesh Wagle (Sumeet Raghavan) and Harshad (Amit Soni) walk in to lend her a helping hand. This wonderful collaboration gives the viewers yet another chance to see their favourite characters from Pushpa Impossible and Wagle Ki Duniya come together to help those in need emphasizing the act of kindness. Sony SAB's initiative serves as a reminder that compassion and support can make a significant difference in the lives of others, inspiring viewers to embrace these virtues in their own lives.

'Satyaprem Ki Katha' mints Rs 7 crore on day two

Kartik Aaryan and Kiara Advani-starrer "Satyaprem Ki Katha" witnessed a "bare minimal drop" as it collected Rs 7 crore at the domestic box office on the second day, the makers said on Saturday. Produced by Sajid Nadiadwala and Namah Pictures, the film opened in theatres countrywide on Thursday. The movie raised Rs 9.25 crore on the first day. In a press note, the makers said "Satyaprem Ki Katha" has impressed the audience with "its pure love story and strong impactful social message". "Released on Eid al-Adha which is a holiday, the film saw a rush of audience that has created a positive word of mouth. However, the film faced the next working Friday but witnessed a bare minimal drop on a working



day and collected 7 crore on day two," the statement read. "Satyaprem Ki Katha", a musical romance drama, is directed by National award-winning filmmaker Sameer Vidwans, known for the critically-acclaimed 2019 Marathi drama "Anandi Gopal". The film marks a reunion between Aaryan and Advani, who most recently featured in horror comedy "Bhool Bhulaiyaa 2". "Satyaprem Ki Katha" also stars Gajraj Rao, Supriya Pathak and Rajpal Yadav.

Embracing Motherhood: Disha Parmar thrilled to work on 'Bade Achhe Lagte Hain 3'

Disha Parmar, the radiant mom-to-be, is overjoyed to be a part of the much-anticipated series 'Bade Achhe Lagte Hain 3'. Last month, she and her husband, singer Rahul Vaidya, shared the exciting news of their pregnancy, leaving their fans ecstatic to welcome their bundle of joy. Attending the launch of a Menstrual Health and Hygiene Management event organized by UNESCO and Whisper, Disha spoke about her experience of working while expecting. Expressing her delight about working during her pregnancy, she shared, "This phase of my life is incredibly beautiful. I go to work every day, wrap up, and return home. My production house, team, and producer Ektaa Kapoor take great care of me. They ensure that I work for fewer hours. I'm thoroughly enjoying it and I'm extremely happy to



continue working during my pregnancy."

Sonam Kapoor Ahuja: Embracing a Balanced Film Journey



Bollywood luminary Sonam Kapoor Ahuja, marking her return to the silver screen after a two-year maternity break, has revealed her plan to adopt a selective approach to her film choices. The actress intends to work on just two projects each year, allowing her to prioritize quality time with her family while managing her professional commitments more effectively. Opening up about her decision, Sonam shared, "After taking two years off due to my pregnancy and wanting to spend time with my son, I am now signed on for two projects—an upcoming show and a film. The film will be released in about a year, as that is how the industry

operates. Moving forward, my goal is to take up two projects annually, nothing more. I want to strike a balance and ensure I have ample time for my family." Sonam, who is set to portray the lead role in the streaming project 'Blind,' has also been garnering recognition on the global stage. She was recently invited to the reception hosted by the British Prime Minister at 10 Downing Street, where she represented India and its profound cultural impact worldwide. The actress expressed her belief that Indian celebrities possess immense soft power, which has led to international brands appointing them as brand ambassadors and showcasing their talent on a broader scale. She remarked, "The world is realizing the extent of influence Indian celebrities possess and how far their reach can extend. With social media and OTT platforms bridging gaps, the recognition is coming more effortlessly. It's fascinating to witness India's growing prominence in the international arena." Sonam Kapoor Ahuja's measured approach to her film career reflects her commitment to striking a harmonious balance between personal and professional aspirations. As she embarks on her upcoming ventures, fans eagerly anticipate the depth and artistry she will bring to the screen, underscoring her status as a leading figure in Bollywood.

Romantic delight unveiled in 'Pyaar Ka Pehla Adhyaya ShivShakti' Promo



Arjun Bijlani and Neesha Sharma, the captivating leads of the highly anticipated show 'Pyaar Ka Pehla Adhyaya ShivShakti,' have set hearts aflutter with their on-screen chemistry. Viewers were introduced to the key characters through special episodes titled 'Rishton Ka Mahasangam' in the popular series 'Pyaar Ka Pehla Naam Radha Mohan.' In a grand launch event held in New Delhi, the makers brought the enchanting love story of Shiv and Shakti to life, captivating the media and fans alike. Set against the spiritual backdrop of Varanasi, India's holy city, the show delves into the question of whether Shakti can become the pillar of support that heals Shiv's broken soul through the power of love. Arjun Bijlani, portraying the character of Shiv, expressed his excite-

ment, stating that playing such a beautifully written role enabled him to showcase his acting prowess. He emphasized that returning to a fiction show after a four-year hiatus was a decision he couldn't resist, especially with the overwhelming response from fans in Delhi, who showered him and the cast with love and affection. Nikki Sharma, essaying the role of Shakti, considers herself privileged to be part of this captivating tale of love and healing. She commended the well-crafted character of Shakti and expressed her satisfaction in portraying the role. The first promo garnered an abundance of compliments, and witnessing the tremendous excitement in Delhi left Nikki on cloud nine. The immense anticipation for the show warms her heart, and she can't wait to present it to the fans and followers who have shown immense love and support.

'Equality begins at home'



'Na Umra Ki Seema Ho' is making waves in challenging societal norms and stereotypes with its thought-provoking content. Led by acclaimed actors Iqbal Khan and Rachana Mistry, the show has captivated audiences with its remarkable storyline. Starting with the tale of two individuals bridging a significant age gap to find love, the series showcases that age becomes inconsequential when true love is involved. The ongoing storyline of the show continues to break social stigmas, particularly those surrounding women who wish to pursue careers after marriage. In the current track, the Raichand family warmly embraces Vidhi and Priya, extending their support as they join the family business and carve out their own professional paths. Iqbal Khan, who portrays a pivotal character in the show, emphasizes the importance of equality within the household. He states, "Equality begins at home and as an advocate for gender equality, I wholeheartedly support women who wish to work after marriage."

&TV characters will fail in their attempts



In &TV's Doosri Maa, Happu Ki Ultan Paltan and Bhabiji Ghar Par Hai the characters will fail in their attempts. About &TV's Happu Ki Ultan Paltan track, Yogesh Tripathi shares, "Gabbar (Saheb Das Manikpuri) requests ten lacks from Rajesh (Kamna Pathak). Rajesh instructs Happu (Yogesh Tripathi) to get it arranged. When Happu arrives at the police station the next day, he finds Commissioner Kishore Bhanushali agitated. Commissioner says he feels old and wishes to be ten years younger. On his journey back home, Happu encounters a

Baba, who gives him a plant that produces a flower and tells him that whoever consumes the flower will become ten years younger. Happu gets an idea to arrange ten lakhs. Meanwhile, Benni (Vishwanath Chatterjee) learns about the flower and requests Happu give it to him after overhearing Bimlesh's conversation with Rajesh about how old he has become and feels disturbed." Tune in to Doosri Maa at 8:00 pm, Happu Ki Ultan Paltan at 10:00 pm, and Bhabiji Ghar Par Hai at 10:30 pm, airing every Monday to Friday only on &TV!

Actors' express gratitude towards their gurus

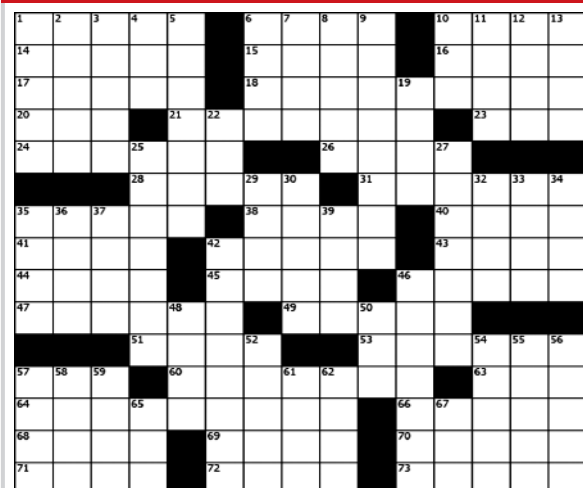
The guru, a beacon of guidance, fulfils the roles of teacher, mentor, and counselor, sharing wisdom and inspiring ideals. Guru Purnima is observed annually to honour these Gurus in one's life. On this occasion, &TV artists talk about people who have been their mentors and have deeply inspired them. These artists include Darshan Dave (Randheer Sharma, Doosri Maa), Yogesh Tripathi (Daroga Happu Singh, Happu Ki Ultan Paltan), and Rohitashv Gour (Manmohan Tiwari, Bhabiji Ghar Par Hai). Darshan Dave, aka Randheer Sharma from Doosri Maa, shares, "Throughout every stage of my life, I have been fortunate to have my mother as not only a guiding presence but also as my Guru. She is a professor in vocal music in university of Rajasthan. Her unwavering support and mentorship have been instrumental in shaping my journey. However, it is her profound impact on my musical



endeavours that truly stands out. She introduced me to music, nurturing my passion and talents and serving as my dedicated teacher. With

immense admiration, I look back on the countless hours she spent teaching me in various forms of music, its theory and aesthetics, and music appreciation, because of her I started composing and singing and she bought me various musical instruments and prepared me for several music competitions where I won and also agreed to sing my compositions that got released by times music. Her patience, expertise, and love for music created a nurturing environment where I could develop my skills and explore the depths of musical expression. I consider myself incredibly fortunate to have had her as my teacher, guiding me through the intricacies of melodies and rhythms. But her role as my Guru extends far beyond music. She has been my pillar of strength, providing unwavering guidance and mentorship in all aspects of life. Her wisdom, love, and dedication have shaped my character and taught me invaluable life lessons.

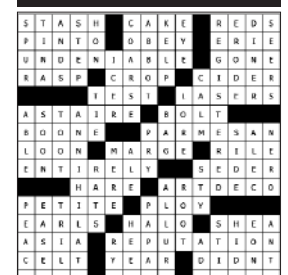
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Neeraj Chopra wins second straight Diamond League title

Hints that his next competition could be World C'ship in Budapest from Aug 19

Lausanne, Jul 01 (PTD):

Olympic champion Neeraj Chopra clinched the prestigious Diamond League title for the second consecutive time by throwing his spear to 87.66m but the coveted 90m mark eluded the star Indian javelin thrower yet again.

Germany's Julian Weber was second with a best throw of 87.03m, while Jakub Vadlech of the Czech Republic was third with an 86.13m effort. Chopra had won the Lausanne leg in August last year also for his maiden Diamond League title. He then went on to win the Diamond League trophy in the grand finale a month later.

Coming back from a one-month injury lay-off, Chopra's title-winning performance at the Lausanne leg in challenging conditions was below his own top-10 efforts but he still stamped his authority in the prestigious One-day meet.

Neeraj Chopra on Saturday hinted that he would straightaway compete in the World Athletics Championships in Budapest starting August 19, without participating in any other meet in intervening period. The 25-year-old Chopra, who returned to action after a one-month injury lay-off, won his second consecutive Diamond League title in Switzerland on Friday night with a throw of 87.66m. He had also won the season-opening Diamond League meet in Doha on May 5.

"The next competition, Budapest, will be a big one for me," Chopra said in Lausanne after winning the men's javelin throw event. "I wanted to win so I'm super happy with the results but I also want to go back to training and fix some of the things that I noticed and those are going to make me stronger." He termed Lausanne as a lucky city for him.

"Lausanne always treats me well. Last year, I won and this year too, so I look forward to coming again next year and win again," said Chopra, referring to the win last year, which was his maiden Diamond League title. The men's javelin throw qualification round of the Budapest World Championships is scheduled for August 25, which is more than 50 days from now. If he does not compete in the intervening period, Chopra will be going to the World Championships after being part of just two top competitions - Doha and Lausanne legs of Diamond League.

In the men's long jump, India's Murali Sreesankar finished fifth with a below-par jump of 7.88m which he achieved in the third round.

The 24-year-old Sreesankar, who had clinched the third spot in the Paris leg on June 9 for his maiden Diamond League podium finished had produced a career-best 8.41m during the National Inter-State Championships in Bhubaneswar earlier this month.

Deepak, Nishant, Parveen secure Asian Games berths; Amit Panghal, Nitu miss out

New Delhi, Jul 01 (PTD):

World Championship bronze medallist boxers Deepak Bhoria (51kg) and Nishant Dev (71kg) were on Saturday named in the Indian men's boxing team for this year's Asian Games in Hangzhou, China after undergoing assessment.

Parveen Hooda (57kg), the 2022 Worlds bronze medallist, Commonwealth Games bronze medallist Jaismine Lamboria (60kg), Arundhati Chaudhary and Preeti Pawar joined star boxers Nikhat Zareen (51kg) and Lovlina Borgohain (75kg) in the women's team for the continental event to be held from September 23 to October 8.

Two-time world champion Nikhat and Tokyo Olympics bronze medallist Lovlina had automatically qualified for the Asian Games by virtue of reaching the final of the World Championships in March.

The Asia boxing competitions assume greater significance as they are also the first Olympic Qualifiers for the 2024 Paris Games for the boxers from the continent.

Reigning Asian Games light flyweight champion and 2019 World Championship silver medallist Amit Panghal



Nishant Dev

will, however, not be able to defend his crown as he once again finished behind Deepak in the assessment. The two-time Commonwealth Games medallist and 2019 Asian Champion had lost out to Deepak for a spot in this year's World Championships as well under the Boxing Federation of India's new selection policy that evaluates a boxer on various parameters over two-three weeks.

On the other hand, the duo of Deepak and Nishant had impressed at the World Championships in May, losing closely-fought semi-final bouts to return home with bronze medals.

Reigning 48kg women's world champion Nitu Ghanghas also couldn't make the cut as she was pipped by Preeti Pawar in the 54kg weight class.

Central Zone crush East Zone by 170 runs, enter semifinals

Bangalore, Jul 01 (PTD):

Riding on an excellent eight-wicket haul by Saurabh Kumar, Central Zone advanced to the semifinals of the Duleep Trophy with a facile 170-run win over East Zone here on Saturday.

Resuming from the overnight 69 for 6, East Zone never really offered any fight and were bowled out for 129 in their second innings.

In their semifinal match, Central will face West Zone at the Alur grounds from July 5. In the

second semifinal, North Zone will take on South Zone at the Chinnaswamy Stadium. The presence of Riyan Parag was the lone hope for East to at least run Central close. But that was soon snuffed out when left-arm spinner Saurabh trapped the Assam youngster in front of the wicket.

Saurabh soon added the wickets of Akash Deep, Shahbaz Nadeem and Ishan Porel to his kitty to walk away with an impressive figure of 8 for 64.

Saurabh grabbed 11 wickets in the match to complete a fine outing.

Manika Batra, Sharath Kamal out of WTT Zagreb Contender

Zagreb, Jul 01 (PTD):

Top Indian paddlers Manika Batra and Achanta Sharath Kamal lost their respective pre-quarterfinal matches as the country's challenge in the singles events of the WTT Contender ended here on Saturday. Batra and Sharath lost by identical 0-3 margins against their higher-ranked opponents. While Batra lost to world no.11 Shin Yubin of Korea 11-13, 5-11, 14-16, Sharath was shown the door by world no.16 Lin Shidong of China 6-11, 7-11, 5-11.

Kuwait beat Bangladesh 1-0 to enter SAFF Championship final

Bengaluru, Jul 01 (PTD):

Kuwait had to stretch their last sinew before eking out a nervy 1-0 win over Bangladesh to enter the SAFF Championship final here on Saturday.

Abdullah Al Bloushi scored the winner for Kuwait in the dying minutes of the first half of extra time. They will face either India or Lebanon in the summit clash on July 4. Before the goal, the match saw both the sides frittering away chances with abandon. It started in the second minute of the first half itself when Bangladesh's

Shekh Morsalin only had Kuwait goalkeeper Anisur Rahman to beat but shot the ball straight into the latter's hands. Kuwait were not far behind either. Mobarak Al Faneeni made a header into an open goal but there was no real power in it as a Bangladesh defender cleared the ball near the line. As the match progressed, the tussle for superiority intensified without a clear winner emerging. Even amid that clash of equals, Bangladesh's veteran striker Rakib Hossain shone brightly with his quick invasions of the rival box.

Dream11 is the Indian cricket team's new lead sponsor

New Delhi, Jul 01:

The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) on Saturday, announced Dream11 as Team India's lead sponsor.

The fantasy sports gaming platform has signed a three-year sponsorship deal with the BCCI.

Financial details of the deal were not released. Dream11 replaces Byju's as lead sponsor, after the BCCI's contract with the education technology firm ended in March.

Dream11 will be seen on Team India jerseys starting from the Test series against the West Indies, the team's first assignment in the ICC World



Test Championship 2023-25 cycle. Commenting on the partnership, Mr Roger Binny, BCCI President said, "I congratulate Dream11 and welcome them on board again. From being BCCI's official sponsor to now being the lead sponsor, the BCCI-

Dream11 partnership has grown from strength to strength. It is a direct testament to the trust, value, potential and growth that Indian Cricket offers. As we prepare to host the ICC World Cup later this year, enhancing fan experience is among our top priorities

and I am confident that this partnership will help us elevate the fan engagement experience."

Earlier this year, Adidas came on board as India's kit sponsors in a deal until March 2028. In case of principal jersey sponsors, the money given for every bilateral fixture where the sponsors name is in the middle of the shirt is three times more compared to what it pays for an ICC fixture where the centre of the jersey carries the country name and sponsors logo doesn't get a vantage positioning.

India's tour to the Caribbean commences with the opening Test, starting on July 12.

FC Goa rope in two-time A-League-winning midfielder Paulo Retre



midfielder Paulo Retre, the Indian Super League (ISL) club said on Saturday.

The central midfielder will arrive after the Gaurs agreed on an undisclosed transfer fee with his former Club Sydney FC with whom he had won the A-League twice in 2019 and 2020.

This is FC Goa's sixth addition to the squad in this window following the arrivals of Indian internationals Sandesh Jhingan, Rowlin Borges, Raynier Fernandes, and Udanta Singh in addition to the exciting youngster, Boris Singh.

England takes 3 wickets but Australia leads by 313

London, Jul 01 (AP):

England repaid Australia with short-ball bowling and snared three wickets to rein in the visitors on the fourth morning of the second Ashes test at Lord's on Saturday.

Overnight batters Usman Khawaja and Steve Smith, followed by Travis Head, were dismissed in a half-hour period after drinks. By lunch, Australia was 222-5 in its second innings and leading by a solid 313 runs. But England hopes were revived. The bowlers resorted to the short ball to try and break up Khawaja and Smith, who were cruising and unconcerned. They took Australia

from 130-2 overnight to 187. England set the trap with six fielders behind square. The batters resisted the temptation to pull and hook until the first over after drinks, also Stuart Broad's first over of the day. Khawaja top-edged Broad to substitute fielder Matthew Potts at fine leg. Khawaja's 188-ball stay ended with him on 77. Head came in and was dropped, first ball, by James Anderson at gully. Anderson dropped a catch off a Josh Tongue delivery for the second time in the innings. But on the next ball, Smith steered Tongue straight to Zak Crawley at deep backward square.

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'Family-centric' Cong and others giving fake guarantees: PM

● Launches sickle cell anemia eradication mission
Shahdol (MP), Jul 01 (PTI)

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday launched National Sickle Cell Anemia Eradication Mission 2047 by unveiling a portal and also released a guideline for the management of the disease and different modules for its monitoring.

At a function held at Shahdol in Madhya Pradesh, the prime minister took a swipe at the opposition and asked people to be aware of "fake guarantees" being given by "family-cent-



PM Modi at the launch of National Sickle Cell Anaemia Elimination Mission, in Shahdol district, Saturday.

ric" political parties including Congress. "Beware of those (parties) who are giving fake guarantees. Such people have brought schemes of guarantees despite they don't have their own (politi-

cal) guarantee," Modi said. He said, "Family-centric parties including Congress are hobnobbing together". On the occasion, Modi started the distribution of more than 3 crore digital Ayushman cards in the

country and one crore PVC Ayushman Bharat cards in MP. He announced that Rani Durgavati's 500th birth anniversary will be celebrated across India and stamps will be released.

The prime minister distributed Sickle Cell coloured counselling cards to a few beneficiaries. He also handed over Ayushman cards and PVC Ayushman Bharat cards physically to some beneficiaries. The National Sickle Cell Anemia Eradication Mission (NSCAEM), which aims to address the pressing health challenges posed by sickle cell disease, particularly among the tribal population, was announced in the Union Budget 2023.

GURU PURNIMA CELEBRATION



Students give flowers to their teacher on the occasion of Guru Purnima festival, in Surat, Saturday.

K'taka govt's 2 more guarantees come into force

Bengaluru, July 01 (PTI)

Two more "guarantee" schemes of the Congress government in Karnataka — cash for beneficiaries in lieu of the additional 5 kg of rice under 'Anna Bhagya' scheme, and 200 units of free electricity to households under 'Gruha Jyothi' scheme, has come into force effective from Saturday. The government has already implemented one of its five poll guarantees, "Shakti", by providing free services for women in public transport buses. Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah said payment of money to beneficiaries under Anna Bhagya scheme for this month is likely to begin after July 10; while the Gruha Jyothi scheme has come into effect from today and the electricity bill for

the same for this month will come in beginning of August, as per the billing cycle. "We have said July month's amount (under Anna Bhagya scheme) will be paid to beneficiaries in July itself, instead of rice. We had not said, we will pay it on July 1st itself...most likely we will start making the payments after July 10. This month's amount will be deposited into bank account of the beneficiaries within this month," Siddaramaiah said.

Speaking to reporters here, he said, "The Gruha Jyothi scheme will begin from today, so from this month it will be free (upto 200 units), but the bill will come in August." Facing difficulty in procuring large quantities of rice required to fulfil its poll guarantee, the state government decid-

ed to pay cash to beneficiaries at the rate of Rs 34 per kilo, for the additional 5kg of rice under the free rice scheme, which is applicable to every member of a BPL household.

Food and Civil Supplies Minister K H Muniyappa said, amount will be transferred to the bank account of the beneficiaries in a week or 10 days.

"90 percent of beneficiaries have a bank account...5kgs per person means, the beneficiary will get Rs 170," he told reporters in Devanahalli.

Meanwhile, speaking to reporters in Chikkamagaluru regarding 'Gruha Jyothi', Energy Minister K J George said, registration for the scheme is going on, and about 86.5 lakh consumers have registered.

NTPC records remarkable growth in coal production and despatch

New Delhi, July 01:

NTPC Ltd., India's leading integrated power producer, has reported a substantial growth of 99% in coal production from its captive mines during the first quarter of the fiscal year 2024, as compared to the corresponding period in the previous year. The company achieved an impressive coal production of 8.48 million metric tonnes (MMT) during Q1 FY24, as compared to 4.27 MMT in Q1 FY23.

In addition, NTPC has also achieved a coal despatch of 8.82 MMT in Q1 FY24, marking a significant 112% increase over the previous year for the same period. This out-



standing performance reflects NTPC's relentless commitment to enhancing coal production from its captive mines and ensuring efficient supply to meet the nation's energy needs.

To achieve sustained growth in coal production, NTPC has implemented a range of strategies and

technologies. These include the adoption of rigorous safety measures, improved mine planning, equipment automation, workforce training, and the implementation of continuous monitoring and analysis systems. These initiatives have played a vital role in optimizing operations, en-

hancing productivity, and ensuring the safety of the workforce.

NTPC remains committed to delivering reliable and sustainable power to the nation. This remarkable growth in coal production and despatch is a testament to NTPC's dedication to operational excellence and its contribution

to meeting India's energy demands. The company will continue to explore innovative technologies and sustainable practices to further enhance its performance and support the nation's energy goals.

NTPC Ltd. is India's largest integrated power utility, contributing 1/4th of the power requirement of the country. With a diverse portfolio of thermal, hydro, solar, and wind power plants, NTPC is dedicated to delivering reliable, affordable, and sustainable electricity to the nation. The company is committed to adopting best practices, fostering innovation, and embracing clean energy technologies for a greener future.

Seers in K'taka oppose move to repeal anti-conversion, cow slaughter laws

Mangaluru, Jul 01 (PTI)

Heads of various mutts in Dakshina Kannada district have strongly opposed the decision of the Karnataka government to repeal anti-conversion law and the cow slaughter prevention Act.

The meeting of the seers condemned the recent statements by some ministers on the move to withdraw Karnataka Protection of Right to Freedom of Religion Act and amend Karnataka Prevention of Slaughter and Preservation of Cattle Act, Gurudevananda Swami of Odiyuru Mutt told reporters here on Friday. The seers called upon

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy Chief Minister D K Shivakumar not to go ahead with any move to change the Acts as it will lead to social unrest in Dakshina Kannada and other districts of Karnataka.

Terming the move as anti-Hindu, Gurudevananda Swami said the government should not hurt the sentiments of Hindus. He also threatened that the seers will go on a hunger strike if the government proceeds with the move.

The seers will submit a memorandum to the Governor, Chief Minister, and Deputy Chief Minister urging them not to repeal the

laws. Vajradehi mutt chief Rajashekarananda Swami said they will also take a legal path if the anti-conversion law is repealed or changes are made to the cow slaughter Act.

He also asked the police not to victimise Hindu activists by raking up old cases of moral policing' using the new anti-communal wing of the force.

The heads of 10 mutts in Dakshina Kannada district took part in the meeting.

The state government had in June said that it will introduce a bill to repeal the anti-conversion law in the legislature session, which starts on July 3.

Kin of AP blast victims seek compensation

● From pharmaceutical company

Atchutapuram (AP), July 01 (PTI) Relatives of two persons who died in an explosion at a pharma company in Anakapalli district are demanding compensation from the employer. The duo succumbed to chemical burns they suffered in the blast at Sahiti Pharma company, while undergoing treatment at a hospital in Visakhapatnam on Friday evening. "Around 30 relatives of the deceased persons are at the company now. They are demanding compensation from the company side," a police official said on Saturday. The government has announced ex-gratia of Rs 25

lakh lakh each for the deceased persons.

Meanwhile, four injured persons were shifted from KGH Hospital to Indus Hospital for better treatment, said Anakapalli district superintendent of police K V Murali Krishna, adding that one person was undergoing treatment at KGH hospital.

The company officials are in touch with the family members of the injured persons to provide support for their treatment.

Further, he said the company has insured its employees and there are hopes of receiving some compensation through insurance as well.

There were 35 people in the plant when the explosion occurred and most of them escaped unhurt.

Bengal Guv visits violence-hit Dinhat

● Meets oppn leaders ahead of rural polls

Cooch Behar/Kolkata, July 01 (PTI) West Bengal Governor CV Ananda Bose on Saturday visited the violence-hit areas of Dinhat in Cooch Behar district and met the family members of a man who was killed during an incident of firing on June 27 ahead of the panchayat elections, an official said.

The governor also visited a hospital in Cooch Behar where the injured in clashes are undergoing treatment.

Bose is on a trip to the northern districts of the state. Earlier in the day, Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Nisith Pramanik met the governor at the circuit house in the district. Bose also talked to candidates and

leaders of the CPI(M), Congress and the BJP, who voiced their concern over alleged incidents of violence in Cooch Behar ahead of the July 8 rural polls. One man was killed and four others were injured in the incident of firing during a clash between two groups of people at Dinhat on Tuesday morning.

At least four people were detained for their alleged involvement in the killing ahead of the panchayat elections, a senior police officer said. "The governor went to meet family members of the deceased at his residence in Dinhat," the official said. Pramanik and the opposition party leaders also urged Bose to ensure that law and order are maintained and peo-

ple can exercise their franchise in the panchayat polls.

PADDY PLANTATION



A farmer plants paddy saplings in a field, in Gurugram, Saturday.

Octopuses' sleep found to have active and quiet phases, similar to human sleep

New Delhi, Jul 01 (PTI)

The quiet slumbering periods of octopuses' sleep have been observed to be interrupted by frenzied activity, such as twitching of arms and eyes and quickening of breathing rate, highlighting remarkable similarities between sleeping behaviours of octopuses and humans.

Examining neural activity and skin patterning in octopuses during this active period of sleep, researchers found them to resemble those seen when the octopuses were awake, terming it 'wake-like' activity.

Wake-like activity also occurs during rapid eye movement (REM) sleep in mammals, or the sleep

phase associated with dreaming.

"All animals seem to show some form of sleep, even simple animals like jellyfish and fruit flies. But for a long time, only vertebrates were known to cycle between two different sleep stages," said senior author, Sam Reiter, who leads the Computational Neuroethology Unit at OIST.

The team also discovered that preventing their sleep or disrupting their active sleep phase only led to the octopuses later entering active sleep sooner and more frequently, thus, "nailing down the active stage as being an essential stage of sleep needed for octopuses to properly func-

tion," according to Aditi Pophale, co-first author of the study published in the journal Nature and PhD student at OIST.

Studying the brain activity of octopuses, the researchers saw sleep spindles, which are brain waves typical of non-REM sleep in mammalian brains, during quiet sleep.

They further determined these waves to occur in octopuses' brain regions associated with learning and memory, suggesting a similar function of these waves in humans, they said.

Roughly once an hour, the octopuses were observed to enter an active sleep phase

for around a minute, when the octopuses' brain activity very closely resembled their brain activity while awake, just like REM sleep does in humans.

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