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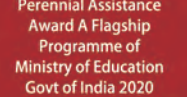
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Action for regularization of New Swagat Vihar Colony soon

Cabinet also decides to denotify some of builder's land in KMVMVY project

Businessmen to get land plots in proposed wholesale market at Rs 540 per sq.ft.



Decision has been taken to provide concession in allotment and management of government land to Ratneshwar Kurmi Kshatriya Seva Sansthan, Ratanpur. Cabinet has decided to relax the minimum qualifying service period of 5 years for promotion from the post of Scientific Officer (Physics Gazetted, Second Class) to Senior Scientific Officer (Physics Gazetted First Class) under State Forensic Science Laboratory, Raipur by four months. Cabinet has decided to create 3 posts of Additional Director in Pay Matrix Level-15 (Pay Scale 118500-214100) in Public Relations Department. The draft of amendment in Revenue Book Circular Volume 6 Number 4 was approved.

Decision has been taken to appoint Sudeep Thakur as Director (Contractual) of Chhattisgarh State Hindi Granth Academy. Many organizations, to get concession in allotment of land. Cabinet has decided to provide concession in the land allotted to the applicant organization president, Chhattisgarh Halba Tribal Society, Bhalai-Durg. Cabinet has decided to provide concession in allotment of government land to Gond community district-Surguja. Cabinet has decided to provide concession in allotment of government land to Rajwar Samaj Surajpur. Cabinet has decided to allot land to Dilliwar Kurmi Kshatriya Samaj for construction of a community building. Cabinet

has decided to allot land to Tehsil Sahu Sangh Churia, District Rajnandgaon for the construction of a social building. Cabinet has decided to provide concession in allotment of government land to Hardiya Sahu Samaj Raipur and Sahu Samaj Durg. Cabinet has decided to provide land ownership rights to the occupants of Manendragarh urban area before the year 1959. Cabinet has decided to provide relaxation in the prescribed criteria for making Gram Panchayat Ghumka, District Rajnandgaon a Nagar Panchayat. Cabinet has decided to provide relaxation in the prescribed criteria for making Gram Panchayat Portha, District Sakti a Nagar Panchayat. Cabinet has decided to provide 100 percent grant to Shri Rameshwar Gahira Guru Prachya Sanskrit Mahavidyalaya Shri Kot, District-Balrampur-Ramanujan under the provision of Chhattisgarh Non-Government Colleges and Institutions (Establishment and Regulation) Act 2006.

GANESHA TABLEAU



Ganeshotsav Samiti have prepared attractive Ganesha Tableau for the 10-day Ganeshotsav.

Lecture session on 'Emotion Regulation' held

Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Sep 26: National Institute of Technology Raipur's Department of Humanities and Social Sciences (DHSS) organized a Lecture session on the topic "Emotion Regulation" on Tuesday, Dr. Anoop Kumar Tiwari, Head of Department, DHSS, Dr. Moksha Singh, Assistant Professor,

DHSS, Dr. LK Tiwari, Temporary Faculty, DHSS, Suraj Nishad, Teaching Assistant, DHSS, other faculty members, students and PhD scholars were present in the program. The program was coordinated by Dr. Manju Shukla, Yoga Faculty, DHSS. In this program, the Guest Speaker, Amrut

Majumdar highlighted emotional balance through self-awareness, analysis, mindfulness and deep breathing. During his lecture, he shared his views with all the attendees on how to keep oneself balanced in different situations. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from over 100 students.

Party to launch 'Cong Bharosa Yatra' from Oct 2



Meeting of SECC held; attended by 51 out of 74 members

Raipur, Sep 26: The meeting of members of State Election Campaign Committee (SECC) was held under chairmanship of Dr Charandas Mahant and it was held in the presence of CM Bhupesh Baghel, State in-charge PCC Kumari Selja and PCC State President Deepak Bajj, along with 51 members out of total 74 in the Committee. All the members gave valuable suggestions and it was decided that election campaign at

district-level will be carried out taking all concerned into confidence and in this senior people from all sections of the society will be present. This we will take to District-level and the state-level committee will keep an eye on it. Addressing a press conference after the meeting, Chairman SECC Dr Charandas Mahant said that they will be starting the campaign in all the places from Oct 2 on occasion of Gandhi Jayanti and in this the works by the state government would be campaigned intensively. We are going to contest the next elections based upon the

achievements and works done and would take up government's work to masses. It is BJP who wants to project that they have done lots of work, but the campaign of SECC is not the same, rather it is the works of the party in last five years and which has been hailed all over the country would be promoted in this campaign from Oct 2. This campaign will start at the block-level and from this day onwards party's campaign will start. We have also urged the CM Bhupesh Baghel and in turn also he has also assured to make all efforts to do so.

Road restoration work picks up



Work of repairing Ganesh Tableau immersion route in the final stage

Raipur, Sep 26: In a bid to avoid inconvenience to common people during Ganesh tableaux immersion procession, the team of Municipal Corporation and Smart City are carrying out restoration of the immersion route. The joint team formed for carrying out road repair and restoration has been

completed on the entire route of Ganesh tableau procession under the supervision of technical officers. Raipur Smart City Ltd. General Manager BR Agrawal also inspected the work of the team engaged for this purpose. Agrawal said that most part of the route has been repaired and the restoration of the remaining portion will also be completed within three days. He told that the team was doing the restoration of the entire route except the places where the Ganesh idols are installed.

BJP to declare 2nd list of candidates later this week

MPs too to be given Legislative Assembly tickets

Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Sept 26: Giving momentum to the candidate selection for the upcoming Legislative Assembly polls in Chhattisgarh, the Bharatiya Janata Party would be announcing second list of candidates later this week as the Central Election Committee (CEC) is expected to give approval to the proposals. BJP sources said that the Chhattisgarh Election in-charge Om Prakash Mathur and Co in-charge Central Minister Mansukh Mandavia have returned

back to New Delhi to finalise the candidates with the CEC meeting. Both of them would initially hold talks with Union Home Minister Amit Shah on the probable before submitting the proposal to CEC. It is understood that the second list of candidates of BJP would comprise candidates for nearly 30 Legislative Assembly seats which it considers to be in comparatively in better position. It is notable that so far the BJP has announced candidates for 21 seats. With 8 Members of Parliament being fielded in Madhya Pradesh Legislative Assembly polls, the party insiders feel that nearly half a dozen MPs from Chhattisgarh would also be given party tickets for

the upcoming Legislative Assembly polls. While the Durg Parliamentarian Vijay Baghel has already been given ticket against the Congress heavy-weight and Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel from Patan seat, the saffron brigade is all set to field the Bilaspur Parliamentarian and State BJP President Arun Sao from one of the Legislative seats from the region. Similarly, Raigarh MP Gomti Sai, Guharam Ajgale from Sarangarh, Santosh Pandey from Rajnandgaon Lok Sabha seats are among those who may be given Legislative Assembly tickets to give a strong response to the ruling Congress in Chhattisgarh.

'Check illegal transportation of liquor, weapons from neighboring states'

Divisional Commissioner chairs security coordination meeting

Raipur, Sep 26: Raipur Divisional Commissioner Dr Sanjay Alang today chaired a security coordination meeting held with the commissioners of inter-state border districts, district magistrates and superintendents of police regarding the upcoming assembly elections. Commissioners and Collectors-SPs of Sambalpur, Berhampur,



Koraput, Navrangpur, Kalahandi, Nuapada districts of Orissa adjoining the districts of Raipur division also participated in the meeting organized through video conference. Discussions were held regarding law and order during the upcoming assembly elections 2023. Like

the previous assembly elections, Dr. Alang asked the district collectors of the division to establish mutual coordination and establish check posts and exchange information to take action against the transportation of illegal weapons and illicit liquor from the borders of the

districts. The Divisional Commissioner gave instructions to determine the sensitive places in the border areas and set up check posts to check all types of drug smuggling and criminal activities. Commissioner Dr Alang also asked to prepare an action plan to take special vigilance in Naxal affected areas before elections. He also gave instructions to set up a control room for inter-state district coordination during the elections and also asked to be in constant touch and share information continuously.

'Fun Run' for school students on Oct 1

By Rotary Club of Raipur Divas

Central Chronicle News

Raipur, Sep 26: A 'Fun Run' will be organized for school students by Rotary Club of Raipur Divas on Oct 1 at Swami Vivekanand Stadium, Kota. There are so many activities to be organized in the 'Fun Run' that many school children are enthusiastic to take part in it and this programme is part of Rotary's Charitable. Giving information in this regard, Chairperson of Rotary Club of Raipur Divas

Shubham Bardia, Shweta Begani and Priyanka Pagaria jointly informed that the school children should have information about other creative activities, other than studies. In this five different categories have been formed for children in the age-group of 2-15 and the young children in the age-group of 2-3 are allowed to take part along with their parents. The main sponsor of Fun Run is Anoopchand Tilokchand Jewellers (Kotwali Chowk). The registration fees for children the age-group of 2-3 in Fun Run is Rs 1200 and for those upto

15 yrs is Rs 1000. The most important attraction in this Fun Run for children is the return gift hampers. The top three prizes of 1st, 2nd and 3rd will be distributed in all the five categories in both the age-groups. The first prize will carry gold medal of 1 gm and second will get 10 gms silver medal and third will get 5 gms silver medal and all the participant will get gift hampers and certificates. The mapping system in the Fun Run is with complete transparency and apart from this Food Stalls, Activity

stalls, Game Stalls, Jumba and others will be some other attractions, where people will have an altogether a different experience. The programme will start at 6:30 am and different events will be held at different times. The Sponsor of this is Anjaney University and co-sponsors are- Rajat Builders and co-powered by NHMMI and outdoor partner is ASA. The programme is receiving good response and Club's President Riti Agrawal, Secretary Shelja Jain and their entire team are making all efforts to make it a grand success.

Youth caught with 5 kg Ganja

Raipur, Sep 26: A youth trying to sell Ganja near RDA Building in New Rajendra Nagar area has been arrested by the police. According to police the youth possessing Ganja was looking for customer near RDA Building in Durga Nagar of New Rajendra Nagar. Acting on the tip off from an informer the anti crime cyber and Rajendra Nagar police team caught the said youth red handed while he was looking out for buyer. During interrogation he revealed his identity as Kishan Jharia, resident of New Rajendra Nagar Raipur. During search in his bag police recovered Ganja from his possession.

Young girl raped after being lured to marriage promise

Raipur, Sep 26: A youth working in bank finance in the capital allegedly raped a young girl on the pretext of marriage. After coming close to the young girl through facebook he used to call her to his home and rape her on the pretext of marriage. According to information available youth named Amit Pandey from Anuppur (MP) was residing in Professor Colony of Purani Basti

area and working as finance company agent. Meanwhile he befriended a young girl through facebook. Luring her to marriage he used to call the victim to his home and kept physically exploiting her. When he refused to marry her she came to Purani Basti Police station to lodge complaint against Amit Pandey under Section 370. Police arrested Amit after registering offence against him and sent him to jail.

Journalists to get interest subsidy of up to 5 per cent per month

Raipur, Sep 26: On the initiative of Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel, journalists in the state will now be able to fulfill their dream of housing at affordable rates. Following the announcement made by the Chief Minister in the budget for the financial year 2023-24, 'Shri Lalit Surjan Sanchar Pratidinhi Awas Rin Byaj Anudan Yojana' was published in the Gazette by the Public Relations Department. Under the scheme, a 5 per cent interest subsidy per month will be given for housing loans up to Rs 30 lakh for 5 years. This scheme will be effective for purchasing houses

after April 1, 2023. According to the notification published in the Gazette, the benefit of the scheme will be given only on residential loans, and the house to be purchased should be built within the state of Chhattisgarh. An interest subsidy will be given to the maximum limit of a housing loan of Rs 30 lakh. The journalist will get a 5 per cent interest subsidy per month for 5 years on housing loans taken from nationalized banks, Reserve Bank of India-notified financial institutions, and cooperative banks. Full-time and part-time journalists working in

the editorial branch of registered news agencies, editors of news portals, and independent journalists fulfilling the qualifying conditions of the preference rules and residing in Chhattisgarh for a minimum of 5 years will be eligible to benefit from the scheme. The journalist will be eligible for the scheme only if he takes a housing loan in the joint name of himself or his wife. The scheme will be applicable only to one housing loan. If any journalist transfers the house already owned by him or his wife to his minor or adult child after the implementation of the scheme

and owns a new house, he will not benefit from the scheme. A person will not get the benefit of the scheme if they get a new home loan by repaying the already-approved home loan. The benefits of this scheme will be available only if the communication representatives make regular loan and interest payments. In the event of default, the eligibility for the benefit of the scheme will automatically terminate. Affidavit will also have to be submitted - To be eligible for the scheme, there should not be any other residential building in the name

of the applicant, his wife, dependent son, or daughter. An affidavit to this effect will have to be presented. Along with the affidavit, certified records of loan approval and loan distribution taken by the journalists from registered banks or registered financial institutions will have to be submitted along with the application in the prescribed form to the Directorate of Public Relations. The bank's certificate of regular payments will have to be presented - The journalists will have to make regular payments of the monthly installment on the loan taken by themselves.



BRIEF



BJP National President JP Nadra visits 'Lalbaugcha Raja' idol of Lord Ganesha, in Mumbai, Tuesday.

Train service

Shimla: Train service resumed on the Solan-Taradevi stretch of the UNESCO world heritage Shimla-Kalka narrow gauge railway line on Tuesday more than a month after movement on it was suspended. The stretch had been made unoperational after heavy rain caused massive damage to the track and landslide swept away a 50-metre bridge, leaving a portion of the track hanging on August 24.

Arrested

Hafong: An Army major and his wife have been arrested in Assam's Dima Hasao district for allegedly torturing their domestic help, a top police officer said on Tuesday. Dima Hasao SP Mayank Kumar said they received information on Sunday that the minor girl, who had accompanied the couple to Palampur in Himachal Pradesh, was "tortured brutally".

Better services

New Delhi: With creche facilities to immunisation centres, Asia's largest prison complex, Tihar, is trying to play an unexpected but crucial role in providing care to the children of female inmates whose early years take shape within its walls. At present, the high security prison is home to over 20,000 inmates, including 584 women some awaiting trial and others convicts.

Road crash

Jaipur: A 23-year-old pregnant woman and her parents were killed after a tempo hit their motorcycle in Rajasthan's Alwar district, police said Tuesday. The accident occurred Monday night near Jhundpuri crossing in Bhiwadi town. The deceased were identified as Gyan Singh (50), his wife Geeta (48) and their daughter Sunita, Tapukada Station House Officer (SHO) Bhagwan Sahay Sharma said.

Rape

Noida: A 20-year-old fashion designing student in Noida was allegedly raped by a friend who spiked her drink during a meeting at his house, police said on Tuesday. The 23-year-old private firm employee was arrested by police on Tuesday, they said. The father of the student had registered a complaint with the local Sector 58 Police Station about the incident which took place on Sunday.

Weather
High 31 Low 24

MARKET
NIFTY 19,664.70
SENSEX 65,945.47

BULLION
GOLD 58,496
SILVER 71,786

GOVT CABINET DECISION

Procurement of paddy and maize to start from Nov 1

Raipur, Sep 26:

The procurement of paddy and maize at the support price from farmers will begin in Chhattisgarh from November 1 in the ongoing Kharif season, according to officials. Notably, the procurement drive will coincide with the assembly elections due this year-end. Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel had announced earlier that 20 quintals of paddy per acre and 10 quintals of maize per acre will be procured from farmers. The policy for the 'procurement and custom milling of paddy and maize at the support price' was finalized during the Cabinet meeting chaired by the chief minister on Tuesday at his official residence here. While the paddy procure-



ment drive will be carried out from November 1 to January 31, 2024, the maize procurement will continue from November 1 to February 28, said a public relations department official. The cabinet has also decided to extend the validity of the government guarantee (amount of Rs 14, 700 crore) to the Chhattisgarh State Cooperative Marketing Federation for paddy procurement by one year till October 31, 2024, for the Kharif marketing year 2023-24, he said. Among

other decisions, the Cabinet approved giving a 15 per cent discount to journalists on the purchase of houses in Kaushalya Mata Vihar. As per the first-stage estimate, an amount of Rs 6.37 crore has been sanctioned to the Raipur Development Authority for the rebate to be provided to 309 journalists, he said. In the Chhattisgarh budget session, Baghel had announced to procure 20 quintals of paddy per acre from farmers which was earlier 15 quintals per acre. Apart from the support price fixed by the Centre, the kharif paddy cultivators in Chhattisgarh also get an input subsidy of Rs 9000 per acre under the state government's ambitious Rajiv Gandhi Kisan Nyay Yojna.

Benefits to scribes.....

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Add subsidy to farmers....

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Shahnawaz undergoes angioplasty Mumbai, Sep 26 (PTI)

Former Union minister and BJP leader Syed Shahnawaz Hussain on Tuesday underwent an angioplasty procedure at Lilavati Hospital in Mumbai, said a doctor. Hussain (54) underwent the medical procedure after he "showed the evolution of a heart attack", said Dr Jalil Parkar, senior consultant, Lilavati Hospital.



Dadasaheb Phalke Award to Waheeda Rehman

New Delhi, Sep 26 (PTI):

Waheeda Rehman, who made her debut 68 years ago and went on to act in cult classics such as "Pyaasa" and "Guide", was on Tuesday named recipient of the Dadasaheb Phalke Award, the government's highest recognition in the field of cinema. "I'm doubly happy because it is Dev Anand's birthday. I think 'taufaa unko milna tha, mujhe mil gaya'," Rehman told PTI on the birth cente-



nary of her frequent collaborator. Union Minister for Information and Broadcasting Anurag Thakur made the announcement on X. "I feel an immense sense of happiness and honour in announcing that Waheeda Rehman ji is being bestowed with the prestigious Dadasaheb Phalke Lifetime Achievement Award this year for her stellar contribution to Indian Cinema," Thakur wrote on the microblogging site.

'Tahawwur Rana helped Headley get Indian visa'

Mumbai, Sep 26 (PTI):

In the supplementary chargesheet filed against Pakistani-origin Canadian businessman Tahawwur Rana in the 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks case, the city police have mentioned that he stayed for two days at a hotel in suburban Powai till November 21, 2008, days before the attacks, an official said. The chargesheet mentions that Tahawwur Hussain Rana came to India on November 11, 2008 and stayed in the country till November 21. He spent two of these days at the Renaissance Hotel in Powai, a senior official of the Mumbai police's crime branch said on Tuesday. "We have found documentary evidence against Rana and some statements in which his role in the conspiracy was established. The documentary

charges for his role in the Mumbai attacks and is known to be associated with Pakistani-American terrorist David Coleman Headley, one of the main conspirators of the 26/11 strikes. The chargesheet mentions that Tahawwur Hussain Rana came to India on November 11, 2008 and stayed in the country till November 21. He spent two of these days at the Renaissance Hotel in Powai, a senior official of the Mumbai police's crime branch said on Tuesday. "We have found documentary evidence against Rana and some statements in which his role in the conspiracy was established. The documentary

evidence shows that Rana was actively involved in the conspiracy with Pakistani-American terrorist David Coleman Headley, one of the main conspirators of the 26/11 strikes," he said. He (Rana) was the person who helped Headley get an Indian tourist visa based on fake documents, the official added. Rana allegedly provided logistic support to the Lashkar-e-Taiba in carrying out the 26/11 terror attacks, he said. "The crime branch has found email communications between Headley and Rana," he said, adding that in one of the emails related to 26/11 terror attacks, Headley asked about Major Iqbal's email id, he said.

'Govt's policy is to open new doors for girls'

New Delhi, Sep 26 (PTI):

Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on Tuesday that the passage of the women's reservation bill in Parliament's new building has heralded a new future for the country, asserting that it is his government's policy to open new doors for girls. Addressing a Rozgar Mela after distribution of appointment letters to over 51,000 new employees in different government departments through a virtual event, Modi also emphasised on growing use of technology in governance. The use of technology in government schemes has stopped corruption and reduced complexities, and boosted credibility and comfort, he told the new employees. He asked them to work with the motto of "citizens-



PM Modi addresses during the 'Rozgar Mela' via a video conference, in New Delhi, Tuesday.



first" and deploying technology to improve governance, citing its use in direct benefit transfers to beneficiaries of various schemes, booking of train tickets and digital locker among other fields. The prime minister said his government works with a new mindset based on constant monitoring, mission mode implementation and mass participation in government schemes with an aim of 100 per cent saturation and paving the way to accomplish monumental

goals. This is a time of historic decisions and achievements for the country, he said, while stressing that the women's reservation bill, passed by Parliament recently, will give a big boost to the country's 50 per cent population. The issue, which was pending for 30 years, has been passed by record votes in both Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha, he said, noting that many of these new employees were not even born when the idea was first mooted.

The dreams of new India are big, he said, noting that girls are present in sectors ranging from space to sports and are being commissioned into the armed forces as well. He added the presence of women in any sector has always led to positive changes in every sector. Asserting that the country will become the third-largest economy in the world in the next few years, Modi said government employees will have a lot to contribute in the process.

TRIBUTE TO MARTYRS



Chief of the Army Staff, General Manoj Pande and the Chiefs of Armies/delegates of various countries pay homage at National War Memorial, in New Delhi, Tuesday.

LAKHIMPUR KHERI VIOLENCE SC allows Ashish Mishra to visit mother

New Delhi, Sep 26 (PTI):

The Supreme Court on Tuesday relaxed the bail conditions of Ashish Mishra, a prime accused in the Lakhimpur Kheri violence case, to enable him to visit and stay in the National Capital Region (NCR) to look after his ailing mother and for the treatment of his daughter. The case pertains to an incident of violence on October 3, 2021, in which eight people, including four farmers, were killed in Tikunia in Lakhimpur Kheri district of Uttar Pradesh. A bench of

Justices Surya Kant and Dipankar Datta relaxed the interim bail conditions imposed on Mishra by the court on January 25. Mishra was asked not to stay either in Uttar Pradesh or in Delhi during the period. The court passed the order on a modification application filed by Ashish Mishra, son of Union minister Ajay Mishra, stating that his mother is admitted to the Ram Manohar Lohia (RML) Hospital in Delhi. He has further stated in his application that his daughter needs treatment for certain deformities in her legs.

70 SC collegium reccos for judges pending with govt

New Delhi, Sep 26 (PTI):

With 70 collegium recommendations still stuck with the government, the Supreme Court on Tuesday expressed its dismay over the "delay" in the appointment of judges and asked the attorney general to use his office to resolve the issue. After a bench of justices Sanjay Kishan Kaul and Sudhanshu Dhulia raised the matter, Attorney General R Venkataramani sought a week's time to come back with instructions on the pending recommendations for judges' appointment to the high court.

COAL SCAM

HC suspends 4-yr sentence of ex-MP Darda

New Delhi, Sep 26 (PTI):

The Delhi High Court on Tuesday suspended the four-year sentence of former Rajya Sabha MP Vijay Darda, his son Devender and businessman Manoj Kumar Jayaswal in a case related to irregularities in coal block allocation in Chhattisgarh. Justice Swarna Kanta Sharma allowed the pleas and suspended the sentence till the pendency of their appeals challenging their conviction and jail term in the case. The high court directed them not to leave the country without prior permission of the court concerned and not to directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case.

'Cong looted Chhattisgarh, pushed it into darkness'

Raipur, Sep 26:

Union minister Meenakshi Lekhi on Tuesday accused the Bhupesh Baghel-led Congress government in Chhattisgarh of 'looting' the state in the last five years. Speaking at a public rally in Beltara assembly constituency in Bilaspur as part of the Bharatiya Janata Party's 'Parivartan Yatra' campaign, she also hit back at Congress leader Rahul Gandhi for his remarks alleging that the saffron party favoured the Adani group. During the 'Awas Nyay Sammelan' gathering or-



Meenakshi Lekhi

ganised by the state government in Parsada (Sakri) village in Bilaspur on Monday, Gandhi had waved a remote control device and said the poor and needy benefited when the Congress presses it, while "Adani gets ports, airports and railway contracts" when the BJP presses it. The Union Minister of State for External Affairs

and Culture said, "The brightness of the BJP's 'parivartan' (change) can be felt here because there is darkness in the entire state. What this state had gained in 15 years under the BJP government was looted by the Congress in five years." Chhattisgarh, known for good governance during the BJP rule, is now known as an "apradhgarh" (den of crime), she said. Lekhi dubbed Chief Minister Baghel and Rahul Gandhi as 'Labra' (liar) and 'Babba' (apparently loud-mouth) and accused them of spreading lies.

45 students hurt in Manipur police baton-charge

Imphal, Sep 26 (PTI):

More than 45 students, mostly girls, were injured in Manipur's Imphal Valley on Tuesday as the police fired tear gas shells and baton-charged a mob protesting against the killing of two youths who were allegedly kidnapped in July, officials said. The students of Imphal-based schools and colleges brought out the protest rallies hours after photos of the bodies of the two youths went viral on social media, demanding arrest of those involved in the killing. The protesters clashed with the police near Sanjenthong in Imphal East district when securi-



Security personnel stand guard during a protest against the killing of two youths who were allegedly kidnapped in July, in Imphal, Tuesday.

ty forces stopped them from advancing towards the chief minister's secretariat here. The police used tear gas shells and batons to disperse the agitators. "School and college students took out a rally in Imphal to protest against

the killing of the two youths. As the students were heading towards the CM's Secretariat, security personnel took action to disperse them," a police officer said. Over 30 students were injured in police action

and admitted to three hospitals in Imphal, officials of the medical facilities said. Photos of the bodies of the missing students surfaced on social media on Monday, following which the Manipur government has asked people to exercise restraint and allow authorities to investigate the "kidnapping and killing" of the two. The two youths were identified as Phijam Hemjit (20) and Hijam Linthoingambi (17). Students also took out rallies at Uripok, Old Lambulane, Singamei in Imphal West district demanding arrest of those involved in the killing of the two youths.

Police gives strong message to criminals ahead of upcoming election



Bhilai, Sep 26: As a part of its crime prevention exercise and in view of upcoming election, Durg Police rounded up more than 53 miscreants and made them parade in public. This action gave a strong message to the criminals who try to disturb law and order situations of the district. Most of the miscreants were accused of stabbing or possessing sharp weapons.

On the instructions of Inspector General of Police (Durg Range), SP Shalabh Sinha chaired a meeting of all the gazetted officers and police station/post in-charges of the city on Monday. He gave instructions regarding strong security arrangements in the district, to create fear of law among anti-social elements and hooligans, to take action against drugs and to prepare a security plan for the upcoming assembly elections. After the meeting, Superintendent of Police (Durg) himself took out a flag march in the city. Intensive patrolling was done in Bhilai city area Chhawani, Khursipar, Vaishali Nagar and other places.

Additional Superintendent of Police (City) Sanjay Kumar Dhruv, Additional Superintendent of Police (Rural) Ananth Kumar along with gazetted officers participated in the flag march.

On Tuesday, prohibitory action was taken against the criminals. In the wee hours of Tuesday, a team of CSPs and police station in-

charge of the district formed a team and cordoned off all the criminals of criminal nature who have been involved in stabbing in the last few months. These offenders were released from jail and were hiding from the police. The offenders were caught and an identification parade was conducted in front of the police station in-charges of other police station areas and their patrolling team in the Police Control Room, Bhilai so that the criminals of one area could not carry out such incidents in another area. A separate case was registered against more than 53 such miscreants. They were sent to jail following legal proceedings. In this way, some ha-



bitual criminals and anti-social elements have been identified and effective action is being taken against them.

Durg Police caught all the criminals involved in stabbing and made them parade across the Civic Center area so that their fear among the common people could be reduced. At Civic Center, all the miscreants were administered an oath not to commit any kind of stabbing incident in future and not to get involved in any crime.

City Superintendent of Police (Bhilai Nagar) Vishwa Deepak Tripathi along with all the police station in-charges of the city and their patrolling staff personnel were present.

On Tuesday, Deputy Superintendent of Police (Traffic) Satish Thakur and Royal Infra Project Manager Piyush inspected the service lanes of National Highway at Kumhari will begin from September 27. Deputy Superintendent of Police (Traffic) and the Project Manager of the construction company inspected the site on Tuesday. The width of the service road will be increased from 4 meters to 5.5 meters. During the construction work, all vehicles will be diverted to the flyover. Re-carpeting works of Kumhari, Dabrapara, Power House, Supela portion of National Highway will commence from October 07.

NH Service Lane widening work to begin from today

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During the construction work, all the vehicles will be diverted through the flyover. Similarly, after the service road construction work, re-carpeting work will be conducted on National Highway. It will be done between October 07 to 14 at Kumhari, from October 15 to 20 at Dabrapara, from October 21 to 30 at Power House and from

November 01 to 10 at Supela. For the construction work, Deputy Superintendent of Police (Traffic) has given instructions to the construction company to use safety equipment, deploy security guards to divert vehicles, maintain proper lighting at night and also appealed to the common citizens to drive carefully.

World Pharmacists Day celebrated at SRIP Kumhari

Bhilai, Sep 26: World Pharmacist Day was celebrated at Shri Rawatpura Sarkar Institute of Pharmacy, Kumhari. On this occasion, Dr Preeti Gurnani, Director of Shri Rawatpura Sarkar Group of Institutions Kumhari and Dr Alankar Srivastava, Principal of Pharmacy were present as chief guests. Video/short documentary, poster and rangoli competition was organized in the programme. The main objective of World Pharmacists



Day was 'Organ Donation - Mahadan' i.e. organ donation can save someone's life, videography by the students. With the help of rangoli and posters, an attempt was made

to convey the message that our one donation can make a difference in someone's life. On this occasion, students participated enthusiastically, and to maintain the enthusiasm of the students who participated in the competition, they were awarded medals and certificates.

Dr JK Upadhyay, Vice President, Shri Rawatpura Sarkar Lok Kalyan Trust congratulated for the successful program.

Yash Yogi qualifies for Toyota Gazoo Racing Thailand International Series 2023

Bhilai, Sep 26: Yash Yogi from the city has brought laurels by defeating the top seeded player in the first stage of the men's draw in the Toyota Gazoo Racing Thailand International Series 2023, in Thailand held from September 19-24, 2023.



He is the son of ace international badminton player and coach Shiv Kumar Yogi, who is working in TSD Department of SAIL-Bhilai Steel Plant. Prior to this success, playing for Chhattisgarh in the West Zone Inter State Badminton Competition held in Indore from August 08-12, 2023, Yash Yogi also made it to the semi-finals. He also qualified for the competition to be held in Assam in the month of December, along with playing for India in the International

Badminton Competition held in Indonesia between August 28 to September 02, 2023.

It is noteworthy that Yash Yogi, who has been playing for BSP for the last 15 years, has brought laurels to India, State and the Plant in several International and National Championships. Yogi has also reached the finals of State Level Senior Badminton Competition six times till now. Along with winning

Talk organised on "Coping with Stress"



Bhilai, Sep 26: Women Cell of St Thomas College organised a talk on "Coping with Stress" the other day. The Resource Person was Dr Gaveev Vinam Meshram, Jr Medical officer, ICMR, Central Zone, Bhilai. Dr Reema Dewangan, convener of women cell welcomed the gathering. Addressing the gathering, Dr MG Roymon, Principal of the College insisted the students to avoid stress in life so that they can live a happy and peaceful life. Administrator Fr Dr Joshi Varghese congratulated the team for conducting such a useful talk on Stress that is very common issue among

students. Dr Meshram focused on the meaning of stress, factors of stress, methods of overcoming the stress. She also insisted on reading the books during study hours instead of the excess use of electronic devices and engage in regular physical activities.

The Co-convener of the cell Dr Suja Varghese and the members Dr Smita S Daniel, Susan Ebiyon, Dr Rupa Srivastava, and other faculties were present. The Programme was conducted by Dr Neelam Gandhi and Dr Anupama Gangrade delivered vote of thanks.

Combined ATC of 37 CG NCC Battalion Durg underway



Bhilai, Sep 26: 37 CG NCC Battalion Durg is conducting Combined Annual Training Camp (CATC-18) at Lakholi Raipur from Sep 22 to Oct 01, 2023. The camp was opened by Col Maqsood Ali Khan, Camp Commandant in presence of Major Praveen Kumari, Deputy Camp Commandant. The aim of the camp is to orient the cadets to military way of life and impart quality training to them. 592 cadets are undergoing

rigorous routine of Drill, Weapon training, Map reading, Field Craft & Battle Craft Skills. 02 Officers, 13 ANOs, 15 PI Staff and 13 Civilian Staff are involved in imparting training to the cadets.

Col Maqsood Ali Khan, Camp Commandant expressed his view that the CATC NCC Camp is not just a camp; it is a transformative experience designed to shape the future of our nation. We are privileged to have these young minds under our

guidance as they undergo a profound journey of self-discovery, leadership development, and personal growth. Throughout the CATC NCC Camp 2023, cadets will be exposed to a wide array of experiences and learn the values of discipline, teamwork, and resilience. Apart from physical training, the cadets will be exposed to various other activities including academic, cultural, drawing and debate competitions.

Kesariya Rajput Mahila Club organises Hartalika Teej Milan



Bhilai, Sep 26: The members of Kesariya Rajput Mahila Club organized a grand cultural event to celebrate Hartalika Teej. The cultural programs were contemporary and most of the presentations were on the relevant burning is-

ssues. The event started with "Kajri" folk song which was presented by Geeta Singh and group. Most prominently, "Draupadi's Cheer Haran" a dance drama based on the atrocities on women in Manipur and Rajasthan

was presented which was loved by the audience. Thereafter, a poem was presented by Advocate Dr Vibha Singh, President of Kesariya Rajput Club, Utho Draupadi shastra utha lo, Ab Govind na aayenge". Group dance was presented by Kiran Singh & Group and Manju Pal & Group. Solo song and solo dance were also presented. Anita Singh's Chhattisgarhi dance, Divya Singh's solo dance, Shweta Singh's dance were highly appreciated. Women participated in the program with full enthusiasm. Teej Queen Competition was also or-

ganized which was judged by Neelima Verma. Teej Queen's Crown was won by Shweta Singh of Sector 10, Kiran Singh of Sector 10 was first runner up while Second Runner Up was Anuradha Singh of Sector 7, Best Smile- Usha Singh from Surya Vihar, Best Dress-Savita Singh of Smriti Nagar, Best Catwalk to Shweta Singh Chauhan Surya Vihar. Club President Dr Vibha Singh delivered the welcome address and the vote of thanks was presented by Secretary Shashi Prabha Singh. The programme ended with National Anthem.

Gangajali Education Trust president visits Nayandeep Vidya Mandir

Bhilai, Sep 26: President of Gangajali Education Trust, Jaya Mishra spent quality time with the students of Nayandeep Vidya Mandir, a school for visually impaired students run by Rotary Charitable Trust Bhilai. She understood in detail about the education being imparted to the visually impaired students at the School. Understanding the responsibility towards the health of the students, she declared that Shri Shankaracharya Medical and Research Center would provide free check-up to the children through team.



On arrival at Rotary Bhawan, the Chairman of the Trust, Dr Santosh Rai, Secretary S Sajeev, Vice President of the Trust and Head of Nayandeep Vidya Mandir Gyan Chand Jain and PS Bindra welcomed Jaya Mishra with a shawl. The School Principal Shweta Mahobia wel-

comed Jaya Mishra and Dr Archana Jha, Principal of Shri Shankaracharya College by applying tilak. On this occasion, many professors including Dean Academic Dr Rao of Shankaracharya College were present. The students enthralled Jaya Mishra

with songs, ghazals and music. Information related to Nayandeep Vidya Mandir was given by Gyan Chand Jain. The program was conducted by PS Bindra and the Secretary of the organization S Sajeev expressed gratitude.

CM virtually inaugurates beautified Thagda Dam

District gets 21 development works worth Rs 69 crore

Central Chronicle News

Bhilai, Sep 26: Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel virtually inaugurated the beautified Thagda Dam on Tuesday. The local leaders and denizens were expecting that the Chief Minister would visit Durg for inauguration of this much awaited project. But due to his busy schedule, he virtually inaugurated the Thagda Dam and other development projects.

Chief Minister Shri Bhupesh Baghel has gift-



ed 21 development works worth Rs 69 crore to the people of the district. He virtually inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of the projects which include inauguration of 16 works costing Rs 29 crore 68 lakh and bhumipujan of 5 works costing Rs 39 crore 31

lakh. Among the works inaugurated by the Chief Minister are solar power based tap water scheme costing Rs 52.56 lakh in village Karhidih under development block Dhamdha, retrofitting tap water scheme costing Rs 70.54 lakh in village Oteband, retrofitting tap water scheme costing Rs 5.52 lakh in village Panchdeori, Retrofitting tap water scheme in village Semaria (Litiya) costing Rs 9.92 lakh, Retrofitting tap water scheme costing Rs 46 lakh in village Chirpoti under Durg development block. Under Patan development block, retrofitting



tap water scheme costing Rs 57.13 lakh in village Ghoghari, retrofitting tap water scheme costing Rs 42.47 lakh in village Chulgahan, solar based

tap water scheme costing Rs 48.17 lakh in village Khapri, Retrofitting tap water scheme costing Rs 33.31 lakh in Karga, Single Village Tap Water

Scheme costing Rs 73.73 lakh in village Bhainsbod, Retrofitting tap water scheme costing Rs 87.13 lakh in village Raveli. Similarly, under

Municipal Corporation Thagda Dam at a cost of Rs 16.26 crore, C Mart at a cost of Rs 49.45 lakh, 30 road/drain construction works at a cost of Rs 3.22 crore; two high level tanks worth Rs 3 crore 29 lakh and a newly constructed auditorium costing Rs 6 lakh. Bhoomipujan works include expansion of pipeline in the remaining area of the city under Municipal Corporation Durg at a cost of Rs 5 crore 56 lakh, construction of 16 drains in different areas of the city at a cost of Rs 5 crore 96 lakh 42 thousand. Widening and upgradation work of

3 roads, etc. On this occasion, MLA Arun Vora, Backward Classes Commission Vice Chairman RN Verma, District Cooperative Central Bank Durg President Rajendra Sahu, District Panchayat President Pushpa Yadav, Municipal Corporation Durg Mayor Dheeraj Bakliwal and Councilors were present in the Collectorate meeting room. Collector Pushpendra Meena, Municipal Corporation Durg Commissioner Lokesh Chandrakar, District Panchayat CEO Ashwani Dewangan and departmental officers were present.

Ensure prompt treatment of those injured in road accidents: Jain

IIM Raipur hosts insightful financial panel discussion with Asset Managers

Chief Secretary Amitabh Jain gave instructions in the road safety scenario meeting

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Chief Secretary Amitabh Jain has said that arrangements for quick treatment and assistance to those injured in road accidents should be ensured. He gave these instructions to the officials in the state level review meeting of road safety scenario at Mantralaya here on Monday. In the meeting, instructions were given to the officers to take necessary action under effective action plan for the control and prevention of road ac-

idents including safe traffic arrangements. The Chief Secretary reviewed in detail the medical arrangements in primary health centers and community health centers located near various national highways and high ways of Chhattisgarh. The Chief Secretary has also instructed the officers to do all the necessary work for traffic education and road safety awareness. The Chief Secretary reviewed the status of trauma centers in medical colleges and district hospitals

operating in various districts of the state. He has said that arrangements for initial treatment for those injured in road accidents should be available in all hospitals of the districts. The Chief Secretary has instructed the officials to continuously inspect the medical equipment present in the hospitals and in the ambulances. The Chief Secretary told the officials that it should be mandatory to have ambulances in the community and primary health centers located near the national high-

ways and highways. Instructions have been given to the health department officials to make proper arrangements and monitor it. Similarly, under traffic education, necessary instructions were given to the officials regarding training related to road safety for traffic education in schools. Education Department officials said that NCC, NSS cadets and students of Bharat Scout Guide services are also being taken for awareness related works and for smooth traffic. In the meeting, Secretary Transport Mr. S. Prakash, Secretary of School Education Department Dr. S. Bharathidasan and Secretary Medical Education P. Dayanand and other officials participated.

On September 23, 2023, Indian Institute of Management, Raipur, in collaboration with Antique Stock Broking Limited and Finatix - The Finance Club of IIM Raipur, hosted a panel discussion on campus on the theme "Navigating Volatility: Insights from Top Asset Managers in the Current Financial Landscape." The event featured esteemed guests, including Gaurav Misra, Co-head of Equities, Mirae MF, Jitendra Arora, Senior Fund Manager, ICICI Prudential Life, Shri Sailesh Bhan, Chief Investment Officer, Nippon MF and Vinit Sambre, Head of Equities, DSP MF. Shrutu Vora, representing Antique Stock Broking, introduced the esteemed panelists, and Prof. Ravi Sundar Muthukrishnan, a mentor at Antique Stock Broking Limited, facilitated the engaging discussion. Sailesh Bhan discussed an optimistic outlook highlighting India's promising future, emphasizing sustained growth in pharma-



ceuticals, technology-oriented manufacturing, and luxury goods. He emphasized that at the core of any business lies cash flows and the creation of long-term growth forecasts. Additionally, he highlighted that sustainability and profitability are pivotal factors in investment decisions. Vinit Sambre underscored the importance of being prepared in a competitive environment. Recognizing that elections can influence markets, especially in the short term due to India's large population, he is still optimistic about significant growth prospects. He emphasized the role of technology in agriculture and the need for a comprehensive evaluation matrix to identify sound investment decisions. Gaurav Misra advocated the

significance of aligning one's passions with skill development. He expressed a constructive bias towards India's prowess in R&D, notably in the pharmaceutical and manufacturing sectors, while also highlighting increased investments in the chemicals sector. He talked about a growth mindset that fosters continuous learning and openness. Jitendra Arora said that one cannot allow setbacks to change one's life. With India's youthful demographic and substantial growth potential, the key lies in identifying and capitalizing on consumer trends and preferences. He emphasized that the quality of governance within a company is pivotal in transforming it from an ordinary to an exceptional investment. Antique Stock

Broking Limited also organized an equity research competition in collaboration with Finatix. The competition winners are Team Panthers, including Betha Vaishnavi, Juhee Gandhi, Ghorpade Alankar Ravindra, and Yamini Gupta. The runners-up include Team Dracarys, consisting of Jigar Pitroda, Karthik G R, Madhuswetha R, and Shriya Sharma. Prof. Ram Kumar Kakani, Director, IIM Raipur thanked Antique Stock Broking Limited for its contribution to organizing the insightful panel discussion. He expressed his heartfelt gratitude to all the panelists, guests, faculty members, and students. Prof. Rajesh Pathak, Finance and Accounts Department, IIM Raipur, handed the mementos to the guests.

AIB observes National Pharmacovigilance Week

'Aryans' team clinches inter-set cookery trophy 2023-24

Raipur, Sep 26:

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Amity Institute of Biotechnology (AIB), Amity University Chhattisgarh, enthusiastically observed the National Pharmacovigilance Week under the theme of "Boosting Public Confidence in Pharmacovigilance" from September 17th to 23rd September 2023, right at the heart of the Amity University Chhattisgarh campus in Raipur. The event garnered substantial backing from distinguished Doctors and scientists affiliated with the Department of Pharmacology at All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Raipur. On September 20th, 2023, at 11:00 AM, Amity University Chhattisgarh organized a Pharmacovigilance awareness event within the university campus. Eminent scientists from AIIMS, Raipur, including Dr. Nitin R Gaikwad, Professor & Head of the Department and Coordinator of AMC, Dr. Yogendra Kumar Keche, Assistant Professor, and Dr. Pugalenthnan Thangaraju, Assistant Professor in Pharmacology and Deputy Coordinator of AMC at AIIMS, Raipur, were invited to share their expertise.



guished guest speakers from AIIMS, Raipur. During the event, the experts provided a comprehensive overview of pharmacovigilance and its vital role in detecting, assessing, understanding, and preventing adverse effects and other medication-related issues. They emphasized that individuals may react differently to various drugs based on their unique metabolic processes during drug absorption. Furthermore, they discussed the importance of informing healthcare providers if patients experience adverse effects from medications. This awareness program received strong support and active participation from both students and faculty members of Amity University Chhattisgarh thanks to the significant contributions of the esteemed Doctors and scientists from AIIMS, Raipur. The program concluded with a vote of thanks.

Following the rich tradition, the Inter Set Cookery Competition of 2023-24 was held at Sarangarh Dining Hall, Rajkumar College, Raipur (C.G.) from 2pm to 6pm on 24th Sept., 2023. The contestants from the 4 sets Aryans, Bikrams, Rajputs and Ranans showed their culinary skills on the theme of this year 'Authentic Delicacies of Gujarat.' All the four sets competed for the Best Table Set with delicacies of Gujarat, completed the Gastronomy of Gujarat. The cynosure of the eye was Team B of Aryans led by Venisha Patel and her team. Each of the sets had 3 teams of 4 cooks each with a leader. Aryans had 3 teams led by Ms. Minu Tiwari, the teacher-in-charge. Team A comprised Preeti Agrawal, Sumitra Gautam and Ananya Agrawal and was led by Anisha Paikra. Team B consisted of Navya Nimani, Gaurav Thakkar and Sadhna Mittal and was led by Venisha Patel. Team C comprised Divya Goel, Garvita Singh and asmi Sahu. The team was led by Ayushi Jumnani. Bikrams also had 3 teams, led by Teacher-in-charge Radha Khankeriya. Team A comprised Sanskar Nara, Pritansha Agrawal



and Aanchal Chandravanshi and was led by Sakshi Sirmour. Team B consisted of Shreya Agrawal, Ishika Talreja and Khushi Agrawal and was led by Anika Modi. Team C consisted of Ananya Choudhary, Hardik Bafna and Krishna Agrawal and Kumkum Sahu led the team. Rajputs had 3 teams led by Ms. Tisha Jacob, the teacher-in-charge. Team A comprised Aditi Singh Thakur, Bhavya Shah Deo and Lakshya Goyal. It was led by Jai Pratap Singh Baghel. Team B consisted of Arnab Daga, Sanskriti Jain and Reet Khetpal and was led by Shashwat Gupta. Team C comprised Aparajita Telang, Ayushi Sethia and Nitya Agrawal. The team was led by Rajnandani Shyam. Ranans had 3 teams led by Ekta Choubey. Team A consisted of Dhananjay Garg, Ananya Bhartiya and Anvesha Khatri. It was led

by Abhishek Agrawal. Team B comprised Harshit Rajpurohit, Swadha Singh and Yashab Kaushal. This team was led by Chaitanya Goenka. Team C consisted of Navya Agrawal, Irina Lodge and Jugat Kaur Bhalla and was led by Nishtha Chandra. These 12 teams competed for the Best Table in the Inter Set Cookery Competition, 2023-24 and the Trophy was adjudged on the score of the combined points of the three teams of the winning set. Although a non-competitive section, 3 students each of the 4 sets did their job of decorating the table well with the Gujarati dishes and Gujarat theme, commendably. Aryans set's decorators were Mrinmayee Singh Deo, Ananya Sinha and Chandni Paikra. Bikrams set's decorators were Aashi Agrawal, Ritesh Patnaik and Dev Yog. Similarly, the decorators of Rajputs were Ishika

Sinha, Mehak Jumnani and Khyati Jain. Ranans set comprising the decorators were Anant Agrawal, Nimit Mudaliar and Kirat Kaur. Lt Col Avinash Singh, Principal Rajkumar College, Raipur, gave away the Trophy to winning set Aryans and encouraged all the participants. Best Table: Team B Venisha Patel, Navya Nimani, Gaurav Thakkar and Sadhna Mittal of Aryans won the 1st posi-

tion. 1st Runner Up: Team A Anisha Paikra, Priti Agrawal, Sumitra Gautam and Ananya Agrawal of Aryans. 1st Runner: Team C Nishtha Chandra, Navya Agrawal, Irina Lodge and Jugat Kaur Bhalla of Ranans. 2nd Runner up: Team A Sakshi Sirmour, Sanskar Nara, Pritansha Agrawal and Aanchal Chandravanshi of Bikrams. The overall position of the Inter Set Cookery Competition, 2023 was as follows: 1st Aryans (633 points); 2nd Bikrams (613 points); 3rd Ranans (595 points); 4th Rajputs (594 points). The Late Rani Sahiba Soudamini Devi of Khandpara Memorial Inter Set Cookery Trophy for the year 2023-24, presented by Raja Bibhuti Bhushan Singh Mardraj of Khandpara went to the Aryans.

IR Cleanliness Fortnight keeps 'Swachh Rail' promise

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Raipur, Sep 26:

Indian Railways is demonstrating its unwavering commitment to cleanliness and hygiene through a dedicated Cleanliness Fortnight as part of the 'Swachh Rail Swachh Bharat' campaign. Running from September 16 to October 2, this initiative encompasses a series of engaging programs across all stations and trains of the South East Central Railway Raipur Mandal, each day focusing on specific themes.



On the ninth day of this Cleanliness Fortnight, the spotlight was on "Healthy Food." Officials from the Raipur Railway Division conducted meticulous inspections, extending their scrutiny to station premises, stalls, and canteens within office spaces. These thorough evaluations encompassed food quality assessments, scrutiny of cleanliness arrangements, and the meticulous disposal of waste, encompassing both dry and wet waste streams. In the spirit of promoting impeccable hygiene standards, authorities en-

broader 'Swachh Rail - Swachh Bharat' mission. Vendors received valuable education on the importance of keeping their surroundings litter-free, and they were reminded of their integral role in creating a pristine and hygienic railway environment.

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Regional Office, Jeevan Prakash, L.I.C. Building, Pandri, Raipur (C.G.), PH: 0771 - 4222611, 4222612 E-mail: recovery.raipur@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	Vivekanand Nagar Branch Raipur 9752410761	M/s Techno Drillers through Partners 1. Mrs. Veena Jain 2. Mr. Moolchand Jain(Deceased, hence through all legal heirs) at C-38, Vallabh Nagar, Panchpedi Naka, Raipur (C.G.)	1. Equitable mortgage of diverted land situated at Khaska No. - 69/8 (part) at PC No. - 104, near Damar Factory, Raipur, Raipur (C.G.) addressing - 26062 Sq Ft. in the name of Shri Moolchand Jain. Boundaries: North: Sellers Land, South: Others Plot, East: Sellers Land, West: Sellers and Others Land. 2. Equitable mortgage of diverted land situated at Khaska No. - 72/1 (part) at PC No.104, near Indraprastha Phase-II, opposite water world Raipur, Raipur (C.G) addressing 20305 Sq Ft. in the name of Shri Moolchand Jain. Boundaries: North: Sellers Land, South: Others Plot, East: Sellers Land West: Sellers and Others Land. 3. Equitable mortgage of diverted land situated at Plot No.E-156, E-157, E-158 and E-159 Part of KH.No. 72, Area 788.90 sqmt. Situated under RDA's Raipur - Indraprastha Phase-II, Vill - Raipur, P.H. No. 104/35 in the name of Shri Moolchand Jain. Boundaries: North: Road, South:Indraprastha Phase-I, East:Plot No.E-155, West: Plot No.E-160 4. Equitable mortgage of Land & Building situated at House No. - 575 (New), 575/576 (Old), Ward No.39, Near Sati Mandir, Sadar Bazar Road, Raipur (C.G.) measuring 1400 Sq. Ft. in the name of Shri Moolchand Jain. Boundaries: North: Property of Moolchand, South: Road, East: House of Raghunath Soni, West: House of Ganeshiya Bhai. 5. Equitable mortgage of Land & Building situated at House No. 575 (New), 575/576 (Old), Ward No. 39, near Sati Mandir, Sadar Bazar Road, Raipur (C.G.) measuring 700 Sq Ft in the name of Mrs. Dhapi Bai Jain. Boundries: North: Property of Moolchand, South: Road, East: House of Raghunath Soni, West: House of Ganeshiya Bhai. 6. Equitable mortgage of Diverted land situated at Khaska No.1/2 Ka (area 0.081 hectare), 1/2 Kh (area 0.227 hectare), 1/1TRA (area 0.089 hectare) at Kosmi Naka, Gondia Road, Balaghat (M.P) addressing total 0.387 Hect in the name of Mr. Prakash Chand Jain. Boundries: North: C.C. Road, South: Paras Poha Mill. East: Balaghat- Gondia Road, West: Property of Shri Netlal and Boudh Vihar. 7. Equitable mortgage of residential diverted land bearing Khaska No. - 98/92, 98/93 +101/89, 98/94 + 101/90, 98/117, 98/119, 98/120, 101/85, 101/86, 101/87 & 101/88 after consolidation Kh. No. 15002, Area 0.953 hect. Situated at Village - Talbandh, P.H. No 103/34, Raipur (C.G.) in the name M/s Jainam Builders through its Partner Shri Dinesh Ram Puriya S/o Shri Trilok Chand Puriya. Boundaries: For Khaska No. 98/92, 101/84, 98/94 +101/90 and 98/93 + 101/89 - North: Land of Vijay Soni Kh.No. 98/117 and Shanti Rampuriya Kh.No. 98/20, South: Land of Sanjay Puri Kh.No. 101/86, East: Land of Kuber Kh.No.101/87 and Road, West: Road, Kh.No. 98 (Land of Purchaser). For Khaska No. 98/117 North: Land of Shanti Rampuriya KH No. 8/20, South: Land of Ganpati Kh.No. 101/84, East: Road, Part of Kh.No. 98, West: Land of Ganpati Kh.No. 98/94. For Khaska No. 98/119: North: Village Jarvay Border, South: Land of Rajesh Kh. No. 98/1, East: Land of Uttam Chandrakar KH. No. 98/10 and Road, West: Land of Shanti Rampuriya KH.No.98/107, 108 and 98/9, For Khaska No. 101/85: North: Land of Sanjay Puri HUF of Kh.No. 101/86, South: Road, Part of Kh.No. 98 of purchasers land, East: Land of Sushil Puri Kh.No. 101/88, West: Road, Part of Kh.No. 98. For Khaska No. 101/86: North: Land of Ganpati Kh.No. - 98/92, South: Land of Sanjay Puri Kh.No. - 101/85, East: Land of Sushil Puri Kh.No. - 101/88, West: Road, Part of Khaska No. 98, For Khaska No. 101/87: North: Land of Ganpati Kh.No. 101/84, South: Land of Sushil Puri Kh. No.- 101/88, East: Road, KH of Part of No. 101 of Purchaser Land, West: Land of Ganpati Kh.No. 98/93 and 101/98, For Khaska No. 101/88: North: Land of Kuber Kh.No. 101/87, South: Road, part of Kh. No 98 of purchaser Land, East: Road, part of Kh.No. 98 of purchaser land, West: Land of Sanjay Puri Kh.No. 101/86 and Land of Sanjay Puri HUF of Kh.No. 101/85. 8. Equitable Mortgage of residential diverted land bearing Khaska No. - 199/4, 199/7, 202/32, P. H. No. -105, Chandra Shekhar Ward No. - 52, RNM Raipur-2, addressing 39244 sqft. in the name of M/s Ira Infotech Pvt. Ltd. (Director: Mrs. Veena Jain). Bounded: North by: Grass Land, Land of Purchaser, Land of Dawda, South by: Grass Land then Road, Govt. Land, Land of Seller, East by: Remaining Land of Seller, Land of Purchaser, Kh. No. 199/1, West by: Remaining Land of Seller, Land of Seller, Kh. No. 199/8.	18.04.2023 Rs. 26,23,52,284.49 + interest + other charges Property No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 8 Possession Date- 21.09.2023 & Property No. 06 Possession Date- 25.09.2023 Property No. 1, 2, 3, 7 & 8 Physical Possession Property No. 4, 5, 6 Symbolic Possession
02	Vivekanand Nagar Branch Raipur 9752410761	M/s Satpura Drillers through Proprietor Mr. Prakash Chand Jain at 1. C-184, Ward No.46, Near Durga Mandir, NMDC Colony, Raipur (C.G.) - 492001, 2. C-38, Vallabh Nagar, Panchpedi Naka, Distt. - Raipur, C.G. - 492001	1. Equitable mortgage of Residential land at Plot No. - 129, Kh. No. - 379/12, P.H. No. - 104 measuring 5000 Sq Ft at Kushal Grih Nirman Sahkari Samiti Maryada, Raipur, Raipur in the name of Shri Moolchand Jain s/o Late Shri Phool Chand Jain. Boundaries: East: Plot No.128, West: Plot No. 130, North: Road, South: Others Land 2. Equitable mortgage of Residential land measuring 2600 Sq Ft and building constructed there, Ground Floor measuring 1618 Sq Ft at Plot No.47, Kh.No.258,260,263, P.H.No.114 at R.N.M. Ravindra Nath Tagore, Ward No. - 51, Vallabha Bhai Patel Grih Nirman Samiti, Gharapara, Tikrapara, Pachpedi Naka, Raipur in the name of Shri Prakash Chand Jain s/o Late Shri Phool Chand Jain. Boundaries: East: Plot No.48, West: Road, North: Others Land, South: Road. 3. Equitable mortgage of Residential Plot bearing Plot No. A - 2 measuring 6500 Sq Ft at Kh.No. - 199/4, 202/32, 202/38, 199/9, 199/7, 202/25 202/35 P.H. No.105 at Mathpurna, Raipur in the name of M/s Ira Infotech Pvt Ltd through director Mr.Moolchand Jain S/o Late Shri Phool Chand Jain. Boundaries: East: Seller Surplus Land, West: Seller Surplus Land, North: Ghas Land, South: Ghas Land then Road.	24.04.2023 Rs. 4,99,23,881.54 + interest + other charges 21.09.2023 Property No. 1 & 3 Physical Possession Property No. 2 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: 27.09.2023, Place: Raipur, Chhattisgarh Authorised Officer, Bank of Baroda

No repair work on road despite giving amount to Mineral Trust

Dalli-Rajhara, Sep 25:

The roads of Dallirajhara, known as the iron ore city, are continuously shedding tears regarding their repairs. But the municipality is shedding its own tears that most of the roads in Dallirajhara are under BSP management. If anything happens to the roads, it will be repaired by the BSP management, whereas most of the Dallirajhara Municipality is under BSP management. Despite this, the municipality also collects consolidated tax from the people living in the BSP area, due to which the municipality gets benefit of crores of rupees.

It may be noted that last few days, traffic is being disrupted on the dilapidated, potholed and water-logged road of the main road in front of Shramveer Chowk, ward



number 24 of the municipality. District Vice President of the ruling party Sunita George and Police Station Incharge Mukesh Singh appealed to the local municipality president and CMO, but the president and CMO showed their absurd and stubborn attitude and keeping it intact, the entire blame was placed on the BSP management.

The road from ward number 15 Niyogi Nagar to Power House ward number 17 was built by the municipality at a cost of Rs 88 lakh. In the same way, CC road and drain construction work is also being done in ward number 8 township area of the city, whereas the construction work of that road was also to be done under the BSP management, but the municipality has taken all the work in its hands by running its sycophant cam-

What officers says

Shramveer Chowk and the road in front of the police station are under BSP management. BSP will do the repair work of the road, municipality will not do it.

Sheetal Chandravanshi CMO NPA Dalli Rajhara

The Bhoomi Pujan work worth about Rs 7 crore has been done by the area MLA and Women and Child Development Minister Anila Bhediya in the last 2 years, but the Bhoomi Pujan amount worth crores was distributed internally by the Municipal Corporation President and CMO, due to which the political work of the area's popular MLA Anila Bhediya seems to be tainted.

Zone level TMM demonstration concludes

Kharora, Sep 26:

Zone level TMM demonstration took place in Government Primary School and Pre-Secondary School Budera, where the program was formally inaugurated by the guests by lighting flowers and lamps.

In this program, Isharani Khalkho Principal Higher Secondary School Beldar Seoni, Chandrashekhar Diwan Principal High School Bhadaha, Pankaj Kurre Sarpanch Gram Panchayat Budera, Yogesh Sahu Deputy Sarpanch, Ubaran Bharti Development Committee President, retired head reader TR Verma were present as special guests. In this zone level, 3 primary schools from Ilda Sankul, 7 from upper primary schools, 7 primary schools from Beldar Seoni Sankul and 3 from upper primary schools were present. Two teachers from each



school participated, and the teachers who participated in this demonstration created attractive, interesting and useful educational materials for the children to read with great care, using the things around them. In this program, educational umbrella under TLM, computer model, model of mini Tullu pump, place value, model of addition and subtraction, make words, make letters, crop cycle, water cycle, source of water cycle, concept of multiplication, tasks of

independence etc. models were displayed in which along with students, teachers also participated enthusiastically and the winners were rewarded.

On this occasion, Ramadhar Sahu coordinator Bhadaha, Sanjay Verma coordinator Beldar Seoni, Mahendra Kumar Sahu, coordinator Ilda and other teachers were present in the program. The program was conducted by Mahendra Kumar Sahu, and vote of thanks was shown by Tulsiram Verma.

Shivshankar Patnaik honoured with 'Saket Sant Samman'

Pithora, Sep 26:

Renowned litterateur Shivshankar Patnaik of Pithora Nagar was honoured with 'Saket Sant Samman' by Kanyakubj Samajik Chetna Manch (KSSCM). On this occasion, as the keynote speaker of the function, the city's senior litterateur Shivshankar Patnaik strongly demanded to name a university in Chhattisgarh after Dr. Baldev Prasad Mishra. Let it be known that till now 3 people have done PhD by researching the literary works of Shivshankar Patnaik. On this occasion, litterateur Dr. Devdhar Mahant, who came from Bilaspur as a special guest, in his speech threw light on the multi-dimensional



personality of Dr. Baldev Prasad Mishra. Dr. Ambarish Tripathi of Bhalai also emphasized on the compilation of literary contribution of Dr. Baldev Prasad Mishra and said that it is necessary for today's generation to read and know such a high quality litterateur. Pt. BMK Bajpai, guide of Kanyakubj Social Consciousness Forum Bhalai-Durg, informed that perhaps

today a research chair on the literary works of Dr. Mishra will be established in Atal University. On this occasion, former Vice Chancellor of Durg University, Dr. N.P. Dixit, President of Sarjupari Samaj, Pandit Prabhunath Mishra, former President of Kanyakubj Samajik Chetna Manch, Ashish Mishra, President of Senior Citizens Forum, K.D. Rai and a large number of members of the society were present.

Training program organised for sustainable water management

Fingeshwar, Sep 26:

In a proactive effort to bolster sustainable water management, a four-day residential training program for grassroots-level stakeholders of Gram Panchayats in the Fingeshwar development block commenced on September 21. The program, guided by Collector and District Water and Sanitation Committee Chairman Akash Chhikara, and led by Chief Executive Engineer of the Public Health Engineering Department, Pankaj Jain, continued until September 24.

This impactful training initiative welcomed two representatives from each Panchayat, including



Sarpanchs, Panchs, members of the Gram Jal and Swachhta Samiti, and active participants from the Women's Jal Vahini. Trainers delved into a wide range of topics, including the significance of Jal Gram Sabha, its objec-

tives, water conservation practices at the village level, and the pivotal roles of Gram Panchayats in the Jal Jeevan Mission.

Participants engaged in discussions about mission strategies, daily water allocation per family and indi-

vidual, and the intricacies of field kit testing.

Chief Executive Engineer Pankaj Jain passionately conveyed the critical role of water within the Jal Jeevan Mission and elucidated how rural communities can actively contribute to water conservation within their Gram Panchayats. He provided comprehensive insights into these essential aspects of water management.

Furthermore, Pankaj Jain conducted on-site inspections during the training, offering in-depth explanations about water infrastructure, including tank construction, pipeline maintenance, and platform development, among other crucial facets. The training program was

effectively coordinated by Mahesh Agrawal,

Secretary of Action for Community Empowerment Organization. It garnered active participation from dedicated trainers, including Prabhat Amrit, Ashish Kumar Sahu, Mahesh Sahu, and Anil Kumar Singh from the Chaotali Mandal, along with diligent officials and staff, including Public Health Engineering Department (Jal Jeevan Mission) Coordinator Chitrakant Sharma, Akanksha Patra, Rupesh Sahu, and Ajay Talaiash. This concerted effort symbolizes a significant step toward empowering communities for sustainable water management.

Block-level Junk Art and TLM program organized

Event empowers students with creative solutions

Pandaria-Nagar, Sep 26:

Pandariya-Nagar's Kanya Higher Secondary School hosted an inspiring block-level Junk to innovation and Teaching Learning Material (TLM) program on Saturday. This event, organized under the guidance of the District Mission Coordinator of Samagra Shiksha Kabirdham, brought together participants from various schools within the development block.

In the Junk to innovation category, young innovators from the primary level showcased their talents. Kund, Mahali and Kapadah Sankuls won first, second and third



place respectively. In the middle-level category, the winners displayed their creative prowess as well and Khairjiti Purana, Mahali and Bhagatpur Sankuls won first second and third place respectively. Recognizing the significance of Teaching

Learning Materials (TLMs) in education, awards were bestowed upon outstanding contributors in this category. In Primary level: Dullapur, Birakona and Bhakur Sankul bagged first second and third place respectively. In the middle level: Polmi, Mahali, and Sukli

Govind Sankuls are respective winners.

To appreciate the dedication of all participants, consolation prizes were also distributed. Throughout the program, students were educated on the transformative potential of creating teaching aids and science models using everyday household items. They learned how to repurpose discarded materials into valuable educational resources, enriching the learning environment in schools without incurring additional expenses.

The event witnessed the presence of esteemed guests, including G.P. Banerjee, Block Education Officer; and Santosh Sahu, Assistant Project Coordinator of Samagra Shiksha, Kabirdham. Arjun Chandravanshi,

Block Coordinator, skillfully chaired the proceedings, while the Chief Guest addressed the students, emphasizing the innovative use of waste materials to enhance the learning experience. Teachers also received valuable insights into crafting diverse educational materials without any additional financial burden. The selection committee, comprising Neel Kusum Ekka, Principal of the Government Higher Secondary Girls School; Geeta Ram Sahu, Principal of Swami Atmanand School; Ramkumar Tondar, Principal of Government Higher Secondary School, Kumhari; and Deepak Thakur, Sankul Coordinator, played a pivotal role in evaluating the event's creative displays.

Bus-Truck collision on Balrampur-Ambikapur route

Passengers escape unhurt
No casualties reported

Balrampur, Sep 26:

A Raveer passenger bus travelling from Balrampur/Ambikapur to Ramanujanj encountered a minor accident around 9:00 AM. The incident occurred approximately 8 kilometers from the Balrampur headquarters, near NH-343 at Daldhoa Valley. The bus, registered as CG 10 JE 6786, had departed from Ambikapur at around 5:00 AM with passengers headed to Ramanujanj.

As the bus approached NH-343 near Daldhoa Valley, about 8 kilometers from Balrampur, it had a minor



collision with an incoming truck. The impact of the collision resulted in only minor injuries to passengers seated at the front of the bus, with all other passengers remaining unharmed. Following the accident, traffic on both sides of the road temporarily came to a halt.

Traffic officer Ashok Tirki and his dedicated team swiftly arrived at the scene after the accident. Their prompt action led to the immediate separation of

the bus and the truck, ensuring the smooth flow of traffic was quickly restored. Although the bus driver fled the scene following the accident, there were no casualties reported, and passenger safety was a top priority.

Passengers, including those with minor injuries, were efficiently transported to their intended destinations via another vehicle after the incident. The primary reason behind the accident is believed to be the poor condition of the road.

Shortage of teachers in urban schools



Lakhanpur, Sep 26:

The education system of the urban area I specific Government Higher Secondary Girls School Lakhanpur has collapsed due to shortage of teachers. Where the government is taking many steps to improve the education system, which includes distribution of free cycles, free books, many types of coaching arrangements, worth crores, here in Government Post



Secondary School Lakhanpur, 512 girl students are studying but with 19 teachers, teaching them.

Just a few days ago, the administration completed the recruitment process of teachers but due to the inaction of the officials in the school, this girls' school has been ignored, whereas for many years, the former head of the school has been informing about the shortage of teachers by applying in writing. The

teacher told that the teacher system is based on the old setup, and there are no teachers for two subjects. Studying is becoming very difficult due to.

Shashidhar Pandey, Principal of the present Government Higher Secondary School, told that there is a shortage of teachers in the school which affects the studies. I have also informed the district about the shortage of teachers but no initiative has been taken till now.

Construction work of fourth line between Bilaspur and Jharsuguda

Operation of some trains will be affected to carry out non-interlocking work

Bilaspur, Sep 26:

Construction work of the fourth line is going on between Bilaspur to Jharsuguda in Bilaspur division of South East Central Railway. At present, the construction and electrification work of the fourth line between Jamga and Jharsuguda has been done simultaneously. The Y-curve currently located at Lajkura railway station is being converted to a new location between Lajkura and Brajrajnagar railway stations. By converting this Y-curve there, rail operations in both up and down direc-

tions will become more organized and effective. To carry out this non-interlocking work, the operation of some trains will be affected from October 02 to October 18, 2023. As a result of this work, some trains are being cancelled.

Trains to be canceled:
22843 Bilaspur - Patna Express running from Bilaspur will remain canceled from 6th to 13th October, 2023.

22844 Patna - Bilaspur Express running from Patna will remain canceled from 7th to 14th October, 2023.

18109 Tatanagar - Itwari Express running from Tatanagar will remain canceled from 02nd to 18th October, 2023.

18110 Itwari - Tatanagar Express running from Itwari will remain canceled from

04th to 20th October, 2023.

18030 Shalimar - Kurla Express running from Shalimar will remain canceled from 01 to 17 October, 2023.

18029 Kurla - Shalimar Express running from Kurla will remain canceled from 3rd to 19th October, 2023.

18113 Tatanagar - Bilaspur Express running from Tatanagar will remain canceled from 01 to 17 October, 2023.

18114 Bilaspur - Tatanagar Express running from Bilaspur will remain canceled from 02 to 18 October, 2023.

12101 Kurla - Shalimar Super FastGyaneshwari Express running from Kurla will remain canceled till 02, 03, 06, 07, 09, 10, 13 and 14 October, 2023.

12102 Shalimar -

Kurula Super FastGyaneshwari Express running from Shalimar will remain canceled till 04, 05, 08, 09, 11, 12, 15 and 16 October, 2023.

Trains to be terminated before destination

From 02 to 18 October, 2023, 08861/08862 Gondia - Jharsuguda - Gondia MEMU special passenger running from Gondia and Jharsuguda will remain canceled between Raigarh and Jharsuguda.

Trains running on diverted route

On 02, 05, 09, 12 and 16 October, 2023, 12880 Bhubaneswar - Kurla Express running from Bhubaneswar will run on the changed route via Jharsuguda - Titlagarh - Raipur - Raipur. On 04, 07, 11, 14 and 18 October, 2023, 12879 Kurla

-Bhubaneswar Express running from Kurla will run on the changed route via Raipur - Titlagarh - Jharsuguda.

From 03, 10 and 17 October, 2023, 22866 Puri - Kurla Express running from Puri will run on the changed route via Jharsuguda - Titlagarh - Raipur. From 05, 12 and 19 October, 2023, 22865 Kurla - Puri Express running from Kurla will run via the diverted route Raipur - Titlagarh - Jharsuguda.

Keeping in mind the convenience of railway passengers, from October 2 to 18, 2023, 12834 Howrah - Ahmedabad Express will run as a passenger train between Raigarh and Jharsuguda. The railway administration expresses regret for the inconvenience caused to the passengers and hopes for cooperation.

China refuses to further expand cooperation with Pak in energy, water, climate under CPEC

Islamabad, Sep 26 (PTI):

China has refused to further expand cooperation in the areas of energy, water management, and climate change under the multi-billion dollar China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), it emerged on Tuesday, signalling a strain in the 'ironclad' friendship between the two all-weather allies.

Cash-strapped Pakistan also gave up its opposition to setting up a new imported coal-fired power plant in Gwadar in Balochistan province and agreed to a number of Chinese demands to address Beijing's concerns. The Express Tribune newspaper reported, citing the signed minutes of the 11th Joint Cooperation Committee (JCC) of the CPEC.

The JCC is a strategic

decision-making body of the CPEC and its 11th meeting was held virtually on October 27 last year on the insistence of the Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N)-led government that wanted to showcase some progress.

However, the minutes of the meeting were signed almost a year later on July 31 during the visit of Chinese vice premier He Lifeng, highlighting the difference of opinions on both sides that led to such a huge delay in reaching a consensus, the report said.

When contacted, the Ministry of Planning stated that it was a global practice for the minutes of meetings between two countries to be signed by both sides only after due consultation and evolving consensus.

Interestingly, the final draft shared with Beijing

by Pakistan and the final minutes signed by both sides were different in many ways, the report said.

China's disagreement to further expand cooperation in areas of energy, water management, and climate change under the CPEC underscores "the challenges that both the sides are facing in deepening the economic ties", it said.

The USD 60 billion CPEC, which connects Gwadar Port in Pakistan's Balochistan with China's Xinjiang province, is the flagship project of China's ambitious multi-billion-dollar Belt and Road Initiative (BRI). The BRI is seen as an attempt by China to further its influence abroad with infrastructure projects funded by Chinese investments all over the world. The CPEC

is a collection of infrastructure and other projects under construction throughout Pakistan since 2013. India has protested to China over the CPEC as it is being laid through Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK).

The details of the final minutes of the 11th JCC showed that China did not agree to a host of measures that Pakistan had proposed in the areas of energy, water management, climate change and tourism in Gilgit-Baltistan, Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa, PoK and the coastal areas.

China excluded cooperation in the areas of cross-border tourism in Gilgit-Baltistan, Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa, PoK and cooperation for the promotion of coastal tourism from the final minutes, the details showed.

WELCOME DOWN UNDER



In this photo released by the Taiwan Presidential Office, visiting Australian lawmakers is greeted by Taiwan's President Tsai Ing-wen at the Presidential Office in Taipei, Taiwan, Tuesday, Sept. 26.

At least 20 dead, 300 injured in gas station explosion

Nagorno-Karabakh residents flee to Armenia

Yerevan (Armenia), Sep 26 (AP):

At least 20 people were killed and nearly 300 others injured by an explosion at a crowded gas station in Nagorno-Karabakh as thousands of people rushed to flee into Armenia, separatist authorities in the region said Tuesday.

More than 13,500 people about 12% of the region's population have fled

across the border since Azerbaijan's swift military operation to fully reclaim the breakaway region after three decades of separatist rule, Armenia's government said Tuesday morning.

The explosion took place as people lined up to fill their cars at a gas station outside the regional capital of Stepanakert late Monday. The separatist government's health department said that 13 bodies have been found and seven people have died of injuries from the blast, the cause of which remains

unclear. It added that 290 people have been hospitalised and scores of them remain in grave condition.

Armenia's health ministry said a helicopter brought some blast victims to Armenia on Tuesday morning, and more flights were expected.

Azerbaijani presidential aide Hikmet Hajiyev said on X, formerly Twitter, that hospitals in Azerbaijan were ready to treat victims, but not if any had been taken to them.

Russian drone strikes on Odesa region hit port area



In this photo provided by the Odesa Region Administration, firefighters work to extinguish a fire in port infrastructure after a Russian rocket attack in Izmail, Odesa region, Ukraine, Tuesday, Sept. 26.

Cut ferry service to Romania

Kyiv, Sep 26 (AP):

Russia struck the Black Sea region of Odesa in a drone barrage that damaged a warehouse, charred dozens of trucks and injured two drivers in fiery explosions that led to the suspension of the

ferry service between Romania and Ukraine, officials said Tuesday.

Meanwhile, a senior Russian naval officer that Ukraine on Monday claimed to have killed in a missile strike was seen attending an online conference.

Video shot from the Romanian side of the Danube River showed rapid bursts of

Ukrainian anti-aircraft fire streaking through the night sky followed by two orange fireballs exploding near the port area. Photos showed burned-out frames of trucks.

Romanian Border Police said ferries were anchored on the Romanian shores of the Danube in Isaccea due to the attacks on Ukraine. Traffic was being redirected through Galati, a Romanian town upstream on the Danube.

Ukraine's air force said it downed 26 of 38 drones launched by Russia overnight.

Russian forces targeted the area of Izmail in the Odesa region, in what has become a sustained campaign to target Ukraine's ability to

export grain. Attacks on Monday killed two people in a grain warehouse in Odesa and badly damaged an abandoned high-rise hotel, officials said.

After Moscow pulled out of a UN-brokered grain deal this summer, the strikes on Izmail and cities located in the southern part of the Odesa region became routine.

SOUTH EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY TENDER NOTICE

Tender Notice No:- SNT-R-2023-07
Date 22.09.2023

Name of work: Replacement of overage core network equipment of Rainlet at DRM complex.

Tender Value: Rs.11409295.00 EMD: Rs.207100.00 Completion period: 06 (Eight) Months. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids upto 15.00 hours on 20.10.2023 only.

Manual offers are not allowed against these tenders. Details are available on our website: www.ireps.gov.in

Div. Sig & Telecom Engineer
S.E.C.R. Railway, Raipur
PRR/STAP/142

GOVERNMENT OF CHHATTISGARH, WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER MAHANADI PROJECT, RAIPUR (CHHATTISGARH)

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eProcurement Portal: <https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in> (First Call)

System Tender No. 148007/NIT No.: 19/SAC/23-24

Dated : 25.09.2023

Online Tenders are invited for the following works up to 17.10.2023 at 17:30 Hours.

Name of work: Reconstruction of Office Building, Residential Building, Inspection Hut at Irrigation Colony, Bhanpuri under Kosarteda Medium Project, Block - Bastar, Distt. - Bastar.

Probable Amount of Contract - Rs. 257.67 Lakhs

(As per S.O.R. dated 01.08.2010 and amended upto dated 22.08.2022 of W.R.D., for Building Works S.O.R. dated w.e.f. 01.01.2015, for Electrical and Mechanical Works S.O.R. dated w.e.f. 01.06.2020 of P.W.D.).

The details can be viewed and downloaded online directly from the Government of Chhattisgarh Integrated e-Procurement Portal (<https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in>) from Date 03.10.2023, at 17:31 Hours (IST) onwards.

NOTE :- All eligible/interested contractors/bidders are mandated to get enrolled on the Integrated e-procurement portal (<https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in>) and get approval on specific vendor class from PWD under Centralized Contractor/Supplier Registration in order to download the tender documents and participate in the subsequent bidding process.

Executive Engineer
T.D.P.P. Water Resources Division, Jagdalpur
For, Chief Engineer, Mahanadi Project
Raipur (C.G.)

G-05702/3

SOUTH EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY E-TENDER NOTICE

E-Tender No: AEE-WRS-R-23-24-OT-EW-01 Date: 18/09/2023

Name of the work: Breakdown maintenance and Annual servicing, overhauling contract for windows/split ACs, Packaged Air washer 5000-15000 CFM & water cooler of different makes at various location over Wagon Repair Shop for a period of Two years (2023-2024)

Approximate Tender Value: Rs. 21,71,098.37/- (Rupees Twenty One Lakhs Seventy One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty Seven Paise only) Including GST. Quantity and Contractual Period: As per annexure enclosed for a period of 2 (Two) years.

Earnest Money: Rs. 43,400.00 (Rs. Forty Three Thousand Four Hundred only)

Cost of Tender Forms: Rs. 0.00/- Tender Closing Date and Time: 26.10.2023 at 12:00 hrs. Bidding Start Date: 12.10.2023 Eligibility criteria : Can be seen on website.

Manual tender shall not be accepted. The details of the tender are available on website www.ireps.gov.in

PRR/WRS/AP/137 Dy.CME/WRS/Raipur

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, CIRCLE NO-1 RAIPUR (C.G.)

Tender Notice (2nd Call)

Online tenders are invited from Contractors, Registered in appropriate class in Unified Registration System [e-Registration] for the following works :-

NIT No./ System Tender No.	Name of Work	Probable amount of contract
136/147907	1) Addition Alteration in Ladies & Gents Toilet Near Hon. C.M. Pantry at Vidhan Sabha Campus. 2) Extension of Prashn Sakha & Prativedan Sakha at 'A' Block First Floor of Vidhan Sabha Campus, Raipur (C.G.)	Rs. 23.01 Lakh
138/147911	B.T. Patch Repair work on Various MDR and Village Roads at Section no 03 Under Dn No. 3 Raipur	Rs. 21.86 Lakh

Last date of tender Download Date up to 04.10.2023 Time 17:30 PM

Note :- All eligible/interested contractors are mandated to get enrolled on the e Procurement portal (<https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in>) in order to download the tender documents and participate in the subsequent bidding process.

Superintending Engineer
P.W.D. Raipur Circle No-1
Raipur (C.G.)

G-05694/1

Imran Khan get another 14 days judicial remand in Cipher case

Islamabad, Sep 26 (PTI):

A Pakistan special court on Tuesday extended judicial remand of former prime minister Imran Khan for another 14 days in the Cipher case, blighting the chances of his early release.

Khan, also the chief of Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) party, was arrested last month after a case was filed against him for allegedly violating the Official Secrets Act by disclosing a cable (a.k.a. cipher) sent by the country's embassy in Washington last year in

March. It is for the third time that Khan had been sent to jail on remand. The previous 14-day remand ended today.

The special court judge Abual Hasnat Zulqernain conducted hearings in the District Jail Attock, where Khan has been detained since August 5 after his ar-

rest following conviction in the Toshakhana case.

After the hearing, the court ordered to keep him in judicial custody until October 10 to complete the probe.

The court also extended remand of former foreign minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi for the same period.

छत्तीसगढ़ शासन, जल संसाधन विभाग कार्यालय मुख्य अभियंता, महानदी गोदावरी कच्छर, रायपुर (छ.ग.)

ई-प्रोक्वोरमेंट निविदा सूचना (प्रथम आमंत्रण)

eProcurement Portal: <https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in>

इस कार्यालय द्वारा निम्नलिखित कार्यों के लिए दिनांक 13.10.2023 समय 17:30 तक ऑनलाइन निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती हैं, जिन्हें की जायगी निम्नानुसार है :-

क्र. सं.	कार्य का नाम	सिस्टम निविदा क्र./निविदा सूचना क्र. एवं दिनांक	अनुमानित लागत राशि (रु.लाख में)
1.	रायपुर जिले के विकासखण्ड आरंग के अंतर्गत ग्राम बेनीडीही महानदी में तटबंध का निर्माण कार्य।	147915 / 17 / व.ले.लि. / 2023-24 दि. 22.09.2023	1197.94 (दिनांक 01.08.2010 के एच.ओ.आर. तथा संशोधित 22.08.2022 के अनुसार)
2.	रायपुर जिले के विकासखण्ड धरसींग की खारुन नदी पर बरतनारा एनिकोट कम कॉजवे योजना का निर्माण कार्य।	147919 / 18 / व.ले.लि. / 2023-24 दि. 22.09.2023	2094.31 (दिनांक 01.08.2010 के एच.ओ.आर. तथा संशोधित 22.08.2022 के अनुसार)

अन्य विवरण एवं विस्तृत निविदा छत्तीसगढ़ शासन की ई-प्रोक्वोरमेंट वेबसाइट <https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in> पर दिनांक 29.09.2023 समय 17:31 बजे से देखें तथा डाउनलोड किया जा सकता है।

नोट: निविदा में माग लेने हेतु ठेकेदारों को ई-प्रोक्वोरमेंट वेबसाइट <https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in> पर नामांकित / पंजीयन तथा लोक निर्माण विभाग की एकीकृत पंजीयन प्रणाली के अंतर्गत ठेकेदार को उपयुक्त श्रेणी में पंजीयन कराना अनिवार्य है।

कार्यपालन अभियंता
जल संसाधन संभाग, रायपुर (छ.ग.)
कृते मुख्य अभियंता, महानदी गोदावरी कच्छर,
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छत्तीसगढ़ शासन, जल संसाधन विभाग कार्यालय मुख्य अभियंता, महानदी परियोजना जल संसाधन विभाग, रायपुर (छ.ग.)

ई-प्रोक्वोरमेंट निविदा सूचना (प्रथम आमंत्रण)

eProcurement Portal: <https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in>

सिस्टम निविदा क्र. 148003 / निविदा सूचना क्र. 02 / व.ले.लि. / 2023-24, दि. 22.09.2023

निम्नलिखित कार्यों के लिए दिनांक 13.10.2023 17:30 तक ऑन लाईन निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती हैं।

कार्य का नाम : दत्तेवाड़ा जिले के विकासखंड गीदम की गीदम नाला व्यपपट्टीन योजना का जीर्णोद्धार कार्य।

अनुमानित लागत : रु. 257.81 लाख (एच.ओ.आर. दिनांक 01.08.2010 से प्रचलित (यथा संशोधित दिनांक 22.08.2022 तक))

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MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

INFORMATION MEMORANDUM FOR NOTICE INVITING E TENDER (NIT) FOR IMPACT ASSESSMENT ON SCHEMES OF "TOP CLASS EDUCATION FOR SCS", "NATIONAL OVERSEAS SCHOLARSHIP FOR SCS" AND "DR. AMBEDKAR SCHEME OF INTEREST SUBSIDY ON EDUCATIONAL LOANS FOR OVERSEAS STUDIES FOR OBCS/EBCS" STUDENTS

The objective of the Impact Assessment study is to comprehensively evaluate and analyze the progress and betterment of students belonging to marginalized communities who have been awarded fully funded scholarships for pursuing higher studies abroad. The study aims to assess the effectiveness and impact of the Schemes in empowering and uplifting students from disadvantaged backgrounds by examining aspects such as Academic Achievements, Skill Enhancement, and providing recommendations to enhance the program's effectiveness. Through this Impact Assessment study, the aim is to gain valuable insights into the transformative impact of the Schemes on the lives of students from marginalized communities, ultimately contributing to evidence-based policy decisions and further improvements in the implementation of the scholarship schemes.

Important information on date and time schedule:

Sl. No	Particulars	Date & Time
1	Publication of NIT	06.09.2023 at 10:00 hrs
2	Pre-Bid Meeting	20.09.2023 at 10:00 hrs
3	Start date and Time of Submission of NIT	06.09.2023 at 10:00 hrs
4	End date and Time of Submission of NIT	08.10.2023 at 17:00 hrs

For more details and Notice inviting e-Tender(NIT), please visit <https://socialjustice.gov.in/> and <https://gem.gov.in/>

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MINISTRY OF CULTURE Government of India

TAGORE NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP FOR CULTURAL RESEARCH FOR THE BATCH YEARS 2020-21 & 2021-2022

The Ministry of Culture, Government of India, invites nominations/applications for the award of Fellowships and Scholarships under the scheme of Tagore National Fellowship for Cultural Research (TNFCR). The TNFCR was introduced with a view to invigorate and revitalize various institutions under the Ministry of Culture and other identified cultural institutions in the country. The scheme is open to both Indian and foreign nationals. Scholars who have sound academic or professional credentials and have made significant contribution in their respective fields by publishing original research papers in reputed and refereed journals and books are eligible to apply.

The scheme has two categories of Awards. The first category is 'Tagore National Fellows'. Selected candidates will be paid an honorarium of Rs. 80,000/- per month. Up to 15 awards will be given out in a year in this category. The second category is 'Tagore Research Scholars'. Selected candidates will be paid an honorarium of up to Rs. 50,000/-. Under this category up to 25 awards will be given in a year. Please note that for the batch year 2021-22 selection would clear the backlog of the previous batch years 2020-21 by increasing the total number of Fellowships up to 30 and the Scholarships up to 50.

Candidates may submit their application, prepared according to the prescribed guidelines of the Scheme, to any one of the Nodal Institutions of his/her choice depending upon the area of research proposed to be undertaken. The list of nodal institutions along with the other relevant details of the Scheme and application form is available on the website of the Ministry - www.indiaculture.nic.in and Prime Ministers Museum and Library (PMML) (erstwhile Nehru Memorial Museum and Library (NMML) - www.pmml.nic.in under the Scheme Head of the website.

The application should be sent directly to the respective Nodal Institutions on or before 25th October, 2023 (upto 05:30 PM). The applicants are not required to send copy of their application to Ministry of Culture or Prime Ministers' Museum and Library (PMML). Applications received after the prescribed date and time will be summarily rejected.

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Simplifying Legal Language

A midst a complex legal landscape that often leaves even the most diligent citizens bewildered, there emerges a fervent plea for clarity in the language of the law. Justice Sanjiv Khanna, a venerable figure on the Supreme Court bench, has forcefully championed this cause on a global stage. His impassioned advocacy underscores an imperative that cannot be ignored: the urgent need to liberate ourselves from the convoluted thicket of legal jargon. This rallying cry finds resonance not only in the halls of justice but also in the words of none other than Prime Minister Narendra Modi. During the inauguration of the International Lawyers' Conference, both Khanna and Modi underscored the pressing need to craft laws in plain, straightforward language - and significantly, in regional dialects. This issue strikes a resonant chord with every beleaguered individual seeking justice, often ensnared by the perplexing labyrinth of legalese. At its core, a just and equitable society hinges upon the principle that laws must be comprehensible to all. These rules and regulations touch nearly every facet of our daily lives, shaping our actions and decisions. What Justice Khanna astutely observed, and what we must all contemplate, is that this call for simplicity extends beyond the mere drafting of laws. It equally applies to the decisions and judgments flowing from our legal system. Picture a world where laws, legal contracts, and other documents are structured in a manner easily digestible by the common citizen. In such a world, individuals are empowered to make informed decisions, secure in their grasp of the legal framework governing their actions. Regrettably, the reality often diverges sharply from this ideal. Legal practitioners, in their pursuit of precision, frequently traverse the traditional route ad infinitum. They pepper their arguments with Latin usages, vestiges of a bygone era, which are ab initio ultra vires - beyond the comprehension of the average person. This linguistic labyrinth serves as a formidable barrier, leaving clients bewildered and unable to navigate the sea of legalese engulfing them. Thankfully, winds of change are sweeping through the legal world. The number of advocates for Justice Khanna's vision of simplicity is on the rise, not only within our borders but globally as well. Across the world, there is a growing recognition of the paramount importance of shedding the shackles of verbosity. Last year, New Zealand took a commendable step forward by passing the Plain Language Act, aimed at purging legal jargon from its bureaucratic labyrinth. Australia and the United Kingdom have also made strides towards prescribing laws expressed in straightforward language, particularly in contexts relevant to consumers. India must join this progressive wave, for ignorance of the law or a lack of awareness regarding its content should never serve as excuses for inadvertently violating it. Our legal system should be a beacon of clarity, not a snare ensnaring the uninitiated in a web of incomprehensibility. International collaboration and the exchange of ideas can enrich our efforts and accelerate the process of reform. We must ensure that the language used in legal documents aligns with the cultural and regional diversity of our nation. This approach will make the law not only more comprehensible but also more inclusive, respecting the linguistic tapestry that defines India. Let us embark on this journey towards a more just and accessible legal system, where simplicity in language paves the way for a fairer society.

Health ATMs

A Healthcare Revolution for Rural India

The introduction of Health ATMs in northern India by the HEAL Foundation and India Health Link (IHL) marks a remarkable leap forward in medical technology. These innovative machines are not just altering the landscape of healthcare; they hold the promise of a brighter, healthier future for millions. Resembling the familiar ATMs we use for banking, Health ATMs are transforming healthcare by making it more accessible, affordable, and convenient, a trend that is rapidly gaining momentum across the nation. One of the most compelling aspects of Health ATMs is their ease of access. In a vast country like India, where many individuals have to undertake arduous journeys to access medical care, these machines bring critical health checks right to their doorstep. This is a game-changer for people with limited mobility, the elderly, and those managing chronic conditions. Suddenly, what used to be a daunting trek to a distant clinic becomes a simple visit to a nearby Health ATM. But it doesn't stop there. Health ATMs are not just standalone diagnostic machines. They are portals to a world of healthcare possibilities. By integrating telehealth services, these machines bridge the accessibility gap, especially in remote areas where healthcare facilities are scarce. Patients can now consult with doctors remotely, receiving guidance, prescriptions, and reassurance from the comfort of their own communities. This innovation is a lifeline for those who previously had to endure long and costly journeys to see a healthcare professional. One of the most significant advantages of Health ATMs is their ability to function as Electronic Health Records (EHRs). Every test, every diagnosis, every medical record is securely stored in the cloud. This not only reduces the risk of losing vital medical information but also enhances the efficiency of healthcare delivery. Doctors can access these records promptly, leading to more accurate diagnoses and treatment plans. Furthermore, Health ATMs are not just machines; they represent a shift towards a more connected and collaborative healthcare ecosystem. Paramedics are being trained to operate these devices, further expanding healthcare support in rural regions. This not only generates employment opportunities but also ensures that individuals in remote areas have access to trained medical professionals. The future of healthcare is undeniably digital, and Health ATMs are leading the way. These machines are continuously evolving, incorporating cutting-edge technologies like Artificial Intelligence (AI) and further enhancing their telehealth capabilities. It's not far-fetched to imagine a future where "Digital Hospitals" become a reality, offering high-quality care at a fraction of the cost associated with traditional hospitals. Health ATMs serve as the initial step towards this advanced digital healthcare model, providing a user-friendly interface that anyone can navigate with ease. In conclusion, Health ATMs are not just a technological novelty; they have the potential to revolutionize the healthcare industry in India, particularly in rural areas. They offer scalable, top-notch healthcare services that can bridge the healthcare gap experienced by rural communities. These machines are not just making healthcare more accessible; they are making it smarter, more efficient, and more patient-centric. The journey has just begun, but the destination promises a healthier and brighter future for all of India.

(Writer is Professor & Principal (Rtd), Rajiv Nagar, Hyderabad. The views expressed above are the author's own. They do not necessarily reflect the views of Central Chronicle.)

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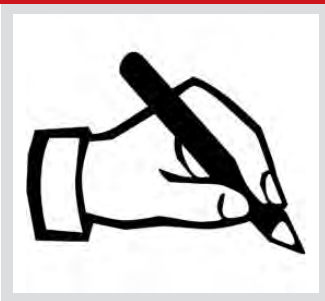
ARTISTIC GYMNASTICS



Tang Xijing, of China competes on the balance beam at the women's team artistic gymnastics event of the 19th Asian Games in Hangzhou, China. China team won gold.

A Chinese Cricket Fan's Quest for 'Goddess Mandhana'

PHILEM DIPAK SINGH



Smruti Mandhana, the charismatic vice-captain of the Indian women's cricket team, has garnered fans from across the globe with her formidable talent. However, one fan, Jun Yu, hailing from the heart of Beijing, China, stands out as a testament to the global appeal of cricket. Jun Yu, an ardent lover of the game, embarked on a remarkable journey covering 1200 kilometers to witness the cricketing prowess of his "Goddess Mandhana."

In the land where the Mandarin language reigns supreme and cricket is a rare sight, Jun Yu's passion for the sport is nothing short of extraordinary. His love for cricket led him on a pilgrimage to Hangzhou, where he eagerly awaited the chance to see Smriti Mandhana in action.

Jun Yu's journey into the world of cricket began with the discovery of cricket videos on YouTube. As he delved deeper into the treasure trove of cricketing moments, he found himself captivated by the artistry of cricket legends such as Sachin Tendulkar and Virat Kohli, along with the dynamic Smriti Mandhana. In his own words, "I saw Jasprit Bumrah's spell against Australia in the 2019 World Cup. I follow both Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli. They are the current greats of



the game. Then, there is Suryakumar Yadav and Jaspreet Bumrah. Bumrah was extraordinary against Australia in the 2019 World Cup." Curious about how he learned about cricket in a land where the sport is relatively obscure, Yu revealed, "Cricket lessons are given in my university in Beijing. So, I know a little bit of it."

Yu's insights shed light on the state of cricket in China. He explained, "There is not much cricket in China, very few cricket venues, very few people play it and many even don't know how it is played. Only Guangzhou, where cricket was played during the 2010 Asian Games, has a permanent cricket stadium. It's because of historical reasons."

Despite his admiration for Sachin Tendulkar, Yu's favorite cricketer is a New Zealander. He declared, "My favorite is Kane Williamson, but Sachin Tendulkar is a legend of the game." However, Yu's visit to Hangzhou was not solely motivated by his passion for cricket. He expressed his regret at not being able to stay for the Indian men's



cricket tournament in the Asian Games due to his academic commitments. Yu, who is pursuing a Master's degree in Zoology at a university in Beijing, revealed, "I spent 1000 Yuan (Rs 11,400) to come here from Beijing. I have my studies, and so I can't stay back for the men's tournament. I am returning to Beijing."

As Yu joined the eclectic crowd at the Pingfeng cricket field on the Zhejiang University of Technology campus, he found himself in a venue that was far from a conventional cricket stadium. He explained, "I don't play cricket, even if I want to. There is no proper ground also. Even this ground was a flower field before the Asian Games. It was converted into a cricket field for the Asian Games."

Yu's journey to Hangzhou was a testament to his passion for cricket and his admiration for Smriti Mandhana, a player who transcends borders and language barriers. In the stands, he was not alone; a few Indians waved their national flag and cheered for the Indian players.

Navneet Singh, originally from

Delhi but residing in the outskirts of Hangzhou, was among those who had come to watch a cricket match in China for the first time. Singh shared his experiences, saying, "I have been here for the past one and a half years, doing business in fabrics. This is the first time we have watched a cricket match in China. Cricket is not played here in China, but we watch cricket on Indian channels."

Singh also mentioned the Hangzhou Cricket Club, a testament to the expatriate Indian community's dedication to the sport. "We have a club called Hangzhou Cricket Club. We practice every Sunday and even take part in tournaments in Hangzhou as well as in Shanghai."

Another Indian, Manoj, originally from Mumbai but settled in Hangzhou with his family since 2003, highlighted the potential for cricket to grow in China. "Chinese people don't play cricket, but you never know after the Asian Games, some of them may start doing that. We (Indians) have clubs here, and we sometimes play inter-city tournaments."

He also noted the absence of cricket-specific stadiums in Hangzhou, emphasizing the need for more dedicated facilities. "We have to travel to Shaoxing, which is 70 km from here, and play there. But that is also a football stadium."

Jun Yu's journey from Beijing to Hangzhou serves as a testament to the universal allure of cricket and the power of sports to bridge cultural and linguistic divides. As the cricketing landscape in China slowly takes shape, stories like Yu's remind us that the spirit of the game knows no boundaries. Smriti Mandhana, the "Goddess" who captivated the heart of a Chinese cricket fan, continues to inspire and unite fans from every corner of the world. (PTI).

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Women's Reservation: Time Travel

The Women's Reservation Bill is welcome. But the problem is this Bill has two strings attached to it. The first one says it will wait for the census conducted after this Bill has been published. Then comes the second string in the form of delimitation. It says that on the basis of that census report, delimitation will be undertaken to reserve seats for women. Given Lok Sabha election is due next year, this would be the job for the next elected government. The women of our country may even have to wait for two Lok Sabha elections if the next government also fails to conduct a census like the present one for one reason or another. In this sense this Bill is really historical in nature. I do not know if there is any previous record of issuance of a Bill in the Lok Sabha which looks like a travel in time machine. Unfortunately, this particular Bill will serve as a bad precedent. It will encourage central and state governments to come up with more such Bills which are to stay put in deep freeze for 5 or even 10 years.

Sujit De, Kolkata

Young Hero's Courage

Mursalim Sheikh, a heroic Class VI student, deserves accolades for his life-saving act aboard the Kanchenjunga Express in Malda. Son of migrant worker Mohammad Ismail and bidi laborer Marjina Bibi, Mursalim spotted danger as the train approached Bhaluka Road station. With soil eroded beneath the tracks, he used his red T-shirt to signal the approaching catastrophe. Thanks to his quick thinking, the train halted safely. Despite initial reluctance from the railway authorities, they handed over a certificate and a cash award of meagre Rs 1,500. People wonder, to save the lives of hundreds value is worth Rs. 1,500 only, that too especially considering the economic condition of his family. Mursalim's mother hopes for support to continue his education. Kudos to Mursalim for his courageous deed.

Bidyut Kumar Chatterjee, Faridabad

Parliamentary Decorum

The recent incident involving Mr. Bidhuri in Parliament is a stark reminder of the need for maintaining civility in our legislative chambers. While we appreciate the advancements such as new Parliament buildings, the conduct of our elected representatives within these institutions deserves equal attention. Mr. Bidhuri's use of unparliamentary language was regrettable, tarnishing the dignity of our highest legislative body. Swift action by the Speaker was necessary, yet response times for such offenses should be shorter. The sanctity of democracy relies on respectful discourse. Hate speech and derogatory remarks have no place in our democracy. Our elected representatives must set an example. As citizens, we hope for a Parliament that prioritizes civility and upholds democratic values. Let us pray for wisdom and decorum, ensuring our Parliament sets a positive example for the nation.

Yash Pal Raihan, Jalandhar

Trudeau's bid to involve India in Nijjar killing probe is more political than diplomatic

Nantoo Banerjee

Had Pierre Yves Elliott Trudeau, father of Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, been alive today, he would have probably been a little embarrassed, if not distressed, to see his beloved country has become a home of small migrant Sikh terrorist groups hopelessly engineering to separate the Indian state of Punjab, almost 11,500 kms away, to make it an independent state of Khalistan. Pierre Trudeau himself spearheaded the role in decisively defeating the Quebec separatist movement of the 1970s and 1980s. A charismatic and controversial figure, Pierre Trudeau was arguably Canada's best-known politician, both at home and abroad.

Unfortunately, Pierre Trudeau did little to restrain illegal entry of Khalistani Sikh terrorists into his country even after they bomb-raked a fully loaded Air-India passenger flight in the mid-1980s. He also failed to take an exemplary action to nab and punish those Canada-based Sikh terrorists and their organisations involved in bombing the international passenger aircraft. He followed one principle to get the Quebec separatist movement demolished and another one to support the anti-India Khalistani movement by a small group of terrorists

operating out of his beloved homeland, Canada. Justice Trudeau appears to be 'like father, like son.' The Khalistani Sikh terrorist groups continue to prosper in Canada, despite violent inter-group rivalries, killings and attacks on non-sikh Indian settlers and students in the country. Without exception, all killings deserve strong condemnation and speedy investigation. While Trudeau's deep concern for the June 18 killing of Canada-based Hardeep Singh Nijjar, known to be a top leader of Khalistan Tiger Force, is understandable, it is not clear why he wants India's official "cooperation" in his government probe.

As of now, there is nothing to establish that there was an Indian government hand in the Nijjar killing. It is possible that Trudeau may have little faith in the investigation capability of his own government agencies, which took nearly two decades to close the case of the mid-air bombing of an Air India's Boeing 747 flight from Toronto to Bombay by Khalistani terror groups on June 23, 1985, killing 329 passengers, including 22 crew members, on board. This was despite the fact that of those killed, 280 were Canadian citizens. Why is Trudeau so desperate to solve the Nijjar killing case, involving only a single Canadian citizen, so quickly?

For reasons unknown to India's 22-million strong Sikh community, known for both their gallantry and strong business acumen, Canada has been the most important operating ground for groups of Sikh terror outfits wildly dreaming to convert Punjab into Khalistan. Sikhs combine as one of India's top nationalist communities. It is believed that Guru Nanak, the teacher of the faith, promoted the religion to protect Hindus against Moslem insurgencies in the 15th century. The Indian Army's Sikh regiment is the country's highest decorated infantry regiment boasting over 80 gallantry awards since 1947. Over 95 percent of India's Sikh population consider themselves as proud Indians. Punjab, sharing borders with Pakistan along with other Indian states such as Jammu and Kashmir, Rajasthan and Gujarat, is also one of India's wealthiest state economies. Punjab is a major producer of wheat, rice, and other crops, and its agricultural prowess has played a significant role in the state's economic growth. Overall, the community has nothing to do with the Canada-based Khalistan movement.

Thus, Canada's support for and protection of the Sikh separatist groups is inexplicable. The country's lethargic investigation into the Air-India bombing case in the 1980s and 1990s and

the current fast forward probe into the Khalistani terrorist murder incident are contradictory and inexplicable if not with a mischievous intent. Although a handful of people were arrested and tried in the Air India bombing case, the only person convicted was Inderjit Singh Reyat, a dual British-Canadian national, who pleaded guilty in 2003 to manslaughter. The Air India bombing is considered the worst mass murder in Canadian history. The subsequent investigation and prosecution lasted nearly 20 years, making it the most expensive in Canadian history at nearly \$130 million. Under the circumstances, Trudeau's personal initiative in the Nijjar killing investigation seeking India's "cooperation" may look somewhat unnatural if not purely politically motivated and dubious.

It is true that Canada's 770,000-plus Sikh citizens form a strong political force in the country. Canada is home to nearly 1.4 million people of Indian ethnic or cultural origin, making up about 3.7 percent of the nation's total population. Furthermore, a large number of individuals identify their religion as Sikhism, accounting for roughly two percent of Canada's inhabitants. The centre-left to left wing New Democratic Party, led by Jagmeet Singh, is Canada's fourth largest polit-

ical party having 25 MPs in the 338-member Canadian Parliament. The party is running almost neck and neck with Yves-François Blanchet-led third placed Bloc Québécois (32 MPs), championing the cause of Quebec's sovereignty, social democracy and regionalism.

Trudeau's Liberal Party (158 MPs) is the largest, followed by the right wing Conservative Party (117 MPs). Two ministers in Justin Trudeau's cabinet are turbaned Sikhs - Science and Economic Development Minister Navdeep Bains and Emergency Preparedness Minister Harjit Sajjan (formerly Defence Minister). The strong presence of a generally wealthy Indian Diaspora could be a reason behind Trudeau's somewhat disjointed political reaction to the Nijjar killing investigation. It is rather surprising that Trudeau ignored the diplomatic and economic consequences of trying to implicate India in the Nijjar murder case without a prima facie evidence. The flaring India-Canada tension now threatens to impact the multi-billion dollar trade between the two countries.

(The views expressed above are the author's own. They do not necessarily reflect the views of Central Chronicle.)

BRIEF

Appointment



Mumbai: Logistics startup COGOS on Tuesday announced the appointment of Prasad Katta as its new Chief Operating Officer (COO) as well as a director on the company's board. In his role at COGOS, he will be responsible for the oversight of various key departments, including business development, operations, legal, MIS and business process improvement, among others, the company said in a statement.

Social bonds

New Delhi: National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (Nabard) on Tuesday said it has issued social bonds worth Rs 1,040.5 crore. The move marks its first externally certified AAA-rated social bonds in the country, Nabard said in a statement. AAA-rated bonds fall under the highest rated category. The five-year bonds, issued privately to eligible institutional investors, are set to be listed on the BSE on September 29, it said. As the country's apex development financial institution, Nabard is leading the way in sustainable finance, as per the statement.

Cruise terminal



New Delhi: Union minister Sarbananda Sonowal on Tuesday said the government is planning to construct a world-class cruise terminal in Varanasi for the expansion of river cruise tourism in the city. Addressing an event organized for the upcoming Global Maritime India Summit 2023, the Ports, Shipping and Waterways minister further elaborated on the government's commitment to create a sustainable and modern maritime ecosystem.

Pharma industry needs to focus on innovative products: Mandaviya

To achieve global leadership

New Delhi, Sep 26:



Union health minister Mansukh Mandaviya on Tuesday asked domestic pharmaceutical industry to focus on the research and development of innovative products to move up the value chain and achieve global leadership. Mandaviya, who also holds the Chemical and Fertilisers portfolio, asked medical technology companies to produce critical equipment in India for the global markets.

While formally unveiling the National Policy on Research & Development and Innovation in the

Pharma-Med Tech Sector here, Mandaviya said the domestic pharmaceutical companies invest less on research and development when compared to multinational companies. "International MNCs spend 20-25 per cent of their profits in research and innovation while for

Indian companies the average is around 10 per cent... Till the time we do not come out with research-led innovative products, we cannot lead the segment globally," he noted. He said the government wants to make the pharma industry self-reliant by 2047. "Today is a historic day, an inflection point in the journey of 'Atmanirbharta' in the pharma & medical devices sector. We need to transform Indian Pharma & MedTech sectors from a cost-based to a value-based & innovation-based industry," the minister said. Mandaviya asked the pharma industry to focus on developing quality products and not just focus on the quantity. "India can only

achieve self-reliance in pharmaceuticals and medical devices by strengthening its research and development infrastructure that would drive the expansion of access to life-saving medicines and drugs and help India become a global pharmaceutical and medical exports hub," he added. He said the government has been working closely with the industry and academia to bring about the changes in the domestic pharma industry in order to lead it to leadership position. The Department of Pharmaceuticals (DoP) notified the National Policy on Research & Development and Innovation in the Pharma-Med Tech Sector in August this year.

Bandhan Retirement Fund aims to facilitate capital appreciation for Retirement goals

Mumbai, Sep 26:

Bandhan Mutual Fund announced the launch of the Bandhan Retirement Fund, with the objective to provide long-term capital appreciation by investing in a mix of equity, debt, and other instruments to help investors meet their retirement goals. The dynamic asset allocation strategy of the fund provides investors with an opportunity to participate in the equity market upside while cushioning the potential downside during a market fall. The New Fund Offer will open on Thursday, September 28, 2023, and close on Thursday, October 12, 2023. Investment in Bandhan Retirement Fund can be made through licensed mutual fund distributors and online platforms, as well as directly on <https://bandhanmutual.com/info/bandhan-retirement-fund/>

Highlighting why retirement planning is a critical goal, Mr. Vishal Kapoor, CEO, Bandhan AMC Limited (Bandhan AMC) said, "Higher life expectancy, rising cost of living, and soaring healthcare inflation could squeeze investor savings, making it pertinent to plan for retirement. Generally, investors with a conservative approach to building a retirement plan grapple to beat inflation, facing a shortage of funds to meet their expenses. While maintaining the same standard of living post-retirement is imperative; the lack of preparedness could derail the journey to create a sizeable retirement corpus. Mutual funds are an effective vehicle for retirement planning, providing the flexibility to invest through the Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) and the lumpsum route, offering the benefit of relatively higher growth potential."

India one of most competitive markets: Pieter Elbers

IndiGo seeks to become more global

New Delhi, Sep 26:



India is an incredible and one of the most competitive aviation markets in the world, IndiGo CEO Pieter Elbers said on Tuesday and asserted that the airline is seeking to become bigger and more global.

The chief of the country's largest airline said it is building its own international network, adding new overseas routes from existing cities and enhancing partnerships with other carriers. Besides, the carrier is taking various mitigating measures to deal with issues related to Pratt & Whitney (P&W) engines

Tax department notifies 'Angel Tax' rules for valuing investments in startups

New Delhi, Sep 26:

The income tax department has notified rules for valuation of investments by resident and non-resident investors in startups, thus paving way for implementation of the changes brought in 2023-24 Budget. As per the changes in Rule 11UA of I-T rules, the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) provides that the valuation of compulsorily convertible preference shares (CCPS) and equity shares issued by unlisted startups can be based on the fair market value. The amended rules also retain the five new valuation methods proposed in the draft rules for consideration received from the non-residents viz., (i) Comparable Company Multiple Method, (ii) Probability Weighted Expected Return Method,

(iii) Option Pricing Method, (iv) Milestone Analysis Method, and (v) Replacement Cost Method. The rules come into effect from September 25. Deloitte India Partner Sumit Singhania said from investors' standpoint, revised rules offer wider range of valuation methodologies to work with, and that ought to make compliance less onerous, henceforth.

"Also, safe harbour permitting 10 per cent deviation from fair value makes room for valuation adjustments when needed. Overall, the trajectory is to align tax valuation methodologies with permissible exchange control norms," Singhania said. Nangia & Co LLP Partner Amit Agarwal said the amendments to Rule 11UA of the Indian Income Tax Act bring positive changes by

offering taxpayers flexibility through multiple valuation methods, simplifying the valuation date consideration, incentivising venture capital investments, facilitating investments from notified entities, providing clarity on CCPS and encouraging foreign investments. "The inclusion of a tolerance threshold for minor valuation discrepancies further enhances efficiency and fairness in tax assessments, ultimately benefiting both taxpayers and the government." "These changes offer taxpayers a broader range of valuation methods to choose from, including internationally recognized approaches, thereby attracting foreign investments and fostering clarity. Moreover, the notified final rule introduces an additional sub-clause specifically addressing CCPS," Agarwal said.

Learn local language to serve better, Sitharaman says at Rozgar Mela

Chennai, Sep 26:

Candidates getting selected for jobs and deployed in other states as per the job profile should learn the local language to be able to provide better services, Union Finance and Corporate Affairs Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said here on Tuesday. Sitharaman, after handing over orders to successful candidates at the Rozgar Mela, encouraged more candidates to apply for jobs in public sector undertakings located in Tamil Nadu. Referring to the Centre's Rozgar Mela, Sitharaman said the government has been holding it since October 2022 and about 10 lakh people have received job offers so far. "Today 51,000 appointment orders are being given across the country by Prime Minister



(Narendra Modi) virtually. I was told 553 people are getting job offers from Tamil Nadu," she said. Speaking of improving the delivery of services to be rendered by the candidates post their selection at a public sector undertaking or bank, Sitharaman said, "If a job offer is given to a candidate who will be serving in a bank and would be in direct contact with the customers daily, he or she should learn the local language."

Mercedes on track to continue record sales in 2023 amid surging demand

New Delhi, Sep 26:

German luxury carmaker Mercedes-Benz expects 2023 to turn out to be its best year in terms of sales in India as the demand for high-end cars continues to grow post the Covid pandemic, according to a top company official.

The carmaker, which sold 15,822 units in the Indian market in 2022, its highest ever in the country so far, anticipates the overall luxury car segment to post its best ever performance this calendar year. In an interaction with PTI, Mercedes-Benz India MD and CEO Santosh Iyer said the company reported a 13 per cent year-on-year growth in its sales at 8,528 units in India in the first half of 2023, its best-ever



half-yearly sales in the country. "We are now coming into the third quarter of this year, and we feel the trend should continue which should mean that we should be able to end this year on a record high once again," he noted. Iyer said the company expects double digit sales growth this year even as multiple challenges exist in the market.

INDO-US ECONOMIC SUMMIT



US Ambassador to India Eric Garcetti being felicitated during the 20th Indo-US Economic Summit in New Delhi, Tuesday, Sept. 26.

India growing amid decelerating global growth: Nikhil Sawhney

New Delhi, Sep 26:

India is registering growth amid a decelerating global economy, and the country is on the cusp of achieving a "psychologically important" USD 5 trillion mark, industrialist Nikhil Sawhney said on Tuesday. The government has set an ambitious target to make India a USD 5 trillion economy in the coming years. Addressing business leaders here at a session of All India Management Association (AIMA), Triveni Turbine's Vice Chairman and Managing Director Sawhney said, this is India's century and the numbers point towards a great future for India. The country has over a billion consumer base and a strong workforce. India is already the fifth-largest economy in



the world and it is set to become the third-largest soon. "India's GDP is nearing USD 4 trillion and it is on the cusp of achieving a psychologically important USD 5 trillion mark. India's digital economy is on the steroids and is set to grow to USD 1 trillion by 2026," he said. At a time when the global economic growth is decelerating, India's GDP growth is set to accelerate and stay above 6.5 per cent in the foreseeable future, Sawhney, who is also the senior vice president of AIMA, said.

Mobil TM powering Red Bull KTM Factory Racing Team

New Delhi, Sep 26:

MobilTM is turbo-powering the Red Bull KTM Factory Racing Team at the inaugural MotoGP Bharat, debuting at the Buddh International Circuit for the 2023 Grand Prix of India.

Celebrating the global partnership between ExxonMobil and the Red Bull KTM Factory Racing Team, the adrenaline-pumping showdown by the two riders - Australian Jack Miller and South African Brad Binder for whom winning is next to second nature, having demonstrated their mettle and prowess in global circuits, will bear witness to the full-throttle performance of their KTM RC16 bikes. The two riders will power their Grand Prix bikes with the per-



formance and confidence assured by Mobil TM. They also shared their excitement with fans at a recent Mobil event held at Jaypee Greens, where Jack Miller launched the Mobil Super Moto 10W-30. Vipin Rana, CEO - ExxonMobil Lubricants Pvt. Ltd., said: "We are further expanding

our presence in the world of motorsports with the Red Bull KTM Family. In addition to our current successful partnership with Oracle Red Bull racing team in Formula1, we have also entered MotoGP through a multi-year deal with the Red Bull KTM Factory Racing Team.

Arzoo unveils home appliances platform

Mumbai, Sep 26:

Retail tech platform Arzoo strengthens its vertical play in consumer durable space with the launch of GoStor.com, making home appliances e-commerce more customer friendly. With the festive season approaching, this launch will help Arzoo establish a seamless connection between Indian shoppers and offline retailers. GoStor.com embeds the unique in-store experience in its platform that's designed for Home Appliances buying journey. The platform allows consumers to get expert assistance and product demonstration via live video to make informed purchase decisions with right product. GoStor.com also brings lifetime care service for every home ap-

pliance purchased on the platform with its post sales service solution. Besides the integrated product installation as part of purchase journey, As a product life-cycle care solution it enables customers to also raise instant service request in case of any appliances breakdown for a doorstep service. Besides solving for some of the pertinent issues with online buying of high value goods with its flagship services like Live product demonstrations pre-purchase, Service support post purchases. GoStor.com also brings a unique feature of "Better Price Guarantee" wherein if one found a product elsewhere online, you can seek a better price for the same product by just sharing the product link of that website.

Ambani's children will get no salary, only fee for attending board meetings

New Delhi, Sep 26:

Billionaire Mukesh Ambani's three children as directors of Reliance Industries Ltd will be paid only a fee for attending board and committee meetings, the company said in a resolution seeking shareholder nod for their appointment on its board.

While Ambani, 66, drew nil salary from the company since the 2020-21 fiscal year, other executive directors including his cousins Nikhil and Hital are paid a salary, perquisites, allowances and commission. His three children - twins Akash and Isha (both 31) and Anant (28 years) - will get only a sitting fee and a commission on the profit earned by the firm. The terms of the appointment of the three are the same as the ones on which Ambani's wife Nita was appointed to the company board in 2014. She earned a sitting fee of Rs 6 lakh and a commission of Rs 2 crore in the 2022-23 fiscal year (April 2022 to March 2023), according to the company's latest annual report. Ambani, 66, had at the company's annual shareholders meeting last month announced that his three



children Akash, Isha and Anant would be inducted into Reliance's board of directors (BoD). He also stated that he would continue to be the chairman and CEO of the company for five more years, with a focus on grooming and empowering its 'next-gen' leaders. Reliance has now sent out a postal ballot to shareholders seeking a nod for their appointment as board of directors of the company. "They shall be paid remuneration by way of fee for attending meetings of the Board or Committees thereof or for any other meetings as may be decided by the Board, reimbursement of expenses for participating in the Board and other meetings and profit-related commission," the notice said.

Grand DJ dance competition organized

Birkoni, Sep 26:

A grand DJ dance competition has been organized on September 26 by the Market Ward Navjagran Ganeshotsav Committee located in village Birkoni. Chief guest Sahil Dheeraj Sarfaraz, Damodar Chandrakar, Tupsing Nishad, Somesh Sharma, Bablu Chandrakar, village public representative Umesh Chandrakar, Bhupendra Chandrakar, Sarpanch Tamradhwaj Nishad, Mohan Sahu, Vishnu Sahu, Shailendra Chandrakar, Deputy Sarpanch representative Balram Patel, Bharat



Bhushan Sahu, Rajesh Chandrakar will be present. Committee members Harsh Chandrakar, Rajveer Sharma Montu Yadav, Monu Yadav, Sonu Yadav, Toran Sahu, Narendra Sahu, Kamlesh



Sahu, Jageshwar Sahu, Lokesh Sahu, Deepak Sahu, Gajendra Nishad, Deepak Nishad, Shivam Chandrakar, Shaswat Sharma are busy in preparations. The Navyuva Navodaya

Ganeshotsav Committee established at Subhash Chowk in village Birkoni will organize Hanuman Chalisa recitation on Tuesday at 7 pm and distribution of 56 Bhog Mahaprasad after Maha Aarti on Wednesday, 27 September.

A grand tableau of Bakli Dhamtari will be presented in the Pandal Council at 7 pm. Visarjan Yatra will be taken out with Dhumal at 2 pm. After worship at 7 am in the morning, Bappa will be given a grand farewell, in which Committee members including villagers will be present.

Comprehensive eye care initiative reinitiated for rural residents

Kurud, Sep 26: In a remarkable stride toward eye healthcare, the Comprehensive Vision Impairment and Low Vision Control Program, a part of the National Blindness and Visual Impairment Control Program, was launched in the Dhamtari district. District Nodal Officer for Vision Impairment, Dr. Rajesh Suryavanshi, and Block Medical Officer, Dr. U.S. Navratna, inaugurated the initiative by hoisting the green flag as a symbol of eye safety.

Dr. Kshitij Sahu, the Block Nodal Officer for Vision Impairment, revealed that due to the COVID-19 pandemic's disruptions over the past two years, the program had



temporarily halted. However, it is now being reinvigorated, with the Kurud Development Block selected as the starting point.

As part of this program, eye healthcare officers assigned to various regions in the district will visit their respective villages. Their mission is to identify and provide free treatment for a range of eye conditions, including

cataracts, corneal opacity, glaucoma, and more. The initiative also encompasses the distribution of essential eye drops.

The Eye Safety Program will unfold across Kurud Development Block, concluding on the following dates in all 7 sectors: Kurud Sector on September 25th, Maraud Sector on September 27th, Ji Jangavan Sector on September 30th, Bhakhara

Sector on October 3rd, Korra Sector on October 4th, Parkhanda Sector on October 5th, Sirri Sector on October 6th and all 14 wards of Kurud City on October 7th.

Dr. Kshitij Sahu extends an earnest appeal to rural residents, urging them to participate in this vital initiative for the treatment of various eye ailments.

The launch event witnessed the presence of distinguished figures in the field, including Dr. Gurusharan Sahu (District Nodal Officer for Eye Care), Rohit Pandey (BPM), E. Dhansing Thakur, and several senior eye healthcare officers, all deeply committed to ensuring the success of this visionary program.

INC actively searching for a strong and winning candidate

Katgi, Sep 26:

Congress is actively searching for a strong and winning candidate from Kasdol, the biggest and famous assembly constituency of Chhattisgarh. For this, a person belonging to the Devangan community and who always actively participates in public welfare works seems to be a good fit.

Former sarpanch of Adarsh Gram Panchayat Katgi, Vimal Yogendra Dewangan, a popular philanthropist of the area, who resigned from the government job to serve the public and entered politics, has submitted his candidature form from the Congress party. This news should create a wave of happiness among the people of the area.



The people of Katgi have made his wife Sunita Vimal Dewangan the Sarpanch for the second time and Vimal Dewangan is considered to have a good influence among the youth. Kasdol Assembly constituency is held by the Congress

Party, yet many people have filed their candidature forms, meanwhile, a strong public interest has made good inroads among the youth and elderly supporters.

Common people say that the name of Congress leader Vimal Dewangan is being discussed in full swing, an atmosphere of tremendous enthusiasm has been created among the public, as he has done many notable public welfare works, for which the public has always been paying respect to him. Being the National Secretary of Devangan Samaj and having good influence on the indigenous people of the entire country, the Congress Party can definitely benefit in areas other than Kasdol as well.

Laksheshwar Baghel participates in Nuwakhai Juhar prog

Bastar, Sep 26:

Regional MLA Shri Laksheshwar Baghel, took part in Nuwakhai Juhar program in development block Bakavand, where people are moving towards change. Baghel offered puja to Chhattisgarh Mahtari at the meeting venue, wished for happiness and prosperity, congratulated and congratulated the Nuwakhai Juhar offering and did Bhoomi Pujan of works worth Rs. 1 crore 57 lakh 65 thousand and sub-divisional officer of Public Works Department.

The MLA said that this festival is a symbol of the arrival of new crop, the worship of the earth and God, the

brotherhood and unity of the farmer brothers, and how the preservation of culture has now reached such a stage that people eagerly wait for it. MLA Laksheshwar Baghel made all the people aware of the party's policy by wearing a flower bouquet and gamchha and made the government's ambitious schemes reach out to the people and especially worked for providing benefits to them.

He expressed gratitude to colleagues of Block Congress Committee Bakavand, Mahila Congress Committee, Youth Congress, NSUI workers, District Panchayat members, Sarpanch, District members, youth workers and others.

Panchayat data crucial for Women Reservation Act

Fingeshwar, Sep 26:

In India, 33 percent women reservation is implemented through Panchayats and in all Gram Panchayats, more than 33 percent women are public representatives on all the posts of Gram Panchayat, District Panchayat, City Panchayat, Municipality, Municipal Corporation. Here the question, on why women reservation cannot be given in the 2024 elections on the same Panchayat data.

District Panchayat Fingeshwar President Pushpa Jagannath Sahu said that the struggle for reservation has been very long for the women of this country and every time they have had to



face disappointment and this time when the Women's Reservation Bill has come, the hope for empowerment and political participation was raised once again.

She further said women's reservation with census and delimitation, women have been

told - the wait is still long. Government ministers and MPs cited Article 82-81(3) of the Constitution, according to which delimitation for 2026 is possible only on the subsequent census i.e. 2031 census, this means that women's reservation can possibly happen only till 2039.

Mrs. Sahu said that this bill empowers women to become strong warriors not only in public life but also from the floor of the Parliament for women empowerment, crimes against women and women's safety. My hope is that after this law is made, women MPs will be able to speak without fear on the increasing heinous crimes against women and condemn them.

Roads and squares in darkness

Mungeli, Sep 26: On one hand, Ganesh Utsav is going on in the city, while on the other hand, the darkness shrouding the roads of the city tells something else, and as major of the roads are submerged in darkness people visiting pandals and other areas are facing obstacles. It is worth noting that Ganeshots is celebrated in the city since 19th September. Ganesh pandals have been made in the main roads and square intersections of the city and in such a situation, women and girls coming out to see Ganesha have to face a lot of inconvenience, due to presence of anti-social elements. About 20 to 25 pandals have been kept in the city; whose committees have taken

departmental permission for electricity is also an important question. Let it be known that last year, an accident had taken place in Daupara place Ganesh due to which a girl had lost her life after coming in contact with an open electric wire. A resident of Ambedkar Ward said that the street lights between Padav Chowk and St. Xavier's School have been closed for a long time, causing problems in movement. Despite being informed repeatedly, no attention is paid to this.

What officer says: Information has been received; it will be directed to the Municipality Officer and Electricity Department. **Vijendra Patle, ADM Mungeli**

Healthcare workers await promised reinstatement

Despite assurances, healthcare services remain disrupted, affecting patients

Kharora, Sep 26:

The strike by 45,000 health department employees, organized by the Health Federation since August 21, came to an end on September 13 after representatives from the Chief Minister's office witnessed the dedication of these public servants. Assurances were given that the strike period would be considered as duty, salaries would be restored, and punitive actions would be revoked.

However, these commitments have not been fulfilled, leaving employees in limbo. Vijay Kumar Sahu, Block President of the Health Employees' Association in Simga, disclosed that 265 employees from Balodabazar remain suspended, unable to resume



work even after the strike concluded. Over 50 Health Coordinator employees from Simga Block are among those affected, resulting in a standstill in essential services at 39 Health and Wellness Centers.

Despite the strike ending, the majority of health services at these centers have come to a standstill, including routine vaccinations, the second phase of Mission Indradhanush, Child Protection Month,

Ayushman Bharat Yojana, maternity services, and the implementation of 28 national programs and 15 schemes at the grassroots level.

Due to the failure to rehire the striking employees, the general public is facing various health-care-related difficulties.

As a result, Laxmi Yadav, wife of Rajesh Yadav from Gram Nevdha, who gave birth to a child on September 17, has been struggling to get medicines and repeatedly visiting health centers.

As Chhattisgarh grapples with seasonal diseases like viral fever, cold, cough, and malaria, the continued refusal to allow health workers to return to their posts after the strike remains a source of distress for the local population.

AAP concludes 'Badlav Yatra' in Paragaon



Arang, Sep 26: The Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) has wrapped up its "Badlav Yatra" in the Paragaon village of the Arang assembly constituency. As part of its mission to establish a government in Chhattisgarh and implement its plans, including assembly elections, AAP unveiled ten guarantees for the state's people during this journey.

During the event, senior AAP leader Paramanand

Jangde and his team called upon the residents of the Arang assembly constituency to embrace change, drawing inspiration from Delhi Chief Minister and AAP supreme, Arvind Kejriwal. Prominent figures like Dageshwar Bharati, Bhunesh Jangde, Devendra Banjare, Panchdas Sahu, Jitendra Tandon, Ishwari Bande, and others graced the occasion with their presence.

Bilaspur station to redeveloped at a cost of Rs 435 cr

Will be expanded in about 28 acres

Bilaspur, Sep 26:

Under the ambitious project of the Railway Ministry, preparations are underway to rejuvenate the stations under the "Amrit Bharat Station" scheme to provide world-class facilities to the passengers. In August 2023, the foundation stone for the redevelopment of Bilaspur station along with more than 500 railway stations in the country was also laid by the Prime Minister. This massive work has been planned keeping in mind the number of passengers coming to Bilaspur station in the next 40-50 years, spread over about 28 acres. The aim of developing

Bilaspur Railway Station is to provide world-class facilities and better travel experience to the railway passengers. Having good arrangements around the railway station will also boost economic activities.

The identity of cities is also linked to the railway stations. Bilaspur Railway Station is significantly associated with the history of Bilaspur city. In such a situation, it is necessary that the railway stations be modernized. When Bilaspur becomes a modern station, it will also create a new environment. When domestic and foreign tourists reach here, the picture here will become memorable in their eyes. AmritBharat Station Scheme aims to work on the upgradation of existing facilities along with the introduction of func-



tional facilities. Under the plan, a master plan is being prepared to develop the station as a city center with proper integration on both sides of Bilaspur city and to connect the city from both sides. The design of the station building will be inspired by the local culture, heritage and architecture of Chhattisgarh. This railway station will showcase the beauty of Bilaspur city

or place. At present about 65800 passengers are traveling daily from Bilaspur station, whereas in the coming 40 to 50 years, it is being developed to increase the number of passengers to about 1 lakh 80 thousand per day. The entry and exit routes of the station are being separated, so that passengers will not have to face congestion. There is a provision of 880 square meter

waiting area in the concourse to accommodate approximately 780 passengers simultaneously. Provision for parking area of about 31 thousand square meters has been made for more than 1300 vehicles. 3 new foot over bridges, the first one for station entry, which is 95.4 meters long and 6 meters wide, the second one for exiting the station, which is 81.9 meters long and 6

meters wide and the third one for station entry, which is 99.9 meters long and 6 meters wide. Provision has been made. A provision of 6051 square meters of concourse has been made, in which there will be a commercial area of 1700 square meters. In which there will be commercial establishments and shops. For the special convenience of elderly and disabled passengers, 31

lifts and 21 escalators will be built, which will make it easier for passengers to move from one platform to another. Parcel service movement is to be separated from the passenger movement area and shifted to a new building. Along with this, the parcel warehouse is to be expanded from the present 300 square meters to approximately 1100 square meters.

Underlining the importance of clean energy for environmental protection, solar power plants of 1200 kilowatt capacity are to be installed in 20500 square meters on the roofs of the station.

In view of water conservation, rain water harvesting of 97 thousand liters capacity will be installed in 16 pits of the station building. The essential facilities provided to the pas-

sengers include food, drinking water, ATM, internet, washroom, covered shed, standard signage etc. Bilaspur station is being transformed into a world-class green station, where there will be provision of natural light and ventilation.

The station will have facilities suitable for senior citizens and disabled people. After redevelopment, Bilaspur station will become an attractive center of technology, local culture and rich heritage with hi-tech passenger facilities.

With the increase in the number of passengers, there will be vast opportunities for employment, which will benefit the local people. The railway station will develop like a city center by connecting both sides of the city.



India's hockey dominance continues, crush Singapore 16-1

Hangzhou, Sep 26 (PTI):

Indian men's hockey team continued their goal-scoring spree by decimating Singapore 16-1 in the ongoing Asian Games in Hangzhou. Captain Harmanpreet Singh and Mandeep Singh stood out with impressive hat-tricks as India secured their second consecutive victory, following their 16-0 thrashing of Uzbekistan in the tournament opener.

India's relentless goal-scoring was on full display as they found the net at will against Singapore, currently ranked 49th in the world. Harmanpreet Singh, with goals in the 24th, 39th, 40th, and 42nd minutes, and Mandeep Singh, with strikes in the 12th, 30th, and 51st minutes, led the charge. India's goal tally was further bolstered by Abhishek (51st, 52nd), Varun Kumar (55th, 55th), Lalit Kumar Upadhyay (16th), Gurjant Singh (22nd), Vivek Sagar Prasad (23rd), Manpreet



Singh (37th), and Shamsher Singh (38th). Despite a relatively slow start, India maintained control of the game from the outset, enjoying extensive ball possession in Singapore's half. India's relentless attack finally bore fruit in the 12th minute

when Mandeep Singh scored from a pinpoint pass by Gurjant Singh.

India secured numerous penalty corners in the first quarter but failed to convert any of them, leaving room for improvement. However, they quickly shifted gears in

the second quarter, netting five goals. Lalit found the top right corner of the net, extending India's lead, while Gurjant and Vivek Sagar Prasad contributed to the goal spree.

Harmanpreet Singh finally converted a penalty corner in the 21st minute,

breaking the deadlock. The goal onslaught continued, with Mandeep scoring again and Harmanpreet securing a hat-trick with two more penalty corner strikes. Shamsher Singh also joined the scoring frenzy.

Although Singapore managed a consolation goal through Zaki Zulkarnain in the 53rd minute, India maintained their relentless pace. Varun Kumar converted two consecutive penalty corners in the final moments of the match, sealing the emphatic victory.

While India's performance was stellar, concerns persisted about their penalty corner conversion rate, as they capitalized on just eight out of the 22 secured in the match.

India's next challenge will be against defending champions Japan, as they seek to maintain their exceptional form and continue their pursuit of gold in the Asian Games.

India clinch equestrian team dressage gold at Asian Games



Gold medallist Indian team poses for photos during the presentation ceremony of equestrian dressage team event at the 19th Asian Games, in Hangzhou, China, Tuesday, Sept. 26.

Hangzhou, Sep 26 (PTI):

India claimed the team dressage gold in equestrian sport at the Asian Games here on Tuesday, breaking a 41-year-old jinx at the continental event. The team comprising Divyakriti Singh astride Adrenalin Firfod, Hriday Vipul Chhed

(Chemxpro Emerald) and Anush Agarwalla (Etro) aggregated 209.205 percentage points on way to the top podium finish. Sudipti Hajela was also part of the team, but only the top three scores were counted in the event.

China were second with 204.882 percentage points, while Hong Kong

finished with a bronze with 204.852 points.

It is the first time in the history of the sport, India secured a team gold in dressage event. The last medal in dressage, a bronze, came during the 1986 edition. India last won a gold in equestrian in the 1982 Asian Games in New Delhi.

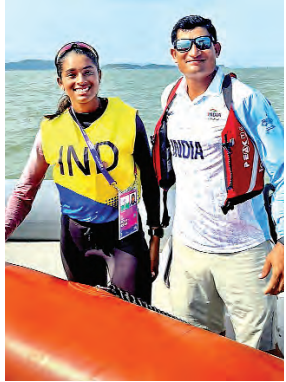
Neha bags silver, Ali bronze in sailing

Ningbo (China), Sep 26 (PTI):

Neha Thakur, 17, led the show with a silver while Eabad Ali claimed a bronze, as India bagged two medals in sailing at the Asian Games here on Tuesday. Neha powered India to the first medal of the day when she finished second in girl's dinghy ILCA-4 event. India's second medal came in the men's windsurfer RS:X event where Ali with a net score of 52 points came third behind Natthaphong Phonopparat of Thailand and gold medalist Wonwoo Cho of Korea.

In a gruelling 14-race event, Ali's worst race was second and third where he did not finish as seven points were deducted from his total 59 points. In the end, there was a big 23-point gap between Ali and the silver medallist.

A rising sailor from National Sailing School Bhopal, Neha finished with a total of 32 points but her net score of 27 helped her earn the second spot behind gold medallist Noppassorn Khunboonjan of Thailand.



Neha Thakur with her coach, who won the silver medal in the girls' dinghy-ILCA4 event of sailing.

Singapore's Kiera Marie Carlyle settled for a bronze with a net score of 28. In sailing, the competitor's worst score from all the races is subtracted from the total points to determine the net score. The one with the lowest net score is adjudged the winner. The girl's dinghy ILCA-4 category consists of 11 races and Neha finished with 32 total points. Neha's worst race was the fifth one where she got five points to end with a net score of 27.

Nagal, Raina progress to quarterfinals

Ramkumar, Bhosale Hangzhou, Sep 26 (PTI):

In a day filled with contrasting fortunes for Indian tennis players at the Asian Games in Hangzhou, Sumit Nagal and Ankita Raina stood out as they advanced to the quarterfinals in their respective singles events, bringing India closer to potential medals.

Sumit Nagal, known for his counter-punching style, displayed remarkable perseverance against the big-serving Beibit Zhukayev from Kazakhstan. In a thrilling men's singles third-round match, Nagal managed to control the points better, eventually securing victory with a scoreline of 7-6 (9), 6-4. Nagal's agility and ability to retrieve balls from all corners of the court left the audience in awe. Zhukayev's powerful serves and groundstrokes couldn't deter Nagal, who thrived in long rallies, ultimately securing his spot in the quarterfinals.

Ankita Raina, on the other hand, had a more straightforward path to the quarterfinals in the women's singles event. She convincingly defeated her opponent from Hong Kong with a score of 6-1, 6-2, displaying her dominance on the court.

Both Nagal and Raina are now just one step away from securing at least a bronze medal as the semifinalists are guaranteed a podium finish in the tennis competition at the Asian Games.

Unfortunately, the journey ended for Ramkumar Ramanathan and Rutuja Bhosale in the singles events. Ramkumar put up a valiant fight against the higher-ranked Yosuke Watanuki but ultimately



succumbed to his Japanese rival in a closely contested match that lasted two hours and 40 minutes. Rutuja Bhosale faced a tough challenge against Alexandra Eala from the Philippines and fought bravely but couldn't secure the victory. However, Ramkumar and Bhosale are still in contention in the doubles competitions, keeping India's hopes alive for more success on the tennis courts at the Asian Games.

In mixed doubles, the top-seeded Indian pair of Yuki Bhambri and Ankita Raina demonstrated their dominance with a resounding 6-0, 6-0 victory over Pakistan's Aqeel Khan and Sarah Khan. Unfortunately, Bhosale and her partner Karman Kaur Thandi bowed out of the women's doubles after a hard-fought battle against Thailand's Anchisa Chanta and Punnin Kovatitukted.

India make winning start at Badminton World Junior Championships

New Delhi, Sep 26 (PTI):

Indian shuttlers registered a dominating 5-0 victory over Cook Islands to make a winning start to their campaign in the mixed team event of the BWF World Junior Championships in Spokane, USA. The mixed doubles pair of Sathwik Reddy Kanapuram and Vaishnavi Khadkekar provided India a winning start, beating Kaiyin Matao and Tereapii Akavi with a resounding 21-6 21-8 victory. Ayush Shetty and Tara Shah further extended India's lead with dominant show in their respective singles matches. In the boys' singles match, Ayush displayed his skills to register an impressive 21-6 21-3 win over Daniel Akavi, while Tara showcased her class and just took 14 minutes to beat Te Pa O Te Rangitupa 21-3 21-6 in girls' singles. Later, the pair of Nicholas and Tushar defeated Emanuela Matao and Kaiyin Matao comfortably with a scoreline of 21-9 21-5 in the boys' doubles match. The girls' doubles duo of Radhika Sharma and Tanvi Sharma demonstrated excellent teamwork to clinch a 21-4 21-7 win over Tereapii Akavi and Vaitea Croombe-ama.

Boxer Sachin sails into men's 57kg pre-quarters



Sachin (blue) being declared winner during his men's 51-57kg category Round of 32 boxing match against Indonesia's Asri Udin.

Hangzhou, Sep 26 (PTI):

Indian boxer Sachin Siwach put up a dominant display in his opening 57kg bout to sail into the pre-quarterfinals of the Asian Games here on Tuesday.

The 23-year-old managed to dominate the match from the beginning wading off flurry of attacks from the Indonesian with ease using his flashy footwork. Sachin successful-

ly used his long reach to connect accurate jabs and hooks. As the clock ticked, the 2021 World Youth Championship grew in confidence to earn a facile win. He will face Turki Abuquthailah of Kuwait in the Round of 16.

Later in the day, Narender Berwal will play his pre-quarterfinal bout against Kyrgyzstan's Elchoro Uulu Oomatbek in the +92kg weight class.

Divyansh-Ramita miss 10m mixed air rifle bronze

Hangzhou, Sep 26 (PTI):

India's Divyansh Panwar and Ramita Jindal buckled under pressure as they squandered a big lead to lose to Korea in an engrossing bronze medal match of the 10m air rifle mixed team event at the Asian Games here on Tuesday. Divyansh and Ramita were leading 8-0 initially but the Korean pair of Park Hajun and Lee Eunseo made a remarkable comeback to win the match 20-18. Ramita, who on Monday won the 10m air rifle team silver and individual bronze, was the more consistent of the two and had four shots of 10.8 while Divyansh had one. Divyansh also had two bad shots of 9.9 and 9.8. The 20-year-old Panwar, who was part of the 10m air rifle gold-winning team on Monday, shot 314.3, while the 19-year-old Ramita shot 313.9 to aggregate 628.2. Earlier, the Indian duo finished sixth in the qualification round and thus faced third placed team Korea in the bronze medal match.

Rampant India eye rare ODI clean sweep Vs Aus

Rajkot, Sep 26 (PTI):

India's cricket team, led by Captain Rohit Sharma, is poised for an extraordinary achievement as they set their sights on a clean sweep of the Australian cricket team in the third and final One-Day International (ODI) match in Rajkot. Never before in the annals of cricket has India managed to whitewash Australia in the ODI format, a feat equally elusive for the Australians when playing at home or away, regardless of series length.

The lead-up to this clash has been nothing short of sensational for the Indian cricket squad, who have managed a flawless campaign in their preparations for the upcoming World Cup. A triumphant 3-0 scoreline against the struggling Australians would be a fitting climax to their pre-tournament endeavors.

However, India will be without the young sensation Shubman Gill and Shardul Thakur for the final ODI. Gill, the leading run-scorer in ODIs this World Cup year, has been rested, leaving a void that will be felt.

Nevertheless, the return of batting stalwarts



Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli, coupled with the in-form Kuldeep Yadav, after a brief rest period during which KL Rahul led admirably, bodes well for the

Indian squad. They have navigated questions about squad composition, player form, fitness, and availability with remarkable resilience.

Time: 1:30pm IST.

India's depth is evident in emerging talents like Ishan Kishan, Suryakumar Yadav, Mohammed Shami, and Mohammed Siraj, who have transformed the squad into a formidable force. Shreyas Iyer's century in Indore further solidifies India's middle-order prowess.

Australia, on the other hand, is grappling with a string of defeats and will be eager to reclaim lost ground. With the World Cup looming, they may opt for their preferred bowling attack, including Pat Cummins and Mitchell Starc, despite challenges in their batting lineup.

For Australia, it is not often that they flop both with the bat and the ball in India with the white ball as miserably as they have in the first two ODIs. The visitors need to gather themselves as the wheels seem to be coming off rapidly following five consecutive defeats in ODIs.

A few months ago, the same side beat India 2-1 with Mitchell Starc haunting the Indian right-handers with his perfect inswingers.

We have done our research: Babar ahead of maiden visit to India

Lahore, Sep 26 (PTI):

With the ODI World Cup set to kick off on October 5, Pakistan's cricket team, most of whom have never played in India, is gearing up for their first-ever visit to the neighboring country. Despite the lack of experience on Indian soil, team captain Babar Azam expressed confidence, highlighting their meticulous preparation.

The Pakistan squad received their visas just on Monday night and is scheduled to reach Hyderabad via Dubai on Wednesday. Only Mohammad Nawaz and Agha Salman have prior experience playing in India. Babar Azam himself missed the T20 World Cup in 2016 due to injury.

During a pre-departure media conference, Babar Azam acknowledged that the team had thoroughly researched the conditions in India and felt they were similar to those in other Asian countries. He also expressed the honor of leading the team on this historic tour and set his sights on bringing home the trophy. As one of the



game's leading batsmen, Azam shoulders the responsibility of scoring significant runs for his team in the ICC World Cup. He eagerly anticipates the highly-anticipated clash against India in Ahmedabad on October 14, emphasizing that he is focused on contributing to the team's success rather than individual accolades. Azam elaborated on his preparation, emphasizing the importance of setting goals and giving his all on the field, especially during World Cup competitions.

Reflecting on Pakistan's performance in the recent Asia Cup, where they fell short against India, Azam acknowledged areas for improvement, particularly in fielding and wicket-taking during the middle overs.

Indians have it easy against Pakistan and Singapore in Squash

Hangzhou, Sep 26 (PTI):

The Indian squash contingent began its Asian Games campaign with comfortable victories over Singapore and Pakistan, respectively, in the men's and women's team competitions here on Tuesday. The women's team comprising 15-year-old Anahat Singh, veteran Joshna Chinappa and Tanvi Khanna blanked Pakistan 3-0 in its opening Pool B match.

The first singles saw Asian Games debutant Anahat getting past Sadia Gul 11-6, 11-6, 11-3 in 16 minutes. Joshna, playing the first match of her sixth Asian Games, took 13 minutes to beat Noor Ul Huda Sadiq 11-2, 11-5, 11-7. India, silver medallists in the previous edition, completed their dominance when Tanvi thrashed Noor Ul Ain Ijaz 11-3, 11-6, 11-2. Top two teams in Pool A and Pool B progress to the semifinals.

Third seeds India are paired in Pool B alongside Malaysia, Macau, China, Pakistan and Nepal. In the men's event, top seeds India outplayed Singapore 3-0. Harinder Pal Sandhu, back to playing singles after a long injury lay-off, had to fight hard for a 11-4, 13-11, 8-11, 7-11 win over Jerome Clement in the opening singles.

'India's diplomacy touched new heights in last 30 days'

New Delhi, Sep 26 (PTI):

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday said India's diplomacy touched new heights in the last 30 days and some decisions taken during the G20 Summit have potential to change the direction the 21st century world takes.

Addressing students, faculty members and heads of educational institutions at the finale of the G20 University Connect here, the prime minister said he met 85 world leaders during the past 30 days. "In today's polarised international atmosphere, it is not a small thing to get so many countries together on one platform," he said, referring to the G20 Summit in Delhi earlier this month.

He asserted that clean, clear and stable governance is necessary for the country's developmental journey to continue.

"I want to give you a report card of the last 30 days. That will give you an idea of the speed and scale

**PM Modi addresses the G20 University Connect Finale programme at Bharat Mandapam, in New Delhi, Tuesday.**

of New India. You must remember August 23! Everyone was praying and then suddenly there was a smile on everyone's face. The entire world heard India's voice: 'India is on the Moon'. "August 23 has become immortal in the country as the National Space Day. Soon after the success of its lunar mission, India launched its solar mission," he added.

Asserting that India's diplomacy reached new heights in the last 30 days, the prime minister said

the G20 Summit could have been limited to a diplomatic and Delhi-centric programme but India made it a people-driven national movement. Six more countries have joined BRICS community due to India's efforts, the prime minister said.

"A 100 per cent consensus on the Delhi declaration made global headlines...some decisions taken during the G20 Summit have potential to change the 21st century's direction..In today's po-

larised international atmosphere, it is not a small thing to get so many countries together on one platform," he said.

Listing out the achievements of his government in the past 30 days, the prime minister said several initiatives were taken to empower the poor, SCs, STs, OBCs and the middle class.

"The government launched the PM Vishwakarma Yojana for artisans. In last 30 days, over one lakh youths have been given central government jobs through 'Rozgar Mela'. The women's reservation bill became the first bill passed in the new Parliament building and it filled the country with a sense of pride," he said.

Modi said he is not surprised at the success of the G20 Summit as when youths get associated with any event, its success is assured. "Youths progress only where there is optimism, opportunities and openness. My message to the youth is - 'Think Big,'" he said.

MAHAPRASAD

**Devotees gather near a 1101 kg 'Maha Ladoo' for 'mahaprasad', at Ganesh Temple, in Nagpur, Tuesday.**

Maha Guv for support of VCs in increasing tribal enrolment



In State varsities

Mumbai, Sep 26:

Observing that the gross enrollment of scheduled tribes in higher education is merely 14 per cent as against the State average of 32, Maharashtra Governor Ramesh Bais on Tuesday called upon vice chancellors of State Universities to make extra effort to curb the dropout rate of scheduled tribes from higher education in-

stitutions and to increase their enrollment and retention in higher education. In this connection, the Governor asked vice chancellors to personally visit tribal areas, understand their problems and create hostel facilities and scholarships for the students from scheduled tribes to attract and retain them in the higher education system.

The Governor was speaking at the inauguration of Vice Chancellors' Conclave on 'Tribal

Development and Research' at Raj Bhavan Mumbai on Tue (26 Sept). The Conclave was organised with the initiative of Swami Ramanand Teerth Marathwada University (SRTMU).

The Governor said universities should consider increasing their engagements with tribal villages and adopt a few tribal villages. He felt that universities should invest in skilling and upskilling tribals to increase their employability and incomes. Former Chairman of National Commission for Scheduled Tribes Harsh Chauhan, Vice Chancellor of the Birsa Munda Tribal University, Rajpipla Madhukarrao Padvi, vice chancellor of SRTMU Dr Udhav Bhosale and vice chancellors of various state universities were present.

Tech company in Kerala trains its workforce in Kalaripayattu

Kochi, Sep 26 (PTI):

Breaking away from conventional approaches to employee wellness and growth, a tech company at Infopark here has introduced its workforce to the centuries-old martial art of Kalaripayattu.

Acsia Technologies, a global automotive tech brand from Kerala, recently introduced a 15-day Kalaripayattu training programme as a core component of its new hire training programme. Kalaripayattu is an ancient martial art indigenous to Kerala with a legacy of more than 3,000 years. This groundbreaking initiative has had 50 newly recruited employees taking part in an intensive training programme, guided by experienced Kalaripayattu instructors, in the past two weeks.

The initial 15-day Kalaripayattu course

ended on September 25 but the employees can continue if they wish, the company said.

Everyday, the one-hour training started at 7.30 AM at the car parking area of the company's office.

Jijimon Chandran, Founding Director and CEO of Acsia Technologies, said the idea came from the realisation that maintaining physical and mental health is the most important thing.

"This was part of the training programme we organised for the 50 new engineers hired through campus recruitment. Along with the technical training, we wanted to provide them with physical and mental wellness programmes," Chandran said in a statement.

Muhammed Fayiz K V, who took part in the training, told PTI that he, like the others, holds a desk job, which is sedentary.

BJP goes all in to retain power in MP amid spirited challenge from Cong

New Delhi, Sep 26 (PTI):

The BJP has thrown open the leadership in Madhya Pradesh and deployed its big guns, several of whom have never contested assembly polls, from the state to deliver the goods for the party in the elections where it is facing a keen challenge from the Congress.

Despite the sense that the BJP will be fielding a few of its MPs in the assembly polls in several states, the extent of their deployment has taken even many within the party by surprise, with three Union ministers and four other MPs being named as candidates in the second list of nominees for 39 seats.

Two of the ministers, Narendra Singh Tomar and Faggan Singh Kulaste, will be contesting from seats that were won by the Congress in 2018, while

three of the four other Lok Sabha MPs will also fight in constituencies where the main opposition party had emerged victorious in the last assembly polls.

A former state BJP president, Tomar was appointed in July as the convener of the party's election management committee in Madhya Pradesh, a responsibility which required him to oversee the entire state.

A three-term MP, Tomar was an MLA for two terms till 2008 and has been in Lok Sabha since 2009. Union minister Prahlad Singh Patel is a five-term Lok Sabha MP and has never been an MLA while Kulaste, a tribal leader, was last an MLA way back in 1992 before getting elected to Lok Sabha six times and Rajya Sabha once. Among other MPs fighting assembly polls for the first time are Ganesh Singh, a four-

term Lok Sabha member, and Rakesh Singh, also a four-term Lok Sabha member. Rakesh Singh has also been the state party president. Party leaders are of the view that the leadership has sought to send out several messages with their choices while acknowledging the strong challenge the BJP faces from the Congress, which had bettered its tally in the state assembly in 2018 for the first time after 1998.

Amid a view that Chief Minister Shivrang Singh Chouhan, who led the BJP to massive wins in 2008 and 2013 before found wanting in 2018, is no longer the same political force, the party has sought to keep the leadership issue open by pitting many of its big names in the contest in a signal to those supporters who may no longer be drawn to him but remain sympathetic to it.

'Ram temple's consecration ceremony on Jan 22'

Ground floor to be completed by Dec-end

New Delhi, Sep 26 (PTI):

The construction of the ground floor of the three-storey Ram temple in Ayodhya will be completed by December-end, and the consecration ceremony is expected to take place on January 22, temple Construction Committee Chairperson Nripendra Mishra has said.



In an interview to PTI, he also said Prime Minister Narendra Modi is expected to take part in

an event related to the 'pran pratishtha' on any day during January 20-24. The final date is yet to be

communicated by the Prime Minister's Office, he said. Mishra also said work is underway to design an apparatus that will be installed on the 'shikhar' of the temple, which will make sun rays fall momentarily on the forehead of the deity in the sanctum sanctorum on the day of Ram Navami every year.

It is being built in Bengaluru and its design is being overseen by scientists, he added.

Kerala soldier faked PFI attack to become famous: Cops

Kollam (Kerala), Sep 26 (PTI):

A soldier, who a day ago had claimed he was assaulted by six persons near his home in this southern Kerala district and his friend were being recorded.

"Further action would be taken after verifying the contents of their statements," the officer said. He also said that the soldier's friend has claimed that Kumar wanted to become famous and that is why this entire act was carried out.

The officer further said that the soldier was giving

various reasons for making such a false statement and they have to be verified.

Police also recovered the green paint, brush and tape allegedly used in the incident from the friend's home.

The soldier's friend told the media that Kumar planned the whole thing to become famous.

Giving details of what allegedly transpired, the friend claimed that Kumar asked him to write 'PFI' on

his back and to beat him up.

"I was drunk, so I initially wrote DFI, but he (Kumar) said to write PFI. So I made it PFI. Then he asked me to beat him up, but I said I couldn't because I was drunk.

"Then he asked me to drag him on the ground and lay down, but I could not in my intoxicated state. So he asked me to tape his mouth and hands and then to leave. So I did that," the friend claimed.

'Chandlapur' gets distinction of becoming Best Rural Tourism Village

In the country, adjudged by the Ministry of Tourism, Gol

Hyderabad, Sep 26: Village Chandlapur in Siddipet district achieved the rare distinction of becoming the Best Rural Tourism Village in the Country. Ministry of Tourism, Gol adjudged the tiny rural part of the Telangana state for its distinct qualities and achievements on different fronts. The village, with a population of 4500 is famous for its intricate and exquisite handlooms. A nucleus of unique handloom varieties including the special Gollabhaama sarees the village is known for the ancient and traditional bent of handloom activity.



The village is located on the cluster of Ranganayakaswami

temple which is known for rural tourism. It is surrounded by the recreational zone of Komati Cheruvu lake, Wargal Saraswathi temple and the Nakashi painting cluster of Cherial. Besides the tourist attractions of this rural part include the Komuravelli Mallikarjunaswami temple. On the cultural front the village is known for its ancient religious attractions like temples, mosques and Churches. The



cultural resources and iconic crafts of the region reflect the traditional grandeur of this rural part. The natural resources of this part include the rural tourism spot on the historic Ranganayaka hills. The Ranganayaka Swami temple is known as remedy for the mental and physical ailments. Recent addition of Ranganayaka Sagar Reservoir is a jewel in the crown for Chandlapur as this natural

resource brought the rarest distinction to this rural part. The Ranganayaka Sagar is one of the link reservoirs of Kaleshwaram lift irrigation project situated near to the Siddipet town. Ranganayaka Sagar is known as the mega tourism destination and the administration of Telangana has developed this part with an amount of Rs 10 cr with facilities like Leisure and recreation cum MICE (meet-

ings, incentives, Conferences and Exhibitions) tourism destination. The village being the hub for the production of famous Gollabhaama sarees since generations is promoting the culture of the place. The Gramapanchayath of this tiny village is known for continuous conservation and protection of cultural resources and tourism. Chandlapur is known for the

environmental sustainability activities and various initiatives were taken by the village authorities for the promotion of micro water shed activity, community based management of natural resources. Similarly Chandlapur is known for the committed banning of Single Use plastic. The village promoted the plastic ban awareness by providing cloth bags and Jute bags to the habitants and it is practicing natural resource utilization through Solar lights so as to mitigate the environmental hazards.

The village promoted the Telanganaku Haritha Haaram (THH) on a large scale and on the tourism front too it is adopting the rural tourism revitalizing concepts with a firm approach. On the tourism expansion front it is providing direct and indirect employ-

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