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Adhir's remark on Prez sets Parliament on fire

Cong leader in LS says it's slip of tongue; BJP MPs protest

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The two Houses of Parliament on Thursday witnessed unprecedented turmoil with the BJP making a fiery attack on Congress leader Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury for his "Rashtrapatni" remark against the first tribal President Droupadi Murmu.
The heated exchanges over Chowdhury's comments also escalated outside, triggering protests by the BJP MPs.
The Congress MPs were already sitting on "dharna" before the Mahatma Gandhi statue in Parliament precincts, seeking withdrawal of suspension of MPs, immediate debate in Parliament over price rise and the imposition of the GST on essential food items.
As soon as the Lok Sabha met at 11 am, BJP members were up on their feet demanding an apology from Congress president Sonia Gandhi over Chowdhury's remark.
"The Congress leader has disrespected the President. The Congress cannot tolerate that Prime Minister Narendra Modi made a poor tribal woman the Presidential candidate," Union Minister Smriti Irani said.
Amid the furor, Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla adjourned the proceedings of the House

till 12 noon and thereafter it was adjourned till 4 pm and then for the day. Similar scenes were witnessed in the Rajya Sabha, which too witnessed a ruckus on the issue.
The Lok Sabha saw Irani making a belligerent attack on Sonia and accusing her of "sanctioning humiliation" of the Constitutional head of the country, demanding her apology. In his defense, Chowdhury, who is the leader of the Congress in the Lok Sabha, said he never intended to disrespect the President and his "Rashtrapatni" remark was a "slip of the tongue". He accused the BJP of making a "mountain out of a molehill".
"Yesterday, when we were holding a protest at Vijay Chowk, journalists asked where we wanted to go. I said 'Rashtrapatni' only once by mistake. I urged the journalists not to show my video where I committed a mistake. The BJP is creating a row over it now," he said.
"What should I do? I said it and realised I uttered the wrong word. I even looked for media persons to whom I had said this to request them to not focus on it. However, I couldn't find them," he added, a day after the remark. In a video message later, he said India's President, be it Brahmin or tribal, is respected by all.
"I am a Bengali and not fluent in Hindi. I will apologise to the President if she felt hurt. I won't apologise to these frauds. I have sought time to meet her the day after tomorrow.



Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman with other BJP MPs during a protest against Congress leader Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury's remarks on President Droupadi Murmu, at Parliament House, in New Delhi on Thursday

Sonia pays for Adhir's blooper

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI
After the simmering tension between the Treasury Benches and the Opposition for the past eight days burst out into a full-blown confrontation between the two sides over Congress leader Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury's "Rashtrapatni" remark, the BJP focussed its attack on the Congress president, alleging that Adhir made the calumnious comment at the behest of Sonia Gandhi.
The party demanded that Sonia must apologise to the nation.

The no-holds-barred attack on Sonia was spearheaded by Union Minister Smriti Irani and Nirmala Sitharaman in the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha respectively. No sooner than the lower House commenced its proceedings, a vociferous Irani accused Chowdhury of disrespecting Murmu by calling her "Rashtrapatni" and charged the Congress leader with doing so with the "sanction" of Sonia.
Irani claimed that Chowdhury has disrespected the entire tribal community, women, the poor, and the downtrodden by his remark.

Targeting Congress president, Irani alleged that Sonia had "sanctioned humiliation" of a poor tribal woman who has occupied the highest constitutional post in the country.
"Sonia mafi mango (Sonia must tender an apology). Your male leaders are disrespecting a poor tribal woman," she said, raising her voice dramatically.
BJP MPs, particularly women members, aggressively backed Irani, inviting counter-protests from Congress members. As the turmoil continued, Speaker Om Birla adjourned the House till noon.

Didi strips Partha of Cabinet, TMC posts

CM's move comes within hours of Arpita telling ED that all wealth belonged to Min

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA

In an apparent damage control exercise, Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Thursday removed Partha Chatterjee as a Minister and from all posts of Trinamool Congress five days after he was arrested by the Enforcement Directorate in connection with the school-level job scam.
The Chief Minister's decision comes within hours of Arpita Mukherjee — a close associate of Chatterjee from whose apartments huge cash, jewellery, bank and property instruments worth crores was recovered by the ED — telling the investigators that all the properties belonged to the Minister.
Soon after a Cabinet meeting Mamata announced the removal of Chatterjee — the number two person in the State Ministry — saying, "I have relieved Partha from all his charges," till his name is cleared from all accusations.
"The Trinamool Congress is strict about its ideology... we run the party with great hard-ship," the Chief Minister said.
A former Education Minister, Chatterjee, had been in charge of Commerce and Industries, Parliamentary Affairs and Information Technology portfolios. The Chief Minister would retain all the Departments with her for



Cash recovered from the house of Arpita Mukherjee

now.
Chatterjee a former corporate top boss who left his job before the Singur movement to join the Trinamool Congress was also removed from all his party posts, TMC national general secretary Abhishek Banerjee said.
"The TMC disciplinary committee has decided to remove Chatterjee from all the party posts... he was the party secretary general, a national vice president and member of national executive as also a member of the party disciplinary committee... he has also been suspended from the party till he is exonerated by the judiciary... and the onus to prove innocence completely lies with him... and as the citizen of this country he has every right to fight his case in the court," said Abhishek at the end of a party disciplinary committee meeting.
Besides incriminating documents cash worth ₹50 crore and property deeds of 32 bungalows, apartments and lands both in Kolkata and districts have been recovered from two houses of Mukherjee, a close associate of the former Minister.
The ED also recovered about 8 kgs of gold — in the form of bars, biscuits, jewellery and statuette — from two apartments of Mukherjee apart from bank instruments and property deeds worth crores.
Officials quoting Mukherjee said she was not the owner of the property seized and that all that had been recovered by the ED belonged to the Minister.
She is known to have told his interrogators that Chatterjee often sent his men to her apartments with bags which were kept inside a particular room not to be entered by anyone. Not even Mukherjee was allowed to enter these rooms, she is known to have told the ED officials adding only the Minister would enter these rooms when.

3 more RS MPs suspended, relay sit-in protest continues

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI
Amid the 50-hour-long relay sit-in by the suspended MPs on Parliament premises, three more Rajya Sabha member — Aam Aadmi Party's (AAP) Sandeep Kumar Pathak and Sushil Kumar Gupta and Independent legislator Ajit Kumar Bhuyan — were suspended from the House for a week on Thursday.
The 20 suspended RS members are on a relay protest near the Gandhi Statue at the Parliament complex braving the night, heat and rain.
A total of five MPs, including CPI's Santosh Kumar and AAP's Sanjay Singh, spent the night near the Gandhi statue in Parliament complex, while TMC's Dola Sen and Santanu Sen were present at the site till post midnight. With authorities



AAP MP Sanjay Singh and TMC MPs protest at Parliament House on Thursday

not granting permission for a tent, the MPs slept under the sky as a protest against the suspension of 24 MPs, 20 from the Rajya Sabha and four Congress members from the Lok Sabha.
So far 27 MPs of the Opposition have been sus-

39 students in Sagar given Covid-19 jab with 'single' syringe

PTI ■ SAGAR
A vaccinator allegedly used a single syringe to administer anti-coronavirus vaccine doses to 39 children at a private school in Madhya Pradesh's Sagar city, prompting the authorities to suspend the district vaccination officer, officials said on Thursday.
The incident took place on Wednesday at the Jain Higher Secondary School in the city during a mega vaccination drive, after which an FIR was registered against the vaccinator, identified as Jitendra Ahirwar, a district official said.
The 39 children, aged 15 and above, were from Classes 9 to 12, a health official said.

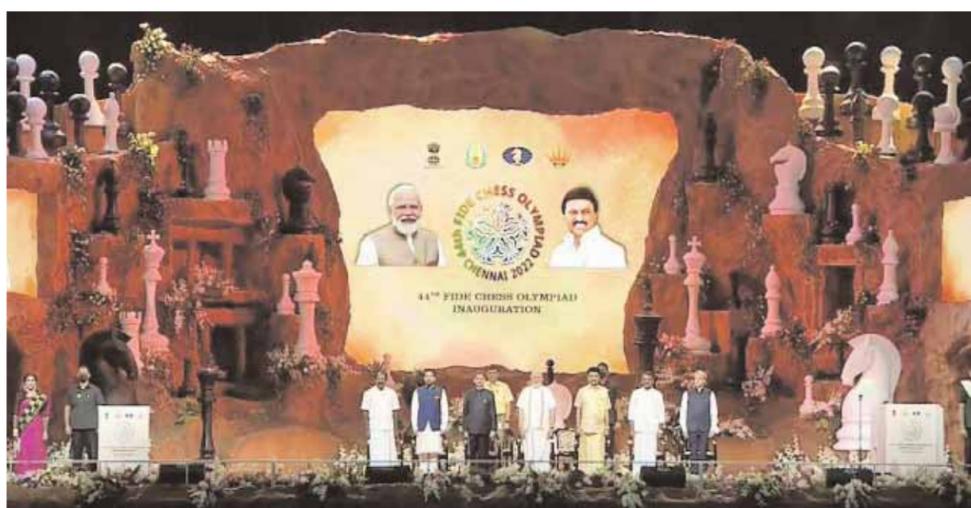
CBI seizes ₹5.50 cr paintings in DHFL bank fraud raids

PNS ■ NEW DELHI
The CBI has recovered paintings of Indian maestros FN Souza and SH Raza worth ₹5.50 crore besides two luxury watches of Jacob and Co and Frank Muller Geneve brands worth ₹5 crore during the searches. The DHFL promoters had acquired these expensive items using the diverted funds, the agency said in a statement.
The CBI is conducting custodial interrogation of former CMD of DHFL Kapil Wadhawan and Director Dheeraj Wadhawan for the last nine days.

CAPSULE
MIG-21 FIGHTER JET CRASHES, PILOTS DEAD
Jaipur: An IAF's Mig-21 fighter aircraft on Thursday night crashed in Rajasthan's Barmer district killing both the pilots. In a statement, IAF said it deeply regrets the loss of lives and stands firmly with the bereaved families.
THERE IS A LIMIT TO TARGETING JUDGES: SC
New Delhi: There is a limit to which you target judges, the Supreme Court said on Thursday while expressing displeasure over news reports that it was delaying hearing a plea alleging increasing attacks on Christian institutions and priests across the country. Give us a break, a bench of Justices DY Chandrachud and Surya Kant said. "Last time the matter could not be taken because I was down with Covid. You get it published in newspapers that the SC is delaying the hearing. Look, there is a limit to which you can target the judges. Who supplies all this news?"

Chess Olympiad kicks off in grand style

PTI ■ CHENNAI
In a glittery event, Prime Minister Narendra Modi declared open the FIDE 44th Chess Olympiad here on Thursday. Encouraging the players, Modi said that in sports there are no losers, but winners and future winners.
"Sports is beautiful because it has inherent power to unite. Sports brings people and societies closer. Sports nurture a spirit of teamwork," he said.
Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin said that the Chess Olympiad has turned the world's attention on Tamil Nadu and this grand event would enhance the State's tourism prospects.
The mascot for the event was named "Thambi," which symbolises brotherhood and that all the people are one fraternity. Stalin thanked Modi and the Centre for holding the event. The Nehru Indoor Stadium here sparkled with classy lighting, and a sense of excitement was palpable during the inaugural event.
The sprawling arena in downtown Chennai was buzzing with fresh ideas represented in the form of elegant decor with the undercurrent being the nerve-racking game of chess. The stadium's dais was decked with king-sized brightly coloured chess pieces of king, bishop, rook, queen, knight and the pawns.
Modi said the Chess Olympiad, the most prestigious tournament, is being hosted by India, the home of chess at a special time in its history, which marks 75 years of freedom from colonial rule. This is the first time the Chess Olympiad is being held in the place of origin of chess, India, he said.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi with Tamil Nadu CM MK Stalin at the Opening Ceremony of the 44th Chess Olympiad in Chennai on Thursday

Thirty children vaccinated with one syringe in Sagar

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL
In a shocking incident, 30 children were vaccinated against COVID-19 with a single syringe at a private school in Sagar. It is suspected that during the vaccination programme, 30 children were vaccinated with one syringe. There was uproar at the school when the matter came to light.
A COVID-19 vaccination camp was organised for school children in Jain Public School located at Sagar district headquarters. For vaccinating students in the camp, the Health Department had assigned the duty to nursing students studying at the SVN College.
The vaccination started and a third-year student named Jitendra Raj started vaccinating the children. One after the other, he administered the COVID vaccine to about 30 children with a single syringe.
When a student's father noticed the matter, there was a ruckus in the school. When the information reached the district administration, there was a chaos.
Dinesh Namdev, the father of a student studying in Jain Public School, alleged that when he saw the vaccination, all the children were being vaccinated with the same syringe, he raised voice.
According to Dinesh, the one who was applying the vaccine was told by the HOD that everyone has to be vaccinated with the same syringe.
When the media questioned Jitendra Raj, he alleged that he was taken by the HOD in a car and he was provided only one syringe. Dr DK Goswami, CMHO Sagar said, "This entire matter will be investigated, whoever is guilty in this, action will be taken against him."

All eligible students should get benefits of scholarship schemes

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan has said that students should not face any kind of problem for acquiring scholarship. The benefit of scholarship schemes should be given to all the eligible students within time limit for which the availability of adequate budget should be ensured.

Chouhan was taking a meeting on simplification of SC, ST and OBC Post Matric Scholarship process and uniformity of portal at his residence today. Higher Education Minister Mohan Yadav, Chief Secretary Iqbal Singh Bains, Additional Chief Secretary Health Mohammad Suleman and senior officers were present. Chief Minister Chouhan



said that the scholarship for the session 2022-23 should be given by the month of October. Also, the payment of the remaining scholarship of the last three sessions should be paid expeditiously. He said that post-matric scholarship worth Rs 590 crore would be provided to

scheduled caste students, Rs 348 crore to scheduled tribe students and Rs 750 crore to backward class students. This includes the amount of schemes of the Government of India and the state government.

The Chief Minister Chouhan said that there

should be no fraud in the scholarship process and uniformity of portal is necessary to maintain transparency. For all categories of scholarships, the age limit is to be increased to 30 years at the postgraduate level. Maximum age of 35 years for getting PhD level scholarship and for students studying in two courses, the difference up to a maximum of 02 years will be valid. All eligible children of one parent will be eligible to get the Post Matric Scholarship. He said that the admission process should be decided for the eligibility of scholarship. Admission to the engineering course is to be given through integrated counselling.

Chief Minister Chouhan said that action should be taken as per the prescribed

academic calendar for the payment of scholarship for the academic session 2022-23. Chief Minister Chouhan said that it is the priority of the state government to fully cooperate with the students. He directed that the rates of scholarship should be rationalized. Make necessary preparations for the biometric attendance of the students as well.

It was informed in the meeting that from the year 2021-22, approval of all the applications of the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes Welfare Department, on the same lines as the Tribal Affairs Department, and payment are being processed through the MPTAAS portal. The scholarship will be valid only for the duration of the course.



Shahar Qazi Syed Mushtaq Ali Nadvi addresses Community awareness and social mobilization on importance of COVID-19 vaccination programme organised at Taj-ul-Masjid in Bhopal on Thursday. Pioneer photo

Movie depicting the life of Indian Navy officers, 'Indian Navy Today' screened at Shaurya Smarak

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

A movie depicting the life of Indian Navy officers and how the navy works 'Indian Navy Today' was screened at Shaurya Smarak here on Thursday.

The film was screened under the regular film screenings held at Shaurya Smarak every day. The movies screened here are based on Indian Army, Navy and other armed forces. Produced by Films Division, this film Indian Navy Today is produced by B. N. Mehra and directed by IN Engineer.

It is to be noted that the film featured about the brave hearts who protect the country from seas and oceans. The film features about the



advanced technologies used by the Navy even in submarines. The same water surface is equipped with veneer, fatal warheads equipped with deadly weapons. Modern missiles to combat the problem of air in the air above the

surface surface, the combatants. There are also the capabilities of the aircrafts to be there on the ships.

The Indian Navy is a well balanced and cohesive three-dimensional force, capable of operating above, on and under the surface of the oceans efficiently safeguarding the national interests.

The Chief of the Naval Staff (CNS) exercises operational and administrative control of the Indian Navy from Integrated Headquarters of MOD(Navy). He is assisted by the Vice Chief of the Naval Staff (VCNS) and three other Principal Staff Officers, namely the Deputy Chief of the Naval Staff (DCNS), the Chief of Personnel (COP) and the Chief of Material (COM).

SBI Bhopal Circle donates an ambulance to Red Cross Society

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

The State Bank of India, Bhopal Circle on Thursday donated an Ambulance and flagged off by Bhopal Circle CGM Binod Kumar Mishra in a programme organized in the premises of the Local Head Office. They donated this to The Indian Red Cross Society of Bhopal, Under its Corporate Social Responsibility.

Speaking on the occasion, Shri Binod Kumar Mishra, Chief General Manager, State Bank of India Bhopal Circle, highlighted the history of the Red Cross Society. He appreciated the social work being done by them all over the world.

He also said that the



Bank is also very sensitive towards its social responsibilities and has always been a leader in this field for doing effective social activities in the Circle

which is leaving a positive impact on the society at large.

The Chief Guest of the event, Gagan Kolhe, Chairman, Red Cross

contribution has affected a large section of society.

In the second phase of the programme, a medical check-up camp and blood donation camp was also

organized by the Red Cross Society in which staff of State Bank of India participated in a big way. It is heartening to note that on this occasion, 35 volunteers of the State Bank of India donated their blood and showed their gesture in spreading the noble cause of donations of blood. Pradeep Tripathi, General Secretary, Red Cross Society and Shashank Srivastava, Treasurer also participated in the programme.

The programme was also attended by General Managers Shailendra Singh Tadagi, B.L. Saini and Shri Neeraj Prasad and all the officials of higher management and other senior officers. The vote of thanks was rendered by Anurag Bhargava, Deputy General Manager, Bhopal Module.



Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) MLA Rameshwar Sharma during a party workers meeting ahead of his Tiranga Yatra, scheduled on August 14 at Kolar locality, in Bhopal on Thursday. Pioneer photo

Berasia police arrest two fake policemen engaged in extorting common people

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Berasia police have arrested two fake policemen who were involved in fraud with people posing as policemen and investigation to extort money; accused have cheated people in several districts of the state.

After receiving information regarding two fake policemen a team reached the spot and detained the two.

Interestingly one of them revealed his name as Bhagwandas Panika (25) of Singrauli who provided the ID card of constable while he was wearing the uniform of Assistant Inspector.

The other fake policeman

was identified as Ramkishore Sen(26) of Saingrauli. The miscreants used to operate gang and used a police uniform which worked as a shield to evade and suspicion and arrest.

In the investigation it was found that the accused used to wear the police uniform to extort money. They also used walkie-talkie to maintain the look of a police-

man. The accused revealed that they have cheated people in Narsinghpur, Katni, Jabalpur, Singrauli and other regions.

Police are yet to find the number of victims, incidents, districts targeted by the accused. After the preliminary investigation police have registered a case under section 419, 420, 171 and 34 of the IPC.

Other accused involved in the nexus would also be searched and those who have helped in disposing of valuables would also be investigated.

The period for which the accused and his network have been working is yet to be investigated, police said.

'Afsane Ka Afsana' to be held on Sunday

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

A cultural event based on Urdu literature "Afsane Ka Afsana" will be held on Sunday at Madhya Pradesh State Tribal Museum.

The event is organised by Madhya Pradesh Urdu Academy, Sanskriti Parishad, Department of Culture.

A lecture and story recitation on "Ideological Concerns of Contemporary Fiction" will be held under "Afsane Ka Afsana".

While sharing the information about the program, Director of Urdu Academy, Nusrat Mehdi said that every year a program based on fiction is organized by Urdu Academy in the name of "Afsane Ka Afsana", this year this program is "Ideological of Contemporary Fiction Literature".

DGP inaugurates online courses of LMS at Commissioner office

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Online courses of the Learning Management System (LMS) were inaugurated by DGP Madhya Pradesh Sudhir Saxena on Wednesday at the Commissioner's office.

On this occasion, Commissioner of Police Bhopal Makrand Deuskar, Additional Commissioner of Police Sachin Atulkar and Deputy Commissioner of Police Headquarters Vineet Kapoor, Deputy Commissioner of Police Sai Krishna were present.

On the occasion of the launch, DGP Sudhir Saxena said in his address that this is the first effort of Bhopal Commissionerate Police, for this I congratulate all the officers and technical team. The training programs prepared by Bhopal Police under LMS will be very necessary for every policeman to have professional competence and to effectively perform the new laws and various responsibilities of the police. I am happy to know that these courses are being made mandatory by the

Commissioner of Police, Bhopal for various levels of police personnel so that the employees who complete this course can be given specific responsibilities on the basis of their qualifications.

Under the concept of smart policing, the 3 words in this S- Sensitive & Strick, M- Mobile & Modern, A- Accountable & Alert, R- Responsive & Reliable, T- Taxey & Trends have been realized through this medium today. This is the motto of Prime Minister, whose "Smart Policing" is a new step. Under this, the police personnel can develop their capability by staying where they are.

The four processes that have been started on the occasion of launch, whether it is in relation to arrest law, in relation to cyber crimes, CDR analysis or related to protection of children and POCSO Act. There are all such tasks in which the police of the district need to be very trained, this topic has been added in this online course, which shows the foresight of Bhopal Commissionerate Police.

IAF honours individuals, organisations for self-reliance

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Indian Achievers' Forum (IAF), as a social organization, takes pride in celebrating India's glorious 75 years of independence by honouring individuals/organizations/ institutions who have achieved Atmanirbharta (self-reliance) and are contributing toward social development and nation-building by achieving the extraordinary.

IAF is a promoting achievers from across the globe since 2000, IAF felicitates them on a global platform and tells their stories that, in turn, inspire individuals, businesses and communities alike. Indian Achievers' Forum organized a grand event on the 21st of July, 2022, at Le Meridien Hotel, New Delhi, on the theme "Atmanirbharta: Vision of New India". More than 300 delegates attended this summit form across India and some of from overseas also.

The program commenced with the inaugural ceremony, followed by a few speeches by significant personalities. Shri Bandaru Dattatraya, Governor of Haryana, congratulated all the participants and winners.

Temporary exhibition inaugurated and essay writing competition held

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Regional Museum of Natural History, Bhopal (A Regional Centre of National Museum of Natural History, New Delhi) celebrated "World Nature Conservation Day" on Thursday.

On this occasion, a Temporary Exhibition themed "Importance of Medicinal Plants to Human Life" organized in association with Hitendra Kumar Ram from Atal Bihari Vajpayee Hindi University, Bhopal.

Chief Guest of the programme Prof. Khem Singh Deheriya, Vice Chancellor of Atal Vihari Vajpayee Hindi University, Bhopal inaugurated the exhibition.

34 plants of medicine importance Amaltaas, Imlil, Sehjan, Malkagni, Neerbrahmi, Nirgundi, Shataver, Sarpgandha, Jamun, Aola, Harad, Badahar, Gudahal, Sita ashok, Arjun, Mahua, Vilb, Karanj, Semal, Bargad, Pakhar, Kabeet, Jangal Jalebi, Kachnar, Adua, Harshringar, Giloy, Kaalmegh, Bhuiaola, Mandukparni, Neem, Molshri, Khirni are displayed along with their product.

Similarly, the museum organized an Essay Writing Competition on the theme

Exhibition themed "Importance of Medicinal Plants to Human Life" organized in association with Hitendra Kumar Ram

"Nurture Our Nature" to create awareness towards nature conservation among the students. 104 students of class 9th to 10th from 21 schools of Bhopal have participated in this competition.

During the programme, Scientist-in-charge of the museum Manoj Kumar Sharma; Scientist-C, Beenish Rafat; Scientist-C, Manik Lal Gupta; Hitendra Kumar Ram from Atal Bihari Vajpayee Hindi University, Bhopal; Pradeep Nandi from NCHSE, Bhopal; Mohd. Khalique from Bhopal Birds; teachers and staff members of the museum were present. Beenish Rafat, Scientist-C coordinated the temporary exhibition and Shri Manik Lal Gupta, Scientist-C coordinated the Essay Writing Competition.



BJP workers during a march towards Raj Bhawan to submit a memorandum to the State Governor against Congress leader Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury's remarks on President Droupadi Murmu, in Bhopal on Thursday. Pioneer photo

Orientation program at Indian Institute of Art & Design

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Indian Institute of Art & Design (IIAD) organised its Orientation day at IIT, Delhi for the new foundation batch 2022. Manish Tewari - Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha as chief guest, graced the occasion. The programme included a full cohort for both undergraduate design programme and postgraduate Fashion Business Management (FBM) programme.

The Orientation Day com-

menced to help students' transition into their new academic environment and align expectations to the values that IIAD upholds as an Institution. Dignitaries from IIAD, Dr Jitin Chadha-Founder & CEO, IIAD, Professor Usha Patel-Director, Academics, IIAD, Ajit Chadha-Chairman, IIAD along with other course leaders, professors and lecturers were also present at the event to formally welcome the students and their families into the IIAD community and acquaint them with the pre-

requisites before they embark on their journey.

While addressing the students and parents Dr. Jitin Chadha, Director of IIAD, said, "Everyday will be a new challenge and an opportunity to learn. In these coming 4 years you'll be taught to design-redesign, imagine-reimagine, invent-reinvent." With this note Dr. Chadha wished all the students with - "Hope you create a strong foundation for yourselves and become the best of the future designers."

MP selected for state and dist category award in drug de-addiction campaign

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan congratulated the people of the state for the selection of Madhya Pradesh by the central government as the best performing state in the field of drug de-addiction.



Chief Minister Chouhan termed for the selection of Madhya Pradesh in the NMBA (Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyan) State Category Award and the best performance of Datia in the District Category Award in the grading done recently by the Union Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment as a significant achievement.

necessary amendments in the liquor policy. Chief Minister Chouhan said that as per the expectation of the Government of India, a rational policy would be implemented after holding talks with different sections of the society, social workers etc. Uma Bharti keeps making efforts for social change, necessary steps will be taken after seeking her suggestions.

Now farmers will be able to do girdawari

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Bhopal: Chief Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan has said that on the mantra of Atmanirbhar Madhya Pradesh and Atmanirbhar farmer, the state government has taken another farmer-friendly decision. In 'Meri Girdawari-Mera Adhikar', now farmers will be able to enter their crop information through MPKISAN App. This information will be used for crop loss, minimum support price scheme, Bhavantar Yojana, Kisan Credit Card and agricultural loan.

MPKISAN App from their own field. This app can be downloaded from Google Play Store. Farmers can login to the app and add their fields by clicking on crop self-declaration, claim objection option. To add an account, one or more accounts can be added by clicking on the plus option, selecting District/ Tehsil/ Village/ Khasra etc.

Two nabbed for raping two cousin sisters

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Gautam Nagar police have arrested two accused who captivated and raped two cousin sisters, atrocity was revealed after the victims returned on Wednesday.

According to the Gautam Nagar police, two girls living in the Gunga area are pursuing B.A from a college in the DIG Bunglow area. On July 11, both of them had left home asking to go to college and when they failed to reach home till late evening, the family lodged a missing person's complaint.

friends (Dheeraj, Balram) took them to Gandhi Nagar by car on the pretext of having food and later both the youths captivated them and raped them. In the complaint, the girls stated that Dheeraj and Balram after having food took them to the railway station and left the car in the parking lot. The two were taken to Agra, Mathura by train. On July 27, both the youths came to Bhopal and dropped them at the railway station.

कार्यालय प्राचार्य शासकीय पॉलिटेक्निक महाविद्यालय पन्ना, सिविल लाइन रोड पन्ना, जिला,

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पुस्तकों के क्रय हेतु पुस्तक विक्रेताओं/प्रकाशकों के पंजीयन हेतु आमंत्रण 2022-2023 शासकीय पॉलिटेक्निक महाविद्यालय पन्ना (Modern Office Management, Computer Science & Engineering, Civil Engineering & Mechanical Engineering) में संचालित पाठ्यक्रमों हेतु इस पॉलिटेक्निक महाविद्यालय में पुस्तक प्रकाशकों/विक्रेताओं को पंजीयन (पंजीयन फॉर्म महाविद्यालय के वेबसाइट www.polypanna.org से प्राप्त की जा सकती है) किया जाकर पंजीयन पुस्तक विक्रेताओं/प्रकाशकों से सीमित निविदा आमंत्रित की जावेगी।

अतः इस पॉलिटेक्निक में पुस्तक क्रय हेतु पुस्तक विक्रेता/पुस्तक प्रकाशक इच्छुक हों तो संस्था द्वारा निर्धारित प्रपत्र में अपनी जानकारी भरते हुये तथा पंजीयन फॉर्म शुल्क 500 रूपए (अहस्तांतरणीय) का मल्टीसिटी चेक जो की फर्म के नाम से संचालित बैंक खाते का हो, 'प्राचार्य शासकीय पॉलिटेक्निक महाविद्यालय पन्ना' के नाम से हस्ताक्षरित करते हुये दिनांक 20 अगस्त 2022 को सांय 5 बजे तक संस्था को पंजीयन डाक/स्पीड पोस्ट/कूरियर/व्यक्तिगत रूप से सोलंबंद लिफाफे में कार्यालय, प्राचार्य, शासकीय पॉलिटेक्निक महाविद्यालय, सिविल लाईन, जिला चिकित्सालय के पास पन्ना, जिला-पन्ना (म.प्र.) 488001 के पते पर प्राप्त हो जाने चाहिए। लिफाफे के ऊपर 'पुस्तकों के क्रय हेतु पंजीयन' लिखा हुआ होना चाहिए।

निविदा के नियम व शर्तें :- 1- शासन/कार्यालय आयुक्त तकनीकी शिक्षा के निर्देशानुसार यदि क्रय प्रक्रिया में परिवर्तन या ई-टेंडर के माध्यम से क्रय के आदेश दिए जाते हैं तो यह प्रक्रिया स्थगित/रद्द करने का अधिकार प्राचार्य के पास सुरक्षित होगा।

- 2- फर्म को निविदा स्वयं के लैटर हेड में प्रस्तुत करनी होगी यदि आप पॉलिटेक्निक द्वारा निर्धारित प्रपत्र का ही उपयोग करना चाहते हैं तो ऐसी दशा में प्रत्येक पेज में ऊपर की ओर आपको अपने फर्म की सील लगानी होगी तथा प्रत्येक पेज पर नीचे हस्ताक्षर करने होंगे। 3- निविदा के साथ संलग्न रूपए 500 की राशि संबंधित फर्म को वापस नहीं की जाएगी, देर से प्राप्त होने वाले निविदा प्रपत्र/रद्द किये गए निविदा प्रपत्र/निरस्त किये गए निविदा प्रपत्र की राशि प्रक्रिया पूर्ण होने के 30 दिवस के अन्दर लौटी दी जाएगी। 4- पंजीयन स्वीकृत होने के बाद पाठ्यपुस्तकों पर मुद्रित मूल्य में देय छूट की दर निर्धारित प्रारूप में चार श्रेणियों में प्रस्तावित करनी होगी- 1. स्वयं के प्रकाशनों पर देय छूट, 2. अन्य प्रकाशकों की पुस्तकों पर देय छूट 3. विदेशी प्रकाशकों की पुस्तकों पर देय छूट 4. जर्नल/रिसर्च पेपर पर देय छूट की दर. 5- FOR शासकीय पॉलिटेक्निक महाविद्यालय पन्ना होगा. 6- पुस्तकें नवीनतम संस्करण की ही स्वीकार की जावेगी. 7- पुस्तकें पर छपा हुआ मुद्रित मूल्य ही मानी होगा. पुस्तकों पर स्टीकर या मुद्रित मूल्य पर की गई कांट-छांट मान्य नहीं किये जायेंगे, ऐसी पुस्तकों हेतु कोई भी भुगतान नहीं किया जायेगा. 8- जिन पुस्तकों को पर मूल्य मुद्रित नहीं है ऐसी दशा में प्रकाशकों द्वारा मुद्रित मूल्य सूची प्रमाणित कर प्रस्तुत करनी होगी। 9- कटी-फटी या छलियास्त पुस्तकों को स्वीकार नहीं किया जायेगा. 10- पुस्तकें प्रत्यय किये गए आदेश के अनुसार ही होने चाहिए, आदेश सूची से भिन्न पुस्तकें प्राप्त होने पर पुस्तकों का भुगतान नहीं किया जायेगा तथा सही पुस्तकें भेजने पर ही पुनः पुस्तकें वापस की जाएगी, ऐसा न करने पर देयक भुगतान रोकना जा सकता है. 11- विदेशी प्रकाशकों की दशा में विनियम GOC के अनुसार होगा. 12- फर्म को प्रस्तावित की गई छूट की दर पर पुस्तकों को प्रत्यय करना बाध्यकारी होगा, प्रस्तावित छूट की दर पर पुस्तकों की आपूर्ति न करने की दशा, निर्धारित सूची अनुसार पुस्तकें प्रदान न करने की दशा में फर्म को काली सूची में डाला जा सकता है तथा जमा की गई सुरक्षा निधि को जब्त कर करते हुए रजिस्ट्रेशन को भी रद्द करते हुए भविष्य में निविदा हेतु अयोग्य कर दिया जायेगा. वीर्यता क्रम में प्रस्तावित छूट की दर पर उससे नीचे वाली फर्म को पुस्तकों के क्रय हेतु आदेश प्रदान किया जायेगा. 13- निविदा प्रपत्र सोलंबंद लिफाफे में महाविद्यालय में दिनांक 20.08.2022 को सांय 5:00 बजे तक पंजीयन डाक/कूरियर/स्वयं उपस्थित होकर जमा की जा सकती है, विलम्ब से प्राप्त निविदा को क्रय प्रक्रिया में शामिल नहीं किया जायेगा. 14- रजिस्टर्ड फर्म को सूचना उनके द्वारा प्रदत्त ईमेल एवं सस्था के वेबसाइट पर भी दी जावेगी। 15- किसी भी प्रकार की अन्य सूचना संस्था के वेबसाइट www.polypanna.org पर ही दी जावेगी। 16- किसी भी विवाद की स्थिति में प्राचार्य का निर्णय एवं अंतिम एवं बाध्यकारी होगा. 17- संचालित ब्रांच जिनके पुस्तकों का क्रय किया जाना प्रस्तावित है। पुस्तकों की सूची सीमित निविदा आमंत्रण करते समय केवल पंजीयन पुस्तक विक्रेताओं/प्रकाशकों को ही दी जावेगी तथा उसी अनुसार पुस्तकें स्वीकार की जावेगी।

- 1. माडर्न ऑफिस मैनेजमेंट 2. कम्प्यूटर साइंस एण्ड इंजीनियरिंग 3. सिविल इंजीनियरिंग 4. मैकेनिकल इंजीनियरिंग

(अरविन्द कुमार त्रिपाठी) प्राचार्य शासकीय पॉलिटेक्निक महाविद्यालय पन्ना (म.प्र.)



A participant in a high jump event during an ongoing test for the admission in the Sports Residential school, Sehore, conducted by MP school education department at TT Nagar Stadium in Bhopal on Thursday. Pioneer photo

42nd training session of DSPs at Police Academy

Bhopal: The 42nd Probationary DSP training session concluded on Thursday at Madhya Pradesh Police Academy, Bhopal under the presence of Director General of Police Sudhir Saxena and Additional Director General of Police (Training) Anuradha Saxana.

always incorporating the new concept of Smart Policing of Prime Minister in your methodology. The DGP said that in the last years, many changes have taken place in all the fields including social, economic, technical and these changes have brought new challenges before the police.

Forensic Science, Police Station Management and Inspection as Supervising Officer, Prevention of Crimes, Office Procedure, Human Rights, Management Skills, Minor Acts with Personality Development and training in Major Acts, Discussion etc. was also given. On this occasion, the Director General of Police, Sudhir Saxena, by securing the highest marks in the overall examination, awarded the first position to Trainee Deputy Superintendent of Police (District Raisen) Ravi Sharma and the second-ranked Trainee Deputy Superintendent of Police (District Vidisha) Pratibha Sharma.

Mantras on which CEDMAP is working with

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Innovations, skill labs, incubations, end-to-end solution, online learning management systems and supply-chain management are mantras on which Centre for Entrepreneurship Development Madhya Pradesh (CEDMAP) has been working rigorously for past one year said ED of CEDMAP Anuradha Singhai while interacting with mediapersons today in the state capital. The core objective is Koi bhi bezoggar nahi rahe (No one should remain unemployed).

the past one year prominent presence has been made. Online course would be offered but only those would be provided with certificates who would complete course without skipping any part of content. Career counselling, digital library, ERP development, back end support like many productive initiatives have been started and would be established to achieve greater efficiency. Man-power outsourcing would be done for departments by developing skills at CEDMAP and for this online management recruitment system would be developed. Through online initiatives over 1 lakh people would be reached and benefitted.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Sunitha V.S. Alias Sunitha V S Chaitram Veedu W/o Shri Sadasivan KM Nambisan (old name K M Sadasivan Nambisan) and D/O Shri K.M. Vasudeva Sarma R/o Iris-7, Sector-1/A, Global Park City, Katara Hills, Huzur, Bhopal-462043 have changed my name to Sunitha Sadasivan since we got married on 27.10.2001, and an affidavit sworn before the notary public Bhopal on 03.06.22 & 23.07.22. Due to my typing mistake my name instead of Sunitha was wrongly typed as Sunitha in the Madhya Pradesh Gazette publication number 24, dated 17 June 2022, G-1122. Henceforth, I shall be known as Sunitha Sadasivan for all purposes. (Sunitha Sadasivan) New & Correct name

G-14760/22 दो गज की दूरी, मास्क है जरूरी।

NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY TENDER NOTICE No. 05/2022/RS/JHS Date: 26.07.2022 Tender Notice For and on behalf of President of India, the Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer (Rolling Stock) North Central Railway, Jhansi, invites open tenders through online (E-Tendering) for the following work. Tender No. :- JHS-RS-WC-T2-2022-23. Description:- Filling of sand in electric Locomotives at ELS/JHS and removal of condemn size brake shoe & fitting of new / serviceable brake shoe in locomotives. Tender value:- ₹ 856148.06, Earnest Money:- ₹ 17100.00, Closing date of tender: 26.08.2022, Completion period from the date of issue of LOA:- 24 Months. Tenderer will submit the tender online upto 26.08.2022 (15:00 Hrs.). Complete details & for submission of tenders can be seen in Indian Railway website http://www.ireps.gov.in. 947/22 (D) www.ncr.indianrailways.gov.in © CPROMCR

VACCINE COVID-19 DOSE 2. A medic administers a booster dose of COVID-19 vaccine to a Muslim beneficiary during a Community awareness and social mobilization on importance of COVID-19 vaccination programme organised at Taj-ul-Masajid on Thursday. Pioneer photo

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank Regional office -1st floor, Sai Baba complex, Near GDA building, Phool Bagh, Gwalior. 07512423126 POSSESSION NOTICE (Rule 8(1)) For Immovable Property The Undersigned being the Authorised officer of the Canara Bank Under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, in exercise of the power conferred under Section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice on below mentioned date to the following Borrowers/Guarantors, calling upon them to repay the amount mentioned in the respective Notice with in 60 days from the date of receipt of said notices. The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, Notice is here by given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on dates mentioned below. The borrowers/Guarantors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with the properties will be subject to the charge of Canara Bank, for an amount herein below mentioned & Interest thereon. The borrower's attention is invited to provision of Section 13(8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

बैंक ऑफ़ बड़ौदा Bank of Baroda E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE Appendix-IV-A [See proviso to rule 8(6) & 6(2)] SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) & 6 (2) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to Bank of Baroda the Secured Creditor the Possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Bank of Baroda Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" basis for recovery of Amount mentioned below plus interest and other expenses due to Bank of Baroda the Secured Creditor from below mentioned Borrowers & Guarantors.

Media reports on delay in hearing of plea against attacks on Christians

SC says there's a limit to targetting judges

Rebukes lawyer seeking to speed up the case

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

Expressing displeasure over news reports that it was delaying hearing a plea alleging increasing attacks on Christian institutions and priests across the country, the Supreme Court on Thursday said there is a limit to which you target judges even as it admonished an advocate who sought to speed up the case.

Give us a break, a bench of Justices D Y Chandrachud and Surya Kant said. "Last time the matter could not be taken because I was down with Covid. You get it published in newspapers that the Supreme



Court is delaying the hearing. Look, there is a limit to which you can target the judges. Who supplies all this news?"

"The news I saw online was that judges are delaying the hearing. Give us a break. One of the judges is down with Covid and this is the reason we could not take the matter. Anyway, we will list it otherwise there will be another news item," the bench observed orally. The observations came after the petitioner's counsel sought hearing of the case.

Senior advocate Colin

Gonsalves had mentioned the matter before a vacation bench in June and said 45 to 50 violent attacks on an average take place against Christian institutions and priests across the country every month.

The relief sought in the plea filed by Peter Machado and others includes the implementation of guidelines issued by the apex court in the Tehseen Poonawala judgment under which nodal officers were to be appointed to take note of hate crimes and register FIRs.

In 2018, the apex court had come out with a slew of guidelines for the Centre and the states. These included fast-tracked trials, victim compensation, deterrent punishment and disciplinary action against lax law-enforcing officials. The court had said offences such as hate crimes, cow vigilantism and lynching incidents should be nipped in the bud.

Countdown begins! Vikrant may be commissioned next month

With the delivery of Vikrant, India has joined a select group of nations with capability to indigenously design and build an Aircraft Carrier

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

In a major milestone, the Indian Navy on Thursday took delivery of the first Indigenous Aircraft Carrier (IAC) Vikrant from the builder Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL), Kochi. The ship has undergone all the mandatory trials and is likely to be commissioned into service by Prime Minister Narendra Modi next month.

With the delivery of Vikrant, India has joined a select group of nations having the niche capability to indigenously design and build an Aircraft Carrier. The other countries are the US, United Kingdom, France, Russia and China.

Designed by Indian Navy's inhouse Directorate of Naval Design (DND) and built by the public sector CSL, the aircraft carrier costing about Rs 20,000 crores is christened after her illustrious predecessor, India's first Aircraft Carrier which played a vital role in the 1971 India-Pakistan war. Coinciding with the celebrations to commemorate 75th anniversary of

India's independence 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav', the reincarnation of Vikrant is a true testimony to the country's zeal and fervour in pursuing capability build up towards enhanced maritime security, navy officials said here.

The 262 metre long carrier weighs 45,000 tonnes which is much larger and advanced than her predecessor. The ship is powered by four gas turbines totalling 88 MW power and has a maximum speed of 28 Knots.

The project progressed in three phases of contract between the defence ministry and the CSL, concluded in May 2007, Dec 2014 and Oct 2019 respectively.

The ship's keel was laid in February 2009, followed by launching in Aug 2013. With an overall indigenous content of 76 percent, the IAC is a perfect example of the nation's quest for "Aatma Nirbhar Bharat" and provides thrust to the 'Make in India' initiative.

Vikrant has been built with high degree of automation for machinery operation, ship navigation and survivability, and has been designed to accommodate an assortment of fixed



The indigenously-designed aircraft carrier Vikrant

PNS

wing and rotary aircraft. The ship will be capable of operating air wing consisting of 30 aircraft comprising of MIG-29K fighter jets, Kamov-31, MH-60R multi-role helicopters, in addition to indigenously manufactured Advanced Light Helicopters (ALH) and Light Combat Aircraft (LCA) (Navy).

Using a novel aircraft-operation mode known as STOBAR (Short Take- Off but Arrested Landing), the IAC is equipped with a ski-jump for launching aircraft, and a set of 'arrester

wires' for their recovery onboard. The ship has large number of indigenous equipment and machinery, involving major industrial houses in the country like Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL), Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL), Garden Reach Ship and Engineers (GRSE), Keltron, Kirloskar, Larsen and Toubro and Wartsila as well as over 100 MSMEs. The indigenisation efforts has also led to development of ancillary industries, besides generation of employment opportunities and bol-

stering plough back effect on economy, both locally as well as pan-India. A major spin-off of this is the development and production of indigenous warship grade steel for the ship through a partnership between Navy, Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and Steel Authority of India (SAIL), which has enabled the country to become self-sufficient with respect to warship steel. Today all the warships being built in the country are being manufactured using indigenous steel.

Defence production key to safeguarding national interests: Army chief



PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

Army Chief General Manoj Pande said here on Thursday Defence manufacturing has shifted from buyer-seller relationship with foreign countries and collaboration with them now focused on co-development and co-production. Enunciating this factor, he also said collaboration

with foreign companies is intrinsic to India's ambition of becoming self-reliant in Defence production.

The geostrategic security environment has witnessed significant changes in recent times, leading to recalibration of established world order, he said at an event organised by the Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (FICCI). "India's security concerns emanate from the geopolitical dynamics at both—global as well as the regional level. These include the ongoing Russia-Ukraine conflict as well as the instability and the political uncertainty that we see in our immediate neighbourhood," he said.

The contemporary security environment and the changing character of war requires

that the Indian armed forces must be prepared to handle wide spectrum of challenges in conventional and sub-conventional domains, the Army Chief noted. Underlining this, he said our interests are best served by being *atmanirbhar*, especially in Defence production. Self-reliance is one of the key factors on which the military capability of any nation rests, he said.

There are new opportunities for "our foreign partners" and *Atmanirbharta* (self-reliance) is not only about isolating ourselves from the world, he noted. It is about self-sustaining and pursuing policies that promote efficiency, quality and resilience, Pande added. The ongoing reforms in the defence sector offer opportunities to the foreign Original

Equipment Manufacturers (OEM) to partner with Indian companies and work towards our shared objectives, he said. There is huge potential for export which can also contribute to the vision of our Prime Minister to become USD 5 trillion economy in the foreseeable future, Pande said.

He also stressed that a holistic, all-encompassing, well-calibrated, multi-pronged, and futuristic approach in defence production is fundamental in safeguarding our national interests. A pragmatic and actionable indigenous defence production strategy would ensure a secure and sustained supply of armaments and ammunitions to cater for our national security needs, the Army Chief said.

Indian Navy receives 2 MH-60 'Romeo' helicopters



PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

In an effort to boost its combat capabilities, the Indian Navy on Thursday received

two of the 24 MH-60 'Romeo' multi-mission helicopters from the US. All 24 all-weather helicopters will be armed with Hellfire missiles and lethal rocket systems. Navy officials

said the two helicopters were delivered at Cochin airport while another helicopter is scheduled to be delivered next month. India and US inked a Rs 15,000 crore deal for the helicopters through the Foreign Military Sale (FMS) route. It means the US government stands guarantee for all the obligations of the contract. Lockheed Martin manufactures these helicopters.

The first three MH 60 'Romeo' helicopters were delivered in the US in 2021 and are being used for training of the Indian Navy crew, they said.

The delivery of all 24 MH 60R helicopters will be completed by 2025. The induction

of state-of-the-art mission capable platforms will significantly boost the integral anti-submarine warfare capability of the Indian Navy.

With Thursday's delivery, the total number of helicopters handed over to the Indian Navy has gone up to five. MH-60R helicopter is an all-weather helicopter designed to support multiple missions with state-of-the-art avionics and sensors.

The Navy said it will be able to deploy the helicopters in a range of roles including in anti-submarine warfare, anti-air strike, specialised maritime operations as well as search and rescue operations.

IN SHORTS

SC TO HEAR PLEA ON ED HEAD'S EXTENTION
New Delhi: The Supreme Court agreed to hear on Friday a plea challenging amended law allowing extension of tenure of the director of the Enforcement Directorate (ED) up to five years, and the Centre's decision to grant one year extension to Sanjay Kumar Mishra as head of the probe agency.

RENUKA KUMAR REPATRIATED TO PARENT CADRE IN UP
New Delhi: Minority Affairs Secretary Renuka Kumar was on Thursday repatriated to her parent Uttar Pradesh cadre with immediate effect. The 1987-batch IAS officer had been working on the post since July 1, 2021.

'CASES AGAINST TRIPLE TALAQ PENDING IN SC'
New Delhi: As many as 35 cases challenging central legislations and Constitutional Amendment Acts, including one questioning law penalising practice of instant triple talaq, are pending in the SC.

MOTHER HAS RIGHT TO DECIDE SURNAME: SC
New Delhi: The mother being the natural guardian of child after the demise of father has right to decide surname, said SC on Tuesday while setting aside an order of AP High Court which directed a woman to include name of her second husband in records as a stepfather.

56 LAKH FISH SEEDS RELEASED IN GANGA
New Delhi: More than 56 lakh fish seeds have been released in the Ganga river for conservation and restoration, the Jal Shakti Ministry said Thursday.

SC TO HEAR PLEA AGAINST TREE CUTTING IN AAREY CASE
New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Thursday agreed to hear a plea challenging the cutting of trees in Mumbai's Aarey colony for a Metro car shed.

SC REJECTS K'TAKA HC ORDER
New Delhi: The SC set aside Karnataka High Court order declaring a provision of Karnataka Slum Areas (Improvement and Clearance) Act, 1973, which deals with amount payable in respect of land acquired, as ultra vires.

Maldives Prez to visit India on Aug 1

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

President of Maldives Ibrahim Mohamed Solih will pay a four-day visit to India from August 1 with an aim to further bolster bilateral ties. It will also provide an opportunity to review the relations and take the cooperation forward. Solih is scheduled to meet President Droupadi Murmu and hold extensive talks with Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The visiting dignitary will also visit Mumbai.

Meanwhile, Army Chief General Manoj Pande on Thursday held extensive talks here with the chief of Maldivian defence forces Major General Abdulla Shamaal, focusing on ways to further strengthen bilateral defence and security cooperation. Shamaal also called on Defence Secretary Ajay Kumar.

Maldives is one of India's key maritime neighbours in the Indian Ocean Region and the bilateral defence and security ties have been on an upward trajectory in the last few years. "Gen Manoj Pande #COAS extended a warm welcome to Maj Gen Abdulla Shamaal, Chief of Defence Force,

@MNDF_Official and discussed ways to strengthen the #DefenceCooperation between the two countries," the Army tweeted. External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar, during a visit to Male in March handed over a coastal radar system to Shamaal. India and Maldives share common perspectives on maritime security issues in the Indian Ocean and have been working together to expand defence cooperation. In April, Navy Chief Admiral R Hari Kumar visited Maldives and met Maldivian President Ibrahim Mohamad Solih and other senior leaders of the island nation to further boost maritime security cooperation.

Development cooperation has been a key pillar of the India-Maldives relationship with New Delhi providing Lines of Credit of over \$1.2 billion (one billion=100 crores) for infrastructure and grants for community development projects to the island nation.

In August last year, the island nation sealed a contract for the implementation of an India-funded connectivity project, billed as the largest infrastructure initiative being rolled out in the island nation.

Youths above 17 can apply to be enrolled in voters list

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

The Election Commission (EC) on Thursday announced that youngsters above 17 years of age will now be able to apply in advance for having their names enrolled in the voters' list.

With this, the youngsters will now not necessarily have to wait the pre-requisite criterion of attaining the age of 18 years on January 1 to get enrolled in the voters' list. The newly modified forms, which are simpler and more user friendly, will come into force on August 1, 2022.

"17+ year old youngsters can now apply in advance for having their names enrolled in Voters' list and not necessarily have to wait the pre-requisite criterion of attaining age of 18 years on 1st January of a year," the Election Commission said in a statement.

Chief Election Commissioner Rajiv Kumar and Election Commissioner Anup Chandra Pandey have directed Chief Electoral



Officers/Electoral Registration Officers and Assistant Electoral Returning Officers of all states to work out tech-enabled solutions such that the youth are facilitated to file their advance applications with reference to three subsequent qualifying dates - 1 April, 1 July and 1 October 1 and not just January 1.

The Electoral Roll will be updated every quarter and eligible youngsters can be registered in the next quarter of the year in which he/she has attained the qualifying age of 18 years," the EC said.

The poll body said that the current round of annual revision of electoral roll, 2023, any citizen attaining the age of 18 years by 1 April, 1 July and 1 October of 2023 can also submit an advance application for registration as a voter from the date of draft publication of electoral roll. For the current

round of annual revision of electoral roll, 2023, any citizen attaining the age of 18 years by April 1, July 1 and October 1 of 2023 can also submit an advance application for registration as a voter from the date of draft publication of electoral roll, it explained. EC has already managed to induct 1,736,181 (1.7 million) new voters between the ages of 18-19, people familiar with the matter said. Last year, 14,526,678 (14.5 million) new voters were added to the list.

The EC has also begun the process of linking Aadhaar numbers with Electoral Roll data. "(A) provision has been made in the modified registration forms to seek Aadhaar details of electors. A new Form-6B has also been introduced for collecting Aadhaar number of existing electors.

However, no application for inclusion of name in electoral roll shall be denied and no entries in electoral roll shall be deleted for inability of an individual to furnish or intimate Aadhaar Number... it is voluntary," the statement added.

Uddhav faction challenges in SC Speaker's decision on Shewale

New Delhi: Shiv Sena's Uddhav Thackeray faction has filed another petition in the Supreme Court challenging the decision of Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla to recognise that Rahul Shewale belongs to the Eknath Shinde faction as floor leader.



A three-judge Bench of Chief Justice NV Ramana and Justices Krishna Murari and Hima Kohli is already scheduled to hear on August 1 a batch of petitions filed by the Thackeray faction in relation to several political developments in Maharashtra, before the Election Commission with regard to claim over the party and its symbol and in Parliament.

The fresh plea challenged the decision of the Lok Sabha Speaker to recognise Shewale as Shiv Sena's floor leader at the instance of the Shinde faction. The Uddhav group terms the action of the Speaker as "illegal" and "arbitrary" alleging that the Shiv Sena leader and its chief whip in the Lok Sabha were removed unilaterally. "The Speaker made

the impugned changes to the positions of the leader and the chief whip without adhering to basic rules of natural justice or even calling for an explanation from the Shiv Sena political party or the petitioners herein, despite categorical requests in this regard having been communicated to him," the plea submitted.

The plea said names of Vinayak Raut and Rajan Vichare as the Leader and the Chief Whip of the Shiv Sena in the Lok Sabha respectively were reiterated and communicated to Birla, it said.

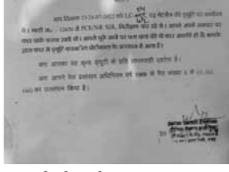
However, the Speaker approved the names proposed by the Shinde faction, it said. Chief Minister Shinde, with 12 of the 19 Lok Sabha members from Shiv Sena by his side, had named Shewale as leader of the party in the Lok Sabha and Bhawana Gawale as chief whip.

Rly gateman chargesheeted over reporting on duty in car

DEEPAK KUMAR JHA ■ NEW DELHI

Notwithstanding Prime Minister Narendra Modi's pitch for enabling even a common man in "hawai chappals" (slippers) to use air travel services and "sabka saath, sabka vikas", a Grade-IV employee of Railways has been chargesheeted with an explanation sought for breaching protocols by using his private family car to report to office.

The matter relates to a Gateman (name withheld) posted near the Hapur Railway Station (Ghaziabad), a few kilometers from the national Capital. The employee uses his private car to report to his place of work during late evenings or nights. But the poor Gateman has been con-



veyed that his reporting on duty in a car is totally against protocols laid down by Indian Railways and hence, this relates to 'dereliction' of duty as per railway employment conduct. The Gateman earned ire of his seniors after they were on an inspection and ostensibly took offence as their junior was using a car on duty and termed it a case of 'insubordination'. All efforts to contact gateman and officials for their response and comments till late evening proved futile. "You were on

duty 23/24 July and the Principal Engineer arrived on inspection at the P-Way Hapur. When the officers belonging to the Northern Railway noticed a Maruti car parked a few meters away they were inquisitive about the owners. Upon their on-spot inquiry the Gateman himself conveyed to the inspecting officers that it belonged to him.

This is pure violation of the service conduct as you as a Gateman cannot report to duty hours in a car as it is against the protocol. It also amounts to total dereliction of duty and that you have flouted Railway Administrative Service Act 1968, para 2, clause I and II," says the show-cause notice in Hindi issued by Senior Section Engineer (P.Way), Northern Railway, Hapur.

CBI seeks urgent hearing in plea against trial court order in 2G scam

New Delhi: The CBI on Thursday sought an urgent hearing of the appeal filed against the trial court judgment in the 2G scam case following which the Delhi High Court posted the matter for hearing before the Chief Justice Satish Chandra Sharma-headed bench on Friday.

The agency, which filed the appeal along with Enforcement Directorate on March 18, on Wednesday sought urgent hearing of the appeal in all 2G cases against acquittal of former Telecom Minister A Raja and many Corporates including Anil Ambani headed Reliance Group, Unitech and Essar Group.

ASG Sanjay Jain sought immediate hearing of the appeal of CBI's appeals, citing that the appeal filed more than four years ago is still at the stage

for granting leave for appeal. Justice Asha Menon, who is retiring in September said her court had certain time constraints.

Sanjay Jain, ASG for the CBI, has submitted that "the matters require urgent hearing. In fact, two applications seeking early hearing are stated to be pending, but in effect what is sought thereby is the drawing up of a schedule for arguments on the merits of the leave to appeal petitions, so that the matters can be heard at the earliest. "While appreciating the need for urgent hearing, this Court will not be in a position to draw-up such a schedule due to certain time constraints. In these circumstances, the matters be placed before Hon'ble the Chief Justice on 29th July, 2022 for appropriate orders," said the Order.

Maha local bodies' polls: SC warns of contempt if elections renotified to include OBC quota

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court Thursday warned the Maharashtra State Election Commission (SEC) of contempt action if it renotifies the election process to 367 local bodies, where it has already commenced, in order to provide reservation to OBCs.

The SEC, it said, "cannot and shall not" renotify the election programme, voicing displeasure over the "misreading" of its July 20 order. Any breach of its directives will invite contempt for the SEC and others concerned, the court said.

The Supreme Court had on July 20 accepted the recommendations of the Banthia

commission providing 27 per cent OBC reservations in local body elections and directed that election for local bodies in the state be notified in the next two weeks.

It had, however, made clear the same day that the new reservation policy will not apply to the 367 local bodies where the election process had already begun.

The court had noted in its July 20 order that the counsel for the SEC had said the election programme in respect of 367 local bodies has already started and will be taken to its logical end. The apex court had quashed the SEC notification providing for 27 per cent quotas for OBCs in local bodies in early 2021.

Gujarat hooch tragedy: 2 SPs transferred, 6 cops suspended

PTI ■ AHMEDABAD

The Gujarat Home Department on Thursday transferred the Superintendents of Police of Botad and Ahmedabad and suspended six other cops following the death of 42 people after consumption of spurious liquor, an official said.

Primary investigations by police have revealed that some small-time bootleggers of different villages in Botad district had made the spurious liquor by mixing water with methyl alcohol or Methanol, a highly poisonous industrial solvent, and sold it to villagers for Rs 20 per pouch.

According to police, forensic analysis established that the victims consumed methyl alcohol.

"We have transferred Botad SP Karanraj Vaghela and Ahmedabad SP Virendrasingh



Yadav. Six other police officials, including two Deputy SPs, have been placed under suspension," Additional Chief Secretary, Home, Raj Kumar told PTI.

Those suspended are Ahmedabad's Dholka division DySP N V Patel, Botad DySP S K Trivedi, Ahmedabad's Dhandhuka police station inspector K P Jadeja, Dhandhuka division's circle police inspector S B Chaudhari and Botad sub-inspectors B G Vala and Shailendrasinh Rana.

These officials were suspended for 'dereliction of duty and lack of commitment as they failed to stop the trans-

portation, sale and consumption of liquor laced with poisonous chemicals in their respective areas," say the suspension letters issued by the state Home Department.

Forty two people from Botad and neighbouring Ahmedabad district have died so far after consuming the spurious liquor on July 25, while 97 people are still admitted to hospitals in Bhavnagar, Botad and Ahmedabad, Gujarat Minister of State for Home Harsh Sanghavi said on Wednesday.

He said police will file a charge sheet in 10 days to ensure quick justice and the government will also appoint a Special Public Prosecutor to fight the case.

Fifteen key accused, including the one who acquired the chemical and those who sold the liquor to people, were already arrested, he had said.

The Botad and Ahmedabad police on Tuesday registered three First Information Reports (FIRs) against nearly 20 culprits under Indian Penal Code Sections 302 (murder), 328 (causing hurt by poison) and 120-B (criminal conspiracy).

Police investigation has revealed that a person named Jayesh aka Raju, who has been arrested, had stolen 600 litres of methyl alcohol from a godown in Ahmedabad where he worked as a manager and then sold it to his Botad-based cousin Sanjay for Rs 40,000 on July 25.

Despite knowing that it was an industrial solvent, Sanjay sold the chemical to local bootleggers of different villages of Botad.

These bootleggers mixed water in the chemical and sold it to people as country-made liquor, police had said.

SUSPICIOUS BURGLARY AT PARTHA'S FARMHOUSE

TMC slams Modi, ED for targetting Opp

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ KOLKATA

Soon after sacking its scam-stained Minister Partha Chatterjee, the Trinamool Congress on Thursday launched a scathing attack on the Enforcement Directorate and its handlers in Delhi wondering why only Opposition leaders were singled out in cases of corruption and the BJP politicians were spared by the Enforcement Directorate.

"We are not defending Partha Chatterjee as the party has already removed him from all the posts and the Chief Minister has sacked him from the Cabinet ... because the Trinamool Congress tolerates no corruption ... but it has to be clarified by the BJP as to why only the TMC leaders are singled out and when they join the BJP they are spared," party national general secretary Abhishek Banerjee said.

When asked to comment on BJP seeking Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee's the TMC leader who is also her nephew said "they are referring to a photograph where the Chief Minister was seen with Arpita Mukherjee ... as the Chief Minister she has to attend a number of programmes and is it possible to find out everyone's credentials," wondering "why do not they first ask for the resignation of the Prime Minister who was seen with Mehul Chowksi ... why don't they ask for the resignation of Nirmala Sitaraman during whose time Nirav Modi fled with some many crores ... and why don't they arrest or ask for the resignation of Shivraj Singh Chauhan during whose reign the Vyapam scam took place."

Speaking about Partha Chatterjee he said "though it seems that it is another case of vendetta ... because ED would not have touched him had he



ED." Meanwhile, in a suspicious development a farmhouse reportedly owned by Sohini the daughter of the minister --- located at Baruipur some 35 km south off Kolkata --- was burgled in the wee hours of Thursday, sources said.

joined the BJP like some other leaders --- like the Opposition Leader (Suwendu Adhikari) ... it seems that for the BJP when you are in any other party you are a thief but when you are in the BJP you are as pure as rose water."

Referring to the school level recruitment scam he said "there are other leaders who are in the BJP today whose names are coming in the scam for abetting illegal appointments in districts like Purulia and Bankura but they have not been touched by the

Locals said that three persons wearing black robes came in a vehicle, jumped over the high boundary wall broke the locks and entered the building which has a sprawling courtyard. Later they came out with a number of bags and fled away in the vehicle in which they had come. When the locals questioned their credentials they were threatened by the intruders, sources said.

The burglary took place in the night when Rs 28 crore was recovered from an apartment owned by Arpita and Partha. The police were investigating the case.

Yogi condemns Congress MP's 'Rashtrapatni' remark

Congress should also take blame for behaviour of its MP: CM

PNS ■ LUCKNOW



the blame for the behaviour of its MP and it could not shy away from its accountability.

The controversy was triggered by Chowdhury when he referred to President Droupadi Murmu as "Rashtrapatni" in a comment to a Hindi news channel.

When a hue and cry was raised, he admitted his mistake, saying it was a slip of tongue.

Bharatiya Janata Party state president Swatantra Dev Singh also criticised Chowdhury for his comment and said that it was an insult to the tribal women.

"The women who rose to the highest constitutional post should not be treated this way," Singh said in a statement.

New textile policy on anvil in UP

PNS ■ LUCKNOW

The Uttar Pradesh Government will soon bring a new textile policy incorporating innovations that will boost investment and increase employment generation capacity in the state. A senior official said on condition of anonymity that the draft of the policy had been prepared and sent to the advisory committee of the government for its opinion.

"With the implementation of the new policy, investment in the textile industry in the state will increase further. Along with this, employment opportunities will be created," the official said.

To start with, the process has been initiated for the acquisition of land for the establishment of Mega Integrated Textile and Apparel



Park in Hardoi under the PM Mitra Scheme of the Union Textiles Ministry.

"The establishment of textile units in the park is likely to provide employment to about five lakh persons," the official said.

He said there was also a proposal to set up an apparel park in Noida with an investment of Rs 3,000 crore. Land for developing the park has been arranged.

"About 115 export-ori-

ented textile units will be set up in this apparel park with an investment of Rs 3,000 crore, which is likely to provide employment to about two lakh persons," the draft of the new policy says.

The policy says that this region is full of skilled weavers but the irony is that because of Banarasi silk saris, the focus is only on Varanasi thus pushing the weavers of other regions into an unorganised sector.

BJP leader's murder: Two with suspected links to PFI held in Karnataka

PTI ■ MANGALURU/BENGALURU

Two persons with suspected links to the Popular Front of India (PFI) were arrested by Karnataka police in connection with the murder of a BJP youth wing leader in Dakshina Kannada district which had sparked outrage.

The arrested accused have been identified as Zakir (29) and Mohammed Shafiq (27), both from Bellare in Sullia taluk, where the 32-year-old zilla Bharatiya Yuva Morcha

committee member Praveen Netta was hacked to death by unidentified motor bike-borne assailants on Tuesday night, police said.

"Both are from Bellare, they have got suspected links with PFI - that we have to verify. We had taken them into custody last evening and after inquiry we have arrested them.

We will produce them before court and ask for police custody and do further investigation," the Additional Director General of Police (Law and Order) Alok Kumar said.

Mayawati lambasts Adhir over sexist 'Rashtrapatni' remark, seeks apology

PNS ■ LUCKNOW

Amid the controversy around Congress leader Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury's sexist remark on the President of India Droupadi Murmu, former chief minister of Uttar Pradesh and Bahujan Samaj Party supremo Mayawati lambasted the leader of Congress in Lok Sabha by calling his 'Rashtrapatni' remark "shameful" and "highly condemnable".

Taking to Twitter on Thursday, Mayawati said, "The spectacular election of Droupadi Murmu ji as the first woman of the tribal society to the post of President of India is not liked by many. In this sequence, the objectionable remarks made by Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury, leader of Congress in Lok Sabha, against her are very sad, shameful and highly condemnable."

Mayawati slammed the



Congress over Chowdhury's remark about Droupadi Murmu and said that the grand old party should apologise to the country.

"The proceedings of Parliament have also been disrupted today (Thursday), in protest against calling the Honourable Rashtrapati ji 'Rashtrapatni' on TV. It would be appropriate that the Congress party also apologise to the country for this and abandons its casteist mindset," the BSP chief tweeted.

Meanwhile, Mayawati has also taken seriously the theft of an elephant statue in the state

capital. Mayawati said that the theft of an elephant statue from the memorial of saints of Dalit society, Dr Bhimrao Ambedkar Social Change Sthal (Dr Bhimrao Ambedkar Samajik Parivartan Prateek Sthal) was a matter of shame and concern. She tweeted that in the respect of great saints, gurus, great men born in the neglected, despised, Dalit and other backward classes in the country, the BSP government had built a grand Dr Bhimrao Ambedkar social transformation site and this area was now the main centre of tourism. She said the theft of an elephant statue from there was a matter of shame and concern.

Mayawati further said in the tweet that the neglect in protection and maintenance of the grand sites and monuments built by the BSP government earlier during the Samajwadi Party regime and

now in the Bharatiya Janata Party rule was a cause of great concern.

The BSP supremo said while these places were a source of tourism income, the work being done at the Kanshi Ram memorial site and many other places was very sluggish and the government should pay attention to it.

It may be mentioned that the theft of an elephant statue has come to light from Buddha Vihar Park in state capital Lucknow. According to information, the elephant statue was installed in a fountain in Buddha Vihar Park developed on the Gomti Riverfront, and it has been stolen. No one other than the security personnel is allowed to enter the place from where the theft took place.

The Gautampalli police have registered a case on the complaint of security personnel Niyaz Ahmed.

Bombay HC CJ recuses from hearing plea challenging appointment of CBI Director Jaiswal

PTI ■ MUMBAI

A Bombay High Court bench led by Chief Justice Dipankar Datta on Thursday recused from hearing a petition challenging the appointment of Subodh Jaiswal as the Central Bureau of Investigation director, following a letter of complaint against CJ Datta.

Former Maharashtra Assistant Commissioner of Police Rajendra Trivedi had filed the PIL challenging Jaiswal's appointment.

CJ Datta said it had come to his notice that on March 22 this year, Trivedi wrote a letter to Chief Justice of India N V Ramana, "complaining" against him.

Jaiswal, who had earlier held the post of Maharashtra's Director General of Police (DGP), was appointed as the CBI director in May last year. Trivedi had on November 11, 2021 filed the plea through



advocate S B Talekar against Jaiswal's appointment.

A bench led by CJ Datta was hearing it since then. The bench had also passed several directions on the plea, including asking for affidavits from the Union government and Jaiswal.

Earlier this month, Jaiswal filed an affidavit before the bench saying Trivedi's PIL had been filed out of "personal vendetta."

The Union government on Wednesday submitted an affidavit, saying Jaiswal had been appointed the CBI director following due process and he had adequate requisite quali-

fications for the appointment. On Thursday, Additional Solicitor General S V Raju appeared along with ASG Anil Singh on behalf of the Union government.

They mentioned the matter for urgent hearing and sought that a specific date be fixed for next hearing.

CJ Datta then said it will not be proper for him to hear the matter.

"It won't be proper for us to hear this matter because a complaint has been against this court," CJ Datta said.

"Mr Talekar, you might not be knowing this but your client, the petitioner, wrote a letter to the Chief Justice of India complaining against me," he said.

Talekar said he did not know of the letter and that his client was claiming he had not written it.

Both Raju and Singh urged the bench to continue hearing

the matter, saying on behalf of the Union of India that they had "full confidence in the bench."

"It has nowadays become a trend for people to make random allegations if they want their matter to be heard by a different bench. If a court recuses, they feel they are successful," ASG Singh said.

Talekar also said his client was "very happy" with the way the hearing was going on, and urged the bench to not recuse itself from hearing the plea.

However, CJ Datta said even if he were to continue the hearing and in case he passed an adverse order, the petitioner might not be satisfied with the hearing.

"It is very easy to write a letter and tarnish someone's image. It will be appropriate if this matter is heard by some other bench. Justice must be seen to have been done," CJ Datta said.

A new, non-invasive way to alleviate hand tremors

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Maanav Narula still remembers the day he walked into his grandmother's room and saw her struggling to sign her name on a letter. The doctors had diagnosed her with Essential Tremor, but it was only in that moment that he realised what that really meant. Over the next few months, simple tasks like eating, writing and dressing became difficult for her.

These kinds of hand tremors affect over 120 million people worldwide. It affects those with Essential Tremor, Parkinson's Disease, Alzheimer's, stroke patients and so many more. Hand tremors have such a disabling effect that patients suffer emotionally too. Over half of patients suffer from depression and over 25 per cent retire early due to their tremors. They report losing a sense of identity, avoid leaving their home and even feel forgotten by the medical community.

They feel this way because the current solutions in the market are lacking. Medication is the first line of defense, but it's only 50 per cent effective, its effectiveness reduces over time and it has severe side effects. Some patients with severe tremors also attempt deep brain stimulation. Though effective, the surgery is expensive and risky, and simply not feasible for the majority of patients. Because of these tradeoffs, neither solution was feasible for Maanav's grandmother.

He set out to solve this problem for them. By visiting support groups, sending out surveys and interviewing patients, he first figured out exactly what kind of solution people wanted. He then bought the assistive devices currently on the market to see how they worked and why more people weren't using them. What he discovered was that customers valued the form factor - the size, shape and weight - of the device almost as much as its ability to reduce tremors. But almost all

of these assistive devices were too bulky or heavy. Even if they reduced tremors, they didn't resolve the social anxiety patients felt. The bulky devices simply drew too much attention and questions from others. And the fact that they were heavy made it difficult to use throughout the day without tiring their arms.

To tackle this problem, Maanav started with what he had — he took the technologies used today and tried to improve their form factor. He even tried combining some of them together. But he couldn't get it down to where customers would be comfortable wearing it. He spent months searching for a better way and eventually landed on a familiar technology. The year before, he had taken a class on vibrational dynamics as part of his mechanical engineering degree at the University of Pennsylvania. He learned about using earthquake-proofing technology to keep buildings stable. And that's when a light

bulb went off. Could he take this proven technology and scale it down to the size of a human hand? Would it have the same effect that is has on buildings? And what would be different if he uses it on a scale 800 times smaller than its typical application? This is exactly what he explored during his senior design thesis.

His first course of action was to see if this solution was even theoretically possible, let alone practical. He developed a mathematical model and found that there was in fact a narrow range to make this work. But it was theoretically possible. That was the first validation.

The next step was to translate this into a real product. The first version only needed to show proof of concept. And sure enough, it took the form of a bulky 1.5 inch thick bracelet. It also only worked for one particular tremor pattern at a time. But it was enough to show that the concept worked. Patients of course didn't like the form factor yet, but it worked. That was

the second validation.

Maanav then needed to figure out if this could be a viable business. He leveraged resources from his degrees at Wharton and Penn Engineering, including taking their entrepreneurship and venture capital classes, to build out his business model. This is also when the device got a name: Minimize. He entered pitch competitions and won several awards including the Innovation Prize at the Wharton Startup Challenge and the Medical Device Excellence Awards at the MD&M Trade Show in New York.

This was the third validation. It was enough for him to turn down job offers after graduating and he decided to pursue this full time. He moved to Chicago to continue building the company. His next goal was clear: Bring down the size and weight of Minimize. Unfortunately, this coincided with the onset of the pandemic and lockdowns. It was diffi-

cult to make a prototype from home and even more difficult to meet patients and test the product. Instead, he built his own mechanical tremor simulator to test and improve Minimize. Now, Minimize is able to reduce tremors by up to 80-95 per cent and takes the form of a lightweight, discreet bracelet. Similar to a step tracker, Minimize can also collect patient data to show how their tremor severity is changing over time. This can help patients identify triggers for their tremor and thus empowers them to make lifestyle changes to better manage the symptom. Lastly, while Minimize does have a battery, it doesn't have to be charged for it to be effective in counteracting tremors.

To make Minimize commercially available, however, it has to go through the FDA's regulatory pathway. To navigate these complex regulations, Maanav joined a MedTech accelerator at mHUB, an innovation center in Chicago. The



six-month program provided funding, technical resources, mentorship, access to corporate partners and strong connections in the Chicago and area. Since joining, he pitched to the program's corporate partners in Baxter and Edward Elmhurst Health Venture Capital and secured additional investments from them both. The traction Minimize has gained since the program has led the company to open their seed round earlier than expected. This funding

round will help complete clinical trials, FDA registration and commercialisation next year. Maanav's goal is to give all patients access to this non-invasive, non-pharmacological form of tremor therapy.

He believes patients shouldn't have to choose between the current subpar treatment options. What he first built for his grandmother, he now wants to build for the millions of others suffering from hand tremors.



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Time to liberalise

The government must expedite economic reforms to boost growth and create employment

The rush for government jobs is directly proportional to the severity of the unemployment crisis. The severity has increased badly in the last eight years. As many as 22.05 crore applications were received from 2014-15 to 2021-22 for Central government jobs, but just 7.22 lakh people got them. This is one out of around 300 aspirants becoming successful. These figures have not been compiled by some think tank or private body which the government functionaries or Bharatiya Janata Party leaders can dispute; the government itself released these numbers in the Lok Sabha on Wednesday.

Therefore, no amount of spin or sophistry would make these numbers vanish from political debate. To be sure, there is nothing surprising about these numbers; there is enough anecdotal evidence to suggest that the situation is pretty bad. For a handful of jobs, any government department announces, lakhs, if not millions, of applications, are received. The intensity of the agitation against the Agniveer scheme was also partly because of the lack of job opportunities for the youngsters. Since the unemployment problem is real, the solution ought to be real; and this can happen only if economic growth is accelerated. It is here where the shoe pinches. The International Monetary Fund has estimated that growth in India will be 7.4 percent for this fiscal and 6.1 percent for 2023-24. For both years, these are lower by 80 basis points from the IMF's earlier estimates. The international situation is badly hurting our economy, with higher crude prices, constrained supply chains, and general decline.

Because of these very reasons, the IMF has also lowered its global growth forecast for 2022 by 40 basis points to 3.2 percent. By 2033, it has pegged it further down, at 2.9 percent. "The outlook has darkened significantly since April. The world may soon be teetering on the edge of a global recession, only two years after the last one," top IMF economist Pierre-Olivier Gourinchas wrote in an article accompanying the release of an update to the IMF's World Economic Outlook report. Against this backdrop, India has to protect itself from not just external shocks but also the problems joblessness brings forth.

The only way out is the broadening and deepening of economic reforms, especially in areas, like agriculture and labor laws. Thankfully, the Narendra Modi government has shown intent to do that. It has recommenced the privatisation process, and the sale of Air India is a testimony to that. It also brought three excellent laws to help the farm sector a couple of years ago but had to backtrack. Its emphasis on infrastructure will also help boost growth and development. Ditto with PM Modi's attitude against the freebie culture. Therefore, now is the time to expedite reforms and translate a prudential mindset into policy-making and implementation. All this will accelerate growth and create jobs.

PICTALK



Moradabad: Students take part in a programme organised on the eve of the International Tiger Day, at a school. PTI

Judicial killings in Myanmar

By executing political activists, Myanmar army wants to instill a sense of fear among protestors demanding democracy

The execution of four political activists is shocking. It shows that the army generals in Myanmar have scant regard for human rights and are in no mood to restore democracy in the country. The four persons executed include highly popular Phyo Zeya Thaw, a 41-year-old lawmaker, and Kyaw Min Yu, a 53-year-old democracy. The military tribunal that gave them a death sentence did not give any scope for appeal.

The road to freedom is neither easy nor short. Myanmar which has been under the grip of the army since February when it usurped power by a coup is in turmoil. The people are on the streets to protest against the army rule and for the restoration of democracy. The judicial murders are an attempt to instill a sense of terror in the hearts of protestors. According to reports in the last year it has given a death sentence to 117 political activists that it had arrested.



The Tatmadaw, as the army of Myanmar, is called has also jailed Aung San Suu Kyi for 11 years to ensure she does not become a rallying point. Nonetheless, the democratic movement in the country is getting stronger and stronger. More than 14,000 people have courted arrests and over 2,000 civilians have lost lives protesting against the army and its generals.

Now, as the people's patience is wearing thin, the peaceful protests are now turning violent. Meanwhile, the sanctions and mismanagement of the economy have led to the economy taking a nose dive and it has shrunk by almost 20% causing widespread unemployment and a rise in inflation.

Indeed no regime can last long no matter how regressive or powerful it might be if it loses people's trust and legitimacy. Tatmadaw has lost both. The corrupt and repressive army generals are more focused on preserving their authority rather than the welfare of the country. They unleashed a reign of terror on Rohingyas to polarize the Buddhist majority but now the same majority has taken cudgels against it.

What is most disturbing is that the world powers aren't doing enough to press the army for early elections and restoration of democracy. The lip service to democracy is not enough some concrete steps must be taken to end the most regressive and ruthless army regime in Myanmar. Indeed it would have been better had India played a role in giving democracy a push in the neighborhood rather than maintaining a stoic silence.

Tipu was my saviour, sibling

Who says animals don't have emotions, in fact they are far more sensitive than maybe we humans. I have experienced it firsthand



AMIT KANWAR

Tipu, our pet, a medium-sized black Himalayan sheepdog, was my first true friend. With my brothers away to pursue their studies, Tipu was my sibling. My parents were working, and I was in the care of Amma, my grandmother. In rural Himachal, those were not the days when children were admitted to school at the earliest eligible age. Amma was in no hurry to expose me to formal education as avenues of informal education were many. I lived, experienced, and savored the simple village life.

I would roam in fields with Tipu in the toe and watch the crops sown, weeded, bloom, and harvested. In summers, we would sneak into mango orchards, tasting the best of the produce. Exploring the muddy meandering streams with paper boats was our favorite pastime during the rainy season. Misty winter mornings were spent in the greens of sprouting wheat decked up with shiny dew drops. Springs took us through sprawling yellow fields of mustards to the sugarcane plots, where I feasted on the sweetest of the cane. The beautiful balmy autumn was spent watching the leaves turn orange.

Tipu would often follow me, and he possessed a real sixth sense. Being an alert bodyguard of a five-year-old, he would overtake me if he felt the need to check the area for any danger before I venture. Whenever the hill trails grew narrow and steep, Tipu would always lead the way. He chased stray dogs and cattle away from my path and always sensed the people I did not like. One of Amma's friends regularly complained to her about my mischiefs, and I did not like her. Tipu sensed the same. Violently barking, he would chase her away.

Close to my sixth birthday, I was admitted into the neighborhood government school, an understaffed, dingy, single-story block of classrooms, crying for repairs. I wouldn't say I liked the school, but the prospect of learning was overwhelming. Tipu started accompanying me to school. He found a resting cor-



ner under a banyan tree on the school premises, where he would spend his day, waiting for the dispersal bell. My school-going excitement was somehow short-lived; the routine, punctuality, rules, and lack of independence were enough to dampen my spirits. Finally, my patience gave away, and one day I planned to bunk the school.

Collecting my bag, I managed to sneak out of the class. Tipu loved this pleasant surprise, and his hurried stretch and enthusiastic tail wagging signaled that he was happy. Tip-toeing quietly, we managed to move around fifty meters from the school periphery, undetected. Breaking the silence of the hot summer's noon, I heard the shrill voice of one of the dreaded teachers. He was calling out my name, and without looking back, I got into a sprint, with Tipu leading the way. Enraged at my audacious escape, the teacher mustered three boys to follow me, catch me, and get me back to school. Midway, the trio was able to catch up, and they asked me to return, to which I refused and continued on my way. Irritated by my indifferent



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and intrepid reaction, one of them tried to pull me by the arm to force me to return to the school.

Tipu, a silent spectator till now, flew into a wild rage and started barking violently. Sensing that the dog may bite, the arresting party withdrew quietly. I do not know what happened to them when they returned to school, but Tipu became the talk of the town from that day onwards. The scene was repeated on a few more occasions, and finally, the teacher had to request my grandmother to ensure that Tipu did not accompany me to the school. Poor Tipu was put on a leash during school hours. After some time, I changed school, and the chances of Tipu accompanying me diminished. Even being reserved with the display of emotions, he could not hold back his excitement on my return from school. He would vigorously wag his tail and would stay by my side for the rest of the day.

Tipu was the undisputed king of the neighborhood. A guard dog breed, he was unfriendly and reserved. One day, a neighbor got a pet, a ferocious, large-sized Gaddi

Dog, Moti. This started the war for turf between the canines. Observing that the skirmishes between Tipu and Moti grew violent, we tried to keep Tipu away from Moti. But one day, Moti ambushed Tipu. Tipu fought back bravely but got seriously injured. Timely evacuation and hospitalization saved his life.

Tipu was back to his original self within a fortnight. As the injuries were internal and had not healed well due to old age, Tipu's health deteriorated, and visits to the doctor did no good. Tipu got bedridden with failing health, and his drooping ears, limped walking, and wet eyes said it was all the pain of an ailing being. No amount of medication helped. On a sultry summer afternoon, after suffering for about a week, Tipu, my friend, my savior, my co-explorer, left us for his heavenly abode. Pained, I cried for days. Tipu is gone a long time back, but his memories linger on in my consciousness, reminding me of the meaning of true friendship, loyalty, and selfless love.

(The writer pens down stories of human interest and his travels. He also likes to click portraits.)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

NEW MADE IN INDIA MONKEYPOX VACCINE

Sir — Serum Institute of India is planning to develop a vaccine against monkeypox and is in talks regarding this with partners. It clearly shows how India is leading in the field of medical science and vaccination research and development. Also, the institute exports vaccines globally which will elevate India's role in the vaccine industry and will lead to a collaboration with global pharma companies. The world has already seen India's prowess in vaccine development when Serum Institute's covishield was not only used to vaccinate Indians but has been exported to other countries as well. Thus it will lead to India becoming a global leader in the field of vaccine research.

Ashwini Tomar | Ujjain

MEDICAL STUDENTS MUST BE HELPED

Sir — Refer The Pioneer (27th July, 22), Admit Medical students The government of India has fulfilled its obligation by 'Operation Ganga' - an evacuation process and brought back home Indians safely from Ukiran when Russia launched the invasion of Ukraine on February 24. Around 22,500 Indian nationals - mostly students - have returned from war-hit Ukraine to India since February.

The Centre government should come to the aid of these youngsters who are in serious distress and who already have spent large money for their admission in Ukraine and China, and had to return mid-way from their courses amid the war in Ukraine and the Pandemic in China. The government should make a special plan to admit these medical students to various government colleges and private medical colleges in the country by relaxing the rules "in the interest of the country and public at large.

India has a large medical education infrastructure with 612 medical colleges with 90695 seats for MBBS courses, more than 300 are Govt. medical colleges, 49 are deemed medical colleges and the remaining are private medical colleges.

Dravidian-Aryan debate



Tamil Nadu Governor KN Ravi has revived the Dravidian-Aryan construct with his contention that the distinction is geographical and not racial. Even though the theory that they are not distinct has been already debunked by archeological, linguistic, and genetic evidence, it is deliberately being propagated to create an entirely spurious impression that the Indo-European language speakers who called

themselves Aryans have been the original inhabitants and validating their claim of India being their pithrbhoomi (fatherland) and Punyabhoomi (holy land).

Nevertheless, it is a vain attempt to deny the fact that the Dravidians were well-settled in India long before the arrival of the Aryans sometime between 2000 BCE and 1000 BCE. The Hindutva scholars and ideologues may try hard to equate Indian culture with 'Aryan', 'Sanskrit' or 'Vedic' culture. But they are bound to fail because a part does not make the total. No amount of falsehoods and fake histories will alter the fact that India is a multi-source civilization' enriched by a variety of hereditaries and migration histories. Trifling with lineages to suit a particular political narrative or perpetuate domination by a section of society is not a virtue.

G David Milton | Kanyakumari

Even if the Russian-Ukraine conflict ends which looks unlikely, these students can not go back as already massive damage is done to the infrastructure of various medical colleges and institutions in Ukraine in the Russian attack.

Hence, in the interest of these youngsters, the Government can amend by ordinance the National Medical Commission (NMC) rules, which do not allow the transfer of students who are pursuing medical courses abroad and have to return home midway, in medical colleges here between academic sessions.

Even the government can add one more semester in their courses for the clinical training for these returning students so they can match Indian education standards.

Ramesh G Jethwani | Bangalore

THE STORY OF WASHED BRIDGES

Sir — According to the reports, three hundred bridges, small and big, were damaged and about five hundred kilometers of roads were dilapidated this Monsoon. The

six bridges of Gwalior-Chambal were broken, and their construction has not started to date. Earlier the government was not in a position to provide funds, so the proposal got stuck.

But when the approval of the fund was received, the process got entangled. These matters cannot be ignored, because, along these roads, the public's trust in the government is also broken, like a bridge-culvert, the expectations of the common man also collapse, which he keeps from the government for development.

The government routinely suspends some officials and blacklists companies

People are now beginning to understand that suspension is not a punishment and how will the loss of crores caused by blacklisting the company be compensated?

The government should ensure better quality and speedy delivery of infra projects.

Divyansha Sharma | Ujjain

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SOUNDBITE

Connectivity brings opportunities, progress and prosperity. Cabinet decision on enhancing connectivity in uncovered villages is going to transform lives of people in these areas.



Prime Minister — Narendra Modi



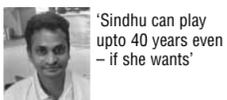
Russia has started a new type of hybrid world war. It decided that information, energy and food were military instruments put at the service of a continental imperialist war against Ukraine

French President — Emmanuel Macron

There are many facts about the Kohinoor that I didn't know & these revelations took me by surprise.



Actor — Manoj Bajpayee



'Sindhu can play upto 40 years even - if she wants'

Fitness Trainer — Srikant Varma

I extend my heartiest greetings to all on World Nature Conservation Day. Let us take pledge once again to work unflinchingly towards conservation of Mother Nature for protecting the environment and sustaining all forms of life on earth.



West Bengal CM — Mamata Banerjee

FIRST COLUMN

UKRAINE WAR CAUGHT US ON THE WRONG FOOT

India has to walk a tightrope amid a fluid world order



KUMARDEEP BANERJEE

The ongoing monsoon session of Parliament has briefly halted high-level foreign visits by ministers, while uncertainty prevailing in India's neighbourhood, as well as G7 partners are equally at play. War in Ukraine has also entered six months and the world is preparing for a harsh winter! All of these have major implications for India.

What was almost unthinkable in February this year, when Russia sent its troops into Ukraine is now turning out to be a living nightmare, impacting billions of people around the globe. When Russia went into Ukraine, everyone thought it would be a matter of a few days before a complete takeover. However, what wasn't factored in was the sudden western unity and throwing in of 'all it takes' by US and Europe to win a moral war against Russia.

Western nations led by the US hardened the sanctions regime against Russia, reviving Cold War era power blocs. It also forced many powerful European countries such as Germany to reinvestigate their military programmes, thereby diverting funds from other pressing sectors such as climate change. The most significant outcome of the war is perhaps a working template for China for its future road to global dominance.

China is Russia's most powerful global ally and has not restricted any trade with Russia, thereby reiterating the stated objective of 'friendship beyond any limits'. China has even come out with statements as late as last month condemning and challenging the western alliance-led Cold War era sanctions regime against Russia. What China is closely analysing are the challenges Russia faces at present and in future, and how can China insure itself from these threats, if it decides to push for unilateral military aggression in any part of the globe.



India has been caught on the wrong foot geopolitically. It has a historic relationship with Russia, stretching more than six decades and is one of the largest buyers of Russian weapons. However, it may be noteworthy that in case of a large-scale military flare up with China, the weapons on both sides would be of Russian origin. It could also mean Russia may have to make a tough call between a powerful global ally (China) and an old trusted friend (India) on the global stage.

Chances are Russia would choose the former. Meanwhile, India and China negotiations on border related issues haven't progressed significantly in the past six months. On the contrary both sides have made the north-western border points permanent military zones developing key infrastructure in the fragile Himalayan terrain. The winters of 2022 and many more to come are most likely to be tense, given China's heightened aggression.

Meanwhile, at multilateral forums such as the BRICS summit China is aggressively trying to push for a reserve currency, which is aimed to scale down the importance of a dollar denominated trade. China is also pushing for trade transactions in Renminbi and wants to establish an alternative to current international Interbank Payment Systems, which is another dent towards Europe and US-led order. It may be mentioned that India too has allowed Rupee denominated international trade settlements, and has been working on an alternate, to cross border inter-bank settlements.

These trends could have established an alternate financial system, provided India and China could have come to the negotiating table to discuss the regulations, standards, and governing principles. India, China with their other BRICS partners, Russia and Brazil, could have persuaded many smaller economies to join the new financial system. However, that seems currently out of place due to the prevailing geopolitical canvas.

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Need babus for knowledge based India

At a time when India aspires to be a \$5-trillion economy, existing bureaucracy needs a radical transformation



SUMET BHASIN

India is aspiring to be a \$5-trillion economy in a short span of time. By 2030, the target of the government is to hit the \$10-trillion economy size, and take off from thereon for qualitative and quantum jump in the socio-economic space of the country. The government may have a robust action plan to execute the economic aspirations.

But the plans are executed by the men and women in various domains who are the faces of the government on the ground. If the administrators prove to be enablers, India will reach the target economic size within the time frame. But if they prove not to be adequately equipped with the skillsets, India may falter, and that calls for urgent steps for the much needed administrative reforms in the country.

The Narendra Modi-led National Democratic Alliance government at the Centre is taking various measures to equip the administrative officials with the skills that are required to build 'New India'. The exercise at the various levels seeks to address the issues concerning the capacity-building challenges. The National Programme for Civil Services Capacity Building is one such exercise which is addressing the skill set challenges at the individual and institution levels. There are other digital modes of interventions to reorient the civil servants to the required knowledge sets. The State governments are also embarking on the path of administrative reforms.

The focus as of now is clearly seen to be on bridging the gap between the government and the citizens for various services. But the pace with which technology is evolving may herald a stage where the citizens can self-source such services with the digital eco-system as has been the case mostly in getting passports made, which in the previous years and decades used to be arduous tasks.

If the current thrust to reorient the bureaucracy for timely and speedy delivery of the services to the citizens are met with the interplay of technology, India may have a huge army of civil servants who would be least productive and also liability to the national exchequer and also the hard-earned money of the tax-payers. If we look back, it's hard to find thought leaders from among the bureaucracy, who by their innovations would have changed the face of the socio-economic domains of the country. This must be on account of the Indian bureaucracy not yet shedding its British era outlook. The civil servants just need to crack one examination, and afterwards they can lord over their subjects.

'New India' cannot have any space for such bureaucratic resources. Administrative reforms in the country have been attempted for several decades, and the first such commission was headed by none other than Morarji Desai in 1966, who later became Prime Minister of the coun-



A FEW EXPERIMENTS TO REFORM THE BUREAUCRACY INCLUDED LATERAL ENTRY AND WEEDING OUT NONPERFORMERS BUT RADICAL CHANGES NEED TO BE ADOPTED IF INDIA INDEED WANTS TO REACH THE GOAL OF A \$10-TRILLION ECONOMY BY 2030.

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try. Later, Veerappa Moily also headed one such commission in 2006.

But the outcome has just been incremental, with focus on downsizing of the bureaucracy to save the expenses. The recent report of the Reserve Bank of India on the indebtedness of the States has shown an alarming scenario. Many of the States are reeling under the burden of salary and pension to its employees. This is despite the fact that the States have been downsizing their bureaucracies since the 1990s. That means that India is still stuck in the cobweb of the old age bureaucracy, which is essentially seen as a measure to offer jobs at the expense of the state exchequer.

The Modi government has done a few experiments to reform the bureaucracy, which included lateral entry, weeding out nonperformers by giving them compulsory retirements, and so on. But it appears that radical changes need to be adopted if India indeed wants to reach the goal of a \$ 10 trillion economy by 2030 and triple the size by 2050.

India will need people at key positions, at policy formulation stage, and in fields to execute them, with speed that would be unseen, and scale that would be the best in the world. The interventions would essentially be at the entry levels, and the time may have come to write an obituary for generalists.

That an IAS officer can be at one time a revenue secretary, and another time he could be handling the affairs of road and transport is

just an idea of the time that has lost its relevance. India must say a goodbye to the culture that generalists can do all roles, as if they are blessed with some divine skills to acquire the know-how of the new tasks with the change of the departments.

The basis of the biggest reforms in the Modi government is the use of data with the digital interplay, which essentially banked on the skills of data mining and data analysis. That saved India several thousands of crores of rupees. This makes it clear that we need to create a manpower powerhouse of specialists, who can man areas of their expertise. A specialist will be better equipped to innovate, and innovations will accelerate India in scaling up its socio-economic depth.

We are no more in the 20th century that the people will be patient with incremental progress of the bureaucracy. Technology is making things irrelevant which were in vogue previously. Indeed, such specialists cannot appear on the horizon on their own. We get the skill sets only from our institutions, and the time has just come to overhaul our education system, and make them tuned to the needs of specialized skills in diverse spheres — economy, commerce, technology, social and political sciences, bio-technology, cutting edge management and so on.

Besides, it's also worth debating why bureaucrats should have career spans of 30 years and more. Why cannot they come in for

about 10-15 years, and take up assignments in other spheres, including the private sector. The Agniveer scheme in this aspect is a harbinger of a change that may have spillover effects in the other domains. Let the government avail of the best of the time of the professionals working in its ranks, and when the fire in their belly gets extinguished they should be respectfully retired, which can be institutionalized with a career span of about 10-15 years.

Such an ecosystem will also make available a trained talent base for the private companies, who in the end have to expand their capacities to take India to the \$ 30 trillion economy by 2050. The best of the talent shouldn't be just with the government, and an easy flow with the private sector can help bring in better convergence of the ideas for 'New India'.

Indeed, India is essentially a welfare state, and the time has come for the private sector to share the burden of the government to care for the poor of the country. This again can be achieved if there is a flow of the talent pool from the government to the private sector. Corporate social responsibility and its various other modes in diverse areas will also require new age managers, who cannot bank on the graduates of the management institutions, as their hands-on training would only be possible with stints in the government services. That calls for urgent administrative reforms, and time is ticking.

POINTCOUNTERPOINT

TO ADDRESS THE PRESIDENT OF INDIA IN THIS WAY NOT ONLY DEMEANS HER POST BUT ALSO THE RICH TRIBAL LEGACY THAT SHE REPRESENTS.

—BJP LEADER SMRITI IRANI



JUST ONCE, I SAID "RASHTRAPATNI". THEY (BJP) ARE CREATING A FURORE BECAUSE OF THIS. I MADE A MISTAKE, JUST ONCE AND IN ONE WORD.

—CONGRESS LEADER ADHIRANJAN CHOWDHURY

Tokenisation in interest of plastic money users

At a time when data theft is on rise, it's worthwhile to follow advice of RBI to opt for tokenisation in card usages

Even people, including the manager of a Noida software firm, were arrested in February 2022 for allegedly stealing and misusing credit cards of about 100 people across the country. In October 2019, the RBI asked banks to secure their customer card data after a website reported that nearly 1.3 million debit and credit card data of Indian banks are on sale on the dark web, potentially causing losses of millions of dollars.

There are millions of people using credit and debit cards on a regular basis. As a measure to safeguard the interest of cardholders, the Reserve Bank of India proposed a process called 'tokenisation'. Credit and debit card tokenization is the process of replacing sensitive data with a token, a randomly generated,



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one-of-a-kind placeholder, from the company's internal network.

The Reserve Bank of India on June 24 extended the timeline for tokenisation of debit and credit cards by three months till September 30, 2022 "to avoid disruption and inconvenience to cardholders". Originally, the RBI mandated that after December 31, 2021, entities other than card networks and card issuers cannot store card data. This timeline was subsequently extended to June 30, 2022.

Now after September 30, no entity in the card transaction or payment chain, other than the card issuers and card networks, should store the CoF (Card-on-File data or storage of actual card data) and any such data stored previously will be purged.

"On a review of the issues involved and after detailed dis-

cussions with all stakeholders, it is observed that considerable progress has been made in terms of token creation. Transaction processing based on these tokens has also commenced, though it is yet to gain traction across all categories of merchants," the RBI said in a circular to payment system providers.

In its press release issued on June 24, 2022, the RBI also urged credit and debit card holders to opt for tokenisation on a voluntary basis. It will be worthwhile for credit and debit card holders to try this sane advice of RBI for a smooth transition, when it is made compulsory in course of time.

Currently, many entities, including merchants, involved in an online card transaction chain store card data like card number,



expiry date, etc., [Card-on-File (CoF)] citing cardholder convenience and comfort for undertaking transactions in future. While this practice does render convenience, availability of card details with multiple entities increases the risk of card data being stolen/misused. There have been instances where such

data stored by merchants, etc., have been compromised.

Under the present system as an additional factor of authentication is not mandatory, there is always a possibility of fraudsters using the stolen data and the cardholders may be put to monetary loss. It is possible that social engineering techniques can be employed to perpetrate frauds using such data.

The RBI has issued a framework for CoF Tokenisation (CoFT) services. Under this framework, cardholders can create "tokens" (a unique alternate code) in lieu of card details; these tokens can then be stored by the merchants for processing transactions in future. Thus, CoFT obviates the need to store card details with merchants and provides the same level of convenience to cardholders.

To create a token under the CoFT framework, the cardholder has to undergo a one-time registration process for each card at every online/e-commerce merchant's website/mobile application, by entering the card details and giving consent for creating a token. This consent is validated by way of authentication through an Additional Factor of Authentication.

Thereafter, a token is created which is specific to the card and online / e-commerce merchant, i.e., the token cannot be used for payment at any other merchant. For future transactions performed at the same merchant website/mobile application, the cardholder can identify the card with the last four digits during the checkout process. Thus, the cardholder is

not required to remember or enter the token for future transactions. A card can be tokenised at any number of online/e-commerce merchants. For every online/e-commerce merchant where the card is tokenised, a specific token will be created.

The RBI has also said that 19.5 crore tokens have been so far created. Opting for CoFT (i.e., creating tokens) is voluntary for the cardholders. Those who do not wish to create a token can continue to transact as before by entering card details manually at the time of undertaking the transaction.

The Reserve Bank of India encourages cardholders to tokenize their cards for their own safety. Cardholders' payment experience will be enhanced through an added layer of security by way of tokenisation.

Russia steps up strikes on Ukraine amid counterattacks

AP ■ KYIV

Russian forces on Thursday launched massive missile strikes on Ukraine's Kyiv and Chernihiv regions, areas that haven't been targeted in weeks, while Ukrainian officials announced an operation to liberate an occupied region in the country's south.

Kyiv regional governor Oleksiy Kuleba said on Telegram that a settlement in the Vyshgorod district of the region was targeted early on Thursday morning; an "infrastructure object" was hit. It wasn't immediately clear if there were any casualties.

Vyshgorod is located 20 kilometers north of downtown Kyiv. Kuleba linked the strikes with the Day of Statehood, which Ukraine was marking for the first time on Thursday.

"Russia, with the help of missiles, is mounting revenge for the widespread popular resistance, which the Ukrainians were able to organize precisely because of their statehood," Kuleba told Ukrainian television. "Ukraine has already broken Russia's plans and will continue to defend itself." Chernihiv governor Vyacheslav Chaus reported that multiple missiles were fired from the territory of Belarus at the village of Honcharivka.

Russian troops withdrew



from the Kyiv and Chernihiv regions months ago after failing to capture either. The renewed strikes on the areas come a day after the leader of pro-Kremlin separatists in the east, Denis Pushilin, publicly called on the Russian forces to "liberate Russian cities founded by the Russian people — Kyiv, Chernihiv, Poltava, Odesa, Dnipropetrovsk, Kharkiv, Zaporizhzhia, Lutsk". Kharkiv, Ukraine's second largest city, also came under a

barrage of shelling overnight, its mayor Ihor Terekhov said. The southern city of Mykolaiv was fired at as well, with one person sustaining injuries.

Meanwhile, the Ukrainian military continued to counter-attack in the occupied southern region of Kherson, striking a key bridge over the Dnieper River on Wednesday.

Ukrainian media on Thursday quoted Ukraine's presidential adviser, Oleksiy Arestovich, as saying that the

operation to liberate Kherson "has already begun".

Arestovich said Kyiv's forces were planning to isolate Russian troops there and leave them with three options — to "retreat, if possible, surrender or be destroyed".

Oleksiy Danilov, the secretary of Ukraine's National Security and Defense Council, in televised remarks on Wednesday said he was "cautious" in assessing the timeline of the possible counteroffen-

sive. "I would really like it to be much faster," he said, adding that "the enemy is now concentrating the maximum number (of forces) precisely in the Kherson direction."

"A very large-scale movement of their troops has begun, they are gathering additional forces," Danilov warned.

The British military estimated on Thursday that Ukraine's counteroffensive in Kherson is "gathering momentum".

"Their forces have highly likely established a bridgehead south of the Ingulets River, which forms the northern boundary of Russian-occupied Kherson," the British Defense Ministry said on Thursday.

It added that Ukraine has used its new long-range artillery to damage at least three of the bridges across the Dnieper River, "which Russia relies upon to supply the areas under its control".

The 1,000-metre-long Antonivskyi bridge, which Ukrainian forces struck on Wednesday, is likely to be "unusable", the British Defence Ministry concluded.

Ukraine's presidential office said on Thursday morning that Russian shelling of cities and villages over the past 24 hours killed at least five civilians, all of them in the eastern Donetsk region, and wounded nine more.

New Cold War: Russia, West vie for influence in Africa

AP ■ JOHANNESBURG

Russian, French and American leaders are crisscrossing Africa to win support for their positions on the war in Ukraine, waging what some say is the most intense competition for influence on the continent since the Cold War.

Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov and French President Emmanuel Macron are each visiting several African countries this week.

Samantha Power, head of the US Agency for International Development, went to Kenya and Somalia last week. The US ambassador to the UN, Linda Thomas-Greenfield, will go to Ghana and Uganda next week. "It's like a new Cold War is playing out in Africa, where the rival sides are trying to gain influence," said William Gumede, director of Democracy Works, a foundation promoting good governance.

Lavrov, in his travels across the drought- and hunger-stricken continent, has sought to portray the West as the villain, blaming it for rising food prices, while the Western leaders have accused the Kremlin of cynically using food as a weapon and waging an imperial-style war of conquest — words calculated to appeal to



listeners in post-colonial Africa. Under President Vladimir Putin, Russia has been working to win support in Africa for several years, reinvigorating friendships that date back a half-century, when the Soviet Union backed many African movements fighting to end colonial rule. "Now that campaign has gone into high gear," Gumede said. Moscow's influence in Africa was on display in March during the UN vote to condemn Russia's invasion of Ukraine. While 28 African nations voted in favour of the resolution, a significant minority of countries on the continent — 25 — either voted to abstain or did not vote at all.

Russia's top diplomat this week visited Egypt, Congo, Uganda and Ethiopia, pledging friendship and charging the US and European countries with

driving up food prices by pursuing "reckless" environmental policies.

He also accused them of hoarding food during the COVID-19 pandemic. "The situation in Ukraine did additionally negatively affect food markets, but not due to the Russian special operation, rather due to the absolutely inadequate reaction of the West, which announced sanctions," Lavrov said in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia's capital.

Lavrov was warmly received in Uganda by President Yoweri Museveni, who for years has been a US ally but has refused to criticise Russia over the invasion.

Museveni even suggested at the outbreak of the war that Putin's actions might be understandable because Ukraine is in Russia's sphere of influence.

In rare contact, US offers Russia deal for Griner, Whelan

AP ■ WASHINGTON

The US has offered a deal to Russia aimed at bringing home WNBA star Brittney Griner and another jailed American, Paul Whelan, Secretary of State Antony Blinken said Wednesday. In a sharp reversal of previous policy, Blinken also said he expects to speak with his Kremlin counterpart for the first time since before Russia invaded Ukraine.

The statement marked the first time the US government has publicly revealed any concrete action it has taken to secure the release of Griner, who was arrested on drug-related charges at a Moscow airport in February and testified Wednesday at her trial.

Blinken did not offer details on the proposed deal, which was offered weeks ago, and it is unclear if it will be enough for Russia to release the Americans. But the public acknowledgment of the offer at a time when the U.S. has otherwise shunned Russia, reflects the mounting pressure on the

administration over Griner and Whelan and its determination to get them home.

Blinken said Washington would like a response from Moscow. Russia has for years expressed interest in the release of Viktor Bout, a Russian arms dealer once labeled the "Merchant of Death," who was sentenced to 25 years in prison in 2012 on charges that he schemed to illegally sell millions of dollars in weapons. Blinken said he had requested a call with Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov. U.S. Officials said the desire for an answer on the prisoner offer was the primary, but not only, reason that the U.S. on Wednesday requested the call with Lavrov.

Should the call take place, it would be the first conversation that Blinken and Lavrov have held since Feb. 15, about a week before Russia invaded Ukraine. Blinken said he would also be speaking to Lavrov about the importance of Russia complying with a UN-brokered deal to free multiple tons of Ukrainian grain from storage and warning him about the dangers of possible Russian attempts to annex portions of



eastern and southern Ukraine.

Whelan, a corporate security executive from Michigan, was sentenced in 2020 to 16 years in prison on espionage charges. He and his family have vigorously asserted his innocence. The U.S. Government has denounced the charges as false. He and his family have vigorously asserted his innocence. The U.S. Government has denounced the charges as false.

Griner, in Russian custody for the last month, acknowledged in court this month that she had vaped cartridges containing cannabis oil in her luggage when she arrived in Moscow in February

but contends she had no criminal intent and packed the cartridges inadvertently. At her trial Wednesday, Griner said she did not know how the cannabis oil ended up in her bag but explained she had a doctor's recommendation for it and had packed in haste. She said she was pulled aside at the airport after inspectors found the cartridges, but that a language interpreter translated only a fraction of what was said during her questioning and that officials instructed her to sign documents without providing an explanation.

Griner faces up to 10 years in prison if convicted of trans-

porting drugs. The U.S. Government has long resisted prisoner swaps out of concern that it could encourage additional hostage-taking and promote false equivalency between a wrongfully detained American and a foreign national regarded as justly convicted. But an earlier deal in April, in which Marine veteran Trevor Reed was traded for jailed Russian pilot, Konstantin Yaroshenko, appeared to open the door to similar resolutions in the future and the Biden administration has been hounded with political pressure to bring home Griner and other Americans designated as unjustly detained.

There was no indication that Blinken and Lavrov had communicated to secure Reed's release. Their last publicly recognized contact was Feb. 22, when Blinken wrote to Lavrov to cancel a meeting they had planned as a last-ditch effort to avert the Russian invasion, saying Moscow had shown no interest in serious diplomacy on the matter. The State Department said later that Russia's diplomacy was "Kabuki Theater" — all show and no substance.

Govt will focus on fixing economy, ending fuel shortage, says Ranil

PTI ■ COLOMBO

Sri Lankan President Ranil Wickremesinghe has said his government's main priorities are to fix the country's ailing economy and end the severe fuel shortage that has exacerbated after the last shipment under the Indian credit line arrived here in June.

Addressing a gathering at his party headquarters on Wednesday, the newly-elected president said his government was not against peaceful protest and would allow them all the time if the protesters did not break the law.

"I became the president at a most difficult time for the country. We have to set the economy right," he said. Wickremesinghe said his government's main task was to first reduce the length of fuel queues and then eliminate them completely. Since June 27, the government has stopped fuel supplies and restricted essential services.

Minister of Power and Energy Kanchana Wijesekera said on Monday that Sri Lanka will restrict fuel imports for the next 12 months as it is facing a



severe shortage of foreign exchange and announcing a rationing system for the distribution of fuel across the crisis-hit island nation. "QR system was introduced since the daily fuel demand cannot be fulfilled. Due to Forex issues, Fuel imports have to be restricted in the next 12 months," he said.

Sri Lanka, a country of 22 million people, is under the grip of an unprecedented economic turmoil, leaving millions struggling to buy food, medicine, fuel and other essentials. The severe foreign exchange shortage has hampered the import of fuel and other essentials in the country reeling under the worst economic crisis in seven decades.

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Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rule 3 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The undersigned is the Authorised Officer of Piramal Capital & Housing Finance Limited (PCHFL) [formerly known as Dewan Housing Finance Corporation Ltd. (DHFL)] under Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the said Act). In exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, the Authorised Officer has issued Demand Notices under Section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the following Borrower(s) (the "said Borrower(s)"), to repay the amounts mentioned in the respective Demand Notice(s) issued to them that are also given below. In connection with above, notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower(s) to pay to PCHFL, within 60 days from the publication of this Notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest as detailed in the said Demand Notice(s), from the date(s) mentioned below till the date of payment and/or realization, payable under the loan agreement read with other documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Borrower(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following assets have been mortgaged to PCHFL by the said Borrower(s) respectively.

Name of the Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount with NPA date	Property address
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(LC No. 00002917 of Noida Branch) Sugandh Papers Traders (Borrower) Manish Jain (Co Borrower 1) Aarti Jain (Co Borrower 2)	21-06-2022 / ₹ 872205 /- (₹ Eight lakh Seventy Two Thousand Two Hundred Five Only) NPA (12-05-2022)	Pno-88, Ff, Abadi Of Shanti Vihar, Ilaqa-shahdara Near- Karkardooma Court Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110092
(LC No. 00003686 of Jalandhar Branch) Sukhmal Juneja (Borrower) Manjit Juneja (Co Borrower)	21-06-2022 / ₹ 11908438 /- (₹ One Crore Nineteen lakh Eight Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Eight Only) NPA (12-05-2022)	309, New Defence Colony, Phase 1, near Bhimji Park 1, Jalandhar Jalandhar Punjab - 144001
(LC No. 00002359 of Noida 1 Rajendra Place Branch) Vijay Kumar Jain (Borrower) Shalu Jain (Co Borrower)	21-06-2022 / ₹ 10431207 /- (₹ One Crore Four lakh Thirty One Thousand Two Hundred Seven Only) NPA (12-05-2022)	Plot No-1, Third Floor, With Roof, Block-J-3, Village Ghondli, Krishna Nagar, Shahdara Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110051
(LC No. 00001465 of Noida 1 Rajendra Place Branch) Pechma Air Systems Pvt Ltd (Borrower) Nand Kishore Sehgal (Co Borrower 1) Suman Sehgal (Co Borrower 2) Yugal Kishore Sehgal (Guarantor)	21-06-2022 / ₹ 1023082 /- (₹ Ten lakh Twenty Three Thousand Eight Hundred Four Only) NPA (11-04-2022)	Apartment No - Ngp 234 New Town Heights 90 Gurgaon Haryana Gurgaon Haryana - 122006
(LC No. 00002391 of Noida 1 Rajendra Place Branch) Vijay Kumar Jain (Borrower) Shalu Jain (Co Borrower 1)	21-06-2022 / ₹ 491593 /- (₹ Four lakh Ninety One Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Three Only) NPA (12-05-2022)	Property No. J-3/1, Third Floor With Roo Block J Krishna Nagar Ilaqa Shahdara New Delhi New Delhi - 110051
(LC No. 00000041 of Lajpat Nagar Branch) Satish Kumar (Borrower) Shruti Anora (Co Borrower 1) Dinesh Kumar (Co Borrower 2)	21-06-2022 / ₹ 465834 /- (₹ Four lakh Sixty Five Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Four Only) NPA (12-05-2022)	Flat No 1406 14th Floor Tower A8 Type B Srs Palm Hills Sector 7 Palwal Faridabad Haryana - 121102
(LC No. 00001732 of Delhi - Safdarjung Branch) Parveen Kalra (Borrower) Mudit Kalra (Co Borrower 1)	21-06-2022 / ₹ 2136742 /- (₹ Twenty one lakh Thirty Six Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Two Only) NPA (12-05-2022)	Prop No- G-36 Old Plot No-f/2 Second Floor Without Roof Right, Gopal Nagar, Azad Pur, Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110033
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Lankan court orders police to produce ₹17.8 mn found inside Prez's House

PTI ■ COLOMBO

A Sri Lankan court on Thursday asked the police to immediately produce ₹17.8 million cash found by anti-government

protesters when they stormed the President's House occupied by the then President Gotabaya Rajapaksa.

The Fort Magistrate's Court here instructed the Fort Police officer in charge to produce the money after the police informed the court that the amount was handed over to them by protesters who found the money inside the President's House on July 9.

Rajapaksa was evacuated from the President's House

much before the protesters stormed the iconic building and occupied it.

The order comes as no report on the money was submitted to the court even after three weeks since Rs 17.8 million was handed over to the police, the Daily Mirror newspaper quoted Fort Magistrate Thilina Gamage as saying.

Gamage also ordered the police to submit a report on the recovered money. Hundreds of anti-govern-

ment protesters on July 9 stormed President Rajapaksa's residence in central Colombo's high-security Fort area after breaking the barricades, as they demanded his resignation over the island nation's worst economic crisis in recent memory.

Amidst the unprecedented anti-government protests, President Rajapaksa fled the country on July 13 to the Maldives. He then travelled to Singapore from where he emailed his resignation letter.

Biden, Xi talk more than 2 hrs at time of US-China tension

AP ■ WASHINGTON

President Joe Biden and China's Xi Jinping held the fifth conversation of their presidencies on Thursday, speaking for more than two hours as they chart the future of their complicated relationship at a time of simmering economic and geopolitical tensions.

The call began at 8:33 am EDT and ended at 10:50 am EDT, according to the White House. It took place as Biden aims to find new ways to work with the rising global power as well as strategies to contain China's influence around the world. Differing perspectives on global health, economic

policy and human rights have long tested the relationship — with China's refusal to condemn Russia's invasion of Ukraine adding further strain. "The two heads of state had in-depth communication and exchanges on China-US relations and issues of mutual concern," China Central Television reported on its website.

The latest pressure point has been House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's potential visit to Taiwan, the island that governs itself democratically and receives informal defensive support from the US, but which China considers part of its territory. Beijing has said it would view such a trip as a

provocation, a threat US officials are taking with heightened seriousness in light of Russia's incursion into Ukraine.

"If the US insists on going its own way and challenging China's bottom line, it will surely be met with forceful responses," Zhao Lijian, a spokesperson for China's Foreign Ministry, told reporters earlier this week. "All ensuing consequences shall be borne by the US."

Pelosi would be the highest-ranking US elected official to travel to Taiwan since Republican Newt Gingrich visited the island in 1997 when he was House speaker.

AFRICA'S ALONE IN MONKEYPOX DEATHS BUT HAS NO VACCINE DOSES

AP ■ NAIROBI (KENYA)
Africa still does not have a single dose of the monkeypox vaccine even though it's the only continent to have documented deaths from the disease that's newly declared a global emergency, its public health agency announced on Thursday.
"Let us get vaccines onto the continent," the acting head of the Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention, Ahmed Ogwell, said in a weekly media briefing.
He described a situation where the African continent of 1.3 billion people is again being left behind in access to doses in an uncomfortable echo of the COVID-19 pandemic.
Less than a week ago, the World Health Organisation declared monkeypox an "extraordinary" situation that qualifies as a global health emergency.
To date, more than 20,000 cases have been reported in 77 countries. More than 2,100 monkeypox cases have been recorded in 11 African countries



and 75 people have died, the Africa CDC director said.
Although monkeypox has been established in parts of central and west Africa for decades, it was not known to spark large outbreaks beyond the continent or to spread widely among people until May, when authorities detected dozens of epidemics in Europe, North America and elsewhere.
Now the global race is on to obtain monkeypox vaccine doses. The European Commission, the European Union's executive arm, has secured the purchase of 160,000 doses of vaccines for the disease.
On Wednesday, US health regulators said nearly 800,000 doses of the monkeypox vaccine will soon be available for distribution after what they described as weeks of delays.
Such delays are far more pronounced on the African continent, where the painful disease has been endemic in some countries for years.
Ogwell said the Africa CDC has engaged with international partners in attempts to obtain

guarantee that African countries will get priority. No countries have yet agreed to share any vaccines with the WHO.
WHO officials have emphasised that monkeypox can infect anyone in close contact with a patient or their contaminated clothing or bed sheets. Researchers are still exploring how it spreads but believe it's mainly through close, skin-to-skin contact and through contact with bedding and clothing that touched an infected person's rash or body fluids.
In Africa, monkeypox mainly spreads to people by infected wild animals like rodents in limited outbreaks that typically have not crossed borders.
In Europe, North America and elsewhere, however, monkeypox is spreading among people with no links to animals or recent travel to Africa.
In the US and Europe, the vast majority of infections have happened in men who have sex with men, though health officials have stressed that anyone can contract the virus.

Sunak less unpopular with swing voters in UK PM race, survey finds

PTI ■ LONDON



Former Chancellor Rishi Sunak has an edge over his rival, Foreign Secretary Liz Truss, in the race to be elected the next Conservative Party leader and British Prime Minister among swing voters, a new survey revealed on Thursday.
The British Indian ex-minister, who has been trailing Truss among the hardcore Tory members who will vote for their favourite in postal ballots from next week, is favoured among voters who had voted Conservative for the first time in the 2019 general election.
"While there is little to separate the two leadership candidates among for example those who currently intend to vote [Opposition] Labour (minus 59 for Sunak, minus 62 for Truss) or those who voted Conservative in 2019 (0 and +3 respectively), the crucial difference between Truss and Sunak comes among swing voters," YouGov said in a statement.
"Net favourability among those who voted Conservative in 2019 but now tell us they plan to vote Labour stands at minus 25 for Sunak and minus 45 for Truss. Equally, scores among those who voted Labour in 2017 but Conservative in 2019 register at minus 6 for Sunak and minus 19 for Truss," it said.



1971 Liberation War: 6 members of 'Razakar Bahini' get death in Bangladesh

PTI ■ DHAKA

Bangladesh's International Crimes Tribunal on Thursday sentenced six members of the infamous paramilitary force 'Razakar Bahini' to death for collaborating with the Pakistani Army for "crimes against humanity" during the 1971 Liberation War. The three-member tribunal headed by Justice Mohammad Shahinur Islam delivered the verdict.
"They shall be hanged by neck until their death," Islam pronounced, with five of the convicts faced the trial in person, while one convict was tried in absentia. The six accused include Amjad Hossain Howladar, Sahar Ali Sardar, Atiyar Rahman, Motacham Billah, Kamal Uddin Goldar, and Nazrul Islam. Of them, Nazrul Islam is absconding.
The convicts were present on the dock as the judgment was delivered after which they were brought to Dhaka Central Jail.
"All the six convicts were charged on four counts of crimes against humanity," prosecution lawyer Mokhlesur Rahman told reporters.



Kim threatens to use nukes amid tensions with US, S Korea

AP ■ SEOUL

North Korean leader Kim Jong Un warned he's ready to use his nuclear weapons in potential military conflicts with the United States and South Korea, state media said Thursday, as he unleashed fiery rhetoric against rivals he says are pushing the Korean Peninsula to the brink of war.
Kim's speech to war veterans on the 69th anniversary of the end of the 1950-53 Korean War was apparently meant to boost internal unity in the impoverished country amid pandemic-related economic difficulties. While Kim has increasingly threatened his rivals with nuclear weapons, it's unlikely that he would use them first against the superior militaries of the US. And its allies, observers say.

A richer, stronger China warns Pelosi not to visit Taiwan

AP ■ BEIJING

Beijing grumbled but swallowed its irritation in 1997 when then-Speaker Newt Gingrich of the US House of Representatives visited Taiwan, the island democracy claimed by the mainland's ruling Communist Party as its own territory.
China had other priorities. President Jiang Zemin's government was preparing to celebrate Hong Kong's return and wanted to lock in Beijing's emergence from diplomatic isolation after its 1989 crackdown on pro-democracy demonstrations in Tiananmen Square. Gingrich, a booster of closer US-Chinese ties, had just helped that campaign by meeting Jiang in Beijing. China avoided a disruptive clash with Washington.
A quarter-century later, conditions have changed drastically. Chinese President Xi Jinping's government is richer, more heavily armed and less willing to compromise over Taiwan following news reports in the current speaker, Nancy Pelosi, might become the most senior US official since Gingrich to visit the island.
Beijing sees any official contact with Taiwan as recognition of its democratically elected government, which the mainland says has no right to conduct foreign relations.



The timing adds to political pressure. Xi is widely expected to try to award himself a third five-year term as party leader at a meeting in the autumn. That could be undercut if rivals can accuse Xi of failing to be tough enough in the face of what they consider American provocation.
Pelosi has yet to confirm whether she might visit, but Beijing is warning of "forceful measures" including military action if she does.
The United States "must not arrange for Pelosi to visit Taiwan," a Chinese Ministry of Defense spokesman, Tan Kefei, said Tuesday.
"If the United States goes ahead with this, the Chinese military will never watch and do nothing," Tan said. "It will take strong measures to thwart any external interference and separatist plans for Taiwan independence" and resolutely defend national sovereignty and territorial integrity.
Tan referred to Pelosi as "No. 3 in the US government," after her place in the line of succession to become president.

Attacks in central Mali kill 15 soldiers, 3 civilians

AP ■ BAMAKO

At least three civilians and 15 soldiers have been killed in separate attacks in central Mali, the army said, the latest round of attacks as insecurity worsens in the West African nation.
Two attacks Wednesday targeted Mali army positions in the center of the country, and the army fought back killing at least 48 assailants, said army spokesman Col. Souleymane Dembele.
"Malian Armed Forces repelled terrorist attacks targeting positions in Sévaré, Sokolo and Kalumba early this Wednesday," he said in a statement. The soldiers killed include "six dead in Sokolo" and "12 dead, including 3 civilians, in Kalumba, in the Nara region," the statement said.
No group has claimed responsibility for the attacks, but they bear the mark of jihadi groups linked to al-Qaida which are present in those areas and whose local leader, Amadou Koufa, sent a message a few weeks ago urging his fighters to intensify attacks against the Malian army.

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EXTRACT OF UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER ENDED JUNE 30, 2022 (Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Particulars	Quarter ended		Year Ended	
		30.06.2022	31.03.2022	30.06.2021	31.03.2022
		Unaudited	Audited	Unaudited	Audited
1	Total income from operations (net)	6,482.22	4,821.84	3,056.53	16,026.20
2	Net Profit for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and / or Extraordinary Items)	215.55	386.26	(188.30)	105.02
3	Net Profit for the period before Tax (after Exceptional and / or Extraordinary Items)	223.46	386.19	(188.30)	104.94
4	Net Profit for the period after Tax (after Exceptional and / or Extraordinary Items)	239.56	294.40	(160.88)	76.61
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit for the period (after tax) and other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	244.98	317.42	(163.27)	92.88
6	Equity share capital (Face Value of ₹ 10/- each)	864.00	864.00	864.00	864.00
7	Earnings Per Share (before extraordinary items) (Face Value of ₹ 10/- each)				
	(a) Basic (Rs.)	2.77	3.41	(1.86)	0.89
	(b) Diluted (Rs.)	2.77	3.41	(1.86)	0.89

Notes:
1) The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly / Annual Financial Results are available on the Stock Exchanges website (www.bseindia.com) and on Company's website (www.deltoncables.com).
2) The above result have been prepared in accordance with principle and procedures of Indian Accounting Standards (Ind AS) as notified under the companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015 as specified under section 133 of Companies Act, 2013.
3) The above results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors at their respective meetings held on July 28, 2022. The Statutory Auditors of the Company have expressed an unmodified audit opinion on these results.

For and on behalf of the Board
Sd/-
Vivek Gupta
(Managing Director)
DIN 00035916

Place : Delhi
Date : 28-07-2022

Japan discusses regional defence in rare visit to Taiwan



AP ■ TAIPEI

A group of Japanese lawmakers including two former defense ministers met with Taiwan's president on Thursday in a rare high-level visit to discuss regional security.
The delegation, led by lawmaker and former Defense Minister Shigeru Ishiba, said it wanted to reach an agreement with Taiwan on defense issues and prepare for any potential conflict in the region, while also seeking to prevent conflict from breaking out.
"We need to think ahead about what kind of situations

could happen, what kind of laws and agreements we should prepare, and what kind of armaments we could use," he said in prepared remarks at the Presidential Office. "We need to work together to reach consensus on this ahead of anything that could happen."
Ishiba noted that Japan is also working closely with the US to prevent conflict in the Indo-Pacific, saying the defense allies "had no choice" but to prepare.
Tensions in the region have risen amid increasing assertiveness from China, whose authoritarian ruling Communist Party considers democratic, self-ruling Taiwan its own territory, to be annexed by force if necessary.
The group of Japanese lawmakers was welcomed by President Tsai Ing-wen and will also meet with Su Tseng-chang, president of the Executive Yuan, and representatives from Taiwan's Defense Ministry.

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No. 463 **e-TENDER TIME EXTENSION NOTICE-1** Date: 28.07.2022

Due to unavoidable circumstances the date of submission and opening of following tender invited by the office of the Executive Engineer (Test), MB-II, Chinyalisaur (Uttarkashi) is hereby extended as follows:-
Tender No: 01/EE/Test./MB-II/2022-23
1. Name of work/Supply/Services: SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, TESTING AND COMMISSIONING OF 220V DC 1395AH Battery SET NO1 AT DHARASU POWER HOUSE
Last date for submission of tender - 08.08.2022 up to 16:00 Hrs.
Last date of submission of hard copy - 12.08.2022 up to 11:00 Hrs
Due date for opening of tender - 12.08.2022 at 11:00 Hrs
Details of subsequent addendum/corrigendum/cancellation etc. may be obtained from the e-procurement portal <http://uktenders.gov.in>
Executive Engineer (Test)
"Avoid wasteful use of Electricity"

APPENDIX IV A

(See proviso to Rule 8(6))
Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Property
E-Auction Sale Notice for sale of immovable asset(s) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described Immovable Property mortgaged/ charged to Indiabulls Housing Finance Ltd. [CIN: L65922DL2005PLC136029] ("Secured Creditor"), the constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Secured Creditor, will be sold on "as is where is", "as is what is", "whatever there is" and "without any recourse" basis on 30.08.2022 at 02.00 P.M. to 04.00 P.M. (with unlimited automated extensions of 5 minutes each in terms of the Tender Document), for recovery of Rs. 20,85,236/- (Rupees Twenty Lakh Eighty Five Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Six only) pending towards the Loan Account No. HLPAP000270908, by way of outstanding principal, arrears (including accrued late charges) and interest till 25.07.2022 with applicable future interest in terms of the Loan Agreement and other related loan document(s) w.e.f. 26.07.2022 along with legal expenses and other charges due to the Secured Creditor from Mr. Vinod Kumar and Ms. Preeti. The Reserve Price of the Immovable Property will be Rs. 21,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty One Lakh only) and the Earnest Money Deposit ("EMD") will be Rs. 2,10,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Ten Thousand only) i.e. equivalent to 10% of the Reserve Price. The EMD shall be paid by DD/ RTGS/ NEFT or through any other proper banking channels to the credit and in favour of INDIABULLS HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED, Account No. 0000004428645185 with State Bank of India (IFSC: SBIN0004079), having its branch at COM. BR. GURGAON(04079), before submitting the tender in order to participate in the online public auction. The successful bidder shall pay 25% amount of the sale price (less 10% of the Reserve Price paid before submitting the tender) immediately i.e. either on the same day or not later than the next working day and the remaining balance of the Sale Price shall be paid within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
Unit No. 151, Upper Ground Floor, Block-SB, Jaipuria Sunrise Plaza, Plot No. 12A, Ahinsa Khand-I, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh - 201009.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided on the website of the Secured Creditor i.e. www.indiabullshomeloans.com and www.auctionfocus.in

Date : 26.07.2022
Place : GHAZIABAD
Sd/
Authorized Officer
INDIABULLS HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

CAPRI GLOBAL CAPITAL LIMITED

Registered & Corporate Office :- 502, Tower-A, Peninsula Business Park, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai-400013
Circle Office :- Capri Global Capital Limited 2nd Floor, 3B Pusa Road, New Delhi-110005

APPENDIX - IV-A [See proviso to rule 8 (6)]
Sale notice for sale of immovable properties

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Constructive/physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Capri Global Capital Limited Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "whatever there is" on dates below mentioned, for recovery of amount mentioned below due to the Capri Global Capital Limited Secured Creditor from Borrower mentioned below. The Reserve price, EMD amount and property details mentioned below.

SR. NO.	1. BORROWER(S) NAME 2. OUTSTANDING AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY	1. DATE & TIME OF E-AUCTION 2. LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION OF EMD 3. DATE & TIME OF THE PROPERTY INSPECTION 1. E-AUCTION DATE: 31.08.2022 (Between 3:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.) 2. LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION OF EMD WITH KYC: 30.08.2022 3. DATE OF INSPECTION: 29.08.2022 between 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM	1. RESERVE PRICE 2. EMD OF THE PROPERTY 3. INCREMENTAL VALUE RESERVE PRICE: Rs. 4,16,00,000/- (Rupees Four Crores Sixteen Lacs Only). EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT: Rs. 41,60,000/- (Rupees Forty One Lacs Sixty Thousand Only) INCREMENTAL VALUE: Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lac Only)
1.	M/s Budding Minds International ("Borrower") 2. Mr. Gaurav Nadkarni 3. Mrs. Ruchika Sethi 4. M/s Southend Education and Welfare Society 5. Mr. Rajinder Sethi 6. Mrs. Neelam Sethi 7. Mrs. Komal Nadkarni (Co-borrower) LOAN ACCOUNT NO. LNCGDELT0000005814 Rupees 4,13,91,197/- (Rupees Four Crores Thirteen Lacs Ninety One Thousand One Hundred Ninety Seven Only) along with interest from 28.07.2022 along with applicable future interest.	All Piece and Parcel of School Site Land admeasuring 0.2045 acres (989.78 Sq Yds.) situated at Block-P, Uppal Southend Colony, Sector-48-49, Village Fazipur Jharsa and Ghosla, District Gurgaon, Sohna Road, Gurgaon, Haryana Alongwith Construction thereon Present and Future both.		

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in Capri Global Capital Limited Secured Creditor's website i.e. www.Capriglobal.in/auction/TERMS & CONDITIONS OF ONLINE E-AUCTION SALE:-
1. The Property is being sold on "AS IS WHERE IS, WHATEVER THERE & WITHOUT RECOURSE BASIS". As such sale is without any kind of warranties & indemnities.
2. Particulars of the property / assets (viz. extent & measurements specified in the E-Auction Sale Notice has been stated to the best of information of the Secured Creditor and Secured Creditor shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission. Actual extent & dimensions may differ.
3. E-Auction Sale Notice issued by the Secured Creditor is an invitation to the general public to submit their bids and the same does not constitute and will not be deemed to constitute any commitment or any representation on the part of the Secured Creditor. Interested bidders are advised to peruse the copies of title deeds with the Secured Creditor and to conduct own independent enquiries / due diligence about the title & present condition of the property / assets and claims / dues affecting the property before submission of bids.
4. Auction/bidding shall only be through "online electronic mode" through the website <https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net> Or Auction Tiger Mobile APP provided by the service provider M/S eProcurement Technologies Limited, Ahmedabad who shall arrange & coordinate the entire process of auction through the e-auction platform.
5. The bidders may participate in e-auction for bidding from their place of choice. Internet connectivity shall have to be ensured by bidder himself. Secured Creditor / service provider shall not be held responsible for the internet connectivity, network problems, system crash down, power failure etc.
6. For details, help, procedure and online bidding on e-auction prospective bidders may contact the Service Provider M/S eProcurement Technologies Ltd. Auction Tiger, Ahmedabad (Contact no. 079-68136880/68136837). Mr. Ramprasad Sharma Mob. 800-002-3297/79-6120 0559. Email: ramprasad@auctiontiger.net.
7. For participating in the e-auction sale the intending bidders should register their name at <https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net> well in advance and shall get the user id and password. Intending bidders are advised to change only the password immediately upon receiving it from the service provider.
8. For participating in e-auction, intending bidders have to deposit a refundable EMD of 10% OF RESERVE PRICE (as mentioned above) shall be payable by interested bidders through Demand Draft/NEFT/RTGS in favour of "Capri Global Capital Limited" on or before 30-August-2022.
9. The intending bidders should submit the duly filled in Bid Form (format available on <https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net>) along with the Demand Draft remittance towards EMD in a sealed cover addressed to the Authorised Officer, Capri Global Capital Limited Regional Office Plot no. 3B, 2nd Floor, Pusa Road, New Delhi 110 005 latest by 03:00 PM on 30-August-2022. The sealed cover should be super scribed with "Bid for participating in E-Auction Sale-- in the Loan Account No. (as mentioned above) for property of 'Borrower Name'.
10. After expiry of the last date of submission of bids with EMD, Authorised Officer shall examine the bids received by him and confirm the details of the qualified bidders (who have quoted their bids over and above the reserve price and paid the specified EMD with the Secured Creditor) to the service provider M/S eProcurement Technologies Limited to enable them to allow only those bidders to participate in the online inter-se bidding / auction proceedings at the date and time mentioned in E-Auction Sale Notice.
11. Inter-se bidding among the qualified bidders shall start from the highest bid quoted by the qualified bidders. During the process of inter-se bidding, there will be unlimited extension of "10" minutes each, i.e. the end time of e-auction shall be automatically extended by 10 Minutes each time if bid is made within 10 minutes from the last extension.
12. Bids once made shall not be cancelled or withdrawn. All bids made from the user id given to bidder will be deemed to have been made by him alone.
13. Immediately upon closure of E-Auction proceedings, the highest bidder shall confirm the final amount of bid quoted by him BY E-Mail both to the Authorised Officer, Capri Global Capital Limited, Regional Office Plot no. 3B, 2nd Floor, Pusa Road, New Delhi 110 005 and the Service Provider for getting declared as successful bidder in the E-Auction Sale proceedings.
14. The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the bid amount (including EMD) within 24 hour of the sale, being knocked down in his favour and balance 75% of bid amount within 15 days from the date of sale by DD/Pay order/NEFT/RTGS/Chq favouring Capri Global Capital Limited.
15. In case of default in payment of above stipulated amounts by the successful bidder / auction purchaser within the stipulated time, the sale will be cancelled and the amount already paid (including EMD) will be forfeited and the property will be again put to sale.
16. At the request of the successful bidder, the Authorised Officer in his absolute discretion may grant further time in writing, for depositing the balance of the bid amount.
17. The Successful Bidder shall pay 1% of Sale price towards TDS (out of Sale proceeds) (if applicable) and submit TDS certificate to the Authorised Officer and the deposit the entire amount of sale price (after deduction of 1% towards TDS), adjusting the EMD within 15 working days of the acceptance of the offer by the authorized officer, or within such other extended time as deemed fit by the Authorised Officer, failing which the earnest deposit will be forfeited.
18. Municipal / Panchayat Taxes, Electricity dues (if any) and any other authorities dues (if any) has to be paid by the successful bidder before issuance of the sale certificate. Bids shall be made taking into consideration of all the statutory dues pertaining to the property.
19. Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorised Officer in favour of the successful bidder only upon deposit of entire purchase price / bid amount and furnishing the necessary proof in respect of payment of all taxes / charges.
20. Applicable legal charges for conveyance, stamp duty, registration charges and other incidental charges shall be borne by the auction purchaser.
21. The Authorized officer may postpone / cancel the E-Auction Sale proceedings without assigning any reason whatsoever. In case the E-Auction Sale scheduled is postponed to a later date before 30 days from the scheduled date of sale, it will be displayed on the website of the service provider.
22. The decision of the Authorised Officer is final, binding and unquestionable.
23. All bidders who submitted the bids, shall be deemed to have read and understood the terms and conditions of the E-Auction Sale and be bound by them.
24. The movable articles lying in the property is not offered with this sale or available.
25. For further details and queries, contact Authorised Officer, Capri Global Capital Limited: Mr. Sushil Gupta Mo. No. 7400445137 and for further inquiry Ms. Kalpana Chetanwala-7738039346.
26. This publication is also 30 (Thirty) days notice to the Borrower / Mortgagee / Guarantors of the above said loan account pursuant to rule 8(6) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, about holding of auction sale on the above mentioned date / place.

Special Instructions / Caution: Bidding in the last minutes/seconds should be avoided by the bidders in their own interest. Neither Capri Global Capital Limited nor the Service Provider will be responsible for any lapses/failure (Internet failure, Power failure, etc.) on the part of the bidder in such cases. In order to ward off such contingent situation, bidders are requested to make all the necessary arrangements / alternatives such as back-up power supply and whatever else required so that they are able to circumvent such situation and are able to participate in the auction successfully.

Place: Gurgaon Date : 29-July-2022
Sd/- (Authorised Officer) Capri Global Capital Ltd.

Hamas rebuilding capabilities in Gaza, says Israeli army

AP ■ EREZ MILITARY BASE (ISRAEL)

The Israeli army said on Wednesday that Hamas has rebuilt some of the capabilities that were damaged during last year's Gaza war, including three new tunnels and a series of weapons manufacturing and storage sites.
The army published aerial imagery and maps showing what it said are tunnels, weapons factories and arms

depots. It said the installations were near al-Azhar University in Gaza City, a Pepsi factory, mosques, United Nations facilities and hospitals elsewhere in Gaza. Hamas spokesman Hazem Qassem said the army's claims are "pure lies and fabrications."
Israel and Hamas are bitter enemies that have fought four wars and numerous skirmishes since Hamas seized control of the Gaza Strip in 2007.

Saugata: RBI to hike rates by 0.35-0.50% at Aug 5 review

PTI ■ MUMBAI
The Reserve Bank's rate setting panel will hike the key repo rate by 0.35-0.50 per cent at the next week's review meeting.

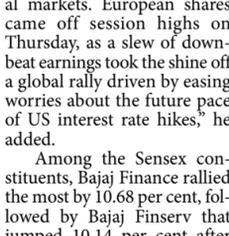


Bhattacharya said the MPC will go into the internal surveys like household inflation expectations and consumer confidence while deciding the quantum of the rate hike.

inflation given the import reliance, and also added that off-late, there has been some softening of the commodity prices.

Sensex soars 1,041 pts, Nifty nears 17k as bulls regain footing

PTI ■ MUMBAI
Extending gains for the second straight session, equity benchmark Sensex jumped by nearly 2 per cent to soar past the 56,000-mark on Thursday.



al markets. European shares came off session highs on Thursday, as a slew of downbeat earnings took the shine off a global rally driven by easing worries about the future pace of US interest rate hikes.

5G telecom auction stretches to 4th day; ₹1,49,623 cr worth bids received so far

PTI ■ NEW DELHI
The auction of 5G spectrum for telephony services will stretch to the fourth day on Friday after 16 rounds of bidding fetched bids worth Rs 1,49,623 crore.

Govt launches 11th agricultural census 2021-22; to use smartphones, tablets for data collection

PTI ■ NEW DELHI
Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar on Thursday launched the eleventh agricultural census to collect data on various parameters, including operational holdings.

Biogas plant using cow dung generates cooking gas for 120 families

PNS ■ NEW DELHI
A biogas plant with a capacity of 200 cubic meter, that utilises around 5,000-kilogram cow dung per day, has been commissioned at Akauni village of Chandauli district in Uttar Pradesh.

MODI TO CHAIR NITI AAYOG'S GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING New Delhi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi will chair NITI Aayog's Governing Council meeting on August 7, where issues related to agriculture, health and economy will be discussed.

RUPEE RISES 26 PAISE TO CLOSE AT 79.65 AGAINST DOLLAR Mumbai: The rupee appreciated 26 paise to close at 79.65 (provisional) against the US dollar on Thursday, tracking a firm trend in the domestic equities.

SPICEJET SHARES SETTLE OVER 3% DOWN New Delhi: Shares of SpiceJet settled over 3 per cent lower on Thursday after the company was asked by aviation regulator DGCA to curtail its services by half for eight weeks.

PAK'S CURRENT ACCOUNT DEFICIT INCREASES Islamabad: Pakistan's current account deficit (CAD) increased to a 4-year high of USD 17.4 billion in the fiscal year of 2021-22, indicating more troubles for the ailing economy of the cash-strapped country.

BACK TO COOL CAMPAIGN New Delhi: Skybags, the youth-centred brand from the illustrious house of VIP Industries, is all set to help the nation's Gen Z celebrate a stylish return to normalcy with the launch of its bold new #BackToCool campaign.

PNB QUARTERLY PROFIT FALLS 70% TO ₹308 CRORE New Delhi: State-owned Punjab National Bank (PNB) on Thursday reported a 70 per cent decline in standalone net profit to Rs 308.44 crore in the three months ended June.

OLA ELECTRIC INKS PACT WITH HEAVY INDUSTRIES MINISTRY New Delhi: Ola Electric on Thursday said it has signed an agreement with the ministry of heavy industries for local manufacturing of advanced battery cells under the government's production linked incentive scheme.

ORIENT CEMENT Q1 NET PROFIT DECLINES 58% New Delhi: C K Birla group firm Orient Cement Ltd on Thursday reported a decline of 58.17 per cent in net profit at ₹37.41 crore in a quarter ended June.

India's power deficit slips from 2% in April to 0.6% in June

PTI ■ NEW DELHI
Power deficit came down from 2 per cent in April to 0.4 per cent in May and 0.6 per cent in June despite significant rise in demand of electricity, Parliament was informed on Thursday.

Macrotech Developers inks 3 pacts for housing projects worth ₹6,200 cr in April-June

PTI ■ NEW DELHI
Realty firm Macrotech Developers has formed three joint ventures with landowners during April-June quarter to develop housing projects with an estimated sales value of Rs 6,200 crore and is exploring for more tie-ups.

National Urban Co-operative Bank Ltd. C-3/84, New Kondli, Mayur Vihar, Phase-III, Delhi-110096

BALANCE SHEET AS ON 31ST MARCH 2022 (Amount in INR) Table with columns for Schedule, AS ON 31.03.2022 (CURRENT YEAR), and AS ON 31.03.2021 (PREVIOUS YEAR).

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SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND NOTES TO ACCOUNTS ARE INTEGRAL & FORMING PART OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS-NOTE NO. 18

Notes forming part of the Balance Sheet as at March 31, 2022 and Profit and Loss Account for the year ended March 31, 2022. 1. Background: The NATIONAL URBAN CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD was incorporated in 1999 and provides a complete suite of corporate and retail banking products.

INDIAN WOMEN LOOK TO BURY WC GHOSTS

PTI ■ BIRMINGHAM

Apodium finish on its mind, the Indian women's hockey team would look to bury the ghosts of a disastrous World Cup campaign by steam-rolling minnows Ghana in the Commonwealth Games opener on Thursday.

The Indian women are clubbed in Pool A alongside hosts England, Canada, Wales and Ghana, while Australia, South Africa, New Zealand, Scotland and Kenya complete Pool B.

Just like their male counterparts, the Indian women returned empty-handed from the last edition of the Games in Gold Coast, finishing fourth after being routed 0-6 by England in the bronze medal play-off match.

Going into Games, the Indian women must have been haunted by their below-par effort in the recently concluded World Cup in Spain and the Netherlands, where the Savita Punia-led side finished a disappointing ninth.

And the Janneke Schopman-coached side would be desperate to prove that it is a far better side than what the recent results indicate. They would be itching to prove their detractors wrong about the perception that a historic fourth place finish in last year's Tokyo Olympics was a mere fluke.

The Indian women would also be hoping to break their 16-year medal drought in the Games here. The India's last medal -- a silver -- in CWG came in 2006 Melbourne.

The only other medal that Indian women bagged in the Games since hockey introduction in 1998 was a gold in the 2002 edition in Manchester.

Besides the brilliant Olympic campaign, the Indians would also be boosted by their credible third place finish in their maiden Pro League outing this season.

But to finish on the podium, the ninth ranked Indians will have to get the better of world No.3 Australia, fifth



ranked England and world No.8 New Zealand, who are also strong medal contenders.

In the last edition of the Games, New Zealand won the gold ahead of Australia and the Trans-Tasman rivals would fancy their chances in this Games too.

Australia have dominated women's hockey in CWG, bagging as many as four gold medals, one silver

and a bronze. While it is expected to be a cake-walk for India in their opening two pool games against world No. 30 Ghana, and world No. 24 Wales (on Saturday), the Savita's side will face its first real challenge against England on August 2 before finishing their pool campaign against No.15 Canada.

With the top two teams from each pool progressing into the semifinals, India and England are clear favourites from Pool A unless something drastic happens.

But the recent World Cup has brought to light some chinks in India's armour, which they need to address quickly.

For Indian women, while penalty corner conversions remain a major concern, the forward line too needs to pull up its socks.

In the recent World Cup, the Indians created plenty of scoring chances from open play as well as penalty corners but squandered most of the opportunities.

Coach Schopman would be expecting a much-improved show from her forwards and drag-flicker Gurjit Kaur.

In the other Pool A match of the day, Canada will take on Wales.

Harmanpreet Kaur, who began her all-format captaincy stint with the Sri Lanka series, feels a ruthless approach is needed even when the chips are down.

"During the Sri Lanka tour, we had a meeting with the players. I asked the girls how they want the team to play. Pooja gave a good answer about the killing attitude.

"Right now we are working on that whether we are training or playing. Everyone is talking about that in the team. All players have bought into this and Pooja is someone who comes up with funny ideas all the time," said Harmanpreet on the eve of



Harman talks about need to develop 'killing attitude'

PTI ■ BIRMINGHAM

Indian women's cricket team captain Harmanpreet Kaur wants her players to develop the "killing attitude" that champion teams of the past possessed.

India are still some distance away from becoming world beaters but all the players who are here for the Commonwealth Games have bought into an idea suggested by all-rounder Pooja Vastrakar during the Sri Lanka tour last month.

Harmanpreet, who began her all-format captaincy stint with the Sri Lanka series, feels a ruthless approach is needed even when the chips are down. "During the Sri Lanka tour, we had a meeting with the players. I asked the girls how they want the team to play. Pooja gave a good answer about the killing attitude.

"Right now we are working on that whether we are training or playing. Everyone is talking about that in the team. All players have bought into this and Pooja is someone who comes up with funny ideas all the time," said Harmanpreet on the eve of

the opener against Australia at the Birmingham Games.

Pooja however is not part of the team yet as she was forced to stay back in India after returning a positive COVID-19 test a day before the squad's departure for Birmingham.

"She has been doing well for the past one year. Normally senior players give a lot of ideas but she came up with this and spoke about it and I really liked it."

India had an optional training session on Thursday with six players travelling to Edgbaston.

The team will be looking to form the right balance in the T20 format.

"We have a balanced side and we need to shuffle our batting and bowling here and there for the right combination." The Australia clash will be followed by the big game against Pakistan on July 31.

"We know the stakes are high but when you are playing you just think about doing well on the day. When we were kids we have seen the men's Indo-Pak games. We used to get excited as kids but as players these things don't matter," she added.

CGF CEO hopeful of shooting's reintegration before 2026 Games

PTI ■ BIRMINGHAM

Providing some relief to the Indian shooting fraternity, Commonwealth Games Federation's (CGF) CEO Katie Sadleir on Thursday expressed optimism about reintegrating the sport into its programme before the 2026 edition in Victoria.

Shooting, along with wrestling, disciplines in which India normally win the bulk of its medals at the Games, didn't make it to the initial list of the 16 sports picked for the Games in the Australian state of Victoria.

However, hours before the 2022 Birmingham Games were to begin, Sadleir said the disciplines would come up for discussion in September, before the final list is announced.

"We have recently announced an initial programme with 16 sports, with the definite ambition to grow that programme," Sadleir said.

There currently is an expression of interest out there with the international federations that are currently not in the programme have been invited to



put forward their proposals for considerations, and shooting is definitely on the case," she added. Shooting, which accounted for 16 of the 66 medals India bagged at the Gold Coast Games four years ago, was omitted from the ongoing Games at Birmingham, leading to a strong protest by the Indian Olympic Association (IOA).

There was more setback for India when the sport again did not find itself in the list of events for the 2026 Games along

with wrestling where the nation had topped the medals tally in 2018.

A former CWG medallist and an Olympian, Sadleir said there's a strong wave of interest for the two disciplines' inclusion.

"I know there's a significant amount of social media going on in Australia, plus the international federation, has made it clear that they are going to put forward a very strong case for consideration," the Scotland-born New Zealander said.

Nikhat, Lovlina get easy opening draws

PTI ■ BIRMINGHAM

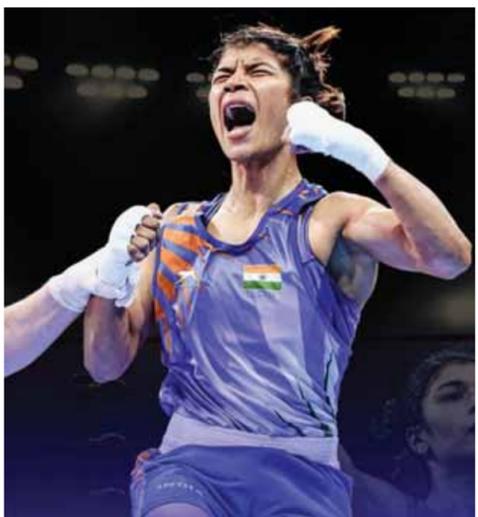
World champion Nikhat Zareen and reigning Olympic Bronze medallist Lovlina Borgohain have been handed relatively easy opening round draws in the women's boxing competition of the Commonwealth Games which begins here with the opening ceremony on Thursday.

Nikhat will open her campaign in the women's 48-50kg light flyweight category against Helena Ismael Bagao of Mozambique on Sunday. A victory would see her pitted against another easy opponent in Helen Jones of Wales in the quarterfinals.

Lovlina will also be up against the lesser-known Ariane Nicholson of New Zealand in her opening light middle weight (66-70kg) bout on Saturday, and a win will pit her against Gold Coast silver medallist Rosie Eccles of Wales in the quarterfinals.

The Welsh boxer, who won a silver medal in 2016 and a bronze in 2019 European Championships, got a bye in the first round.

In the lightweight (57-60kg) division, Jasmine will feature



straight in the quarterfinals after getting a first round bye.

But a tricky quarterfinal final awaits Jasmine as she will be up against 2018 Gold Coast bronze medallist Troy Garton of New Zealand on August 4.

In the women's minimum weight (45-48kg) category, Nitu

needs just a win to secure a medal as only eight boxers feature in the draw.

She will square up against Nicole Clyde of Northern Ireland in the quarterfinals on August 3.

Among men, Asian Games gold medallist and 2018 CWG

silver medallist Amit Panghal will kick-off his campaign against Vanuatu's Namri Berri in the flyweight (48-51kg) category on August 1.

On the other hand, Mohammad Hussamuddin, who won bronze medallist in the last CWG, will play Amzolele Deyei of South Africa in his opening featherweight (54-57kg) bout on July 30.

Former Asian and World Championships medallist Shiva Thapa will take on Pakistan's Suleman Baloch in the first round of light welterweight (60 to 63.5kg) category on Friday, while welterweight (63.5 to 67kg) pugilist Rohit Tokas got a first round bye and will take on Alfred Kotey of Ghana in his second bout on August 2.

Sumit too got a first round bye in the middleweight (71-75kg) division and will face Callum Peters of Australia in the second round on Sunday.

In the men's light heavy-weight (75 to 80kg) event, Ashish Kumar too got a bye in the opening round but will face Travis Tapatuetoa of Niue on August 1, while Sanjeet will take on Ato Leau Plodzicki-Faogali of SAM in the heavy-weight first round on Saturday.

Daruvala sets sights on 7th podium finish

PTI ■ MUMBAI

Indian racer Jehan Daruvala will be looking to secure his seventh top-three finish as he heads to his next event in Hungary's Hungaroring race track this Sunday.

The 23-year-old chalked up his sixth podium of the season in France when he finished second last week.

It was also the fifth time this year he finished in the runner-up spot.

"The Hungaroring is a track that I really enjoy. While it is a purpose-built circuit, its tight, twisting corners have a street-track feel to them, making it very similar to Monaco," Jehan said.

"Of course that means overtaking is always difficult here and qualifying will be absolutely crucial this weekend. We know that's an area we need to improve on but we're working hard to make that step up so we can fight at the front in the Feature race on Sunday," he added.

Jehan has raced at the 4.3-km long track on the outskirts of Budapest several times in his career.



It's Germany vs England in Euro 2022 final

AP ■ MILTON KEYNES

Germany will face England in Sunday's Euro 2022 final after Alexandra Popp struck twice to beat France 2-1 in Milton Keynes on Wednesday.

The German captain's opener was quickly cancelled out by Merle Frohms' own goal, but Popp's towering header 14 minutes from time sent the eight-time winners into another final at Wembley. Popp had been at risk of missing the European Championship for a third time due to injury, but the Wolfsburg striker proved her fitness in time after two knee surgeries and has gone on to be the star performer of the tournament.

took her level with England's Beth Mead on six goals in the battle for the Golden Boot, matching the record for a single women's European Championship held by Inka Grings from Euro 2009.

That tournament ended in a German rout over England in the final and Die Nationalelf will be hoping for a repeat as they aim to upset the hosts in front of a sell-out crowd of 87,000.

In contrast to Germany's pedigree at the women's Euro, France were in the last four for the first time. Les Bleues were left to regret a series of missed chances early in the second half as they lacked a clinical goalscorer without the injured Marie-Antoinette Katoto.

5 Indian athletes to watch out for in Birmingham CWG 2022

DRITI ATRI ■ NEW DELHI

The 2022 edition of the Commonwealth Games kicked off in Birmingham on Thursday. This year, as many as 215 Indian athletes will take part in 19 different sports. In the last edition of the games, India won 66 medals, but this time it will get a bit tough to match that tally, particularly in the absence of shooting. India won 16 medals in shooting last time, but this year the sport has been dropped.

Apart from that, a few superstars like Tokyo Olympics Gold medallist Neeraj Chopra, six-time world champion and defending Gold medallist MC Mary Kom and two-time Gold medallist Saina Nehwal will miss the event because of injury and other related issues. But then too, there are a few players who will start as favourites for the top position. Here's a look at the top five Indian athletes competing in the 2022 games.

PV SINDHU (BADMINTON)

Two-time Olympic medallist PV Sindhu will hope to win her maiden Gold medal in women's singles this year. In the 2018 edition, she lost to Saina Nehwal in the Gold medal match. But this time, in Saina's absence, she will be India's biggest medal hope in women's badminton. She has recently won the Singapore Open tournament and is in the seventh position in the world rankings.



MIRABAI CHANU (WEIGHTLIFTING)



Star Indian weightlifter Mirabai Chanu will hope to win another Gold medal in the CWG this year. She won Silver at the 2014 Glasgow Games and Gold at the 2018 Gold Coast Games. The 27-year-old Manipuri athlete created history in Tokyo last year when she became the first Indian weightlifter to win a Silver medal in the Olympics. There will be high hopes from the ace weightlifter, and she'll look to maintain her numero uno status.

LOVLINA BORGHAIN (BOXING)

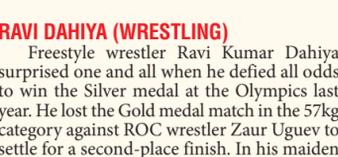
Like Sindhu and Mirabai, Lovlina also won a medal at the Tokyo Olympics last year. The 24-year-old from Assam won a Bronze medal in the women's 69kg category. In the previous edition of the CWG, Lovlina lost in the quarterfinals to eventual Gold winner Sandy Ryan of England, but this year, she will start as one of the favourites for the top place finish.



CWG this year, he will start as the favourite for the Gold medal. The 24-year-old is one of the best wrestlers in the country and there will be high hopes from him after his spectacular display in Tokyo.

MANIKA BATRA (TABLE TENNIS)

Manika Batra won a total of four medals in the 2018 Commonwealth Games. She won the top prize in women's singles and women's team events apart from winning a Bronze in



Freestyle wrestler Ravi Kumar Dahiya surprised one and all when he defied all odds to win the Silver medal at the Olympics last year. He lost the Gold medal match in the 57kg category against ROC wrestler Zaur Uguev to settle for a second-place finish. In his maiden



mixed doubles and settling for Silver in women's doubles. The 27-year-old from Delhi defeated world number 4 Feng Tianwei as well as Zhou Yihan in India's 3-1 win in the women's team event final against Singapore and also became the first Indian female paddler to win an individual Gold medal in the CWG. This year, she will again be the favourite to retain her title.

INDIA AIM FOR WINDIES DOUBLE



PTI ■ TAROUBA

A full-strength Indian team in all its might will be looking to overwhelm West Indies in its bid to record a second successive clean sweep in the three-match T20I series starting Friday.

With less than three months left for the T20 World Cup, skipper Rohit Sharma and coach Rahul Dravid will get around 16 games (5 vs WI, 5 in Asia Cup (if India play final), 3 vs Australia, 3 vs South Africa) to firm up their core team that will then play unchanged going into mega event.

The mere thought of a first eleven comprising Rohit, Rishabh Pant, Suryakumar Yadav, Hardik Pandya and Dinesh Karthik as the five specialists batters in the top six can have an intimidating as well as

debilitating effect on the opposition. And that too at a time when a player of Virat Kohli's stature has been failing miserably in shortest format and doubts are being cast about his place in the playing XI.

The preceding England series has shown that India's white ball players have that imposing alpha-male like presence out there in the middle even if their best player Kohli is on the wane.

CAN HOODA CHALLENGE KOHLI'S POSITION?

Thus the five-match series against West Indies, technically being played in three different countries (Trinidad & Tobago, St Kitts & Nevis and USA) will also give us a clear picture whether Kohli's days of invincibility are over or not.

Deepak Hooda, whatever little amount of T20Is that he has played, has shown that belongs to this level. He has a hundred opening the innings against Ireland and in the only T20 that he played against England, he looked the part before being forced to relinquish his place to Kohli.

With his tight off-breaks adding to his skill-set, at least three to four good matches in this series will certainly increase Rohit's headache and also put Kohli under pressure when he returns for Asia Cup in the UAE.

Number three will be the only position that will be a bone of contention as far as India's batting order is concerned going into the T20 World Cup.

The other factor will be regular vice-captain KL Rahul's return to

the squad and where does one fit this prolific IPL performer although his way of constructing a T20 innings could be debated.

ROHIT-PANT PAIR COULD BE WAY FORWARD

In terms of sheer numbers, the Pant-Rohit opening pair didn't set the stage on fire against England but statistics often do not provide the bigger picture.

The left-right combination has shown intent to dominate and with their kind of range could prove to be a nightmare for any opposition on a given day.

On tacky West Indies tracks where spinners could operate in Powerplay, the duo could be even doubly dangerous and as far as Australian wickets are concerned, their ability to effortlessly play hor-

izontal bat shots would keep them in a good stead.

WILL ASHWIN GET A LOOK-IN FOR T20 WC?

With Jadeja's fitness being an issue and also his growing focus on being a batting all-rounder, Ravichandran Ashwin is still India's best slow bowler in Powerplay overs with his variations that include the lethal carrom ball.

There is Kuldeep Yadav also in the squad and Ravi Bishnoi, who has been more of a glorified traveller since Chahal found his mojo.

Yuzvendra Chahal's place is non-negotiable in first XI and Washington Sundar will be back in the set-up any day which effectively makes it last chance for Ashwin to stake his claim for a place in playing XI.

CHOICE OF 3RD PACER

If they remain injury-free, Jasprit Bumrah and Bhuvneshwar Kumar are sure-shot starters in the playing XI on October 23 when India meet arch-rivals Pakistan.

With Hardik Pandya also bowling full tilt, India would be looking to finalise their third specialist pacer and if Harshal Patel does well in this series, there will be lot of pressure on Deepak Chahal, who is likely to be back for Asia Cup.

SQUADS

India: Rohit Sharma (C), Ishan Kishan, Shreyas Iyer, Deepak Hooda, Suryakumar Yadav, Hardik Pandya, Rishabh Pant, KL Rahul, Dinesh Karthik, Ravindra Jadeja, Ravichandran Ashwin, Kuldeep Yadav, Bhuvneshwar Kumar, Avesh Khan, Harshal Patel, Ravi Bishnoi, Axar Patel, Arshdeep Singh
West Indies (Probable): Nicholas Pooran (C), Shamarh Brooks, Brandon King, Rovman Powell, Keacy Carty, Kyle Mayers, Jason Holder, Gudakesh Motie, Keemo Paul, Shai Hope, Akeal Hosen, Alzarri Joseph, Jayden Seales.

India complete clean sweep



PTI ■ PORT OF SPAIN

Shubman Gill was unlucky to Smiss out on a maiden century but India rode on his sublime 98 to outclass West Indies by 119 runs and complete a 3-0 rout in the ODI series here.

In a rain-affected final ODI, India scored 225 for 3 in 36 overs, courtesy Gill's career-best knock and another half-century from skipper Shikhar Dhawan (58 off 74 balls).

The revised DLS target of 257 from 35 overs was a tricky one and Mohammed Siraj's (2/14 in 3 overs) near-perfect first over with the new ball set the tone as West Indies could finally manage only 137 in 26 overs.

Spinners Yuzvendra Chahal (4/17 in 4 overs), Axar Patel (1/38 in 6 overs) and seamer Shardul Thakur (2/17 in 5 overs) also performed their role admirably on a slowish surface as Brandon King (42 off 37 balls) and Nicholas Pooran (42 off 32 balls)'s counter-attacking resistance was never going to be good enough.

While all the three ODIs were played at the same venue, Dhawan and his men deserve full credit for

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making most of the opportunities, showing good game awareness in crunch situations throughout the series.

If they defended well under pressure in the first game, the second order saw the lower middle-order accomplish a tricky chase after a not-so-great show from top-order.

The third game posed a different challenge as rain-break could have caused a decisive shift in momentum but the stylish Gill and the talented Shreyas Iyer (44 off 34 balls) changed the complexion of the game post rain-break.

Jayasuriya stars again as SL thrash Pak to level series



AP ■ GALLE

Spinner Prabath Jayasuriya grabbed another five-wicket haul as Sri Lanka thumped Pakistan by 246 runs in the second Test to end the series 1-1 on Thursday.

Chasing a mammoth 508 for victory, tourists Pakistan were bowled out for 261 in the second session on day five in Galle with skipper Babar Azam hitting a valiant 81.

The 30-year-old Jayasuriya, a left-arm spinner, claimed his fourth five-wicket haul in just his third Test since making his debut against Australia earlier this month. Fellow spinner Ramesh Mendis took four wickets.

Sri Lanka were racing to wrap up the match ahead of forecast rain after Pakistan resumed with nine wickets remaining and gamely fought on through the morning.

But Jayasuriya kept hitting back with regular strikes and got Agha Salman out for

four at the stroke of lunch, then trapped talisman Azam lbw to end Pakistan's resistance.

"When Babar was dismissed we knew that we could pull this off. Babar is their anchor," Jayasuriya, who has bagged 29 wickets in three Tests, told reporters.

"That was crucial and once he was out we knew we could pull it off."

Ramesh, who took five wickets with his off-spin in Pakistan's first innings, wiped off the tail to trigger Sri Lankan celebrations in former captain Angelo Mathews' 100th Test.

Pakistan won the opener with a Galle record chase of 342 and fought hard to outdo themselves, with the in-form Azam scoring his 23rd Test fifty and putting on brave stands with overnight partner Imam-ul-Haq (49) and Mohammad Rizwan (37).

"We were definitely in the game but Dhananjaya's innings changed the game," said Azam.

BCCI should allow Indians to participate in foreign T20 leagues: Gilchrist

PTI ■ MUMBAI

Wicket-keeping legend Adam Gilchrist on Thursday said he wants the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) to allow the Indian cricketers to take part in T20 leagues outside the country.

The BCCI, presently, does not allow the Indian players to participate in overseas T20 leagues like Australia's Big Bash League to maintain exclusivity of IPL.

"It will be wonderful (if the Indian players are allowed to play in overseas T20 leagues), I personally feel that it won't diminish the IPL, it will only grow them as a brand. If they (Indian players) can play in Australia or South Africa," Gilchrist told reporters.

"But the challenge is we are all playing our domestic seasons at the same time, so that is a hard thing, isn't it?," he added.



Gilchrist's suggestion came after a day he questioned the growing dominance of the Indian Premier League (IPL) franchises in world cricket.

However, the three-time World Cup winner maintained he was not against the most world's most popular T20 league.

"I'm not criticising the IPL, but why won't Indian players come and play in the Big Bash league? I've never had an open and honest answer: Why are some leagues accessing every player in the world? No Indian player plays in any other T20 league. I am not saying in a provocative sense, but is that a fair question?" he asked.

"I really want to highlight (that) the six seasons (I played in the IPL) I loved it. It was a great experience. It is the premier T20 competition in the world, but it is important to allow other boards and countries to prosper as well," he added.

NEED TO BE PATIENT WITH PANT

Gilchrist once again praised India's

POOJA JOINS BRISBANE HEAT

PTI ■ BRISBANE

All-rounder Pooja Vastrakar became the latest Indian cricketer to sign for Brisbane Heat for the upcoming edition of the Women's Big Bash League (WBBL).

The 22-year-old will become the third Indian woman cricketer to play for Brisbane Heat. Smriti Mandhana and Poonam Yadav had previously played for the side. "Pooja is an outstanding athlete. She bowls with sharp pace, can find the boundary with the bat down the order and is an absolute jet in the field," Heat coach Ashley Noffke said.

Allen, Sodhi star as NZ rout Scotland in 1st T20I

AP ■ EDINBURGH

Finn Allen and Ish Sodhi both produced format-best displays as New Zealand overwhelmed Scotland by 68 runs in the 1st T20I at Edinburgh on Wednesday.

Allen's 101, his maiden T20 hundred, was the cornerstone of New Zealand's 225-5, the opener sharing a first-wicket stand of 85 with the experienced Martin Guptill (40).

Scotland were rarely in the hunt in reply, with leg-break bowler Sodhi taking a career-best 4-28 from his four overs, while fellow spinner Mitchell Santner, the New Zealand captain, weighed in with 2-23 as the hosts were held to 157-8 in their 20 overs.

Calum MacLeod top-scored for Scotland with 33 as New Zealand went 1-0 up in this two-match series.

4-time world champion Vettel to retire from F1

AP ■ HUNGARORING

Four-time Formula One world champion Sebastian Vettel will retire at the end of the 2022 season, he announced on Thursday.

"The decision to retire has been a difficult one for me to take, and I have spent a lot of time thinking about it," Vettel, 35, said in an Aston Martin team statement.

"At the end of the year I want to take some more time to reflect on what I will focus on next; it is very clear to me that, being a father, I want to spend more time with my family. But today is not about saying goodbye.



"Rather, it is about saying thank you — to everyone — not least to the fans, without whose passionate support Formula

One could not exist." Vettel won four successive championships with Red Bull from 2010 to 2013, but struggled

to reproduce his best results after moving to Ferrari before joining Aston Martin last year.

His 53 Grand Prix victories place him third on the all-time list behind Lewis Hamilton (103) and Michael Schumacher (91). Vettel last won a race in Singapore in 2019.

"He is one of the all-time greats of Formula One, and it has been a privilege to have been able to work with him," said Aston Martin executive chairman Lawrence Stroll, whose son Lance is the team's other driver. "He will continue to race for us up to and including the 2022 Abu Dhabi Grand Prix, which will be his 300th Grand Prix entry. We will give him a fabu-

lous send-off."

The German made his F1 debut with BMW Sauber at the United States Grand Prix in 2007. He joined Toro Rosso that same year and raced the final seven races of the season.

YOUNGEST CHAMPION

He then spent a full season with Toro Rosso before making the step up to Red Bull in 2009. Vettel's first title in 2010, aged 23 years and 134 days, saw him become the youngest world champion in history. He moved to Aston Martin last season after six years at Ferrari, with whom he twice finished runner-up for the world title to Hamilton in 2017 and 2018.

swashbuckling wicket-keeper batter Rishabh Pant and urged the Indian board to be patient with him when things go awry.

"He (Pant) is one of the most exciting cricketers to watch, I think he just lights up a stage, and makes an electric atmosphere when he is playing, that is wonderful," Gilchrist said.

India maintain 3rd spot in ODI team rankings

PTI ■ DUBAI

India maintained their third position in the latest men's ODI Team Rankings following the 3-0 series whitewash of the West Indies in their own backyard.

Despite missing a slew of first-choice players, the Shikhar Dhawan-led India showed they have plenty of depth waiting in the wings as they completed a sweep over the Caribbean side on Wednesday with an emphatic 119-run victory in the third and

final match.

The triumph was India's third ODI series victory on the trot and saw them boost their rating to a total of 128, and some four rating points clear of arch-rival Pakistan (106), who is in the fourth place.

New Zealand sit alone at the top of the team ODI rankings with a rating of 128, while England (119) remain in second place despite their recent series loss to India and drawn series against South Africa.

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3			बाबरी	सिवनीमालवा	-	-	540	1,76,850/-
4			कजालास	डोलरीया	-	-	75	24,563/-
5			रवाड़ी	सिवनीमालवा	-	-	90	29,475/-
6			डिमावर	सिवनीमालवा	52/3	0.405	15	4,913/-
7			रायपुर	नर्मदापुरम	-	-	12	3,930
8			सर्राकिशोर	पिपरिया	-	-	60	19,650/-
9	नर्मदापुरम	1	बाबरी	सिवनीमालवा	-	-	30	9,825/-
10			मनवाड़ा	माछनगर	202/2	-	20	6,550/-
11			नर्मदापुरम	691/1/घ	0.809	450	1,47,375/-	
12			जासलपुर	नर्मदापुरम	705/1/घ	2.817	4500	14,73,750/-
13			निमसाडिया	नर्मदापुरम	610	0.405	26775	87,68,813/-
14			निमसाडिया	नर्मदापुरम	1234	0.983	17748	58,12,470/-
15			मरोडा	इटारसी	285	1.943	4791	15,69,053/-
16			मरोडा	इटारसी	445	0.958	1501	4,91,578/-
17			मरोडा	इटारसी	345/1	0.729	600	1,96,500/-
योग							58,341,70	1,90,15,307/-

ऑनलाईन निविदा सह-निलामी प्रस्तुत करने की अंतिम तिथि के पूर्व निविदा प्रक्रिया में कोई तकनीकी त्रुटि या अन्य विषमगति परिलक्षित होती है, तो जिला कलेक्टर द्वारा नियमानुसार निविदा दस्तावेजों/शर्तों में सुधार कर सकेगा तथा जिसकी जानकारी जिले की वेबसाइट एवं <http://www.mpsmcl.mp.gov.in>, <https://ekhanii.mp.gov.in> एवं <https://mptenders.gov.in> में ही प्रदर्शित की जायेगी। ऐसा सुधार निविदाकर्ताओं पर बंधनकारी होगा।

नोट:- जिला स्तर पर मॉडल प्रारूप में आवश्यक संशोधन किया जा सकेगा।
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