

Row over delimitation body Spooked by Omicron fear, Sensex ends 4-month-low adding 6 seats to Jammu

Draft proposes 1 more Assembly seat to Kashmir

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 $I_{\text{-1, the Delimitation}}^{n \text{ its first draft report-Paper}}$ Commission for Jammu & Kashmir has proposed six additional seats for the Jammu region and one for the Kashmir valley after considering demographic changes in the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir.

The draft report has triggered strong protests from the National Conference, the Peoples' Democratic Party, the People's Conference and the Jammu Kashmir Apni Party. They have accused the commission of allowing the "polit-ical agenda of the BJP to dictate its recommendations".

If the proposal goes through, the total seats in Jammu will increase to 43 from the existing 37 and in the Kashmir valley from 46 to 47. Of the total seats, the commission has proposed nine for the Scheduled Tribes and seven for the Scheduled Castes.

Apart from the 90 seats where the boundaries have



been freshly demarcated, the 24 Election seats in Pakistan-occupied Chandra Bhushan Kumar gave Kashmir remain unchanged. a detailed presentation to the members explaining that the Earlier at a meeting with Delimitation panel has cate-gorised all 20 districts in three

five associate members, the Delimitation Commission headed by (Retd) Ranjana Prakash Desai, shared the draft report of the redrawing of margin of +/- 10 per cent of average population per Assembly Constituency (AC), boundaries of the Jammu & Kashmir and sought their comments/suggestions by December 31, 2021.

The meeting was held at Ashok Hotel on Monday, and attended by associate members, Jugal Kishore and Dr Jitendra Singh of the BJP and three MPs from the National Conference Farooq Abdullah, Justice (Retd) Hasnain Masoodi and Mohammad Akbar Lone. This is the first time the NC attended the delimitation commission meeting. Senior Deputy

There was no objection from any side. Now the Delimitation Commission has proposed to ncrease the seats to 90. They have followed objective parameters on the basis of opulation, accessibility, opography and terrain of ndividual districts. I don't fee anvone would be dissatisfied with it. No political party can find fault with it BJP MP AND UNION MINISTER

They have done a good job.

Jitendra Singh

Misrepresenting and distorting the facts with malicious intention! Very misleading statement. We have clearly expressed our resentment over the draft of the Delimitation Commission, the biased process of seat sharing. NC will not be a signatory to

this report. National conference The commission has been created simply to serve BJP's political interests by dividing people along religious and regional lines. The real game plan is to install a Government in JK which will legitimise the illegal and unconstitutional decisions of August 2019 PDP PRESIDENT MEHBOOBA MUFTI • They reek of bias. What a shock for those who believe in democracy PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE CHIEF SAJJAD LONE

Indian investors lose ₹6.7L crore; stocks world over nosedive

PNS MUMBAI

The fear of surging Omicron Cases across the world $T_{\rm cases}$ catching up with India in the weeks ahead spooked the stock market with relentless selling by both domestic and foreign investors. The 30-share BSE Sensex slumped 1,700 points before it recovered marginally. At the end of the day, Sensex shed 1,189.73 points or 2.90 per cent to end at 55,822.01 — its lowest since August 23 this year.

2.18 per cent to end at 16,614.20. The same gloom-and-

doom story was witnessed all over the world. Markets in Shanghai, Hong Kong, Tokyo and Seoul ended with heavy losses, and stock exchanges in Europe opened deep in the red. The market capitalisation of all BSE-listed companies

tumbled by ₹6.79 lakh crore to stand at ₹2,52,57,581.05 crore. This means investors lost 6.7 lakh crore in a single day.

Tata Steel was the top loser in the Sensex pack, sinking 5.20 per cent, followed by IndusInd



A health worker administers a dose of Covid-19 vaccine to a beneficiary during a mobile vaccination drive amid

fear of spread of a new variant of Covid, in Bengaluru, on Mondav Bank, SBI, Bajaj Finance, HDFC Bank, Kotak Bank and NTPC. Only HUL and Dr

Reddy's managed to close in the green, climbing up to 1.70 per cent. According to experts, exploding Covid-19 cases, sus-tained selling by foreign institutional investors and slowing growth momentum in the

developed economies have spooked world markets. "India has been undergoing a phase of consolidation in the last two months. Currently, selloff is due to rapid rise in FIIs selling triggered by hawkish world central banks' policy, cautious view on Indian mar ket due to high valuation compared to peers and drop in retail inflows," news agency PTI quoted Vinod Nair, Head of Research at Geojit Financial Services, as saying.

No evidence Omicron causes lower severity than Delta: UK Study care after infection," the authors

New Delhi:Close on the heels of the WHO warning that of the study said. Omicron variants are doubling "However, hospitalisation every 1.5 to 3 days in places data remains very limited at with community transmission, this time," they added. a UK study has said that there The yet-to-be-published is "no evidence" that the hyper study used data for all PCRmutated strain has a lower confirmed SARS-CoV-2 cases severity than the Delta strain. in England who had taken a The study by researchers from Covid-19 test between November 29 and December Imperial College London also found that the new variant of 11, 2021. coronavirus largely evades

immunity from past infection

reinfection with the Omicron

variant is 5.4 times greater

than that of the Delta variant.

This implies that the protection

against reinfection by Omicron

afforded by past infection may

be as low as 19 per cent, the

dence of Omicron having lower

severity than Delta, judged by

either the proportion of people

testing positive who report

symptoms, or by the propor-

tion of cases seeking hospital

"The study finds no evi-

It estimates that the risk of

or two vaccine doses.

researchers said.

Covid vax can be tweaked for **Omicron:** Guleria

New Delhi: The Covid-19 vaccines can be "tweaked" to provide protection against new variants of the virus, All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Delhi, Director Dr Randeep Guleria has said. His remarks have come in the wake of concerns over the new Omicron variant of Covid-19.



Aishwarya grilled

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 $B^{ollywood\ actor\ Aishwarya}_{Rai\ Bachchan\ was\ on}$ Monday questioned for six hours by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) in connection with its probe into the Panama



Commissioner

broad categories A, B and C.

while proposing allocation of

the constituencies to the dis-

for some districts, proposed

carving out of an additional

constituency to balance the

representation for geographical

areas having inadequate com-

munication and lack of public

conveniences due to their

inhospitable conditions on the

international border.

The commission has also,

The commission gave a

Dasburma aide death CB holds lie-detection test of 3 accused Police get

victim's postmortem

report PNS BHUBANESWAR Т

tection test of three accused

to unearth the truth.

11 and did not return home. The woman, who has been brought for the lie-detection test, hails from Chakrapara, a place close to the spot where Jaga reportedly met with an accident on the fateful night. She had also been earlier ques-

On similar lines, the NSE Nifty tanked 371 points or

Papers expose about linking several prominent personalities in India with companies in tax havens.

The actor appeared before the ED office and was questioned in a case linked to the 2016 Panama Papers global tax leaks case.

The statement of 48-yearold daughter-in-law of superstar Amitabh Bachchan and Samajwadi Party MP Jaya Bachchan was recorded under the provisions of the Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMA), officials said.

After the grilling, the former Miss World was ushered into a white car from the back door of the ED's office at Jam Nagar House just after 7 pm.

Amid her daughter-inlaw's questioning, Jaya Bachchan on Monday lashed out at the ruling BJP in the

Rajya Sabha with a "curse" that it will face bad days soon. Participating in the debate the NDPS (Amendment) Bill, Jaya chose to raise the issue of the 12 suspended Opposition members and said Bhubaneswar Kalita, who was in the chair, himself used to protest in the Well of the

House. This evoked a sharp

reaction from BJP members.

toral roll data with the Aadhaar ecosystem after a brief debate amid continuous protest by Opposition members over var-

ious issues, including the Lakhimpur Kheri violence.

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The Election Laws (Amendment) Bill 2021, piloted by Law Minister Kiren Rijiju, was passed by a voice vote. The Government rejected demands by some Opposition MPs to refer it to a parliamentary panel for scrutiny.

The Lok Sabha on Monday

Bill to linl

Rijiju said various proposals which are part of the Bill have already been suggested and recommended by the Standing Committee on Law and Personnel. The Minister further said the Bill will cleanse

the election system and eliminate multiple entries. He fur-ther said the Government wanted a full debate on the Bill but could not do so because of the uproar in the House.

Rijiju said the Bill, which is gender-neutral and has four qualifying dates for entry into an electoral roll, is in consonance with the Supreme Court's ruling. Supriya Sule of the NCP wondered why this important Bill was being pushed in a tearing hurry by the Government.

L he Crime Branch (CB), tioned by the Crime Branch. investigating into the death Meanwhile, the postmortem of Chittaranjan Palai, who report of the deceased was submitted to the Puri Sadar powas an aide of BJD leader and State Planning Board lice. However, the finding of Deputy Chairman Sanjay Dasburma in Puri district, on exact reason behind the death. Monday conducted lie-de-

the report did not establish the Evan as the State contin-While the postmortem report ued to remain in the grip of said the death was caused by drowning, the report was sent cold wave conditions, the weather office on Monday said

The accused Jagannath to the SFSL for further confirmation. The body of Sarangi alias Jaga, his associ-Chittaranjan, a native of ate and a woman were Sanabandhakera village in brought to the State Foren-Brahmagiri tehsil, had been sic Science Laboratory found under mysterious cir-(SFSL) in Bhubaneswar where their polygraph test cumstances in Nuanai on Dewas held. Jaga, who is a cember 13.

On the basis of the comfriend of the deceased, and plaint of Chittaranjan's famthe two others, have come ily members, the Sadar police under the scanner during the Crime Branch probe. In a had registered a murder case. complaint to the Puri SP, On December 15, the DGP Chittaranjan's uncle had alhanded over the investigation leged that he had gone for a of the case to the Crime feast with Jaga on December Branch.

Daringadi coldest at 4 deg PNS BHUBANESWAR

the minimum temperature

India Meteorological Depart-

ment (IMD) here said dry

weather would prevail in the

State for the next four days.

The minimum temperature

(night temperature) is likely to

drop by 2 to 3 degree Celsius

in coming days and no sig-

nificant change would be seen

thereafter. On Sunday night,

intense cold wave conditions

prevailed in 13 stations of the

The Regional Office of the

would dip further.

State recorded minimum temperature below 10 degree Celsius

Daringbadi was the coldest place in the state as mercury plummeted to as low as 4 degree, followed by Jharsuguda 5.6 degree, Phulbani 6.5 degree, Sonepur 6.9 degree, Keonjhar 7.4 degree and Balangir and Sundargarh 8 degree each. Others places where the minimum temperature dropped below 10 degree were: Baripada 9.5 degree Sambalpur 9 degree, Hirakud 9 degree, Talcher 9 degree, Bhawanipatna 8.9 degree, and Titilagarh 9 degree.

Lowest temperature in capital city Bhubaneswar was recorded at 13.8 degree Celsius.

CAPSULE

S-DELHI TEMPLE TO BE DEMOLISHED, SAYS HC New Delhi: The Delhi High Court ON Monday directed the Delhi Government to remove an

illegally constructed temple put up on public land in South Delhi, noting that no religious activity was going on there.

'BHAGWAT GITA CAN BE ALLOWED IN SCHOOLS'

New Delhi: State governments can allow the teaching of the Bhagwat Gita to school students if they want, the Government told the Lok Sabha on Monday.

COUPLE TIE KNOT BY CONSTITUTION'S OATH

Berhampur: A couple in Odisha's Ganjam district have tied the knot by taking their marriage oath on the Constitution instead of following the traditional Hindu rituals

122 STUDENTS OF IITS, IIMS KILLED SELF IN 7YRS New Delhi: 122 students of IITs. IIMs. Central Universities and other Centrally funded higher educational institutions killed themselves in 2014-21 the Lok Sabha was informed

Step up shrines' security: Centre to Punjab after sacrilege incidents

MONIKA MALIK 🗖 CHANDIGARH

larmed over two incidents ${
m A}$ of attempted sacrilege within 24 hours in Punjab, the Central Government has issued an alert to the State Government, while hinting at more similar incidents. The Centre has asked the State authorities to enhance security of all religious places or shrines, including gurudwaras and deras.

Notably, two unidentified men were beaten to death in Amritsar and Kapurthala after they allegedly attempted to commit sacrilege.

The Centre has issued instructions to the State Government to increase security measures and closely monitor the situation at all religious shrines in the State to avoid such incidents.

It has been learnt that the religious places could be targeted to vitiate the atmosphere in the State, ahead of the polls scheduled to be held early next tions



Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee president Harjinder Singh Dhami addresses a press conference over the sacrilege incident at Golden temple, in Amritsar on Monday. A man was beaten to death on Saturday after he allegedly attempted to commit a 'sacrilegious' act inside the historic temple

year. The Union Home Ministry has asked the State Government to increase the security of all gurdwaras, deras, temples, and all religious places in Punjab, warning that antinational elements may try to incite religious sentiments in Punjab in the run up to elec-

The Centre is apprehending that attempts would be made to disturb Punjab's atmosphere by using religious places. "Punjab's religious harmony can be disturbed by incidents like sacrilege." After the Centre's input, the State Government has become alert.

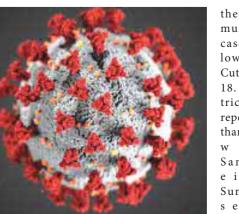
State adds 186 Covid cases, 1 death

39 children among infected

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 $T_{he \ State \ recorded \ 186}$ new Covid-19 positive cases on Monday in 19 districts and the State pool, surging the total tally to 10, 53,020.

Among the freshly-infected were 39 children in the age group of 0 to 18 years. Notably, the State had detected 193 cases on Sunday. Out of new cases,



109 were from quarantined and 77 local contacts. Khordha district reported Rayagada

maxi-94 mum folcases lowed by Cuttack with 18. The districts which reported less than 10 cases

w e r e Sambalpur eight, Sundargarh seven,

Deogarh and Mayurbhanj five each, Bhadrak, Angul, covered, increasing the total recoveries to 10,42875. and

Jagatsinghpur three each, Gajapati, Jajpur, Puri and Nayagarh two each and Bargarh, Baleswar, Kendrapada and Ganjam one each. Besides, 27 cases were reported from the State pool.

The active cases stood at 1,821. One more person succumbed to the disease, taking the total death toll to 8,445. The lone death was reported from Khordha district. However, 174 more patients re-



State's longest river bridge inaugurated

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Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik on Monday inaugurated the State's longest high-level bridge over the Mahanadi at Gopinathpur in Cuttack district.

The 3.4-km-long bridge connecting Singhanath Pitha and Baideswar in Cuttack district has been constructed with an investment of Rs 111 crore. It will reduce distance by 45 km immensely benefitting around five lakh people.

On February 28, 2014, the CM had laid foundation-stone for the bridge that has been built in English alphabet 'T' shape.

After inaugurating, Patnaik walked on the bridge Pandian, Badamba MLA

and later joined a public meet-Debi Prasad Mishra and Banki MLA Debi Ranjan Tripathy ing held on the occasion. Among others, Works Min-

were present. ister Prafulla Mallick, Cuttack Notably, the Netaji Collector Bhabani Shankar Subash Chandra Bose Setu, Chayini, 5T Secretary VK popularly known as Trishulia

Bridge, over river Kathajodi,

was so far the State's longest bridge. This 2.88-km bridge that connects Barang on Bhubaneswar outskirts with Judicial Academy Chhak in Cuttack had been inaugurated by the CM in July 2017.

125 Jr Assts join Municipal Cadre PNS BHUBANESWAR

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m A}$ total of 125 Junior Assistants joined the Odisha Municipal Cadre in the Housing and Urban Development Department on Monday. Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik attended an orientation programme virtually for the new recruits at the Lok Patnaik said Seva Bhawan. the posting of Junior Assistants in all 114 Urban Local Bodies would help improve service delivery. He urged the Junior Assistants to always remember the basic tenets of the 5T governance model and Mo Sarkar. Chief Secretary Suresh Mohapatra said the

CM has directed to fill up all the vacancies in every department. The Government is making all efforts to fill up the vacancies under a special drive.

Duped businessman of Rs 1.17-cr

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 T_{he} Economic Offences Wing (EOW) of the Odisha police has arrested another person from New Delhi, who had duped a businessman of over Rs 1 crore by posing as a Research and Analysis Wing (RAW) official.

The accused was identified as Rajesh Gahlot. EOW officials said Gahlot was arrested from Dwarka in New Delhi on December 18. The EOW obtained his five-day transit remand from the Dwarka Metropolitan Mag-

Free health camp for senior citizens held

istrate Court, where the former was produced following arrest.

Earlier, the EOW had arrested Suryamani Triapathy and Amit Kumar in connection with the fraud. It was alleged that the accused had posed as IAS and Works Department officers to dupe the unsuspecting victims.

The EOW said Gahlot had cheated one Rikab Chand Munot, proprietor of Rashtriya Stainless Steel, Jindal House, New Delhi.

In a written complaint, the victim had alleged that the accused along with the help of a woman, who impersonated as a Treasury Officer, had duped him and his son to the tune of Rs.1.17 crore on the pretext of facilitating big contracts in the Odisha Works Department.

During investigation, the EOW found that the three accused Suryamani Triapathy, Rajesh Gahlot and Amit Kumar entered into a criminal conspiracy and created a series of fake documents including work orders issued by the EIC (Civil) Bhubaneswar.

They also executed fake agreements with the complainant's Rashtriya Stainless Steel. EOW said that accused trio had handed over fake work orders having contract value of Rs. 32.52 crore and Rs.47.52 crore, respectively to the complainant and in that process had cheated Rs. 1.17 crore from him.

First in State Cosmetic limbs unit unveiled in S'pur

SAMBAI PUB

In a noble gesture to rehabilitate persons with deformity, Sambalpur Collector Subham Saxena, in a first, inaugurated a workshop and distributed cosmetic limbs.

Known as the Silicon Cosmetic Rehabilitation Workshop, it can put in cosmetic finger, ear, nail, lip etc as per the colour of body to get back to a deformed person almost normal look.

The Collector gave cosmetic manufactured palms, ears, lip, left hand finger, to four persons on the occasion.

Tapaswini Meher (34), a widow of Khetrajpur, a 13year-old boy of Bada Bazar reading in Kendriya Vidyalaya, a 12-year-old KV

student and an 11-year-girl student of Tileimal village of Rairakhol block were provided the cosmetic limbs for different parts of their bodies.

"Not only will they look beautiful, they can also discharge their duties normally with the help of these limbs, the Collector said. People of other districts can also avail the benefit from the Sambalpur

centre, he informed. Two expert persons from New Delhi have trained the Sambalpur centre staff Sachidananda Khuntia to manufacture cosmetic limbs, he told.

A free health checkupcum-awareness camp was held for senior citizens at the Top Bone and Joint Clinic here on Sunday. The camp was restricted to 30 patients in order to give best service to all senior citizens on first-comefirst-serve basis.

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The camp was aimed at creating awareness, detecting BMD (Bone Mineral Density to measure osteoporosis) assessment, blood sugar measurement and orthopaedic consultation by renowned orthopaedic surgeon Dr Debabrata Padhy, senior consultant at



Apollo Bhubaneswar.

ducted in association with the Odisha Arthroplasty Association, of which Dr Padhy is the honorary secretary. Osteoporosis (bone

weakness) and diabetes are



PNS CUTTACK

The fifth edition of Ama Pathaagaara, an initiative by actor and social activist Varsha Priyadarshini, was held at Utkal Balashram Orphanage, Cuttack, on Sunday. Varsha donated a collection of short storybooks for the children at the orphanage and interacted with them. The event began with a lamp lighting ceremony by Varsha along with esteemed guests to offer prayers to the late Dasarathi Patnaik (Dasia

Aja), the motivation behind the Ama Pathaagaara movement, followed by a welcome song rendition by the children of the orphanage. The ribbon-cutting ceremony of the cabinet of books was done by Varsha in the presence of Cuttack District Social Welfare Officer Nirupama Behera, Cuttack District Child Protection Officer Pragati Mohanty, Assistant Professor, SCB Medical College and HospitalPrashant Parida and Orissa High Court lawyer

Ramakrushna Ratha.

Hospitals, The camp was con-

two dreaded diseases of old age. More so in the Covid times, these two diseases have increased in incidence following home stay of aged people. Osteoporosis leads to fracture with a slight fall. Diabetes has all types of complications as-

sociated with it. Dr Padhy declared that such free camps would be held at regular intervals in the premises of Top Bone and Joint Clinic located in Phase-VII Sailashree Vihar, Bhubaneswar, in front of

Ideal Plaza Apartment.

Kashmiri apple grown in Ganjam fruits, but these crops were not profitable. Pradhan was exploring new avenues of cultivations, especially in horticulture, and started planting apple trees.

Pradhan, who was a Government employee, has turned as an agri-entrepreneur with his earlier experience of cultivating red apple in Kashmir.

At present, there are 400 apple trees in his orchid, for which he has spent a hefty amount.

Pradhan is expecting that each tree would yield about 10 to 15 kg of delicious fruits of medium size even though Odisha doesn't have the climate as Kashmir's. Taking care of his garden is a big challenge for him.

He says many other farmers may come to farming apple if the State Horticulture Department supports them.

the fruits are now ripe. Ranjan Pradhan Unbelievable but true. shows the way Ranjan Pradhan, a resident of R PRASANT DAS Bahadapalli, cultivated apple last

year in his two-acre land. He said the fruits would be available in local market in first week of January. Earlier Pradhan's family used

BRAHMAPUR

Ganjam district has added a unique distinction in its features as a farmer has grown Kashmiri apples in his land and



capital 02 Fake RAW official nabbed by EOW

Mukhyamantri Vayu Swasthya Seva launched



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In another step by the State Government in the healthcare services, Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik on Monday launched Mukhyamantri Vayu Swasthya Seva (Air Health Services) at the Biju Patnaik International Airport here.

The service was launched for four districts, Malkangiri, Nabarangpur,

Nuapada and Kalahandi, in the first phase. Other districts will be covered in a phased manner.

Under the initiative, a list of specialists required for the treatment of critical patients admitted to various District Headquarters Hospitals (DHHs) will be prepared and sent to the Health Department. The doctors

healthcare facilities in Bhubaneswar Cuttack. A team of doctors of the SCB Medical College Hospital has been formed for this purpose. Later,

lifted

for prompt treatment of

the patients. If required,

the patients will be air-

similar teams of doctors

to various

and

of MKCG Medical Colwill be flown to the lege Hospital, VIMSAR DHHs through aircrafts and private hospitals empanelled under the Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana (BSKY) will be constituted.

On the inaugural day, the SCB team was flown to Malkangiri. The service will be offered free of cost to the patients.

Petrol pump workers demand salary hike

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Members of the All Odisha Petrol and Diesel Pump Workers' Union on Monday staged a demonstration before the IOCL office here demanding a minimum salary of Rs 21,000, dearness allowance, insurance, social protection and city allowance.

A five-point charter of demands was submitted to the IOCL CGM by the organisation, which strongly objected the indiscriminate retrenchment of workers and urged the managements to consider their

loyalty and sincerity towards fuel stations and not to adopt the principle of hire and fire.

to cultivate various grains and

Other demands included enhancement of the wages of the workers who worked during the Covid-19 pandemic and lockdowns.

Herrero, CEO and National

Director, World Vision India

Madhav Bellamkonda, The-

matic Head, CSAE, NACG

EVAC India Mikhael Pradhan

ticipants from 20 States and UTs

across India. Some very impor-

The consultation had par-

spoke on the occasion.

The memorandum said

the IOCL being the coordinator of the oil companies it is its responsibility to consider the demand.

The demonstration was led by union president Suresh Chandra Routray, general secretary Pabitra Chhatoi and vice-president Shankar Majhi.

Nat'l meet held to end child sexual abuse

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he National Action and Coordination Group for Ending Violence against Children (NACG EVAC), India and the People's Cultural Centre [PECUC] organised a national consultation and convergence meeting to end child sexual abuse and exploitation in India, in collaboration with the World Vision India and BMZ.

The consultation was organised with a core aim of providing a platform for child protection functionaries and key stakeholders to stimulate discussions and share child protection challenges, solutions and good practices in



preventing child sexual abuse and exploitation (CSAE).

It also encouraged to collaborate with relevant Ministries, commissions, departments, CSOs and other key stakeholders to come up with strategies to end CSAE.

The welcome note was given by vice chairperson,

NACG EVAC India, Sanjay Gupta, followed by an inaugural session chaired by chairperson, NACG EVAC India Ranjan Kumar Mohanty. The panel had experienced and eminent personalities including chairperson NCPCR

Priyanka Kanoongo. Chief of Child Protection, tant strategies were shared along with reflective questions, which focused on data driven decision making, online menace of sexual violence against children and disaster and emergence pandemic has raised for protection of children. The panelists also shed some light on the need of conversation with both the genders.

In the concluding session, Chairperson, Odisha State Commission for protection of Child Rights Sandhyabati Pradhan, Member DCPCR Nidhi Dwivedi, Member RSCPCR Dr Vijendra Singh, , Regional Specialist, ILO Insaf Nizam, spoke. Aditi P Kaur gave vote of thanks.

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Fire in Sambalpur gutkha unit; 25 injured

9 in critical condition shifted to IGH NIMAI CHARAN SAHU SAMBALPUR

Due to a fire mishap in a gutkha factory at the outskirts of the town, 25 persons have been injured and were admit-

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L he most-awaited liquid oxy-

gen plants have now been in-

stalled in the premises of MKCG

Medical College Hospital and

City Hospital here. This would

help patients of southern Odisha

districts. Brahmapur MLA

Bikram Kumar Panda inaugu-

rated the plants in the presence

of Ganjam district Collector

Vijaya Amruta Kulange, Odisha

Building and Construction

Workers' Welfare Board Chair-

man Dr Ramesh Chaupattnaik,

DRDA PD Shinde Dattatraya

Bhausaheb, BeMC Commis-

sioner Dr Siddeshwar Baliram

Bondar, Sub-Collector Keerthi

Vasan, DPM Syamasundar

Tripathy, City Hospital Super-

ted in different hospitals. Out of the total injured persons, the condition of seven is learnt to be critical and they have been shifted to IGH Rourkela for improved treatment. The rest are in

"Short circuit may be another reason," a police officer said. VIMSAR, Burla. Although the cause of fire is yet to be But nothing in concrete known, but the management could be said, he added. It is further learnt that though the sources said that the fire occurred in the packaging maunit is a big and old one, but

02 plants installed in MKCG, City Hosp

chine and then it spread to it didn't possess NOC (noobjection certificate) from other areas causing massive damage to the unit and injurthe Fire department so far. This shows with how much ing the workers. But other sources said that

carelessness and willful irregua blasting caused the fire. larities, the industries are running here. It took almost four hours to extinguish the fire. But huge smoke was coming out even after the fire was totally

extinguished.

KEONJHAR

a sharp weapon in her office at

Anandapur in Keonjhar district on

Monday. One Gobinda Jena of

Bankhidi village allegedly attacked

B'pur couple discord Local women barge into Sumit's house



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 I_n a development in the Sumit-Tapaswini marital discord case, local women, supporters of Tapaswini, tried to barge into the house of her inlaws here breaking open the main gate on Monday. Police arrived and tred to

pacify the irate women. Tapaswini, who is staging a dharna before Sumit 's house told reporters, "These women are here to get me justice." A woman said, "The matter has stretched for too long. Sumit

the RI Seema Simantini Sahoo while she was busy in some work in her office. The RI, who sustained serious injuries in the attack, was rushed to the Anandapur hospital by her colleagues. Her condition was stated to be critical. Police detained the Gobinda for interro-

stay in a rented accommodation along with Tapaswini and bear all expenses, but he went missing. gation. The accused alleged that the RI had vindictively transferred some portion of his land in favour of some people in the village. Later, Anandapur Sub-

needs to take Tapaswini home

now. Tapaswini's dharna is set-

ting a bad example for our hus-

bands." Tapaswini, a native of

Chhatrapur in Ganjam district,

has created a sensation in the

State for staging the sit-in for

11 days before her husband

Sumit's house under a tent de-

manding her in-laws to accept

Court had asked Sumit to

The Brahmapur SDJM

her as their daughter-in-law.

Collector Gopinath Kuanr visited the hospital and termed the incident as unfortunate.

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INBRIEF

APICON, ODISHA ANNUAL CONF CONCLUDES

Bhubaneswar : The 41st Annual Conference of Associations of Physicians of India (APICON), Odisha



Chapter was held at the Kalinga Institute of Medical Sciences here on December 18 and 19. Governor Prof Ganeshi Lal inaugurated the conference from the Raj Bhavan in the presence of MP and KIIT and KISS founder Prof Achyuta Samanta and API past president Dr A Muruganathan. The theme of the conference was "Translating evidence to patient care". There were deliberations on Covid-19 and cardiovascular, respiratory and infectious diseases.

BM HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI MEET HELD

Bhubaneswar: Old students of the 1987 batch of the Bhaktakabi



Madhusudan (BM) High School in Old Town here walked down the memory lane at a meeting organised at the Uttareswar Temple in Old Town on Saturday. More than 50 members participated. The old students felt nostalgic as they narrated their experiences. The speakers told the alumni to remember contributions of their alma mater in their lives and urged them to lead the current generation in right direction by sharing their inspiring stories of success with them.

BHITARKANIKA CLOSED FOR 10 DAYS IN JAN

Kendrapada : The Bhitarkanika National Park in the district will remain closed for tourists for a period of 10 days in January next to carry out crocodile census in the water bodies inside and outside the wildlife sanctuary. The census is scheduled to be conducted from January 2 to 11. The sanctuary will reopen for tourists from January 12.

SMART HEALTH CARDS DISTRIBUTED IN JSPUR

Jagatsinghpur: Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana [BSKY] smart health cards distribution began in Jagatsinghapur municipal area on Sunday. Local



MLA Prasanta Muduli inaugurated the drive accompanied by Collector Parul Patwari, municipality Executive Officer Ashok Karna and other officials in the Town Hall. Muduli said the smart cards would reimburse the patients' health expenditures to the tune of Rs 5 lakh for males and Rs 10 lakh for females. The Executive Officer said 4,940 people have been identified as eligible for obtaining the cards. Total 110 cards were distributed on the first day.

CORONA WARRIORS HONOURED IN J'SUGUDA

Jharsuguda: The Narsingha Bishnupriya Charitable Trust on Sunday felicitated corona warriors at a function at



Kolabira. Trust chairman Deepali Das coordinated the meeting, where Anganwadi and Asha Workers, MBK, ANM and CRPs were felicitated. Health and Family Welfare Minister Naba Kisore Das, block Chairman Jayanti Bahuk, Zilla Parishad Member Lipsa Nayak and CDPO joined as guests.

SURA PRATAP CRICKET CLUB WIN BHAPUR TOURNEY

Bhapur: The Sura Pratap Cricket Club

Dhenkanal won the final match by 81 runs in the inter-district cricket tournament held here on Sunday. MD Suleman was man of the match. The final was played between Sura Pratap and Mancheswar Cricket Clun Bhubaneswar teams. Guests at the final match Khandapada MLA Soumya Ranjan Patnaik, Jitendra Ranasingh, Benudhar Pradhan and Manoj Pradhan distributed prizes to selected players and handed over the trophies to the champion and runners-up teams.

intendent Dr Biswambar Behera and IREL MD Dr PK PNS In Keonjhar Patra. The IREL and a charity A woman Revenue Inspector Woman RI organisation Nobel Kaj had pro-(RI) was attacked by a person with

vided assistant of Rs 1 crore and Rs 70 lakh, respectively, for the attacked in office ; plants, which would provide 1,500 litres of oxygen per day. hospitalised A 50-seat portable medical has also been inaugurated.

time there.

LEPRA ambassador distributes blankets

PNS SONEPUR

"Selfless social service heals my heart with happiness," said senior journalist-cum-ambassador of LEPRA India Society from Sonepur Gorekhnath Sahu.

After taking charge as ambassador of LEPRA India Society, Sahu is visiting different organisations and discussing their development, along with coordinator of LEPRA India Society Nrusingha Mishra.

He initiated different so-



and blankets in winter to Old age homes and spent some "Once I was distributing

blankets at Bus Stand area revenue village. when I found a man had covered him with a big plastic sheet to ward off the cold. I gave him a new blanket. He prostrated before me in gratitude. It was an emotional moment and I understood the joy of giving," recalled Sahu. On the day, Sahu also dis-

Villagers-cops faceoff : Tension at Dhinkia

 $T_{ension prevailed at the}$ JSW project site Dhinkia village on Monday when villagers confronted with police and civil administration officials who were on their way to Mahala village for demarcation of the newly-formed

To conduct the demarcation, the Erasama Tehsildar and other revenue staffs accompanied by police had moved to the spot. Hundreds of villagers, including women and children, converged at Yagi Sahi, a hamlet of Dhinkia village and waited

her job is at stake ,she alleg-

edly knocked the doors of the

Kendrapada Sadar police sta-

tion against the director

registered a case and started an

investigation. No body has

been arrested so far. Accused

Behera is absconding since last

,as several students ,who have

taken admitssion in BEd, were

cheated with fake certificates.

Intellectual mass demanded

stern action against the direc-

tor of the said institution.

It's only a tip of an iceberg

several years.

Meanwhile, the police have

Behera of the institution.

changed the return route via seashore road to the headquarters town. The villagers hurriedly followed the officials. Soon, a confrontation





2 arrested



bricks at them. The villagers

alleged that police forcibly

entered into Dhinkia and ar-

rested two persons. The vil-

lagers also alleged that their

houses were ransacked in-

cial services to help the needy. So far, they have conducted cleanliness awareness

RAJESH BEHERA

KENDRAPADA

BEd certificate.

under

In Kendrapada

 ${f A}$ case has come to the fore

here in which a teacher lodged

an FIR at Sadar police station

against a private educational

institution for proving fake

resident of Jasuapalli village

block,lodged the complaint at

Kendrapada Sadar police

station, alleging that she had

taken admission in BEd at the

College Chowk based- Odisha

College of Distance Education

Rashmi Rekha Mallick, a

Mahakalapada

tributed a book named 'Koshli Gita Sar,' written by him to from Mahala. inhabitants of old age homes.

there for the officials' return Interestingly, police

erupted between them. Police alleged that the

cluding that of Debendra villagers hurled stones and Swain, a prominent JSW

In Jajpur Woman attempts immolation at tehsil office

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at Chandikhol Chhak but was unable to sell it for her son's study. She alleged that first, the

A woman attempted to Tehsildar told her to go to the end her life by pouring kero-Revenue Inspector's office and sene on herself at the bring a report. Again, the Dharamsala tehsil office in Tehsildar asked her to go to the Jajpur district on Monday as she Collector's office to bring the was fed up with the harassment order. After running to the of administrative officials. Collector's office for a month, The woman was identified she got an order, but the Tehsildar as Anima Rout of Neulapur

said she cannot sell the land. As the officials made her run from pillar to post, she decided to commit suicide. Dharamsala PS IIC Rakesh Tripathy reached the spot and pacified the woman.

firmed the arrest of two persons identified as Ajodhya Chandra Swain and Mili Swain. He said criminal cases were pending against them at the Abhyachandpur police station from Decem-

opponent. At least seven

villagers were hurt due to

police action, rued Swain.

Akheleshvar Singh con-

Jagatsinghpur SP

ber first week. The SP claimed that the demarcation drive at Mahala was completed peacefully with the support of local.



All XIMB students of 34th batch get jobs



Now, wild boars create headache for K'pada farmers

Damaging standing paddy crops on large scale RAJESH BEHERA KENDRAPADA

First, incessant rain damaged standing ripen paddy crop; then, Cyclone Jawad played havoc. And now, wild boars have started destroying the remaining ripen paddy

crops, which are ready for harvest at the fringe areas of the Bhitarkanika National park. As a result, the farmers of

Institute issues fake BEd certificate; FIR lodged

and Management Studies

under Kendrapada Sadar po-

lice station in the academic

Rs 1 lakh for completion of the

course. One Kamalakanta

Behera, director of the institu-

tion, allegedly provided her a

BEd certificate and marksheet.

She said though she had ap-

plied for a teacher's post and

got the job but during the cer-

tificate verification, her BEd

certificate and its marksheet

know that she was cheated and

As a result, coming to

were found to be fake.

She said to have given more

year of 2012-13.

loss this time.

wild boars have posed a threat to the standing paddy crops in Lanjuda and Gogua GPs under Mahakalapada block. Hectares and hectares of ripe

be harvested, have recently been damaged. Mostly, the

boars have started trespassing Mahakalapada and Rajnagar into the agriculture fields blocks have been spending ,where the forest personnel sleepless nights thinking have not erected iron chain about how to make up for the fencing at the boundary of the park area. As it is seen, the wildboars are entering into the According to sources, the

agriculture fields in herds and rendering colossal damages to the crops. "Now we are worried as to how to repay the loan that we took from local mon-

paddy crops, that are ready to eylenders for paddy farming," said some affected farmers.

village under the Dharamsala

fice to lodge a complaint relat-

ing to a consolidated land. She

alleged that she has a piece of land

Anima went to the tehsil of-

police station.

"We have been guarding the agriculture fields round the clock. We are staying awake the winter night to drive away the wild boars by yielding lathis, beating drums and creating noise along with bursting crackers," they added. As the harvesting season is underway, so the farmers demanded before the Forest Department to take steps soon to mitigate the problem. However,

Gahirmatha Marine Sanctuary and Wildlife Division Ranger Debashis Bhoi said that not a single case related to wild boar destroying the paddy crops has come to his notice in a week.

Though the Forest Department earlier constructed galvanizing iron chain link fencing ,but the locals have damaged it in most of the places. Meanwhile, a proposal has been sent to set up fencing from Narasinghpur-Sasanpeta side, he added.

With Rs 17.54 LPA avg salary PNS BHUBANESWAR

 $T_{
m his}$ year, with an average of Rs 17.54 lakh per annum (LPA), the Xavier Institute of Management, Bhubaneswar (XIMB) has successfully placed all its pass-out students of 34th batch.

In terms of intake, the highest number of recruitments was made in the Consulting sector (41%), which was followed by Systems (18%), BFSI (18%), Marketing (14%), and General

Profiles offered included Risk Management, Strategic Consulting, Corporate Planning, Corporate Finance, Equity Research, Market Analyst, Marketing, Sales and Distribution, Product Management, Supply Chain

Management, Business Con-

sulting, Business Transforma-

tion and Strategy, IT Consult-

ing, and Business Develop-

domains strengthened their

relationship with XIMB. Some

of the leading organizations

Industry leaders in varied

ment.

management, Strategy and

Operations (9%)

that partnered with the institute included the ICICI Bank, Tiger Analytics, Deloitte, Natwest Group, HSBC, TATA Steel, Accenture, Cognizant, Nestle, Titan, HashedIn, Whatfix, Wipro, IBM, Bank of America, EY, KPMG, Vedanta, Becton Dickinson, Bajaj Allianz, ABCL, AB InBev, Avasant, UHG Optum, GE Healthcare, Mindtree, Crompton, Phable, Emami, Ultratech, Capgemini, Kotak Mahindra, Yokohoma, LTI, Tata International, PlanetSpark, MSCI and many other organisations.



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24 DESI TEJAS FIGHTERS INDUCTED Omicron tally touches 161 Govt assures RS members that situation being monitored daily

As modernisation plan for air force PNS NEW DELHI

Giving a boost to the IAF fighter aircraft fleet, 24 indigenously designed and manufactured Tejas light combat aircraft (LCA) have been inducted into the service. The total cost of these jets is more than Rs 6,000 crore and the IAF plans to have a total of 123 Tejas in the coming years, the Rajya Sabha was informed on Monday.

In one of biggest deals to procure indigenously manufactured weapons, the Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS), chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in January this year, cleared the contract worth over Rs 47,000 crore for 83 Tejas jets. They will be manufactured by the public sector



Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL). Giving details about the

modernisation plans, Minister of State for Defence Ajay Bhatt informed the Rajya Sabha on Monday the Tejas in not being inducted as a replacement of MIG-21 fighter aircraft, but as a part of modernisation of IAF. He said amount spent so

far on the manufacture of 24 LCA Tejas delivered till 30.09.2021 is Rs 6,653 crore. Considering the contract with

aerospace conglomerate the HAL, a total of 123 Tejas fighter aircraft are to be manufactured. Further production depends upon requirement for Defence forces and exports, the

minister added. He gave this information in a written reply to an MP Brijlal. The CCS nod earlier this ear was for procurement of 73

LCA Tejas Mk-1A fighter aircraft and 10 LCA Tejas Mk-1 trainer aircraft at the cost of Rs 45,696 crore along with design and development of infrastructure sanctions worth Rs

"This deal would be a game changer for self reliance in the Indian defence manufacturing, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh had then said on Twitter. The indigenous content of the LCA-Tejas was 50 per cent in the MK1A variant and it would be enhanced to 60 per cent by

the end of the programme. The MK-1A will have over 40 modifications over the MK1 variant, including some major ones like an Electronic Warfare system, Advanced Electronically Scanned Array (AESA) radar, Beyond Visual Range (BVR) missiles and a network warfare system comprising Software Defined Radio (SDR).

The Cabinet also approved infrastructure development by the IAF under the project to enable them handle repairs or servicing at their base depot so that the turnaround time would

get reduced for mission critical systems and lead to increased availability of aircraft for operational exploitation, the defence ministry had said.

availability of repair infrastruc-

24 onwards, from which the HAL plans to ramp up the pro-duction rate to 16 aircraft a year. While a second line had been set up, production on both lines has been kept at eight aircraft a year to keep the assembly running due to limited orders. The HAL is outsourcing

significant work share to the private industry as it has more than 550 vendors for the LCA, which includes five companies manufacturing the structures.

Bharat Biotech seeks nod for phase 3 clinical

"This would enable the IAF

to sustain the fleet more efficiently and effectively due to ture at respective bases," it added. The first LCA MK-1A is expected to roll out from 2023-

ARCHANA JYOTI 🔳 NEW DELHI

A^s India's Omicron tally touched 161, the 161, the Government on Monday assured the Rajya Sabha members that the situation is being monitored daily and in case the variant spreads, sufficient arrangements are in place such as enough buffer stock of important medicines.

Meanwhile, health experts said the general perception that Omicron is "mild" should not be taken at face value. Keeping the finger crossed, don't face problems when varithey warned that cases might ant spreads, we've arranged a shoot up fast by mid January buffer stock of important mednext year with those having icines." immune-compromised health detected in: Maharashtra (54),

to be the worst sufferers. Amid Omicron scare, Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya on Monday while addressing the Rajya Sabha, said, "As of now,

India has 161 Omicron cases. Dr Misra He also pointed out that We're monitoring the situation daily with experts. With our experience during the 1st & 2nd waves, to ensure that we

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Omicron cases have been

Delhi (28), Rajasthan (17) and

Karnataka (19), Telangana (20),

Gujarat (11), Kerala (15),

Chandigarh (1), Tamil Nadu

India should prepare itself for

any eventuality, said All India

Institute of Medical Sciences

(AIIMS) Director Dr Randeep

Guleria. "We should prepare

and hope that things are not as bad as in the United Kingdom.

We need more data on

Omicron. Whenever there is a

surge in cases in other parts of

the world, we need to monitor

it closely and be prepared for

any eventuality. It is better to stay prepared than to get

caught off-guard," Guleria told

ments, Chairman, Fortis

CDOC Hospital for Diabetes

and Allied Sciences, New Delhi

Dr Anoop Misra dismissed

the notion that Omicron is

mild. "Those who say Omicron

is a mild infection are wrong.

Echoing similar senti-

a news channel.

Andhra Pradesh

(1) and West Bengal (4). In view of rising Covid-19 cases in the United Kingdom, just wearing a N95 mask is not enough. "Three conditions for maximum protection such as "tightfit" of mask is a must (many have loose fit), other person near you must have a tight fit n95 disposable masks and keep distance," the leading diabetologist further tweeted as he called for booster shots, for at least for vulnerable and medical and frontline workers.

Dr Pankaj Solanki, surgeon from Dharamveer Solanki Hospital, Delhi too warned that Omicron cases may spike by mid-January next year and if not oxygen, shortage of human resources in the healthcare sector may adversely hit services.

"Even if we say the disease has mild symptoms, there's no doubt that the rising number and the force of infection will put pressure on hospitals. Those with poor immunity and co-morbidities like diabetes will have to be extra cautious."

Dr Solanki suggested that it's high time that the Government works on capping of medicines to be needed for management of the new variants and virus associated infections such as mucormycosis. Dr Neha Panda, Consultant Infectious Diseases, Fortis Memorial Research Institute, Gurugram made it clear that to keep the Omicron variant at bay, there is a need of JAB(vaccine) CAB(Covid appropriate behavior) and MAB (monoclonal antibodies). She also suggested that Sotrovimab, a monoclonal antibody, could be a game changer.

Parliament OK's NDPS (Amendment) Bill

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Parliament on Monday passed a Bill to rectify errors that had crept into the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act (NDPS), with Rajya Sabha giving its nod to it on Monday. The Narcotics Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (Amendment) Bill-2021 was passed by Lok Sabha on December 13. The Government also referred two Bills - Biological Diversity (Amendment) Bill and the Mediation Bill -for scrutiny by parliamentary panels amid the Opposition's allegations of inadequate consultations in the law-making process. Moving the NDPS Bill in

the Upper House for its consideration and passage, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said it replaces the ordinance which was promulgated in September this year as Parliament was not in Session then. The Rajya Sabha passed

Committee. The motivations the Bill by a voice vote. The Biological Diversity are obvious. All I wish to say is (Amendment) Bill and the that the move is a deliberate Mediation Bill were referred to insult to the Standing a Joint Committee and the Committee. The fact that I am Standing Committee on Law & its Chairman doesn't matter. Justice respectively.

What is more important is the Environment Minister dignity of the Standing Bhupendra Yadav moved the Committee itself," Ramesh had motion to refer the Biodiversity said in the letter dated December 17, 2021. Bill to the Joint Committee The Joint Committee is with 21 members of Lok Sabha and 10 members from the expected to submit its report to the House by the last day of the Rajya Sabha. Congress Rajya first week of the next session. Sabha member Jairam Ramesh had written to Lok Sabha The Bill seeks to relax certain rules in the Biodiversity Speaker Om Birla protesting the decision to refer the Act 2002 in order to fast track

Diversity Biological research and patenting as well (Amendment) Bill to a Joint as empower local communities Committee instead of the to be able to utilise resources, Standing Committee on particularly of medicinal value, Science & Technology, such as seeds. Minister of State for Law Environment, Forests and Climate Change. and Justice Satya Pal Singh

scrutiny.

Employ women

VK Singh tells

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security industry

'I don't wish to say more the motivations of the Government to bypass the Standing Committee and refer the contentious bill to a Select

trial for booster dose of intranasal vaccine

PNS NEW DELHI

Hyderabad-based Bharat Biotech on Monday submitted its phase 3 clinical trial application to the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI) for its booster dose of intranasal vaccine — BBV154. which is an intranasal replication-deficient chimpanzee adenovirus SARS-CoV-2 vectored vaccine.

According to a news agency, Bharat Biotech has submitted phase 3 clinical trial application to DCGI for its booster dose of their intranasal Covid vaccine that can be given to Covaxin and Covishield vaccinated people.

The development comes Baghel introduced The nearly a month after the Mediation Bill, 2021. It was biotech company completed referred to the standing com-Phase II trial of intranasal mittee on law and justice for Covid vaccine.

Stating that it will be a sig-



Ella, Chairman and Managing Director had said, "It's going to be a lot of new science, which even the Western world is not aware of, and that's the reason we are keeping details confidential. The nasal vaccine can stop virus transmission."

According to experts, the intramuscular vaccine administration through injection does produce antibodies, but there is still a risk of transmission, which can be eliminated through the intranasal method. The regulatory approval for Phase II clinical trials of the

nasal vaccine candidate was granted to the company in August 2021 after successful results of the Phase 1 trials, which was conducted on 400 healthy individuals aged between 18 and 20 years. In Phase II, about 650 volunteers participated in trials conducted in 10 centres across the country.

It could be severe in some, The vaccine maker is elderly, long standing diabetes, working on a cocktail approach heart and lung diseases, and of administering two doses of those who are immunosuppressed. It has already caused two different vaccines using a combination of intramuscular hospitalisation and deaths in and nasal in an 'innovative' people. Double mask up. All precautions, more!" tweeted approach.

BJP will face bad days: Jaya's curse after Aish grilling

Participating in the debate on DPS (Amendment) Bill,

"I don't want to thank you because I don't know whether I should remember when you used to walk into the Well shouting...Or today when you are sitting in the chair," she said when called to speak on the Bill. Objecting to her remarks, Rakesh Sinha (BJP) said she was casting aspersions on the chair.

But Bachchan continued her speech and lamented that at a time when the country is facing several important issues, the House has allocated 3-4 hours for a debate on rectifying a "clern the Bil



the chair, you don't belong to any party,

sir," she said. "How can they make personal remarks in the House...Aap logon kay

next year. Bachchan's outburst came on a day her daughter-in-law and actor Aishwarva Rai Bachchan appeared before the Enforcement Directorate for questioning in a case linked to the 2016 Panama Papers' global tax leaks case.

Her statement was being recorded under the provisions of the Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMĂ), official sources said. The SP has accused the Centre of targeting its leaders due to political vendetta, a charge denied by

the BJP. confine herself to the Bill being debated. She responded by saying that efforts were being made to stifle the voice of opposition members. Kalita said that the chair would go through the records and remove unparliamentary remarks, if any.



to meet requirements,

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Upset over alleged "personal" remarks made against her, Samajwadi Party MP Jaya Bachchan on Monday lashed out at the ruling BJP in Rajya Sabha with a "curse" that it will face bad days soon. An agitated Bachchan also told the chair that he should be fair and alleged that an attempt was being made to stifle the voice of Opposition.



Opposition MPs protest in the Lok Sabha during the Winter Session of Parliament, in New Delhi, on Monday PT

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General Public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of a male Namely Unknown S/o Unknown, R/o Unknown Age: about 50-55 years, Height: 5'5", Complexion: Wheatish, Face: Oval, Built: Normal, Wearing: Black coloured jacket and black coloured pant, was found dead on

14.12.2021 from Kela Ghat Road, Near Ambedkar School, Delhi. In this regard a DD No.23-A, u/s 174 Cr.PC dated 14.12.2021 has been lodged at P.S. Kashmere Gate, Delhi.

If any one having any clue about deceased male may kindly inform the undersigned and contact on following numbers. SHO

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to employ women to meet the growing requirements of security industry in the country.

Tnion Minister of State for

URoad Transport and

Highways, and Civil Aviation Gen VK Singh has

called upon the private securi-

Addressing the Security Leadership Summit-2021 organised the Central Association of Private Security Industry (CAPSI) in Delhi, Gen Singh said the Indian private security industry needs to evolve itself by employing more women and maximising use of technology in order to survive and excel.

In times to come it will be difficult to provide security and ensure safety without the

use of technology. Similarly, the need for security is growing across sectors, and here women can play a major role in providing security to various businesses and industry including markets, saloons, highways schools and institutions and companies etc.

Their role and involvement is key to the growth of the private security industry, Gen VK Singh added.

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The borrowers / co-borrower, having failed and neglected to repay the amount as claimed in the said demand notices, a notice is hereby given to the borrowers / co-borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Symbolic possession of the properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13 (4) of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Rules. The details including date of symbolic es are as mentioned below sion of the propert

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs.)	Name of Branch
1.	Devender Kumar/ Somwati/ Ranjeet Gangwal LBDEL00001484187	Flat No 523, Second Floor, Block B Pocket A, Loknayak Puram Delhi/ December 16, 2021	July 23, 2021 Rs. 6,92,285/-	Delhi/ NCR

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/guarantors(s) are hereby given a 30 day notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold on the expiry of 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice, as per the provisions under the Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date : December 21, 2021 Place: Delhi/ NCR	Date : December 21, 2021 Place: Delhi/ NCR	
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tion from BJP members.

chose to raise the issue of the 12 suspended Opposition members and said Bhubaneswar Kalita, who was in the chair, himself used to protest in the Well of the House. This evoked a sharp reac-

Amid the din, she alleged that personal remarks were made against her and sought protection from the chair. "I expect you to take action on the comment he made on me and my career. You want to be fair. You are sitting on

engay (You buraey din a come soon), I curse you," she said. The remarks claimed by Bachchan as "personal" could not be heard in the noise.

Leaders of the BJP and the SP have been attacking each other as the crucial elections in Uttar Pradesh are due early

Cold wave continues to grip North India

PNS NEW DELHI

old wave to severe cold wave conditions continued to grip in North and Northwest India for the fourth consecutive day on Monday.

There would not be any respite from the severe cold wave for the next two days in Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Rajasthan and Delhi. As people are shivering from the severe cold wave, many netizens have flooded social media with memes and weather updates. #Coldwave has been trending on Twitter with several memes

In its bulletin on Monday, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) said cold wave conditions are very likely to continue in northwest India over the next two days and abate thereafter. "Cold wave to severe cold wave conditions are very likely to continue in some parts of Punjab, Haryana, Delhi, Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh during the next 24 hours and cold wave conditions are very likely at isolated pockets for the subse-

quent 24 hours," the IMD said.

recorded minus 2.6 degree Celsius each.Cold wave condi-

tions will continue over central

and east India for the next three

days and relief is likely thereafter,

it added. In the plains, the IMD

declares a cold wave if the min-

imum temperature dips to 4

degrees Celsius. A cold wave is

also declared when the mini-

mum temperature is 10 degrees

Celsius or below and is 4.5

notches less than normal.

Rajasthan's Churu and Sikar

to two degrees Celsius or the departure from normal is more than 6.4 degrees Celsius. Cold wave conditions are very likely over parts of Uttarakhand, Úttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Bihar and Jharkhand till Wednesday afternoon and over Iammu, Kashmir-Ladakh-

A severe cold wave is when

the minimum temperature dips

Gilgit-Baltistan-Muzaffarabad, Himachal Pradesh, Gangetic West Bengal till Tuesday afternoon and are very likely to abate thereafter. A cold wave is also predicted in parts of Chhattisgarh and Odisha till Thursday afternoon, the IMD said."Cold day to severe cold day conditions (are) very likely at some places over Madhya Pradesh and cold day conditions in isolated pockets over West Uttar Pradesh during the next 24 hours," the bulletin stated.

When the minimum temperature is less than or equal to 10 degrees Celsius and the maximum temperature is at least 4.5 degrees Celsius below normal, it is said to be a cold day. "Under the influence of two Western Disturbances in

quick succession, the first from December 24, light to moder-December 22 and second from ate rainfall and snowfall is like-

Severe cold wave conditions continue in Valley

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revere cold wave conditions **S**continued in the Valley regions too for the fifth consecutive days and many waterbodies including waterfalls, lakes, streams and even taps have frozen as the harshest 40day period of winter, locally

known as 'Chillai Kalan', beginning from Tuesday (December 21) in the Kashmir Valley.

Kashmir's winter pans out in three stages starting with a 40-day intense period from December 21 (locally called Chillai Kalan) followed by 20 more days which are less intense (Chillai Khurd) and then 10

days of mild cold (Chille Bache).

Chillai-Kalan is the 40-day period of harsh winter in Kashmir that begins December 21 and ends on January 31. Chillai Kalan is a Persian term which means "major cold" while the intense cold conditions are known as 'Jaada' in north and east India

ly over western Himalayan region from December 22 to 25. Light isolated rainfall is also likely over Punjab on December 24," the bulletin read.

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Dense fog is predicted in the morning hours in parts of Punjab and Haryana from December 23 to December 25 and over western Rajasthan on December 24 and 25. According to the IMD, when visibility is between 0 to 50 metres it is very dense fog, 51 and 200 metres is dense, 201 and 500 metres is moderate, and 501 and 1,000 metres is shallow.



A boatman warms his hands near anchored boats at the banks of Dal lake on a cold day in Srinagar on Monday



Delimitation guided by BJP's political agenda: NC, PDP, PC

PTI SRINAGAR

 $V_{nolitical}^{alley-based mainstream}$ V political parties on Monday expressed dismay over the recommendations of the Delimitation Commission in Jammu & Kashmir, alleging Omar Abdullah said in a series that it seems the exercise was of tweets. carried out in furtherance of the BJP's political agenda.

Delimitation The political agenda of BJP to dic-Commission, set up to redraw tate its recommendations. the assembly seats of the Union Territory, is learnt to have proposed six additional seats for Jammu region and one for Kashmir Valley in its 'Paper 1' discussed with its five associate members on Monday.

"The draft recommenda-

tion of the J&K delimitation the promised "scientific commission is unacceptable. approach" it's a political approach," Abdullah said. The distribution of newly created assembly constituencies

People's Conference (PC) with 6 going to Jammu & only chairman Sajad Gani Lone said 1 to Kashmir is not justified by the recommendations "reek of the data of the 2011 census, bias". National Conference leader

"The recommendations of the delimitation commission are totally unacceptable. They He said the commission reek of bias. What a shock for appears to have allowed the those who believe in democracy," Lone said in a tweet.

PDP spokesman Suhail "It is deeply disappointing Bukhari said the that the commission appears to reported recomhave allowed the political agenmendations of the commission vindicated da of the BJP to dictate its recommendations rather than the the apprehension of data which should have been its his party that the exeronly consideration. Contrary to cise was carried out in

furtherance of the BJP agenda. "PDP president Mehbooba Mufti has from day one maintained that this Commission has been set for fulfilling the political agenda of the BJP. We have heard that the commission has recommended increasing six seats in Jammu region and one in the Valley. It cannot be justified in any manner," Bukhari said. He said the PDP and peo-

ple of Jammu and Kashmir will not accept these recommendations and fight

them tooth and nail. The commis-

sion's associate members- five Lok

Won't be signatory to DC draft report, says NC PTI NEW DELHI one for Kashmir. to DC draft report, says NC

The National Conference will not be signatory to the draft report of the Delimitation Commission on Jammu & Kashmir in its present form, a spokesperson said on Monday after the panel proposed six additional assembly seats for Jammu region and

Sabha members from Jammu and Kashmir- attended the meeting on Monday. They have been asked to respond to the proposal by the end of this month.

It also proposed reserving

16 constituencies for Scheduled Castes and party also termed "malicious" Scheduled Tribes. Minister of State in the PMO The commission, headed Jitendra Singh's reported by former Supreme Court comments in the media that

judge Ranjana Desai, held its the NC was "satisfied" with the way the commission had comsecond meeting here on pleted its report.

Monday. Hours after the meeting,

Union minister Jitendra Singh and National Conference leader Farooq Abdullah were among those who attended the meeting.

Sources said nine seats The

which proposed giving more additional seats to Jammu intention! Very misleading division than Kashmir, the statement.

"We have clearly expressed our resentment over the draft of the Delimitation Commission, the biased process of seat sharing. The party will NOT be a signatory to this report," the party said on its official Twitter handle.

Commission is headed by former Supreme Court judge Ranjana Prakash Desai. Chief Election Commissioner Sushil Chandra is an ex-officio member of the panel.

Attempt to divide people of this country, says Didi

SAUGAR SENGUPTA KOLKATA

In an apparent reference to arch rival BJP's alleged divisive politics, Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Monday said political pollution had engulfed India with attempts being made by some people to divide the people of "We are witnessing that a

political pollution that has engulfed the country ... this is to be avoided at any cost ... there is an attempt to divide the people of this country... for this we have to remain united... if we remain united then only can fight this attempt to divide the people we do not want division... we want peace... we are for peaceful coexistence," the Chief Minister said in an inaugural programme ahead of the Christmas celebration in central Kolkata.

Banerjee's statement is seen as a message aimed at the people of Goa where the . Trinamool Congress has launched itself in a big way ahead of the next year's Assembly elections.

Banerjee's statement was promptly challenged by the State BJP which alleged that it was the TMC which was trying to divide Bengal along political lines by placating a particular section of the people ignoring

the majority section. "Mamata Banerjee's divisive politics is well known in Bengal ... Not only that she introduced the politics of communal appeasement in the State but during her regime



political hooliganism has been democratised ... what the Left and the Congress did in pockets her party has been doing all over the State to win elections she has unleashed a reign of terror in Bengal," party leader Sayantan Basu said alleging how the ruling TMC rigged the Sunday's Kolkata Municipal Corporation elections with the

help of the police. All the Opposition parties the BJP, Left and Congress on Monday demonstrated at various places demanding repolling even as the Left and BJP filed a petition in Calcutta High Court on the issue. The matter is scheduled to be heard

on Thursday. Meanwhile, the State Election Commission made a massive security bandobast ahead of Tuesday's counting. "A three-tier security layer has been put in place in all the counting centres," an SEC official said

Modi Govt not allowing debate on important issues in House: Rahul

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Former Congress president Rahul Gandhi on Monday accused the Government of not allowing a discussion on important issues and said the Union Government is responsible to run Parliament and not the Opposition. "They are attacking democracy. There is a non-stop attack on democracy and that is why we are fighting here," Rahul Gandhi said in a media interaction in the Parliament premises.

He said the Narendra Modi Government was not allowing any debate on price rise, Ladakh, minimum support price (MSP) and Lakhimpur Kheri violence among other issues. He also had given a notice for an adjournment motion to discuss the issue of the "statehood and inclusion of Ladakh in Schedule VI of Constitution".

However, the issue couldn't be taken up as the Lok Sabha witnessed multiple adjournments over the Opposition's demand to sack Minister of State (MoS) for Home Affairs Ajay Mishra Teni because of his alleged involvement in the Lakhimpur Kheri violence.

"It is clear, we want the Government to remove its Minister and allow a discussion on the Lakhimpur Kheri issue. The Government is not allowing it," he said. When pointed out that the government is blaming the Opposition for not allowing the House to function, Rahul hit back by reminding of

the Government's responsibility. "It is the responsibility of the Government to bring the House in order and run it and not of the Opposition. It is the responsibility of the Government to run Parliament. It is also the Government's responsibility to allow a debate," he said.

Talking about his adjournment motion on statehood for Ladakh, Rahul said, "I want to tell all people of Ladakh. Don't be afraid. Whatever is yours, you will get." Later, in a tweet, he said.

"What kind of Government is this that it does a Union Territory in 2019 after the Centre stripped Jammu & Kashmir of its special status and split the State into two Union Territories, Jammu &

Kashmir, and Ladakh

The Lok Sabha on Monday cleared the second batch of Supplementary Demands for Grants authorising the Government to spend an additional Rs 3.73 lakh crore during the current fiscal amid protest by the Opposition over

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various issues The extra spending include

Supplementary Demands for Grants

Lok Sabha clears 2nd batch of

infusing over Rs 62,000 crore into the company that holds residual assets and liabilities of Air India, Rs 58,430 crore by way of additional fertiliser subsidy, Rs 53,123 crore towards payment of pending export incentives and Rs 22,039 crore

"Misrepresenting and dis-

have been proposed for STs and

seven for SCs in Jammu and

Kashmir. This is the first time

that seats have been proposed

Delimitation

for STs in the UT, they said.

to rural development ministry for transfer to National Rural Employment Guarantee Fund.

Replying to a discussion on the demands, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaan assured the House that the Government would take action to moderate prices of edible oil and other essential items

Bengal Guv seeks Pegasus Commission records from Didi

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A step that could further spark tensions between Nabanna (State Secretariat) and the Raj Bhavan Bengal Governor Jagdeep Dhankhar on Monday sought form Chief Minister all the records of proceedings related to the setting up of the Justice Lokur Commission of enquiry into the alleged Pegasus snoopgate case.

In doing so the Governor who has no love lost with the State Government invoked Article 167 of the Constitution which requires the Chief Minister to furnish all the information to the Governor on demand.

Earlier the Supreme Court had in an order stopped the Stated Commission to go ahead with inquiry as the Apex Court had already directed an investigation into the matter.

In a letter to the Chief Minister the Governor reportedly claimed that his opinion on the matter had not been taken regardless of the fact that related transactions spoke about "formation of opinion by the Governor." In tweet the Governor said "Constrained to

... all record and proceedings leading to Enquiry Commission" into the Pegasus issue. "It emanates from the penultimate and last para of Notification dated 26.07.2021 that pro-

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visions of sub-sections (2) to (5) of Section 5A of the Commission of Inquiry Act, 1952 have been made applicable to the proceedings of Pegasus Inquiry Commission, premised on the 'opinion of the Governor," Dhankhar said.

The State Government had earlier instituted a Commission of enquiry. Former Supreme Court judge Madan B Lokur and former Calcutta High Court chief justice Jyotirmay Bhattacharya were the panel members.

The Chief Minister had earlier openly attacked the BJP Government for spying on the opposition politicians and some bureaucrats.

"I have plastered the camera of my phone and I have advised my Ministers and bureaucrats to avoid talking important matters over telephone as they have unleashed Pegasus into our lives ... this is another way of bulldozing the democracy ... even my election consultant Prashant Kishore was not spared and he confirmed that his phone was also tapped ... no one is safe in India ruled by the BJP," Banerjee had said.

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Uttar Pradesh Police completed two-week 'Riot Drill and Public Order Management Training' at RAF Academy for Public Order (RAPO) Meerut. The closing ceremony was addressed by Rajeev Sabharwal, ADG Meerut Zone in the presence of Akhilesh Kumar Singh, DIGP RAPO, Prabhakar Chaudhary, SSP Meerut. 65 trainees (55 male and 10 female) of UP Police participated

Yogi: Previous Govts reduced UP to poverty, BJP Govt ensuring its growth PNS LUCKNOW

Slamming the previous regimes in Uttar Pradesh for their "casteist, narrow-minded and dynastic mentality" and "politics of appeasement", Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath said that the state was reduced to poverty and remained underdeveloped because of these parties being in power. "Under the leadership of

PM Narendra Modi, the 'new' UP has progressed on the path of development. Today, not only faith is being respected here, but also, the poor are being uplifted. Now, the government is not backing rioters and criminals but is running bulldozers on them," Yogi said while dedicating development projects worth Rs 1,100 crore in the presence of Union Road Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari in Jaunpur on Monday.

People displaced for building high speed rail in Kerala threaten to commit suicide

KUMAR CHELLAPPAN KOCHI

The much publicised Semi High Speed Rail (popularly known as Sky Rail) project of the CPI(M)-led Kerala Government has run into rough weather as many persons whose land and houses are being acquired for implement-Jayakumar. ing the 529.45 km long track declared their intention to

commit suicide. Jayakumar, a former employee of the public sector Kerala State Road Transport Corporation, his wife and teenaged daughter poured petrol over their bodies in a bid to immolate themselves at Kollam on Monday. The incident took place when government staff went to their house to install the survey stone, an indication

that the land is being acquired by the Government for developmental works. "I am already broken financially because of the Government's refusal to pay my salary arrears and pension

benefits. The reason being given is that the treasury does not have funds. How come that a government which is incapable of reimbursing my salary and pension arrears running into a few lakh rupees would implement this project costing Rs 65,000 crore," asked He said the KSRTC work-

ers have not been paid salaries for the last many months. "I do not have any other sources of income and the only option before me and my family is to take our own lives," said Jayakumar while pouring petrol over himself and other family members. The timely intervention of the police and media persons made them to give up the suicide bid.

Jayakumar's was not an isolated threat. Thomas, a Gulfreturnee who had toiled in West Asia for 27 years had invested all his savings in constructing a house in his native village in Alappuzha. The Government

officials dropped in on Monday morning to inform him about their plans to take over the newly built house. "I have invested my entire savings in constructing this house. If the Government takes over this house, me and my family would commit suicide as we have no other sources of income," said a sobbing Thomas.

The Kerala Government is yet to come out with the Environmental Impact Analysis as well as a rehabilitation package for those who would be displaced by the pro-ject. The State administration has been put into defense with the disclosures made by Alok Kumar Verma, former Chief Engineer of Indian Railway who headed the team that prepared the Detailed Project Report. "The DPR prepared by us have been diluted and distorted to suit the convenience of the people in high places. This project is not feasible or viable," said Varma.

RSS workers held for murder of SDPI secy

KUMAR CHELLAPPAN 🔳 KOCHI

Rajendra Prasad and RRathish, reportedly RSS activists, have been arrested on Monday by the Alappuzha Police in connection with Saturday's murder of C K Shaan, secretary of the Social Democratic Party of India, an Islamic extremist outfit. This was disclosed by Vijay Sakhare, additional director general of police while speaking to reporters in the evening. A car used by the killers of

Shaan was taken into custody by the police from a suburb in Alappuzha. Forensic experts were pressed into service and they have identified finger prints of the accused.

But police is yet to make any breakthrough in nabbing the murderers of Ranjith Sreenivasan, the 45 year old secretary of OBC Morchacha, a tributary organization of the BJP, who was hacked to death

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in the early hours of Sunday. The BJP, accusing the CPI(M)-led Kerala

Government for favoring the SDPI and the Popular Front of India, boycotted the all-party peace meet convened by the State administration on Monday evening. The party's Kerala president K Surendran, who is an accused in hawala transaction and electoral malpractices, said the Kerala Government and Police were hand in glove in protecting the killers of Sreenivasan.

Earlier, Nithyananda Rai, the union minister of state for home, said in Alappuzha that there has been a total breakdown in law and order in the State. "The Kerala government is protecting the killers of Ranjith Sreenivasan. Though many RSS activists have been killedmin the recent past, the police is yet to arrest the accused," said Rai while speaking to reporters.

welfare schemes: Ashok Gehlot

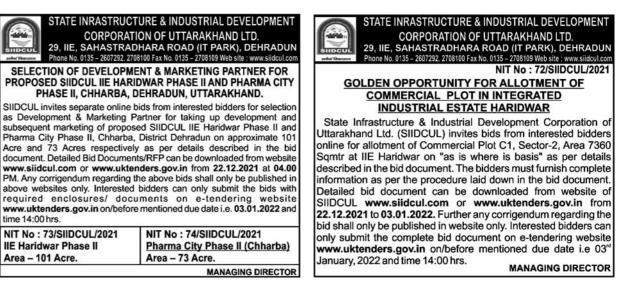
Jaipur: Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot said in the last three years, the State Government has implemented many welfare schemes, giving top priority to education, health and social security, so that the deprived, backward and needy sections can be connected with the main stream of development. and make the life of the common man easier. It has been our endeavor that every child should get quality education, every person should get best medical facilities and every family should get social security. Our Government has been successful in fulfilling this objective.

On the successful completion of three years of the State Government, Gehlot on Sunday inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of various development works through video conference at the Chief Minister's residence.



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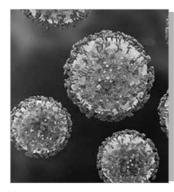


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Mutant ninja

Complacency will cost us dear; we must learn our Omicron lessons from the global classroom

he Omicron variant of the virus is surging across the world. The United Kingdom is reporting over 80,000 cases a day, including 12,000 Omicron infections. The United States is experiencing the fourth wave already. In India, the figure has crossed 100. It may look small, but the rate of growth is rapid. Doctors say of the 22 patients diagnosed with Omicron in Delhi so far, 10 have been discharged from hospitals. That provides little relief because most fresh positive cases are not genome sequenced; we do not know if Omicron is causing the infection. Several other States have also reported Omicron cases. There is some anxiety in the country on what the future portends. What we know about Omicron as of date gives us no reassurance. It is highly transmissible, affects both vaccinated and unvaccinated people, and can slice through immunity systems. These three factors are enough to launch a third wave in India. That Omicron is not attacking the respiratory system like the Delta variant is no consolation because a wave will anyway lead to hospitalisation and resultant chaos. There may not be that many deaths like the last time, though. Screening and testing have increased in public



places and transport hubs and COVID medical centres are being reopened in some cities, including in Delhi. The anxiety of the authorities is not translating into caution because people are quite blasé about wearing masks or using sanitisers.

Crowding at marketplaces is routine. Travel has increased, both domestic and international. One hopes the Government and the people are not harbouring a false hope that since Omicron is not deadly and the symptoms largely mild, a wave, even if it comes, will pass without causing harm. Election rallies and New Year arrangements are blissfully on.

Year-end celebrations are being cancelled elsewhere and European countries are putting the UK in the high-risk travel category; that means passengers arriving from the UK must compulsorily complete a 14-day quarantine. India, however, is yet to take a call on restricting air travel or tightening restrictions for high-risk travellers. With the bitter experience gained from the first two waves, the Government should be acting much more decisively this time. It should begin by re-introducing certain restrictions, banning crowd events and introducing hotel quarantine for incoming foreigners. Only vaccinated people must be allowed to use public transport and visit public places. While discouraging crowds, the step would prod the growing number of vaccine complacent to take their second jabs. Western countries have introduced booster shots and Omicron is thriving despite them; that should tell us how woeful our story might be. Omicron spreads 5.5 times faster than Delta and doubles every 1.5-3 days; that means the infections will be in millions if the wave attacks us. At our current pace of vaccination, all adults may not get the jabs by next March. The Government must not think of postponing a booster shot till then.



Secularism inherent in the Indian ethos



Barring a section of Muslims, most minorities in India — including Jews, Christians, Parsis, Buddhists and Sikhs — harbour no complaints

fter Prime Minister Narendra Modi's epochal visit to his constituency Varanasi on December 13, noises have been raised in the media that the "spirit of secularism has been violated". Article 15 of India's Constitution insists on equality of all citizens regardless of gender or religion, permitting no discrimination; yet Articles 25 to 30 grant special privileges to the minorities. There is thus discrimination between the majority religion and the minority faiths. The Constitution itself allows violation of its Articles; it doesn't stop at permitting Muslims to practice their Sharia (personal law) but also prescribes what is allowed to Muslim men and Muslim women. The former can have at a time four spouses but the latter are allowed only one husband. Why? Think of the hundreds of

crores of rupees spent on the erstwhile Hajj subsidy. Ironically, the Muslim leadership itself did not want it since its distribution was a powerful lever of influence. No one contested its abolition when it happened. The Quran does not encourage Hajj done with others' money, as it remains no longer sacred.

Secularism is a European concept. Until the French Revolution in 1789, there were three houses of the French National Assembly; the Lords, the Commons and the Bishops and other clergy. The Roman Catholic Church had considerable influence on the running of the country. Plus, Christianity provided the monarch with the ideology of reigning until nationalism came to the fore. That is why liberals pressed and strove for separating the State from the Church. In India, the Church did not influence the running of the State which, in any case, was ruled by Britain's civil Government until 1947. The Bible's Old Testament makes it clear that to God belongs what is His and to Caesar, who is the earthly ruler, what is rightly his.

In India, there are several religions and each had its own prescription. Christianity never commanded a large constituency. Islam is a comprehensive prescription of how to live, including the nature of the State. Qaid e-Azam MA Jinnah declared that Islam and Hinduism are so different that they cannot coexist in one country. They are two separate nations and therefore have to separate. That happened in 1947 without an exchange of population, which disappointed most members of the Muslim League. Pakistan was to be the homeland of Muslims; the Aligarh elite even went to the extent of calling their new homeland the 'New Medina'. After the abolishment of the Caliphate by Turkey's Mustafa Kemal Atatürk in 1924 and exiling the Caliph, Pakistan



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could stay back in India as aliens with visas issued by the **CLOSE AS** Indian Government. Jinnah POSSIBLE TO had readily PHYSICS

rial' division and not a religious one. He iterated this to Dr Syama Prasad Mookerjee and Rajkumari Amrit Kaur on January 29, 1948.

The point is that most Muslims had voted for the League in the 1945-46 elections. The party, led exclusive-ly by Jinnah, had a single-point manifesto — Pakistan. On August 14 and 15, 1947, when Pakistan and Hindustan were separated, the sovereignty and the Islamic flag had moved to Karachi en route the future Islamabad. With regard to the rights of other minorities like Christians, Parsis and Jews, India has no problems. Christian activities do occasionally cause tension on the issue of the conversion of poor Hindus, but this is periodical. Buddhists and Sikhs have no complaints on religious grounds.

Hinduism is a faith more than a religion. It expects the Hindu to adhere to karma with its reactions, equal and opposite. This core belief is as close as possible to physics. Even God, wherever He is, does not interfere in deciding the bhagya or fate of any individual. Each individual's karma is believed to be determined on the scale of his expected dharma.

A priest has a duty different from a soldier, a cook from a washerman, a king from a subject and so on. Every other consideration is left to the discretion of the individual. In fact, there are Hindus who are agnostic and even atheist. Karma is each according to an individual and Hindus mostly unite only under a calamitous provocation. Hindu faith has no real connection with running of the State: Hinduism is, thus, toleration personified. A discussion on secularism should be peripheral and mostly unnecessary in India after Partition.

(The writer is a well-

installed at the entrance of St Basilica Church, at Shivaji Nagar in Bengaluru

Train to nowhere

Despite overt warning by experts, the CPI(M) is bent upon materialising the Sky Line rail project

re than 75 years after George Orwell wrote Animal Farm, a satirical novella based on the goings-on in a proletarian republic shows the socialists and **V** communists rule as per the great author's script. Their guiding principle remains the same; 'we are always right and others are wrong'. The CPI(M)-led Kerala Government's obsession with the 529.45-km Kasaragod-Thiruvananthapuram Semi High Speed Rail Project (popular as Sky Line rail) underscores the Animal Farm mindset. Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan says the new project would bring down the commute between the State's northern and southern ends from the current 12 hours to



less than four hours. The project will cost ₹63,940 crore as per the detailed project report and requires 1,383 hectare land. Of this, 1,200 hectare is with private individuals; the project would evict 35,000 people from their homes. The Government has no answer to the queries regarding the rehabilitation of those displaced. E Sreedharan, who is an authority on massive infrastructure projects and the master brain behind the country's Metro Rail, has made his opposition known to this project. He says it is not viable or feasible in Kerala.

The question is whether there are enough com-

muters in the State who would be able to make use of this mode of transport on a daily basis. The CPI(M) was in the forefront of agitations against the bullet train project connecting Ahmedabad to Mumbai despite the fact that it is one of the most crowded passenger segments. All up-and-down services between the cities are filled to capacity, according to the Railways Ministry. Kerala is among the most ecologically fragile States, as has been proved by the frequent deluges caused by rains and landslips. The forest cover in the State (which was 35 per cent in the 1970s) has depleted to just 13 per cent due to massive deforestation and mining. The Government is yet to prepare an environment impact analysis. Aloke Kumar Varma, former chief engineer of Indian Railways who led the team that prepared the DPR, says the report has been manipulated to suit the convenience of the Comrades. NK Premachandran, MP and former Minister, says the existing rail route could be modernised without acquiring additional land and heavy investment. Sreedharan echoes the view. The expansion should not be accompanied by destruction and demolition.

secularism or the separation of Church from State therefore Muslims in India formed the stands on a firm and ancient foundation of the Christian faith.

THE SO-CALLED FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION

Sir — A section of the Indian population

is dead against the "crossing of limit" of freedom of expression. May I know what

is the geographical location of that

boundary, breach of which automatical-

ly draws the accusation of "crossing the

limit" of free speech? It seems that the

boundary lies in the mindset of "nation-

alists", i.e., till their sentiments "do not get

hurt". And just when their ethos and

beliefs get "assaulted", we have crossed the

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IDENTIFY AND SACK THE TAINTED LEADERS

Sir — The Congress party's allegation that

Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa

Sarma and his family members grabbed

around 18 acres of Government land ear-

marked for the landless is absolutely

appalling and cogent. In a corresponding

incident, the report that families of two

former Chief Ministers of Punjab have

illegally possessed approximately 900

acres of Government land worth ₹1.5 lakh

crore is yet another scam in the country.

Both the events undeniably corroborate

that political mandarins with absolute

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became the president of this

committee although Jinnah

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Muslims in India were to

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non-Muslims were to migrate

to India. Such an idea was

implemented by the League

of Nations, the predecessor of

the United Nations. In 1923,

Christians in Turkey were

made to move to Greece

while Muslims residing in

Greece were to cross into

Turkey. The scheme was exe-

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Prasad, India's first President,

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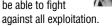
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Women should be able to decide their own priorities, make their own life and be able to fight



Congress general secretary —Priyanka Gandhi Vadra

The State of Israel ioins the international effort to vaccinate populations that do not have access to vaccines.

> Israel Foreign Minister —Yair Lapid

I am always inspired when an actor is just so good that it is impossible to look away.



Actor —Samantha Ruth Prabhu

I am going through some unpleasant moments but I trust that I will improve little by little.

Spanish tennis player —Rafael Nadal

keep them away and then fight us.

–Sanjay Raut

ists"? Just visit the civilised democratic countries of the West and see the limitless freedom of expression guaranteed for their citizens there. Only if they resort to arms or provoke people to indulge in violence do the authorities take legal measures. It is simply bizarre to notice how these "patriots" do not find it an insult to the nation when the human rights of innumerable Indians get religiously and

committing the fraud and the party exposed him as a liar for corruption charges. However, on his joining the BJP, the saffron party made him 'clean' despite there was a solid taint of corruption on him. After all, people never expect genuine justice from these blemished political bigwigs for conspicuous reasons and hence their expulsion from the pivotal positions is crucially imperative. An apex level probe in the issue is irrefutably vital to divulge all those involved in the chicanery in the broad interest of the country.

Sir - The International Human sense of unity in societies. As per the

Need to increase opportunities, too health care and opportunities to unlock their

potential needed women's empowerment. child marriages since it does not change the way things are; it does not alter the circumstances in which they occur. There is no physiological basis for increasing the age for

here has been a mixed reaction to the proposal to raise the legal age of marsince its approval by the Union Cabinet. The way I see it, extending the marriageable age of women by another two years is unwarranted. Its prescription as the panacea for the women's problems is unlikely to achieve the desired effect. The stated objective of the Bill is women's welfare. But then, the socalled reform cannot substitute substantive measures like access to education, food and

Thomas KM | Muvattupuzha

NEED TO INSTIL TOGETHERNESS

Solidarity Day is observed every year on December 20 to raise awareness on the importance of solidarity, especially in the global arena. Solidarity means an awareness of shared interests and creating a

marriage. There is no evidence to suggest that the extended period of three years improves preparedness for pregnancy and reproductive health. In countries where the age of marriage for women is as low as 16 years, anemia and Infant Mortality Rate (IMR)

riage for women from 18 to 21 years tion in the country's workforce. The root addressed if the human resources of the country's half the population are to be harnessed for the country's economy to grow

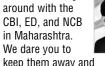
phenomenally G David Milton | Maruthancode United Nations, the day is marked to celebrate unity in diversity that is present across the globe. The day reminds people across the world about the need for unity and serves as a reminder to Governments to respect their commit-

ment to international agreements and raise public awareness of the importance of solidarity. This year's focus is primarily on the eradication of poverty and promoting human and social development in developing countries. It is our responsibility to

> remind the importance of the day to every citizen and to spread awareness among people of their duties and how unity works to make a better world with happiness. In order to create a prosperous and cohesive environment, we should learn to show solidarity on an individual level, too. Nitesh Mandwariya | Neemuch

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FIRSTCOLUMN **HUMAN TRAFFICKING BILL: A RAY OF HOPE**

The Bill provides for immediate relief to the victim within 30 days of filing of the FIR



JAGJIT SINGH CHABBRA

rafficking in persons is a serious crime affecting a large number of people across the globe, including India. It is a multi-billion-indus-try which transcends national boundaries. Until recently, trafficking was not subjected to any precise definition. Early legislation which addressed the issue were found ineffective. It was only in 2013, subsequent to the Nirbhaya incident, for the first time, trafficking was included as an offence in the Indian Penal Code. Yet, the penal provisions relating to trafficking were found inadequate. With a view to give teeth to the existing legal regime, a new bill has been Mooted ---- the draft Trafficking in Persons (Prevention, Care and Rehabilitation) Bill 2021. It is a comprehensive legislation that brings into its ambit all forms of human trafficking. The Bill has a victim-centric approach. The focus is on protection and rehabilitation of the victims, which is essential, and was conspicuously missing from the existing laws. It includes 23 forms of aggra-



vated form of trafficking. The prosecution under these offences has been made timely and efficient by the designated courts and special public prosecutors, victim witness protection and protection of the identity of victims through in camera trial and video conferencing facilities. Punishment for aggravated form of trafficking in persons is rigorous imprisonment for a term of ten years that may extend to life along with a fine up to ₹10 lakh. The proposed legislation creates a single line of accountable institutions that brings together the existing sporadic interventions that aim to address trafficking. The National Investigation Agency (NIA) has been made the national investigating and coordinating agency responsible for prevention and combating of trafficking as well as for investigation, prosecution and coordination in cases of trafficking.

The Bill institutionalises preventive and will address core causes that increase vulnerability to trafficking. It will enforce attachment and forfeiture of property and freeze bank accounts where the funds have been utilized to facilitate trafficking. By hitting at its economics, the Bill handicaps the organised trafficking networks. The "presumption of offences" implies that when the victims are women, children and physically and mentally disabled persons, the traffickers will be presumed to have committed the crime and the onus will be on the offenders to prove their innocence. This is reversal of the general principle of criminal law that the accused is innocent until proven guilty. The Bill provides for 'protection homes' and 'rehabilitation homes' for short- term and long-term rehabilitation of victims. The rehabilitation is to begin immediately once the FIR is registered. This provision is a great relief for the victims. The Bill also provides for immediate relief to the victim within 30 days of filing of the FIR. The National Anti-Trafficking Committee will facilitate and ensure implementation of all provisions of this legislation in coordination with the concerned agencies. State and District Anti-Trafficking Committees will ensure overall implementation of the law within the states and districts. The proposed bill is a laudable step by the policy makers. It was long overdue. It gives us a new ray of hope once it is passed in the present form. The Kailash Satyarthi Children's Foundation (KSCF) has been for a long time in forefront among the CSOs, who had been demanding a comprehensive law dealing with all aspects of human trafficking. The proposed bill aims at plugging the loopholes in the existing legal regime and provides for robust mechanism for effectively dealing with the evil of trafficking. If all stake holders including law enforcement agencies put their heads together, no one can hinder us from achieving the ideals of our constitution, i.e., securing justice, liberty, fraternity and assuring the dignity of the individual.

Fiscal splurge has continued unabated



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UTTAM GUPTA

There has been no major event or budget announcement that could qualify as 'far-reaching structural reform with unanticipated fiscal implications'

ven as the Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman prepares for the next budget, it is time to take stock of the fiscal scenario.

During 2019-20, the revised estimate (RE) of fiscal deficit (FD) was 3.8 percent of GDP against the budget estimate (BE) of 3.3 percent. In her speech on the Union Budget for 2020-21, she had justified this in terms of the recommendation of the NK Singh Committee on review of the Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (FRBM) Act, 2003 which permits breach of the target in case of "farreaching structural reforms with unanticipated fiscal implications."For 2020-21, she had set FD at 3.5 percent as against 3.0 percent as stipulated under the FRBM Act. Here also, she had justified the deviation in terms of the "unanticipated fiscal implications".

In these two years, there was no major event or development or Budget announcement that could qualify as 'farreaching structural reforms with unanticipated fiscal implications'. So, the justifi-cation offered was not credible.

The impact of Covid-19 on the receipts and expenditure of the Centre started unfolding from April 2020, no doubt met the criteria set by the Committee. In fact, considering the gravity of the pandemic, the slippage was bound to be higher than the permissible threshold of 0.5 percent. But the FD as per RE in the budget for 2021-22 presented on February 1, 2021 turned out to be 9.8 percent — almost three times the BE; though, the actual was slightly lower at 9.5 percent, (courtesy, higher tax collection during February and March, 2021 than what was assumed in arriving at the RE).

The unusually high slippage of 6 percent which in absolute terms works out to about ₹1150,000 crore cannot be attributed entirely to the pandemic. A close scrutiny of the facts reveals that a sizeable chunk was merely a cover up for the 'mismanagement' and 'slippages'- of the past as well during 2020-21. Look at fertilizer subsidy. The BE for

2020-21 was ₹70,000 crore.

Against this, the RE as reported in the budget for 2021-22 was ₹134,000 crore. The slippage of ₹64,000 crore is entirely on account of the unpaid subsidy dues from the previous year. Even as this amount was presented as an integral part of the Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan (ABA) stimulus package, the fact remains that this had nothing to do with measures to mitigate the consequences of Covid.

AT THE START OF ITS FIRST TERM, THE MODI **GOVERNMENT HAD** SET FISCAL CONSOLIDATION AS A MAJOR **OBJECTIVE OF ITS** ECONOMIC POLICY. THEREAFTER, IT WAS AIMING AT A FD OF 3 PER CENT IN 2018-19. LATER, THIS GOAL WAS SHIFTED

TO 2020-21. YET, THAT YEAR SAW A DEFICIT OF 9.5 PER CENT. EVEN AS THE CURRENT YEAR IS EXPECTED TO END WITH AN FD OF AROUND 6.5 PER CENT, THE 3 PER CENT TARGET

IS NOWHERE IN SIGHT FOR THE

expenses on distributing free ration under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana

(PMGKAY). The balance Rs 275,000 crore was used to pay off the loans taken by the FCI from the National Small Savings Fund (NSSF) in the past to finance unpaid subsidy dues from the Centre besides funding from the budget Rs 137,000 crore.

Consider the power sector. Couched under ABA, Sitharaman also sanctioned ₹90,000 crore (the amount was subsequently raised to Rs 130,000 crore) to be given to power distribution companies (discoms) enable the latter clear their pending dues to independent power producers (IPPs) besides PSUs such as NTPC. This was a cover for the ailing discoms - a legacy problem caused by subsidized (or even free) power supply and theft in most of the states besides inflated payments under power purchase agreements (PPAs).

For 2021-22, FM has set FD at 6.8 percent of GDP or Rs 1500,000 crore in absolute terms. This is a deviation of 3.8 percent as against

DAP price at \$700-800 a tonis almost double). This money has only gone towards adding to the profits of companies in exporting countries such as China, Saudi Arabia, etc.

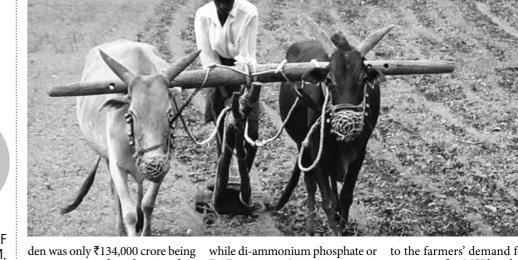
The budget allocation for food subsidy during 2021-22 is put at Rs 243,000 crore. Against this, the actual outgo is expected to be about ₹330,000 crore. This includes ₹147,000 crore towards distribution of free ration under PMGKAY initially during May-November, 2021 further extended till March 31, 2022. When seen in the backdrop of fast economic recovery, extension of the scheme particularly during the second alf of the year, is inexplicable.

In the power sector, despite the ₹130,000 crore life-line given last year, discoms continue to be in the red even as they currently owe about ₹100,000 crore to IPPs/PSUs. It is therefore not surprising that the Government would release funds to the beleaguered discoms-albeit under the Reforms-Linked, Result-Based Thereafter, it was aiming at FD of Scheme for Distribution' (RLRB- 3 percent in 2018-19. Later, this SD) (launched last year, though its stated objective was 'to reduce their losses and improve efficiency', in reality, the intent is to cover up their financial weakness) before the year ends. In the run up to the Budget for 2022-23, available indications point towards the Government continuing with fiscal splurge. The key areas where substantial increase in spending is likely are: Food subsidy courtesy Prime Minister Narendra Modi agreeing

to the farmers' demand for 'legal guarantee for MSP' and increase in procurement by state agencies besides hike in MSP, PM-Kisan due to expansion in the scope of the scheme to cover sharecroppers, launch of a national level scheme to provide cooked food to the poor in both the urban and rural areas at ₹10 a plate, and courtesy prodding by the Supreme Court

The Government has already sought to legitimize fiscal profli-gacy by drastically altering the tra-jectory of fiscal consolidation. Thus, in the budget for 2021-22, the FM had targeted FD of 4.5 percent during 2025-26 against a 2.5 percent threshold, the FRBM com-mittee wanted to be achieved during 2022-23 and 3 percent (plus 0.5 percent for unanticipated events) during 2020-21 as per the amend-ment to FRBM Act made vide the Finance Bill 2018-19.

At the start of its first term, the Modi Government had set fiscal consolidation has a major objective of its economic policy. oal was shifted to 2020-21. Yet, that year saw a deficit of 9.5 percent. Even as the current year is expected to end with FD of around 6.5 percent, the 3 percent target is nowhere in sight for the next five vears. For now, nobody knows as to when the Government will return to fiscal discipline. Even if it wants to, it will remain a distant dream unless it carries out long-pending expenditure reforms, especially major subsidies.



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Consider food subsidy. The BE for 2020-21 was ₹116,000 crore. Together with borrowings of ₹137,000 crore by the Food Corporation of India (FCI) was supposed to fund a total requirement of 53,000 crore. The actual expenditure on food subsidy was ₹525,000 crore implying deviation of ₹409,000 crore from the BE. Against this, the Covid-19 related burNEXT FIVE YEARS

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0.5 percent permitted by the FRBM committee. Herein also, a good chunk cannot be related to Covid. In fertilizers, against budget provision of ₹80,000 crore, the actual subsidy payment is project-ed to be ₹143,000 crore - even higher than the outgo during 2020-21.

The hike is primarily due to steep increase in their global prices (current urea price at close to \$1000 a ton is thrice last years' level

COME AND SIT WITH ME FOR A DEBATE OR CALL ME TO DELHI. IF I GET DEFEATED, I WILL LEAVE POLITICS. —PUNJAB CONGRESS CHIEF NAVJOT SINGH SIDHU



I ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE GIVEN BY NAVJOT SIDHU. HE SHOULD CHOOSE THE PLACE AND TIME FOR THE DEBATE. —DELHI CHIEF MINISTER **ARVIND KEJRIWAL**

Need a new, decentralised look at agriculture

The country should rather begin a new discussion on agriculture and crops, creating diverse food grain habits and sustaining ecology

n West Bengal not long ago, the Left Front government had a huge majority. Yet it had to eat a humble pie when farmers in Nandigram and Singur put paid to its industrialization plans. Maybe the state government's plans were good, but it became immaterial in the face of farmers protesting acquisition. The situation is no different now. The Union Government said the three farm laws were for the benefit of farmers. A section of the farmers remained unconvinced. Finally, almost one year after their sit-in, they got what they wanted.

Where does the real power lie? Not in the government with its elaborate security setup. Not in Parliament where laws are made. Not in



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the Supreme Court which can unmake laws. Real power lies only with the people. That is what the year-long farmer's agitation suggests. This should make popu-

lar governments change their tack. The NDA government

took the correct decision to junk the Land Acquisition Act and now, the farm laws. Those in power anywhere have to accept that if the beneficiaries are not satisfied such decisions cannot be implemented.

Former deputy chairman of NITI Aayog, Arvind Panagariya, says an important aspect that crops up is the World Trade Organisation (WTO) rules on subsidies. India so far escaped with a peace clause for violating them. He indicates that the demand for MSP, which



WTO does not accept, may lead to a difficult global situation, apart from the fact that MSP would entail an extra payment of ₹1.5 trillion. He also stresses that the proposed massive transfers under MSP would bypass not only the urban poor but also the rural poor.

Any solution? Yes, either reform WTO or rethink on MSP. Or maybe listen to another former NITI Aayog deputy chairman, Raghuram Rajan, on a TV discussion on December 8. He emphasized that despite some good points

in farm laws, agriculture need- Indira Gandhi. ing reforms, India is so vast that decentralisation is essential. There could not be one solution for the entire country. India cannot be like China. He says, India's strengths were democracy and debate. China became a manufacturing

superpower following its system of authoritarian rule. "It would be difficult to emulate the Chinese path."

Rajan gives the easy prescription. Governance should not resort to adamance and electoral numbers are never enough to roughshod the sentiments that may not look palatable to the ruling parties. The governments in the past also had to eat humble pies. The most glaring example was the rise of NT Rama Rao

It should not be forgotten that even rich nations give farm subsidy and WTO ignores it.

In the present context, the cases went for judicial review but the court did not resolve the issue. Rightfully the popular government has taken the required decision. The government need not be apprehensive of the WTO or international bodies. If it could keep the environmental COP26 at bay for several decades, it can do so for farm issues too.

The country should rather begin a new discussion on agriculture, crops, creating diverse food grain habits and sustaining ecology. Today's MSP issue is complex as in 1980s against a despotic farmer needs higher income. would rule the roost post-UP

All the same the companies elections. In fact, this calls for could not be allowed to have ways that bolster their profit at the cost the people's inter-

India has to ponder whether it can put income inequality as high as it was under British colonial away from public discussion. The top 10 percent accounts for 57.1 percent of the income now. The top 10 percent earns 20 times, according to the World Inequality report 2022.

Despite a pan-India sentiment, it should not be forgotten that Nandigram or Singur or various long farmers' marches in Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and other places did not become national economic issues. It needs to be to be seen if the MSP issue

diversification of farm products and less dependence on mono or select cropping that may have led to this difficult situation post-Green revolution. The debate is now on reintroducing diversity in food habits. In 1881, it was a nation

of 220 million people eating millets and other food grains. It has changed to eating a 1.3 billion rice-and-wheat eating behemoth riding the Green Revolution. India has not taken advantage of its strength of diversity of food items and agriculture depended on local

ecology-led consumption. The farmers' stir should encourage the government to create a farmer-dominated agriculture where no outsider needs to fix the MSP.



UK medics warn of looming breaking point as Omicron spreads

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 $B^{\text{ritain's main nurses' union}}_{\text{warned Monday that}}$ exhaustion and surging coronavirus cases among medical staff are pushing them to breaking point, adding to pressure on the government for new restrictions to bring down record-high infection numbers driven by the omicron variant.

Patricia Marquis, England director for the Royal College of Nursing union, said the situation over the next few weeks looked "very bleak," as growing absences from sickness and selfisolation hit hospitals struggling to clear a backlog of postponed procedures and treat normal winter sicknesses alongside coronavirus cases.

"In many places they're already under immense stress and pressure, and so they are starting to go off sick themselves with COVID, but also mental and physical exhaustion," she told the BBC

"So, staff are looking for-ward now thinking, 'Oh my goodness, what is goodness, coming?"Having repeatedly promised that there will be no repeat of last year's lockdownmarred Christmas, Prime Minister Boris Johnson faces an agonizing choice: wreck the holiday plans of millions or face a tidal wave of cases and dis-

ruption. Many governments in Europe and the U.S. face similar dilemmas about how hard to come down on omicron, which

appears more transmissible than the previous delta variant that itself led to surges in many parts of the world. Early evidence suggests omicron may also produce less serious illness - though scientists caution it is

too soon to say - and that it could better evade vaccine protection. even if it generally causes fewer serious cases, omicron could still overwhelm health systems because of the sheer number of infections.

But many political leaders are reluctant to impose the stiff measures they resorted to earlier in the pandemic — often because they promised their people that vaccines would offer a way out of such restrictions and it may be politically untenable to impose them again.

In US, the prospect of a winter chilled by a wave of coronavirus infections is a severe reversal from the optimism projected by President Joe Biden some 10 months ago, when he suggested that the country would essentially be back to normal by this Christmas. France is desperately trying to avoid a new lockdown that would hurt the economy and cloud President Emmanuel Macron's expected re-election campaign.

Israel to ban travel to US, Canada over **Omicron variant**

AP JERUSALEM

sraeli ministers on Mondav agreed to ban travel to United States, Canada and eight other countries amid the rapid, global spread of omicron variant. Prime Minister Naftali Bennett's office announced the decision following a Cabinet vote

The rare move to red-list US comes amid rising coronavirus infections in Israel and marks a change to pandemic practices between two nations with close diplomatic relations. The US will join a growing list of European countries and other destinations to which Israelis are barred from traveling, and from which returning travelers must remain in quarantine.

A parliamentary committee is expected to give measure final approval. Once authorized, the travel ban will take effect at midnight Wednesday morning. Israel has seen a surge in new cases of more infectious coronavirus variant in recent weeks, and began

closing its borders and restricting travel in late November. Foreign nationals are not allowed to enter, and all Israelis arriving from overseas are required to quarantine including people who are vac-

cinated. Other countries that were approved to be added to the travel ban starting Wednesday are Belgium, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Morocco, Portugal, Switzerland and Turkoy, Israel, colled out a Turkey. Israel rolled out a world-leading vaccination campaign early this year, and more than 4.1 million of Israel's 9.3 million people have received a third dose of the Pfizer/BioNTech vaccine.

In a prime-time address on Sunday, İsraeli Prime Minister Naftali Bennett urged parents to vaccinate their children, declaring that country's "fifth wave" of coronavirus infections had begun. As of Sunday, Israel's Health Ministry has reported 175 cases of new variant. Israel has recorded at least 8,232 deaths from coronavirus since the start of pandemic.

Holiday season lights bright spot amid pandemic resurgence

AP CUMBERLAND, MAINE

The holiday season is shin-ing brightly during pan-demic as businesses pour money into extravagant light shows to spread cheer.

From Maine to California, more lights shows have launched during pandemic, and they're more elaborate than ever, with sparkly spectacles that comedic character Clark Griswold from "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" could only dream about. "They're exploding because

people are looking for something to do. That has been a boom for this business," said Wayne Wheeler, whose Wisconsin-based company, Reinders Inc., imports bulk lights and other gear used in the professionally produced

Lighting displays are a time-honored tradition in the holidays, and people often drive around various neighborhoods to check out colorful lights. The commercial operations take it to another level.

Fauci warns Omicron Covid variant 'raging through the world'

AL JAZEERA: Top US some resistance to vaccines and higher transmissibility. Fauci has warned of a bleak Fauci also cautioned against too much optimism over winter ahead as the Omicron Omicron's severity, noting that coronavirus variant spurs a new wave of infections globalin South Africa, while the hosly, sparking restrictions and concerns over hospital capacpitalisation-to-case ratio is lower than with Delta, this could be due to underlying

"One thing that's very clear is [Omicron's] extraordinary capability of spreading," Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, told broadcaster NBC News on Sunday.

"It is just ... raging through the world."Since it was first reported in southern Africa in November, Omicron has been identified in dozens of countries, prompting many to reimpose travel restrictions and other measures in an attempt to slow outbreaks.

Despite some preliminary indications Omicron is not more severe than the Delta variant – currently, still the dominant strain – the heavily mutated Omicron has been shown in early data to have

Pak Army chief urges for joint int'l efforts to avoid impending humanitarian crisis in Afghanistan

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Pakistan Army chief General Qamar Javed Bajwa on Monday urged for joint international efforts to avoid impending humanitarian crisis in war-torn Afghanistan. Gen Bajwa made remarks during a meeting with US Special Representative for Afghanistan Thomas West, who called on him at army headquarters in Rawalpindi.

During meeting, matters of mutual interest, current security situation in Afghanistan and bilateral cooperation opportunities in context were discussed, according to a statement issued by army. Gen Bajwa said that "world and region cannot afford an unstable Afghanistan, stressing upon need for global convergence to avert a looming humanitarian catastrophe," it added.

Afghanistan's economy is facing a major crisis after Taliban seized power in Kabul in mid-August, amid a chaotic US and NATO troops withdrawal from war-hit country. Following hardline Islamists assuming power in Afghanistan, the international community froze billions of dollars' worth of assets abroad and stopped all funding to country.

375 dead, 56 missing after typhoon slams Philippines

The death toll from the ▲ strongest typhoon to batter the Philippines this year climbed to 375, with more than 50 others still missing and several central provinces struggling with downed communications and power outages and pleading for food and water,

officials said Monday. At its strongest, Typhoon Rai packed sustained winds of 195 kilometers (121 miles) per hour with gusts of up to 270 kph (168 mph) before blowing out into the South China Sea on Friday.

At least 375 people were killed, 56 were missing and 500 were injured, according to the national police. The toll may still increase because several towns and villages remained out of reach due to downed communications and power outages, although massive cleanup and repair efforts were

underway. Many were killed by falling trees and collapsing walls, flash floods and landslides. A 57-year-old man was found dead hanging from a tree branch and a woman was blown away and died in Negros Occidental province, police

Governor Arlene Bag-ao of Dinagat Islands, among the southeastern provinces first hit by the typhoon, said Rai's ferocity on her island province of more than 130,000 people was worse than that of Typhoon Haiyan, one of the most powerful and deadliest typhoons on record which devastated the central Philippines in November 2013 but did

not inflict any casualties in Dinagat. "If it was like being in a washing machine before, this time there was like a huge monster that smashed itself everywhere, grabbed anything like trees and tin roofs and then hurled them everywhere,"

Bag-ao said by telephone. "The wind was swirling north to south to east and west repeatedly for six hours. Some tin roof sheets were blown away and then were tossed back." At least 14 villagers died and

more than 100 others were injured by flying roofs, debris and glass shards and were treated in makeshift surgery rooms in damaged hospitals in Dinagat, Bag-ao said.

Many more would have died if thousands of residents had not been evacuated from high-risk villages. Dinagat and several other typhoon-hit provinces remained without electricity and communications and many residents needed construction materials, food and water. Bag-ao and other provincial officials traveled to nearby regions that had cellphone signals to seek aid and coordinate recovery efforts with the national government.

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Pro-Beijing candidates sweep victories at Hong Kong polls

AP HONG KONG

Pro-Beijing candidates dom-inated Hong Kong's legislative elections, beating out moderates and independents in the city's first public poll after Beijing passed a resolution to amend the city's election laws.

Candidates loyal to Beijing won a majority of the seats in Sunday's election after laws were changed to ensure that only pro-Beijing "patriots" could

run the city. Hong Kong leader Carrie Lam said during a news conference Monday she was "satisfied" with the election despite a 30.2% voter turnout – the lowest since British handed Hong Kong over to China in 1997. She said that number of registered voters reached 92.5%, a record high compared to 2012 and 2016 elections, when around 70% of voters had registered. "For registered voters, deciding whether they want to exercise their voting rights in a

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particular election is entirely a matter for themselves," she said."In this election, 1.35 million voters cast their votes They did not just return candidates of their choice to LegCo, and I think it was also because

of their support for improved electoral system," said Lam, referring to city's Legislative Council Under new laws, the num-

ber of directly elected lawmakers was reduced from 35 to 20, even as legislature was expanded from 70 to 90 seats. Most of lawmakers were appointed by largely pro-Beijing bodies, ensuring that they make up majority of legislature.

All candidates were also vetted by a largely pro-Beijing committee before they could be nominated. Lam said that even if there was a high turnout rate based on "poor politics," such as political polarization during period of political strife in 2019, that is "not something we should be glad to have."

Gunmen kill 47 in attacks in Nigeria's troubled north

AP LAGOS, NIGERIA

Nigerian security forces are searching for armed gangs who killed 47 people in attacks in recent days in rural areas of country's northwest, the latest killings in troubled region. The attacks took place in the northwest Kaduna state which neighbors Nigeria's capital city, Abuja, Kaduna commissioner for security Samuel Aruwan confirmed.

No group has claimed responsibility for attacks but they are suspected to be by the gangs of bandits who have killed at least 2,500 people in the northwest and central states so far in 2021, according to sta-tistics collated by US Council on Foreign Relations. The attacks have escalated in past three months so the death toll for entire year is expected to increase. The armed groups mostly consist of young men from Fulani ethnic group.

Myanmar court postpones latest Aung San Suu Kyi verdict

AP BANGKOK

AMyanmar court on Monday postponed to Dec. 27 the issuing of verdicts in the latest of a series of cases against the country's ousted leader, Aung San Suu Kyi, a legal official knowledgeable about the case said.

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On Sunday, US senators Elizabeth Warren and Cory

Booker each said separately on

Twitter that they had tested

positive for COVÍD-19 despite

being vaccinated and boosted,

and were experiencing mild symptoms. AGENCIES

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The postponed verdict from the court in the capital, Naypyitaw, is for second among multiple cases brought against the 76-year-old Nobel laureate since the army seized power on Feb. 1, ousting her elected gov-ernment and arresting top members of her National League for Democracy party.

No reason was given for postponement, according to a legal official who insisted on anonymity for fear of being punished by authorities, who have restricted release of information about Suu Kyi's trials. She is accused of importing and possessing walkie-talkies with-

out following official procedures. The radios that are focus of the case were seized from the entrance gate of her residence and barracks of her bodyguards during a search on Feb. , the day she was arrested. The charge under Export-Import Law of having improperly imported walkies-talkies was first filed against her and served as the initial justification for her continued detention. The charge of illegally possessing the radios was filed following month.

Suu Kyi's lawyers argued that the radios were not in her personal possession and were legitimately used to help provide for her security, but court declined to dismiss charges against her. Suu Kyi on Dec. 6 was convicted on two other charges, incitement and breaching COVID-19 restrictions, for which she was sentenced to a total of four year's imprisonment.



Office Of Executive Engineer, Maintenance Division,

Uttrakhand Jal Sansthan Lane No-1, Tarun Vihar, Mothrowala Road, Dehradun-248001 Phone No/Fax. 0135 2671940, E-mail - eemdujs@rediffmail.com

Letter No. 3708 /E-Tender Notice/2021-22 NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING CORRIGENDUM

इस कार्यालय पत्रांक सं0 3705/E-Tender Notice/2021-22 date 16-12-2021 से जल जीवन मिशन के कार्यो हेतु आमंत्रित ई–निविदाओं की तिथियों में निम्नानुसार संशोधन किया जाता है।

The tender time schedule (Key Dates) is as follows: .

S. No.	Description	Time Schedule (Key Dates)
1	Date of Online Publication	23.12.2021 at 11:00 Hrs
2	Document download : Start Date	23.12.2021 at 11:00 Hrs
3	Pre-Bid Meeting : Date	28.12.2021 at 11:00 Hrs
4	Bid Submission : Start date	01.01.2022 at 11:00 Hrs
5	Bid Submission : End date	04.01.2022 upto 17:00 Hrs
6	Offline Submission of Documents (Cost of bidding Document, Bid Security, Original affidavits and all supporting Document in support of qualification).	04.01.2022 upto17:00 Hrs
7	Date of Bid Opening	05.01.2022 at 11:00 Hrs
8	Date of Financial Bid Opening	To be intimated later
शेष नि	यम एवं शर्ते निविदा के अनुसार यथावत रहेगें।	
''जल	संचय–जीवन संचय''	Executive Engineer

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED

General Public is hereby informed that one girl Namely: Anamika, C/o: Sadiya R/o: Unmati After Care Program 33-C DDA Flats Bulward Road, Civil Lines, Delhi, Age: 18 Years Above, Height: 5', Complexion: Dark, Built: Thin/Medium, Face: Round, Hair: Black, Eyes: Black, ID Marks: She is Disable child & Not hear and speak properly, Wearing: Pink Colour Suit & Pajama & Blue Colour Shoes in feet has been missing/ kidnapped since 30.11.2021 from her house. In this regard DD No. 04A, Dated 01.12.2021, has been registered at P.S.

Civil Lines, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing/kidnapped girl but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone have any information about this missing/kidnapped girl please inform the undersigned.

SHO Web-site : http://cbi.nic.in E-Mail ID: cic@cbi.gov.in P.S. Civil Lines, Delhi Fax: 011-23011334 Ph.: 011-23815444, 23810633 DP/1763/N/2021

OIC nations pledge fund to prevent Afghanistan economic collapse

ALJAZEERA: Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) has pledged to set up a humanitarian trust fund for Afghanistan as millions face hunger and poverty.

The crisis is causing alarm with billions of dollars in aid and assets frozen by the international community after the Taliban takeover of the country in August this year."Unless action is taken immediately, Afghanistan is heading for chaos," Prime Minister Imran Khan, of Pakistan - which is holding the summit, told a meeting of foreign ministers

Dated -17/12/2021

The from the OIC."Any government when it can't pay its salaries for its public servants, hospitals, doctors, nurses, any government is going to collapse but chaos suits no one, it certainly does not suit the United States."An OIC resolution released after the meeting said the Islamic Development Bank would lead the effort to free up assistance by the first quarter of 2022. It also urged Afghanistan's rulers to abide by "obligations under international human rights covenants, especially with regards to rights of women, children, youth, elderly and people with special needs". The OIC meet-

ing did not give the new Taliban government any formal international recognition and Afghan Foreign Minister Amir Khan Muttaqi was excluded from official photograph taken during the event. Muttaqi said his government "has the right to be officially recognised". "The current Afghanistan government is cooperating with every foreign organisation," he told reporters, adding that sanctions "must be removed". In a speech to delegates, he said US freezing of assets "is a clear violation of human rights of Afghans, and can be interpreted as enmity with an entire AGENCIES nation".



Tender No. 02/EE (Test)/MB-II/2021-22

Name of work: SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, TESTING & COMMISSIONING OF FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEM FOR 220V DC (1395 AH) BATTERY BANK AT DHARASU POWER HOUSE, CHINYALIŚAUR, UTTARKASHI

Estimated cost : Rs 24,95,121.96/-, (GST Extra)

Date of availability of bid document on website: 21.12.2021 at 16:00 Hrs

Last date for submission of tender :18.01.2022 upto 16:00 Hrs For fuller & further details, kindly visit our website. The tender documents can be downloaded from "www.ujvnl.com" Executive Engineer (Test)

RO No 1010 dt. 20.12.2021 Executive E "AVOID WASTEFUL USE OF ELECTRICITY"

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd, 3rd Floor, Plot No- 23, New Rohtak Road, Karol Bagh, Delhi- 110005

Whereas

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of ICICI Bank Limited under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notices upon the borrowers mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

As the borrower failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Loan Account Number			Name of Branch	
1. Nitin Kumar/ Ramesh Chander Dabla/ LBGUR00004221493		der Dabla/ Sector-19, Amberhai Dwarka Residential Scheme			
2.	Mohammad Usman/ Mohd Nawazish/ Zubeda/ LBDEL00004973902	Flat No 69, Ground Floor, LIG Flat, Sanjay Enclave, Jhangirpuri, Delhi- 110033/ December 15, 2021	June 19, 2021/ Rs. 3,33,820/-	Delhi/ NCR	
3.	Vijay Kumar/ Ashwani Kumar/ LBNOD00001027565/ LBNOD00001066768	Flat No-G-2, Ground Floor, Plot No- 43, Block-c, Tha, Surya Nagar Sector 7, Ghaziabad 201010/ December 17, 2021	June 16, 2021 Rs. 11,43,143/-	Delhi/ NCR	
4.	Deepak Sethi/ Simmi Sethi/ LBDEL00004862169	Flat No Skb 211, Second Floor Shipra Krishna Vista Ahinsa Khand I Indirapuram Ghaziabad/ December 17, 2021	July 06, 2021 Rs. 10,12,808/-	Delhi/ NCR	
5.	Mukesh Verma/ Ragini Verma/ LBDEL00001360658	Flat No. S-3, Plot No.98, Sec- 11A Vaishali Ghaziabad/ December 17, 2021	July 06, 2021 Rs. 6,36,542/-	Delhi/ NCR	
6.	Narendra Kumar Singh/ Vinita Singh/ LBGUR00001157168	S-110, 2nd Floor, Kaushambi, S-110, 2nd Floor East Delhi Mall, Kaushambi Ghaziabad/ December 17, 2021	July 06, 2021 Rs. 8,00,400/-	Delhi/ NCR	
the	mortgaged properties will b	ers(s)/ guarantors(s) are hereby given a 30 day notice to sold on the expiry of 30 days from the date of publica 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002	tion of this Notic	e, as per	
	e : December 21, 2021 ce: Delhi/ NCR		Authorized ICICI Bank		

No.SSA/CW/KGBV-Lumding/264/2020/8059

The Mission Director, SSA, Assam, invites fresh bids for the following work from registered contractors [Class-I (A, B & C)] under A. P.W.D. (Building) Assam, having experience of similar nature of work.

Details of the bid may be seen at e-procurement portal website i.e. www.assamtenders.gov.in and also in the office of the undersigned during office hours from 21/12/2021(04:30 PM) to 04/01/2022 (2:00 PM)

The bidders must be enrolled in www.assamtenders.gov.in

Name of Work	Package No	Place	Approx. Value of Work	Time of completi on	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	E.M.D. to be drawn in favour of	Tender Cost
CONSTRUCTION OF KASTURBA GANDHI BALIKA VIDYALAYA (CLASS VI TO X) (ACADEMIC BLOCK ASSAM TYPE WITH RCC HOSTEL BUILDING (G+2) (KGBV-TYPE-II), SSA, ASSAM	1L	Lumding ,Hojai	Rs.1,91,28,900.00 [Per site]	12 (twelve months)	Rs.3,82,578.00 (for General) Rs.1,91,289.00 (for reserved Category) [PER SITE]	The Mission Director, SSA, Assam, Guwahati-19	Rs.5000.00
ASSAM		4	্বি শিক্ষাৰ অধিকাৰ – ব্বি প্ৰদিক্ষাৰ অধিকাৰ – ব্বি প্ৰদান পৰা ক্ষাৰ্থনা সময়		Sd/-Mission SSA, As Kahilipara, Gu	ssam	

RE TENDER NOTICE

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 $F_{\mathrm{Sitharaman}}^{\mathrm{inance}}$ Minister Nirmala that banks have recovered Rs 13,109.17 crore from asset sale of fugitives like Vijay Mallya, Nirav Modi and Mehul Choksi.

She said this while replying to a discussion on the second batch of Supplementary Demands for Grants which was approved by the Lok Sabha amid uproar by the Opposition over various issues.

The Supplementary Demands for Grants authorised the government to spend an additional ₹ 3.73 lakh crore during the current fiscal.

The extra spending includes an infusion of over Rs 62,000 crore into the company that holds residual assets and liabilities of Air India, ₹ 58,430 crore by way of additional fertiliser subsidy, ₹ 53,123 crore towards payment of pending export incentives and ₹ 22,039 crore to rural development ministry for transfer to the National Rural

Employment Guarantee Fund. ery of about ₹ 5.49 lakh crore Speaking on the banks' over the last seven financial recovery from wilful defaulters, years. So, these people who are she said

on July 16, 2021, she added.

defaulters, who have fled the country, we have got their that a total of ₹ 13,109.17 crore has been recovered from money back and put it to the the asset sales of Vijay Mallya, public sector banks and there-Nirav Modi and Mehul Choksi fore the banks are safer today," as of July 2021 as per the inforshe said. mation provided by the

She further said that the Enforcement Directorate (ED). depositors' money are safer in public sector banks. The latest recovery was Rs 792 crore from the sale of assets

On the states' financial position, the Finance Minister belonging to Mallya and others said that the Centre in the first Responding to various eight months of the fiscal has issues, including price rise, already transferred 86.4 per raised by the Opposition during cent of what was provided in the the debate, she said the govfull year 2019-20. From the National Disaster Response ernment is taking measures to cool down prices of edible oil Fund (NDRF), "funds are being and other essential commodiprovided and providing an extra "We are taking measures Rs 15,000 crore for emergency COVID-19 response. The through the (Empowered Group of Ministers) for taking financial position of the states is care of essential goods. We will also reflected in the fact that the attend to the problem of edible overall cash balance of states as oil price and also some of the on November 30, 2021 was Rs essential edible items," she said. 3.08 lakh crore approximately, fairly comfortable positions" "Public sector banks together have effected a recovshe said.

WEF defers Davos Annual Meeting 2022 due to Omicron outbreak

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m on\ Monday\ said\ it\ has}^{
m he\ World\ Economic\ Forum}$ decided to defer its Annual Meeting 2022 in the Swiss Alpine ski resort town of Davos in the light of continued uncertainty over the Omicron outbreak.

The Annual Meeting, which was scheduled to take place in Davos-Klosters, Świtzerland between January 17-21, 2022, is now planned for early summer.

The World Economic Forum (WEF) held its last Davos summit, attended by top leaders from across the world, in January 2020, just before the outbreak of the coronavirus pandemic, while the 2021 meeting could not take place due to the outbreak.

The Geneva-based entity, which describes itself as an international organisation for public-private cooperation, had first planned to shift the 2021 annual meeting to another location in Switzerland and then to Singapore, before final-

ly cancelling it.

In a statement on deferring the 2022 meeting to early summer, the WEF said particers from business, government ipants will instead join a headline series of 'State of the World' sessions bringing together global leaders online to focus on shaping solutions to the world's most pressing Economic Forum. challenges.

"Current pandemic conditions make it extremely difficult to deliver a global in-person meeting. Preparations have been guided by expert advice and have benefited from the soon," he added. close collaboration of the Swiss government at all levels," it said.

The WEF said despite the meeting's stringent health protocols, the transmissibility of the Omicron variant of COVID-19 and its impact on travel and mobility have made deferral necessary.

"The health and safety of for leaders from business, goveveryone involved in physical meetings -- participants, collaborators and the host community -- have always been the Forum's priority," it said. world.

Advertising volumes on TV grow 3 pc in Nov, more brands using the medium: Report

Annual Meeting will not pre-

Advertising volumes on tele-vision grew 3 per cent to 156 million seconds in November when compared to the year-ago period, the Broadcast Audience Research Council said on Monday.

However, going by the "Public-private cooperanumber of advertisers, the tion has moved forward number of brands using the throughout the pandemic and that will continue apace. We medium to reach out was the look forward to bringing globhighest at 4,669 in November, al leaders together in person the body said. "Despite economic challenges that were accelerated with the second wave of COVID-19, legacy Among others, more than 100 leaders from India, includ ing Union Ministers, chief advertisers continued to ministers and CEOs, had increase spends on TV, and already been registered for the new brands placed faith in the Davos Annual Meeting 2022, medium to ensure that they for which 'Working Together, were able to stay connected Restoring Trust' was decided as with their TG (target group),' a theme. It was billed as the it's head for client partnerships and revenue function, Aditya 'first truly global opportunity

demic when the economic growth was on a downhill traiectory The reporting month recorded 2,911 advertisers pedaling their 4,669 brands on the mass medium, it said, adding there was a 14 per cent growth in advertisers and 13 per cent in brands as compared to November 2019. Nearly a fifth of advertisers and brands

were new in the month, it

Competition Comm clears Tatas acquisition of Air India, two subsidiaries (AISATS)

added

• ompetition Commission Chas approved Tata Group's proposed acquisition of Air India, Air India Express and AISATS. Talace Pvt Ltd, part of Tata Group, is to acquire 100 per cent stakes in Air India, Air Îndia Express and 50 per cent shareholding in Air India SATS Airport Services Pvt Ltd

According to an official release on Monday, Competition Commission of India (CCI) has given its nod for the deal. In October, Talace Pvt Ltd emerged as the winning bidder for Air India with a bid worth Rs 18,000 crore. It will pay Rs 2,700 crore cash and take over Rs 15,300 crore of the airline's debt.

ADB to give ₹ firms up 16p to 75.90 against \$112 mn to USD on easing crude prices set up skill PTI MUMBAI university

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Manila-headquartered mul-tilateral lending agency Asian Development Bank (ADB) will provide a USD 112-million loan to establish a skill university in Assam.

"The Government of India and the ADB signed on December 17 a USD 112-million loan to set up a skill university in Assam that will strengthen industry-aligned and flexible skills education and training system in the state," it said in a statement.

PUBLIC NOTICE This is to inform to all concern that Mr. Amit S/o Ram Pal R/o Choura Sadatour, Sec-22, Noida who is the original allottee of property No. A-29 Sec-151. Noida(U.P.) had sold the said property on General power of attorney basis to the following person(s). GPA was executed on in favour of Raju Singh S/o Sh. Kishan Singh R/o favour of Raju Singh S/o Sh. Kishan Singh R/o B-44, Sec-50, Noida (U.P.) which is registered & the agreement to sell was not registered or not executed. Because the agreement to sell is not registered or no agreement to sell executed, so it is informed to all concern that the said property is going to be transferred in favour of Ravi Bansa S/o Mahesh Chand Bansal, R/o F-183A, Road-2 Mangal Bazar Laxmi Nagar & Bipin Babbar &

The rupee notched up gains for a third straight session on Monday, rising further by 16

paise to settle at 75.90 against the US dollar as easing crude oil prices revived an otherwise lacklustre sentiment.

Massive sell-offs in domestic equities, sustained foreign fund outflows and concerns around Omicron variant of coronavirus were a host of factors restricting rupee gains,

forex traders said. Starting off on a tepid note, the rupee weakened to a low of 76.16 before staging a recovery. It hit the day's high at 75.83

FORM NO.5

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL

600/1, University Road, Near Hanuman Setu Mandir,

Lucknow- 226007

(Ares of Jurisdiction Part of Uttar Pradesh)

SUMMONS FOR FILING & APPEARANCE BY

PUBLICATION

O.A.No. 1404/2019

of 2020

U.A.No. 1404/2019 Date. 16/12/2021 Summons to defendant under Section 19(3), of the Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 read with Rules 12 and 13 of the Debts Recovery Tribunal (Procedure Rules, 1993)

cation No. 1404

against the dollar, before closing at 75.90, clocking a gain of 16 paise. Last week, the local unit

recorded its fourth weekly decline amid growing concerns over the Omicron variant of coronavirus.

Experts, however, are of the view that as major events of the year are almost done, forex markets may stay calm in the coming week

Meanwhile, the US dollar index, which measures the greenback's strength against the basket of six currencies, rose 0.05 per cent to 96.61.

PUBLIC NOTICE To be known to all that I, Shri Manohar Lal S/o. Lakhmi Chand, Nitin S/o Late Shri Hans Raj Cont. 9910178160, Email: guptaamit2k5@yahoo.co.in, R/o B-753, New Subji Mandi, Azadpur, Delhi-33. Allottee/ Purchaser of Shop No. B-753, New Subji Mandi Azadpur, Delhi-33 has applied for the convers-ion of aforesaid property. The documents like Original allottment cum demand letter, Possession Letter, Site Position & NOC Electronic Convection of shop issued by DDA, of aforesaid property have been lost. An FI.R to this effect has been lodged in police station on dated 14/05/2018. Any person(s) claiming any right, having any objection or found in possession of original document may write/contact with above named person at above address within 15 days from the date of publication or this notice & can personal?

the date of publication of this notice & can personally contact- Deputy Director(CE) A-Block, Vikas Sadan, INA, New Delhi

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the

general public that my client

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Markets watchdog Sebi has banned the launch of new derivative contracts of crude palm oil, moong, wheat and few other agricultural commodities with immediate effect amid rising inflation.

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With respect to running contracts, no new position will be allowed to be taken and only squaring up of positions will be allowed. The directions will be applicable for one year, Sebi said in a release on Monday. Launch of new contracts of paddy (non-basmati), wheat, soyabean and its derivatives (its complex), crude palm oil and

reasons.

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moong have been barred till further orders. The list includes chana, and mustard seeds and its derivatives (its complex). The

derivative contracts for these commodities were suspended earlier this year. Deepak Jasani, Head of

to the unrelenting inflation pressure from food items.

(NCDEX) said no fresh positions, including intra-day, will

CANCELLATION of NOTICE INVITING TENDER

No.SSA/CW/KGBV-Lumding/264/2020/8058 Dated - 17/12/2021

The tender vide No. SSA/CW/KGBV-Lumding/264/2020/7584 Dated

14/09/2021 to carry out the Construction of Kasturba Gandhi Balika

Vidyalaya (Class VI to X) (Academic Block Assam type with RCC

hostel building (G+2) (KGBV-type-ii), SSA, Assam at Lumding

Block under Hojai District is hereby cancelled due to administrative

INDIAN RAILWAYS

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA (BHARAT SARKAR)

MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (RAIL MANTRALAYÁ)

(RAILWAY BOARD)

SUB: E-TENDER NO. 2021IS204 FOR PROCUREMENT OF 10532 MT

OF MILD STEEL STRUCTURAL ITEMS THROUGH e-RA METHOD

1. Corrigendum 1 of e-tender No. 2021IS204 has been uploaded ir

Due date of closing of subject tender is extended from 20.12.2021

All other Terms and Condition of e-Tender shall remain unchanged.

SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE

Director, Railway Stores (W), Railway Board

ireps website vide date 20.12.2021

15:00 hrs. to 29.12.2021, 15:00 hrs.

No. RS(S)/2021/747/2 Dated: 20.12.2021

NOTICE

Applications are invited from Manufacturers of Agricultural Machineries, who are

Empanelment Security for an amount of Rs.50,000.00/- (Rupees Fifty thousand)

only in the form of FD/TDR pledged in favour of the 'Chief Engineer, Agriculture,

Assam. Khanapara, Guwahati-22' and with minimum 3 (three) years validity shall

DP/970/SW/2021.

have to be submitted along with application form.

and options contracts of certain commodities and only squaring up of existing positions will

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Sr. Vo.	Name of the Borrower/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs.)	Name of Branch
1.	Abhishek Wadhwa/ Satya Wadhwa/ LBDEL00004909529/ LBDEL00005335844	Dda SFS, Cat- III Flat No- 85B 1st Floor Block- BW Shalimar Bagh Delhi/ December 14, 2021	August 30, 2021 Rs. 32,40,564/-	Delhi/ NCR
2.	Devinder Singh/ Meenu/ Bhagwati Devi/ Mala/ Poonam Singh/ Varsha Gandas/ Satish Kumar/ Virender Singh/ LBDEL00002003545	Dda SFS, Cat III, Flat No.164, First Floor, Sector A, Pocket C, Vasant Kunj, Delhi/ December 14, 2021	August 18, 2021 Rs. 93,78,801/-	Delhi/ NCR
	Prem Kumar Narang / Rimpi Narang/ LBDEL00002961733/ LBDEL00002962414/ LBDEL00004664237	Property Bearing, 69/3 Block-c Okhla, Industrial area, Phase- II, Delhi 110048/ December 14, 2021	August 31, 2021 Rs. 2,39,90,153/-	Delhi/ NCR
	Prem Kumar Narang/ Rimpi Narang/ LBDEL00002959223	Flat No- J3/ 249, Graund Floor, Janta Category Kalkaji Delhi/ December 14, 2021	August 17, 2021 Rs.48,35,837/-	Delhi/ NCR
	Prem Kumar Narang/ Rimpi Narang/ LBDEL00002417733	H No A16, Pocket A 8 Basement and Groung Floor Kalka Ji Delhi / December 14, 2021	August 30, 2021 Rs. 75,67,443/-	Delhi/ NCR
6.	Sameer Chawla/ Ria Chawla/ Sagar Chawla/ Shilpa Chawla/ LBDEL00001814413	493, Block-B, 2nd Floor, Meera Bagh, Delhi/ December 14, 2021	August 30, 2021 Rs. 25,18,557/-	Delhi/ NCR
	Amit Sinsinwal/ Neelam Sinsinwal/ LBDEL00002406217	Flat No- 1202M, 12th Floor Tower- I, Cloud- 9, Plot No-R-C 1/2, Sector-1, Vaishali, Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh/ December 15, 2021	August 16, 2021 Rs. 12,69,9174/-	Delhi/ NCR
8.	Ashish Sharma/ LBDEL00000616248	Flat No.G- 2, Plot A - 78, Gayatri Appartments, Shalimar Garden Extension- II, Shahibabad, Ghaziabad/ December 15, 2021	August 30,2021 Rs. 1,81,378/-	Delhi/ NCR
9.	Daya Nand Rai/ Madhubala Rai/ LBDEL00002843351	Flat No.C 204, 2nd Floor, Alaka Nanda Apartment, Rampuri Colony, Ghaziabad/ December 15, 2021	August 30, 2021 Rs. 5,48,947/-	Delhi/ NCR
0.	Dharmvir/ Pinki/ LBDEL00004897559	Dda Lig Flat No.1274, 3rd Floor, Sanskriti Appartments, Pocket- GH-1, Sector- 28, Rohini, Delhi/ December 15, 2021	August 30, 2021 Rs. 16,87,550/-	Delhi/ NCR
1.	Dheeraj Monga/ Kirti/ LBDEL00004934815	Dda Lig, Flat No-112F, Block- DB- G- 8, 2nd Floor, Rajouri Garden, Hari Nagar, Delhi/ December 15, 2021	August 30, 2021 Rs. 21,25,072/-	Delhi/ NCR
2.	Dinesh Chouhan/ Indu/ LBDEL00005063671	Dda Lig, Flat No.763- C Second Floor, Block- JG- 2 Vikas Puri Delhi/ December 15, 2021	August 30, 2021 Rs.43,26,628/-	Delhi/ NCR
3.	Manoj/ Krishan Singh/ LBDEL00005110626/ LBDEL00005158677	Property No.22, Ground Floor, Pocket 16 Sector 24 Rohini Delhi/ December 15, 2021	August 30, 2021 Rs. 47,29,621/-	Delhi/ NCR
_	Muktikanta Nayak/ Subhashree Nayak/ LBDEL00002267335	Flat No E01 Ground Floor, Gardenia Gateway Plot No.9 Sec 75 Noida/ December 15, 2021	August 30, 2021 Rs.48,13,301/-	Delhi/ NCR
15.	Parveen/ Sajjan Arora/ LBNOD00004133251	House Situated at Plot No.38/9, Ground Floor, Sakti, Nagar, Malka Ganj, Delhi- 110007/ December 15, 2021	August 16, 2021 Rs. 80,54,669/-	Delhi/ NCR
6.	Praval Jain/ Sangita Jain/ LBDEL00002465840	Flat No.2004, 20th Floor Tower D Aakriti Shantiniketan Plot No GH 01/B Sec 143 Noida Gautam Buddha Nagar, Noida/ December 15, 2021	August 30, 2021 Rs. 51,96,127/-	Delhi/ NCR
17.	Rishikesh Chaudhary/ Rishiraj Fitness Gala Pvt Ltd/ Rajshree Chaudhary/ LBGUR00003133095	Flat No A2/1626, 16th Floor Tower 16, Purvanchal Royal Park, Plot No GH 04 Sec- 137 Noida, Gautam Buddha Nagar Uttar Pradesh/ December 15, 2021	June 19, 2021 Rs. 57,25,205/-	Delhi/ NCR
18.	Sanjay Kumar/ Sinju Kumari/ LBDEL00005246753	Property No.109, Ground and First Floor, Block H, PKT 1, Sector 16, Rohini, Delhi/ December 15, 2021	August 30, 2021 Rs. 1,92,816/-	Delhi/ NCR
9.	Suresh Suri/ Rakesh Suri/ LBGUR00001615500	Plot No. A-7, Janata Colony, Shivaji Vihar, Delhi/ December 15, 2021	August 30, 2021 Rs.9,54,810/-	Delhi/ NCR
20.	Parul Goel/ Indian Embroiders/ Vikalp Goel/ LBDEL00003296851	Flat No.702, Block-B, 7th Floor Divyansh Fabio, Plot No GH- 5A Crossing Republik, Nh- 24 Dhundahera, Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh/ December 15, 2021	June 19, 2021 Rs. 54,18,130/-	Delhi/ NCR
21.	Hari Kishan Manak/ Sushila Rani Manak/ LBDEL00001741290	S-90, lind Floor, Vardhman Mall PKT- 10 Lsc, Sec-A-6, Narela Delhi/ December 16, 2021	July 06, 2021 Rs.6,42,730/-	Delhi/ NCR
22.	Jatin Anand/ Annapuma Agronics Machinery Pvt Ltd/ Tisha Anand/ LBDEL00001969505	Flat No.604, Hig 6th Floor Along With Garage No.60, Rohini, Block B Sector- 29 Delhi/ December 15, 2021	August 30, 2021 Rs. 43,57,122/-	Delhi/ NCR
23.	Jatin Anand/ Tisha Anand/ LBDEL00001971741	Flat No.604, Hig 6th Floor Along With Garage No.60, Block B, Sector- 29, Delhi/ December 15, 2021	August 30, 2021 Rs. 4,01,704/-	Delhi/ NCR
	Sudershan Gaur/ Pooja Upadhyay/ LBDEL00002362832/ LBDEL00002516895	Flat No S 1001, 10th Floor Tower S, Apphirekirsh Aura Saidpur, Tehsil Tijara Distt, Bhiwadi/ December 15, 2021	June 19, 2021 Rs. 19,43,609/-	Delhi/ NCR
_	Rahul/ Maan Virender/ Rani/ LBDEL00002374006	Flat No.3, Ground Floor Block A3 Pocket 2 Sector- G-2 Narela Delhi/ December 16, 2021	July 06, 2021 Rs.11,96,850/-	Delhi/ NCR
	Rakesh/ Baby/ LBDEL00002376371	Flat No.20 GF, Sec G 8 Pocket F 5 Narela Delhi Delhi/ December 16, 2021	July 06, 2021 Rs.11,77,762/-	Delhi/ NCR
27.	Harendra Pal/ Rajni Rajni/ LBDEL00002370571	Flat No.56, 3rd Floor Lig Block C4 Pocket 5 Sector 35 Rohini Delhi/ December 16, 2021	July 06, 2021 Rs.9,16,499/-	Delhi/ NCR
28.	Sumit Kumar/ Abhay Kumar/ LBDEL00004484897	Flat No- 59, Block- B2, Pocket-6, Fourth Floor, Sector- 35, Rohini, Delhi/ December 16, 2021	August 30, 2021 Rs.13,36,644/-	Delhi/ NCR
29.	Gajendra P S Yadav / Pinki	Dda Lig, Flat No.1430, Second Floor, Pocket GH 1, Sector 28, Rohini, Delhi/ December 16, 2021	August 30, 2021 Rs. 20,34,306/-	Delhi/ NCR

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Retail Research at HDFC Securities, said banning derivatives for seven agricultural commodities for one year seems to be a knee jerk reaction

National Commodity and Derivatives Exchange Ltd

Sd/-Mission Director

SSA, Assam

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founder and Executive

Chairman of the World

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Phatak, said. He said there was a double digit growth in languages like Malayalam,

Bhojpuri and Telugu, which indicates a growing propensity among brands to use regional languages to further their messaging. The overall volumes

were 31 per cent higher when

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Babbar both S/o Purshottam Lal R/o H.No-76, Guru Angad Nagar Ext. Laxmi Nagar Delhi. if any one has/have any objection he/she may file his/her objection along with the sufficient proof in the Housing Depair the Noida Authority within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice. Ravi Bansal

FORM NO.5 DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL 600/1, University Road, Near Hanuman Setu Mandir,, Lucknow- 226007 (Area of Jurisdiction. Part of Uttar Pradesh) Summons For Filing Reply & Appearance By Publication O.A.No. 292/2020 Date. 15/12/2021 (Summons to defendant under Section 19(3), of the Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 read with Rules 12 and 13 of the Debts Recovery Tribunal (Procedure Rules, 1993) **Original Application** No. 292of 2020 ICICI Bank Ltd. ...Applicant

Versus SANJIV KUMAR UPADHYAY & ...Defendants OTHERS

1. SANJIV KUMAR UPADHYAY IND SWIFT LTD, Village Jawahar OFF, NH 21, Derabassi, Mohali, Punjab Mohali-140306. Also At:

Flat No. PF04, Unnati The Aranya Heights, Tower T1, Sec-119 Podium Floor, Plot No. GHO2, Gautanm Budh Nagar, Noida-201301

2. MS. RANI UPADHAYAY C 3, Rail Vihar Sec- 45, Faridabad-121003.

Also At: Flat No. PF04, Unnati The Aranya Heights, Tower T1, Sec-119 Podium Floor, Plot No. GH02, Gautam Budh Nagar, Noida

3. M/S UNNATI FORTUNE HOLDINGS. LTD.

Registered Office at: T-07, LL-02, Common Wealth Games Village. New Delhi-110092

Corporate Office at:

B-117, Sector-67, Noida, U.P. In the above noted application, you are required to file in Paper Bool form in two sets along with documents and affidavits (if any), personally or through your duly the authorized agent or legal practitioner in this Tribunal, after serving copy of the same on the applicant or his counsel/ duly thorized agent after publication of the, summons, and thereafter to appear before the Tribunal on 09/03/2022 at 10.30 A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decide in your absence.

ing no. A-394 Shastri Nagar ICICI Bank Ltd. ...Applicant Delhi 110052 has lost original Versus Mr Shrotriya Adhir & Others property documents (GPA) in ...Defendants respect of above said property and she has lodged a complaint 1. Mr Shrotriva Adhir R/o 150 Green Heights A2Z, Developers Pallav Puram, 1062196/2021 on December 16 2021. if anyone find the above Roorkee. Road Meerut- 250110 Also At- Flat No.1707, 17th Floor said out to +91-9599825088. Tower B Gardenia, Plot No.10, Sector 75, Noida 201301 2. Mrs. Shrotriya Preeti 150 Green Heights A2Z, Developers Pallav Puram, Roorkee. Road Meerut- 250110 Invitation for Empanelment of Manufacturers of Agricultural Machinery Also At 150 Green Heights A2Z, Developers Pallav Puram, Roorkee, Road Meerut- 250110 No. Aari/Enga/4972/EM/SMAM/2021-22/192 M/s. Futec Shelters Pvt. Ltd. Registered Office R, 19, 3rd, Shakakpur, Laxmi Nagar, Vikas Marg, Delhi 110092 registered in the DBT portal www.agrimachinery.nic.in. for cmpanelmcnt to facilitate community procurement under different Schemes for the year, 2021-22. Corporate Office. Plot No. 9 Sector 75, Noida Application forms along with Terms & Conditions and list of Agricultural Machinery 201301 shall be available in the office of the undersigned from 21/12/2021 and this is also In the above noted application, you are required to file in Paper Book form in two sets along with made available in the departmental website <u>www.diragri.assam.gov.in.</u> Last date of submission of applications along with required documents, certificates, test reports documents and affidavits (if personally or through your duly the etc. is 28/12/2021 up to 3:00pm.

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Sd/-**Chief Engineer-Agriculture** Assam, Khanapara, Guwahati-22

SEARCH OF MISSING

General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of male Age: Approx 28/30 years Complexion: Wheatish, Height: 5'6" Built: Thin and Weak, Face: Long, ID Mark: M.S. tattoo on right hand, was wearing brown colour pajama, black and blue jacket, was found dead near middle divider, HC Sen Marg, Chandni Chowk, Delhi in the jurisdiction of P.S.

P.S. Kotwali, Delhi

IDENTIFICAT

Kotwali, North District, Delhi. In this regard a DD No. 11A U/s 174 CrpC, dated 13.12.2021, has been lodged at P.S. Kotwali, Delhi.

His dead body has been preserved in Subzi Mandi, Civil Line, Delhi Mortuary for 72 Hrs. Any person having any information or clue about the deceased may kindly inform to the undersigned on the following address or telephone nos. SHO

General public is hereby informed that one boy, Namely: Bholu, S/o: Kalu Soni, R/o: H No. F-993, Mangolpuri, New Delhi Aged: 16 years, has been missing since 19.06.2015, In this regard FIR No. 605/15, u/s 363 IPC, Dated 21.06.2015 has been lodged at P.S. Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi. His physical description is as under

Height: 5' Feet, Complexion: Wheatish, Built: Thin, Hair: Black, Clothing: Yellow colour shirt & blue colour pant.

Any person is having any information/clue about this missing boy, may inform SHO, Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi at E-mail: ciccbi@cbi.nic.in or website: http://cbi.nic.in Fax: 011-230111334, Tele No. : 011-23014046 (Direct), 011-23015229, 23015218 extn. 210

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P.S. Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi.
Ph.: 011-24106346, 24106345
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the mortgaged properties will be sold on the expiry of 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice, as per the provisions under the Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date :	December 21, Delhi/ NCR	2021
Place:	Delhi/ NCR	

Authorized Officer **ICICI Bank Limited**



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COVIDSafety

With the threat of a third wave of the Covid-19 pandemic looming over the country and amid fears that children may be affected the most this time, doctors have called for balancing safety and academics

DOCYARD

DR YPS RANA

Senior Consultant (Urology, Andrology & Renal Transplantation)

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Lifestyle changes coping Overactive Bladder



veractive Bladder (OAB) is a condition that's inconve nient, embarrassing and is potentially debilitating but could be managed now. Although this condition can be treated, most patients do not seek treatment or consult doctors. OAB is characterized as a syndrome that causes an abrupt and unstoppable need to urinate.

If left untreated, OAB can negatively impact life by interfering in daily activities such as work, social activities, exercise, and sleep. The incidence of OAB symptoms increases with age. Older patients are less likely to discuss their OAB symptoms with their physician and are more likely to be untreated or undertreated.

To manage OAB, the first step is to make lifestyle changes. Sometimes these changes are called behavioural therapy. People can see big improvements by changing their lifestyle and daily routine. Avoiding bladder irritants such as coffee, tea, carbonated beverages and spicy food will also yield a significant symptom control.

Both men and women can get **OAB.** Some studies mention that around 14 per cent men suffer from OAB

Weak pelvic floor muscles may contribute to overactive bladder. Pelvic floor muscle exercise or Kegel exercise help reduce OAB symptoms by improving this muscular control on being able to hold back urine but can take a few weeks to show results. However, this Both men and women can



Deceased donors are saviours

There is a huge need for organ donors in the country. However, there is an imbalance and the key reason is that less than 1 out of every 5 organ transplants are from deceased donors says, DR VIVEK KUTE

involves the surgical removal of the organ/tissue from one person (the donor) and its placement in another (the recipient). It is often called the 'gift of life' since it saves the lives of the recipients who are affected by organ failure. Depending on the organ being harvested, the potential donor can either be alive or one who has died naturally or in an accident. Despite this, there is a huge gap between the need for

organs and donors in India. Kidney failure occurs in nearly 1.8 lakh persons every year but only 9751 and 5486 renal transplants were undertaken in the year 2019 and 2020 respectively. Though an estimated 2 lakh lives are lost to liver failure and cancer every year, only 2592 and 1780 liver transplants were carried out in 2019 and failure affects 50000 individuals every year but only 187 and 89 heart transplants were performed in year 2019 and 2020 respectively as per WHO Global Observatory on Donation and Transplantation. Though by volume, Îndia performs the second-largest number of transplants globally, the need far

rgan transplantation (THOA) 2014 by the Government of India also promotes deceased organ donation to improve access to this life-saving procedure. However, DDOT is impeded by the lack of awareness amongst the general population as well as the medical community.

Also, there is widespread misinformation and hesitancy towards declaring or accepting brain stem death (in which the brain is nonfunctional and the person cannot regain consciousness or breathe without support). This is especially important since only a few organs can be harvested from a donor who has died of natural causes, whereas a brain-dead donor can donate up to 8 different organs. Other challenges include the lack of adequate infrastructure (specifically in the government sector), specialised transportation for the facilitate data collation and organ allocation. Last but not the least, the prohibitive costs (transplantation costs are two times more in private vs. public sector hospitals) make the procedure inaccessible to the poor.



Dr Vivek Kute Secretary, Indian society of Organ Transplantation (ISOT) and

misconceptions about organ donation. Organ donation pledges can be linked to driving license applications and disseminated by caller tunes

Medical hurdles in transplant hospitals can be supported by a dedicated transplant procurement manager and a multidisciplinary team who can identify potential donors and proactively recruit them by creating awareness. State-of-the-art donor care can be implemented with the rapid transport of organs to increase their viability. Key features from states with suc-cessful DDOT programmes can be enforced across the country. A 'One Nation One Policy' can be instituted for digital organ allocation to ensure a transparent system at the regional, state and national levels. A uniform data collation and management system can be applied

Dealing with postpartum blues



A woman goes through a tough phase where she not only deals with just baby blues but many other

diseases and mastitis is one of them.

DR SHELLY SINGH tells us about its complications, symptoms, risk factors and how to take care

Mastitis is an inflammation of breast tissue which is commonest in breast feeding women and may be associated with infection. This inflammation causes redness, wedge shaped swelling,

warmth and breast pain. It may cause flu-like symptoms too. Fever, chills and rigors are common. Mastitis can also occur in non lactating women and also in men. Sometimes there may be chronic mastitis and occasionally a rare form of cancer called inflammatory cancer may mimic mastitis in older women. Patients with reduced immunity like those who have Diabetes, AIDS, those on steroids and drugs which suppress immunity can have mastitis.

Cause: A blocked milk duct due to incomplete feeding can cause one of the milk ducts to get clogged. Bacteria entering these ducts due to cracked nipples, mostly from the baby's mouth can cause the same. Incorrect positioning of the baby while feeding and improper latching can also cause cracks in the nipple. In post menopausal women there is clogging of the ducts due to cells and debris that can precipitate this infec-

Risk factors:

Previous bouts of mastitis when lactating, wearing too tight a bra, improper nursing techniques, poor nutrition, hygiene and smoking are risk factors.

Signs and symptoms:

Pain in the breast, generally on one side, redness, swelling, a breast lump, general malaise or high grade temperature with chills.

Complications:

There may be a collection of pus or an abscess that may be caused due to mastitis. This may then require surgical drainage. Treatment:

Most times your doctor can make a diagnosis on a physical examination. If there's pus discharge from the nipple sig-

per cent women have some type of urinary incontinence issue

get OAB. It is an under-reported problem in our country. Therefore, the exact number of cases is not known. However, some studies mention that around 14 per cent men suffer

from OAB whereas around 12 per cent women have some type of urinary incontinence issue.

Older women who have gone through menopause and men who have had prostate problems are more likely to get OAB. People with diseases that affect the brain or spinal cord (nervous system), such as stroke and multiple sclerosis also get OAB. Growing older is a factor, but not all people get OAB as they age. Therefore, it shouldn't be considered as a normal part of aging.

Management of OAB involves an escalatory or stepping up the ladder approach. The basic and vital step revolves around self-management by behavioural and lifestyle changes. The next levels are: pills or oral medicines, progressing further to injections into the bladder wall, electrical stimulation of bladder-related nerves and finally, but very rarely, surgery,

As a further step, doctors might decide that oral medications are necessary to help manage the symptoms. Typically, these medications work by calming the overactivity of the muscle in the bladder wall, thereby reducing both frequency of and unwanted urges to urination. Often oral medications work better when combined with behavioural therapy.

If lifestyle changes and medicine aren't working, there are other treatment options like injections in the bladder or nerve stimulation techniques. In OAB, the nerve signals between bladder and brain, through the spinal cord, do not communicate correctly. Electrical pulses via nerve stimulation help set right these nerve signals to the bladder, so that it can function optimally and improve OAB symptoms. Only in very rare and serious cases is surgery to be used.

Early diagnosis and prompt treatment are proven means of reducing severity of both symptoms and complications of OAB. So, don't delay getting help for your condition or discussing your concern with a family member if you suspect he or she may be struggling with OAB symptoms.

WARM

SPINACH: This leafy green vegetable is regarded as a superfood. It's due to the high nutritional value and low calorie content. This vegetable is also good for your skin, hair, and bones.

Some of the major health advantages of spinach include helping to regulate blood glu-cose levels, lowering your risk of developing cancer, preventing cancer, and improving bone health.

It is believed to include 250 mg of calcium per cup, which can help keep your bones and teeth healthy.In



order to successfully use body energy, your body requires iron. You can boost your iron

absorption by adding vitamin C foods to spinach, such as citrus fruits. Add spinach onto your weight loss diet and this will do you good.

outweighs the supply. Deceased donor organ translantation (DDOT) - the challenges

One of the key reasons for this imbalance is that less than 1 out of every 5 organ transplants are from deceased donors. Enhancing DDOT can be the way forward to fill this gap. The Transplantation of Human Organs (Amendment) Act

Împroving DDOT awareness and implementation - potential solutions

DDOT can be improved by implementing a robust national policy for declaring brain death and making the donor pledge form legally binding. On the other hand, the potential donor's family can be supported by dedicated grief counselors to make the transition easier. Donors and their families can be honoured or initiatives such as a

Councilor, The Transplantation Society (TTS) and Asian Society of Transplantation

tree-planting drive can be conducted in the donor's memory. Social support for cremation rituals can also be provided to acknowledge their contribution and to encourage others to pledge their organs similarly.

Cultural barriers to DDOT can be addressed via Information, Education and Communication (ICE) teams who can reach out to the general population with the help of health workers, social media, religious leaders and key opinion leaders to clear myths and

that the reaches the right recipient at the right time.

Making every effort count Lastly, all stakeholders must be

knit together by the government's policy which should aim for developing self-sufficiency in organ transplantation. Each link in the organ transplant chain-the donor, the non-transplant organ retrieval center, integrated organ allocation system, affordable care at transplantation units in hospitals-can be optimised to bridge this life-saving resource gap. This November 27, as our country observes Organ Donation Day, let us pledge to donate our organs to save lives even after we are gone and encourage others to do so too.

of breast milk or nipple discharge.

*Inflammatory Cancer may require ultrasound of the breasts or mammography.

*Antibiotics, painkillers, hot compresses before completely emptying the breast and cold compresses after painful lactation, massaging the breast when feeding or pumping from the affected area towards the nipple are some of the tips in treatment.

*Proper latching techniques and continuing to breastfeed even alongside mastitis helps. Breast feeding from the affected side first helps to empty the breast due to stronger suckling.

*Proper rest and hydration also helps. *Most times it resolves within days to a couple of weeks. If it does not, you must

meet your doctor. The writer is Senior Gynaecologist, Rosewalk Hospital, Panchsheel Park

For TB elimination Direct Benefit Transfer is crucial The disease heavily affects the most marginalised groups due to lack of awareness and stigma attached to it

espite the availability efit is transferred directly of many schemes, Tuberculosis (TB) is still one of India's most pressing public health crises, with the highest incidence of 2.8 million cases annually, accounting for more than a quarter of the global TB burden. According to the India TB report 2020, around 3 lakh TB cases in India, were either undetected and untreated. TB heavily affects the most marginalised groups due to lack of awareness and stigma attached to the disease. People with TB face many side-effects like nausea, loss of appetite and fatigue. Due to

this, they need to have access

to a nutritious diet, as under-

nutrition weakens the body's

nutrition, and basic facilities

like transportation for suc-

Government of India pro-

vides targeted benefits to

people through the Direct

Benefit Transfer (DBT). The

government subsidy or ben-

cessful treatment.

into the bank account of the beneficiary. There are four DBT schemes currently, namely- Nikshay Poshan Yojana (NPY), Incentives for private sector providers and informants, treatment supporters honorarium and transport support for TB patients in notified Tribal areas. The objective of the NPY is to provide nutritional support to TB patients during the course of their treatment. An amount of Rs. 500 is paid for each month of treatment.

There are organisations like Karnataka Health Promotion Trust (KHPT) that are committed and working to increase people's access ability to fight the disease. to these schemes under ongoing projects like Breaking Hence, it is important to the Barriers (BTB). There are increase people's access to multiple case stories of patients, like Mahesh (name changed) who needed access To ensure this, the to nutritious food because of the side-effects faced due to the treatment process, and have found it difficult to access the DBT payment.

KHPT's intervention has



assisted patients from vulnerable populations to link their bank accounts for access to these payments under the NPY. In Mahesh's case the team approached the National Tuberculosis Elimination Program (NTEP) team to ensure that Mahesh's bank account was linked to the NPY. Additionally, a free supply of the Fixed Dose Combination (FDC) was provided to him, which helped him reduce his out-of-pocket expenses. Today, Maĥesh is happy to receive the support, which he uses to buy food, and is on his

way to recovery.

TB diagnosis can lead to social stigma which can worsen people's psycho-social health and make them more vulnerable to suffering from the disease. In the absence of support from the community and people around them, the physical, mental and emotional toll faced by them rises significantly.

Another example is Rajan (name changed) whose only source of livelihood is agriculture. After being detected with TB, he faced financial constraints. In addition, nobody around him, his neighbours, or his son provided any support. The BTB

team sensitised the neighbours on the need to support the couple, negating fear and myths about the disease. They were also encouraged to provide basic necessities to Rajan and his family, as the regular intake of medication, without a proper diet, was making him weaker. The team further informed the official in-charge of the Tuberculosis Unit of Rajan's situation, ensuring smooth collection of the details required for DBT towards NPY. Due to the support provided through linkage to schemes and sensitization of

people surrounding him, he has been able to access nutrition and is undergoing treatment at the moment.

The availability of any scheme does not necessarily translate into people access-ing it, many times due to constraints like lack of awareness, perceived fear of lengthy process, and stigma. Hence, it is crucial to adopt holistic implementation of strategies to ensure that these schemes reach the grassroots level and are accessible to all.

INBRIEFi2u and Fairgaze join hands to distribute sanitary pads

tatistics shared by the National Family Health through their survey conducted in 2015-2016 highlights a major worry for all of us. The alarming statistics state only 36 percent of women use sanitary pads. This means out of 336 million menstruating women only about 121 million women are using sanitary napkins, locally or commercially produced.

In India, more than 300 million women and girls rely on old clothes/rags. Unavailability of safe menstrual hygiene products like sanitary pads is a huge deterrent in creating period positivity, menstrual health awareness, and propagating hygiene practises.

With the intention to make sanitary pads accessible for women belonging to economically weaker sections of the society, i2u Social Foundation (a CSR support initiative working with NGOs) joined hands with FairGaze (a leading school media) to conduct multiple free sanitary pad distribution drives in the slum areas of Delhi and NCR.

The pad distribution drives were conducted under the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) programme by UNICHARM and several NGOs came forward to help with the distribution. The drives benefited people from the underserved communities, Self Help Groups, daily wage labourers, and women and girls from economically weaker sections of the society.







LEGACY ACROSS GENERATIONS

Kathak exponent PANDIT BIRJU MAHARAJ has tapped into technology to teach the nuances, elements and evolution of the dance tradition, says SAIMI SATTAR

The dance form of Kathak and the person of Pandit Birju Maharaj are synonymous with each other. An exponent of the Lucknow Kalka-Bindadin *gharana* of Kathak in India, he is a descendant of the Maharaj family of dancers, which includes his two uncles, Shambhu and Lachhu Maharaj as well as his father and guru, Acchan Maharaj. He is also is a vocalist in Hindustani classical music.

After working along with his uncle, Shambhu Maharaj at Bhartiya Kala Kendra, later the Kathak Kendra, he opened his own dance school, Kalashram in Delhi.

Recently, three generations — Pandit Birju Maharaj, Jain Kishan Maharaj (son), Deepak Maharaj (son), Mamta Maharaj (daughter) and Rajini Maharaj (granddaughter) — came together to perform Kathak along with *tabla* and harmonium in a live YouTube interactive programme across India. Students from across the country joined to be a part o this programme.

How have performing arts changed during the pandemic?

Performing arts are one of the biggest sectors to be hit by Covid 19. Concerts of dance and music are dependent on gatherings of people in public places. With lockdowns in place and a restriction on the number of people gathering at venues, this segment has faced a major setback. Artistes have suffered a lot during the pandemic as their livelihoods have been impacted by the complete suspension of concerts.

The guru shishya tradition and the devotion to art... Is that tough to find in today's time?

Yes, it is tough. In our time, guru shishya parampara was the only way to learn art forms. Sadhna, single-minded and focussed devotion to the art form,



and the guru were the hallmarks of this tradition. Today things are more modernised and people do not have the time to do seven-eight hours of *riyaaz*. Earning a livelihood, through art, is a bigger focus than learning the art form itself. That changes everything including the kind of time artistes devote to learning and spending time with the guru.

♦You've been performing for decades and teaching since 13... What are the changes that you've witnessed?

Besides what I have mentioned above, everything is now instant. As a result, artistes also look at instant gratification and success. We waited years to get our due and to reach our goals. Today there is also more pressure due to social media and the need to stay relevant in a cluttered scenario.



You've been a part of two films Shatranj ke Khiladi and, more recently, Devdas... Would you say popular culture can increase the outreach of classical arts?

increase the outreach of classical arts? Yes! Definitely. Bollywood is the biggest canvas in India and performing arts —such as classical dance forms and music and folk forms — tend to reach a much wider audience if showcased in movies.

Your message for people who want to pursue classical arts and do not have a background in it?

It is a long journey and one that requires steadfast devotion, respect and passion. It is not for the faint-hearted or those who are in a hurry to become stars. But once you are into a classical art form, be it dance or music, you will be hooked forever. It is the most relaxing thing in

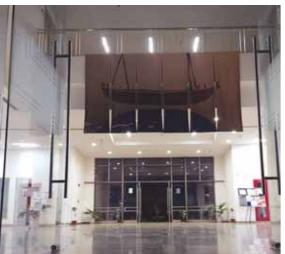
life and can be extremely satisfying to pursue just an art irrespective of success or failure.

How are your three generations coming together to guide new generations in cultural dance?

Our *gharana* has always been involved in passing on the tradition and the *taleem* (education) we learnt from our predecessors. That is the beauty of art. It spreads and becomes bigger and immortal through sharing. Even our younger generations have disciples and they pass on their knowledge and art to. My children, nephew and grandchildren are all dedicated to passing on the art form to future generations.

How has Routes2Roots brought your three generations together to guide students across India?

The organisation has been doing great work in introducing the children of India to Indian classical art forms, be it dance, music, theatre, yoga... I was delighted when they came up with the idea of presenting three generations of our *gharana* to students to educate them on the nuances and elements of our tradition and how it has evolved with generations. Deepak, Ragini and I had a wonderful experience conducting this special master-class online. Although I had my apprehensions about online teaching five years ago when they were starting Virsa, I overcame those when I saw how effective their software has been in conducting two-way classes. It almost makes you forget you are in a virtual class, with children responding to you in real-time and following your instructions. And one cannot deny the massive numbers that can be reached simultaneously through the online platform. It's a great initiative and I am thank-







Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology Delhi (IIIT-Delhi) hosted its Third Delhi Digital Conclave (DDC) with the theme of Climate Action for a Sustainable Urban Future (DDC'21). Besides an online conclave on the theme, an art exhibition on climate change and the future of the planet was also organised, where local artists, Atul Bhalla, Ravi Aggarwal, Gigi Scaria, presented their work on the larger theme of ecology and environment. An illustrator from Madras, Aafreen Fathima, designed the 'graffiti' wall, wherein the organising team collected the hashtags related to the localised issues of climate action. It was set up at the R&D Building of IIIT-Delhi in collaboration with Aapti Institute, a research institution that studies the intersection between technology and society, in Bengaluru

What can collectors look forward to?

People have undergone huge shifts in all aspects of their lives over the past two years. The world and its economy are still reeling in the after-effects of the pandemic. The auction market, however, has valiantly stood its ground and continued to stride Forward in the current year.

"The key support levels from the wider community of collectors have been critically important in helping the market endure a less severe contraction. The number of collec-

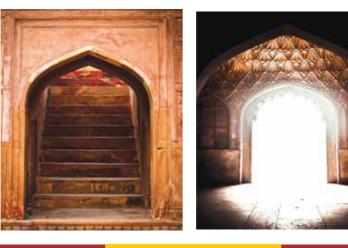


Sunder Nursery's botanical beauty Ccaptures the minds and hearts of those who visit it to find their contemplative moments. In his quest for form, Manoj Arora seeks to unveil a certain elegiac moment of the simple veined vitality of a leaf in a monochromatic mooring of still life.

Arora's images create a well defined photographic aesthetic in which we glimpse an unravelling of a profound beauty of time in the prism of architectural ardour. In the shades and shadows of Delhi's monuments, caught in a time warp of history and memory, he gives us a meditation of form and nature. The Humayun's Tomb serves as an architectural backdrop with vignettes of the past weaving into the nuggets of present-day shadows, corners and crevices. The arched doorway and the stairs present their sonata into a symphony that has lyrical cadences. Colour is his vehicle as much as the luminosity of the moment. Arora has a prism of deeper understanding as he goes beyond to capture, within the mosaic of stone and light, Delhi's architectural monumentality in the limpid pools of luminosity.

REFLECTIVE REVERIE

MANOJ ARORA brings forth the substance and quintessence of Sunder Nursery in his photographs, says UMA NAIR



Within this search, we see an inherent abstraction that is laced with the imagery of an incandescent insignia of an abstract medley. Colour is his ally; it is the vehicle that drives his desire to hone a sumptuous aesthetic. Between Lodhi Garden and Humayun's Tomb, his odyssey is one of resonance in rhythmic realms. In the niches of Delhi's monuments, he encounters a countenance of strong light, hard edges and compelling contrasts. Influenced by the simplicity of Mughal art and the intricate carving of latticework on stone, he seems to revel in the magic of the pure form of things. "The camera should be used for a

"The camera should be used for a recording of life, for rendering the very substance and quintessence of the thing itself," said the great modernist Edward Weston. Arora brings alive those words in these six works. To move from the classic to the contemporary, through force of spirit and originality of style, he embraces something rarer, an instinctive minimal classicist with a magical gift for visual rhythm. He makes something insignificant — like an elegant frieze frame — a symbolic statement of the tapestry of time.

tors has risen significantly owing to the progressive trajectory of the market. It has also fostered a secured environment for collectors to explore different avenues. Such insights contribute greatly to the overall business strategy of the industry as a whole. As such, we have been expanding our operations and hosting auctions across various segments such as vintage jewellery and silver, timepieces, rare books, vintage and classic cars, memorabilia and collectables," said Siddhanth Shetty, vice president, business strategy and operations, AstaGuru.

Shetty indicates two indicators of healthy market growth which are:

a) Inevitable expansion in auction categories and an increment in the number of lots presented in an auction.

b) Increase in the number of auctions conducted every year.

"Contemporary art is another avidly sought-after segment among buyers. The around the world. The commu-

standalone auction that we not hosted this year in this category was our largest contemporary offering to date, featuring of a standard to
lots," he said. "This surge in the number of lots is mainly attributed to the rising interest in modernist works among Collectors," said Shetty and added, "We end the year with Modern Indian Art main-sale, slated for December 27-28 featuring works by Indian Modern masters such as Jehangir Sabavala, Tyeb Mehta and Rameshwar Broota to name a few. A substantial number of the presented lots will be making their auction debut this month." Over the years, the

auction market has consolidat-

nity of patrons and collectors continue to be on the rise with an increased awareness of the domain. The continual upward pro-

The continual upward progression of the market coupled with a positive buying sentiment has resulted in a strong footing for collectors and auctioneers alike. According to Shetty, it is highly plausible that 2022 will follow suit with bidders keen to acquire artworks with continued fervour and

enthusiasm. This month, a substantial portion of the lots presented will make their auction debut. The auction market's position among international buyers has been strengthened over the years.

With increased knowledge of the auction market, the community of collectors and patrons continues to grow. Both auctioneers and collectors have enjoyed a solid footing due to the steady upward trend of the market.

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TABLA MASTERCLASS

The Pink Lotus Academia, an online and offline tutorial platform focused on Indian classical art forms and yoga, is launching the

first edition of the Master Class series with a tabla master class. The day-long class will be conducted by tabla maestro, Yashwant Rajendra Vaishnav

at The Pink Lotus



FIRST MASTERCLASS

Academia. It will cover the basic aspects of Tabla playing, *bol-padhant, layakari* and nuances of playing the tabla solo, which will include *gat, kayda, rela, peshkar, tukda* and more. The classes will be in a hybrid form, which means they will be available in both online and offline format.

When: December 26, at 10 am IST. Where: The Pink Lotus Academia, New Delhi and online.

BLACK, WHITE AND THE UNSEEN

An exhibition of charcoal sketches by Reshma Valliappan aka Val Resh which is an interpretation of Impressionism is being organised at IIC. When: December 22-28 Where: Art Gallery, Kamaldevi Complex

Black, White





DEVI

An exhibition focusing on the depiction of women as Devi or Goddesses as seen in

folk and tribal art of India. On view are Goddesses in Kalighat, Madhubani, Mata ni Pachedi, Pichwai painting traditions; folk art paintings of Assam, Bengal, and Odisha and through the shadow puppets and wooden sculptures of Karnataka. It is curated by Seema Bhalla.

When: Till December 29 Where: Art Gallery, Kamaldevi Complex

SAMUEL BECKETT: SILENCE TO SILENCE

Seán O'Mórdha's documentary, *Samuel Beckett: Silence to Silence* brings together the man's life and work to offer glimpses of how the one flowed into the other. For

the other. For those who haven't read much about the Nobel Prize winner, the documentary provides illuminating details of his childhood, school days and his war years with the French resistance; for admirers, there are tantalising snatches of his prose, poetry and inimitable plays.

Where:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ffM oTfGCfY



Dastkari Haat, the craft bazaar which is organised every year. At the confluence of artisans and master craftsmen from all parts of India visitors will see a ring of tableware, cooking

vessels, table linen, baskets and trays. There will also be talks,

demonstrations and workshops. Folk performances from Rajasthan, West Bengal and Gujarat. Some of the crafts people involved in the theme are brass from Orissa, West Bengal; terracotta from Rajasthan; ceramic



from UP, Maharashtra and Delhi; wood from West Bengal; baskets from West Bengal, UP, Jharkhand, table mats from West Bengal, Rajasthan and Gujarat; block prints from AP and Rajasthan; ikkat from AP, ajrak printing from Gujarat and more. When: January 1-15, 2022 Where: Dilli Haat, INA





Australia wins 2nd Ashes test by 275 runs to take 2-0 lead

ustralia took a 2-0 lead in the five-test Ashes series on Monday by beat-ing England by 275 runs and all but ensured the centuryold urn will remain Down Under.

Set 468 runs to win, England was bowled out for 192 with 21 overs remaining on the final day of play in the day-night test at Adelaide Oval.

Jos Buttler (26) faced 207 deliveries for England before treading on his stumps to be out hit wicket in a losing cause.

"That's the attitude we have to harness through the whole game," England captain Joe Root said.

"The fight and attitude



was great today and we just have to do more of it."

Australia stand-in captain Steve Smith said England "showed some really good resistance and fight."

"We always felt (it would only take) a couple of balls, there was still plenty of time left. We just tried to stay calm," Smith said.

Only one team has come from 2-0 down to win an Ashes series: Don Bradman's Australians in 1936-37. As holders of the Ashes, Australia needs only to draw the next match.

Paceman Jhye Richardson took five wickets as Australia followed its nine-wicket triumph in the first test in Brisbane with another resounding win, its ninth consecutive win in day-night

Meanwhile, Australia has named an unchanged 15-man squad for the remaining three Ashes tests.

Josh Hazlewood missed the Adelaide test because of a side strain. Fast bowler and captain Pat Cummins, a late scratch from the second test because he was a close contact of a COVID-19 case, will rejoin the squad on Thursday.

Hazlewood will need to prove his fitness in the Melbourne Cricket Ground nets to play the Boxing Day test starting Dec. 26. The fourth and fifth tests in Sydney and Hobart, respectively, are in January.

Under-pressure opener Marcus Harris, who averages 22.19 from 12 tests after scores of three and 23 in Adelaide, is expected to remain at the top of the order.



Plan for I-League champion side playing in ISL from 2023 remains intact: AIFF there will be clear process of

PTI NEW DELHI

The I-League champion side will play in the toptier Indian Super League from 2023 onwards, All India Football Federation (AIFF) general secretary Kushal Das said on Monday. Das said there is no

deviation from the road map on Indian football's domestic structure drawn by the AIFF in 2019 after consultation with the Asian Football Confederation (AFC).

While granting ISL the top-tier status, the AIFF had said the I-League champions (of 2022-23 season) will play in the ISL 2023-24 season on sporting" merit.

Two years after this, there will be promotion (from I-League to ISL) and relegation (from ISL and I-League) between the two

leagues. "There is a road map which kicks in from the season 2023-24 whereby the winner of the I-League (from 2022-23 season) on sporting merit will play in the ISL. There will be an increase in the number of teams in the ISL," Das said during a virtual press conference. "This will continue for two years and after that

relegation (from ISL to I-League) and promotion (from I-League to ISL). That has been the plan which has been agreed by all the stakeholders — the ISL and I-League clubs, the AFC and the AIFF." The I-League champi-

ons of 2022-23 playing in the ISL the following season is, however, subject to the club fulfilling the licensing criteria.

Das admitted that there are problems faced by the clubs, especially due to the COVID-19 pandemic situation, but all the stakeholders want to follow the road map. "COVID-19 has been a

big setback. There are problems, we realise that. A team like former champions Chennai City is not able to continue to play in I-League. We also know that there are some issues with the SC East Bengal playing in ISL.

"But at this point in time, the road map we have agreed with all the stakeholders remains. We are completely in sync with that plan. There is no reason to deviate from the plan," Das said at the interaction ahead of the I-League, beginning on December 26.

New Zealand to return to Pakistan for 5 ODI, 5 T20 matches mined.

AP ISLAMABAD

New Zealand will make up for this year's abandoned tour of Pakistan by playing 10 white-ball matches in April 2023, the Pakistan Cricket Board said on Monday.

New Zealand aborted its limitedovers tour to Pakistan in September due to security fears just before the toss in the first one-day international was due to take place at Rawalpindi. England followed the New Zealand decision by also abandoning its short tour to Pakistan just before the Twenty20 World Cup in October.

New Zealand's tour in April 2023 comprises five ODIs and five Twenty20s. Dates and venues have not been deter-

Nadal positive for virus after returning from Abu Dhabi



AP MADRID

a meal before the player's Rafael Nadal tested positive match on Friday. The paper also published photos of both in an exhibition of them posing laying nament in Abu Dhabi, the Spaniard said Monday.



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NZC chief executive David White said heads of both cricket boards 'had very fruitful and constructive discussions while in Dubai, further strength ening the bond between the two organizations

Pakistan is now set to host Australia. West Indies, England and New Zealand between March 2022 and April 2023 for eight test matches, 14 ODIs and 13 Twenty20s.

International teams had mostly stayed away from Pakistan since an attack by Islamist militants on the Sri Lanka team bus in Lahore in 2009 that killed six policemen and two civilians.

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The PCB also said that New Zealand will tour Pakistan in December 2022 to play two test matches as part of the World Test Championship and will also play three ODIs which will count towards qualification for the 2023

World Cup in India. The PCB said the twin tours by New Zealand to Pakistan were finalized after successful negotiations between PCB chairman Ramiz Raja and his New Zealand Cricket counterpart, Martin Snedden.

"I am pleased with the outcomes of our discussions and negotiations, and thank Martin Snedden and his board for their understanding and support," Raja said

that the positive result came from a PCR test he took after arriving in Spain.

Nadal said he is enduring "unpleasant moments" but hopes to improve "little by little." He is in isolation at home and everyone who has been in contact with him was informed of his positive result.

out masks. Nadal said he had been Nadal wrote on Twitter tested every two days while away and all results had come back negative, with the last one

United Arab Emirates since allegations of financial scandals swirled and embarrassed the Spanish royal household last year. According to Spain's El Mundo newspaper, Nadal and

Juan Carlos, who is 83, shared

on Saturday. Nadal said that as a consequence of the positive result he will have to be flexible with his playing schedule. He said he will analyze his upcoming options depending on his condition.

Dhvan Chand gave a call for

developing sports culture in the

country where everyone plays

as without this kind of culture. He said, "We cannot even

think of either the welfare of

sports or of the sportspersons".

"So far we have not been able

to register huge success at the

olympic stage as we have been

lagging behind in medal tally

despite a promising potential in

several olympic related games.

We have a huge population and

if sincere efforts are being

made, then we deserve better

than whatever we have been

able to achieve." he further

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1st National Sports Assembly organised by IMT Ghaziabad

PNS NEW DELHI

large number of sportsper-Asons representing almost all Olympic Games that India participated so far, assembled at India Habitat Centre to participate in India's 1st National Sports Assembly organised by IMT Ghaziabad on Saturday to discuss revolutionise sports the way it is looked at today and visualised to transform the sports from grassroot level i.e from kindergarten to senior level.

Speaking on the occasion, former hockey player Ashok Kumar, son of legendary added.

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Block Development Officer, Chandbali on behalf of Panchavat Samiti, Chandbali invites Percentage Rate bids in single sealed cover system for the construction of works as detailed in the table below, from the eligible contractors of equivalent grade/class registered with central govt/MES/Railways for execution of civil works. The proof of registration from the appropriate authority along with ITCC and system generated GST registration and copy of PAN shall be enclosed along with the bid. The bidders may submit bids for any or all the following works in the office of the Panchayata Samiti, Chandbali One bidder can submit one bid only for a particular work. The cover containing the bid should be super scribed as Tender for the work name of the work as the case may be"

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		Jaraka Irrigation Division, Jaraka.	
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6	OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER MINOR IRRIGATION DIVISION, JHARSUGUDA.		
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	Bid Identification No. EE MID JSD 06/2021-22 eemijharsuguda@gmail.com		
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The Executive Engineer, M.I. Division, Jharsuguda on behalf of Governor of Odisha invites			
	centage rate bids through e-procurement to	b be received in online mode only for the works as	
	ailed in the table below.	Civil Construction work	
1. 2.	Name of the works: Total No. of works:	01 (One)No.	
2. 3.	Estimated Cost:	Rs. 49.50 Lakh	
		(Detail list of work annexed)	
4.	Class of Contractor: Period of completion:	As mentioned against work As mentioned against work	
5. 6.	Date & time of Availability of Bid	23.12.2021 at 10.00AM to 06.01.2022 upto	
		5.30PM. Document in the Portal:	
7. 8.	Last date/Time for receipt of Bid Date/Time of Opening of Technical Bid:	06.01.2022 up to 5.30 PM. in the Portal: 07.01.2022 at 10.00 AM. at Office of the E.E., MI Divn. Jharsuguda.	

Name & Address of the Office

Inviting the Bid: Online 10. Mode of Payment of Bid Cost & Bid Security

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