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5 labourers dead as hoarding falls on tyre repair shed

Five construction workers, including four women, died and three others were injured Monday as strong winds brought a huge hoarding, made of iron rods and bars, crashing down on a tyre repair shed near the Pune-Mumbai Expressway. Traffic on the bypass, which connects Bengaluru, was disrupted for nearly an hour. **P11**

NIA to probe UK mission attack

The Centre has asked the National Investigation Agency to probe the attack on the Indian High Commission in London on March 19 in which a mob of 50-60 vandalised property and pulled down the tricolour. **P11**

WPI inflation cools to 29-mth low in Mar

Wholesale price inflation slowed to a 29-month low in March on the back of a high base and easing prices of several commodities, manufacturing products providing relief from stubborn price pressures. **P19**

Nagaland CM gets contempt notice

The SC on Monday issued contempt notice to the Nagaland CM and warned that the constitutional mandate of quota for women had to be implemented or else the court would take the issue to its "logical conclusion". **P17**

AAP again names Oberoi for mayor

AAP nominated incumbent mayor Shelly Oberoi and deputy mayor Aaley Mohammad Iqbal as its candidates for a second term in Municipal Corporation of Delhi. Both filed their nominations on Monday. **P7**

Sunak being probed for wife's shares

UK PM Rishi Sunak is being investigated over allegations he failed to disclose shares his wife Akshata Murthy owns in a childcare business that stands to benefit from the budget, a parliamentary watchdog said. **P20**

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Punjabi Bagh, Rajouri, Hauz Khas top in drunk driving cases

The maximum number of drunken driving violations have been reported from Punjabi Bagh, Rajouri Garden, Hauz Khas, Lajpat Nagar and Mehrauli this year, reports Sakshi Chand. According to traffic police, from January 1 to March 31, 5,384 people were prosecuted for drunken driving in comparison to 399 and 286 last year and in 2021, respectively. Delhi Traffic Police has started a sustained drive against drunken driving at night through breath analysers. The drive was stopped in 2020 and 2021 due to Covid. **P2**

Revenge? Gunner held for killing 4 in Bathinda attack

'Sole Witness' Now Accused In Case, May Have Been Sexually Assaulted

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Bathinda: The lone "witness" in the Bathinda military station attack of April 12 has been arrested and charged with shooting dead four fellow soldiers sleeping in the barracks because of personal animosity, Punjab police and Army officers said Monday, but they didn't disclose what drove gunner Desai Mohan to pull the trigger.

Artillery gunners Sagar Banne, Kamlesh R, Yogesh-kumar J and Santhosh M Na-

CHANGED VERSION OF EVENTS TWICE, CRACKED UNDER INTERROGATION

➤ Gunner Desai Mohan was the "sole witness" to the April 12 dawn attack on Army personnel at Bathinda military station

➤ He had claimed to have seen two men in kurta-pyjama with faces covered running away to the forested area abutting the station

➤ One of them, he said, was carrying an Insas rifle

(which had earlier been reported missing from the station) and the other, an axe

➤ But he changed his version of events twice and on interrogation, confessed to killing his colleagues and hiding the rifle

➤ Mohan now also accused of stealing Insas rifle and 28 rounds of ammunition three days before the attack

garal—all between 24 and 25 years—died in the attack.

Although authorities were tightlipped about his motive, sources said Mohan was allegedly sexually assaulted and he was eager for revenge.

In the FIR filed by Major Ashutosh Shukla a day after the shooting, Mohan from Andhra Pradesh was quoted as the sole witness who saw two masked suspects leaving the barracks towards the woods abutting

the military station. He had said one of the attackers was carrying an Insas rifle and the other an axe. Mohan was said to be on guard duty.

The case baffled investigators, but after watching all available CCTV camera footage, they came to the conclusion that it was an inside job. Police shortlisted 10 personnel, including Mohan, for questioning. He aroused suspicion by changing his version twice. He buckled later and admitted to killing his colleagues, police said.

Bathinda SSP Gulneet Singh Khurana and Colonel Animesh Sharan told reporters Mohan tried to mislead investigators by cooking up the story of two attackers carrying out the crime and scotting.

➤ Gunner stole rifle, P 14

Atiq killers moved from Naini to 'safer' Pratapgarh prison

Slain Don's Son Ali, Aides In Naini May Target Them: DM

Lucknow: The trio who shot dead gangster-politician Atiq Ahmed and his brother Ashraf in police custody were Monday shifted from Prayagraj's Naini jail to Pratapgarh, based on a threat-perception assessment attributed to the presence of a son and some associates of the slain ex-MLA in that prison.

FULL COVERAGE: P 13

The decision to move shooters Lavlesh Tiwari, Arun Kumar Maurya and Mohit Singh, alias Shani, to Pratapgarh, 66km from Prayagraj, was taken after the district magistrate mentioned in a report the arrested killers might be targeted if they remained in the same jail as Atiq's undertrial son Ali and a few of the family's henchmen.

KEPT IN 3 ISOLATION BARRACKS

➤ Lavlesh Tiwari, Mohit Singh & Arun Maurya taken to Pratapgarh jail, 66km from Prayagraj's Naini prison, after medical check-up

➤ Kept in separate 'tanhai' (isolation) barracks inaccessible to common inmates

➤ Warders posted near the three high-security barracks to wear body cameras at all times

UP JAILS ON ALERT

➤ Officials to keep close tab on prisons in UP housing aides of Atiq & jailed gangster Mukhtar Ansari. New guidelines issued for all terror convicts & undertrials. Jailors to monitor meetings of inmates with relatives

Was a fourth person the mastermind?

The three killers didn't team up before, making cops wonder how they meticulously executed the murders. This, police say, strengthens suspicion someone else was the mastermind. **P13**

Why cops not firing actually helped

Had the cops fired at the killers of Atiq and Ashraf, journalists could have been hit, two ex-IPS officers said. Also keeping the killers alive means the conspiracy can now be unravelled. **P13**

Umar, the eldest of Atiq's four surviving sons, is in Lucknow jail. The third, 20-year-old Asad, was killed in an encounter two days before

his father and uncle were fatally shot Saturday night outside a Prayagraj hospital. **P13**

➤ 3-member panel, P 13

SC stays HC order to CBI, ED to probe Didi's nephew

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday stayed till April 24 a Calcutta HC order directing the CBI and the ED to investigate Trinamool Congress's Abhishek Banerjee along with fellow partyman Kuntal Ghosh in connection with alleged irregularities in the recruitment of school teachers in West Bengal. Senior advocate A M

CBI sends summons, says issued Sunday

Abhishek Banerjee was hand-delivered a CBI summons on Monday in connection with the cash-for-jobs scam three hours after the SC stay. CBI officials said the summons was issued Sunday in accordance with the HC order and they would abide by the SC directive. **P14**

➤ CBI arrests third TMC MLA in job scam, P 12

Singhvi, appearing for Banerjee, said the HC judge took note of a public speech by Banerjee and on April 14 ordered the CBI and the ED to investi-

gate him along with Ghosh even though Banerjee had no links to the alleged scam. **P14**

➤ Respect for judiciary, P 14

In blow to BJP, ex-CM Shettar joins Congress

Former Karnataka CM and six-time BJP MLA Jagadish Shettar joined Congress Monday, ending his three-decade-old ties with BJP and the Sangh Parivar, and dealing a blow to the governing party ahead of the May 10 assembly elections, reports Anil Gejji. After former deputy CM

➤ BJP 3rd list: Tenginakai to take on Shettar, P 16

Laxman Savadi, Shettar is the second prominent Lingayat face from North Karnataka to leave BJP in less than a week. **P16**

Adoption by same-sex couple bad for child, says NCPCR

New Delhi: Intervening in the legal proceedings relating to recognition for same-sex marriage and its implications, the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) has moved the Supreme Court, pleading that adoption of children is not allowed by such couples as it is against their welfare and interest, reports Amit Anand Choudhary.

The NCPCR, which filed the application through advocate Swarupama Chaturvedi, cited many studies that pointed out that it was not good for the overall development of a child to grow up in the company of same-sex couple. It said Indian laws like Hindu Adoption and Maintenance Act and international conventions do not recog-

SC to hear Centre plea on same-sex marriage

The Supreme Court on Monday agreed to hear on Tuesday the Centre's application questioning jurisdiction and competence of the constitutional court to adjudicate on legalisation of same-sex marriage, which the Centre termed as a very sensitive socio-legal issue that fell under Parliament's law-making powers. **P17**

nise adoption by same-sex couples. "It is humbly submitted that allowing adoption to same-sex couples is akin to endangering the children," it said.

➤ 'Proper system', P 17

UP student killed in public at 11.30am, 'ex-BF' arrested

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Kanpur: A 21-year-old college student walking back home after her BA exam was shot dead Monday in UP's Jalaun by two motorcycle-borne miscreants, one of them allegedly her "ex-boyfriend", in a daylight strike barely two days after the murders of Atiq Ahmed and his brother in full public view while in police custody.

Footage of Monday's attack in Ait town, showing the student lying in the middle of the road in a pool of blood with a firearm by her side, went viral. Former CM and SP chief Akhilesh Yadav tweeted: "BJP government = crime."

Police identified the victim as Roshni, a first-year student. "The two miscreants, who had their faces covered, accosted her; one of them shot her in the head at point-blank

WAS ON WAY HOME

➤ The BA first-year student was on way back home on foot after writing her exam at Ram Lakhan Patel Degree College in the area. She was shot dead by two motorcycle-borne men at Kotra crossing at 11.30am

➤ Her parents filed complaint against one Raj Ahirwar, based on which police registered a case and arrested him

➤ Police claimed Ahirwar was upset with the woman after she ended their relationship

range after an argument, and fled," Jalaun SP Iraj Raja said.

One Raj Ahirwar was arrested on a complaint from Roshni's parents. "Ahirwar is being questioned and searches are on to arrest his aide. It seems Ahirwar and the student were having an affair, which had turned sour," the SP said.

Bihar to give ₹4L for 'proven' hooch deaths since '16

Patna: In a U-turn on compensating victims of hooch tragedies since 2016 when the prohibition policy was launched in Bihar, Nitish Kumar Monday announced conditional payment of a retrospective ex gratia of Rs 4 lakh to every family that lost a member to liquor poisoning. His change of heart—the CM had steadfastly refused such compensation—came after the death toll in the East Champaran hooch tragedy rose to 26 on Monday, reports Faryal Rumi.

The compensation will only be paid if the bereaved kin produce verifiable evidence that the deaths were caused by hooch and reveal in writing the source of the liquor. Officially, there have been around 200 hooch-related deaths since April 2016. **P11**

Haryana to set up board to protect Aravalis

Haryana will soon set up the Aravalis Rejuvenation Board, chief secretary Sanjeev Kaushal submitted in an affidavit to the National Green Tribunal on April 12, saying a proposal has been sent to the department concerned for approval, reports Ipsita Pati.

The move follows the October 10 order of the NGT, which is hearing a petition by the Aravali Bachao Citizens Movement alleging gross environmental violations. The petitioners said the board should draw at least 50% of its members from among ecologists, wildlife experts, geologists, climate scientists and lawyers. **P10**

Schools closed, night curfew in Pauri villages after tiger kills 2

Dehradun: After two elderly men, a farmer and a retired schoolteacher, both in their 70s, were mauled to death in almost back-to-back tiger attacks within 72 hours on the fringes of the Kalagarh Tiger Reserve (KTR), a worried local administration on Monday imposed night curfew from 7pm to 6am, and closed schools in the area for two days, reports Shivani Azad.

➤ Cheetha Oban again stalks out of Kuno, P 11

With the tiger often spotted lurking near villages in Rikhi-nikhal and Nainidanda blocks of Pauri district, just north of the tiger reserve, people have been warned against ventu-

ELDERLY FARMER, EX-TEACHER MAULED

April 13 | Tiger drags away farmer Birendra Singh, 73, from his field at Dalla village in Rikhi-nikhal block, Pauri district

April 15 | Half-eaten body of retired schoolteacher Ranveer Singh, 75, found near his house in Simli village, 35km from Dalla

➤ Forest dept officials say cages have been laid & 12 cameras installed to trap & tranquillise the tiger



ring out after dark. Speaking about the terror caused by the tiger, Laxmi Devi, a village pradhan told TOI, "Even the local MLA, Dilip Rawat, spotted the tiger while visiting the

area. Staying indoors cannot be a long-term solution. How will our children go to school? All of us are in extreme fear."

➤ 'Call for maneater tag', P 13

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High In Driving Seat: 13-Fold Rise In Prosecution This Year

Punjabi Bagh, Hauz Khas & Lajpat Among Biggest Offenders

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New Delhi: The sustained police effort against drunk driving has led to 5,384 people being prosecuted for driving under the influence in three months from January 1 to March 31, a massive rise from 399 in the corresponding period of 2022 and 286 in 2021. The resumption in the use of breathalysers, which was suspended during the Covid years, has aided the cops in booking the high riders.

SS Yadav, special commissioner of police (Traffic), said, "The prosecution against drunk drivers is aimed at the safety of road users, especially at night. Road accidents are a big burden on a developing country like India, and drunken driving is a big cause of road accidents at night. Keeping this in mind, we began the campaign to curb the menace of drunk driving."

Police said the drive was conducted between 9pm and a little after midnight every day.

As per the area-wise analysis carried out by the traffic police, Punjabi Bagh Club Road, Rajouri Garden, Najafgarh Road, Lajpat Nagar, Sarita Vihar, Badarpur, Mehrauli, Hauz Khas, Vasant Kunj are the most prone to

UNDER THE INFLUENCE

DRUNK DRIVING VIOLATIONS (January 1 to March 31)



Top 10 locations where violations were reported

Khajoori Khas	479
Shahdara	249
Kalyanpuri	229
Najafgarh	168
Mangolpuri	167
Lajpat Nagar	143
Sarita Vihar	140
Badarpur	138
Mehrauli	127
Hauz Khas	122



violations. These areas in west and south Delhi have an active nightlife and a lot of pubs and eateries.

As for the numbers of persons booked for drunk driving, the top 10 locations in the city proved to be Khajoori Khas, Shahdara, Kalyan-

puri, Najafgarh, Mangolpuri, Lajpat Nagar, Sarita Vihar, Badarpur, Mehrauli and Hauz Khas.

"Besides prosecuting road violators, we also organised road safety awareness camps from time to time in schools, colleges, at major ci-

ty intersections, providing information related to laws, road use, etc. Besides showing short films and giving lectures, we also distributed educational literature about safe driving at these camps," added Yadav.

Prince Singhal, road safety expert and founder president, Community Against Drunken Driving, felt alcohol consumption had increased. "If we simply look at the data, alcohol consumption across segments has increased in the post-pandemic period. The spending on alcohol has also increased by 37% across segments," pointed out Singhal. "Vehicular population rose 3% in 2022-23 and the number of bars and pubs across the city has seen an all-time high in the last year. All these add up to high consumption and more intoxicated drivers on the roads".

Singhal added that drinking time now extended from afternoon to the wee hours. "They not only drink and drive at pubs or restaurants, but also at house parties, school and college get-togethers, office parties, marriages and social functions. There are more than 50 locations in Delhi where drunk driving is very frequent during the day and at night," claimed Singhal.

In harm's way: Mathura Road, IIT-D, Gurgaon among five ozone hotspots

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New Delhi: Mathura Road, Lodhi Road, IIT-Delhi, Dhirpur in north-west Delhi and Gurgaon are among the ozone hotspots in April so far, according to an analysis conducted by the System of Air Quality and Weather Forecasting and Research (SAFAR), the forecasting body under the Union ministry of earth sciences.

The five locations exceeded the eight-hour standard of 50 parts per billion (ppb) on most days in April. Of these, Gurugram reported the highest level of ozone as it exceeded 100 ppb on most days.

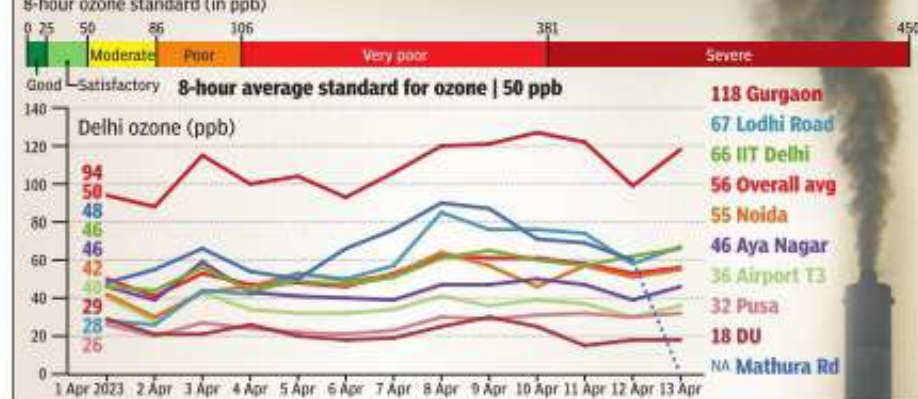
Ozone is a harmful gas that is found in two regions of the atmosphere. Up in the stratosphere, it protects the Earth from sun's harmful rays. In the troposphere, which is the layer of atmosphere that humans live in, the presence of more than permissible level of ozone can harm health and plants. It can inflame a person's airways, cause chest pain and wheezing in healthy humans. For people with asthma or lung diseases, the effect can be much worse.

The analysis by SAFAR found that Delhi University, Pusa and T3 at IGI Airport were the stations that recorded low ozone concentration.

SAFAR's analysis said that April 8-10 saw the highest average ozone that crossed 60 ppb. "Some stations saw high levels of ozone mainly due to

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Ozone hotspots in April so far | Dhirpur, Mathura Road, IIT Delhi, Lodhi Road, Gurgaon



WHAT IS OZONE

Ground level ambient ozone is produced from complex interaction between nitrogen oxides (NOx) and volatile organic compounds (VOCs) that are emitted from vehicles, power plants, factories, and other combustion sources and undergo cyclic reactions in the presence of sunlight to generate ground-level ozone. VOCs can also be emitted from natural sources, such as plants

an increase in volatile organic compounds (VOC). The sources of VOC are natural sources and vehicle exhaust. High temperature also plays an important role," said Gufran Beg, the founder project director of SAFAR.

"If the temperature rises to 40 degrees Celsius or above, the production rate of ozone will increase and hence, in the coming days, we may see further rise in ozone," Beg said.

He added that ozone toxicity is higher than particulate matter and the health impact is immediate. "Those with respiratory conditions, asthma,

chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and particularly children with premature lungs and older adults are at risk when the ozone level increases more than the permissible limit of 50 ppb," he said.

Ground level ambient ozone is produced from the complex interaction between nitrogen oxides and VOCs that are emitted by vehicles, power plants, factories and other combustion sources. The compounds undergo cyclic reactions in the presence of sunlight to generate ground-level ozone, according to a study done by the Centre for Science

and Environment last year.

Anumita Roychowdhury, the executive director for research and advocacy at CSE, said: "Increase in the number of days exceeding ozone standard is a predictable trend in summer in Delhi. It has not drawn adequate regulatory attention. Stringent measures are needed. Ozone is not directly emitted by any source. But gases from different sources react under the influence of sunlight to form ozone. Even short duration exposure can worsen symptoms in people suffering from asthma and respiratory conditions."

DU researchers offer glimmer of hope on Parkinson's cure

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New Delhi: A group of researchers in Delhi University's chemistry department has claimed that a molecule they have created can stop the death of the dopamine neuron in mice and this could lead to a breakthrough cure for Parkinson's Disease.

The research team head, however, said that human clinical trials are yet to start. Studies on mice had shown that one of the molecules they had developed had curbed some of the main causes of Parkinson's.

Professor Kim from McLean Hospital, Boston, has collaborated with the DU team in the research that started in 2012 and was patented in 2014. The DU team is headed by professor Diwan S Rawat. Professor Rawat is a fellow at the National Academy of Sciences and one of his areas of expertise is medicinal chemistry. Professor Kim is the director of the molecular neurobiology laboratory at McLean Hospital.

Professor Rawat said that since 2012, the team had made substantial progress and identified five molecules that can be developed as a drug for treatment of Parkinson's Disease.

He explained that there were two main reasons behind the development of Parkinson's Disease. "In the human brain, there are billions of neurons, one of which is the dopamine neuron that regulates dopamine concentration in the

brain. If somehow the concentration of dopamine decreases, symptoms of Parkinson's appear. Another factor is the aggregation of a particular kind of protein in the brain. Unfortunately, there is no drug available which can either stop the death of the dopamine neuron or stop aggregation of the alpha synuclein protein."

Dopamine is a neurotransmitter and acts as a reward centre in the brain. Its functions are linked to memory, mood, movement, motivation and the ability of paying attention.

Current drugs help in the management of Parkinson's and become ineffective at an advanced stage. As this molecule could prevent the dopamine neuron from dying in mice, the researchers have claimed a breakthrough.

"Our team developed a molecule which stops the death of the dopamine neuron and regulates concentration of dopamine in the brain, apart from stopping the aggregation of the (alpha synuclein) protein. A series of experiments on animals has confirmed our findings," Rawat said.

He added that "the technology transfer has taken place as industry stakeholders have to be brought in for development of a drug. The molecule has been taken up by a Boston-based pharma company."

Rawat also said that the research has been accepted by Nature Communication, a leading journal, for publication.

Three tombs to come back to new life at Hauz Khas

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New Delhi: The Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has started restoration and conservation of three of the five tombs dating back to the Tughlaq era inside the Hauz Khas complex.

Superintending archaeologist (Delhi circle) Praveen Singh said the work started earlier in April and is likely to end in 90 days. "Replacement of hard stones, kangoora made by red stones and plaster work inside the tomb will be done," he said. Labourers from Agra and Rajasthan have been hired for the task that will be completed at a cost of Rs 25 lakh. The kangoora is an undulating pattern directly above the moulding at the top, also seen later on many facades of structures made by the Mughals.

The Hauz Khas tank was made to supply the city of Siri. The water tank was built by Alaudin Khilji (1296-1316). The plaque displayed at the site records this fact. The tank was desilted during the reign of Firuz Shah Tughlaq (1351-88). Several buildings (mosque and madrasa) and tombs were built overlooking the water tank. Hauz Khas in Persian means royal tank.

Repairs were done at least a decade ago, ASI officials said.

The restoration and conservation work were required because the balcony of a tomb had started falling off in bits and pieces could prove dangerous for people visiting the complex. Besides, plaster inside the dome was



FACELIFT: Labourers from Agra and Rajasthan have been hired for the task that will be completed at a cost of ₹25 lakh

damaged because of dampness.

The conservation assistant of the Hauz Khas sub-circle, Sateender Singh Rautela, said: "We will use quick lime (chuna), Badarpur sand (ret), powdered broken bricks (surkhi), belgiri and urad dal / gud ka seera for filling the gaps between the stones."

He added that the cracks that had appeared on the floor would

be repaired while the graves would be conserved. To avoid seepage from the ground, a boundary of about 1.5 metres will be constructed around the dome to protect it against moisture.

The pavilion that stands in the garden of the madrasa mostly has tombs, probably containing the remains of the teachers who worked there.

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PE teachers up in arms over 'bouncer' duty

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New Delhi: The physical education teachers of the education department's South West A district did not go to their schools on Monday. Instead they reached Rangpuri for a peculiar duty: they had to guard a plot for a school building that was being cleared of encroachment. This unheard of deployment vexed the Government School Teachers' Association, whose protest allowed the PE teachers to be relieved from the ignominious work around noon.

But that is not the end of the story. While the teachers' opposition may have earned them a

respite, the education department has now circulated a list of 10 schools who are to send their estate managers and a security guard each to Rangpuri from Tuesday until further orders. Estate managers, mostly retired army officers, are appointed by institutions to oversee the cleanliness and sanitation and other administrative aspects of their schools.

A PE teacher grumbled, "In close to 30 years of service, this is the first time we were allotted such work. We are a teaching cadre, not sports coaches. We were told our work there was to click photos and document them. But our question is why can't the administration do this with

A PE TEACHER SAYS

In close to 30 years of service, this is the first time we were allotted such work. We are a teaching cadre, not sports coaches

the help of police? Everyone knows such encroachment removal drives are risk-filled. As it is, on Sunday, the encroachers pelted stones at the bulldozer."

The PE teachers were summoned for the special duty by deputy director of education (DDE) Sanjay Chaturvedi, with some claiming they

had to report to Rangpuri even on Sunday. Chaturvedi's order read: "As directed by higher authorities, all the heads of schools under district southwest A are to depute their PETs at Rangpuri plot number 662 (school site). All the PETs are directed to be available at the above-mentioned site at 9.30am on Monday and remain there till 5.30 pm. The routine of reporting at 9.30am and staying till 5.30pm shall continue till any further directions in this regard."

However, Chaturvedi claimed to TOI, "The teachers were called for a meeting as we have an event coming up. The teachers came and left in 10 minutes."

South West A educational district has two zones, in which zone 19 has 17 schools and zone 20 has 24, many of these being girls' schools.

GSTA has objected to the order and complained to the lieutenant governor and the director, Directorate of Education, on social media platforms. "The DDE verbally said the teachers needn't go, but in view of the written order, the principals had to send the PE teachers to the spot on Monday," said Ajay Yadav, general secretary, GSTA. "Are the teachers bouncers? Why should they do such work? Who will take responsibility if anything happens to the teachers?"



CM turns storyteller in spl assembly session

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: In an unusual speech at the special session of the Delhi assembly on Monday, chief minister Arvind Kejriwal narrated the story of an imaginary country beset with problems of inflation, unemployment and corruption and added that such a state of affairs would mean there was something wrong with the leader of the country.

Kejriwal was speaking in response to a resolution moved by AAP MLA Dilip Pandey against the "misuse of CBI and ED" to crush Aam Aadmi Party. The CM, however, didn't mention anything about his interrogation by CBI in the excise policy case on Sunday.

Addressing the house, Kejriwal said the king of this imaginary country was educated only till class IV and helped his capitalist friends to buy airports, seaports, power companies and coal mines, which led to huge inflation and destroyed his kingdom.

The government had earlier said that the one-day special assembly session was being called to pass a resolution on the issue of governors sitting on bills passed by legislatures over which there had been a controversy in Tamil Nadu. It, however, did not find a mention in the assembly's list of business.

The MLAs of the ruling party initiated a discussion on the "unprecedented situation" arising in the capital due to the central government's alleged misuse of the



Chief minister Arvind Kejriwal at Delhi assembly on Monday

federal agencies to "destabilise" the Delhi government by "arresting the chief minister on frivolous grounds". Later, a resolution was moved in this regard.

Narrating his story, the CM said that the king of the imaginary country was born in a poor family but an astrologer told his mother that he would become an emperor. He added that the boy could not study beyond class IV and started selling tea at a railway station but got a fake degree after becoming a king.

"On some people's advice that it will end corruption and terrorism...he announced demonetisation of the currency notes of Rs 500 and Rs 1000, which created havoc in the country. But neither corruption ended, nor terrorism...He also passed three farm laws, which saw massive protests by farmers and over 750 died," said Kejriwal.

"He asked a friend to open companies in his own name for 10 per cent commission," said the CM. "The two of them looted the entire country...The country saw huge inflation." Kejriwal said the king of this country arrested anyone who spoke against him—cartoonist, journalist and even a judge.

Within that imaginary country, said Kejriwal, was a state, which had a "kattar imandaar" (very honest), "deshbhakti" (patriotic) and "educated" chief minister. "He used to take care of his people, help them and provided them with free electricity. But the king threatened him," Kejriwal said.

He added that the people soon realised how their king was, removed him and made the CM the king of the country. "The country witnessed only progress and development after that and became number one."

LG threatens legal redressal if power subsidy allegations not substantiated

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: LG VK Saxena on Monday alleged that "unsubstantiated and false statements" had been made against him that he was conspiring to stop the power subsidy and asked chief minister Arvind Kejriwal to furnish documentary evidence to establish the same.

In a letter to the chief minister, Saxena said that if the information was not provided to him, he would assume that statements were made "deliberately" to "mislead" people of Delhi, which would "deserve condemnation" and require "legal redressal".

The Aam Aadmi Party, however, said the LG's allegations were "false".

Saxena's letter came days after his face-off with power minister Atishi over the alleged delay in clearing the file related to the government's proposal to extend the power subsidy for one more year.

While Atishi alleged in a

**VK SAXENA SAYS**

The omissions and commissions on your part have obviously been deliberate and with an aim to create an imaginary bogey to mislead the people for partisan gains

press conference on April 14 that the LG was sitting over the important file and the people of Delhi won't get power subsidy from the next day, Raj Niwas claimed that the proposal had been approved within three days of receiving it and much before the presser called by the power minister.

In his letter, the LG alleged that "blatantly false, misleading, accusatory, libellous and defamatory" statements had been made against him over a few weeks by the chief minister and the power and health ministers that he was conspiring to stop the subsidy. He also

mentioned the headlines of several press releases issued by the office of the chief minister and the power minister to substantiate his claims.

"For the past few weeks, the Hon'ble Minister (Power), Hon'ble Minister (Health) and you yourself have been making blatantly false, misleading, accusatory, libellous and defamatory statements in the media and elsewhere to the effect that the subsidy given in the power sector is being stopped by the Lt Governor... the Lt Governor is conspiring with the officers to stop power subsidy,"

Saxena noted in his letter.

The LG added that he had made his commitment to power subsidy to the poor both in public as well as by writing the same on different files on different occasions. "The above-mentioned omissions and commissions on your part have obviously been deliberate and with an aim to create an imaginary bogey to mislead the people for partisan gains," Saxena said.

The LG said he was writing to Kejriwal seeking "accountability and responsibility" with regards to unsubstantiated and false statements made by his colleagues in the government and AAP.

"It is expected that the information sought above will be furnished to me at the earliest, failing which it would be assumed that you and your colleagues are deliberately misleading the people of Delhi and playing petty political games, which deserve unequivocal condemnation and legal redressal," the LG wrote.

Sisodia's bail plea in ED case to be heard today

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: A court on Monday extended the judicial custody of former deputy chief minister Manish Sisodia in two cases in connection with the alleged irregularities in the now-scrapped Delhi Excise Policy 2021-22. The judicial custody in the case with CBI has been extended till April 27 and till April 29 in the Enforcement Directorate (ED) case.

Special public prosecutor Naveen Kumar Matta, appearing for ED, submitted before the court of special judge MK Nagpal that the agency would file a prosecution complaint against Sisodia, Amandeep Singh Dhal and Arun Ramchandra Pillai by the end of this month.

The court is scheduled to hear arguments on Sisodia's bail application in the money laundering case on Tuesday. On April 12, during the bail hearing, ED told the court that Sisodia had played a "key role" in implementing the now-scrapped excise policy and planted fabricated emails to show there was public approval for it.

While opposing Sisodia's bail plea, special public prosecutor Zoheb Hossain, appearing for ED, had said, "Sisodia played a key role in implementing the policy. This is not a simple policy decision. Cartelisation was done."

ED also claimed that it had evidence that Sisodia had emails "planted". "These have been received not only in the official email account of the excise department, but even in his personal email account. The content of the emails was given by Sisodia, which suited his agenda," Hossain told the court.

The trial court rejected Sisodia's bail plea on March 31 in the CBI case related to the excise policy, stating he can "prima facie be held to be the architect of the said criminal conspiracy".

Excise case: BJP stages protest, demands Kejriwal's resignation

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: BJP on Monday staged a protest near the assembly demanding chief minister Arvind Kejriwal's resignation over the alleged excise policy scam.

Delhi BJP president Virendra Sachdeva, who led the protest, alleged that Kejriwal was the "mastermind" of the "liquor scam" and he would have to go.

Police detained some of the protesters, including Sachdeva, as they marched from Chandgi Ram Akhara towards the assembly and tried to dismantle the barricades. BJP said that while marching towards the assembly, its workers broke the barricades and police used water cannon on them. Many of its workers, including Sachdeva, were detained and taken to the Civil Lines police station, BJP added.

Kejriwal was questioned by CBI on Sunday as a witness in the excise policy case. After the questioning, he called the case false and result of dirty



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politics. Sachdeva said during the protest, "As soon as Kejriwal came out of the CBI office, he gave himself a clean chit, but he also needs to understand that the investigation has just begun."

BJP MP Manoj Tiwari said, "Today BJP is fighting the battle of those sisters who fought against the opening of liquor vents near temples, schools and markets in Delhi. Today their struggle has paid off. First Ma-

nish Sisodia went to jail and Kejriwal will also go." He alleged, "Whenever Kejriwal does any corruption, he goes to Mahatma Gandhi's samadhi and prays."

The now-scrapped Delhi Excise Policy 2021-22 was withdrawn by the Kejriwal government after lieutenant governor VK Saxena recommended last July a CBI probe into the alleged violation of rules in its formulation and implementation.

LG's objection to convening of session 'insult' to House, a serious matter: AAP

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Lieutenant governor V K Saxena's "objection" to summoning the assembly session is an "insult" to the House and does not match the constitutional post he holds, AAP said in the assembly on Monday.

Deputy speaker Rakhi Birla alleged that attempts were being made to diminish the dignity and power of the House, and ordered that the matter be referred to the privileges committee of the assembly. The committee should also examine whether the LG should be summoned by it, she said.

"I am surprised that despite clear statutory provisions and honourable court decisions, the LG is engaged in such practices that aren't right for his constitutional post," she said.

AAP legislator Sanjeev Jha said the

SAURABH BHARADWAJ SAYS

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LG could send a message to the House only on the aid and advice of the council of ministers. "This is not just an insult to the House but also a mockery of Delhi."

Minister Saurabh Bharadwaj said, "The LG wrote a letter to the CM, but if the CM is at the CBI headquarters for questioning, the letter would not reach him. The LG office then gave this letter to the media and tried to plant in the media that the House meeting had been called wrongly, which is a serious issue. Such letters being leaked

Chief secretary, not BJP, had flagged anomalies in excise policy: Bidhuri

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: BJP leader Ramvir Singh Bidhuri on Monday claimed that courts had found serious evidence against former ministers Manish Sisodia and Satyendar Jain and rejected their bail applications.

Speaking on a discussion initiated by AAP MLAs on alleged "misuse of CBI and ED by central government", the leader of opposition also advised chief minister Arvind Kejriwal, amid the allegations of corruption in the excise policy case, with examples of "good character and honesty".

Bidhuri said former Delhi chief minister Madan Lal Khurana and Lok Sabha MP Lal Krishna Advani had resigned from their posts when their names appeared in the Jain hawala case more than 25 years ago. "Chief minister Arvind Kejriwalji should also present the example of his good character and honesty, which was presented by LK Advani and Madan Lal Khurana," Bidhuri said. "Both had resigned immediately after the allegations were

made. In the current case, CM Kejriwal has even been interrogated by CBI," he added.

The Badarpur MLA said it was not BJP that had levelled the charges of corruption in the excise policy, but the chief secretary to the AAP government had flagged the anomalies in a report submitted to the lieutenant governor, the chief minister and the former deputy CM and a case was later registered by CBI. Reading out its contents, Bidhuri claimed the chief minister had yet to give reply to the lapses pointed out in it.

"When the (now-withdrawn) new excise policy was tabled in the assembly, we had asked several pertinent questions regarding the commission of the contractors, opening of liquor shops in residential colonies and allowing the bars to open till 3am, but the government did not reply. We had mentioned then itself that there was a scam of thousands of crores in this policy," Bidhuri said.

Referring to the court observations regarding Jain and Sisodia while denying them bail, Bidhuri asked, "Do you want to say the courts, too, are functioning under BJP influence?"



Ibis presence in Delhi-NCR may indicate dryness, say biologists

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New Delhi: A research by conservation biologists has found rare aspects related to the Red-Naped Ibis (Pseudibis papillosa), a carnivorous waterbird found in Delhi and NCR, stating that the presence of the birds may indicate dryness.

A research paper had explored a large area of South Asia, including areas around Delhi, to understand the influence of location, season and rainfall on the population of the species.

The study by conservation biologists Swati Kittur and K S Gopi Sundar, published by SIS Conservation, was held between 2014 to 2021 over 14,800 sqkm area and obtained 9,440 observations of 54,067 of the Red-Naped Ibis.

It pointed out that while south Asian landscapes are dominated by farmland with high human density and sees seasonal changes in crops and retains relatively few wetlands, its largely unknown how the species responds to the

changing conditions.

"The relationship between the Red-Naped Ibis density and rainfall has not been previously assessed. We show that summer and monsoonal rainfall had no significant influence on seasonal densities in any location, but increased rainfall during the winter was associated with lower densities suggesting local movement," the study said.

"Given the relationship with rainfall, this species may be a reliable indicator of climate change. If areas get drier the numbers of the species will likely increase," said Gopi Sundar, chair of the IUCN Stork, Ibis and Spoonbill Specialist Group that led the research.

The research added that the relatively high abundance of the species in developed areas makes it a useful species to conduct studies that to understand the peculiarities of south Asian landscapes where people and a few waterbird species appear to live alongside each other.

Heatwave in some parts of city, respite likely tomorrow

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: The city on Monday continued to see warm outdoor conditions and recorded isolated heat waves in a few areas. Weather experts expect some relief from Wednesday.

At Safdarjung, the city's base station, the maximum temperature was recorded at 40.6 degrees Celsius, four notches above normal, against 40.4 degree Celsius a day earlier, while the minimum temperature stood at 21.9 degrees Celsius, the season's normal, against 22 degrees Celsius on Sunday. The humidity oscillated between 22% and 71%.

With the maximum temperature of 42.4 degree Celsius, five notches above normal, Pitampura was the warmest in the city and recorded an isolated heat wave. Other areas that saw heat waves included Ridge, Najafgarh and Pusa. There were traces of rain at Palam and Lodhi Road.

According to IMD, Delhiites will get some respite from the heat due to the possibility of

rain between Tuesday and Friday. The maximum temperature on Tuesday is likely to hover around 41 degrees Celsius. However, with rain expected, the maximum temperature could drop to 38 degrees Celsius on Wednesday and 37 degrees on Thursday.

"Temperature may rise slightly on Tuesday, but it will drop and there is a possibility of very light rain in the evening. Wednesday could see thunder activity along with rain, which would bring respite," said an IMD official.

Meanwhile, with an AQI of 206, the air quality remained in the 'poor' category for the seventh straight day. Experts said dry westerly winds and high wind speed have led to high dust concentration, affecting the air quality.

VK Soni, head, environment and research centre, IMD, said, "The air quality is expected to improve to moderate on Wednesday due to rain and thunderstorms. It will help in settling down pollutants."

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Finland trip: SC seeks LG's response to AAP govt plea

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday sought response from the Delhi Lieutenant Governor on a petition by the AAP government questioning his powers to interfere in the decision to send teachers from government schools for training to Finland and curtail the policy decision to upgrade teaching skills.

Delhi government's counsel Shad-an Farasat told a bench of Chief Justice DY Chandrachud and Justices PS Narasimha and JB Pardiwala that though the governor is constitutionally bound by the aid and advice of the council of ministers headed by the chief minister, the LG appears to be charting a course unknown to the Constitution by seeking to interfere unilaterally in Arvind Kejriwal government's policy decision to send teachers for training abroad to upgrade their skills.

Though the Delhi government's State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT) had decided in

October last year to send teachers for training to Finland in December 2022 and March this year, the LG on March 4 had given a belated limited clearance for sending teachers for training to Finland with a rider that no such training programme would be conducted in future.

"The elected Government of the NCT of Delhi is constrained to file the present petition due to the unwarranted and deliberate delay caused by the Lieutenant Governor in approving the proposal sent by the SCERT to send primary in-charge teachers of government schools for teachers' training to Finland in the months of December 2022 and March 2023," the AAP government said and sought a ruling that the LG cannot curb policy decisions.

This is the second instance of the AAP government moving the SC directly bypassing the Delhi HC. On an earlier occasion, the AAP government had moved the SC challenging the LG's power to nominate councillors to Municipal Corporation of Delhi.

Concern Over Metro Rail Act Tweaks

Proposal To Eliminate Scope Of Attachment: Law Min Says No Grievance Should Be Left Remediless

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: The law ministry has flagged legal concerns over the housing ministry's proposal to amend the Metro Railways (Operation and Maintenance) Act to eliminate any scope of attachment of properties or bank accounts of Metro Rail companies for execution of any decree or order of any court. It said any grievances by any party "shouldn't be left remediless" and the proposed changes in the law "may not sustain in judicial scrutiny".

Documents show that the law ministry sent its observations to the housing and urban affairs ministry last month in response to its proposal to amend the Act in the light of ongoing litigation over the payment of arbitration award to Reliance Infra-led DAMEPL in the Airport Express Metro line project in Delhi.

The law ministry said the possibility of eventuality of a grievance of an entity

or person engaged in business with Metro Rail administration cannot be ruled out. "Such grievances should not be left remediless. In these circumstances, the possibility of challenging the proposed amendment in court of law may not rule out as provisions to curtail all possible remedy for execution of decree may not sustain in legal scrutiny. One of the ingredients of the contract is to provide remedy/compensation/claim to the party aggrieved with the action/inaction of other party/parties," it said.

However, in its comment, the law ministry also said it is presumed that while making proposals for amendment "such aspects" has been duly considered by the housing and urban affairs ministry.

The Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) has been asked to pay to DAMEPL an arbitral award of over Rs 2,700 crore, which has now burgeoned to Rs 8,000 crore.

The housing and urban affairs minis-

SC refuses to halt work on Metro Phase-IV

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday refused to halt construction work on the phase-IV of Delhi Metro, saying any interference would result in huge escalation of costs.

A bench comprising Justices B R Gavai and Vikram Nath noted that there was provision for planting of uprooted trees.

The apex court said that no doubt that concern for the environment is an important aspect, however, developmental works like Metro railway, which will cater to billions of people and reduce carbon emissions as the number of vehicles on road, will be reduced, cannot be ignored.

The top court asked the Delhi Metro to be careful in future while planning further phases. PTI

try had proposed changes in the law barely days after it submitted to Delhi High Court about its decision to "refrain" from giving any sanction to attach the moveable and immovable assets of DMRC to pay the arbitration award amount DAMEPL. The current provision says that attachment of any Metro Rail property requires the sanction of the central government.

The proposed amendment says that "no stock, metro railway tracks, machinery, plant, tools, fittings, materials or effects used or provided by metro railway administration for the purpose of traffic on its railway, or its stations or workshops, or offices or earnings or any parcel of land held by Metro Rail Administration shall be liable to be taken in execution of any decree or order of any court or any local authority or person having by law the power to attach or detain property or otherwise to cause the property to be taken in execution".

'Hate speeches': SC to hear petition for FIR against Thakur, Verma

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New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday agreed to hear a plea filed by CPM leader Brinda Karat for registration of FIR against BJP functionaries Anurag Thakur and Parvash Verma for their alleged hate speeches in 2020 during the anti-CAA protests.

A bench of Justices KM Joseph and B V Nagarathna issued notice on her plea and sought response from the Delhi Police within three weeks.

While referring to the slogan "desh ke gaddaron ko, goli maro" (shoot the traitors), allegedly raised by Thakur at a rally, the bench jokingly said the remark "Goli maaro" was "certainly not said in terms of a medical prescription". A medicinal tablet is called 'goli' in Hindi.

The petitioner also accused Verma of indulging in hate speech on January 27-28, 2020 and making inflammatory speech against the Shaheen Bagh protesters.

Karat approached the apex court after her plea was rejected by the Delhi High Court which had refused to interfere with the trial court's order. The lower court had said that under the law, sanction was required to be obtained from the competent authority for registration of FIR.

She had sought FIRs against the two BJP leaders

under various sections, including 153-A (promoting enmity between different groups on grounds of religion, race, place of birth, residence, language, etc.), 153-B (imputations, assertions prejudicial to national integration) and 295-A (deliberate and malicious acts, intended to outrage religious feelings of any class by insulting its religion or religious beliefs) of IPC.

The petitioner accused Verma of indulging in hate speech on January 27-28, 2020 and making inflammatory speech against the Shaheen Bagh protesters

The petitioner said sanction was required for offences under the Prevention of Corruption Act and it is not applicable for offences under IPC.

During the hearing, the bench observed that prima facie the magistrate's stand that sanction under section 196 CrPC was required for lodging FIRs against the two BJP leaders was not correct.

Senior Advocate Siddharth Aggarwal, appearing for Karat, pointed out that the Election Commission, after taking cognisance of the speeches made by these leaders, had barred the two leaders from campaigning for a certain time.

Experts suggest short routes, high frequency for mohalla buses

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New Delhi: International transport experts have suggested that Delhi's proposed mohalla bus service should be colour-coded, with each bus operating on short, simple routes with a high-frequency and linkages to transport hubs such as metro stations.

The consultation with experts on Monday was organised by the Delhi transport department headed by Kailash Gahlot.

Gahlot, speaking at the consultation, said the bus service will operate on short distances in the city connecting important junctions like metro stations.

The mohalla bus scheme, announced in the budget last month, aims to deploy small, about nine-metre-long, electric buses on various colony routes. The service, to be launched in two months with a hundred buses, plans a roll-out of 2,180 such vehicles by 2025.

Sam Zimmerman from the World Bank discussed the circulator bus service in Washington DC since 2019 that is similar to the proposed mohalla bus service. He

suggested that making the vehicle identifiable by colour, choosing simple, short routes and high frequency would ensure that people don't have to wait too much. "The service also should have a simple fixed fare, with free transfers from the existing public transport system, if possible," he said.

Dario Hidalgo, professor from Javeriana University in Bogota, spoke about the success of feeder services in various cities in Europe and Latin America, particularly Colombia and Brazil. He suggested that the service needs to have short station spacing and high frequency to reduce walking distance too. He recommended that the overall travel time be under 30 minutes.

The International Council of Clean Transport managing director for India, Amit Bhatt, said: "Buses are the backbone of any public transport system, offering a level of flexibility that other systems, like rail, cannot match. However, for many years, cities have failed to harness this advantage.... The mohalla service could be a potential game-changer in a city's overall progress."

80-yr-old woman dies in fire

New Delhi: An 80-year-old woman died in a fire that broke out in her house in Mohan Garden, police said on Monday.

The victim, Kasturi, was a retired MCD employee. She lived alone on the first floor of the building, police said.

Her neighbour informed police about the blaze on Sunday. A team from the local police rushed to the spot and found Kasturi lying on the floor with burn injuries. She was taken to the hospital where doctors declared her dead.

DCP (Dwarka) M Harsha Vardhan said the walls were blackened from smoke and most of her stuff was ruined. Forensic teams also visited the spot. Cops suspect that a burning mosquito coil caused the fire but the investigation is on to ascertain the exact cause. TNN



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Why Ziganas Have Found Favour With Top Gangsters

Expensive & Tough To Procure, These Pistols Are Status Symbols

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New Delhi: A few years ago, Lawrence Bishnoi forged an alliance with slain ganglord Jitender Gogi to operate on Delhi's turf and gifted a Zigana pistol to his gang as a token of friendship. Gogi was apparently so impressed with the weapon that he placed an order for more such pistols.

In March 2020, Delhi Police arrested Gogi and his aides Kuldeep Fajja and Rohit Moi and seized three Zigana pistols — the first time city cops could confirm that these Turkish pistols were now in Delhi gangsters' reach.

Zigana pistols, used by shooters in the killing of mafia don Atiq Ahmed and his brother Ashraf, have been a favourite of Delhi's top gangsters as well. In the past few years, police have seized the pistols on several occasions.

In November 2020, northeast Delhi gangster Hashim Baba was arrested with a Zigana pistol. The seizures continued in 2021 and 2022 too. In April 2021, five shooters of an alliance of Lawrence Bishnoi-Gogi-Kala Jathedi gangs were arrested with two imported Zigana pistols.

In October 2021, four shooters belonging to the Gogi-Bishnoi alliance were arrested with nine pistols, including Zigana, besides 123 cartridges. In January 2022, the crime branch arrested Gogi gang shooter Karamvir and recovered a Zigana pistol and 20 live cartridges.

So, what makes Zigana such a rage among gangsters? Investigators who track these gangs said the pistols are not only expensive, but also difficult to procure.

"These days, it's become more of a status symbol

SHOOTING UP

ABOUT ZIGANA PISTOLS

- Made in Turkey, cost ₹4-7 lakh each, depending upon type
- Mostly smuggled from across the border, found in abundance with Punjab-based arms traffickers
- ISI started supplying it to gangs from 2020, this reflected in their seizures from gangsters

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- They are locked breech, short-recoil operated weapons with modified Browning-type locking system
- The trigger unit is of the double-action type, with exposed hammer and slide-mounted safety
- Zigana pistols also have an automatic firing pin block and three-dot fixed sight
- Accommodate double-stack magazines, with a capacity of 15 rounds (standard) or 17 rounds (extended)

SEIZURES BY DELHI POLICE

Jan 2022 Gogi gang shooter Karamvir arrested with Zigana pistol and 20 live cartridges

Oct 2021 Four shooters belonging to the Gogi-Bishnoi alliance arrested with 9 pistols, including Zigana, besides 123 cartridges

Apr 2021 Five shooters of alliance of Lawrence Bishnoi-Kala Jathedi arrested with two imported Zigana pistols

Nov 2020 Northeast Delhi gangster Hashim Baba arrested with a Zigana pistol and six live rounds

Mar 2020 At least three Zigana pistols recovered after cops arrest gangsters Jitender Gogi, Kuldeep Fajja and Rohit Moi

for crime syndicates to use such weapons. They believe it not only elevates their position, but also creates a false sense of being very powerful and connected," a source in the team which arrested Gogi said.

At one point, Gogi became obsessed with these pistols and even asked his henchmen to keep a big chunk of money gathered from extortion towards procuring these weapons.

Another official from the special cell said only top gangsters can afford these pistols, which cost anywhere between Rs 4-7 lakh. "In the black market, gangsters can spend up to Rs 10-12 lakh for them," he added.

AN OFFICER SAYS

These days, it's become more of a status symbol for crime syndicates to use such weapons

It's not just about showing off. Gangsters seem fascinated by the way these weapons fire. "They don't get jammed or locked and have the ability to fire 15-17 rounds in one go, which makes them worth the price," a crime branch official said.

In India, ISI has been sending in consignments of these pistols, either drone-dropped or with drugs, via the

Punjab border. Many times, the Nepal route is also taken, a source said. Thereafter, they are sold to gangsters in states like UP, Delhi, Haryana and Rajasthan.

While Ziganas are the most preferred, gangsters also have their hands on US-made Taurus and Chinese Star pistols — which are abundantly available and are smuggled through the same route. "These pistols, however, are only for the top ranks in any gang and used for special targets. The foot soldiers still make do with 7.62mm pistols that are made in MP, UP or Bihar for day-to-day crimes," said an official.

School sealing: Atishi asks officials to act on plea of parents, teachers

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: After receiving a letter from parents and teachers of Laxmi Public School, which has been sealed by a bank, education minister Atishi has instructed the director of education to take appropriate action.

Laxmi Public School, a private institute in east Delhi, has been taken over by the bank for allegedly defaulting in the repayment of an over Rs 3-crore loan. The premises has been locked with a notice stuck by the bank.

On Monday, the school continued

with online classes, while several parents turned up to enquire about the status. The school has not given any detail to the parents, but said that due to "unavoidable circumstances", it will be closed and online classes will be held till April 19.

According to the letter sent to Atishi, "The receiver with the help of police broke open the locks of the school and locked the school. The school has approximately 1,200 children, who will not be able to enter the school. The school has been taken over by Punjab National Bank." The minister's office marked the email to the

education secretary and the director of Directorate of Education (DoE), asking them to act as per the rules.

Meanwhile, Justice for All has decided to file a petition on the matter. Earlier, it had filed a petition on the closure of Raisina Bengali Senior Secondary School, where DoE agreed to repay the loan. It was a minority-aided school.

"We will file the petition soon as the schools that hold leased land aren't allowed to mortgage. This is a serious concern. This school is also built on government land," said Shikha Sharma Bagga, an advocate for Justice for All.

DoE asks pvt schools for vacancy details on EWS/DG students

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New Delhi: Data shared by the Directorate of Education (DoE) shows that 26% of the seats reserved for students of economically weaker sections and the disadvantaged category have not been filled although an extension was given to schools for admissions.

Out of the 32,269 seats for which a draw of lots was done last month, 24,577 students were admitted till April 13.

The data shows that 2,718 candidates did not report and 321 have been only provisionally admitted. While 526 applications were rejected, 1,811 were in waiting and the status of 2,316 was not updated.

The DoE had extended the last date for reporting of admission to April 15.

The Delhi High Court had issued an order saying that no child, who has been allotted a seat under the EWS/DG quota can be denied admission. Under the Right to Education Act, private schools are required to reserve 25% seats for them.

In a circular, the DoE said that "some private unaided recognised schools, where EWS/DG/CWSN category candidate allotments were made for entry-level classes," admission and status allotted to such candidates "haven't been found updated on the MIS module."

Deputy district education officers have been told to hold a meeting with heads of defaulting schools and direct them to update their admission status by April 19.

Safety in focus of DU's norms for college fests

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: From assessment of boundary walls and installation of concertina wires for "preventing outsiders from scaling the walls" to entry through prior registrations only and mapping of various venues — all were included in the guidelines issued by Delhi University on Monday.

This comes following reports of harassment and misconduct at Indraprastha College, where groups of men allegedly tried to trespass during the annual fest.

In an advisory issued to all colleges and departments for holding festivals, DU proctor Rajni Abbi said, "Responsibility for events will lie with the college or department authorities. They should act judiciously using due diligence while organising programmes, events or fests. Keeping in mind the number of their own students, teachers, staff members present at the event, the numbers of outside registrations should be kept below the venue's capacity."

"Prior to any such concert or event where outside students are invited, proper security plan meeting should be conducted with all stakeholders like fire, police, electricity, college or university security, college representative or event management company. No such event will be organised without NOC from police," the university specified.

The advisory further stressed that entry to events through pre-registration should include details of the event, including the expected number of participants, and that the colleges should submit the same to police and other authorities. The regi-

UNIVERSITY ADVISORY SAYS

Respective colleges/departments will be held 'solely responsible' in case of any untoward incident due to lack of implementation of the guidelines

stration forms should also include scanned copies of college identity cards of the participants, the advisory said.

It further added, "Mandated security drills by the college authorities in collaboration with Delhi Police should be conducted prior to important students' events. There should be multiple gates in the college and all gates must have working CCTVs. All gates should have a PA system for any announcements. There should be CCTVs at the hostel gates too, to avoid any kind of trespass. Prior to the event there should be structural stability check of the stage, as during concerts many students may come on the stage."

The advisory also said that all areas near the venue should be well illuminated and there shouldn't be any dark patches.

Highlighting the importance of providing support to students in case of any "untoward incident," the varsity said that students "should immediately approach their advisors, teachers, the internal complaints committee, women's development cell, proctorial committee and the principal" so that speedy action can be taken.

Respective colleges or departments will be held "solely responsible" in case of any untoward incident due to lack of implementation of the guidelines, the advisory said.

Shalimar Bagh murder: Daughter saved herself by hiding in kitchen

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: The accused in the murder case of a 45-year-old woman in Shalimar Bagh may have also planned to kill the victim's daughter who saved herself by hiding in the kitchen, according to the police investigation.

On Saturday night, Sonia Jain and her husband Praveen were attacked by their former caretaker Shweta and her husband Akash in their house in Shalimar Bagh. Sonia died and Praveen was still receiving treatment, police said.

Police sources said the victim's minor daughter, a Class 10 student, was in the kitchen when she heard screams. "She first thought that her mother might be in pain as she had some health issues but when she came out of the kitchen, she saw the horrific scene," a source said.

Akash attacked Sonia with a knife, and when Praveen tried to save her, he was also attacked. "The accused were talking to each other about the victim's daughter. She im-

mediately locked herself in the kitchen. Later, the girl informed her relatives and her brother, who studies in Sonapat," sources said.

Shweta worked for the victim till February this year and was allegedly upset over salary settlement, police said. "We are probing whether the family was shifting to a new house and had fired Shweta," a source said. The cops are also probing the case from other angles. "When we asked the girl whether she knew about any monetary dispute, she was unaware," the source said. After the murder, both the accused fled the scene on a bike. "We have found CCTV footage in which a man and a woman can be seen running from the victim's house," an officer said.

During the investigation, cops found that the bike went towards Burari. They questioned autorickshaw drivers and locals who said that two people were injured after their bike skidded off. Cops went to the hospital and arrested the accused.

Minor among six held for teen's murder

New Delhi: A day after a 19-year-old man was stabbed to death outside Lok Nayak Bhawan near Khan Market, police have arrested five men and apprehended a juvenile in connection with the crime.

Cops said the accused men are aged between 19-21 years. According to police, one of the accused had a long standing personal enmity with the victim and his friends from school days. The alleged group was assembled at the behest of the accused, Karan Rai and Vishal alias Gabru, with the intention of thrashing the victim.

The other accused have been identified as Saurav, Ankit and Gaurav alias Golu. Other suspects are also being questioned. On Sunday, a PCR call was received around 8pm about the incident. Cops reached the spot and took the injured to the hospital. "Some people found him lying on the road," an officer said.

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DIRECTORATE OF DDP&S

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, WEST BENGAL

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

West Bengal Civil Service (Exe.) etc. Examination, 2023 (Advt. No. 01/2023)

The Commission has decided to open online and offline payment window for those applicants of the above mentioned examination who had applied for the examination within the closing date for submission of applications i.e. 21.03.2023 but were not successful in making payment.

For details in this regard and for information regarding 'Edit Window' please visit the Commission's website : <https://wbpsc.gov.in>

Kolkata

Dated : 18.04.2023

By order of the Commission

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL

PWD TENDER NOTICE

Online bids are invited for the work under Tender ID: 2023.WBPWD.511431.1. For details please follow the website: www.wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- EE, PWD, Malda Electrical Division ICA-T808(4)/2023

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PWD TENDER NOTICE

Tender is hereby invited by the Executive Engineer, PWD, Kolkata IT Division, Main Block, Ground Floor, Writers' Buildings, Kolkata-700001 from the eligible contractors for the following works: 1. "Internet Connectivity for Proposed Wi-Fi Network Connecting Each Bar Associations Rooms and Offices at High Court, Calcutta : SP Charges : Main Feed [Job No: KIT/OW/005 of 23-24]-e-TENDER No. WBPWD/EEKIT/E-NIT-2023/T/23-24. Tender ID: 2023.WBPWD.510519.1. Bid Submission Closing : 26.04.2023 up to 03.00 PM. Corrigendum or Addendum if issued will be published only on website (<https://wbtdenders.gov.in>) Sd/- Executive Engineer, Kolkata IT Division, PWD ICA-T808(4)/2023

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL

WEST BENGAL MINERAL DEVELOPMENT AND TRADING CORPORATION LIMITED

NOTICE

Request for Proposal (RFP) from Empowered MDs for Selection of Mine Developer and Operator (MDO) for Sand Blocks in various districts of West Bengal (Limited tender Enquiry). Publication of Tender Documents-18.04.2023; Last Date for submission of bids- 08.05.2023; Date of Auction- 11.05.2023; For further details Please visit: <https://www.eauction.gov.in/> mdtel.wb.gov.in Contact Address: WBMDCT Building, 3rd Floor, D-10, DI Block, Sector-II, Kolkata - 700091. Ph: 033-23590273; Email: tender.wbmdct@gmail.com Department of Industry, Commerce & Enterprises, Government of West Bengal ICA-T808(2)/2023

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GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL

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NOTICE INVITING TENDER (NIT)

NIT No. (1) WBDPL-12017(12)/10/2023-GM-POW/PS/E-123 dated- 10.04.2023 for Maintenance of the damaged road from Fuel unloading bay of UHF to Northern end of Track Hopper. (2) WBDPL-12017(12)/14/2023-GM-POW/PS/E-120 dated- 08.04.2023 for Concrete of the exposed ground below Dry Fly Ash conveying gallery adjacent to Technical Building, Sl. Nos. 1 & 2. Bid submission end date: 20.04.2023. Bid Opening date: 26.04.2023 respectively. (3) WBDPL/DPPS/PUR/NIT(E)-008 SR/294/2022-23 for Procurement of Portable Conductivity Meter Make V20 R. Model mark 603. (4) WBDPL/DPPS/PUR/NIT(E)-007 SR/337/2022-23 for Procurement of Impact for CHP, DPPS, Sl. Nos. 3 & 4. Bid submission end date: 22.04.2023. Bid Opening date: 26.04.2023 respectively. (5) WBDPL/DPPS/PUR/NIT(E)-006 SR/300/2022-23 for Procurement of LT Motors for AHP of UHF 7 & UHF, DPPS. (6) WBDPL/DPPS/PUR/NIT(E)-005 JN/251/2022-23 for Procurement of Spares for 6KV UPS, Sl. Nos. 5 & 6. Bid submission end date: 22.04.2023. Bid Opening date: 28.04.2023 respectively. Visit: <https://wbtdenders.gov.in/> ICA-T805(2)/2023

AAP Renominates Oberoi For Another Term As Mayor

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: AAP on Monday nominated incumbent mayor Shelly Oberoi and deputy mayor Aaley Mohammad Iqbal as its candidates for a second term in the Municipal Corporation of Delhi.

Both councillors filed their nominations at Civic Centre on Monday. The last date for filing nominations is April 18, with the elections due on April 26. BJP is yet to name its candidates for the two posts. "We have received two copies of the nominations from each of the two candidates. No other councillor has filed their nomination so far. We will wait for the applications till Tuesday," an official said.

The decision to renominate the two incumbents was taken by AAP national convenor and chief minister Arvind Kejriwal in recognition of the performance of MCD under AAP, a party statement noted.

Rajya Sabha MP Sanjay Singh said: "Despite all the difficulties that they faced, their work has greatly benefited the people of Delhi," he claimed. Singh said the party was confident that they would secure another resounding win.

Oberoi said: "I am mindful of the high hopes that the people of Delhi have placed in AAP. They aspire to have a clean and tidy city, and I am committed to fulfilling their dreams and expectations." Iqbal claimed that in just 40 days, they had developed a robust strategy to deliver the 10 guarantees promised by AAP to the people of Delhi with utmost sincerity. "We will continue with our commitment," he added.

Delhi BJP spokesperson Praveen Shankar Kapoor, however, said that there was no use holding the mayoral elections until the standing committee and the ward committees were formed.

"It is the standing committee that runs

MCD while the mayor is a ceremonial post. For example, despite the mayor's repeated announcements, the service contracts of contractual employees have not been renewed for a whole year due to a lack of approval from the committee. No development project has been started for the same reason," Kapoor said.

The Delhi High Court on Monday listed the matter of the election of the standing committee members in MCD for hearing on April 24. As soon as the nominations are received by April 18, the civic body will send details to the LG office via the urban development department, and place the request for the appointment of the presiding officer for the mayoral elections on April 26.

"Councillors who have filed their nominations for the mayor and deputy mayor elections can't be nominated as presiding officer," the official said.

HC judge recuses self from hearing against statement 'leak' plea

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: A Delhi high court judge has recused himself from hearing a petition filed by Asif Iqbal Tanha, an accused of Delhi riots, against the alleged leak of his "disclosure statement" in the case.

Justice Anup Jairam Bhambhani released the case from his roster last week, saying the court's act should never have a deleterious impact on the justice system's credibility.

Justice Bhambhani had earlier expressed his reservations on hearing the matter after the News Broadcasters and Digital Association (NBDA), with whom he had a "past association", filed an intervention application in the case. He said the court's view must yield in the favour of preserving the system's credibility, which is derived not just from "fairness in fact", but also from "fairness in perception" and recused himself.

"In the larger interest of the overall credibility of the justice system, this court is persuaded to recuse itself from the matter," the judge opined.

"After giving its anxious consideration to the matter, what prevails with the court

is that no act on the part of a court must in any manner have a deleterious impact on the credibility of the justice system. Regardless of the view that this court may hold in relation to the intervention applications filed, that view must yield to the view which better subserves to preserve the credibility of the system, which credibility derives not just from fairness in fact, but equally importantly, from fairness in perception," the judge observed.

Tanha had moved the high court in 2020 against certain media houses claiming his alleged admission of guilt, even before the trial court took cognisance. The NBDA had sought to intervene on the ground that the petition concerned prayers for registration of FIRs against journalists, which would have ramifications, and being a well-recognised body, it thus wanted to assist the court in the matter.

Additional Solicitor General Sanjay Jain, who appeared in the matter for the Delhi Police, had said the present case was not a "criminal matter as such" and the media organisations have a legitimate interest in its outcome.

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Training Day: Recruits To Fight Fire With Fire In Virtual Labs

Fire Dept's Focus On Practical Events Instead Of Theory

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New Delhi: Delhi Fire Services (DFS) is planning to introduce new training modules for its recruits. Keeping in mind the nature of fire incidents in the city, the emphasis will be on practical training instead of theory.

According to the fire department, a staff training centre is being built on a 14.5-acre plot in northwest Delhi's Budhanpur Majra. "Fire and life safety training will be given to 700 newly-recruited fire operators at the centre in June," said DFS director Atul Garg.

Garg said it will be the first time that such a large batch will be trained at a single centre. "Earlier, batches were trained at fire stations and the Fire Safety Management Academy, which have a capacity of 250 trainees," he said.

The training centre will have four digital classrooms and impart the latest techniques. "The modules will have 80% practical training that will be conducted with the help of the latest appliances, equipment and tools," said Garg.

3 minors among 6 held for robbing couple

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Three men have been arrested and three juveniles apprehended for robbing a couple at gunpoint in their shop in Kanjhawala area.

The accused were identified as Vinay (18), Bijender (19), Chetan (23) and three others were juveniles.

Police said the incident took place on April 14, when the duo was taking a nap in their shop in JJ Colony in Kanjhawala and an unknown person, posing as a customer, knocked on the store's shutter and asked for a water bottle and 10 mango drinks. However, when the husband came out to hand over the said items, four boys had pistols and knives pointed at him who threatened him and demanded money.

They asked the woman about the safe and fled with the money and her jewelry. A case was registered, police said.

Deputy commissioner of police (Rohini) Gurigal Singh Sidhu said that using CCTV footage, technical surveillance and human intelligence, one of the suspects was apprehended. He disclosed the names of his associates and, in a raid at their hideouts in Subash Nagar, the other five accused were also held. Cops have recovered two pistols, two knives, one stolen scooter, robbed jewelry, cash and 11 stolen mobile phones.

"They confessed to their involvement in the crime. We are taking help from the forensic experts to link the stolen mobile phones to their owners," the officer said.

ON A MISSION

New training modules by fire department for recruits

80% practical training using latest appliances, equipment and tools

Search and rescue scenarios in animated virtual labs

To ensure firefighters are ready to handle any emergency situation efficiently and effectively

New training building

A staff training centre being built on 14.5 acres at Budhanpur Majra

Fire and life safety training to be given to **700 newly recruited fire operators**

Four fully digital classrooms

Procurement

Three chassis for remounting of hydraulic platforms

30 sets of Israeli-made forcible entry tools

Five hydraulic pumps

600 fire hoses

500 fireman axes

Six mini robots

18 battery-operated telescopic rescue rams

18 rescue tripods

6 breathing apparatus set compressors

Live training with breathing apparatus

₹197 CRORE transferred to DMRC for procurement of high-end equipment, such as multi-articulated fire towers and aerial ladder platforms

Policy initiative | The fire control room has been proposed to ensure the highest level of accuracy in dispatches

66 vehicles on 22 key stretches to help prevent bus lane violations

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New Delhi: Sixty-six vehicles, including 44 two-wheelers and 22 four-wheelers, have been keeping an eye on 22 stretches of the city to ensure there is no bus lane violation or parking of vehicles on these lanes.

Senior officials said the intensive drive has been initiated to make Delhi roads safer, and ensure lane discipline among bus drivers and correct parking habits among people.

The transport department has identified 22 stretches where they would be keeping a tight vigil. Among the key stretches are Raj Ghat to Sarai Kale Khan, Karkardooma Junction to ITO, Bhikaji Cama Place to Dhaula Kuan, Mayapuri Chowk to Britannia Chowk, Sarai Kale Khan to Hauz Khas, and Azadpur to Delhi University. There would also be a tight vigil from Mundka to Peeragarhi, INA to Chhatarpur Temple, Kashmiri Gate to Apsara Border, Azadpur to Delhi

University, and from Bhajanpura to Anand Vihar.

It was seen that other vehicles blocked the lane, making it difficult for bus drivers to not only drive but also pick up or drop commuters at designated stops. Around 5,000 vehicles have been challaned since the beginning of the drive on April 7 for parking on bus lanes.

Shahzad Alam, special commissioner, transport, said, "We want to ensure that lane discipline is followed by buses. It is also important that these lanes are free of any encroachment or parking. These teams would ensure that the identified lanes are kept free," he said.

The transport department had last year enforced lane discipline for buses and goods carriers, with fines up to Rs 10,000 and six months' imprisonment for errant drivers. Vehicles found plying on other lanes are liable for prosecution under section 192-A of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, which prescribes a fine of Rs 10,000, and imprisonment of up to six months.

A senior transport department official said, "Sticking to lane discipline is important for bus drivers to bring down fatal crashes. For this to happen infrastructure, road design, and compliance with rules also play a major role."

Senior officials said that overspeeding by bus drivers and lane discipline violations are among the reasons that lead to accidents. The drivers have referred to long working hours, the temporary nature of the job and pressure to complete trips among the reasons that lead to violations.

DTC buses were involved in 37 fatal crashes that killed 39 people in 2022, the highest in the last four years. In the last four years (2019-2022), cluster and DTC buses were involved in 93 fatal accidents each. Last year, cluster buses were involved in 21 such cases.

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RMC, O/o Chief Engineer, Nashik TPS, Eklahare. Tel. No. 0253- 2810291 to 299, Extn:- 2284			
Sr. No.	SECTION/RFx NO.	TENDER SPECIFICATION	ESTIMATE RS.EMD RS.
1	CHP/ 3000037690	Bi-yearly Work of Cleaning of stage-II Bunker House in CHP II & III & providing services to CHP	209,66,432/- 2,13,200/-
2	CHP/ 3000037691	Bi-yearly Work of cleaning of conveyors, equipment's, tunnels, in CHP-II & providing services for maintenance activities at CHP-II	189,65,840/- 1,93,200/-
3	CHP/ 3000037693	Bi-yearly Work of cleaning of Stacker cum reclaimer machine and providing services for operation of vibrating feeders in CHP-II	137,11,551/- 1,40,700/-
4	OS/ 3000037680	Biyearly work contract of removal, collection, shifting, loading, transporting & unloading of Coal Mill reject / RCF coal from Coal mill / RCF A, B, C, D, E, F of Unit no. 3 to designated place at coal mill reject yard / CHP coal yard	2,55,45,939/- 2,58,960/-
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Chief Engineer, NTPS, Eklahare			



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Letter No. 956 / Nivida Quotation / 39

Dated 15.04.2023

E-Tender Notice

Ser. No.	Name of Work	Bid Security (Earnest Money) (Rs. In Lakh)	Cost of bid document (Rs.)	Period of completion of works	Category of Bidders	Bid System
01	02	03	04	05	06	07
1	Paligaon-Budahli G.O.V. (Augmentation) Water Supply Scheme of Block-Bhikiyasain in District-Almora.	7.70 Lakh	Rs. 5000.00 + 18% G.S.T.	Calendar 06 months	'A'	Two
2	Mathpal Dhura G.O.V. (Augmentation) Supply Scheme of Block-Bhikiyasain in District-Almora	7.80 Lakh	Rs. 5000.00 + 18% G.S.T.	Calendar 06 months	'A'	Two

01 Date of Online Publication 18.04.2023 at 1700 hrs.

02 Date of Bid Opening 06.05.2023 at 1200 hrs.

Bidders are advised to keep continuous watch on the e-portal for Corrigendum, if any, that will be published only on the e-portal www.uktenders.gov.in and will not be published in any Newspaper.

(Anoop Pandey)

Superintending Engineer

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Jharkhand Exploration and Mining Corporation Limited
झारखण्ड अन्वेषण एवं खनन निगम लि
(A Government of Jharkhand Undertaking)
JSFC Building, 4th Floor, Kadru, Ranchi, Jharkhand-834002
(CIN: U14200JH2022SGC017995)

Corrigendum

Please refer to the advertisement published vide PR No. 295003, dated 12/04/2023 of Jharkhand Exploration and Mining Corporation Limited (JEMCL), for the post of Surveyor the last date for submitting application is 10/05/2023 by 05:00 PM. The detailed advertisement containing qualification & experience, remuneration and application form relating to the above posts is available on the website: www.prdjharkhand.in & <https://jemcl.jharkhand.gov.in>

Sd/- Company Secretary

Contact No: 9651-3501912 E-mail: jemcl2021@gmail.com
<https://jemcl.jharkhand.gov.in>
PR.NO.295280 Jharkhand Exploration And Mining Co Ltd(23-24):D

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

(SECTION 82 Cr.P.C.)

Whereas complaint has been made before me that the accused **Vipin Singh, S/o Ranbir Singh, R/o B-320, Gali No. 11, Ph-4, Maha Laxmi Enclave, Karawal Nagar, Delhi**, has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in **FIR No. 254/14, U/s 308/323/341/325/354B IPC**, registered at **P.S. Karawal Nagar, Delhi**, and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest there upon issued that the said accused **Vipin Singh**, cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused **Vipin Singh**, has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused **Vipin Singh**, of case **FIR No. 254/14, U/s 308/323/341/325/354B IPC, P.S. Karawal Nagar, Delhi**, is required to appear before this court to answer the said complaint on or before **26.05.2023**.

By order

Pankaj Arora,
A.S.J. - 04, NE District,
Room no. 34, Ground Floor,
Karkardooma Courts, Delhi

DP/3862/NE/2023
(Court Matter)

कार्यालय नगर परिषद्, ब्यावर
Tel No :- 01462-258665 E-mail :- npsbawar@gmail.com

क्रमांक / नम्बर / 2023-24 दिनांक :-

आयुक्त सूचना -

विभाग :-

— व्यवसायिक मुख्यालय की भवन नीलामी से आय करने का सुनहरा मौका —

व्यवसायिक मुख्यालय जिला जाल है कि, नगर परिषद ब्यावर द्वारा दिनांक 26.04.2023 से 28.04.2023 को प्रातः 11:00 बजे नगर परिषद ब्यावर समा सदन में ट्रान्स्फरेंड नगर व्यवसायिक योजना के मुख्यालय को 99 वर्षीय लीज पर आय नीलामी द्वारा भूक्रे पर जहाँ है, जेला स्थित है, उस स्थिति में विजय किया जावेगा। नीलामी की शोरी दोहरा 02:00 बजे से शुरू की जाएगी।

क्र. सं.	नीलामी दिनांक	नगर योजना व आवेदनित वर	व्यवसायिक मुख्यालय	अनुमानित आय एवं नगर आय	आयनिक कोटी (अति वर्षावर्ष)	नीलामी मूल्य
1.	26.04.2023		8 वी 10	अ. 3 की. 3 X 12 = 72 वर्गमीटर		ब्राउजिंग नगर
2.	27.04.2023	ट्रान्स्फरेंड नगर व्यवसायिक योजना आवेदनित वर 479/- रु. अति वर्षावर्ष	11 वी 14	अ. 3 की. 3 X 12 = 72 वर्गमीटर	1,000/- रु. अति वर्षावर्ष	नगर आय
3.	28.04.2023		15	8 X 8.15/2 X 12 = 80.30 वर्गमीटर		नगर आय
			मोटा 38 वी 48	7.50 X 18 = 135 वर्गमीटर		नगर आय

जल जो की स्थिति वलत मुख्यालय को आय करने चाहता है वे नीलामी दिनांक 26.04.2023 से 28.04.2023 को प्रातः 11:00 बजे नगर परिषद ब्यावर समा सदन में अमानत राशि 20,000/- रूपये अतिम नगर / बीडी के जरिए जमा करवाकर होने वाली नीलामी में नियमानुसार भाग ले सकते हैं। नीलामी शर्तों का अवलोकन कार्यालय समय में नजुस अनुमति में अवसा SPFP PORTAL पर देखी जा सकती है। नीलामी राजस्वधान नगर स्थितका नगरीय भूमि निमाधन नियम 1974 के अनुसार की जाएगी।

★ रोष शर्तों कार्यालय समय में आकर नोटिस बोर्ड अवसा SPFP PORTAL पर देखी जा सकती है।★

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APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



Unknown

General public is hereby informed that one male namely **Unknown, S/o Unknown, R/o Unknown**, Age about 50 years, Height 5'7", Complexion Shallow, Round Face, Medium Built, Wearing Sky blue colour shirt, grey colour pant and bare footed was found dead at Near PS Lahori Gate, SN Marg, Delhi. In this regard a case FIR No. 269/2023 dated 12.04.2023 U/S 279/304A IPC has been registered at PS Lahori Gate, Delhi. The dead body has been preserved in Subzi Mandi Mortuary, Delhi for 72 hours for identification and Postmortem.

Any person having any information or clue about this deceased male may kindly inform to the following.

SHO

PS: Lahori Gate, Delhi
Ph.: 011-23953776, 23959234

DP/4078/N/2023

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR, PALI
[Contact: 02932-225804 fax : 02932-252675
Email : adm_pali@yahoo.in]

NOTICE INVITING BIDS (NIB)

NIB No./Accounts/2023/1266 Date: 14 April, 2023

Sealed Single Stage Two-envelopes unconditional bids are invited by District Collector, Pali on behalf of the Governor of Rajasthan for infrastructural arrangements for organising Mahangai Rahat Camps at Gram Panchayats, Wards of Urban Areas and other identified Permanent locations as listed below from reputed firms up to **01:00 PM of 19.04.2023**

S. No.	Name of article / Item	Specifi cations	Quan tity and unit	Price of Bidd ing Docu ment (Rs.)	Amount of Bid Secu rity (Rs.)	Validity of bid
1.	Infrastructural arrangements for organising Mahangai Rahat Camps at Gram Panchayats, Wards of Urban Areas and other identified Permanent locations in Pali District	As ment ioned in the Bid Docu ment.	LS	1000	6,00,000	90 Days

Details may be seen in the Bidding Document available on the websites of <http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in>, <http://dipronline.rajasthan.gov.in> and <http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in> and may be downloaded from these websites.
Estimated Bid Cost : 3 Crore UBN No. CPL2324SLOB00001
Add. District Collector, Pali



HEADQUARTERS Employees' State Insurance Corporation
(Ministry of Labour & Employment, Govt. of India)
Panchdeep Bhawan, C.I.G. Marg, New Delhi-110 002
Website: www.esic.gov.in, Email: actuarial-hq@esic.nic.in

EXTENSION OF TENDER

Kindly refer to Online Tender dated 17.02.2023, at GeM website i.e. <https://gem.gov.in> and our website i.e. www.esic.gov.in w.r.t. Notice of Open E-tender for hiring of Actuarial consultancy on Retainership basis.

The date for submission of bid stands extended as under:-

Sl. No.	Earlier Notified dates	Now extended dates
1.	End date for submission of Quotation on 14.03.2023	From 12.04.2023 to 26.04.2023.

Sd/-

DY. DIRECTOR (ACTUARIAL)



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E-Tender Extension II"

Due to unavoidable circumstances E-tender no. 59/2022-23 to be opened on 17.04.2023 was not opened and date of download, date of receipt upto 01.05.2023 (upto 17:00hrs) & date of opening is extended upto 02.05.2023 (upto 13:00hrs) respectively. For more details please visit E-Tender website www.uttendenders.gov.in For any assistance on E-Tendering, please contact on phone no. 05947298240.

एचक संख्या : 302/अपी०अभि०(का)पि-२

दिनांक : 17/04/2023 "Save Electricity in the Interest of Nation" O & M Circle, Kashipur

Superintending Engineer

कार्यालय :- महाप्रबन्धक, हरियाणा राज्य परिवहन दिल्ली।

विषय :- पोस्टल क्लेडेशन नोटिस।

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हस्ता./- महाप्रबन्धक

हरियाणा राज्य परिवहन

RO No. 17102

दिल्ली।

F.1-34/19/2022-NCW (A)

National Commission for Women

Plot No. 21, Jasola Institutional Area

New Delhi-110025

Dated the 10th April, 2023

TENDER NOTICE

Online Tenders are invited from suitable agencies for operating of North East Working Women Hostel, Jasola Vihar, New Delhi at CPP Portal <http://eprocure.gov.in>

2. All other terms and conditions for submission of Tenders (Online) and criteria for pre-qualifications, Term of Reference (TOR), documents required etc. have been mentioned in Tender Documents and are available in NCW's website at <http://eprocure.gov.in> or <http://ncw.nic.in>

Sd/- (Barnali Shome)

Under Secretary

011-26944890

CBC 46105/12/0001/2324

Email: barnali.shome@gov.in

झारखण्ड सरकार, ग्रामीण विकास विभाग

मुख्य अभियंता का कार्यालय

102, द्वितीय तल्ला, अभियंत्रण भवन, कचहरी रोड, राँची

पत्रांक:-

दिनांक:-

शुद्धि पत्र

एवम् द्वारा सूचित किया जाता है कि ग्रामीण कार्य विभाग, कार्य प्रमण्डल, साहेबगंज के ई-निविदा आमंत्रण संख्या- **340/2022-23/RWD/SAHEBGANJ**, दिनांक- 31.03.2023, PR No.- **294152** द्वारा आईडेंटिफिकेशन संख्या/पैकेज संख्या- **RWD/SAHEBGANJ/11/2022-23** कार्य का नाम "फोसिल पार्क से फालोल्मी बांसकोला होते हुए रानीडीह तक पथ निर्माण कार्य (लं- 2730 किमी०)" का प्राक्कलित राशि 2,51,36,600.00 (दो करोड़ एकावन लाख छत्तीस हजार छः रौ सौ मात्र), कार्य समाप्ति की अवधि 15 माह के स्थान पर **2,49,53,523.00** (दो करोड़ उनचास लाख तिरपन हजार पाँच सौ सैंदस रू० मात्र), कार्य समाप्ति की अवधि 12 माह पड़ा जाय।

विस्तृत जानकारी के लिए वेबसाईट jharkhandtenders.gov.in में देखा जा सकता है। अन्य शर्तें म्यादात रहेंगे। नोडल पदाधिकारी PR 295326 Rural Work Department (23-24)_D ई-प्रोक्युर्मेंट सेल

कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय,

ग्रामीण विकास विशेष प्रमण्डल, कोडरमा

शुद्धि पत्र

निविदा सूचना सं- **RDD/SD/KODERMA/16/2022-23** आमंत्रित किया गया है। जिसका पी० आर० सं० - 293849 है। जिन क्रमांकों को संशोधन किया जा रहा है वो निम्न प्रकार है:-

2) वेबसाईट में निविदा प्रकाशन की तिथि 15.04.2023 के स्थान पर 20.04.2023 पड़ा जाय।

3) ई-निविदा प्राप्ति की तिथि एवं समय -दिनांक 17.04.2023 से दिनांक 25.04.2023 के स्थान पर दिनांक 21.04.2023 से 29.04.2023 अपराह्न 05:00 बजे तक।

4) निविदा शुल्क एवं अग्रधन की राशि जमा करने की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय 28.04.2023 के स्थान पर 08.05.2023 पड़ा जाय।

7) निविदा खोलने का स्थान-e-procurement cell, मुख्य अभियंता कार्यालय, ग्रामीण विकास विशेष प्रमण्डल, एक० एक० पी० भवन, पूर्वी, राँची के स्थान पर कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय, ग्रामीण विकास विशेष प्रमण्डल, कोडरमा पड़ा जाय।

8) निविदा खोलने का तिथि एवं समय -दिनांक 29.04.2023 के स्थान पर 08.05.2023 पड़ा जाय।

निविदा की सभी शर्तें पूर्णतः रहेगा। कार्यपालक अभियंता, ग्रामीण विकास विशेष प्रमण्डल, कोडरमा।

PR.NO.295251 Rural Work Department(23-24):D

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person namely **Gagan Goyal, S/o Kushi Ram Goyal, R/o H.No. 191, Gali No. 4, D-Block, Ratia Marg, Sangam Vihar, Delhi**, has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No. 141/2010 U/s 408/411/34 IPC** registered at P.S. Kotwali, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest there upon issued that the said **Gagan Goyal** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said **Gagan Goyal** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proclamation is hereby made that the said **Gagan Goyal** accused of **FIR No. 141/2010 U/s 408/411/34 IPC** P.S. Kotwali, Delhi is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **31.05.2023**.

By Order

Ms. Meena Chauhan,
Metropolitan Magistrate -06,
Central, Room No.- 272,
Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi

DP/3983/N/2023

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Notice invitation Bid (CSR2324A0005)

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Haryana To Form Board To Protect Aravalis Soon

Move In Accordance With NGT's Order In Oct

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Gurgaon: Haryana will constitute a statutory authority for the integrated environmental management of the Aravalis.

The move to set up the Aravalis Rejuvenation Board follows an October 10 order of the National Green Tribunal (NGT), which is hearing a petition by the Aravalis Bachao Citizens Movement alleging gross environmental violations in the protected ranges.

On April 12, chief secretary Sanjeev Kaushal submitted an affidavit in the NGT, saying a proposal to set up the board had been sent to the department concerned for approval.

"We plan to establish the Aravalis Rejuvenation Board as soon as possible. Crucial elements of the board will be revealed only after we get a go ahead from the government," he told TOI.

"...it was decided to constitute a specific cell at the district level for the periodic monitoring of the Aravalis areas in Nuh, Faridabad and Gurgaon.... Necessary instructions

HARYANA CS SAYS
Crucial elements of the board will be revealed only after we get a go ahead from the government

for the creation of this special cell in compliance with the orders of this Hon'ble Tribunal are being issued by the state government shortly," the affidavit submitted to NGT read.

In another affidavit, the Haryana Police said they had received 582 complaints related to illegal mining and transportation of stones and other minerals in the past six years.

"In thirty-one out of 582 complaints, after verification, no illegal mining was found, whereas, 44 complaints were sent back to the mining and geology department for filing complaints before competent court of law under Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957. It is submitted that when an incident of illegal mining comes to the

notice of police offices/stations, officials of the mining department are immediately informed telephonically. FIR is being registered by the police department," said the affidavit signed by Sanjay Kumar, the director-general of police.

The NGT will hear the case again on April 28. According to the petition, there are 16 locations in the Aravalis where mining is carried out unhindered. The hills, in some instances, had been completely razed to the ground, it said.

It was in 2009 that the Supreme Court banned all forms of mining in the Aravalis of south Haryana. But the lack of a proper vigil has failed to put a stop to quarrying of stones for constructions.

The petitioner, meanwhile, said that at least 50% of the board members should be from civil society groups such as independent ecologists, wildlife experts, geologists, and climate scientists. The proposal to use the Aravalis as a dumping ground for zoo safari projects could not be approved by the board, it said.

Water supply to be hit in parts of Delhi

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: The water supply will be affected in parts of South Delhi and Northeast Delhi areas, officials said on Monday. According to the latest alert from the Delhi Jal Board (DJB), water supply will be affected due to floating algae from the upper Ganga canal, Murad Nagar which provides raw water to the Sonia Vihar water treatment plant.

This is the second time this month that the board has issued an alert due to the problem. According to a statement issued by the agency, they have been facing the problem for the last 25 days because of which production of clear water at the WTP has been affected. The areas in Northeast Delhi to be affected include Babarpur, Karawal Nagar, Gokulpuri, Shashtri Park, Brahmpuri, Gandhi Nagar and in south Delhi — South Extension, Vasant Kunj and Greater Kailash, among others.

"Residents are advised to store sufficient quantity of water in advance as per the requirement. Water tanker will be available on request" the DJB said in the alert further:

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1	2	3
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6	Improvement to road on MDR-1 MP State Border Pachori Ambabarawa Wasali to Tunki join SH-47 road in Km.16/750 to 18/750 Tq. Sangrampur Distt. Buldana	497.00
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10	Construction Of Bridge, Protection Wall With Approaches in Km. 17/850 on MDR-1 M. P. State Border Pachori Ambabarawa Wasali to Tunki Join SH-47 Road Tq. Sangrampur Dist. Buldana	327.00
11	Improvement to MDR 4 Palashi supo Sulaj Asalgaon Takali Patan Parashrampur in Km 8/00 to 10/700 Tq. Jalgaon Jamod Dist. Buldana	268.00
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15	Construction of protection wall with approaches of bridge in Km.3/500 on SH 269 Tunki Warwat Bakal Shegaon Jawala Bk to NH 6 (Balapur) Palshi Adgaon Tq.Sangrampur Distt. Buldhana	245.00
16	Construction Of Approach Road To Sonbardi Tq. Sangrampur Distt. Buldhana	245.00
17	Improvement To Wankhed To Warwat Bakal Road in Km 0/00 To 3/500 Tq. Sangrampur Distt. Buldhana	232.00
18	Improvement To Palsoda Fata, Palsoda Khalad Bu, Katel Kolad, Kakanwada Kh. Joint To SH 271 Road MDR 68 in Km 9/00 To 10/00 Tq. Sangrampur Distt. Buldhana	202.00
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India, Russia in 'advanced talks' for new trade treaty

Jaishankar Calls For Addressing Growing Trade Imbalance

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: India and Russia are in 'advanced negotiations' for a new bilateral investment treaty (BIT) that is necessary to boost the confidence of investors, foreign minister S Jaishankar said on Monday as he described India's relationship with Russia as among the "steadiest" of major relationships of the world.

While the negotiations for a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) between India and the Eurasian Economic Union had been interrupted by the pandemic, Jaishankar said he would work towards progress in the talks as it would make real difference to the trade relationship. With annual bilateral trade having shot up to \$45 billion this year, he also called for addressing



External affairs minister S Jaishankar with Russian deputy prime minister Denis Manturov in New Delhi on Monday. India-Russia ties are among the 'steadiest' in the world, Jaishankar said

the growing trade imbalance. He made the remarks while addressing a business event that was also attended by Russian deputy PM and trade minister Denis Manturov.

"We need to work together with our Russian friends on a very urgent basis on how to address that imbalance.

And addressing that imbalance really means addressing the impediments — whether they are market access impediments, whether they are non-tariff barriers, whether they are related to payments or to logistics," Jaishankar said.

Manturov is in India to

chair, along with Jaishankar, the Russia-India intergovernmental commission on trade, culture, science and technology. Ahead of the meeting, he also met NSA Ajit Doval. People familiar with the meeting between Doval and Manturov said both sides discussed a range of bilateral issues to implement the India-Russia strategic partnership.

Talking about economic cooperation in a strategic context, Jaishankar said the partnership with India was a subject of attention not because it had changed, but because it had not.

"We share a commitment to a multi-polar world. And that also means a multi-polar Asia. Russia is today looking much more towards Asia, a reassessment from its traditional focus," he said.

Iron hoarding collapses in Pune, 5 killed

Pune: At least five people were killed and two others injured on Monday when an iron hoarding collapsed on them due to strong winds on a service road in Pimpri Chinchwad township in Pune, Maharashtra, police said.

The incident occurred on a service road along the Mumbai-Pune highway in Ravet Kivale area.

"Some people had taken shelter under the hoarding due to strong winds. Suddenly, the structure came crashing down on them, killing five people and injuring two others," a police officer said.

He said five bodies have been recovered and a search operation is underway to find out if anybody is trapped under the hoarding. The injured have been rushed to a hospital. AGENCIES

Cheetah Oban again strolls out of Kuno

Bhopal: Cheetah Oban is getting a new nickname — 'ghumakkad' (the wanderer). It slipped out of Kuno National Park for a second time, and was spotted 15km away on Sunday morning.

Barely 10 days ago, it was tranquillised and brought back to Kuno after a five-day hike in nearby farms and villages. This time, it has ventured much further. Forest officials, however, say they will not tranquillise it this time as it could be very stressful and affect its health. Oban covered 10km in the night and 5km more in the day and has been located near a village. Locals are keeping a safe distance despite their curiosity to watch the cheetah. The forest department is keeping a close watch to ensure the safety of both the cheetah and local residents.

Meanwhile, three of the 12 South African cheetahs have been moved to bigger hunting bomas (enclosures). TNN

In U-turn, Nitish govt to pay ex gratia for hooch deaths

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Patna: Dry Bihar's latest hooch tragedy on Monday prompted CM Nitish Kumar to back down from his so far steadfast refusal to compensate for such deaths and declare ex gratia of Rs 4 lakh with retrospective effect to every family that lost a member to liquor poisoning since 2016, the year prohibition took effect in that state.

The last time spurious liquor claimed lives in the state, Nitish had warned people that "if you consume liquor, you will die".

His apparent change of heart came with the strict condition that retrospective ex gratia would be paid only if families of the deceased produced verifiable evidence that the deaths were caused by consumption of hooch. The claimants are also required to reveal in writing the source of liquor.

Prohibition, excise and registration minister Sunil



Rs 4 lakh will be paid to every family that lost a member to hooch tragedies since 2016. But it shouldn't be construed as an easing of prohibition, Nitish said

Kumar said there was official data of around 200 hooch-related deaths in Bihar since April 2016, a figure that sources said was far lower than the reported toll in a succession of such tragedies over the past seven years.

"Past compensation claims, irrespective of whether postmortem was done or not, would need to be verified by respective DMs and other district officials," Kumar said. "From April 17, 2023, on-

wards, families will get compensation only if postmortem confirms that hooch triggered these deaths."

The announcement of ex gratia came after suspected hooch consumption caused four more deaths in East Champaran, taking the toll since last Friday to 26.

"Despite all our efforts, hooch-related incidents are taking place in the state and people are dying. So, I have decided to compensate the affected families from the CM's relief fund," Nitish said. He also said that the government sympathising with the affected families shouldn't be construed as an easing of prohibition. "The affected families will have to give in writing that they support liquor prohibition," he said.

Nitish said he had asked administration to instruct all officers at the district and block level on how to implement the decision, including drawing up lists of confirmed hooch deaths since 2016.

Saifi 'highly radicalised', NIA to take over probe

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New Delhi: The National Investigation Agency will take over the probe into the Kerala train arson case "soon", sources told TOI on Monday. This comes close on the heels of Kerala police, which has been probing the case, invoking the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act against accused Shaheer Khan.

Sources said that the NIA will investigate the larger conspiracy as part of which Saifi, assessed by Kerala police to be "highly radicalised" and influenced by inflammatory speeches of Islamic evangelist Zakir Naik, planned and executed the act of arson. It will also look at possible handlers and aides that may have been part of this conspiracy and examine

NIA to probe Indian mission attack in UK

The Centre has asked the National Investigation Agency (NIA) to investigate the attack on the Indian high commission in London on March 19, transferring the case from Delhi police's special cell, reports Rajshree Jha.

The probe requires ascertaining the identities of those in the mob led by alleged Khalistani terrorist Avtar Singh Khanda. Khanda had pulled down the Tricolour at the mission. He is also learnt to have trained fugitive Khalistani sympathiser Amritpal Singh. An expert in explosives, Khanda has sought UK asylum.

"The central government is of the opinion that a scheduled offence under the National Investigation Agency Act, 2008, has been committed. The gravity of the offence and its national and international linkages require that it is probed by the NIA," the order states. Khanda and his associate, Gurcharan Singh, had allegedly instigated a mob of 50-60 to vandalise the mission, dishonor the National Flag hoisted inside the complex and grievously injure officials.

the inter-state linkages, considering that Saifi is a resident of Shaheen Bagh in Delhi and was arrested from Ratnagiri, Maharashtra.

The NIA has informally

been involved in the train arson case right from the start, with officers from its Kochi branch having reached the incident site soon after the attack to examine the cause

of the fire and collect samples for forensic analysis.

On April 2, Saifi had attempted to set some passengers on fire on board the Alappuzha-Kannur Executive Express at Elathur in Kozhikode, after spraying them with an inflammable liquid. Three passengers lost their lives while trying to jump out of the train to escape the fire. Saifi was later arrested from Ratnagiri.

The SIT of Kerala police on Sunday invoked Section 16 of UAPA against Saifi. Additional DGP of Kerala M R Ajith Kumar said Saifi used to regularly watch videos of Naik's speeches and had come to Kerala with determination to commit crime. "The probe is still continuing to ascertain whether he got any local support for the crime," he said.

U'khand bridge along China border collapses

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Dehradun: An iron bailey bridge over the Dhaul Ganga river in Chamoli, Uttarakhand, connecting Niti Valley on the India-China border with the rest of the state, collapsed on Sunday while a truck was passing through it.

The truck driver managed to save himself by jumping into the river before the bridge gave away. The incident occurred around 4.30 pm at Burans near Malari.

Soon after the incident, the Border Roads Organisation (BRO), responsible for upkeep of roads and bridges in the area, dispatched a team to the site and commenced reconstruction of the bridge.

"BRO is working on a temporary bridge to resume traffic movement as soon as possible," said Lt Col Manish Srivastava, PRO, Defence (Dehradun). SDM of the area, Kumkum Joshi, told TOI that "Currently, there are no residents in the area and only Ar-

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my movement takes place through the bridge." "The last human habitation, Malari, is located 30 km before the collapsed bridge. We are hopeful that within a day or two, temporary arrangements will be made for the movement of Army vehicles," Joshi said.

Meanwhile, Colonel Ankur Mahajan of BRO said, "Vehicles have been diverted to an alternate route and construction of a causeway over Dhaul Ganga is underway, with completion expected by Tuesday."

New online recruitment test for Agniveers starts

New Delhi: The Army on Monday kicked off its new computer-based online common entrance exam (CEE) for recruitment of Agniveers, junior commissioned officers and other categories at 375 centres in 176 locations around the country.

The online CEE, with the assistance of Education Consultancy Services Ltd under the Union education ministry, will continue till April 26. Under the new process, the shortlisted candidates after the CEE will be called for physical fitness tests at recruitment rallies in phases from June 2023 onwards. In the third stage, the selected candidates will undergo medical tests before the final merit list is declared.

"The modified system will make the recruitment process more streamlined, transparent and is designed to optimally exploit the latest IT in-



Under the new process, the shortlisted candidates will be called for physical fitness tests from June 2023 onwards

frastructure available in the nation," an officer said.

"The technological threshold of the youth in the nation has improved significantly. With enhanced network connectivity and the proliferation of smart-phones, they can now undertake an online exam instead of travelling long distances to appear for physical exams," he said. TNN

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Will Ajit join BJP? Political buzz continues

A Senior NCP Neta Says He May Take A Decision After SC Verdict In Shiv Sena Case

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Mumbai: Even as state NCP chief Jayant Patil on Monday ruled out the possibility of leader of opposition Ajit Pawar joining BJP on the grounds that he and his family may be targeted, speculation was rife in political circles that Sharad Pawar's nephew is weighing his options. "I do not think Ajit will join BJP; there is absolutely no substance in such reports (that say he would shift). During the MVA rally in Nagpur, I and Ajit were together. In my opinion, as of now the Shinde-Fadnis government has enough majority, they do not require more legislators for stability of the government," Patil said.



Ajit Pawar dismissed as false reports that he has called a meeting of MLAs on Tuesday. 'As of now the Shinde government has enough majority, they do not require more legislators for stability,' state NCP chief Jayant Patil said

navis and Ajit didn't respond to TOI's messages as speculation continued in political circles over whether the latter would join BJP along with a section of NCP legislators. Ajit himself dismissed as false reports that he has called a meeting of MLAs on Tuesday. He also said he had no scheduled events to attend on Monday amid reports that

he had called off his engagements in Pune. He said he will be in Mumbai on Tuesday. "I will be present at my office for regular work. I have not called any meetings of MLAs or officials," he said.

During NCP chief Sharad Pawar's April 11 meeting with ex-CM Uddhav Thackeray, discussion had revolved around Ajit's move to join

BJP. It was then said since a section of NCP members and their family members were being targeted, they may quit to ensure protection for themselves and their kin.

A senior NCP member said though Ajit may not join BJP immediately, he will take a decision after the Supreme Court verdict in the Shiv Sena case. "It appears to be BJP's Plan B to lure Ajit. BJP is looking for a strong face in western Maharashtra, particularly after its humiliating defeat in the Kasa assembly byelection," he said.

In October 2019, Ajit was sworn in as deputy CM and Fadnis as chief minister, but their government collapsed in less than 72 hours as there were not enough legislators. "Then, against the expectation of 35-40 legisla-

tors, Ajit had the support of just three or four. When Fadnis realised it will be a minority government, he decided to submit his resignation," the NCP member said.

The NCP leader said political activities will gain momentum after the SC verdict. "Though Ajit has denied it, NCP activists believe he has begun mobilising legislators supporting him. Depending on the SC verdict, he will take a decision on whether to join BJP or extend outside support," he said. MPCC president Nana Patole said he was not aware of Ajit's plans. "We are concerned about further strengthening of the MVA. MVA is intact and going stronger by the day. We are prepared to take on BJP in 2024 Lok Sabha elections," he said.

With agency inputs

Meet Gandhis, key Cong neta prods Uddhav

Mumbai: Congress general secretary KC Venugopal on Monday met Shiv Sena (UBT) chief Uddhav Thackeray at Matoshree, the Thackeray family's residence here. He said he had requested Uddhav to visit New Delhi to meet Sonia and Rahul Gandhi and that Rahul would visit Mumbai after that. There had been reports over the past few days that Rahul would meet Uddhav in Mumbai, reports Chaitanya Marpakwar.

"Democracy has been completely subverted by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and (Union home minister) Amit Shah in Maharashtra. After that too, you see ED, CBI, they are targeting opposition parties, but especially Shiv Sena (UBT). Congress is completely in solidarity with Uddhav and Shiv Sena (UBT) in this regard," Venugopal said.

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Another TMC MLA, 3rd so far, held by CBI for Bengal jobs scam

Kandi/Kolkata: CBI on Monday arrested Trinamool MLA for Burwan Jiban Krishna Saha from Murshidabad in connection with its probe into the school recruitments scam, report Rohit Khanna & Sukumar Mahato. He is the third TMC legislator to be arrested in connection with the case, after Partha Chatterjee and Manik Bhattacharya.

The arrest came after 65 hours of questioning that began Friday included a combing operation at Saha's house. During the search, the agency used excavators to dredge through a pond to search for two cellphones that Saha had allegedly thrown in. The agency has found both phones, apart from some "incriminating" documents.

The special CBI court, Kolkata, has remanded Saha in CBI custody till April 21. Investigators have charged Saha with trying to destroy evidence, alleging that he had thrown two cellphones into the pond adjoining his home during questioning. The two phones and five bags full of photocopies of admit cards of TET candidates from Murshidabad and Burdwan, among other districts, have been recovered, investigators claimed. The CBI has sent the two phones — one of them retrieved from the pond, and the other from the foot of a tree — for tests and data retrieval.

Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee issued a strong reaction. Calling Saha's arrest a part of a "BJP game plan" to reduce TMC's strength in the Bengal assembly, she said: "We have an overwhelming majority in the assembly. Even some BJP MLAs are in touch with us. The agencies are being guided by a dacoit who misused power and is now calling the shots in Bengal."

MP gets HC shield from arrest till today over killing of Jagan's uncle

Hyderabad: YSRCP MP from Kadapa, YS Avinash Reddy, on Monday got a 24-hour stay on his arrest and interrogation from Telangana high court for his alleged role in the murder of former Andhra Pradesh minister Vivekananda Reddy, reports Sagar Kumar Mahata.

The HC directive to the CBI followed an inconclusive hearing on arguments on Avinash Reddy's anticipatory bail application, even as the CBI counsel told the court that he might be arrested after questioning on Tuesday.

The order on the bail plea is likely to be pronounced on Tuesday.

The MP was slapped with a notice on Sunday to appear at the CBI office in Hyderabad for questioning, on a day his father, Bhaskar Reddy, was arrested in a pre-dawn swoop on his village in Kadapa, and sent to a prison in Hyderabad. Avinash Reddy was scheduled to appear before the CBI and face questions on his alleged attempt to destroy evidence at the crime scene on the morning of March 15, 2019. However, his advocates sought time, citing the hearing on his anticipatory bail plea in HC.

The MP's counsel, T Niranjan Reddy, said the probe agency had summoned them as witnesses, but was resorting to sudden arrests by overnight converting their status to accused. "CBI, ironically, is doing all this based on a statement by Shaik Dastagiri, a hired assassin who later turned approver. It is believing his false theories," he said, objecting to the way the MP's father was arrested and sent to jail.

Denied ticket for UP civic polls, BJP man consumes poison

Bijnor: A 55-year-old BJP worker tried to kill himself by consuming poison on Sunday after being denied a ticket for UP civic elections, reports Harveer Dabas.

As per the victim's family, Mukesh Saxena, city general secretary in Amroha, had been lobbying for months for the forthcoming civic elections on May 4 from ward 27 of Mandi Chaub area but his name was not shortlisted and the ticket was given to someone else. Dejected over the development, he tried to kill himself at his residence and was rushed to a hospital, where his condition is said to be stable.

Rakesh Verma, the party's district general secretary, said, "Mukesh was a devoted party worker since the last two decades and was a strong contender for the ticket. But the party declared Shani Saxena as its candidate, who is a newly appointed member in the party. Upset over this, Mukesh took the extreme step." Police said no FIR has been registered in the matter yet.

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Invitation for Bid No: UIRUPD/OCB - N WW-DDN-03/2023-24

Name of work: Development of Sewerage System for Defence Colony, Mokhampur, Nathampur-2 and Nawada with 5 years O&M, in Dehradun, Uttarakhand.

Bid Publication Date: 17th April 2023 at 03:00 PM

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What brought Atiq's killers together? Cops probe links

Met For First Time In 2021 At Banda Jail

Pathikrit Chakraborty & Kapil Dixit | TNN

Lucknow/Prayagraj: The three assailants whose quest for "fame" admittedly led them to shoot dead gangster-politician Atiq Ahmed and his brother Ashraf in front of police and TV cameras had not teamed up before, leaving investigators grappling with loose ends pertaining to how they struck a rapport, planned and executed the crime.

Two of the killers — Lavlesh Tiwari and Mohit Singh, alias Shani — had first met in 2021 at Banda district jail, where they were serving time or awaiting trial for different crimes.

Once the duo got bail, they met again in Prayagraj, where co-accused Arun was then working in a local eatery. There is no clarity yet on



(L-R) Arun Maurya, Sunny Purane and Lavlesh Tiwari

what brought the two to Prayagraj and how and why they met Arun.

Police said the missing pieces of the puzzle had strengthened suspicion that someone else masterminded Atiq and his brother's killing long ago and picked the trio to carry out the plan with logistical and financial support.

Investigators are pursuing leads that suggest Lavlesh and Mohit spent some time in the National Capital Region before the crime. Arun was in jail in Haryana's Panipat for a minor offence.

Mohit has over a dozen criminal cases, including loot, against his name. Lavlesh has four cases pending against him and is an alco-

holic, sources said. A source privy to the probe said the two 9mm Turkish-made Zigana pistols the killers used were worth Rs 6 lakh each and banned in India, raising suspicion that someone like them possibly couldn't have got hold of such sophisticated arms easily.

An official said members of the Lawrence Bishnoi gang were known to carry 9mm Zigana pistols.

The surgical precision with which the killers executed the crime and surrendered could not have been done without proper planning, leading investigators to suspect a "bigger conspiracy" than the trio's preliminary confession suggests.

Going to attend friend's wedding, Arun told family

Arun Maurya (18), one of the killers of Atiq Ahmed and Ashraf, had left home almost a week before the Saturday night's twin murders in Prayagraj. His grandfather said he had told him on April 9 that he was going to attend a friend's wedding in Delhi. His phone had remained not reachable since, reports **Deepak Lavania**.

Security agencies are trying to trace his trail "from the time he left for Delhi to the night of the killing". A resident of Kasganj in UP, Arun, who had dropped out of school after passing the high school exam in Panipat last year, used to stay with his grandfather and worked at a garment stitching unit in Haryana. "Arun had hurriedly left home on April 9 for Delhi. He said he would return in a few days. We had no idea of his plans. We are still in shock," his grandfather said.

ED starts probe into FIRs by Kol cops against its officers

New Delhi: The Enforcement Directorate has initiated an investigation based on FIRs registered by Kolkata police against ED officers probing various money laundering cases against politicians and their associates in West Bengal.

Sources said Kolkata police's FIRs were the basis for the ED to register a probe under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, to ascertain if the charges were frivolous and made to derail its probe.

Though the ED probe began soon after Kolkata police registered FIRs, the Calcutta HC had restrained the state police from booking CBI and ED officials investigating cases in the state. On Monday, the SC, stayed the Calcutta HC order, including the instruction not to register FIRs against officials of the central enforcement agencies.

The ED is investigating Trinamool Congress MP Abhishek Banerjee and other leaders of the TMC in multiple cases, including the West Bengal teachers' recruitment scam and the illegal coal mining scam. Banerjee, West Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee's nephew, has been questioned multiple times in connection with a coal scam where he and his close associates are facing accusations of laundering 'proceeds of crime' worth Rs 1,300 crore. His wife Rujira was also questioned by the agency. The ED has collected evidence during its over three years of probe in the case, some of which allegedly links Rujira to the laundering of 'proceeds of crime' outside the country.

In the teachers' recruitment scam, the ED had seized Rs 50 crore from the premises linked with a former minister of Mamata Banerjee's cabinet.

The ED has been probing various leads and also attempts by politicians to allegedly misuse the police in derailing its money laundering investigation by lodging FIRs against officials of the central agencies, TNN

In 25% jump, Railways registers record ₹2.4L cr revenue

New Delhi: Indian Railways has registered a record Rs 2.4 lakh crore revenue in 2022-23, logging an increase of nearly 25% from the previous financial year's earnings.

On Monday, the railway ministry said during the last financial year, which ended

on March 31, freight revenue leapt from Rs 1.6 lakh crore, registering a growth of nearly 15% on previous year and the passenger revenues recorded an all-time high growth of 61% to reach Rs 63,300 crore.

"After three years, Indian

Railways is able to fully meet the pension expenditures. Buoyancy in revenues and tight expenditure management have helped in achieving an operating ratio of 98.1%, well within the target of the revised estimate," said the railway ministry. TNN

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The details of tender documents can be seen and applied through website <https://jharkhand.tenders.gov.in> only. Tender notification & Tender document can also be seen (read only purpose) from departmental website <https://jepec.jharkhand.gov.in>.

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Maha govt, oppn spar over heatstroke deaths as toll mounts to 13

Mumbai: With the death toll due to heatstroke at the Maharashtra Bhusan award ceremony mounting to 13, the state government came in for criticism across party lines. With the opposition questioning why an outdoor ceremony with several lakh people present was held at midday when temperature had risen to 38 degrees, culture minister Sudhir Mungantiwar said the event timings were suggested by social activist Appasaheb Dharmadhikari who was the recipient, report Chaitanya Marpakwar and Priyanka Kakodkar.

Leaders including Uddhav Thackeray, Supriya Sule and Raj Thackeray questioned the timing, management and choice of venue. Uddhav, who visited the patients, said he did not expect the state to conduct an inquiry while his cousin, the MNS chief, said fatalities could have been avoided if the event had been held at Raj Bhawan instead of outdoors. Countering criticism that it failed with arrangements at Kharghar, industries minister Uday Samant said preparations were made but the weather changed over two days. He said a rise in temperature to 34-36 degrees Celsius was the reason for this incident. Konkani divisional commissioner Mahendra Kalyankar has submitted a preliminary report on the incident to the culture department, which was the organiser.

"This is an unfortunate incident. Followers of Appasaheb had come there on their own and on Appasaheb's appeal. Government made arrangements for ambulances and healthcare facilities were provided... what is the government's irresponsibility?", Mungantiwar said.

Daily NH construction touched staggering 78km/day in March

New Delhi: Contrary to the earlier trend of quick announcement of achievements in construction and award of highway projects, the road transport ministry is yet to declare the data for 2022-23 even 15 days after the end of the financial year, reports Dipak Dash.

The reason: the ministry is taking its time to reconcile data on the "exceptionally high rate" of NH construction — at 78 km per day or over 2,400 km in March — which is the highest ever and almost three times more than the average daily construction during the previous 11 months. All other infrastructure ministries have released their data in the first week of this month.

TOI has learnt that the NHAI, which is primarily responsible for building wide highways has recorded highest ever construction in 2022-23, touching 5,544 km. Besides NHAI, two other wings — NHIDCL and state PWDs — also take up NH development works on behalf of the road transport ministry.

The government data show that there has been the trend of spike in NH construction in March every year. But the increase has been exceptional in the past three years. Officials said the steep increase in last month of the financial year (FY) is due to updating of the construction data of all months.

This spike in construction this March helped the government to touch approximately 10,500 km of NH construction in 2022-23 against the target of 12,000 km.

'Gunner Mohan stole Insas rifle, used it to kill 4 at military station'

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Mohan has been accused of stealing an Insas rifle and 28 rounds of ammunition — 20 Insas cartridges and eight light machine gun (LMG) bullets — on April 9. He hid the weaponry for two days and murdered his colleagues with the stolen rifle around 4.45am on April 12 when they were fast asleep in two adjoining rooms of the barracks, police said.

Mohan told investigators that he had wrapped the rifle along with one Insas and eight LMG bullets in a piece of cloth, put them in a plastic bag, and thrown the package into a sewage pit away from his unit.

The Insas and 19 spent shells were found on the day of the crime, while police later retrieved seven of the nine live rounds.

"Two rounds of LMG are still missing. His mobile phone has been sent for forensic examination and it will be looked into whether he was in touch with someone else over this," SSP Khurana said.

Covid claims 24 more deaths, positivity rate climbs to 8.4%

Vax Uptake Still Low, New Cases Likely To Increase, Says Govt

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Covid-19 claimed 24 more lives on Monday while three deaths were reconciled by states, taking the total death count to 531,141. Gujarat recorded the maximum six deaths, followed by Uttar Pradesh with four.

Delhi and Rajasthan reported three deaths each in the last 24 hours, according to health ministry data. The remaining deaths were reported from Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Kerala, Jharkhand, Himachal Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Bihar.

The country reported 9,111 fresh cases on Monday, slightly lower than Sunday's 10,093, mainly due to lower testing. The positivity rate, however, went up to 8.4%, according to health ministry data.

Despite a continuous



Doctors said the elderly and those with pre-existing illnesses must take the precautionary dose because they remain at high risk to develop severe symptoms on getting the infection

surge in cases, the uptake of Covid vaccines remains low. Only 198 doses of the vaccine were administered across the country on Sunday, according to government data. Earlier, between April 10 and April 16, only about 3,000 vaccine doses could be administered.

"There aren't many tasks for the vaccines. Also, hospitals have run out of stocks because many of the doses they had purchased from the manufacturers expired and they didn't make fresh orders," an official said, adding that renewed efforts were being made by both vaccine

manufacturing companies and hospitals to improve supplies so that the needy could get the vaccine.

Doctors said the elderly and those with pre-existing illnesses such as diabetes, heart disease and cancer must take the precautionary dose because they remain at high risk to develop severe symptoms on getting the infection.

"Most of the people getting admitted or dying due to Covid-19 in the past few weeks are either old or have co-morbidities. This is the group that requires maximum precaution," Dr Arun Gupta, president of Delhi Medical Council, said.

Currently, India has 60,313 active cases of Covid-19. Officials in the health ministry said new cases were likely to increase for about a week and then follow a downward trajectory.

TMC's Abhishek gets CBI summons hrs after SC stay

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Kolkata: Trinamool Congress national general secretary Abhishek Banerjee received here on Monday a hand-delivered CBI summons in connection with the cash-for-jobs scam three hours after the Supreme Court stayed till April 24 a Calcutta high court order directing the CBI and ED to investigate him along with Kuntal Ghosh, now in CBI custody. The CBI notice was hand-delivered to Banerjee's 188A, Harish Mukherjee Road residence at around 1.45 pm asking him to appear before a CBI superintendent at 11 am on Tuesday in connection with the stayed HC order.

CBI officials later on Monday said they would abide by the SC directive. The

Singhvi: Great respect for judiciary, but such an order shouldn't have been given

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I have great respect for the judiciary. But this kind of order should never be passed by the HC, Singhvi said.

A bench of CJ D Y Chandrachud and Justices P S Narasimha and J B Pardiwala posted Banerjee's petition for delayed hearing on April 24. "Till the next date of hearing (April 24), we stay all action against petitioner as per the April 13 order of the high court," the bench ordered, which will also shield him from any coercive action. Singhvi said the HC judge, without giving an opportunity to Banerjee to explain, took note of his speech about alleged coercive actions being taken by central agencies to implicate people in the teachers' recruitment scam and ordered them to investigate him along with Ghosh, an accused in the scam.

summons to Banerjee was issued on Sunday in accordance with the HC order, they added. People close to Banerjee, however, said they were examining legal options to initiate contempt of court proceedings.

Banerjee, after receiving the summons despite the SC order, took to Twitter.

India 'natural partner' in volatile world: UK CDS

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: India and the UK are "natural partners" in a world that is "becoming more contested and volatile", UK chief of defence staff Admiral Tony Radakin said on Monday, even as the two countries reiterated their commitment to a free, open and secure Indo-Pacific in the face of China's belligerence in the region.

"As a global trading nation it matters to the UK that the Indo-Pacific is open and free, which is why the British armed forces are establishing the broadest and most integrated presence in the region of any European nation," Ad-



General Manoj Pande with Chief of the Defence Staff of UK Admiral Tony Radakin

miral Radakin said, after meeting his Indian counterpart General Anil Chauhan, the Army and Navy chiefs and the defence secretary at South Block.

"India and the UK share many of the same democratic instincts and values, and are both committed to the rule of law.

We are respected military powers, both undergoing significant investment and modernisation, and exercising together across, land, sea and air," Admiral Radakin said. "But we can do more. I value the opportunity to meet with Gen Chauhan to discuss how we can develop our partnership in a way that benefits our mutual security and prosperity," he added.

Royal Air Force chief Air Chief Marshal Mike Wigston is also currently visiting India, which a British official said exemplifies the importance with which the UK holds its defence and security partnership with India.

India holds 100th G20 meeting under its presidency

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: The 100th G20 meeting under India's presidency, in the form of a conference of chief agricultural scientists, was held on Monday in Varanasi.

Calling it a key milestone, the government said in a statement that India's presidency had received immense support from G20 member-states and guest countries for its inclusive, ambitious, action-oriented and decisive agenda.

"Guided by the principle of 'One Earth, One Family, One Future' and in line with our ethos of 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam', India's G20 presidency has worked to further global good and create a better planet," tweeted PM Narendra Modi on the occasion.

According to the government, the wide-ranging, large-scale and enthusiastic participation in India's G20 meetings was a testimony to the members and invitees coming together under India's presidency to collectively address contemporary global challenges.

India's presidency is likely to see more than 200 G20 meetings spread across 60 cities, out of which 41 have been covered so far. A meeting of the tourism working group will be held in Srinagar next month. Official sources said they expected all member-states to participate in the meeting. On whether or not Ukraine President Volodymyr Zelensky will be invited to the G20 summit in September, they said India hasn't made any change to the guest list announced earlier for the summit.

"In-person participation during India's G20 Presidency is among the largest ever. Over 12,200 delegates, from over 130 nationalities have attended G20-related meetings so far," said the government in its statement. The events held so far have included two meetings of the finance ministers and another meeting of the foreign ministers.

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S N	Name of Work	Bid Identification No.	Estimated Cost (Rs. in Lakh)	Period of Completion	Revised Date for Availability of Bid Document for Online Bidding
1.	IMPROVEMENT OF WATER SUPPLY TO BANAPUR N.A.C. under AMRUT 2.0	EICPH-01/2023-24	829.89	12 (Twelve) Months	11.00 Hrs. of 19.04.2023 to 17.00 Hrs. of 10.05.2023
2.	IMPROVEMENT OF WATER SUPPLY TO BALUGAON N.A.C. under AMRUT 2.0	EICPH-02/2023-24	943.03	12 (Twelve) Months	11.00 Hrs. of 19.04.2023 to 17.00 Hrs. of 10.05.2023

All other terms & conditions of the Invitation for Bids & Tender remains unaltered.

Sd/-
ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF (PH)
OIPR-13068/11/0005/23-24

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GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF (CIVIL), ODISHA
NIRMAN SOUDHA, UNIT-V, BHUBANESWAR
INVITATIONS FOR BIDS (IFB)
File No-B-1-Tourism-04/2022
Lr. No. 16069 / Bhubaneswar, dtd. 13th Apr., 2023

Invitation for Bids
1st Corrigendum
Tender Reference No. OSD CE (B) - 64 / 2022-23
Name of the Work - Integrated Development of Bhitarkanika National Park in the District of Kendrapada in Turnkey Basis in the state of Odisha.

Bid documents can be seen / downloaded from the Govt. Website i.e. www.tendersorissa.gov.in during the period dt. 25.04.2023 to 17.00 hours of dt. 16.05.2023 instead of dt. 13.04.2023 to 17.30 Hours of dt. 03.05.2023 for ONLINE BIDDING respectively.

- A pre-bid meeting shall be held on dt. 08.05.2023 at 11:00 AM at the Conference Hall of Office of the OSD-Chief Engineer (Buildings), Odisha, Nirman South, Unit-V, Bhubaneswar instead of dt. 24.04.2023
- Online bids shall be received till 17.30 Hours of dt. 16.05.2023 instead of dt. 03.05.2023.
- Hardcopy shall be received on or before dt. 24.05.2023 up to 17.30 Hours by this office instead of dt. 11.05.2023.
- The technical bids will be opened at 11.30 A.M. of dt. 25.05.2023 instead of dt. 12.05.2023.

All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

Sd/-
OSD-Chief Engineer (Buildings)
Odisha, Bhubaneswar
OIPR-34117/11/0006/23-24

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GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER
MINOR IRRIGATION DIVISION, KEONJHAR
NOTICE INVITING TENDER e-Procurement
Bid ID No. 01 SEMID (KJR/ 2022-2023) Dt. 11.04.2023

The Superintending Engineer, Minor Irrigation Division, Keonjhar on behalf of the Governor of Odisha invites online percentage rate tender through "e" procurement to be received in online mode for the works as detailed in the Annexure to this bid notice.

Name of work : Civil Construction works
No. of Works : 3 (Three) Nos.
Estimated Cost : Rs. 237.37 Lakhs
Tender Paper Cost : Mentioned in Column No. 6 of Tender call notice
Period of completion : 11 (Eleven) calendar months
Availability of Bid Documents : From 21.04.2023 to 01.05.2023 during office hours in Website (www.tendersorissa.gov.in)
Period of receipt of Bid through online : From 21.04.2023 to 01.05.2023 through online.
Date of Opening of Technical Bid Documents : At 11.00 A.M. on 02.05.2023 the office chamber of the Superintending Engineer, M.I. Division, Keonjhar
Date of Opening of Financial Bid Documents : At 11.00 A.M. on 06.05.2023 in the office chamber of the Superintending Engineer, M.I. Division, Keonjhar
Date of Lottery : At 10.00 A.M. on 10.05.2023 in the office chamber of the Superintending Engineer, M.I. Division, Keonjhar
Digital Signature Certificate of Bidder : The bidder must possess compatible digital signature certificate (DSC) of Class-II or Class-III
Name and Address of the OIT : Superintending Engineer, M.I. Division, Keonjhar, Near Parkline Keonjhar, At/Po-Keonjhar, Dist-Keonjhar Pin-758001.
E-Mail ID-semkjr@yahoo.co.in
Further Details can be seen from the web site: www.tendersorissa.gov.in

Sd/-
(Er. Sudhansu Sekhar Sahoo)
Superintending Engineer
M.I. Division, Keonjhar
OIPR-32123/11/0001/23-24

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DIRECTORATE OF AGRICULTURE & FOOD PRODUCTION, ODISHA
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
SELECTION OF STATE LEVEL SUPPORT AGENCY FOR PROMOTION OF INDIGENOUS AROMATIC & NON AROMATIC PADDY WITH EXPORT POTENTIAL/LOCAL MARKET

RFP No. 13837 Dated 17/04/2023 : The Director of Agriculture & Food Production, Odisha, Bhubaneswar of Department of Agriculture & Farmers' Empowerment, Odisha invites sealed RFP proposal from eligible bidders for Selection of State Level Support Agency for Promotion of Indigenous Aromatic and Non-aromatic paddy with Export potential/ Local market in the State of Odisha.

The detailed RFP document can be downloaded from the website: agrisnetodisha.ori.nic.in/agriodisha.nic.in.

The proposal complete in all respect must reach by Speed Post/ Registered Post to The Director of Agriculture & Food Production, Krushi Bhawan, Gopabandhu Marg, Bhubaneswar, Odisha PIN-751001 latest by 08/05/2023 up to 4:30 PM.

The proposals received beyond the scheduled last date & time will be rejected outright. The Director of Agriculture & Food Production, Odisha, Bhubaneswar reserves the right to reject any/all proposals without assigning any reason thereof.

Sd/-
Director of Agriculture & Food Production, Odisha
OIPR-01102/11/0005/23-24

GOVERNMENT OF BIHAR
ROAD CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT
Office of the Executive Engineer, Road Division No-1, Gaya.
DETAILED NOTICE INVITING TENDER
(through e-procurement mode only-eproc2.bihar.gov.in)
CORRIGENDUM No-03, Dated- 12.04.2023
NITNo-15/RCD/Gaya/2022-23
(PR- 13282 (RCD), 2022-23,
Corrigendum - 01, PR No - 14562 (RCD), 2022-23
Corrigendum - 02, PR No - 16533 (RCD), 2022-23

- Designation and Address of the Advertiser : Executive Engineer, Road Construction Department, Road Division No-1, Gaya.
- Date of issue of Notice Inviting Tender : 10.01.2023
- Start Date & Time for Uploading Tender : From 15.05.2023 from 10.00Hours (From Website : eproc2.bihar.gov.in)
- Last Date & Time for Uploading Tender : Upto 29.05.2023 till time 15.00Hours (From Website : eproc2.bihar.gov.in)
- Date, Time & Place of Pre-Bid Meeting : On 22.05.2023 at 11.00 Hours in the Office of the Chief Engineer, South, R.C.D, Chajju Bagh, Patna.800001
- Last date time and place for submission of : On 30.05.2023 till 15.00 Hours or next working day of last date of uploading of tender.
Original instrument of EMD and cost of BOQ
Place : Office of the (i) Executive Engineer, Road Division No-1, Gaya Or (ii) Superintending Engineer, Magadh Road Circle, Gaya. Or (iii) Chief Engineer, South, R.C.D, Chajju Bagh, Patna. 800001 (Saturday office closed)
- Date, time & Place of opening of Technical Bid : After 15:30 hours on 30.05.2023 from website : eproc2.bihar.gov.in

For further details please visit website www.state.bihar.gov.in/prdbihar

Executive Engineer,
R.C.D. Road Division No-1,
Gaya
PR. No. 000596 (RCD) 2023-24

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इससे संबंधित शिकायत इस नंबर पर दर्ज कराये, आपकी जानकारी के लिये रखी जायेगी।
टोल फ्री नं- 15545 या 1800 345 6268

GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA TENDER NOTICE

SR. NO.	NAME OF BOARD CORP./AUTH.	NAME OF WORK NOTICE TENDER	OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE	AMOUNT / END (APPROX.) IN RUPEES	WEBSITE OF THE BOARD CORP./AUTH.	NODAL OFFICER/CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL
1.	GHSA GURUGRAM	PROVIDING SERVICES OF RAMP DRIVER (ROUND THE CLOCK) FOR OPERATOR AND MAINTENANCE OF PUMP AND D.G. SET INCLUDING REPAIRING / REVENUEING OF 50 HP AND 25 HP SERVICE SUBMERSIBLE PUMP, PUMP, PUMP, STARTER AND SERVICES OF D.G. SET FOR CONTINUOUS ALARM IN SHANGRI LA HOTEL, DISTRICT GURUGRAM, HARYANA FOR ONE YEAR. THE DETAILS ARE AVAILABLE IN: www.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	11.04.2023 20.04.2023	21.40 LACS	http://www.gmds.gov.in	706327987 info@ghsa.gurugram.gov.in

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION KINDLY VISIT : www.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in or www.etenders.hry.nic.in RD 17122

GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA TENDER NOTICE

SR. NO.	NAME OF BOARD CORP./AUTH.	NAME OF WORK NOTICE TENDER	OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE	AMOUNT / END (APPROX.) IN RUPEES	WEBSITE OF THE BOARD CORP./AUTH.	NODAL OFFICER/CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL
1.	HAED	SHORT TERM E-TENDERS NOTICE FOR INVITING PROFESSIONAL EXPERTISED SERVICE PROVIDER CONTRACTOR TIME FOR OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF HAND TURNERS, POWERS, TURNERS, OIL, SPICES PLANT AND 100 HP COLD STORE AT KANAUJ, DISTRICT KANUNJ, HARYANA FOR ONE YEAR. THE DETAILS ARE AVAILABLE IN: www.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	CLOSING DATE 28.04.2023	50000/-	www.haid.gov.in	9172289552 haed@hry.nic.in

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION KINDLY VISIT : www.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in or www.etenders.hry.nic.in RD 17128

Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX AT MATRA
Phone No. 01908-266649 (e-mail: pedrambran-rmb@jg.gov.in)

NOTICE INVITING TENDERS
e-NIT No. 10 of 2023-24 Dated 10-04-2023

For and on behalf of the U.T. Governor, J&K Union Territory e-tenders are invited on percentage rate basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with Union Territory of J&K (CPWD) / BIRD (Railways) MES and other State Central Government for the following works including their maintenance for five years.

No.	Name of Work	Advertisement cost (Rs. in Lacs)	Maintenance Part	Total cost of Work	Cost of Tender Doc. (in Rs.)	Earnest Money (in Rs.)	Time allowed for completion	Time & Date of Opening of tender	Class of Contractor
1	Construction of Link Road from Rajgarh Road to Kunda via Revenue Village Dewel, Changri, Batta and Dhanwan Kms 17.4 Km 2" (Under NABARD SEER - 2019)	262.92	26.30	289.22	6000	02% of Adv. Cost	12 Months	20-04-2023 at 12.00 A.M	"A" Class

Head of Account : NABARD
Position of Account : Yes
Position of TS : Yes
Division : Ramban

The Bidding documents consist of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the departmental website <http://jktenders.gov.in> as per below schedule:-

- Date of issue of Tender Notice : 10-04-2023
- Period of downloading of bidding documents : From 11-04-2023, 1000 Hrs to 19-04-2023, 1600 Hrs
- Date, Time and place of pre-bid meeting : 14-04-2023 at 1200 hours in the Office of the Superintending Engineer PW (R&B) Circle Doda
- Bid submission Start Date : 11-04-2023 From 1000 Hrs
- Bid Submission End Date : 19-04-2023 up to 1600 Hrs
- Date & Time of opening of Technical Bids (Online) : 20-04-2023 at 1200 hours in the Office of the Superintending Engineer PW (R&B) Circle Doda
- Date & Time of opening of Financial Bids (Online) : To be notified after technical bid evaluation is completed.

No. - 688-95
Dated 10/04/2023
OIP No-D&R-42823

Sd/-
(Er. Abhishek Gupta)
Executive Engineer, PWD (R&B) Division, Ramban.



Three mining officials injured in attack by sand mafia in Patna; 44 arrested

At least three mining department officials were injured in alleged attack by a group of antisocial elements involved in illegal sand mining in Patna's Bihla block on Monday. Several constables also got injured in the attack, the police said, reports Faryal Rumi. The police arrested 44 people and seized 50 vehicles after registering three FIRs in this connection. Patna SSP Rajiv Mishra said the attack took place around 2.30pm at Parev village, when the team of district mining department had gone to check the overloading of trucks and illegal sand mining in the area.

Pilot ups ante, fires fresh salvo at Gehlot

‘Govt Failing People Who Voted For Us’

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Jaipur: Former Rajasthan deputy CM Sachin Pilot ratcheted up Monday his demand that the state government investigate alleged corruption cases from the tenure of ex-CM Vasundhara Raje of BJP—a call that has unwrapped Congress's festering internal rivalry, with him on one side and CM Ashok Gehlot on the other.

He said at an event in Khetri of Jhunjhunu district that the Gehlot government hadn't acted on the election promise of investigating corruption cases of the previous government. He asked: "What face will we show the public while seeking votes now?"

Pilot did a daylong protest fast in Jaipur on April 10 to press his own government to initiate probe into the corruption charges. "I have done it with grace without raising a finger at anyone after writing to act on the promise a year back. But about a week has passed, no action has been taken," he said.

Pilot said it is the duty of Congress to provide a clean government, but by not conducting an inquiry into the corruption cases, the government is failing the people who voted the party on the back of "promises made when we went from village to village seeking votes".

With the former state Congress president firing fresh salvos at 71-year-old rival Gehlot, speculation swirled that the party could either take a tough decision against him or try to mollify him. There were reports that former Madhya Pradesh CM Kamal Nath could be deputed to resolve the dispute, but Congress's Rajasthan in-charge Sukhjinder Singh Randhawa denied any such move.

Many in the party have come out in support of Pilot. Congress's Gujarat in-charge Raghu Sharma justified Pilot's demand, saying: "Under the leadership of Pilot (when he was PCC president), we contested the elections together and formed the government...the biggest issue was that of the previous BJP government's corruption."

Pilot loyalist and MLA, Rakesh Pareek, called for unity: "No one can stop the Congress from returning to office in Rajasthan if the party high command brings together Ashok Gehlot and Sachin Pilot."

India is united: Rajnath takes dig at Rahul's Bharat Jodo

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Rajkot: India is "united and indestructible," defence minister **Rajnath Singh** said Monday while taking a dig at disqualified Congress MP Rahul Gandhi's Bharat Jodo Yatra.

"You all are aware of border security, economic security, social security, and food security. Now new dimensions like space and cyber security have also been added. Another dimension of security, that of our culture, is equally important," Singh said, addressing the inaugural event of the "Saurashtra-Tamil Sangamam" in temple town Somnath.

"India's cultural tradition is so strong that even the strongest tempest cannot shake it. But there is a fashion to connect such a united, unbreakable and unique India. Those who are not able to do anything else go out to connect India, but India is saying that 'I am unbroken, I am not broken,' but they say, no, I will keep connecting you," Singh said, alluding to Gandhi's 4,000km walk from Kanyakumari to Kashmir that concluded on January 30.

Referring to the construction of the Ram temple in Ayodhya, Singh said: "Several generations were lost wondering whether the Ram Mandir will be constructed...but it was under Modi's leadership the construction of temple was finally undertaken," he said.

With PTI inputs

**NORTHERN RAILWAY**
OPEN TENDER NOTICE



NO: 128-W/Sr.DEN-CINIT-12-A, 12-B, 12-C-22-23-WC Date:-17.04.2023

The Sr. Divisional Engineer/C, Northern Railway, DRM Office, Delhi Division, State Entry Road, New Delhi-110055, for and on behalf of the President of India invites sealed open electronic-tenders for under noted work :-

S. No.	Name of work	Approximate Cost of work	Earnest Money to be deposited	Completion Period	Date of Opening
1	Supplying, stacking & loading of 27000 cum, 65 mm gauge stone ballast (machine crushed) into Railway Wagons at ballast sub depot 1 at TKD. (Cost is inclusive of all taxes)	Rs. 3,31,48,440/-	Rs. 3,15,800/-	10 Months.	09.05.2023
2	Supplying, stacking & loading of 27386.9 cum, 65 mm gauge stone ballast (machine crushed) into Railway Wagons at ballast sub depot 2 at TKD. (Cost is inclusive of all taxes)	Rs. 3,36,23,444.87	Rs. 3,18,100/-	10 Months.	09.05.2023
3	Balance work of Supplying, stacking & loading of 25343.72 cum, 65 mm gauge stone ballast (machine crushed) into Railway Wagons at ballast sub depot 3 at SSB. (Cost is inclusive of all taxes)	Rs. 3,26,59,945.09	Rs. 3,13,300/-	10 Months.	09.05.2023

Note:- The e-tender is to be submit through railway website 'www.ireps.gov.in'. The tenders can be submit on website Up to 15.00 hrs. on 09.05.2023 and shall be opened there after.

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E-mail:- Jr@diat.ac.in

ADMISSION NOTICE: POST GRADUATE PROGRAMMES – 2023

Defence Institute of Advanced Technology is an autonomous organization, fully funded by the Department of Defence Research & Development, Ministry of Defence established with the objective of imparting Post Graduate Education in Engineering and Applied Sciences on thrust area relevant to Defence, Industries, R&D and to conduct research in the Core areas of Defence Technologies.

DIAT invites applications for the M.Tech Programmes under self-financed category in Engineering and Applied Sciences Departments. Details of Branches/Programmes, application forms and other terms and conditions are available at website www.diat.ac.in

Aspiring candidates may send the application on or before **17/05/2023** through email to mtech_admissions@diat.ac.in in the prescribed format available on DIAT website.

DIAT M.Tech Admissions under Scholarship category will be carried out through CCMT, 2023 portal when it will be activated.

**SWAMI VIVEKANAND NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF REHABILITATION TRAINING AND RESEARCH (SVNIRTAR)**
Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)
(Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India)
OLATPUR, PO - BAIROI, DIST - CUTTACK (ODISHA) - 754010
Tel: 0671-2805347, Fax:0671-2805862,
Mob: 09438568953, 09937755426 (within working hours)
Email: dasvnirtar@gmail.com, Website: <https://www.svnirtar.nic.in>



ADMISSION NOTICE

Applications (Online) are invited from the eligible candidates on prescribed form to appear Post Graduate Entrance Test (PGET-2023) for admission into following courses:

Name of Course	Eligibility
Master of Physiotherapy (MPT)	Pass in BPT / B.Sc. PT Course
Master of Occupational Therapy (MOT)	Pass in BOT / B.Sc. OT Course
Master in Prosthetics & Orthotics (MPO)	Pass in BPO / B.Sc. PO Course or equivalent

IMPORTANT DATES

Starting of online publication of Application forms:	18.04.2023
Closing date for receive Application form through online only:	23.06.2023 (11.59 PM)
Post Graduate Entrance Test:	06.08.2023 (Sunday)

For more details log on to <https://admission.svnirtar.nic.in>

For admission into Bachelor of Physiotherapy (BPT), Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (BOT) and Bachelor in Prosthetics & Orthotics (BPO) Courses at SVNIRTAR, please visit NILD website <https://nildcet.admissions.net.in>.

Sd/-Chairman
PGET-2023

**National Internet Exchange of India**
B-wing, 9th Floor, Statesman House, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi-110 001



Subject: Manager (Sales & Marketing)

NIXI is a not for profit Organization under section 8 and was registered on 19th June, 2003. NIXI was set up for peering of ISPs among themselves for the purpose of routing the domestic traffic within the country.

National Internet Exchange of India (NIXI) is looking for a dynamic officer who can handle complete sales & marketing, planning, processing & implementation along with various agencies appointed for the purpose.

NIXI is operating in four business domains, namely, Internet Exchange, cTLD/IDN (.in/.ni/.nl), National Internet Registry (IPv4/IPv6 Delegation), NIXI CSC Data Services Limited (Data Center Services) and Certifying Authority (issue of various digital services).

Company is dealing with various partners which are 200 in number for .in/.ni and in 100s for internet exchange & NIXI. The number of partners are likely to be increased.

Marketing domains like social media, public relation, design of creatives, getting audio-visual developed, getting creatives, printing in various medias like Newspaper, Magazine, Radio, Social Media etc. are required.

A dynamic go-getter and person who can undertake the responsibility as a leader in above areas is required loaded with MBA (Marketing) and with at least 10 years' experience is required.

No salary restriction for a deserving candidates. Candidates who are ready to take challenge may apply at recruitment@nixi.in with full details about their personal details, academic qualifications, professional degrees, experience and the salary drawn at present (with a proof) latest by **24th April, 2023**. Shortlisted candidates may be called for interview either on **25th or 26th April, 2023**.

(Anil Kumar Jain)
CEO, NIXI

**बिहार सरकार**
कला, संस्कृति एवं युवा विभाग



सूचना

भारतीय खेल प्राधिकरण द्वारा Vertical Talent Search and Development और राष्ट्रीय / क्षेत्रीय / राज्य स्पोर्ट्स एकेडमी की सहायता हेतु युवा कार्यक्रम एवं खेल मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार की खेलो इण्डिया योजना के तहत हर राज्य में Accreditation Centres की स्थापना करने का निर्णय लिया गया है, जिसमें कुल 20 खेल विधाओं यथा-तीरंदाजी, एथलेटिक्स, बैडमिंटन, बार्स्केटबॉल, मुक्केबाजी, साईकिलिंग, तलवारबाजी, फुटबॉल, जिमनास्टिक, हॉकी, जूडो, खो-खो, कबड्डी, रोइंग, निशानेबाजी, तैराकी, टेबल टेनिस, वॉलीबॉल, भारोत्तोलन एवं कुश्ती में राज्य के विभिन्न निजी स्पोर्ट्स एकेडमी में Accreditation Centres की स्थापना हेतु Expression of Interest विहित प्रारंभ Annexure-1 to 12 मूल रूप में भरकर संबंधित एकेडमी द्वारा कला, संस्कृति एवं युवा विभाग को उपलब्ध कराया जा सकता है। जिसे अर्पित करवाई हेतु युवा कार्यक्रम एवं खेल मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार को भेजा जायेगा।

अधिक जानकारी हेतु विभाग के वेबसाइट <https://state.bihar.gov.in/yac/> पर जाकर Accreditation Centre की स्थापना से संबंधित Expression of Interest for Accreditation of Academies लिंक पर देखा जा सकता है। जिसमें Annexure-1 to 12 भी उपलब्ध है।

PR- 00724 (ART) 2023-24 (सुषमा कुमारी)
नरो से बनानी दूरी है, क्योंकि परिवार जरूरी है विशेष कार्य पदाधिकारी

**Govt. of Bihar**



North Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited

(Regd. Office: Vidut Bhawan, Bailey Road, Patna)
CIN No. U40109BR2012560018920
Website: www.nbpdc.co.in E-mail: rdssit.bihar@gmail.com
NIT No. :-18/PR/NBPDC/2023

North Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited (NBPDC), a Government of Bihar Undertaking, invites Request for Proposal "Selection of System Integrator (ERPS) for Supply, Installation, Commissioning, Implementation and Support for Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) System at South Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited (SBPDCL) and North Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited (NBPDC)". Online bid from eligible and experienced firms, companies, partnership firms, government owned or private registered company who have necessary experience are welcome.

S. No.	Particulars	Estimated Value	E.M.D. (INR)	Cost of RFP Document
1.	Request for Proposal for "Selection of System Integrator (ERPS) for Supply, Installation, Commissioning, Implementation and Support for Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) System at South Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited (SBPDCL) and North Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited (NBPDC)"	Rs.151.53/- Crores (Including GST)	Rs.1,61,53,070/-	Rs. 23,600/- Only(Including GST)

Period of Sale / Download of RFP document From 27/04/2023 to 22/05/2023 (up to 18:00 Hrs.) through the website <https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in>

Cost of Tender document On payment of Rs 20000 (Rupees Twenty Thousand only) + 18% GST through Online mode at the e-procurement portal <https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in>

Last Date of Submission of bid in soft-copy on e-procurement portal <https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in> Up to 22/05/2023 (up to 18:00 Hrs)

Bid Security (Earnest Money Deposit) Rs. 1,61,53,070/- only in the form of Bank Guarantee in favour of "Senior Manager (F&A), North Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited"

Date of Pre-Bid Meeting 04/05/2023 at 15:00 Hrs. at Vidut Bhawan, Bailey Road, Patna, Bihar-800021. Contact person/Meeting coordinator: CE (Commercial), NBPDC.

Date of Pre-qualification & Technical Bid Opening 24/05/2023 after 15:00 Hrs.

Date of opening of Price Part: To be notified on <https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in> after Evaluation of Pre-qualification & Technical Bids

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शुद्धि-पत्र

एतद् द्वारा सूचित किया जाता है कि इस कार्यालय का पत्रांक-344 अणु दिनांक-28.02.2023 द्वारा ईओ-निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना संख्या-05(SBD) 2022-23, जिसका पौ आर नं०-16126 (BCD) 2022-23 को दैनिक समाचार पत्रों में दिनांक-10.03.2023 को प्रकाशित हुआ है, इस कार्यालय के पत्रांक-494 अणु दिनांक-20.03.2023 के द्वारा प्रकाशित शुद्धि-पत्र जिसका पौआर संख्या-17072 (BCD) 2022-23 को दैनिक समाचार पत्रों में दिनांक-25.03.2023 को प्रकाशित हुआ है, अपरिहार्य कारणवश इसका अवधि विस्तार किया जाता है, जो इस प्रकार है:-


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
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2.	प्रौ-बीड मीटिंग की तिथि, समय एवं स्थान	1- दिनांक-27.03.2023 को अपरान्ह 3:00 बजे अखीरम अभियन्ता, भवन अंशक, आरा के कार्यालय कम में। 2-दिनांक-05.04.2023 को अपरान्ह 3:00 बजे मुख्य अभियन्ता (पौ) भवन निर्माण विभाग, बिहार, पटना के कार्यालय कम में।	1- दिनांक-28.04.2023 को अपरान्ह 3:00 बजे अखीरम अभियन्ता, भवन अंशक, आरा के कार्यालय कम में। 2-दिनांक-04.05.2023 को अपरान्ह 3:00 बजे मुख्य अभियन्ता (पौ) भवन निर्माण विभाग, बिहार, पटना के कार्यालय कम में।
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बिहार में हासव का व्यापार, विक्री एवं सेवन अथवा हे। संबंधित शिकायत इस नंबर पर दर्ज करवये। आपकी जानकारी गुप्त रखी जाएगी।
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**Office of The Chief Engineer (Bhopal Zone) P.W.D. Bhopal (M.P.)**



Tender Notice

NIT No. 17/ G. /1/Mis/C.Z./2019 (Year 2023) Bhopal, Date 11-04-2023

Online Tender for mentioned below are being invited. The Tender have been uploaded on the e-Procurement system of Public Works Department on the Portal <https://mptenders.gov.in> Tender details are as below :-

S. No.	Tender No.	District	Nature of work	Name of work	Call No.	Cost of Project (PAC) (Rs. In lack)	Remarks
1	2023_PWD08_262034_1	Bhopal (Mn. Dn. Bhopal 2)	PLAN	Widening & Upgradation of Road from Length to Military area Road length 3.950 Km. & Electrification work	1st call	1349.34	EMD/All Document are to be submitted online only.
Total						1349.34	

The document can only be purchased online from the above website after making online payment. The last date & time for purchase of Document on line is Dated 26-04-23 up to (17:30.) Detailed NIT and other details can be viewed on the above mentioned portal. Amendments to NTT, if any, would be published on website only, and not in newspaper.

कोरोना में सावधानी इटी, समझो दूरटना घटी। G-11576/23 Chief Engineer (Capital Zone) P.W.D.Bhopal Madhya Pradesh

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Road Construction Department

Office of the Executive Engineer, RCD, Road Division, Darbhanga.
SBD BASED DETAILED INVITING NOTICE TENDER
(through e-procurement mode only- <https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in>)
(Only e-tendering system through website : <https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in>)
NIT No.:- RCD/DBG/01/2023-24

- Designation and Address of the Advertiser : Executive Engineer, RCD, Road Division, Darbhanga, 12.04.2023
From 04.05.2023 to 11.05.2023 up to 15:00 hours From Website:- <https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in>
Date 08.05.2023 at 11 hours at the office of the Chief Engineer, North, Road Construction Department, Bihar, Patna.
- Date, Time & Place of Pre Bid meeting :
Date 04.05.2023 to 11.05.2023 till time 15:00 Hours on <https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in>
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Date 04.05.2023 to 11.05.2023 till time 15:00 Hours on <https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in>
- Last Date time and place for submission of Original instrument of EMD and cost of BOQ + processing fees(in case of manual mode only) : Till 15:00 hrs. on 12.05.2023 or next working day of last date of uploading of tender document by the bidders as stated in above serial-5
Place: Office of the –
(i) Executive Engineer, RCD, Road Division, Darbhanga, Or,
(ii) Superintendent Engineer, RCD, Road Circle, Darbhanga, Or,
(iii) Chief Engineer, North, Road Construction Department, Bihar, Patna.
Date 13.05.2023, Time- 15:30 hours or next working day of last date of uploading of tender document by the bidders as stated in above serial-5
Place: On Website - <https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in>
- Date, time & Place of opening of Technical Bid:
Date 13.05.2023, Time- 15:30 hours or next working day of last date of uploading of tender document by the bidders as stated in above serial-5
Place: On Website - <https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in>

Bid No.	Name of Work	Estimated Cost/ECV (Rs. in Lack)	Amount of Earnest money (Rs. in Lack) Online/offline mode	Cost of BOQ in Rs. Payment through online mode only (Non Refundable)	Time of Completion (including monsoon period) if any	
1.	W/S work of Mahatma Gandhi College to Alinagar PWD Road, Kharga chowk Sahni Chowk via, Parmeshwar Chowk to Bela Durga Mandir, PWD Road, north of PTC Chahardiwari to Railway line and Parmeshwar Chowk to Polytechnic More PWD Road (Total Length 2.20 km) under RCD, Road Division, Darbhanga For the year 2022-23	1208.134	22.082	10000.0	5900.00	10 Months
2.	W/S of PWD L.N. Mishra Road vairolaiya Niwas to Dakshin Nagar Thana L N Mishra PWD Road via Parwa Gaddi, Naka No. 04, Kela gaddi, Shivaji Chowk & Mashraf Bazar chowk Shivaji Chowk to Gami Departmental Store (Near PWD Road) via North of Doctor Rambabu khetan, under RCD, Road Division, Darbhanga For the year 2022-23 (Total length 1.55 km)	910.095	18.202	10000.0	5900.00	09 Months
3.	W/S work of Museum Gumati VIP Road to J.P. Chowk via Gyan Bharti Public School Vidyapati Chowk- Gyan Niketan Public School -West Laxmisagar Durga Mandir to Gas Godam Chowk to Vidyapati Chowk-west over bridge Railway crossing (Near PWD over bridge) (Total Length-1.730 km) under RCD, Road Division, Darbhanga For the year 2022-23	968.991	19.38	10000.0	5900.00	09 Months
4.	W/S work of Darbhanga Tower to Bhagat Singh Chowk, Pansari Petrol Pump to Mirzapur chowk, Darbhanga Tower to Raja Babu Petrol Pump, Hasan Chowk, Lalbagh Post Office, PWD Road NCC to Bhogendra Jha Chowk PWD Milan Point, Lalbagh Post office to Pansari Petrol Pump, Bhagat Singh Chowk to CM Science College, PWD main gate to east Mushashah School, behind of nagar Nigam via. Marwari school to PWD L.N. Mishra road (Total Length-2.70 km) under RCD, Road Division, Darbhanga For the year 2022-23	1422.666	24.227	10000.0	5900.00	10 Months
9.	Date, Time & Place of opening of Financial Bid : Place on website- https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in	Date 20.05.2023 Time 15:30 hours				
10.	Project scope & work To undertake (1) W/S work of Mahatma Gandhi College to Alinagar PWD Road, Kharga chowk Sahni Chowk via, Parmeshwar Chowk to Bela Durga Mandir, PWD Road, north of PTC Chahardiwari to Railway line and Parmeshwar Chowk to Polytechnic More PWD Road (Total Length 2.20 km) under RCD, Road Division, Darbhanga For the year 2022-23 (2) W/S of PWD L.N. Mishra Road vairolaiya Niwas to Dakshin Nagar Thana L N Mishra PWD Road via Parwa Gaddi, Naka No. 04, Kela gaddi, Shivaji Chowk & Mashraf Bazar chowk Shivaji Chowk to Gami Departmental Store (Near PWD Road) via North of Doctor Rambabu khetan, under RCD, Road Division, Darbhanga For the year 2022-23 (Total length 1.55 km) (3) W/S work of Museum Gumati VIP Road to J.P. Chowk via Gyan Bharti Public School Vidyapati Chowk- Gyan Niketan Public School -West Laxmisagar Durga Mandir to Gas Godam Chowk to Vidyapati Chowk- west over bridge Railway crossing (Near PWD over bridge) (Total Length-1.730 km) under RCD, Road Division, Darbhanga For the year 2022-23 (4) W/S work of Darbhanga Tower Bhagat Singh Chowk, Pansari Petrol Pump to Mirzapur chowk, Darbhanga Tower to Raja Babu Petrol Pump, Hasan Chowk, Lalbagh Post Office, PWD Road NCC to Bhogendra Jha Chowk PWD Milan Point, Lalbagh Post office to Pansari Petrol Pump, Bhagat Singh Chowk to CM Science College, PWD main gate to east Mushashah School, behind of nagar Nigam via. Marwari School to PWD L.N. Mishra road (Total Length-2.70 km) under RCD, Road Division, Darbhanga For the year 2022-23.					
11.	Bid validity : 120 Days after opening date of Bid.					
12.	Any contractor registered with the central Government/ Any state Government or any PSU or an agency of international or national repute may participate in the tender but registration with the Road Construction Department, Bihar will be essential after issue of LOA and before executing the Agreement.					
13.	Detailed NIT can be seen on website "State.bihar.gov.in/prdbihar" or https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in or on the notice board of the office of the undersigned. NOTE :- The estimated cost may increase/decrease and accordingly Earnest Money will vary.					

Executive Engineer,
R.C.D., Road Division, Darbhanga.
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Shettar joins Cong, says 2-3 people ruining BJP in K'taka

2nd Lingayat Face To Leave BJP In Less Than A Week

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Bengaluru: Former Karnataka CM and six-time BJP MLA Jagadish Shettar joined Congress Monday, ending his three-decade-old ties with BJP and the Sangh Parivar and dealing a blow to the governing party ahead of the May 10 assembly elections.

After former deputy CM Laxman Savadi, Shettar is the second prominent Lingayat face from North Karnataka to leave BJP in less than a week.

Irreparable differences cropped up between Shettar and BJP after he was denied a ticket to contest the Hubballi-Dharwad Central constituency that he has won six times consecutively since 1994.

He will contest as a Congress candidate from Hubballi-Dharwad Central, announce-



Former Karnataka CM Shettar will contest as a Congress candidate from Hubballi-Dharwad Central

ing that he will file his nominations on April 19 and hold a public rally in Hubballi.

The 67-year-old Shettar alleged a conspiracy to throw him out of BJP and blamed "two-three people" for it. "They are ruining the party in Karnataka by keeping Narendra Modi and Amit Shah



in the dark about the happenings in the state unit. Seniors who built the party are being humiliated," he said, blaming CM Basavaraj Bommai, Union minister Pralhad

Joshi, and BJP national organising secretary BL Santosh without naming them.

AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge welcomed Shettar into the Congress fold along with the party's Karnataka chief DK Shivakumar and ex-CM Siddaramaiah. "Shettar's entry will boost the party's enthusiasm. He wins on his own strength and is capable of winning more seats for us. He will help the party win 150 seats in Karnataka this time," Kharge said.

Shivakumar handed over the 'B' form to Shettar to contest as a Congress candidate from Hubballi-Dharwad Central seat. Addressing a press conference at the Congress office, Shettar said like BJP seniors BS Yediyurappa and the late Ananth Kumar, he too had built the party in North Karnataka. "After Yediyurappa retired from electoral politics, I was the senior-most, and in terms of community leadership too, I came next. It was a conspiracy hatched systematically; if I became an MLA again, I would be in the race for the top job, and so was thrown out," Shettar alleged.

BJP releases 3rd list, names candidate to take on Shettar

Bengaluru: BJP sprang a few surprises in its third list of 10 candidates, including for Hubballi-Dharwad Central, represented by former CM Jagadish Shettar who joined Congress hours before the list was announced on Monday.

BJP picked Mahesh Tenginakal, state BJP general secretary, as Shettar's opponent in the May 10 polls. The party now must announce candidates for only two seats: Shivamogga City and Manvi in Raichur.

SA Ramadas, three-time MLA from Krishnaraja seat in Mysuru, was denied a ticket although only months ago he and PM Modi had displayed a bonhomie that was the envy of many when the two met during a public event. Ramadas has been replaced by Srivatsa.

In Mahadevapura, Bengaluru, BJP has replaced sitting MLA Aravind Limbavali with his wife Manjula. Limbavali was facing strong anti-incumbency. Sitting MLAs Rajkumar Patil and Kalakappa Bandi were handed tickets from Sedam in Kalaburagi district and Ron in Gadag district, respectively, although the party had said survey did not favour them. For Koppal seat, the party has given a ticket to Manjula Amaresh, daughter-in-law of sitting MP Sanganna Karadi. Sanganna had threatened to leave the party if not given a ticket.

The decision to give tickets to Bandi, Patil, Manjula Amaresh, and Manjula Limbavali is being seen as a bid to prevent further damage after the exit of Shettar. "Denial of tickets would have stoked further resentment and precipitated an already tense situation," a BJP functionary said.

Katta Jagadish was picked over his father, former minister Katta Subramanya Naidu, for Hebbal in Bengaluru.

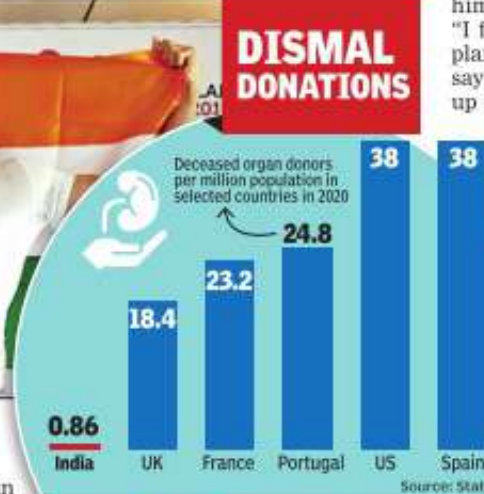
BJP denied a ticket to senior minister Govind Karjol's son, Gopal, who was eyeing the ticket for Nagathan. Sanjeev Aihole is the new candidate for the seat.

In Govindaraj Nagar in Bengaluru, represented by housing minister V Somanna, the party has fielded Umesh Shetty. Three sitting MLAs have been denied tickets in the third list, taking the total number of such replacements to 21. **THN**

Despite transplants, these athletes will compete on world stage



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On December 5, 2015, Karhun Nanda's life took a dramatic turn. Nanda, a state-level football player who was then 42, had just returned home from a three-hour game of football when he felt an intense pain in the abdomen. "I initially thought it was a case of bad acid reflux. But soon the pain became so bad that I couldn't get up," he says. Nanda says he suffered eight heart attacks in the ambulance and even flatlined in the hospital for a few minutes; fortunately, doctors were able to revive him. Six months later, Nanda was told he had third-stage congestive heart failure. "The doctor said a transplant was my only option," he says.

Eight years and a heart transplant later, Nanda, now 50, is leading the 30-member Indian contingent at the World Transplant Games 2023, which brings together organ transplant recipients and donors from around the world. Being held in Perth, Australia, from April 15-21, the aim of the games is to spread awareness about organ donation and to demonstrate how fitness can be achieved even after a transplant.

With football ruled out because it is a high-cardio sport, Nanda is

competing in the golf event. Gunning for gold in squash is 37-year-old Digvijay Singh Gujral who hails from Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh. Gujral was born with a single working kidney. "But that too wasn't functioning properly due to a condition called hydronephrosis, which is a blockage in the kidney," he says. Diagnosed with chronic kidney disease, on March 4, 2011, Gujral underwent a transplant.

In 2019, he participated in the World Transplant Games in the UK where he won a silver medal in squash, and now his sights are set on another medal. What really drives



him, he says, is his love for exercise. "I feel I am one of the fittest transplant patients in the world today," says Gujral, who is bench-pressing up to 162kg and leg-pressing 563kg at the gym.

Both Nanda and Gujral emphasise that their quality of life has not suffered following the transplant. Nanda says, "I am on immunosuppressants, but overall, I am doing everything a healthy person is doing. I travel, dance, play sports. I am addicted to golf. Coming from the days when I was wheelchair-bound to where I am today, it's a miracle."

However, most athletes complained about lack of government support. One of them is 43-year-old Balveer Singh who, despite a kidney transplant in 2011, has won two gold medals and one silver in the past three editions of the games. Yet, Singh, who holds a government job, struggles to put together the finances. "I am winning medals for the country, but I have received no recognition from the government," he says.

Most participants have to depend on ORGAN India, a non-profit, for support or fund their own travel and expenses. At an event last month, Anika Parashar, founder-chairperson of ORGAN India asked, "Why is it that our government has not come forward and supported these athletes as they support the Olympics or Paralympics? Why are they not taking pride in transplanted athletes?"

Unruffled by revolts, BJP banks on 72 first-time candidates

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New Delhi: BJP has fielded 72 first-time candidates in its bid to effect a "generational shift" in Karnataka and hopes to overcome the challenge posed by rebels, including former CM Jagadish Shettar, who have quit the party and joined its principal opponent, Congress.

Showing no signs of regret after some party seniors switched sides following denial of ticket, BJP has come out in strong defence of the central leadership' move to get a sizeable number of first-timers for the May 10 electoral contest.

As Congress gleefully welcomed Shettar and senior party leader Siddaramaiah called denial of ticket by BJP to the former CM an "insult" to the Lingayat community, the saffron party has planned an aggressive Lingayat outreach campaign with party veteran BS Yediyurappa, a community icon, as the spearhead.

Before Shettar, another Lingayat leader and former



'NO ADVERSE IMPACT': Bommai

Deputy CM Laxman Savadi had also quit BJP and joined Congress. Senior Lingayat leaders in Congress — former ministers Shamanur Shivashankarappa and M B Patil — persuaded Shettar to join their party. Shettar's son is married to Shivashankarappa's granddaughter; another aspect BJP plans to highlight to convince its Lingayat supporters.

"Party cadres across the state are full of energy and excited to see the preference given to the new and young party workers. We have a democratic set-up and opportunities should be shared among the party cadres. The senior leadership had asserted the generational shift in selection of candidates, which will result

in a historic mandate in the favour of BJP," said Arun Singh, party general secretary (in-charge of Karnataka).

Asked about celebrations in the Congress camp after Shettar joined the party, Singh said BJP had been generous to Shettar and gave him ample opportunities including as chief minister, state party president and Leader of Opposition.

"Shettar ji was offered responsibility at the Centre including a Rajya Sabha seat. People of the state are watching and won't support a person, who has been self-centric and quit the party for mere denial of a ticket," Singh said and added that the party has fielded state general secretary Mahesh Tenginakal from Hubli-Dharwad Central. Tenginakal hails from Vanijiga sub-caste of the Lingayat community, the same caste to which Shettar belongs.

Karnataka CM Basavaraj Bommai on Monday said exit of Jagadish Shettar from BJP would have no adverse impact on the party's prospects in the forthcoming assembly polls.

EC transfers 10 K'taka police officers for acting in 'partisan' manner

New Delhi: The Election Commission on Monday suo motu ordered the transfer of 10 police officers in Karnataka, including the deputy commissioner of police (north) Bengaluru, as they were allegedly acting in a partisan manner and were perceived as close to the ruling dispensation, reports **Bharti Jain**.

The transferred officers include R Devaraju, DCP (North), Bengaluru; Arun Gouda, ACP, Yeshwanthpur, Bengaluru; Shivanna, Inspector, R R Nagar, Bengaluru; Suresh K, Inspector, Yeshwanthpur, Bengaluru; Manjunath, Inspector, Nandini Layout PS, Bengaluru; Jagadish, Inspector, Rajagopal Nagar, Manjunath, DSP, Surpur, Yadgir district; Manjunath S, DSP, Devadurga, Raichur district; Anand V, gamode, circle inspector, Surpur, Yadgir district; and Khwaja Hussain, circle inspector, Devadurga, Yadgir district. They are proposed to be respectively replaced with Shiva Prakash Devaraju, IPS; Vinayak N Shetagi, Shivakumar B M, Sreekanthiah B N, Nalavagala Manjunatha, Ganesh Hegde, Jayappa S Nyamagoudar, Venugopal, Mahantesh K Dhamanavar and Vasantha Kumar. Sources said even though no complaint was received by the EC, the transfers of DCP Devaraju, Gouda, Shivanna, Suresh, Manjunath and Jagadish were necessitated as they were found to have been posted in R R Nagar area allegedly at the behest of Karnataka minister Munirathna Naidu.

Oppn unity in mind, Cong plays balancing act

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New Delhi: With Congress abruptly deciding to oblige the opposition chiefs claiming that it assumes the frontline role in unity efforts, the party has launched an intricate balancing act of playing footsie with regional rivals while simultaneously moving in to assert its independent status in their fields.

A row has erupted over the soft bonhomie that Congress is displaying with sworn rival AAP. AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge called up Arvind Kejriwal on Saturday to express solidarity over CBI summons, just a day after Punjab Congress slammed him for persecuting Charanjit Channi — even underlining that the first Dalit CM of state had been summoned for

questioning on the day of Ambedkar Jayanti. Though much weakened in Punjab and Delhi, Congress is a direct rival of AAP. The promise of unity is unlikely to be pre-poll, and the complication was evident on Sunday when senior Delhi leader Ajay Maken urged the Congress leadership to show no sympathy

'SOFT BONHOMIE'

with Kejriwal, and also pleaded with party's top legal eagles to not represent him in court.

Similarly, on the day Telangana's BRS unveiled the country's tallest statue of Ambedkar on his birth anniversary in Hyderabad, Kharge held a rally in the state, lashing out at BRS chief K Chandrashekar Rao for not fulfilling the promises made to Dalits and

for playing the worst kind of money politics. In a state where Dalit population plays a crucial role in deciding the political fortunes, the presence of the Congress chief, himself a Dalit, was designed to undercut KCR's novel idea to woo the key demographic. He also declared that Congress will defeat the BRS in 2023 assembly elections.

This is in stark contrast to the recent developments. BRS not only shed its long reluctance to partner Congress in the just-concluded budget session of Parliament, but has also publicly vowed to side with the opposition in 2024. The party has also come up for serious mention in the meetings of opposition leaders over the last month.

On display is the nettlesome task that Congress has accepted in the wake of strong nudge from

regional players that the principal anti-BJP player should give up its disinterest in rounding up like-minded parties. JDU chief Nitish Kumar publicly chided Congress, which acted as catalyst, with the Raipur plenary session declaring opposition unity as a primary goal going forward.

But Congress is not slackening its interest in states where it has overlapping competition with some of the anti-BJP players. BRS is one of them. Sources said the suspicion of the Telangana outfit goes deeper as it is making serious forays in neighbouring Maharashtra with the possible idea of damaging Congress.

The same is likely to happen with Trinamool Congress in West Bengal and CPM in Kerala — two indispensable players in the work-in-progress unity.

BJP hits out at Rahul on welfare of SCs, STs, OBCs

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Countering Rahul Gandhi's remarks on social justice while campaigning in Karnataka, BJP on Monday said it was ironic that the Congress leader was talking about a theme on which his party had been indifferent for years as no heed was paid to the long pending demands of the SC, ST and OBC communities in the state.

"Rahul Gandhi is disingenuous. He goes to Karnataka and talks about social justice when the Siddaramaiah-led Congress government did nothing to address long-pending demands of SCs, STs and OBCs through an act of Parliament, included Parivara and Talwara, Betta Kuruba sub-caste in the ST list, gave sanction to convert Lambani Thandans into revenue villages, ensuring last mile infrastructure. "But DKS threatens to undo it all to appease Muslims," Malviya said as he referred to D K Shivakumar's statement that if Congress came to power, it would reverse the recent quota restructuring and restore 4% reservation to Muslims.

Describing the JD (S) as the B-team of the Congress, Union minister Rajeev Chandrasekhar said on Twitter that the BJP would stand strongly with these communities and would make sure it was with them for their progress. He used the hashtag "anti-Hindu Congress" to target the opposition party.

While Karnataka Congress leaders want to reverse reservation, Rahul "dropped" into Karnataka and said he wants to breach the SC limit on reservations, the BJP MP from the state tweeted.



BJP's IT department head Amit Malviya said Siddaramaiah-led Congress government did nothing to address long-pending demands of SCs, STs and OBCs

Bihar State Tourism Development Corporation
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NIT. No-220/17/TT/954/23
(Through e-procurement mode only — www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in)

- Bihar State Tourism Development Corporation Limited invites Bids from reputed, experienced, and competent Agencies for empanelment as Event Management Agencies.
- The empanelment shall be for an initial period of two years and may be extended for a further period of 3 years.

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Nagaland CM gets SC contempt notice on women quota in polls

Must Implement Quota In Local Body Polls, Or Else..., Says Top Court

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday issued contempt notice to the Nagaland chief minister and warned state authorities that the constitutional mandate of reservation for women had to be implemented or else the court would take the issue to its "logical conclusion".

The court's order came after the Nagaland government reneged from its promise to the SC to hold municipal elections with 33% reservation for women. Following pressure from tribal organisations and civil society groups, the state assembly had passed a resolution to repeal the Municipal Act and resolved not to hold the elections.

A bench of Justices Sanjay Kishan Kaul and Aravind Kumar also asked the Centre to intervene and advise the state.

The court said women's empowerment came through education and also political



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participation. "Every society had a period of time where there was male domination. If sometimes, the political dispensation does not do anything, then it needs a push from the judiciary," the bench said.

The apex court had on March 13 approved the time schedule fixed by the state election commission to hold the polls and said, "This schedule will not be disturbed now and the election process be completed in terms of the schedule. The state election commission and the government to make all necessary arrangements

to ensure free and fair elections in pursuance to the notification and any violation by any authority or citizen in breach thereof would be an act in breach of the orders of this court."

As per the schedule, the notification for the election was issued on March 9 and the nomination was to be filed from April 3 to 10 for the election to be held on May 16 for three municipal councils and 36 town councils. Just a fortnight after the apex court's order, the assembly repealed the Nagaland Municipal Act, 2001. Subsequent-

ly, the state election commissioner issued a notification on March 30 cancelling the election programme.

The bench said it had granted a "very long rope" to the state government to evolve consensus on the issue to grant reservation for women which was essential for their empowerment in society and it was a constitutional mandate which had to be applied across the country.

The court made it clear that the approach of the state authority was "clearly not acceptable" and warned that it would be in trouble if it tried to test the court's patience.

Senior advocate Colin Gonsalves, appearing for NGO People's Union for Civil Liberties on whose plea the apex court nudged the state to hold election with 33% reservation for women candidates, said all efforts were being made to sabotage the process of conducting free and fair elections, fuelled by political parties.

SC judge recuses himself from hearing PIL against Goel as EC

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Supreme Court judge Justice K M Joseph, who had authored the verdict for putting in place new mechanism for appointment of the Chief Election Commissioner and Election Commissioners by a panel comprising the Prime Minister, Chief Justice of India and Leader of Opposition of Lok Sabha, recused from hearing a plea seeking quashing of appointment of Election Commissioner Arun Goel.

But before recusal, the bench, also comprising Justice B V Nagarathana, asked how the appointment of Goel could be quashed on the basis of the judgement which was delivered after the government appointed him. It asked the petitioner to point out the law which was violated.

Advocate Prashant Bhushan, appearing for petitioner Association for Democratic Reforms, contended that Goel was appointed arbitrarily and in haste by the Centre which should be questioned on why only four bu-



The advocate appearing for the petitioner contended that Arun Goel was appointed arbitrarily and in haste by the Centre

reaucrats were shortlisted. "There were many other senior officers from the same batch and we have given the list of those and all were eligible. But why only four names were plucked out and the entire process was concluded in a day," Bhushan submitted.

Justice Nagarathana, however, said there was no stay on appointment when the hearing was going on in court. "You may say that it was done in a tearing hurry, undue haste but show us violation of rule. There was a system prevailing at that time. You cannot rely on our judgement. It was delivered after his appointment," the

bench observed.

In a landmark unanimous decision on March 2, a five-judge Constitution bench of Justices K M Joseph, Ajay Rastogi, Aniruddha Bose, Hrishikesh Roy and C T Ravikumar disapproved of the present system of the Centre appointing members of the poll watchdog and ruled that their selection be done by a three-member committee comprising the Prime Minister, Leader of the Opposition in Lok Sabha and the CJI, thus nullifying a practice that has been in vogue since Independence.

As Goel was appointed when the Constitution bench was hearing the case, the apex court had at that time also asked why it was done just a day after an application was filed in the court seeking direction to the Centre not to make any appointment till disposal of the case. The court had directed the Centre to place the original file and it was revealed that the entire process of selection and appointment was done in 24 hours.

SC clears felling of more trees for Aarey Metro depot in Mum

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New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday removed the last hurdle for operationalising the Aarey Forest Colony depot by allowing Mumbai Metro Rail Corporation Ltd (MMRCL) to clear 177 trees instead of 84 permitted earlier for construction of the ramp area while expressing displeasure over the MMRCL's approach in increasing the number of trees to be cut or transplanted.

A bench of Chief Justice D Y Chandrachud and Justices P S Narasimha and J B Pardiwalla was initially upset with the manner in which MMRCL took permission from the SC to clear 84 trees on November 29 last year, and then, after a fresh inspection of the area, moved an application before the tree authority of Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) for permission to fell/transplant 177 trees, for which permission was granted.

Crowdfunding case: SC grants bail to TMC's Saket Gokhale

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday granted bail to Trinamool Congress spokesperson Saket Gokhale in connection with alleged misappropriation of funds collected through a crowdfunding platform after noting that a chargesheet in the case has already been filed by Gujarat Police.

A bench of Justices B R Gavai and Vikram Nath granted him relief.

Gokhale was arrested by the Ahmedabad cyber crime branch from Delhi on December 30, 2022 and is facing charges under IPC Sections 420 (cheating), 406 (criminal breach of trust) and 467 (forgery). Gokhale moved the SC challenging an order passed by Gujarat HC which refused to grant him bail. While rejecting his plea, the HC had noted that there was a prima facie case against Gokhale. "It appears that there are serious allegations against the applicant... It appears that the funding raised for welfare of the people was utilised by the applicant for his personal expenses," the HC had said.

Sort out 'wuzu' facilities: SC to Varanasi DM, Gyanvapi panel

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Nearly a year after a 'shivling' in the abutment area of Gyanvapi mosque was sealed off, the Supreme Court on Monday asked the Varanasi district magistrate and the management committee of Anjuman Iteamia Masjid to meet on Tuesday to provide washroom facilities to Muslims offering prayers in the mosque during Ramadan.

The court's directive came after solicitor general Tushar Mehta, who appeared for the UP government, argued that the facility being sought could not be provided within the "temple" complex. The committee members and the district magistrate could meet and decide where the washroom facilities could be provided, but it would not be within the temple complex, Mehta argued.

A big 'shivling' was discovered on May 16 last year during a trial court ordered survey inside the 'wuzu' area of the mosque, considered the



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original Vishwanath temple in Kashi. On the same day, a Varanasi civil judge had ordered the district magistrate to seal off and bar entry of any person to the said area. The judge had placed individual responsibility on the DM, police commissioner and area CRPF commandant for protection and preservation of the sealed area.

On May 17, the SC had tasked the Varanasi DM alone "to ensure that the area where the 'shivling' is stated to have been found shall be duly protected". It had said there

would be no restriction on Muslims from going to other areas of the mosque. On May 20, the SC had extended the interim order till disposal of the Muslim side's objection to suits filed for survey and worship inside the mosque.

On Monday, senior advocate Huzefa Ahmadi, appearing for the mosque management committee, told the SC that Muslim devotees were facing difficulties during Ramadan as washroom facilities near the abutment area (where the 'shivling' was found) also had been sealed off. He said the district administration should provide washroom facilities in and around the prayer area inside the mosque.

A bench of CJI D Y Chandrachud and Justices P S Narasimha and J B Pardiwalla asked the meeting to take place on Tuesday and ordered that if an amicable solution was found in the meeting with the district magistrate, then the latter would forthwith implement it without waiting for the SC's approval.

SC junks bail plea of 2 in Godhra case

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday rejected the bail plea of two convicts in the Godhra train burning case, in which 59 Hindu devotees were charred to death, on the ground that these two were awarded death penalty by the trial court but the Gujarat high court had commuted it to life term.

A bench headed by CJI D Y Chandrachud segregated the bail petitions of those who were awarded death sentence for playing an active role in the setting afire of S6 coach of Sabarmati Express at Godhra station in 2002, from other convicts who have sought



The Supreme Court rejected the bail on the ground that these two were awarded death penalty by the trial court but the Gujarat high court had commuted it to life term

bail till the SC hears their appeals against conviction. The bench said it would consider the bail plea of stone pelters on April 21.

Applying this principle of not granting bail to those convicted of buying petrol a day before the incident, storing it and then sprinkling it in S6 coach prior to setting the coach afire, the bench reject-

ed the bail pleas of Siraj Mohammad Abdul Rahman Meda and Irfan Abdul Majid Ghanchi Kalandar, both of whom have already undergone over 17 and 16 years of incarceration respectively.

Joining issue with the CJI for referring to some of the accused as stone pelters, solicitor general Tushar Mehta, appearing for Gujarat,

said they were not mere stone pelters. Some of them pelted stones at the burning S6 coach to prevent passengers from jumping out to escape the fire, he said. The Gujarat government, through counsel Swati Ghildiyal, had earlier informed the court that some of the convicts had pelted stones at fire brigade trucks to prevent dousing of the fire, which could have saved some more lives.

As the court was posting the matters for April 28, senior advocate Sanjay Hegde requested the court to post it a week before so that those who would get bail could be with their family to celebrate Eid on April 22.

Since 2001, same-sex marriage made legal in over 30 countries

A five-judge Constitution bench of the Supreme Court will hear petitions demanding legal recognition for same-sex marriage today. Across the world, support for same-sex relationships and rights has gained traction over the years though there are countries where social acceptance and legal recognition remain poor. Here's a look at countries that have legalised same-sex marriage and the status of acceptance for such relations across the world

DEVELOPED COUNTRIES HAVE TAKEN LEAD

Wealthier, western countries are likely to be more accepting of same-sex relations and extend greater rights to the LGBTQ+ community than the rest of the world. However, as noted in reports online, of the world's 10 biggest economies, only half allow same-sex couples to marry. Instead of full legal recognition, some countries allow same-sex civil unions.

Across the regions of Eastern Europe, Asia and Africa, only two countries - South Africa and Taiwan - have so far legalised same-sex marriage. While the Union government has told Supreme Court that it is opposed to according legal recognition to same-sex marriage, US survey agency Gallup notes that India is one of the countries where



perceptions regarding same-sex relations have "undergone a sea change", crediting court decisions as a key factor behind the transformation.

A report by the US-based Council on Foreign Relations finds that income levels, influence of religion in politics, and the standard of democracy are

important factors in explaining divergences among countries when it comes to same-sex rights. However, experts say it's not advisable to link the right

After the Netherlands became the first country to allow same-sex marriage in 2001, 33 others around the world have followed suit with Chile and Switzerland being the latest to bring in such laws

to marry with freedom against discrimination and that not all countries that have marriage equality allow same-sex couples to jointly adopt.

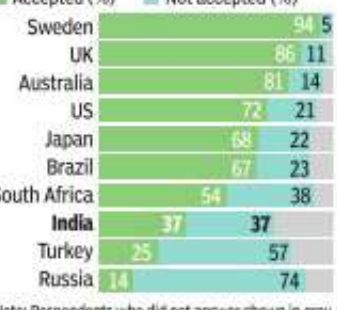
ACCEPTANCE HAS GROWN

A 2019 survey by US-based Pew Research Center found that in 34 countries across regions, 52% of respondents believe homosexuality should be accepted by society. At 94%, Sweden had the highest acceptance. An Ipsos survey from 2021 found that globally 70% of respondents say same-sex couples should be allowed to marry or get some form of legal recognition for their union, and 61% say they should be allowed to adopt. Among Indian respondents, 66% say they should be allowed to adopt.

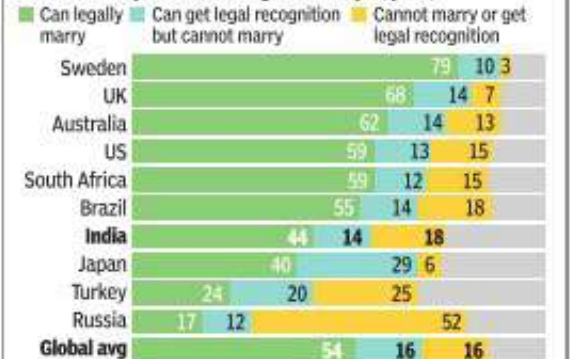
In India, according to a Gallup survey, 53% of people now think the country is a good place to live for gay or lesbian people, up from just 12% in 2011. Globally, too, since 2020, half the survey respondents believe the world is a good place for same-sex couples. But despite the growing acceptance, 64 countries continue to criminalise consensual same-sex sexual acts - in some cases with punishments as harsh as the death penalty - and the debate surrounding same-sex couples' rights to marry and adopt children persists.

Source: Pew Research Center, Gallup, Ipsos, ILGA, Statista, CFR, media reports

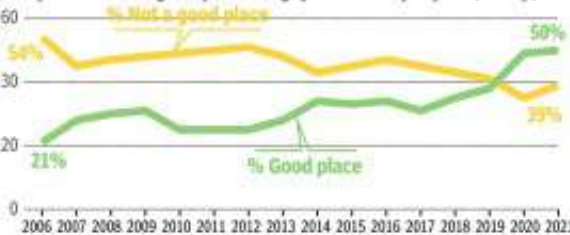
Share of respondents in selected countries who say homosexuality should or should not be accepted by society (Pew)



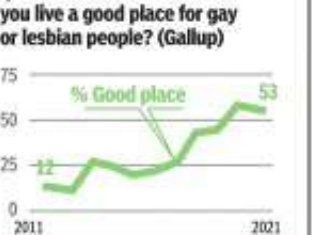
Response to survey question in selected countries: Should same-sex couples have the right to marry? (Ipsos)



Response to global survey question: Is the area where you live a good place or not a good place for gay or lesbian people? (Gallup)



Response to India survey question: Is the area where you live a good place for gay or lesbian people? (Gallup)



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SC to hear objection to court deciding on legalising same-sex marriage today

Centre, Those Opposed To It Given 4-Week Time To Argue

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New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday agreed to hear on Tuesday the Union government's application questioning jurisdiction and competence of the constitutional court to adjudicate on legalisation of same-sex marriage, which the Centre termed as a very sensitive socio-legal issue that fell under Parliament's exclusive law-making powers.

The decision of CJI D Y Chandrachud-led bench came on a day when the Centre's challenge was joined by the governments of BJP-governed Madhya Pradesh and Gujarat in what seems to signal transformation of the pushback against SC's decision to take it upon itself to determine whether same-sex unions can be put on the same legal footing as heterosexual marriages into a full-scale resistance.

Along with the BJP governments, National Commis-



CONTENTIOUS ISSUE

sion for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR), also sought to intervene in the conflict arguing that same-sex parenting is not good for all-round mental development of a child. Significantly, its plea comes despite the fact that the petitioners have not yet sought adoption rights for same-sex couples, something that would have given the Commission a locus and was illustrative of the opposition building up against the demand to diversify the concept of marriage beyond heteronormal alliances.

An entire array of petitioners, including cohabiting same-sex partners belonging to LGBTQ+, individuals and NGOs from Muslim and Hindu communities - Jamiat Ulama-i-Hind, Telangana Markazi Shia Ulama Council, Akhil

Bharatiya Sant Samiti, Shri Sanatam Dharm Pratidinhi Sabha, Kanchan Foundation, Shakti Foundation, Som Thomas and Anson Thomas, K Jerusha and Mohd Manzur Alam - are also in the court to oppose legalisation of same-sex marriage.

Whatever be the CJI-led five-judge bench's decision on a bunch of petitions seeking legalisation of same-sex marriage, the hearing schedule promises a long spell of proceedings marked by an absorbing duel between the petitioners seeking to push social boundaries to widen the concept of marriage and those who passionately feel that a deviation from the status quo is fraught with serious consequences for the society.

The Centre's opposition reflects the strong view in the ruling circles that acquiescence into legalisation of sex among consenting gay adults reflected a big shift in their stance as well as the farthest that they can travel. The challenge to the court's desire to transform the very concept of marriage is only the bold delineation of their "thus far, no further" resolve.

While petitioners have given an estimate of two weeks for arguments, which would last 24 hours at four hours a day, three days a week, the

Centre and other respondents have given a 48-hour arguing schedule, spanning four weeks. Together, the petitioners and respondents would complete their arguments in six weeks following which the petitioners would make their rejoinder submissions.

In addition, the SC is also to decide on the Centre's application registering preliminary objection to the court's competence and jurisdiction to create a new marriage institution by legalising same-sex marriage. Since the 5-judge bench includes Justice Sanjay K Kaul, the petitioners' long-standing lead counsel and the judge's brother, senior advocate Neeraj Kishan Kaul, is sure to drop out of the case.

The Centre had said that a host of existing laws recognise marriage only between a man and woman. Marriage is an institution and can be created, recognised, conferred with legal sanctity and regulated only by the competent legislature, said the Centre, digging in its heels for an intense fight with the judiciary which seems keen to build upon its judgment in Navtej Johar case, which decriminalised sex in private between consenting adults, to confer more rights on persons having alternative sexual orientation.

Proper legislative system needed: NCPCR

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New Delhi: The National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) has moved the Supreme Court, pleading that adoption of children be not allowed by same-sex couples as it is against their welfare and interest.

It further submitted that "a proper legislative system needs to be adopted regarding same-sex couples," its application said.



same-sex parents may have limited exposure to traditional gender role models which could impact their understanding of gender roles and gender identity. The exposure of these children

would be limited and their overall personality growth would be affected. It is humbly submitted that this court has settled the principle that right to equality does not mean equating unequals and therefore making a category is not against the provision of Article 14. Couples of two different genders are one category whereas couples of the same gender can be considered as different categories for the purpose of having children..." it said.

The commission said even the UN Convention on Right of the Child, which is the most widely ratified human rights treaty in the world since coming into force in September 1990 and having been ratified by 195 countries, does not mention that a child can be adopted by a same-sex couple. It said as per the Juvenile Justice Act, a single male is not eligible to adopt a girl child and going by that criteria allowing a gay couple to adopt a female child would be against the scheme of the Act.



A thought for today

Myriad scattered signs we're about to go into a phase of particularly steep climbs in global temperature... new global records certain to produce havoc we've not seen before

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Deaths Foretold

Will we get an answer why the Kharghar event had no protection for people in heatwave conditions?

Turn up the heat on the authorities who permitted and organised the Navi Mumbai Kharghar state event on Sunday that claimed the lives of at least 12 people; men and women dying of heart attacks and heat stroke, and who sat in the scorching sun for hours without protection and without water to drink. Scores suffered, the numbers an underestimate given there were lakhs in attendance for the annual state ceremony that this year awarded social reformer Appasaheb Dharmadhikari. Crowds had even come from neighbouring states, and some had camped in that very maidan for two days despite the high temperatures that have baked Mumbai since March. The Met, in February, issued heatwave alerts for various districts of Maharashtra for 2023 – a fact authorities were surely aware of.



Local officials have said the event went against existing heat action plans (HAP), policy documents to address economic damage and life-threatening heat conditions. Thinktank CPR recently sounded caution about the poor status of government HAPs after studying 37 HAPs at city, district and state levels across 18 states. The study said HAPs have little local context – most focus on dry heat though local humidity plays a large role in turning conditions

deadly. The CPR study found HAPs had little idea about vulnerable groups, little review or update, low funds, no legal teeth and low accountability. Kharghar makes that tragically evident.

Heatstroke cases are on the rise – Maharashtra alone recorded 31 heat fatalities in 2022. There was no call to organise the Maharashtra Bhushan event on such a large scale; to do it without sufficient protection only showed official callousness – made starker by the fact that dignitaries and the media were well-protected from the sun on the covered stage. The chief minister's words later that "the programme was going smoothly until..." further showcased a very Indian official attitude – people had complained of thirst, dizziness and nausea that led to heatstroke. The quick compensation announced is neither taking responsibility nor does it assure the public. In any tragedy that makes news – train wreck, stampedes or building-crashes – governments too often "close" the matter with monetary compensation, inured to their own incompetence. This, however, is only a sureshot recipe for more disasters.

For Many Dollars More

Reforming multilateral lenders depends on China signing off on it. And China wants more power

A G20 expert group on the weighty issue of multilateral development banks (MDBs) is scheduled to submit its report before June 30. This report should be read with another report submitted last year to G20, an independent review of MDBs' capital adequacy framework. There are nine major MDBs, of which the World Bank is most prominent. Collectively, MDBs hold about \$500 billion in shareholder equity, which is used to raise more resources for concessional lending. The question posed by the independent review on capital adequacy is whether the available shareholder capital is being put to optimum use. The review concluded that MDBs had the headroom to raise more resources without asking shareholders to increase their capital. One way to do it is to leverage the so-called callable capital, which represents a guarantee by the shareholders to backstop the institutions in case of shocks. Guarantees can be effectively leveraged in a world where resources are scarce.



The elephant in the room is China, the second biggest economy in the world which generally holds the third-largest voting rights in key MDBs after the US and Japan. China wants MDBs to be a part of any debt restructuring solution for LDCs. But it also wants a larger share of the influence pie in MDBs, which as post-war institutions were US and Europe-dominated. Basically, reform will hinge on a domestic bipartisan political agreement in the US on changing rules in MDBs. The chances of that passing in America's polarised politics are near-zero. Without such change, China will continue to use its dollars for what is virtually commercial lending to desperate countries. That's not a good solution. But unless China gets what it thinks it should – and it has a point – all committees on MDBs will produce good research, but little reform.

Two perspectives on the heated debate on Atiq-related encounters, murders

Courts, Walk The Talk

SC severely critiques extra-judicial killings. But when it comes to pronouncing guilt, it baulks

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India is better off without a gangster like Atiq Ahmed. A dreaded mafia don, Atiq extorted and murdered his way into underworld infamy. Till 2004, he had accumulated 159 criminal charges in 36 separate criminal cases. He openly declared these cases in an affidavit accompanying his candidature for parliamentary elections that year. The fear he struck into the hearts of ordinary citizens together with his larger-than-life persona ensured that he not only won that election, but was also elected to the UP legislative assembly five times. In the process he became massively rich, his gang having accumulated illegal assets of over Rs 10,000 crore till date. Few tears will be shed on his demise.

Failing the modern democracy test

But it is precisely such a lawless individual who provides a test of how far a modern democratic state has been able to move away from a state of nature. Has the promise of a Constitution based on the rule of law remained a homily on paper or is it real and meaningful in how a state treats its most contemptuous citizens?

On this count, Atiq has shown up the Indian citizenry and the state in its worst avatar. For the better part of his life, a complicit state first sheltered him and then co-opted him, afraid of confronting his might. In death, an impotent state watched on silently, as three opportunistic assassins shot him dead on live television. In Atiq's life as in his death, the rule of law lay demolished. The state of nature prevailed triumphantly.

The state of nature with its mantra of instant jungle justice always carries a base, animal appeal. In comparison, the rule of law appears wimpy. Can some unpronounceable words written in a language that most citizens cannot understand really deliver justice? This is why in a straight-up contest between the rule of law and the rule of the jungle, the latter always enjoys mass public endorsement. Remember how there was general approval when the Telangana police killed four

dithered. It took refuge in procedure and sent the matter to the high court where it remains pending. It has been over three years since the incident with no meaningful action against any police officer. The accused lost their lives without having a chance to defend themselves before any court. Equally troubling, the actual rapists of the young woman may still be alive and on the loose.

Toxic politician-police nexus

This is why judicial pontification on the rule of law, so common in judgments in encounter cases, rings hollow. The court has, on a number of occasions, compared encounters to "state-sponsored terrorism". It has given detailed guidelines of how encounters are to be investigated. But when the court was presented with clear evidence indicting the Telangana police for its concocted encounter, it failed to walk its talk. The rule of law suffered a quieter but equally fatal



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blow that day.

This does not for a moment detract from the chief perpetrators of this revival of the state of nature – the elected government, aided by a politically pliable police machinery. In state after state, CMs want to be seen as tough on crime. UP has made it its mission to eliminate all mafia dons. This is laudable. But its means are more atiq (ancient) than Atiq himself. No reasonable person seriously believes that there will be a fair investigation into the encounter of Asad, Atiq's son killed a few days before his father in Jhansi. Equally, given that Atiq's reign of terror is now over, the UP government may feel that its tough-on-crime image is only burnished by this turn of events.

This is not conjecture – multiple ministers have stated that this is divine justice and a settling of scores. There is indeed divine precedent for this. In the Ramayan, to help his ally Sugriv, Ram agrees to kill Bali, the monkey king of Kishkindha. In what was perhaps the original encounter killing antithetical to all accepted rules of war, Ram fires an arrow at Bali from behind, wounding him fatally. This was shortcut justice, made legitimate only by the fact that Ram, the epitome of dharma himself had shot the arrow. An astounded Bali is told that he was a sinner in his lifetime and deserved to die.

Atiq Ahmed was a sinner too. Perhaps some UP BJP leaders have taken the Ramayan too seriously, imagining three misguided youths as the embodiments of Ram. In the process they have missed the central message of the Ramayan altogether – dharma requires everyone to do their constitutional duty.

Writers' views are personal

In the Atiq case, TOI has provided us with a pen

criminal, Vikas Dubey, was killed in an encounter, the opposition talked about his caste, and how this may cost the BJP the Brahmin vote. In the Atiq case, it is odd that tears should be shed for a mafia don whose criminal antecedents are said to have begun as far back as in 1979.

This is troubling, for criminals are criminals, and the caste or religious affiliations of the person(s) concerned should not be the basis on which encounters, whether real or stage-managed, should be judged. Selective criticism will not help in reversing a situation where many states, and not only UP, face resistance to police actions, either due to a compromised legal enforcement system or political pressure.

If we do not understand, or seek to understand, why the police in some states are being given a free hand to deal with criminals as they deem fit, we will never be able to enforce the rule of law in a fair and just manner in any state.

It's the same in rich states

Let us start with the basics. Existence of the rule of law implies two things: one, the state has the capacity to enforce it evenly and not arbitrarily; and two, the state has a monopoly on coercive action. But is this the case in poorer states like UP, Bihar, Jharkhand, or even in the better-governed states of the south or Maharashtra?

You cannot say there is rule of law if parallel centres of authority and power exist, and the state machinery is either compromised or too demoralised to go after criminals within the four corners of the law. More so when criminals often become elected politicians, as was the case with Atiq Ahmed.

picture that tells us all that we need to know. He has been booked in more than a score of cases, has been elected MLA or MP from at least two UP parties, was allegedly involved in the attack of Mayawati in 1995, and accused of killing BSP MLA Raju Pal in 2005. It was in connection with this case that a key witness, Umesh Pal, was kidnapped in 2006. He was killed by gangsters allegedly sent by Atiq two months ago. In another case, some 10 judges are supposed to have recused themselves from hearing Atiq's plea to be let out of jail to campaign for elections. He is even alleged to have got a trader kidnapped and transported to his jail in order to get the latter to sign some property papers.

This kind of criminal biodata, even if not fully backed by evidence that a court will accept, suggests that Atiq had the ability to spook an entire system, including the police and parts of the judiciary. The question critics of encounters must answer is: how can any state claim to have a monopoly on violence for which it is accountable when mafia dons and warlords run states within a state? Does not the state's monopoly over violence first have to be established before we can rein it in?

No state in the world has established the rule of law without first using some kind of despotic power to establish its pre-eminence, and this goes as much for the modern western states as for Europe.

How different is America?

In the US, the president can (even today) order the killing of "terrorists" who may threaten America or American citizens, with little public scrutiny. Just because these killings, including those of American citizens like Anwar Awlaki, happen clinically with the help of drones or special assassination squads, it does not imply that the targets were properly proceeded against legally. These are extra-judicial killings too.

From the 1990s onwards, the Mumbai police used encounters to cut the underworld down to size. Khalistani terrorism could not have been tackled without the late KPS Gill using extra-judicial methods. Four years ago, four persons accused of gang-raping a 26-year-old vet in Hyderabad, were gunned down by the police, to much public applause. That they were later

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booked for a staged encounter is another story.

The key takeaways are these: there is substantial public support when the state takes extra-legal actions to target criminals or terrorists quickly; two, dealing with long-term issues like police morale and making sustained investments to improve crime detection and punishment is not seen as politically rewarding; and three, when no big state has implemented even basic police reforms to prevent politicisation of the force, can the rule of law be said to prevail anywhere?

Encounters like the ones we have witnessed in UP and elsewhere are not the result of one government's unwillingness to overlook the law and bring criminals to book by hook or by crook. This issue cannot be solved by partisan behaviour, and selective outrage. We need a consensus which brings all major political parties on the same page. That seems to be like asking for the moon in our fractured and polarised polity.

Sacred space

State of Balance

In a human being, the condition of perfect balance is reached when one's character attains perfection. A perfect character is when everything in a person is in a state of balance. The senses, tendencies, thoughts and actions are all in harmony with the soul. In such a person... there is no duality.

Kamlesh D Patel

Where Did Rupee Go?

It was not verrrry long ago that a cola cost 50 paise. Currency has aged so badly so fast

Bikram Vohra



A friend of mine paid Rs 82,000 for a dinner for six and we came home hungry and had andey ki bhurji and bread. No one believes me but it is true. There was a time not so long ago when for Rs 20 you could take a young lady to a movie, sit in the dress circle, snack and then go for a post-film coffee to a five-star restaurant. And this was in Mumbai. I have even invited film stars for coffee and ten bucks tops was the budget. If you did a TV show live on Doordarshan you got paid Rs 200 for 30 minutes. That was big money. I once did a major film awards night as an emcee and was paid Rs 500 which was like your month's salary in one night.

We flew from Delhi to Mumbai on Air India for Rs 440 and a cab ride from Santa Cruz airport to Colaba was Rs 12 and it took less than half an hour. On the other side Palam to Connaught Place was Rs 10. Books were never more than a couple of bucks and even then you thought twice whether you should buy second hand.

A generous uncle once gave me a Rs 10 note in that tradition then where senior relatives gave kids money to express love and your parents invariably tried to say no, no, no, please don't, not necessary and you looked at them in horror, like come on, back off, let him show the love.

And then I lost the note. It vanished. Today, 60 years later, I remember the agony and the loss of this fortune and the ride back in the car with my parents telling me about the value of good money. Right through my life, courtesy that event a Rs 10 note still has great significance even if it has no traction.

I got my first bike for less than Rs 100 and it came wrapped in corrugated cardboard and when I was 13 my grandfather bought me an HMT watch for a price which won't get a leather strap repaired today.

When did the rupee get punched into a soggy mess? Even in the 80s it was around nine to a dollar now it is over 80. I remember so clearly my mum turning to my dad over dinner and marvelling over some friends who had built a kothi for under Rs 30,000, like where did they get the money from? A cola was 50 paise, ice cream cones were the same and a chocbar was Re 1. I believe nostalgia is free. Like then and now.

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Why do we struggle to be calm, content, and happy? One of the reasons is we are restless about a better future. Too often, we are waiting for something to change favourably in our life. Getting a promotion, winning a business deal, losing weight, improving our love life, or travelling to new locations.

This restlessness comes from a belief that by achieving such milestones, we would somehow be at peace and happier. This belief is flawed. Our restlessness stretches beyond particular goals and so does our lack of peace.

The only way to experience inner peace is to learn to live in the present. To be anchored in what is, without obsessing about what could be, should be and would be. To be at ease with the current imperfections of our life and knowing

that we are a work in progress. But this requires an important skill.

Being attached to favourable future outcomes is only one of our mental obsessions. Our mind is constantly racing with an unending stream of thoughts. We don't consciously generate these thoughts – they just keep arising on their own. And a vast majority of these thoughts are linked to the past or the future. Unfortunately, many of them are not healthy and lead to negative emotions. Dwelling on missed opportunities of the past makes us sad; fear of a potentially unfavourable event in the future makes us anxious.

Living in the present requires being in touch with our inner being – the thoughts we are having and the feelings we are experiencing in that moment.

Being attuned to our inner being ensures that we are not at the mercy of every thought and feeling that we experience. We can't control how they arise within us, but by being aware of them, we can improve how we act from them.

When we are mindful of this way, we can quickly catch the thoughts and feelings that arise from our ego, envy, fear, over-excitement, passion, or restlessness. The moment we instinctively want to win an argument or prove how smart we are, feel low from someone else's success, feel

anxious about an uncertain future or impulsively reach out for our phone. Such awareness helps us reduce the power of these impulses on our mind, which in turn helps us experience greater peace and calm.

Being in this state requires building



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How About Being Still And Going Nowhere?

a deeper acceptance of our current reality, without wishing it to be different, even when we are in physical or emotional discomfort. By simply training our attention on observing what's happening within. As we practise being self-aware, it's important to not judge ourselves or our thoughts and feelings. Judging them, wishing them to go away, or indulging in them only serves to fuel them.

If you have tried any of this, you would perhaps agree on how hard it is to even attempt being in this state. However, we know even from our momentary successful experiences, it's the true pathway to inner peace. A regular practice of mindfulness meditation can help in slowly cultivating this skill. Learning to be grateful for where we are further supports the sense of calm and equanimity.

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Banks' Global Corp Services Under Attack From Fintechs

The \$2.3-trillion global corporate & commercial banking services may be marginally behind its retail counterpart's \$2.7-trillion size. But the commercial segment has always seen extreme competition to retain clients. Now it is encountering growing challenge from fintechs too in payments, lending & securities trading, says a report. Still, growth wise, this segment is expected to expand 6.4% for another 3 years, marginally faster than retail

*Excludes investment banking, F: Forecast (Source: McKinsey)

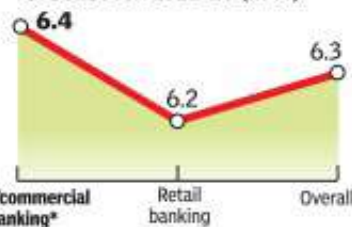
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Global banking revenue by segment (in \$ trillion)



Compound annual growth forecast for 2022-26 (in %)



Infy sinks 9%, pulls sensex below 60k

Plunges 12% Intraday In Worst Show Since March 2020 | IT Giants Erase ₹1L Cr Mkt Cap

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Mumbai: The sensex fell nearly 1% to close below the 60,000 mark on Monday, snapping a nine-day winning streak.

Infosys, which declined by 9% to Rs 1,259, was the biggest drag on the index. Infosys sank 12% intraday, the most since March 2020, after the country's 2nd largest IT company said that growth may fall to a six-year low in FY24 in the wake of slowdown in the US and Europe. A decline in HDFC twins and profit-booking were other contributors to the sensex's 520-point loss.

The sensex plunged nearly 1,000 points intraday, but it recovered as wholesale inflation eased to a 29-month low of 1.3% in March.

According to analysts, IT companies are staring at macroeconomic headwinds and weak client spends in the short and medium term. However, long-term growth prospects are intact, they said. "Despite Q4 results being below expectations, potential growth drivers include cloud and digital transformations, as well as strong deal pipelines in certain areas. Consolidation of the IT sector in the last 15 months has moderated valuation risk. Long-term investors can consider accumulating IT stocks.

Industry valuation has reduced to 5-year average, though volatility is expected in the short term," said Vinod T P of Geojit Financial Services.

The Nifty IT index sank nearly 5% to a 6-month low as Infosys's post-earnings commentary pointed towards sector-wide weak performance as US

financial year. TCS, which also reported weak numbers on Wednesday, had not provided an estimate for FY24 growth.

According to Edelweiss MF chief investment officer (equities) Trideep Bhattacharya, the IT sector is witnessing recalibration of FY24 earnings estimates in tune with

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IT stock	% change	Market cap loss on Monday (₹ cr)
Infosys	-9.4	-54,145
TCS	-1.6	-18,057
LTIMindtree	-7.0	-8,813
HCL Tech	-2.8	-7,036
Tech Mahindra	-5.2	-5,543
Wipro	-1.8	-3,807

Analysts expect gap between sector leaders and laggards to widen amid global headwinds...

and European clients sought to defer discretionary spends. The top six IT companies by value lost nearly Rs 1 lakh crore in market cap on Monday.

After trading hours on Thursday (markets were shut on Friday), Infosys forecasted 4-7% revenue growth in FY24, which is less than half of the 15% it logged in FY23. Investors were rattled as the projected growth is slower than expected. Another reason why the sentiment soured across the sector was that Infosys was the first major Indian IT company to provide revenue guidance for the current fi-

latest global demand scenario. "The recent results are a step in the same direction leading to consensus earnings downgrades of 4-8%," he said.

Analysts also noted that negative sentiments were limited to large-cap stocks on Monday. "Broader market outperformed with Nifty Midcap 100 and Smallcap 100 both gaining marginally. PSU bank index was up 3% after some of the banks hiked MCLR," Siddhartha Khemka of Motilal Oswal Financial Services said. BSE market cap increased marginally by Rs 3,300 crore to Rs 269.4 lakh crore on Monday.

Banks, top IT clients, have turned cautious

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Bengaluru: The banking, financial services and insurance (BFSI) segment accounts for a third of leading IT companies' revenues, and the cautiousness in the sector following the troubles in Silicon Valley Bank (SVB) and Credit Suisse is what is primarily driving IT shares down.

"After the SVB collapse, customers became a bit tentative. They want to do projects, but they want to spend wisely," TCS COO N Ganapathy Subramaniam said.

Infosys CEO & MD Salil Parekh said following the company's results announcement last week that financial services, mortgages, asset management and investment banking all saw unplanned ramp-downs in projects. He said some clients were delaying decision-making. Infosys also suffered a one-time revenue impact, which sources said was as much as \$40 million.

The turn in customer sentiment seems to have been very sudden. Even in February, Infosys was offering a relatively cheerful commentary to investors about the quarter. The SVB collapse happened

in the first half of March, and was soon followed by the Credit Suisse troubles and acquisition by UBS. That seemingly had a big impact on general client spending.

But several analysts are confident that this negative sentiment will be short-lived, provided there aren't any more major bad news in the global banking sector. Most banks are eager to spend on digitalisation to remain competitive.

Namrata Darshan of advisory firm ISG said banking transformation needs are still

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high, especially in customer experience. "We have not seen a noticeable drop in technology, platforms, or service demand. But due to current macroeconomic conditions, specific strategies are prioritised," she said. Hansa Iyengar of IT advisory Omdia, said BFSI has always been a finicky industry and veteran vendors such as Infosys are attuned to the highs and lows of operating in this segment.

TCS's Subramaniam said if the banks don't do anything in six months, given the pace at which technology changes, they will become legacy companies very quickly.

Cook meets Ambani, Chandra in Mumbai

Apple CEO In India After 7 Years To Open Co-Owned Stores In Mumbai And Delhi

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Mumbai: It was a busy day for Apple CEO Tim Cook, who comes to India after seven years, as the high-profile executive landed in the financial capital to a packed schedule, where he met Reliance Industries chairman Mukesh Ambani and Tata Sons chairman N Chandrasekaran.

He also had vada pav with Bollywood actress Madhuri Dixit, among other celebrity engagements, and in the evening visited the company's first self-owned store at Bandra Kurla Complex (BKC, which will be opened to the public on Tuesday), where he interacted with the 100-odd staff.

Cook last came to India in 2016 when Apple was just beginning to scale up operations in the country and he starts his day early on Tuesday morning to open the store at Jio World Drive Mall around 11 am, with thousands of Apple enthusiasts expected to visit the outlet. This opening is being seen as the company's most definitive retail push as its business and scale grows in the country.

The BKC store of Apple was full of action even on Monday (and even days prior to this) as scores of visitors were seen clicking selfies and pictures around the area. Delhi witnessed the same where the second store will be inaugurated by Cook on Thursday at the Select City Mall (Saket).

In Delhi, the Apple CEO will also meet PM Narendra Modi, most likely on Wednesday and is also expected to meet other leaders such as IT &

electronics minister Ashwini Vaishnaw and MoS Rajeev Chandrasekhar. With the PM, Cook is expected to talk about the company's expansion plans in India, both in terms of domestic sales and exports.

On Monday, Cook met Ambani at his residence Anantia, and Reliance Jio chairman Akash Ambani and Reliance Retail director Isha

ner Wistron for a partnership, while also making aluminum casings and other components for Apple's component supply chain.

In the evening meeting at the BKC store, Cook spoke to the company's staff and is understood to have highlighted the company's business philosophy, customer handling processes, while talking about bu-



"Can't think of a better welcome to Mumbai than vada pav!", tweeted actor Madhuri Dixit with the image

Apple launches savings a/c in US

Apple introduced a long-promised high-yield savings account with Goldman Sachs Group, turning to a key partner to push deeper into financial services. The new offering will let Apple Card users earn a 4.15% annual yield, more than 10 times the national average, the tech giant said. BLOOMBERG

Ambani. They are believed to have discussed Apple's partnerships with Jio's mobile phone services, while also talking about partnerships with Reliance Retail.

With the Tata Group chairman Chandrasekaran, Cook is understood to have discussed the growing relationship of the company with India's oldest and most diversified business group. Tata is already in talks with Apple's manufacturing part-

nership to the first retail store.

Cook is also meeting Apple's key stakeholders, including third-party retail partners, manufacturing partners from Taiwanese trio of Foxconn, Wistron and Pegatron, as well as other officials.

A day prior to the visit, Cook had a special message for India, where he praised the country's "incredible energy" and "beautiful culture" as Apple completes 25 years of operations here.

Invesco, once largest Zee investor, sells entire stake

New Delhi: Invesco on Monday divested its entire stake — 51% — in Zee Entertainment Enterprises (ZEE) for Rs 1,004 crore through an open market transaction. Segantii India Mauritius, Morgan Stanley Asia Singapore and Goldman Sachs Singapore ODI were among the buyers of the shares.

US-based investment firm Invesco, through its arm OFI Global China Fund, offloaded the shares in ZEE. According to the bulk deal data available with the BSE, OFI Global China Fund sold more than 4.9 crore shares, amounting to a 5.1% stake in the firm. The shares were disposed of at an average price of Rs 204.5 apiece, taking the transaction value to over Rs 1,004 crore.

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Invesco Developing Markets Fund, which is managing the funds of OFI Global China and other funds, was planning to sell its 5.6% stake in ZEE. In April last year, Invesco offloaded a 7.7% stake in ZEE for Rs 2,092 crore through an open market transaction.

Earlier, Invesco was the single-largest shareholder in ZEE, holding nearly 18% in the media major. It had a dispute with the promoters of ZEE and, in September 2021, it called for the removal of the company's managing director Punet Goenka. Invesco, however, had dropped the demand for Goenka's ouster in May 2022 and has since supported the company's proposed merger with Sony Pictures Networks India. AGENCIES

WPI inflation cools to 29-mth low in March

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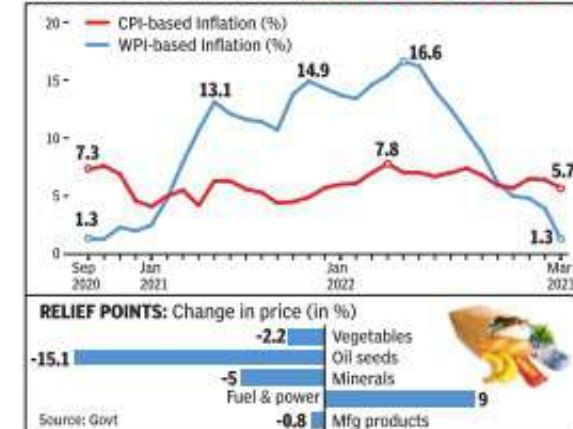
New Delhi: Wholesale price inflation slowed to a 29-month low in March on the back of a high base and easing prices of several commodities, manufactured products providing relief from stubborn price pressures.

Data released by the commerce and industry ministry on Monday showed inflation, as measured by the Wholesale Price Index (WPI), rose an annual 1.3%.

The ministry said the decline in the rate of inflation in March, 2023 is primarily contributed by fall in prices of basic metals, food products, textiles, non-food articles, minerals, rubber & plastic products, crude petroleum & natural gas and paper and paper products.

The data showed prices of food articles rose 5.5% in March, higher than the 3.8% recorded in February.

RBI SEEN STAYING IN PAUSE MODE



Rajani Sinha, chief economist at ratings agency CareEdge, said the downward trend is expected to continue, with the WPI inflation remaining below 1% for the next three months, given the favourable base.

Experts said the RBI is likely to maintain a pause in

its interest rate rising cycle for now. "We think the moderation in retail inflation (which is expected to continue further) suggests a pause in the next MPC meeting is likely," said Rahul Bajaria, MD & head of EM Asia (ex-China) economics, Barclays in a note.

WTO panel rules against India in IT tariffs dispute

Geneva: A WTO panel said on Monday that India had violated global trading rules in a dispute with the EU, Japan and Taiwan over import duties on IT products.

"We recommend that India bring such measures into conformity with its obligations," the WTO panel's report said. In 2019, the EU challenged India's introduction of import duties of between 7.5% and 20% for a wide

range of IT products, such as mobile phones and components, as well as integrated circuits, saying they exceeded the maximum rate. Japan and Taiwan filed similar complaints that same year.

The EU is India's third largest trading partner, accounting for 10.8% of total Indian trade in 2021, according to the European Commission.

India's diplomatic mission in Geneva did not imme-

diately respond to a request for comment on whether it would appeal against the ruling. If it does, the case will sit in legal purgatory since the WTO's top appeals bench is no longer functioning due to US opposition to judge appointments.

The WTO panel said India had already brought some of the challenged tariffs into line with global trading rules since last year. REUTERS

IBA sets up working grp on asset rejig cos

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Mumbai: The Indian Banks' Association (IBA) has constituted a working group on asset reconstruction companies (ARCs). The group will operate continuously on various issues and take them up with the IBA, the RBI and the government.

The four-member group comprises Hari Hara Mishra, CEO of Asset Reconstruction Companies Association, Purnotam Agarwal, chief investment officer of National Asset Reconstruction Company (NARCL), Mythili Balasubramanian of Edelweiss, and Tarun Kumar, director of Encore Asset Reconstruction Company. Banks now have skin in the game following the creation of the NARCL promoted by lenders. NARCL also enjoys some guarantees from government.

Godrej Capital creates MSME platform

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Mumbai: Godrej Capital, a subsidiary of Godrej Industries, has launched a platform to help MSMEs grow their businesses. The new platform, Nirmaan, will enable small enterprises in raising funds and also expand the market for Godrej Capital.

The platform will enable small businesses to get international customers by partnering with Amazon Global Selling without incurring regular costs. Other companies with preferred offers on the platform are Onsurety, Zolvit, and MSME.

'India can up share in aviation supply chains'

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European companies are getting mega orders from Indian airlines and also running and building airport here as part of JVs. Ahead of her visit to India for the EU India Aviation Summit this week, EU Commissioner for Transport, Adina Valean, tells TOI how she is keen on increasing direct connectivity between the two key partners and greater cooperation. Excerpts:

Europe's aerospace industry is looking closely at which aviation areas here?

India and the EU are dynamic markets with the same challenges and wish for more opportunities. First, I believe we can offer our combined population of close to two billion people more direct connectivity. There is potential for growth here, as in pre-pande-

mics times, only 40% of passengers flew directly between India and EU countries. India is also a resource hub offering a highly developed ecosystem of engineering and digital capabilities, with world-class talent and research facilities, all of which are of high value in the aerospace industry — from aircraft manufacturing to air traffic management or airport operations. Probably the biggest challenge the sector faces is de-carbonisation. Sustainable aviation fuels (SAF) will be central to reducing the emissions in aviation. To increase our cooperation in this field, we have launched a project on environmental support and capacity building for partner countries to use and produce SAF, in which India will play a key role.

Are some EU aerospace companies looking at ma-

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— ADINA VALEAN | EU COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT

Manufacturing in India?

Commercial strategies are to be decided by each company. But the mutual interdependencies of the EU and Indian markets are definitely growing, and clearly this is win-win. This is illustrated not just by the major Airbus aircraft order placed by IndiGo and Air India recently, but also by the fact that today, every Airbus commercial aircraft has critical technologies and systems

designed, developed and maintained in engineering and digital centres in India. Of course, I am happy that the A320neo (an EU aircraft) is today the most used type of aircraft by Indian companies. As for cooperation in the airport field, ADP (Paris Aeroport) is an example of success at an international level. (Flughafen Zurich is building Greater Noida airport.) Here too, it is a win-win, because, EU compa-

nies have vast experience in both technical and financial aspects of airport construction and management, and can also learn from Indian experience, in particular in the field of digitalisation.

Given supply chain constraints globally, what role you see India can play in easing the crunch situation?

Aviation production requires global and well-integrated supply chains that can deliver sophisticated, high-tech products. This is a matter of aviation safety and security. Recent crises have shown the need for alternative supply sources and not to be too dependent on any particular supplier or country. India has vast potential to increase its share in aviation supply chains as it has strong technical competencies in engineering and digital capabilities.

Blinkit sales hit as delivery staff protest against pay cut

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: The protests launched by delivery executives of Zomato-owned Blinkit in the company's home ground Delhi-NCR against a revised payout regime have impacted sales of the quick-commerce firm. The development is estimated to have a bearing on Zomato's consolidated revenues for the first quarter of the current financial year.

"We estimate Blinkit was operating about 370 dark stores pan-India as of Q3FY23. This implies about 25% of the dark stores are currently not operational. Given that at least 3-4 days' sales have been lost, this implies around 1% loss in revenue from Blinkit and around 0.15% of consoli-

FEELING THE HEAT

Blinkit's delivery workers feel new payout structure will reduce their earnings potential per delivery

It is understood that workers will now receive a minimum fee of ₹15 per delivery against ₹25 earlier

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ture which they believe will reduce their earnings potential per delivery. It is understood that workers will now receive a minimum fee of Rs 15 per delivery against Rs 25 earlier.

"We think the change in delivery fee structure indicates Zomato's efforts towards cost control. In our view, this would allow Blinkit to increase the delivery radius for their existing dark stores and thus improve its network coverage with limited capex spends," the brokerage firm said.

A Blinkit spokesperson said almost all of the dark stores are operational across NCR now. "We continue to engage with all delivery partners to help them understand the new payout structure," the spokesperson said.



JEREMY RENNER BACK TO HOSP TO VISIT MED STAFF WHO 'SAVED HIS LIFE' AFTER NEAR-FATAL MISHAP

Top Kremlin critic convicted of treason, given 25 years

A Russian court on Monday convicted a top opposition activist of treason for publicly denouncing Moscow's war in Ukraine and sentenced him to 25 years in prison as part of the Kremlin's relentless crackdown on critics of the invasion. **Vladimir Kara-Murza, Jr.**, an activist and journalist who twice survived poisonings he blamed on Russian authorities, has rejected the charges against him as punishment for standing up to President Putin and likened the proceedings to the show trials under Soviet dictator Josef Stalin. Human rights organisations and Western governments denounced the verdict and demanded his release. The charges against Kara-Murza, a 41-year-old dual Russian-British citizen who has been behind bars since his arrest a year ago, stem from a March 2022 speech to the Arizona House of Representatives in which he denounced Russia's invasion of Ukraine, along with other speeches abroad. **AP**

Sudan battles intensify on 3rd day, deaths soar past 180

Khartoum: As explosions and gunfire thundered outside, Sudanese in the capital Khartoum and other cities huddled in their homes for a third day on Monday, while the army and a powerful rival force battled in the streets for control of the country. More than 180 people have been killed in the crossfire in the densely populated urban area with heavy machine guns, tanks, artillery and airstrikes. The toll could be much higher because there are many bodies in the streets around central Khartoum that no one can reach because of the clashes. There has been no official word on the number of combatants killed. The sudden explosion of violence between the nation's two top generals, each backed by tens of thousands of fighters, trapped millions in their homes or wherever they could find shelter. **AP**

Greens slam Lanka plan to send IL monkeys to China

Colombo: The head of Sri Lanka's environmental conservation body has warned that the first batch of 1,00,000 endangered monkeys from the cash-strapped nation could be heading to test labs in China, media reported on Monday. Sri Lanka is planning to export 1,00,000 toque macaques to China, one of its largest bilateral lenders, agriculture minister Mahinda Amaraweera said last week. The toque macaque is endemic to Sri Lanka and classified as endangered on the International Union for Conservation of Nature red list. Understandably, the move has alarmed environmentalists. Centre for Environmental Justice (CEJ) executive director Hemantha Withanage warned that the first batch of 1 lakh monkeys could be heading for test labs in China, Daily Mirror Lanka reported.



The endangered toque macaque

Withanage said the monkeys could be used for testing cosmetic products and medical experiments. President Ranil Wickremesinghe's United National Party general secretary Palitha Range Bandara said even peacocks should be exported. "Those who oppose the export of monkeys should go to Wathathawilluwa, Anamadawa and Anuradhapura to see the damage caused by these monkeys and peacocks and witness the losses suffered by the farming community," Mirror quoted him as saying. **AGENCIES**

Deepfake porn: Amid AI race, another growing menace

New York: Artificial intelligence imaging can be used to create art, try on clothes in virtual fitting rooms or help design ad campaigns. But experts fear the darker side of the easily accessible tools could worsen something that primarily harms women: nonconsensual deepfake pornography. Deepfakes are videos and images that have been digitally created or altered with AI or machine learning. Porn created using the technology first began spreading across the internet several years ago when a Reddit user shared clips that placed the faces of female celebrities on the shoulders of porn actors. Since then, deepfake crea-

tors have disseminated similar videos and images targeting online influencers, journalists and others with a public profile. Thousands of videos exist across a plethora of websites. And some have been offering users the opportunity to create their own images — essentially allowing anyone to turn whoever they wish into sexual fantasies without their consent, or use the technology to harm former partners. The problem, experts say, grew as it became easier to make sophisticated deepfakes. And they say it could get worse with the development of generative AI tools that are trained on billions of images from the internet and spit out novel



DICAPRIO SPOTTED WITH BRADLEY COOPER'S EX, SUPERMODEL IRINA SHAYK, AT COACHELLA FEST

Slovakia becomes 3rd nation to defy EU, ban food imports from Ukraine

More Set To Join In Bid To Protect Farmers From Grain Glut

Warsaw (Poland): Slovakia became the third European Union country to ban food imports from Ukraine on Monday, deepening the challenge for the bloc as it works to help Ukraine transport its grain to world markets. Slovakia followed Poland and Hungary, both of which announced bans on Saturday on Ukrainian food imports through June 30. They did so in response to rising anger from farmers who say a glut of grain in their countries is causing them economic hardship. The EU's executive branch, the European Commission, manages trade on behalf of the 27 member countries and objects to them taking unilateral or uncoordinated measures. At a briefing in Brussels, two spokespeople stressed gratitude to Poland and other Central European countries for supporting Ukraine, but



A woman holds a loaf of bread during a farmers' protest in front of the Representative Office of the European Commission in Romania on April 7

said a solution must be found that respects the EU legal framework. "We are dealing with a war, right? And this war has consequences, obviously, on farmers and more generally, the population in Ukraine and EU and its members," said chief spokesman Eric Mamer. Five EU countries that neighbour Ukraine have asked the EU to treat the matter of Ukrainian food with urgency. Poland, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Hungary and Slovakia argue that they can't allow their own farmers to bear the cost of disruption Ukrainian grain and other agriculture products are causing to their markets. Bulgaria is reportedly mulling a similar ban. The Czech Republic says it's not. Meanwhile, a delegation of Ukrainian officials visited Warsaw on Monday for government consultations on the issue. Poland faces an election in the fall and farmer groups have been piling pressure on the government with frequent protests lately. Hungary's agriculture minister, Istvan Nagy, said the surge in Ukrainian products on European markets had made it "impossible" for Hungarian farmers to remain competitive. **AP**

Lavrov heads to Brazil as Lula pushes for peace

Brasilia: Russia's foreign minister Sergei Lavrov arrived at the Brazilian capital on Monday as Brazil's President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva pushed a diplomatic approach for peace in Ukraine that has irked both Kyiv and the West. The meeting between Lavrov and his Brazilian counterpart Mauro Vieira was set in March, when they held a bilateral at the G20 summit in New Delhi. They met Monday morning and, according to the foreign ministry's website, both will meet with Lula in the afternoon. Lula has refused to provide weapons to Ukraine while proposing a club of nations including Brazil and China to mediate peace. On Sunday, he told reporters in Abu Dhabi that two nations — both Russia and Ukraine — had decided to go to war, and a day earlier in Beijing said the US must stop "stimulating" the continued fighting and start discussing peace. Earlier this month, he suggested Ukraine could cede Crimea to end the war, which the spokesperson for Ukraine's foreign ministry, Oleg Nikolenko, rejected. "Would you offer a Crimeanized part of Brazil... just for tranquility's sake? Then we'll talk!" Belgium's former PM Guy Verhofstadt tweeted earlier this month. As part of his bid to end hostilities, Lula has also withheld arms to Ukraine, even at the request of Germany's Chancellor Olaf Scholz. He has said sending supplies would mean Brazil entering the war, which he seeks to end. His position has apparently been appreciated in Moscow. One of roughly 50 leaked classified documents on Discord viewed by AP said that, as of late February, Russia's foreign ministry supported Lula's plan to establish a club of 'impartial' mediators, as it "would reject the West's 'aggressor-victim' paradigm." **AP**



Lavrov & Lula

Chinese nat'l held on blasphemy charges in Pak

Omer Farooq Khan | TNN

Islamabad: A Chinese engineer was arrested on Sunday night and charges pressed against him after a mob tried to attack him for allegedly making blasphemous remarks during an argument at a worksite with local labourers in northern Pakistan.

Security officials identified the man as "Mr Tian," head of heavy transport at the China Gezhouba Group Company constructing the Dasu hydropower project in Upper Kohistan district of north-western Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province. He was shifted to Abbottabad, a garrison hill station 120km north of Islamabad, in an army helicopter to keep him safe from religious fanatics, police said on Monday. He will face police investigation and trial in a magistrate's court.

Trouble erupted on Saturday when the Chinese engineer asked his local staff to work when they had gathered to offer afternoon prayers at the workplace, leading to an argument. "He made insulting remarks and derogatory gestures against Allah and the Prophet," states the police report. Word spread fast and protesters came on Sunday to the project site, gathering outside the Chinese workers' camp for revenge over the alleged blasphemy. Police arrived before the situation got out of hand, fired shots in the air and whisked away the accused foreigner. Streets protests were seen in the area. People blocked the Karakoram highway linking China with Pakistan. The demonstrations subsided on Monday following the arrest. A Sri Lankan factory manager was beaten to death by co-workers in Punjab province in December 2021 after he was falsely accused of insulting Islam. **AGENCIES**



The Dasu Dam project in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, where the Chinese national was working

Extremists raze Ahmadi shrine

Radical Islamists belonging to Tehreek-i-Labbaik Pakistan (TLP) allegedly attacked and demolished a 118-year-old worship place of the minority Ahmadi community in the Punjab province, police said on Monday. The incident occurred on Sunday at the Ahmadi worship place in Sargodha district. According to TLP, the worship place was built like a mosque, the official said. Members of the community present had to scale walls to save their lives. **AGENCIES**

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UK PM being probed over wife's stocks

London: British PM Rishi Sunak is facing a watchdog inquiry under his parliamentary declaration of interest obligations related to a budget policy that could benefit his wife, Akshata Murty, through her business interest in a childcare firm, it emerged on Monday. The inquiry has been opened by the UK's parliamentary commissioner for standards, an independent officer of the House of Commons in charge of looking at evidence if individual British MPs are feared to have broken a rule under the 'code of conduct'. The active inquiries on the watchdog's list include one opened on Sunak, 42, last Thursday under Paragraph 6 of the rules of conduct, as Downing Street said ministerial interests were "transparently declared". According to BBC, the inquiry relates to the British Indian leader's wife's interest in Koru Kids Ltd, which



Rishi Sunak & wife Akshata Murty

is likely to benefit from a new pilot scheme announced in the spring budget last month to incentivise people to become childminders. Akshata Murty, the daughter of Infosys co-founder Narayana Murthy, is listed on the UK's Companies House register as a shareholder in Koru Kids. Now the watchdog's probe will decide if there has been any breach, which can then be put before MPs sitting on the committee on standards — which is responsible for deciding any sanctions. **AGENCIES**

PIOs slam new 'divisive' 'British Gujarati' group

Naomi Canton

London: Scores of British Indian organisations and peers have written letters of objection about a newly formed all-party parliamentary group (APPG) on British Gujaratis, saying it is a threat to the cohesiveness of British Indians and even to the unity of India. They have written to the APPG's chair, Labour MP Gareth Thomas, who represents Harrow West, which has a sizeable Gujarati community, objecting to the group, asking for it to be dissolved, pointing out there is already an India and British Hindus APPG that caters to the diverse needs of the community. They say they were not consulted on its formation, that it will unnecessarily divide the Indian community, and point out Gujaratis are well integrated in Britain and their needs are no different to other Indian communities. Many express fears creating an APPG for one section of British Indians will bring about disharmony and trigger other provinces, states and language groups within the Indian community to form their own APPGs. FISI (Friends of India Society International) UK's letter states: "We view this attempt to create an APPG solely for Gujaratis as an attack on the unity of the British Indian community and also on India that has stood for 'unity in diversity'. Such mala fide attempts at creating strife within the wider Indian community need to be discouraged."

Iran invites Saudi king to visit amid thaw in ties

Tehran: Iran said on Monday it has formally invited Saudi King Salman to visit Tehran, following a reconciliation pact reached last month between the two sides. Saudi Arabia severed relations with Iran in 2016, after its embassy in Tehran and consulate in the northwestern city of Mashhad were attacked during protests over Riyadh's execution of Shiite cleric Nimr al-Nimr. The two West Asian powerhouses had held several rounds of dialogue in Iraq and Oman before reaching the agreement to mend ties on March 10 in China. On Monday, Iran's foreign ministry spokesman Nasser Kanani said President Ebrahim Raisi had already received an invitation to visit the Sunni-ruled kingdom. **AFP**



Nawaz will return, steer poll campaign: Minister

Islamabad: Pakistan's interior minister Rana Sanaullah has said PM's N-supremo and former PM Nawaz Sharif will return from London as soon as the electoral preparations for the general elections begin. He also made it clear that elections in the politically crucial Punjab province will not be held on May 14 despite the supreme court's order and "all-out efforts" of the opposition Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) led by former PM Imran Khan.



An ailing Nawaz has been living in London since November 2019 for medical treatment after the high court allowed him a four-week reprieve. The 73-year-old leader was serving a seven-year prison term in the Kot Lakhpat Jail in Lahore in the Al-Azizia corruption case before his departure. Holding provincial polls has taken centre stage in Pakistani politics as Khan has been pushing for snap elections in Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa provinces. **AGENCIES**

AROUND THE WORLD



SPACEX CALLS OFF 1ST LAUNCH ATTEMPT OF GIANT ROCKET IN TEXAS: Elon Musk's SpaceX called off the first launch attempt of its giant rocket on Monday after a problem cropped up during fueling. The company had planned to fly the nearly 400-foot Starship rocket from the southern tip of Texas, near the Mexican border. The countdown was halted at the 40-second mark because of a stuck valve in the first-stage booster. Launch controllers couldn't fix the frozen valve in time, and cancelled the attempt, delaying the uncrewed test flight for at least two days. Starship, the most powerful rocket ever built, has been designed to send astronauts to the Moon, Mars and beyond. Starship is both bigger and more powerful than SLS and capable of lifting a payload of more than 100 metric tonnes into orbit.

Russian tourist deported from Bali over nude photo on sacred tree

A Russian woman who posted a nude photo of herself in front of a sacred tree has been deported from Bali, an official said on Monday, the latest incident involving indecent tourist acts on the Indonesian resort island. The 40-year-old woman, identified as Luiza Kosykh, left Bali's Denpasar on a late Sunday flight to Moscow, Bali legal and human rights agency official I Nengah Sukadana said, just days after she was nabbed by immigration officials. Kosykh was arrested on Wednesday after her nude photo in front of the 700-year-old banyan went viral, angering local Hindus who revere the tree as sacred. She claimed the photograph was taken a few years ago and that she did not know the tree was considered sacred. The Russian, who claims to be a property investor, entered Bali in January using a temporary-stay visa which would have been valid until December of next year.

Italy, police intercepted 70 packages, which were tied together and contained around two tonnes (2,000kg) of cocaine, off Sicily's eastern coast. The packages, made up of around 1,600 bricks of drugs, and sporting a tracking device, were spotted by a navy surveillance plane, police said. They were "probably left at sea by one of the cargo ships frequenting that stretch of coastline, to be subsequently recovered and transported to the mainland," it said. The cargo had a street value of over € 400 million (\$440 million), it said. Although Sicily is home to the Cosa Nostra mafia immortalised in the Godfather films, the country's leading organised crime group is the wealthy and powerful 'Ndrangheta.

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Deepfake creators have shared pornographic videos and images targeting actors, journalists and anyone else with a public profile. Others have used the technology to harm former partners

content using existing data. "The reality is that the technology will continue to develop and will continue to become as easy as pushing the button," said Adam Dodge, the

founder of EndTAB, a group that provides trainings on technology-enabled abuse. "And as long as that happens, people will continue to misuse the technology to harm others, primarily through online sexual violence, deepfake porn and fake nude images." Noelle Martin, of Perth, Australia, has experienced that reality. The 28-year-old found deepfake porn of herself 10 years ago when out of curiosity one day she used Google to search an image of herself. To this day Martin says she doesn't know who created the fake images, or videos of her engaging in sexual intercourse. Horrified, Martin contacted different websites for a

number of years in an effort to get the images taken down. Some didn't respond. Others took it down but she soon found it up again. "You can't win," she said. Eventually, Martin turned her attention towards legislation, advocating for a national law in Australia that would fine companies \$55,000 Australian dollars (\$37,706) if they don't comply with removal notices for such content from online safety regulators. But governing the Internet is next to impossible when countries have their own laws for content that's sometimes made halfway around the world. In the meantime, some AI models say they're curbing access to explicit images. **AP**



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CSK FINISH ON TOP IN RUN-FEST

Pip RCB By 8 Runs After Scoring 226/6

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Bengaluru: On Monday night, if anyone mistook the M Chinnaswamy stadium here for the Chepauk, they could be pardoned. Chennai Super Kings fans, who probably outnumbered Royal Challengers Bangalore's loyalists, painted the stadium yellow.

On the field, the teams matched strides for most parts of the high-scoring contest which lived up to its marquee billing.

On a surface which was an absolute belter, Mahendra Singh Dhoni's men bossed over the home team bowlers to score an imposing 226/6, which included 17 maximums and 12 fours. In reply, RCB came within touching distance of overhauling the target. Needing 19 runs off the last over, they finished with 218/8 to hand CSK an eight-run victory.

What separated the two teams was RCB's inability to cash in on the dropped catches, while CSK bowlers took wickets at crucial junctures, which swung the match in their favour.

RCB's opening pair of Faf du Plessis (62; 33b; 5x4; 4x6) and Virat Kohli (6) have often provided the early impetus. But on the day, Kohli departed early, a swing and a miss off 'Impact Player' Akash Singh, the inside edge landing on his toe before finding the stumps.

With Mahipal Lomror following soon after, RCB were reeling at 15/2. Skipper Du Plessis, who was dropped on 0, and Glen Maxwell (76; 36b; 3x4; 8x6) put in the hard yards to pull RCB out of the woods with their quickfire 126-run association for the third wicket.

With RCB needing 68 off 36 deliveries, Du Plessis miscued Moeen Ali and Dhoni collected the skier. That was the beginning of the end of RCB's victory march, Dinesh Karthik (28) provided a fleeting hope, but did not stay long enough to justify his finisher tag.

Conway-Dube show

Invited to bat, Devon Conway (83; 45b; 6x4; 6x6) and Shivam Dube (52; 27b; 2x4; 5x6) tore into the RCB bowling attack with a ruthless display of power hitting.

The opening over was the only time in the innings where RCB could tie down the opposition. RCB, who have had good success with the new ball thus far in the season, got a breakthrough when Ruturaj Gaikwad's flick off Siraj landed in Parnell's hand. Before the momentum could shift, Ajinkya Rahane neutralised it during his 20-ball-37 run cameo. With CSK sailing, Wanindu Hasaranga accounted for Rahane, who was bowled by a googly.

Conway and Dube joined forces to deal in boundaries.



Glenn Maxwell hits a skier which was taken by MS Dhoni

If Dube was all about elegance and timing, Conway's innings was highlighted by power and footwork. In the 16th over, Harshal Patel rattled the stumps of Conway with a slower one. In the last five overs, CSK lost four wickets, but managed to milk 61 runs.

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SCOREBOARD

CSK: R Gaikwad c Parnell b Siraj 3, D Conway b Patel 83, A Rahane b de Silva 37, S Dube c Siraj b Parnell 52, A Rayudu c Karthik b Vysakh 14, M Ali not out 19, R Jadeja c sub b Maxwell 10, MS Dhoni not out 1; **Extras:** (lb1, nb2, w4) 7; **Total: (6 wickets) 226; FoW:** 1-16, 2-90, 3-170, 4-178, 5-198,

6-224; **Bowling:** Siraj 4-0-30-1, Parnell 4-0-48-1, Vysakh 4-0-62-1, Maxwell 2-4-0-28-1, Hasaranga 2-0-21-1, Harshal 3-2-0-36-1.

RCB: V Kohli b Akash 6, F du Plessis c Dhoni b Ali 62, M Lomror c Gaikwad b Deshpande 0, G Maxwell c Dhoni b Theekshana 76, S Ahmed c Gaikwad b Pathirana 12, D Karthik c Theekshana b

Deshpande 28, S Prabhudessai c Jadeja b Pathirana 19, W Parnell c Dube b Deshpande 2, W Hasaranga not out 2; **Extras:** (lb5, w6) 11; **Total: (8 wickets) 218; FoW:** 1-6, 2-15, 3-141, 4-159, 5-191, 6-192, 7-197, 8-218; **Bowling:** Akash 3-0-35-1, Deshpande 4-0-45-3, Theekshana 4-0-41-1, Jadeja 4-0-37-0, Pathirana 4-0-42-2, Ali 1-0-13-1.

Result: CSK won by 8 runs

TOP PERFORMERS

ORANGE CAP	
Faf du Plessis RCB	259 RUNS
V Iyer KKR	234
S Dhawan PBKS	233
S Gill GT	228
D Warner DC	228

PURPLE CAP

MARK WOOD LSG	
11 WICKETS	
Y Chahal RR	11
Rashid Khan GT	11
M Shami GT	10
T Deshpande CSK	10

HOW THEY STAND

TEAM	M	W	L	NRR	PTS
RR	5	4	1	1.354	8
LSG	5	3	2	0.761	6
CSK	5	3	2	0.265	6
GT	5	3	2	0.192	6
PBKS	5	3	2	-0.109	6
KKR	5	2	3	0.320	4
RCB	5	2	3	-0.318	4
MI	4	2	2	-0.389	4
SRH	4	2	2	-0.822	4
DC	5	0	5	-1.488	0

226/6 Super Kings have recorded their highest score against RCB in the IPL, obliterating the 216/4 at DYP, Mumbai on April 12, 2022.

33 Number of sixes hit in the match - CSK (17) and RCB (16) - is the joint-highest in an IPL match - the first two instances being between RR and CSK in 2020 and between CSK and RCB in 2018.

-Rajesh Kumar

Solanki defends not bowling Mohit at death

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Ahmedabad: Smarting under another defeat while defending a total at the Narendra Modi Stadium on Sunday, Gujarat Titans director of cricket Vikram Solanki defended the hosts' bowling strategy against Rajasthan Royals, including giving pacer Mohit Sharma only two overs, and termed it as a 'line call'.

Sharma, who was the 'player of the match' against Punjab Kings, conceded only seven runs and the decision to not bowl him in the death overs came under scrutiny even as Alzarri Joseph and Rashid Khan had an off day. Titans' 177/7 was chased down by Royals with three wickets and four balls to spare.

"In the last four overs, if you think of how Shami bowled in his opening spell, Mohit was an option. In the last over, Noor Ahmed had seven runs to defend. It was probably important to try and take a wicket. Noor broke that partnership for us and got us back in the game," said Solanki at the post-match press conference.

83

Devon Conway has posted his highest score vs RCB in the IPL, eclipsing the 56 at Pune on May 4, 2022. In all, he has scored five fifties for CSK in the IPL and for the third time, he has been dismissed in the eighties.

61

Runs conceded by Vijaykumar Vysakh in his four overs - the second most by a RCB bowler behind the 64 conceded by Josh Hazlewood vs Punjab Kings in Mumbai on May 13, 2022.

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GALLERY

India to host men's Asian Champions hockey for first time from Aug 3-12

Chennai: India will host the Asian Champions Trophy hockey tournament for the first time from August 3 to 12 in Chennai, with international matches returning to the city after 16 years. The seventh edition of the prestigious continental event, which was inaugurated in 2011, will serve as a precursor to the Asian Games hockey competition in Hangzhou, China in September. Asian hockey powerhouse and three-time champion Pakistan as well as China are yet to confirm their participation in the tournament to be played at Mayor Radhakrishnan Stadium.

Jayasuriya bags five-for as Ireland slump to 117-7: Sadeera Samarawickrama and Dinesh Chandimal hit unbeaten centuries before Prabhakar Jayasuriya claimed a five-for as Sri Lanka put visitors Ireland to the sword on the second day of the first Test in Galle on Monday. Sri Lanka declared their first innings on a mammoth 591-6 before reducing Ireland to 117-7, still needing another 274 to avoid the follow-on.

Fitzpatrick wins RBC Heritage over Spieth on 3rd extra hole: Matt Fitzpatrick defeated defending champion Jordan Spieth on the third playoff hole at the RBC Heritage, stuffing his approach in close on the par-4 18th at Harbour Town to secure his first victory since the U.S. Open last June. Fitzpatrick hit 9-iron to within 1 foot on the famed, closing lighthouse hole to set up the winning birdie on the Pete Dye course he played as a child.

EIL to host 41st PSPB TT event: The 41st PSPB Inter Unit Table Tennis Tournament scheduled to be held at the Indira Gandhi Stadium, New Delhi from 18th April to 21st April 2023 is all set to witness top players of the Oil & Gas majors such as ONGC, IOCL, GAIL and BPCL. Stars such as Sharat Kamal, Harmeet Desai, Manav Thakkar, Sanil Shetty, Soumyajit Ghosh, Divya Deshpande, Mouma Das and Ankita Das will feature in the event.

Kenya double as Chebet, Obiri dominate Boston Marathon: Evans Chebet and Hellen Obiri stormed to victory in the men's and women's races at the Boston Marathon on Monday to complete a third straight Kenyan double in the long distance-running showpiece. AGENCIES

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CRICKET: IPL, Hyderabad vs Mumbai, 7.30 pm (Star Sports, JioCinema); Sri Lanka vs Ireland, 1st Test, Day 3, 10 am (Sony); **FOOTBALL:** Champions League, QFs (Leg 2), Napoli vs Milan; Chelsea vs Real Madrid, 12.30 am Wednesday (Sony); Jamsheer FC vs Gokulam Kerala, 5 pm; Mohan Bagan, FC Goa, 8.30 pm (Sony)

CAN MI BOWLERS CONTAIN BROOK?

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Hyderabad: Sunrisers Hyderabad and Mumbai Indians have had identical starts to their campaign this season. Both teams lost their first two games before bouncing back to post back-to-back victories.

After being thrashed by Raj Royals at home and then losing miserably to LSG, SRH came back admirably against Punjab. An eight-wicket win at home was followed up with a 23-run win against KKR at the Eden Gardens.

MI lost to RCB by eight wickets and then fell to CSK, but then beat Delhi by six wickets and KKR by five. Placed eighth and ninth on the points table, MI and SRH will be looking to get the much-needed two points to place ahead. The hosts, however, look better placed as they have a more all-round game.

England batter Harry Brook showed why the Sunrisers had splurged Rs 13.25 crore on him. Against KKR, Brook (100*, 55b) powered to the first century of the IPL season.

The team management's decision to promote Brook to open has paid off as the England batter is more comfortable against the pacers. This was evident at Eden as he toyed with the pacers and bided his time against spin. It remains to be seen how Rohit Sharma's men counter Brook and on it will hinge the fortunes of Mumbai Indians.

With skipper Aiden Markram (87) and Rahul Tripathi (117) also in good form, Sunrisers have thrived on their batting in the last two games. Heinrich Klaasen, who got to bat in just one game so far and scored an unbeaten 16, could pose a few problems for rival bowlers.

The only worry for the hosts on the batting front is the indifferent form of opener Mayank Agarwal, who has scored 65 in four games.

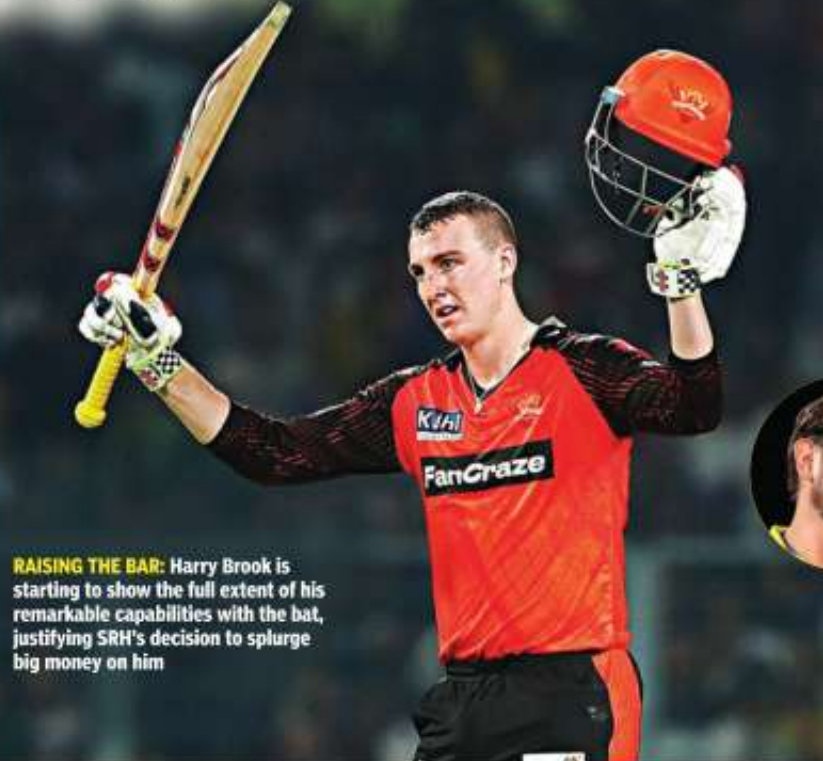
The arrival of pacer Marco Jansen (4 wickets) has transformed the SRH attack. The lanky South African has teamed up well with Bhuvneshwar Kumar (3 wickets).

They have got early breakthroughs in the last two games. Added to it is the spin of Mayank Markande (6 wickets), who has been giving the rival batters some food for thought with his variations.

Mumbai Indians too have a formidable batting lineup. Hyderabad lad N Tilak Varma, Ishan Kishan and Rohit Sharma have been among the runs. Suryakumar Yadav's knock against KKR on Sunday is significant as the India batter has been going through a tough phase. Starting with the Australia T20 series, 'SKY' has been facing a run drought. Therefore, the 25-ball 43 should restore confidence.

On the bowling front, Mumbai Indians have struggled to make an impact. Veteran leggie Piyush Chawla (5) has not only kept the rival batters quiet but is also the leading wicket-taker for his side.

MI will have a task on hand to contain Brook and the SRH batters, who would be keen to make use of home conditions and surge ahead of their rivals in the table.



RAISING THE BAR: Harry Brook is starting to show the full extent of his remarkable capabilities with the bat, justifying SRH's decision to splurge big money on him

235-9

Mumbai's score against Hyderabad in Abu Dhabi on Oct 8, 2021, their highest total in the IPL.

7 IPL matches played between the two teams in Uppal, Hyderabad.

SRH have won 4 (2013, 2016, 2017 & 2018) and lost 3 (2014, 2015 & 2019).

84

Ishan Kishan's innings off 32 balls in Abu Dhabi on Oct 8, 2021 is the highest by an MI batter vs SRH in the IPL. He had taken 16 balls to score his fifty, the fastest for MI.

83

Boundaries (61 fours and 22 sixes) by SRH in 4 games, the least in this IPL season.

—Stats: Rajesh Kumar

‘Harry’s form a great sign for team’

Skipper Markram Says Mayank’s Lean Patch Is Not A Concern Yet

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Hyderabad: Mayank Agarwal's lean patch has not helped Sunrisers Hyderabad's cause. The opener has scored 27, 8, 21 and 9 in the last four games. However, skipper Aiden Markram is unperturbed.

"Mayank's ability and how he has performed at the international level is something one needs to keep in mind. Over the years in the IPL, he has been consistent. Hence, we are not concerned at all. He is looking in great touch in the nets and is still very positive. We are confident Ma-

yank can contribute to the team," Markram said at a pre-match briefing on Monday evening.

On Harry Brook's scintillating performance, the skipper said: "It's great to have someone like Harry in form. Hopefully the others too will be among the runs in the coming games. (Brook's unbeaten 100 against KKR) was one of the better ones I witnessed. Harry's form is a great sign for the team," he said.

SRH had put down a few chances against Kolkata Knight Riders and the skipper said the boys are working on it. "I think we can improve on our fielding as we put down a lot of catches the other night. Hopefully, the guys can find a lot of trust in their preparation and fix the things in which we are struggling a bit," he said.



AIDEN MARKRAM

On the clash against Mumbai Indians, he said: "MI have a full international lineup. But we have been getting good starts with the ball and if we get another great start with the ball in the last two games, it will help the team in the middle overs and going into the back end. We have been really good with the ball in the last two games."

"The Eden wicket was flat but if we had taken our catches, we would have bowled them out for a below-par total. In the previous games, we have taken wickets in the Powerplay (Mayank) Markande has taken wickets in the middle. We are pleased with the personnel in terms of taking wickets and creating opportunities," he said.

High jumper Tejaswin Shankar targets Asian glory in decathlon

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EXPERIMENTAL: Tejaswin

New Delhi: High jumper Tejaswin Shankar or decathlete Tejaswin Shankar? What can the 24-year-old, who won a bronze in high jump at the CWG last year, be referred to as now? Being experimental, wearing different hats comes naturally to Tejaswin a.k.a TJ — as he is called by his fellow Indian athletes.

Just nine months back, Tejaswin had brought glory to the country in Birmingham. After the medal ceremony, he had said he is planning to venture into decathlon. Most journalists present had thought it to be outlandish. High jump is different, and decathlon is different — requiring a contrasting set of skills, physicality etc.

But Tejaswin has done it, contrary to what all the naysayers had to say. And, in his second decathlon competition, he missed the national record by just 10 points, racking up 7,648 points to win silver at the Jim Clark Shootout in Arizona, US. Bharatinder Singh's record of 7,658 points has sto-

od since 2011, but it's a matter of time that it will be broken. "Main apne baat ka pakka hon na (Ain't I true to my words)," Tejaswin says during an interaction with TOI from Kansas City.

Athletics Federation of India's qualification mark for this year's Asian Games is 7,500 points, and Tejaswin's current show in Arizona is way past that. He will be in contention for an Asian medal if he manages to match the Arizona performance in Hangzhou. Surely, an Asian medal or a medal at the Asian Athletics Championships (in July this year) is at the back of his mind, but Tejaswin isn't one to fret day in day out, thinking just about medals.

"Logically speaking, there

are just 4-5 years left in my athletic career. I want to maximize that and not get stressed out about which medals I need to win," he said. For the multi-talented Tejaswin, "high jump and decathlon can go side by side". "I need high jump for a good performance in decathlon," he said.

But decathlon is a lot tougher. It tests an athlete's all-round ability. One needs speed, agility, power, endurance to be a successful decathlete. The 10 events are divided over two days. The 100m, long jump, high jump, shot put and 400m are contested on the first day. The 110m hurdles, discus throw, pole vault, javelin and 1500m are the events on the second day.

"Decathlon is like a team sport. The first five events suit me more. I am strong, fast, athletic. There is a saying in the decathlon fraternity: 'Day 1 is for the athlete and Day 2 is for the decathlete'. The actual test starts on the second day. They are all technical events. After the hurdles, there is discus throw, pole vault and javelin. That's where I start losing points."

Archers get Korean coach before WC

Kolkata: For the first time after the 2014 Asian Games, the Indian archery team will have a foreign coach as the Archery Association of India (AAI) has hired Olympic gold medal-winning coach Baek Woong Ki to work with the national recurve team.

The South Korean, under whose guidance his country won double gold in women's individual and team sections at London Olympics, will begin his India stint with the season-opening World Cup Stage 1, slated in Antalya, Turkey from Tuesday.

The association also roped in two-time Italian World Cup winner Sergio Pagni for the compound team taking part in the season-opening Turkey World Cup. Woong Ki was initially part of the Centre of Excellence in SAI, Sonapat. **TNN**

Odisha beat HFC to make semis; EB exit

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Odisha FC snatched a 2-1 comeback win against Hyderabad FC to advance into the semifinals of the Super Cup at the Sports Council Stadium, Payyanad in Manjeri on Monday.

Hyderabad struck first as Javier Siverio Toro gave his team the lead in the 11th minute. Odisha woke up from their slumber after going down and started to put Hyderabad under pressure with constant raids on their rival goal. They drew level through Diego Brito (55). With five minutes to go for the final whistle, Victor Rodriguez (85) found the winner for Odisha.

Odisha FC finished on top of Group B with seven points from three matches while Hyderabad ended their campaign with four points from the

same number of matches.

East Bengal finished with three points from three matches while Aizawl ended with one point from three games. East Bengal got knocked out after ending their group engagements winless. In their final game, they let slip a two-goal advantage and were held to a 2-2 draw by Aizawl FC.

Javier Siverio gave Hyderabad the lead in the 11th minute after the Spanish forward headed the ball past Odisha goalkeeper Amrinder Singh from an aerial cross from Borja Gonzales.

In the 55th minute, Hyderabad defenders failed to clear their lines and Diego Brito scored after a scramble in the box following a corner. Just before the final whistle, Diego with a brilliant move put in a cross for Victor who tapped the ball into the net.

BOOST FOR NAPOLI

Rome: AC Milan can move one step closer to reviving their past European glory. Napoli can add another milestone to their extraordinary season.

Figuring out which team will come out on top after the second leg of their all-Italian Champions League quarter-final on Tuesday at the Stadio Diego Armando Maradona may come down to the status of their centre forwards.

Serie A scoring leader Victor Osimhen is back from an injured abductor muscle in his left leg that kept him out of Milan's 1-0 win in the first game last week. And now veteran Milan striker Olivier Giroud is an injury concern

Osimhen has this physicality and speed whereby you can throw the ball up to him and he can protect it, use his head or use a change of pace. He has so many different alternatives.

—Luciano Spalletti, NAPOLI COACH

with an Achilles tendon problem.

Milan won the last of their seven European Cup and Champions League titles in 2007, while Napoli are playing in the quarterfinals for the first time.

Osimhen returned in the second half of Napoli's 0-0 draw with Hellas Verona on Sunday in Serie A and showed immediately how dangerous he can be by rattling a shot off the crossbar.

"Osimhen has this physicality and speed whereby you can throw the ball up to him and he can protect it, use his head or use a change of pace," Napoli coach Luciano Spalletti said.

"He has so many different alternatives." The 24-year-old Osimhen has been one of the top strikers in Europe this season with 25 goals in 29 appearances across all competitions. **AP**

Today's matches (Quarterfinal, 2nd leg): Chelsea vs Real Madrid; Napoli vs Milan (Live, Sony Network, 12.30am).

THEY ARE ALL FINALS IN THE RUN-IN, SAYS TEN HAG

Nottingham: With his Manchester United side still in the thick of three different races and in the midst of a gruelling stretch of games, manager Erik ten Hag says he will not prioritise one competition over another.

"We approach this game by game, what can we do?" Ten Hag said after Sunday's 2-0 Premier League victory over Nottingham Forest. "We have to win. We are United, we have to win every game." United's victory over Steve Cooper's Forest propelled them into third to strengthen their grip on a top-four Premier League finish.

"The points are getting more expensive at this period of the season, because they are all finals, they are really battling against relegation, they are giving their lives and this is every opponent, or they go for the top, so you have to really fight and battle for every point," Ten Hag said. **REUTERS**

Striker Osimhen Back As Spalletti's Team Looks To Overcome Milan Challenge



Napoli's Victor Osimhen with teammates during training on Monday

Chelsea are not broken, says Lampard as CL exit looms

London: Chelsea are not a "broken" team this season and co-owner Todd Boehly had every right to address the squad he has invested in, manager Frank Lampard said on Monday ahead of their Champions League quarter-final against Real Madrid.

Chelsea, who trail Real Madrid 2-0 on aggregate after losing the first leg at the Santiago Bernabeu, come into the game on the back of a six-match winless run, with interim boss Lampard losing his first three games in charge. With Chelsea 17 points off the top four despite spending more than 600 million euros (\$655.50 million) on new players, winning the Champions League is the London club's only realistic chance of qualifying for the lucrative competition next season.

The situation is similar to when Chelsea finished

sixth in the league in 2011-12 when Lampard was a player at the club, but they qualified for the Champions League after winning the competition.

"We are not where we want to be. I think the word 'broken' is a bit much. The league position is reality and we are 2-0 down (in this tie)," Lampard said ahead of Tuesday's second leg. "We have to work against that, I don't think anything that happens tomorrow will be better than when we won the Champions League (in 2012)."

"It's down to us as a team to play with desire and know-how to turn this game around. I've been here too many times on a Champions League night not to understand that the atmosphere is going to be great. It is down to us to engage the crowd."

Lampard said he would have no problem should Chelsea fail to advance as he was "proud" to manage the club. "What will be, will be after tomorrow," Lampard added. "Every game is an opportunity to win games... an opportunity to get back to winning." **REUTERS**

LA LIGA: GRIEZMANN DOUBLE GUIDES ATLETICO TO SIXTH STRAIGHT WIN

Madrid: Atletico Madrid extended their unbeaten run to 13 league games after Antoine Griezmann scored twice in a 2-1 home win over Almeria on Sunday as they registered their sixth straight win in La Liga.

Atletico moved to within two points of second-placed rivals Real Madrid but Diego Simeone's side are 13 points behind league leaders Barcelona.

Atletico Madrid were up and running inside five minutes when Angel Correa cleverly flicked his header from a corner into the six-yard box where Griezmann

noddled home from point-blank range.

But Almeria got back on level terms in the 37th minute when Leo Baptistao's effort

deflected off defender Jose Gimenez before looping over Jan Oblak in goal to go down as an own goal.

The visitors' joy was

shortlived, however, as Atletico restored their lead six minutes later with some neat interplay which allowed Yannick Carrasco to cut the ball in to Griezmann who grabbed his second with a smart finish.

MS Dhoni could definitely play IPL next year: Moeen

New Delhi: Allrounder Moeen Ali feels MS Dhoni "could definitely" feature in the IPL next year, playing down the widespread supposition that the ongoing season will be the Chennai Super Kings captain's last appearance.

At 41, the World Cup-winning former India skipper continues to attract massive following and last week came close to pulling off a near-impossible win over Rajasthan Royals. His batting is still very valuable for his team.

"He could definitely play again next year," Moeen was quoted as saying by ESPNcricinfo. "The way he's playing, I don't think it'll be his batting that stops him from playing, even if it's in two, three years' time. I wasn't surprised at how he played (against Rajasthan). I've been watching him in the nets, and he's been batting unbelievably well."

"It's just amazing to see from somebody at that age. It's not easy when you come in so late (in the batting order). People forget that a lot of the time but that's what makes him so good."

WILL NEVER BE ANOTHER LIKE MSD, SAYS SUNIL GAVASKAR

Batting legend Sunil Gavaskar has called MS Dhoni the best captain in IPL history, saying, "There hasn't been a captain like him and will never be one like him in future." Dhoni just completed 200 matches as CSK captain and is the first to achieve the feat.

"CSK know how to get out of tough situations. This has been possible only under Dhoni's captaincy. Captaining 200 matches is very difficult. Captaining so many matches is a burden and it could have affected his performance," he said. "But Mahi is different. He is a different captain. There hasn't been a captain like him and will never be." **PTI**

'CSK OWNERS NEVER MAKE YOU FEEL LOW'

Chennai: Respect for all and empathy for players during their lowest phase has been the hallmark of the CSK management, feels allrounder Ravindra Jadeja.

Jadeja was the captain for the first phase last year but didn't get the desired results and was replaced by Dhoni. It was learnt was Jadeja was a bit upset after giving up the captaincy and there were even rumours that he wanted to leave the franchise, but all differences have now been sorted out.

"CSK management and the owners (N Srinivasan) never put any pressure on any players. Even now after 11 years with CSK, they have the same attitude and approach. They'll never make you feel low even when you aren't performing well," Jadeja told Star Sports. **PTI**

ALVES CLAIMS CONSENSUAL SEX IN ASSAULT CASE

Barcelona: Brazilian soccer player Dani Alves said on Monday he had consensual sex with a woman who has accused him of sexual assault, changing his version of what happened in a Barcelona nightclub in late December.

The 39-year-old, who has been jailed without bail since Jan. 20, appeared before the judge on Monday at his own request, his lawyers said in a statement.

"He assured he didn't initially tell what had happened and denied the sexual contact because his only priority was to save his marriage," the statement said.

Alves told the judge there was immediate interest and sexual tension between him and his accuser. "He said that everything that happened inside the restroom was a free and voluntary act. They made love and (she) didn't say at any time to stop," the statement added. **REUTERS**

BARCA HAVE NOT CHEATED, INSISTS PREZ LAPORTA

Barcelona: Barcelona president Joan Laporta insisted Monday his club never tried to cheat amid investigations into payments made to a former refereeing chief. He said there was a former campaign against Barcelona and the head of La Liga for backing the case against the Catalan club, who are top of the league.

"Obviously referees were not bought and there was no attempt to influence their decisions," he said. "Barcelona has never done anything with the aim or intention of adulterating the competition in order to gain a sporting advantage." Last month Spanish prosecutors charged the Catalan club with corruption after payments of more than 7.3 million euros (\$7.8 million) to a company owned by a former refereeing chief were uncovered earlier this year. **AFP**

Winners of Femina Miss India 2023 crowned at a dazzling finale



In a glittering ceremony held at Imphal, Manipur, Nandini Gupta from Rajasthan was crowned Femina Miss India World 2023. Delhi's Shreya Poonja was crowned Femina Miss India 2023 – 1st Runner-up and Manipur's Thounaojam Strela Luwang was crowned Femina Miss India 2023 – 2nd Runner-up. The winners looked gorgeous in a collection designed by Rocky Star. Watch the telecast of the Grand Finale of VLCC & Trends co-present Femina Miss India 2023 on Sunday, May 14 at 10 am on Colors, our exclusive broadcast partner

<p>(LEFT)</p> <p>THOUNAOJAM STRELA LUWANG</p> <p>Femina Miss India 2023 – 2nd Runner-up</p> <p>Representing Manipur</p>	<p>(CENTRE)</p> <p>NANDINI GUPTA</p> <p>Femina Miss India World 2023</p> <p>Representing Rajasthan</p>	<p>(RIGHT)</p> <p>SHREYA POONJA</p> <p>Femina Miss India 2023 – 1st Runner-up</p> <p>Representing Delhi</p>
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It's a first that Punjabi music was heard at Coachella: Diljit

Jaspreet Nijher

Diljit Dosanjh created history at Coachella Valley Music & Arts Festival in Indio, California a day after Baisakhi, on April 15 by becoming the first India born artist to perform at that stage. Dressed in a mix of traditional Punjabi attire and modern accessories like yellow coloured gloves, his performance received rave reviews as people called it a fiery act. DJ Diplo was also seen dancing to Diljit's tunes. Excerpts from a conversation with the singer-actor.

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Diljit Dosanjh; (left) shared a picture with DJ Diplo, who also took to social media and posted a video of him shaking a leg to the singer's tunes at Coachella



BLACKPINK IS THE FIRST K-POP GROUP TO HEADLINE COACHELLA

BLACKPINK became the first K-pop group to headline the festival. After the 2019 Coachella debut, the group became even more popular globally. The group's members – Jisoo, Jennie, Rosé, and Lisa – opened their act with *Pink Venom*. They also performed *Kill This Love*, *How You Like That*, and *Pretty Savage*, including other tracks.

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B'WOOD FILMS ENCOURAGE DELHI'S HERITAGE TOURISM



In *Uunchai* (2022), Amitabh Bachchan's character is seen exercising in Humayun's Tomb

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CELEBRATING THE GATEKEEPERS OF HISTORY & HERITAGE



Martand Sun Temple, J&K (8th century CE), is one of the lesser-known architectural wonders of India

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Baat paise par hi aakar atki hai phir se, says Krushna

The actor talks about rumours of him returning to Kapil Sharma's show

Neha Maheshwari

Amidst speculations over his return to *The Kapil Sharma Show* (TKSS), we can now tell you that Krushna Abhishek, best known for his portrayal of Sapna on the show, will give the ongoing season a miss. Krushna, who has been a part of Kapil's show for four years, opted out of the current season, owing to contractual issues. The makers approached him to reconsider his decision, but the talks remained inconclusive. In a chat with us, Krushna says, "Yes, I received a call from the makers of TKSS recently. They wanted me back. However, we couldn't reach a conclusion owing to monetary and contractual differences for the second time. *Baat paise par hi aakar atki hai phir se.*"



Krushna Abhishek; (inset) as Sapna with Kapil Sharma on TKSS

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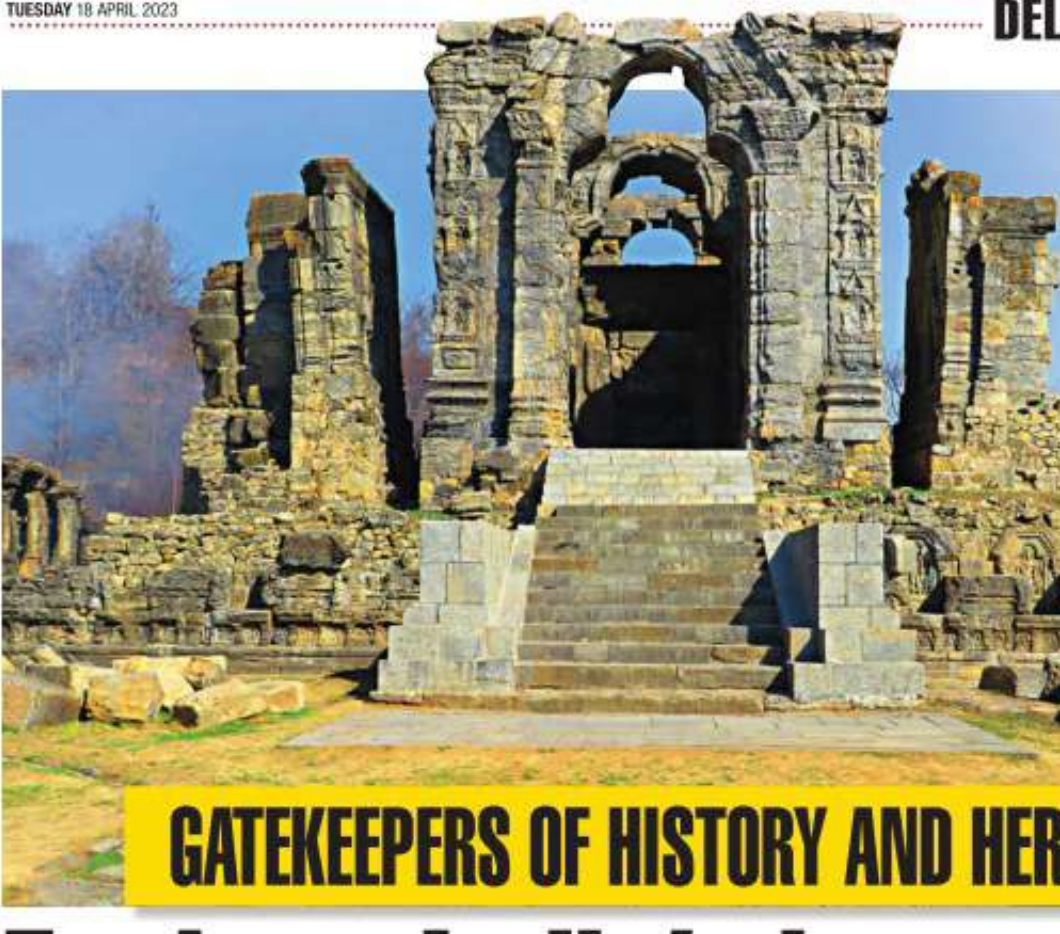
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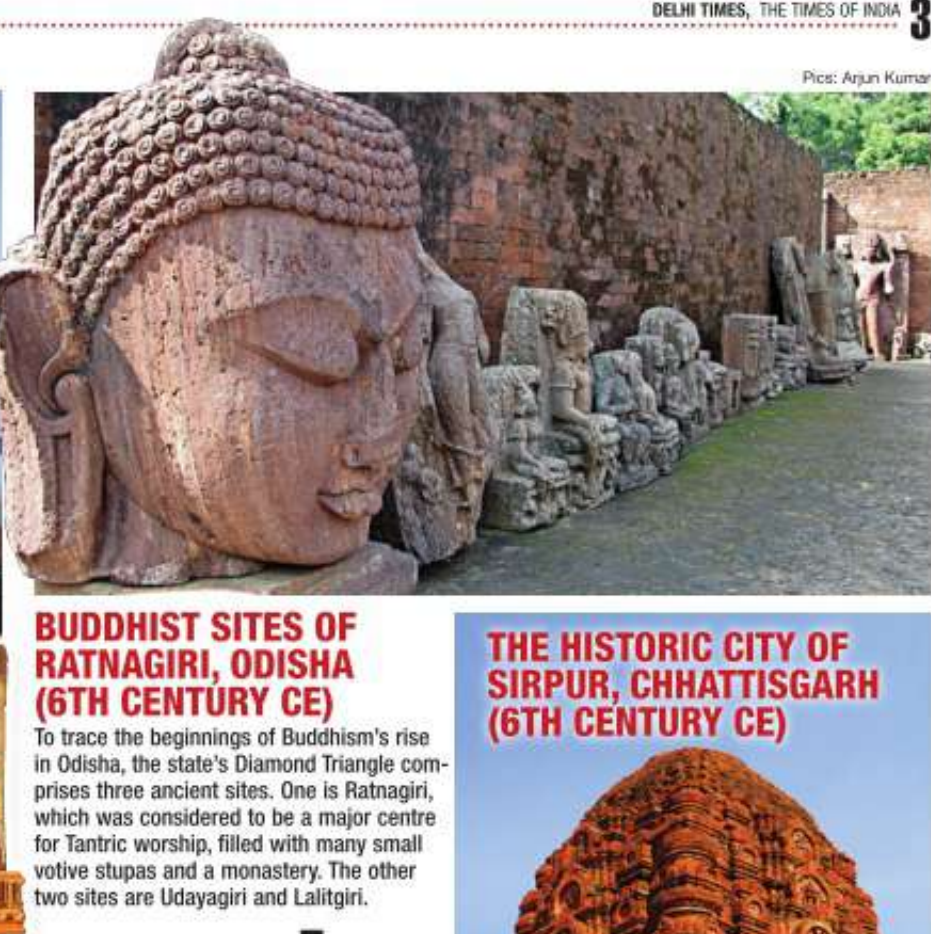
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MARTAND SUN TEMPLE, J&K (8TH CENTURY CE)

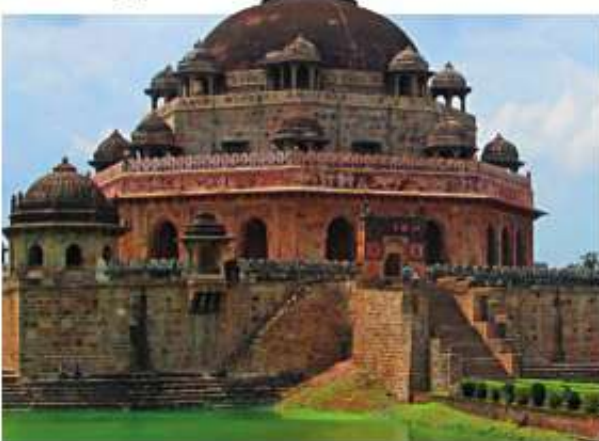
Lalitaditya Muktapida, a ruler belonging to the Karkota dynasty left behind a legacy with the temples he created in Jammu and Kashmir. The finest being the Martand Sun Temple near Anantnag, where a huge central shrine still stands, albeit in ruins. Looks familiar? The site was one of the shoot locations for the Shahid Kapoor-starrer *Haider*.



BUDDHIST SITES OF RATNAGIRI, ODISHA (6TH CENTURY CE)


To trace the beginnings of Buddhism's rise in Odisha, the state's Diamond Triangle comprises three ancient sites. One is Ratnagiri, which was considered to be a major centre for Tantric worship, filled with many small votive stupas and a monastery. The other two sites are Udayagiri and Lalitgiri.

Explore India's lesser-known marvels



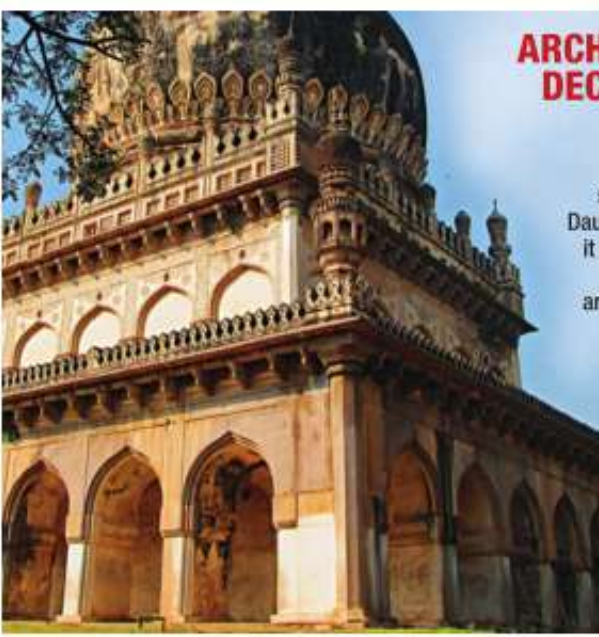
SHER SHAH SURI'S TOMB, SASARAM, BIHAR (1545)

Ever heard of India's own Lion King? Sher Shah Suri was a formidable figure in medieval India, who was buried in a magnificent tomb alongside his father Hasan Khan Suri. Also known as the second Taj Mahal, Sher Shah Suri's Tomb was built in the middle of an artificial lake – an impressive feat for his time.



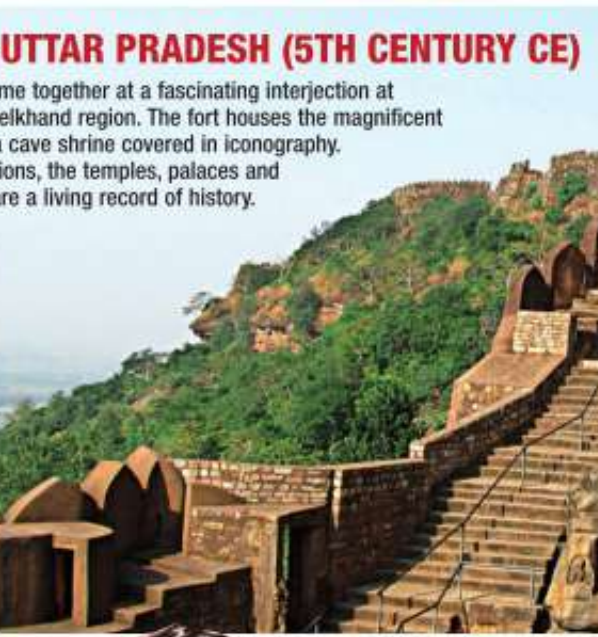
HOYSALA TEMPLES IN HALEBEEDU, KARNATAKA (1160)

Halebeedu, once the capital of the Hoysala empire, comprises temples carved from soapstone, with their walls full of detailed friezes depicting scenes from the *Ramayana*, *Mahabharata* and other epics. The craftsmanship is so detailed that some of the carvings here almost seem ready to come alive.



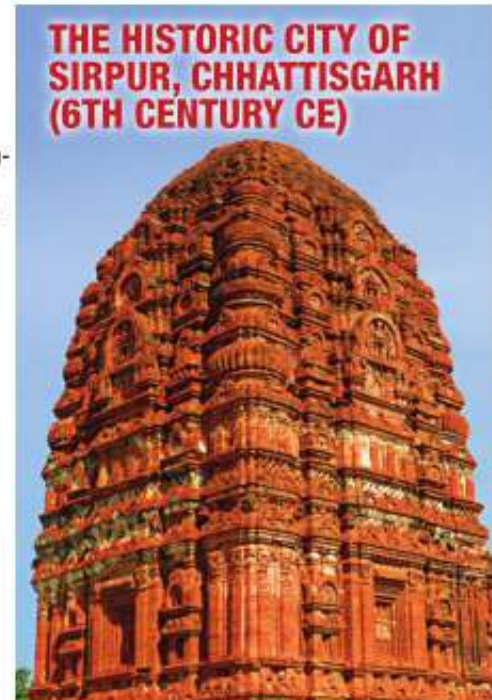
ARCHITECTURE OF THE DECCAN SULTANATES (1490-1686)

When Muhammad bin Tughluq shifted his capital from Delhi to Daulatabad in an ill-planned move, it eventually led to five individual kingdoms with spectacular architecture across Maharashtra, Karnataka and Telangana – Ahmednagar, Bidar, Bijapur, Gulbarga (now Kalaburagi) and Golconda.



KALINJAR, UTTAR PRADESH (5TH CENTURY CE)

History and faith come together at a fascinating intersection at Kalinjar in the Bundelkhand region. The fort houses the magnificent Neelkanth Temple, a cave shrine covered in iconography. Dotted with inscriptions, the temples, palaces and shrines of Kalinjar are a living record of history.



THE HISTORIC CITY OF SIRPUR, CHHATTISGARH (6TH CENTURY CE)

A red-brick temple dedicated to Lakshman is a visual and architectural marvel. But that's not the only shrine the site houses. Excavations have revealed more than 40 shrines of the Hindu, Buddhist and Jain faiths, revealing traces of a once syncretic city.

I've grown fond of Kapil since we worked on TKSS together: Krushna

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While Krushna hopes to return to the show in the future, he rules out the possibility of joining the current season. He says, "It won't happen this season. Hopefully, I will return in the next season. Kapil and Krushna together again will be a treat for the audience, won't it?"

Meanwhile, there is buzz about the show ending in June, but the actor says he is not aware of any such possibility. He adds, "I have no information on this. I love the show and am extremely fond of the makers. It's always been a great association with them. I have missed being a part of TKSS. I am quite attached to Archana ji (Archana Puran Singh) and Kapil. I have had a 15-year-long association with Archana ji. I must admit that I wasn't close to Kapil when I joined the show, but now that I worked and spent time with him, I have grown extremely fond of him."

Every exit from *The Kapil Sharma Show* leads to several theories, including Kapil being insecure about his colleague's growing popularity. Shooting down these rumours outright, Krushna says, "Kapil is often subjected to baseless rumours. If he had not wanted me to shine, I would not have lasted on the show for four years. Many celebrities have complimented me on my act. He could have easily edited the portions if he had any issues with me. He doesn't bother about these things and is an extremely secure artiste. He knows that when one performer shines, it benefits the entire show. Ultimately, it is teamwork. We have been extremely supportive and encouraging of each other's talent and work. Kapil is a darling. I had a great time working with him on the show and he enjoyed it, too. He takes pride in my successes, just as I do when it comes to him. There is no room for negativity and our detractors should stop looking for it."

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Krushna Abhishek; (inset) Kapil Sharma



School Buzz

DAV Public School, Sreshtha Vihar organized an orientation programme for the parents of the preschool classes for the school year 2023-24. The program aimed at familiarizing the parents with the details of the curriculum, the assessment proposal, and the code of conduct for the upcoming school session. School principal Suhasini K. Nath briefed the audience about the vision, facilities, and achievements of the school. The nursery supervisor, Ranjana Varma, gave parents a glimpse of the world their little angels will explore in school and provided an insight into teaching and learning methods, curriculum, and school policies.

Sh. SN Sidheshwar Public School, sector 81, Gurgaon organized an orientation programme for the parents of new entrants. The programme aimed to lay a strong foundation for a good parent-teacher relationship, between the two partners in child growth and development. The program commenced with the welcoming of parents followed by the lamp lighting ceremony in the presence of the principal Beena Mudgal, the teachers, along with parents. The students received thunderous applause from the parents. The school president Ram Avatar Garg and general secretary Ved Prakash Bansal sent their best wishes to all the parents for the upcoming session and the growth of the school.

The Indian School and The Indian School-Second Shift celebrated the pre-primary annual day 2022-23, named 'Circle of Life' with panache. The teachers, students and support staff worked tirelessly to put together a huge stage and seating arrangements for 600 parents. The event began with the welcoming of the guests and principal, Tania Joshi, to address the gathering. Nayana Goradia, a member of the school managing committee, along with the PTA vice president, Tina Kapoor, inaugurated the function by releasing balloons. Overall, the presentation was a spectacle.

St Thomas School, Mandir Marg organized an educational tour for class XI students where they visited Shyonghpura, Sangner and Jaipur. The community outreach programme was a part of SUPW assessment. The primary purpose of the trip was to get an exposure to rural life. The contingent interacted with the villagers, visited Anganwadi, health centres, government schools and fields. The educational tour turned out to be a holistic and lifetime experience for all the students.

Indirapuram Public School, Indirapuram organized its annual cultural fiesta 'Chulbuli' for the pre-primary wing. The event's theme was 'Mitti Ka Jashn' celebrating the need to preserve soil fertility and increase productivity. The chief guest was RJ Manish Azad, from FM Rainbow 102.6. The vibrant and colourful performances were appreciated by each one present. Sanjay Kumar Mishra, director-principal presented the school report and congratulated the team for the exuberant show. The event ended with a vote of thanks by Ashish Mittal, vice principal.

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Kartik Aaryan made a grand aerial entry and performed to a medley of his songs

FEMINA MISS INDIA 2023- FINALE: A NIGHT TO REMEMBER

Girls from Rajasthan, Delhi and Manipur emerged winners at the Femina Miss India 2023 pageant held in Manipur

The stage was set for the 30 state winners of VLCC & Trends co-present Femina Miss India 2023 hosted by Manipur Tourism, co-powered by ORRA Fine Jewellery, make-up partner Colorbar Made for Magic & co-powered by Rajnigandha Pearls. The grand finale of the pageant held on April 15 in Imphal, Manipur, was high on glitz and glamour. The stadium was packed with more than 4,000 people, who cheered for the girls as they stepped on to the stage. Chief Minister of Manipur, N Biren Singh was present at the event.

The state winners set the ramp on fire with their poise and confidence. ORRA Crown Star diamond jewellery, which is 73-faceted patented diamond jewellery, sparkled on stage across the three rounds and added dazzle to the performance of the beauty queens. The catchy retro music that played in the background had the crowds grooving. After several exciting rounds, Rajasthan's Nandini Gupta was crowned Femina Miss India World 2023. She will now represent India at the Miss World pageant. Shreya Poonja (Delhi) was crowned Femina Miss India 2023 - 1st Runner-up, while Thounaojam Strela Luwang (Manipur) was declared Femina Miss India 2023 - 2nd Runner-up.

Judges Neha Dhupia, Harshvardhan Kulkarni, Rocky Star, Terence Lewis, Namrata Joshupura and Laishram Sarita Devi had the challenging task of selecting the winners. Hosts Bhumi Pednekar and Maniesh Paul kept the audience engaged with their fun banter. The evening witnessed stunning performances by Kartik Aaryan and Ananya Panday. It was a night to remember as the people of Manipur upped the energy levels with their enthusiasm.



Chief Minister of Manipur, N Biren Singh



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Ananya Panday set the stage on fire

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Trends, one of India's largest fashion retail brands, has partnered with Namrata Joshupura to offer a modern twist to cocktail & evening wear. The beautiful ensembles come in jewel-tone fabrics.



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Robert Naorem's collection Kabrang is an array of Manipuri finery with soothing pastel hues. The traditional motifs and floral patterns in sustainable dye pay an ode to the artistic heritage of Manipur.





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Miss India Organization and Ketto, a crowdsourcing platform, collaborated to raise ₹23 lakh towards Child Help Foundation (CHF) as part of the Beauty With a Purpose initiative. Femina Miss India Union Territory 2023 Navya Naveen Kalra was the highest individual contributor, winning the title of Times Miss Beauty With a Purpose.

Watch the Grand Finale telecast of Femina Miss India 2023 on Sunday, May 14 at 10am on Colors, our exclusive broadcast partner



THE JUDGING PANEL: (L-R) Director Harshvardhan Kulkarni, designer Rocky Star, designer Namrata Joshupura, actress and mentor Neha Dhupia, choreographer Terence Lewis and boxing champion Laishram Sarita Devi



Singer Rachel Varghese performed at the event



Bhumi Pednekar and Maniesh Paul



Vandana Luthra (Founder, VLCC)

RAJNIGANDHA PEARLS TIMES SUPER JUDGE

This year, the Rajnigandha Pearls Times Super Judge contest received almost 27,000 votes from all over the country. Entries with the first and only attempt in the correct order have been chosen as winners. Ratam Neha (Karnataka) was the first to predict the winners. Reuben Varghese (Maharashtra) and Pavithra S (Karnataka) came in second and third. All three winners will receive a cash prize from Rajnigandha Pearls.

For more details on Femina Miss India 2023, log on to www.missindia.com and follow us on: @missindiaorg, @feminamissindia, @feminamissindia. Watch out for #FeminaMissIndia2023



The evening saw a beautiful performance by former pageant winners. They wore exquisite and finely crafted lehengas from Mohey, a brand that represents the progressive and independent Indian women of today. (L-R) Manika Shekand, Shinata Chauhan, Shivani Jadhav, Sini Shetty, Manasa Varanasi, Suman Rao, Rubal Shekhawat and Manya Singh

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Due to this winter's historic rainfall, California's desert hills are covered in a superbloom of flowers, painting the landscape orange and yellow



Reportedly, California's superblooms this year are so lush and bright that they can be seen from space

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Statuette of Eros riding a dolphin found in Italy

Excavations in southern Italy have unearthed a figurine of Greek god Eros riding a dolphin, shedding light on the religious life and rituals of the ancient city of Paestum, the country's culture ministry officials said. The first trove of artefacts identified from a sanctuary in Paestum dates from the 5th century BC.

The dolphin statuette found in the first trove of artefacts appears to be from the Avili family of ceramists whose presence had never before been documented in Paestum, the officials said. Limited excavations began at the temples in the 1950s, and the ministry believes more treasures can be found in the area.

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Films featuring Delhi's iconic locations make heritage tourism a hit

MAINSTREAM PRODUCTION HOUSES ARE OKAY TO SHELL OUT A HEFTY SUM TO GET PERMISSION TO SHOOT AT HERITAGE SITES

— Javed, a line producer

In *Uunchai* (2022), Amitabh Bachchan's character is seen exercising in Humayun's Tomb

HUMAYUN'S TOMB

'HERITAGE SITES ESTABLISH DELHI'

Delhi's heritage sites, be it Qutub Minar, Purana Qila, Humayun's Tomb, Red Fort, Safdarjung's Tomb, Agrasen Ki Baoli or Delhi Gate, work as stunning backdrops, making them popular with filmmakers.

Pravesh Sahni, a producer, has facilitated the shoots of several Hollywood projects in India and has completed filming a US production, *Origin*, at Safdarjung Tomb. He says, "These heritage sites are landmark locations. When directors (of Hollywood films) want to show Delhi in their films, they often choose these monuments to establish Delhi's setting."

Shah Rukh Khan in a song sequence from *Fan* (2016) in front of Red Fort

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OFTEN, AFTER A HERITAGE SITE IS FEATURED IN A MOVIE, ITS POPULARITY GOES UP BOTH AMONG DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN VISITORS

— Sachin Bansal, heritage walk organiser

Ranbir Kapoor and Nargis Fakhri in *Hauz Khas* complex in a scene from *Rockstar* (2011)

HAUZ KHAS

Saif Ali Khan and Kareena Kapoor Khan in *Kurbaan* (2009), with Humayun's Tomb adding to the charm of the scene

HUMAYUN'S TOMB

'FILM SHOOTS INCREASE THE POPULARITY OF HERITAGE SITES'

Heritage walk organisers say that the concept of screen tourism or film tourism is indeed real, whereby a location becomes popular with visitors because it has appeared in a film or television series. They add that the trend is not limited to tourists visiting from outside. According to them, even locals get interested in visiting a heritage site they have seen in a film.

Sachin Bansal, Chief Explorer, India City Walks and Delhi Walks, says, "Delhi is a popular location for film shoots due to its rich historical and cultural heritage. A location like Hauz Khas fort, for example, has a unique blend of ancient and modern architecture, providing a mix of traditional and contemporary settings. Similarly, Mehrauli Archaeological Park offers a picturesque backdrop. Often, after these locations are featured in a movie, these places gain popularity. Not just domestic tourists but foreign travellers also show interest in exploring these heritage sites featured in a popular film. Even those who were earlier unaware of a particular historical site often show interest in visiting those places after spotting it in a movie."

Salman Khan and Kareena Kapoor Khan during the shoot of *Bajrangi Bhaijaan* (2015), with Red Fort in the background

RED FORT

A portion of Ranveer Singh and Alia Bhatt-starrer yet-to-be-released *Rocky Aur Rani Ki Prem Kahani* was shot in the Qutub complex

QUTUB MINAR

Music has no language, the world is made up of sound, says Diljit Dosanjh

Diljit Dosanjh rocked a black kurta, a matching turban, yellow statement gloves and teamed it up with a pair of sneakers at the performance

I KNEW MANY PEOPLE WEREN'T FOLLOWING MY LANGUAGE, WHICH IS WHY I ENSURED THAT I SAID THIS (MUSIC HAS NO LANGUAGE) ON STAGE

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You created history and got the world talking about you being the first India-born artiste to perform at Coachella. Did you think that your performance would get such appreciation?

Well, I was aware of the huge scope of Coachella. It was for the first time that this stage had heard Punjabi music. And the world was listening. A regional language musician, on that stage, was the only thing that I was aware of before the show. But how it panned out and its impact, wasn't something I had anticipated.

You told us before the show that you will just go there as your natural self, sing in Punjabi and hope people like it. Did that happen?

I did what I always do in my shows, go with the flow. Yes, of course, this was a bigger platform, not in magnitude, but scope. So I had to prepare beforehand. But, five minutes before starting, it all got washed out (laughs). I think that turned out better because I was my natural self.

You said while performing that those who cannot follow the language just follow the vibe. Did they resonate with that considering the majority of the audience were American and other foreign nationals?

Music has no language, the world is made up of sound. If we like the sound, we vibe with it. I didn't pay attention to who was listening to me and who wasn't. But I knew that many people weren't following my language, which is why I ensured that I said this on stage, though what I said was also in Punjabi! Honestly, I had prepared to say that in English but in that moment, I spoke in Punjabi. End moment *pe Angrezi aayi hi nai meri bahar* (laughs).

Why do you think among so many Indian artists, you were selected for Coachella? Now that you've set this new benchmark, what's next for you? How will you raise the bar beyond this?

How an Indian artiste gets represented on the global stage depends on his team. I have a strong team and Sonali (Diljit's manager) is busy matching standards with the global music industry. I don't concern myself with my business dealings etc, that is all her and the team's doing. I have never really troubled myself with elaborate planning. If you do that, then you cannot enjoy the flow of life and that of music, and half your time is spent only planning the next milestone. I live in the moment and enjoy whatever that moment brings me. Rest everything just follows.

'I did what I always do in my shows, go with the flow. Coachella was a bigger platform in scope'

Celebs, sets and parties from Day 2 at Coachella

Frank Ocean

FRANK OCEAN'S LIVESTREAM CANCELLED

Frank Ocean's much-anticipated headlining set at Coachella did not get livestreamed. The set was pulled from Coachella's YouTube streaming schedule. This meant that only those in attendance were able to watch Ocean perform.

LEONARDO DICAPRIO SPOTTED WITH BRADLEY COOPER'S EX WIFE IRINA SHAYK

Leonardo DiCaprio spent his weekend at Coachella. The Oscar winner was spotted with Bradley Cooper's ex, Irina Shayk while partying at the music festival.

BTS' JUNGKOOK AT COACHELLA

BTS' Jungkook tried to blend in with the festival crowd at Coachella. However, the singer was instantly spotted by fans in attendance as well as viewers watching the livestream. Taking to Weverse — a Korean social media app — the singer dropped a snap of his Coachella fit with the caption, "Well, I was planning to go check out Coachella without making a fuss but you guys somehow figured it all out so quickly... (sic)."

Jungkook also sported a new hairstyle with bangs

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GD Goenka University, Gurugram

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Classrooms and computer labs are well-equipped with modern teaching aids. ASM has a wonderful library with a wide collection of reference books, text books, national & international journals and digital resources. ASM has an air-conditioned auditorium, an open air amphitheatre and a 50-seater conference room.

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TIMES B SCHOOL RANKING SURVEY 2023

The objective of this research was to identify and rank Top MBA/PGDBM Institutes in India. The research had 3 major modules i.e., Desk Research, Factual survey & Perceptual Rating survey followed by scientifically developed analysis & ranking process.

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TOP 100 B SCHOOLS			
INSTITUTE/B SCHOOL	RANK	INSTITUTE/B SCHOOL	RANK
Symbiosis Institute of Business Management, Pune	1	Durgadevi Saraf Global Business School, Mumbai	45
Indian Institute of Management, Raipur	2	GD Goenka University, Gurgaon	46
Institute of Management Technology, Ghaziabad	3	Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan Institute of Management Science, Kolkata	46
Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, New Delhi	4	Gitarattan International Business School, Delhi	47
XIM University, Odisha	5	Hindusthan College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore	47
ICFAI Business School (IBS), Hyderabad	6	NSHM Knowledge Campus, Durgapur	48
Lal Bahadur Shastri Institute of Management, Delhi	7	DPU Global Business School And Research Centre, Tathawade, Pune	48
Indian Institute of Management, Kashipur	8	RV Institute of Management, Bengaluru, Karnataka	49
Institute of Rural Management, Anand	9	Indira Institute of Management PGDM, Pune	50
Jain (Deemed-To-Be University), CMS Business School, Bengaluru	10	Aditya School of Business Management, Mumbai	50
Indian Institute of Management, Bodh Gaya	11	Birla Institute of Technology And Science (BITS), Pilani	51
Alliance School of Business, Alliance University, Bengaluru	12	Aditya Institute of Management Studies And Research, Mumbai	52
School of Business, Woxsen University, Hyderabad	12	Institute of Management Studies, Ghaziabad	53
International School of Business And Media, Pune	13	Bharati Vidyapeeth'S Institute of Management Studies And Research, Navi Mumbai	54
Apeejay School of Management Dwarka, Delhi	13	Faculty of Management Studies- PG, Manav Rachna Institute of Research & Studies, Faridabad	55
School of Business, Dr. Vishwanath Karad MIT World Peace University, Pune	14	Symbiosis Institute of Operations Management (SIOM), Nashik	56
Lexicon Management Institute of Leadership and Excellence, Pune	15	ICBM-School of Business Excellence, Hyderabad	57
Amity Business School, Amity University, Noida	15	NSHM Knowledge Campus, Kolkata - Group of Institutions, Kolkata	58
Jagan Institute of Management Studies, Delhi	16	Rajagiri Centre For Business Studies, Kochi	59
Institute of Business Management (GLA University), Mathura	16	ITS School of Management, Ghaziabad	60
Galgotias University, School of Business, Greater Noida	17	Kohinoor Business School, Mumbai	61
Jagannath International Management School (JIMS) Kalkaji, New Delhi	17	Prestige Institute of Management & Research, Gwalior	62
School of Management, IMS Unison University, Dehradun	18	M.S. Ramaiah Institute of Management, Bengaluru	63
Institute of Public Enterprise (IPE), Hyderabad	18	School of Business, Quantum University-Roorkee	64
Dr. D. Y. Patil B-School, Pune	19	Govindram Seksaria Institute of Management and Research, Indore	65
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SIES School of Business Studies, Navi Mumbai	21	MIMA Institute of Management, Pune	67
Amity Business School, Amity University, Gurugram	22	JIS University, Kolkata	68
N. L. Dalmia Institute of Management Studies and Research, Mumbai	23	Hindustan Institute of Technology And Science, Chennai	69
International Institute of Management Studies, Pune	23	Chandigarh Business School of Administration, Landran	70
SIES College of Management Studies, Navi Mumbai	24	International Management Institute , Bhubaneswar	71
IIEBM,Indus Business School, Pune	25	Vivekanand Education Society's Business School, Mumbai	72
Presidency University, School of Management, Bengaluru	26	MIT College of Management, Lori Kalbhor, Pune	73
Universal Business School, Raigad	26	Dayananda Sagar University School of Commerce and Management Studies (SCMS), Bengaluru	74
Chitkara Business School, Raipura	27	Uttaranchal University, Dehradun	75
Amity Business School, Amity University, Mumbai	27	Kongu Engineering College, Perundurai	77
Institute of Engineering And Management, Kolkata	28	Bharati Vidyapeeth (Deemed To Be University) Institute of Management and Research, New Delhi	78
MET Institute of Management, Mumbai	28	Sanskriti University, Mathura	79
JIS College of Engineering, Nadia	29	Global Institute of Business Studies (GIBS Business School), Bengaluru	79
IIMR University, Jaipur	29	Xavier Institute of Social Service, Ranchi	80
KL Business School, Koneru Lakshmaiah Education Foundation (Deemed To Be University), Guntur	30	D Y Patil Deemed To Be University School of Management, Navi Mumbai	81
Praxis Business School, Kolkata	30	Lead College of Management, Palakkad	82
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Durgadevi Saraf Institute of Management Studies, Mumbai	36	University College of Commerce & Business Management, Osmania University, Hyderabad	90
SDM Institute for Management Development (SDMIMD), Mysore	37	SCMS Cochin School of Business, Cochin	91
Symbiosis Centre for Management and Human Resource Development, Pune	38	MIBM- Mulshi Institute of Business Management, Pune	92
Indus Business Academy (Formerly Indian Business Academy), Bangalore	39	IIM - The Corporate B School, Chennai	93
GL Bajaj Institute of Management and Research, PGDM Institute, Greater Noida	40	Aurora'S Business School, Hyderabad	94
International Institute of Health Management Research, Delhi	41	Vivekanand Education Society'S Institute of Management Studies & Research, Mumbai	95
Apeejay Institute of Management & Engineering Technical Campus, Jalandhar	42	Hindusthan Institute of Technology, Coimbatore	96
University of Engineering & Management, (Uem) Jaipur	42	BIBS, Kolkata	97
Invertis University, Bareilly	43	International Management Institute, Kolkata	98
ISSM Business School, Chennai	44	Institute of Information Technology & Management, Jaisakpur, New Delhi	99
University of Engineering And Management, Kolkata	44	National Institute Of Agricultural Extension Management (MANAGE),Hyderabad	100
Institute For Technology And Management, Navi Mumbai	45		
TOP EMERGING			
INSTITUTE/B SCHOOL	RANK	INSTITUTE/B SCHOOL	RANK
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Kohinoor Management School, Mumbai	3	SVIMS Business School, Mumbai	8
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PCET's Pune Business School, Pune	5	Vishwakarma University, Pune	10





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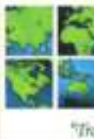
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Global Education: International curriculum, Global Degree and Global Partnerships

When we think about the world economy today, it is highly connected. This is leading to a steady rise in demand for a leader to manage and lead such diverse organisations. It is imperative, for a management aspirant to become a global manager in the future and to be effective, they need to have a global degree with an international curriculum with several global immersive learning opportunities. UBS provides global degrees with international curriculum through prestigious partnerships with Cardiff Met. University, UK (No. British University in UK 2021 and QAA Accreditation), Swiss School of Management, Italy (Swiss Quality and Accreditation), Salamanca University, Spain (800 years pedigree), Northeastern Illinois University, USA (150 years pedigree & AACSB Accredited), INSEEC, France (AMBA Accredited), Lincoln University, US (100 years pedigree) and University of Economics, Bulgaria (100 years pedigree).



Universal Business School®
"Transforming Lives"

Industry Expeditions: Problem solving and Action-based learning

At UBS, the CMAPS (Collaborative Multi-disciplinary approach towards Problem Solving) program ensures students get two professional management experiences prior to going for their Summer Internships (SIP). UBS provides maximum opportunities to solve real business problems in a live corporate environment. UBS offers five deep learning opportunities, two CMAPS, SIP live consulting project, and the SMART project of working with an NGO. This gives students an opportunity to work with four companies in four industries and one NGO during their two-year MBA.

AI infused Curriculum and Andragogy

UBS as part of Universal AI University (India's first AI University) has set up a Quantum Computing Lab, AR, VR & MR Lab, IoT Lab on Campus which ensures students immerse themselves in live AI projects, and learn how AI is going to transform the world of business and industry. UBS follows a student centric learning approach where the student is at the heart of the learning process.

ESG: Value Based Learning

Importance of Environment, Social Impact, Ethics and Governance is paramount both in business and society. UBS as India's first Green Business School has sustainability imbued both in curriculum and managing the institutes' ecosystem. Global companies look at applicants who have shown their commitment to the UNSDGs (Sustainability Development Goal) through being part of socially impactful projects, to be responsible managers of the future. UBS became the first B-school to launch its ESG report demonstrating its commitment to this critical field.

Nurturing excellence for over one and half decades



MIMA Campus

Artists Impression

MIMA Institute of Management, formerly known as the MITCON Institute of Management, was founded in 2005 by the YouthBuild Foundation and is strategically positioned in Balewadi, Pune. Devoted and enthusiastic professors who bring a wealth of knowledge and expertise from the business world to MIMA. MIMA has also launched its modern 7 storied 55,000 sq. ft campus at the august hands of Shri Hon. Chandrakant Dada Patil, Minister of Higher & Technical Education, Govt. of Maharashtra.

The main goal of MIMA is to develop young professional managers while taking into account the challenges of today's highly competitive global business environment. MIMA works hard to meet the expectations of the thriving and dynamic industrial environment. MIMA is dedicated to producing exceptional professionals who reach for the stars. The four pillars of the MIMA ethos are knowledge, wisdom, leadership, and character.

MIMA'S AICTE APPROVED TWO YEARS FULL TIME PG MANAGEMENT COURSES INCLUDES:

- PGDM Agri-Business Management
- PGDM Pharmaceutical Management
- PGDM Business Administration

MIMA has a dedicated team of professionals running its placement cell, exploiting the best opportunities in industries and businesses for its students. Over past one and half decades, the institute has hosted various renowned corporates at campus for interviews and students' recruitment. MIMA has a proven track record of its student's placement with various renowned companies.



Students from the PGDM Business Administration programme travelled to Dubai for the 12- to 17-day International Immersion Program in October 2022. It gave them a practical experience and aided in broadening their objectives. Additionally, it aided in comprehending other world cultures. Students travelled to new locations, mingled with individuals of different ethnicities, and attended a series of lectures given by experts while on this excursion.

YouthBuild Foundation hosts Indo-Korean Center at MIMA's campus. Recently, Executives from Yonsei University MIRAE campus Lee Jung Hyun (Head Coordinator), MIRAE Office of International Affairs, Tae Hong So, Director of China Project & Ryu Jin, Coordinator of East Asian Studies, visited for an educational memorandum of understanding (MoU) with MIMA Institute of Management.

At Reminiscence 2022, which was held on December 10, 2022, a galaxy of MIMA's accomplished alumni visited the campus and expressed their perspectives. They talked with the current kids and families and were happy to see the new cutting-edge infrastructure.

In a span of two years, MIMA prepares students for launching their professional careers by supportive, creative and professional environment for learning practical skills, building network of industry contacts and gain real-world experience.

For more details visit: www.mima.edu.in

TOP 36 PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES			
INSTITUTE/B SCHOOL	RANK	INSTITUTE/B SCHOOL	RANK
XIM University, Odisha	1	University of Engineering & Management, (Uem) Jaipur	18
Jain (Deemed-To-Be University),CMS Business School, Bengaluru	2	Invertis University, Bareilly	19
Alliance School of Business, Alliance University, Bengaluru	3	University of Engineering And Management, Kolkata	20
School of Business, Woxsen University, Hyderabad	3	GD Goenka University, Gurgaon	21
School of Business, Dr. Vishwanath Karad MIT World Peace University, Pune	4	DPJ, Global Business School And Research Centre, Tathawade, Pune	22
Amity Business School, Amity University, Noida	5	Birla Institute of Technology And Science (BITS), Pilani	23
Institute of Business Management (GLA University), Mathura	6	Bharati Vidyapeeth'S Institute of Management Studies And Research, Navi Mumbai	24
Galgotias University, School of Business, Greater Noida	7	Faculty of Management Studies- PG, Manav Rachna Institute of Research & Studies, Faridabad	25
School of Management, IMS Unison University, Dehradun	8	School of Business, Quantum University-Roorkee	26
Sri Balaji University, Pune (BIMM,BITM,BIIB,BIMHRD)	9	School of Management, Ajeenkya D Y Patil University, Pune	27
Amity Business School, Amity University, Gurugram	10	JIS University, Kolkata	28
Presidency University, School of Management, Bengaluru	11	Hindustan Institute of Technology And Science, Chennai	29
Chitkara Business School, Rajpura	12	MIT College of Management, Loni Kalbhori, Pune	30
Amity Business School, Amity University, Mumbai	12	Dayananda Sagar University School of Commerce And Management Studies (SCMS), Bengaluru	31
IIHMR University, Jaipur	13	Uttaranchal University, Dehradun	32
KL Business School, Koneru Lakshmaiah Education Foundation(Deemed To Be University), Guntur	14	Bharati Vidyapeeth'S Institute of Management Studies And Research, Navi Mumbai	33
NICE School of Business Studies Shobhit Deemed University, Meerut, Delhi-NCR	15	Sanskriti University, Mathura	34
Suryadatta Institutes of Management, Pune	16	D Y Patil Deemed To Be University School of Management, Navi Mumbai	35
Symbiosis Centre for Management And Human Resource Development, Pune	17	Saveetha School of Management, Chennai	36

Where value based education meets opportunity

The South Indian Education Society (SIES) is one of the oldest educational societies in India. Founded in 1932 by Shri M.V. Venkateshwaran with a modest six-student beginning, SIES has grown to become a conglomerate of various institutions with over 15,000 students under its wing. In the process of imparting quality education SIES has established SIES College of Management Studies (SIESCOMS) in 1995 in the city of Mumbai. SIES School of Business Studies (formerly part of SIESCOMS) has a strong reputation for providing quality education in the field of management studies.

The college offers postgraduate programs in management and has been recognized as one of the leading B-Schools in the country. The curriculum of the programs offered is designed to provide students with a concrete foundation in management theory and practice, and to equip them with the skills and knowledge required to succeed in the competitive business world.

One of the unique features of the college is its industry-oriented approach to education. The institute has aligned itself to the changing trends in the industry by incorporating analytics as a specialisation and as elective. The college has a strong industry-academia partnership, which enables students to gain hands-on experience and exposure to the real business world through various projects, internships, and industrial visits.

The faculty of the college comprise of experienced and highly qualified professionals from the industry as well as academia, who bring a wealth of practical and theoretical knowledge to the classroom. The college also provides students with a supportive and inclusive learning environment, and encourages students to participate in extracurricular activities, such as sports, clubs and societies.

SISSBS has always been proud of its placement record. All the programs at SISSBS aim at meeting industry demands for professionals who are well equipped to take on the challenges of business in the knowledge economy. The institute believes in developing the professional, functional and social skills which will help the students to identify growth and global trends, needed for all type of industry. The college has an excellent set of recruiters who provide opportunities to the students for rewarding placements.

SIES School of Business Studies is an excellent choice for anyone who is interested in pursuing a career in management. With its strong industry focus, experienced faculty and supportive learning environment, students are well-equipped to succeed in their chosen careers.



Why SISSBS?

Accreditation

- ACBSP
- AICTE
- NAAC
- LLOYD ISO

Global Exposure

- Global Immersion Program
- International Conferences
- International Faculty Sessions

Skill Enhancement

- Ideathon
- Idea Research
- Language Development Labs
- Market Based Project
- Outbound Experiential Learning
- Skill Linked Immersion Project

Holistic Development

- Health & Wellness Workshop
- Image Building
- NGO Internship
- Personality Development
- Yoga & Meditation

Industry Exposure

- Corporate Interaction Series
- Industrial Visits
- Live Capstone Project
- Live Field Project
- Summer Internship
- Entrepreneurship Development Program by Wadhvani Foundation



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RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

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An extensive fieldwork was conducted from the beginning of the 1st week of December 2022 to 3rd week of February 2023.

Total 1534 perceptual interviews were conducted across 16 cities.

MODULE 1 | DESK RESEARCH - LIST OF MBA/PGDBM INSTITUTES FOR THE SURVEY

The module 1 was a secondary research module. A comprehensive list

- Placement
- Potential to network
- Exchange programs & Global exposure
- Research Orientation & focus
- Alumni chapter

MODULE 3 | PERCEPTUAL SURVEY

In the Perceptual Survey Module, a structured Questionnaire was administered to selected respondents including HR professionals, faculty, parent, alumni, current students,

PERCEPTUAL SCORE

- Ratings on various parameters for each college
- Calculating importance of various parameters to arrive at weights for each parameter - we used a regression model to arrive at the importance of various parameters
- Calculation of raw scores and weighted scores for each parameter
- Calculation of overall score for each college using importance weightages.

SOME CAVEATS:

- Only those colleges who participated in the Factual Survey have been included in the ranking.
- For the convenience of the readers, we have also listed MBA/PGDBM Institutes who had a good Perceptual score (but did not submit factual) in an alphabetical order even though they have not been included in the ranking.
- Relatively newer Institutes who have less than 5 batches graduated out of their Institutes have been included in MBA/PGDBM Emerging Institutes List.

ABOUT I3RC INSIGHTS PVT. LTD

I3RC Insights Pvt. Ltd. (I3RC) is a specialist research & consultancy firm having a young, experienced and dynamic team of researchers. I3RC team is very passionate about its work and is completely focused on making every research project a great success. For them every project is an opportunity to contribute to their clients' growth and society and hence they focus on absolute quality. I3RC has a specialist team that carries out the ranking survey which they have now been conducting for over 5 years.

A rigorous ranking methodology has been developed based on inputs from industry experts. The methodology has been consistently updated based on the feedback every year. In addition, I3RC has a team of highly experienced industry experts as consultants who provide their expertise for specific projects. I3RC is a full member of MRSI and follow MRSI code of ethics while conducting every research project.

Note: Present survey has been conducted exclusively by an independent Research Agency named I3RC Insights Pvt. Ltd. (I3RC) using stated methodology for arriving at given rankings.

of MBA/PGDBM Institutes was generated with the help of internet, magazines and other publications. The various sources used for generation of MBA/PGDBM college list included:

- List of Institutes/ universities from previous surveys
- A discussion with industry experts to add/ delete any college to ensure we have a comprehensive list

However, as it is not possible to get a completely exhaustive list of colleges and include them in the survey, we had option of adding any new college name in the survey form if any respondent mentioned any college name outside our list. Effectively, every MBA/PGDBM college had a chance of getting covered in the survey if their name was mentioned by the respondents.

MODULE 2 | FACTUAL DATA COLLECTION

In module 2, more than 700 MBA/PGDBM Institutes were sent the factual data questionnaire and then rigorously followed up through different modes such as telephone, email and face-to-face, wherever required. 207 B schools (Institutes & Universities) have participated and shared their Factfiles for this years Times B-School Rankings.

The factual data sheet was focused on the following information areas:

- General information of the college: Establishment, College type, Affiliation etc.
- Courses offered & number of seats
- Infrastructure
- Faculty
- Industry interface

aspiring students to get ranking and rating of MBA/PGDBM Institutes. The sample selection was done using convenience sampling method though the sample was spread out geographically to get better representation. Survey was conducted across 16 cities i.e., Delhi-NCR, Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata, Bangalore, Hyderabad, Ahmadabad, Chandigarh, Pune, Indore, Jaipur, Lucknow, Bhubaneswar, Guwahati, Kochi and Ranchi. The geographical spread of the sample was ensured by selecting multiple starting points within each city.

The following key parameters were covered in Perceptual Rating

- Academic Excellence
- Faculty
- Infrastructure
- Industry Interaction
- Placement
- All round Personality Development
- Overall Brand Value

ANALYSIS: FINAL RANKING OF MBA/PGDBM INSTITUTES

A robust approach was followed to arrive at the final rankings. The step by step process is given below:

FACTUAL SCORE

- The information collected on various parameters through a Factual Survey Form
- A detailed scoring system was developed for each parameter
- After assigning scores to each parameter, raw scores were calculated
- The raw scores were weighted by their importance to arrive at weighted scores



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Health Management: An option for endless opportunities

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IIHMR University, Jaipur offers post-graduate and research programs including MBA (Hospital and Health Management), MBA (Pharmaceutical Management), MBA (Development Management), Master of Public Health, Master of Public Health (Implementation Science) supported by WHO-TDR, Executive MPH, Executive MHA, and Ph.D. programs. IIHMR University has a strong collaboration with Johns Hopkins University, USA for academic and research, offering a joint degree MPH program, and implementing a number of multi-country research programs for improving health systems outcomes.

Prof. (Dr.) P.R. Sodani is the President of IIHMR University, Jaipur. He is a well-known Health Economist and Public Health Professor for more than two decades and mentored faculty students, and research scholars. Professor Sodani earned Ph.D. in health economics and a Master of Public Health from the University of North Carolina at Chapel



Prof. (Dr.) P.R. Sodani, President of IIHMR University, Jaipur



Hill, USA. He has been associated with the Department of International Health, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, USA for teaching the MPH

program jointly offered by Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health and IIHMR University. He is the Associate Editor of the Journal of Health Management, an international peer-reviewed, Scopus-indexed journal published by SAGE Publications. He is also associated with various journals of repute in the capacity of the reviewer. He is the Secretary-General of the South-East Asia Public Health Education Institutions Network (SEAPHEIN). He has led significant developments and major transformations in achieving an excellent ranking of the university. IIHMR University, Jaipur has been Ranked 2nd at the All-India level and 1st at the State level - Rajasthan by Education World Ranking 2022-23, IIHMR University, Jaipur has been Ranked in 201-300 band among all world universities ranking and 18th rank among Indian universities by Time Higher Education Impact Ranking 2022.

For more details, visit www.iihmr.edu.in

STUDENT CENTRIC VALUE BASED MANAGEMENT EDUCATION

SaiBalaji Group of Institutions (IIMS) founded by International Research Scholar and Entrepreneur Prof. Manish R. Mundada in the year 2005, offers two years full-time residential Savitribai Phule Pune University affiliated and AICTE Approved, NAAC accredited MBA and PGDM program with specialization in Marketing, Finance, Human Resource, Supply Chain Management, International Business, Business Analytics and Retail. Led by an exceptional faculty, steered by an outstanding Advisory and Governing council and buoyed by international collaborations, it has emerged as a top ranked Business School in India by various ranking agencies. SaiBalaji Group of Institutions in 17 years of its legacy has achieved excellence in quality Business Management Education and its known for its employability, placements and best ROI Institute.

- KEY STRENGTHS:
- Winter and Summer Internship program with 30% PPO
 - Global Alumni Network with more than 5000 professionals in more than 20 countries in Senior Leadership roles
 - International Immersion program to Europe, South East Asia, UAE
 - SAP Lab, Equity Research Lab, Business Analytics Lab, Simulation Lab, Workshops and Value Added Certificate Programs on Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning, Digital Commerce in association with global partners
 - Academic Tie-ups and collaborations with renowned international universities

KEY PLACEMENT HIGHLIGHTS OF BATCH 2021-23

Deloitte	35 Placed
Federal Bank	09 Placed
Exide Industries	08 Placed
Mondelez India Foods	05 Placed



CAMPUS TO CORPORATE CONNECT

Collaboration between industry and academia is key to catalyze innovation and growth. Each Year, students have interactions with over 150 industry leaders on topic and theme that future ready managers are need to be aware.

At IIMS, student undertakes Live Project (20 days), Winter Internship (45 days) and 3 months of summer internships.

PLACEMENTS AT SBES

The Institute has consistently achieved excellent placement since its inception. Students are offered plethora of roles across BFSI, Consulting, FMCG, IT/ITES, FinTech etc. as Advisory, Business Analyst, Associate, Management Trainee, Consultant, Area Manager etc. in Big 4 Consulting firms (PwC, Deloitte, EY, KPMG), Accenture, NielsenIQ, Mount Meru Group, Berger Paints, Indigo Paints, 99 acres, Federal Bank, Infosys, South Indian Bank, Times Legend Travel (Africa and Dubai), TCS, Hafele and many more. The average and highest salary stands at 7.5 LPA and 26.10 LPA.

In the going Placement Cycle Batch 2021-23, with more than 160 plus companies participating, the students have received illus-

Founder President Speaks:

360 degree development of the personality is ensured by designing curriculum around academics, corporate relations, social projects, extracurricular activities, intercollegiate events. The learning is driven by case study, experiential learning, simulations and gamification. Our students become value-based leaders of tomorrow with a global mindset and social sensitivity."

Prof. Manish R. Mundada, Founder President SaiBalaji Education Society

STUDENTS SPEAKS:

Institute is known for its student driven culture with world class facilities and pedagogy.

— Shruti Bhingare IIMHRD (Batch 2021-23) Deloitte PPO

Global Curriculum, Strong Ecosystem of Faculty and peers, and extra curriculars. These are the three pillars that shape PGDM program at IIMS.

— Suhani Gupta IIMS (Batch 2021-23) NielsenIQ

IIMS gives people plenty of opportunities to build and demonstrate leadership abilities outside of academic coursework whether it is being part of a social club or placement committee which helped me building leadership, interpersonal and execution skills.

— Tejas Zavar IIMS (Batch 2021- 23) Federal Bank

rious offers across the spectrum of industries placing 100 plus students.

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Grooming globally competent, industry-ready managers of tomorrow

Established in 1989, Institute of Computers and Business Management- School of Business Excellence (ICBM-SBE) strives to offer top class management education. Under the able leadership of passionate educationists Prof. S. Zavar, Director, ICBM-SBE, Dr. Ritu Zavar, Chairperson ICBM-SBE and Prof. Jitender Govindani, the institution has promoted a culture of innovative business thinking. The institution was adjudged 'Best B School for Excellence in Placements' in Times Education Icons Survey Hyderabad December 2022 by OMS (A Division of Times Internet Ltd) research by i3re Insights Pvt. Ltd.



MANAGEMENT EDUCATION WITH A GLOBAL EDGE

The unique PGDM program with triple specialization, offers marketing, finance, HR, business analytics, operation management, information technology, international business, insurance and banking, pharma management, ERP, EDP, hospital administration, event management, strategy entrepreneurship and various other specializations.

ICBM-SBE enhances students' knowledge through guest speaker sessions, company visits, field trips, case studies, business simulations and internships.

Harvard Business School case studies, capstone simulations, industrial visits, corporate interactions, seminars, workshops, national and international student exchange programs and certifications pave the way for a global outlook.

The lush green campus offers Wi-Fi enabled modern classrooms equipped with cutting-edge technology and a well-stocked library.



HIGHLIGHTS:

- Superlative curriculum & specialisations to ensure an intellectually sharp edge
- Located in the heart of the city with all the facilities of a top B-school
- Dedicated highly qualified faculty excelling in motivational teaching
- Mentoring budding managers
- Institution with research-oriented stature

THE ICBM ADVANTAGE

ICBM-SBE is one of the ideal launchpads for next generation managers. In-house training programs groom students

ADMISSION CRITERIA

- Aptitude for Managerial Career
- Bachelors' Degree from recognized University with aggregate of 50%
- 50 percentiles in CMAT / CAT / MAT / ATMA / XAT / ICET
- Group Discussion, Personal Interview and Written Ability Test

with appropriate communication skills, personality skills, management skills and employability skills.

The institution ensures guaranteed campus placements. Around 130 companies conduct campus selection interviews and students are placed with multiple offers and an average package of 6.0 lakhs per annum.

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Are you future ready?

Galgotias School of Business continues to be the most preferred choice for students

In the year of Unicorns, startups and Fund raising - Business schools are adapting to shaping their students and making them ready to face the world of valuations, seeking investments, product development and collaborating with potential business partners.

The School of Business, Galgotias University is training its students to become entrepreneurs and making them learn how to start their own business by giving them real world case studies which is making them ready to showcase their products to world.

The Galgotias Incubation centre is a power house for future Unicorns in the making where students are ideating and launching real companies and building real businesses. Students are also learning the art of social media marketing to promote their businesses on Instagram, Facebook and other social media platforms.

Galgotias university has been accredited with the NAAC A+ Grade in its first accreditation cycle which makes it the only university in Uttar Pradesh to get the highest Naac score of 3.37 of 4 point scale. This shows the consistent quality academic benchmarks Galgotias has been achieving year on year.

Galgotias School of Business is also one of the few institutions to be accredited with the NBA (National Board of accreditation) for 3 years.

As the world of education is moving towards latest technological trends, The School of Business, Galgotias University shows its commitment to match the university curriculum with latest technology innovations and inventions keeping the students parallel with the current technology and market trends.

In the ARIIA Ranking 2021 by Ministry of Education, Govt of India, Galgotias University was recognized in the "Band- Excellent" under the category University & Deemed to be University (private/self-financed) (technical).

School of Business, Galgotias has its focus on imparting practical knowledge to students so that they are industry ready when they join corporate world. The University has also associated itself with corporate partners to empanel their experienced market leaders into Board of Studies so that students may get the direct guidance of renowned business gurus. Some of the key strategies ad-



opted by Galgotias are as follows:

- More focus on interaction and application in class while putting more lecture material online for students
- More experiential learning outside the classroom, locally and globally in various industries
- More emphasis on entrepreneurship and innovation, balancing learning-by studying with learning-by-doing is of key importance at Galgotias
- Supplementing the soft skills of leadership with a data analytics tool kit allowing leaders to talk to and learn from the best

Students of School of Business, Galgotias University have also justified these efforts of the university in terms of grabbing job offers during cam-

placements. Galgotias University proudly observed a successful placement season once again this year. Highlight of the placement season is that 94.6% students of MBA have secured multiple job opportunities. In current placement season, 51.58 % students have secured multiple job offers and highest salary package till date is 12.53LPA. For 2022 batch, more than 300 companies like Deloitte, KPMG, EY, Protiviti, Acuity Knowledge Partner (Moody's Corporation), Khimji Ramdas, Prism Johnson Limited, Hero Corp, Vodafone Idea, Manipal Group, The Hackett Group, Unicharm, Berger Paints etc have shown their faith on the students of School of Business, Galgotias University in terms of conducting on/off/online campus placement process.

Students of Galgotias University School of Business have the unique opportunity to imbibe the nuances of global business through the numerous

tie-ups of the School with several leading global universities for updating curriculum and latest teaching learning pedagogy. The learning experience at the School is truly a unique experience wherein the pedagogy and curriculum are highly outcome and project based and consists of country specific case studies. Elucidating upon the Galgotias' principle of pedagogy, carrying forward the legacy of some of the top awards garnered by the University, the School of Business at Galgotias University has also been securing one of the top credentials across prestigious surveys.

In Feb 2022, Galgotias University School of Business, was ranked 6th in Top Private University of India by Times B School Survey, OMS (a Division of Times Internet Limited), and Advance Insights Pvt. Ltd the research agency respectively. Again, In May 2022, Galgotias University School of Business was conferred with Times Business Award for Placement and Academic Excellence. Shri Dhruv Galgotia, CEO, Galgotias University was honoured by National and International luminaries for his innovative Global Education System.

Shri Dhruv Galgotia has also received an award for Dataquest Top Private University - Special Recognition for Academic Excellence by Shri Subramaniam Ramadorai, Ex-Advisor to the Hon'ble PM of India in the National Council for Skill Development, Govt. of India. In 2019, Galgotias University was ranked No 1 Emerging Institute in Placement and again No 1 in Research Capability (Times Engineering Survey 2019) by OMS (a division of Times Internet Ltd.) a research by Market Xcel Data Matrix Pvt. Ltd and No.1 in Uttar Pradesh amongst Engineering Institutes by a prestigious survey conducted by a leading media house. It has also been bestowed upon the recognition by India's apex trade body, ASSOCHAM for being the 'Best Private University for Placement & Academics in February 2017'. The University has also received the UP Brand's Leadership Award in the category of Best Brand in Academics Excellence and Placement on 9th November 2016 presented by leading news brand. It is also among the handful Indian Universities that has been conferred by QS Stars rating 2017 with 5 Stars for its teaching and facilities.

The University has been awarded with QS I-GAUGE E-LEAD (E-Learning Excellence for Academic Digitization) certification by QS-ERA India Pvt. Ltd in June 2020. This Certification is a Representation of the result following a verification and validation process to certify the preparedness of the institutions to conduct online teaching and learning. However, the School is not resting on its laurels. It's committed to keep making changes happen. It's committed to stay relevant and, in turn, nurture the next league of leaders who will shape the future of the world of business. It's committed towards attaining holistic excellence

For more information visit: <http://www.galgotiasuniversity.edu.in>



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Empowering the next generation of innovative business thinkers

GIBS: A new age B School



The GIBS Business School is dedicated to fostering the next generation of innovative business leaders. With a focus on human development and a commitment to excellence in education, GIBS is quickly becoming one of the most sought-after business schools in the India.

GIBS is proud to be promoted by IIM alumni and as a top-ranked exclusive business school with the best placement opportunities. In addition to its rigorous curriculum, GIBS also offers a range of extracurricular programs along with PGDM and BBA, including a Finishing School, Innovation, Research & Entrepreneur (IRE) School, and a Business Mastery Programme. With modern infrastructure, a unique teaching pedagogy, and a focus on global exposure, GIBS is able to provide students with the skills and knowledge they need to succeed in today's rapidly evolving business landscape.

At GIBS, their goal is to empower the next generation of innovative business thinkers. By fostering a culture of creativity, collaboration, and critical thinking, they aim to equip our students with the skills and insights they need to thrive in today's fast-paced business environment.

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Creating management leaders of tomorrow



DPU, Global Business School and Research Centre, Tathawade Campus

Established in the year 2006, Global Business School and Research Centre (GBSRC) Pune, is the flagship institute of Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth (Deemed-to-be-University). In a span of 17 years, the Institute has carved a name for itself amongst the top business schools of the country. GBSRC is focused on real-world skills and excellence in management education. It offers management programs at undergraduate (UG), post graduate (PG) and doctoral (PhD) level. All the programs offered here are approved by respective authorities and apex bodies like Vidyapeeth, University Grant Commission (UGC) and All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE).

PROGRAM PATTERN

Two year full time MBA is spread across 4 semesters. First Two semesters are common for

all and third semester onwards, the specializations are introduced in the form of "core or dual" form to create focused professionals in their respective domain. GBSRC offers specialization in Marketing Management, Financial Management, Human Resources Management, Hospital & Healthcare Management and Agribusiness Management which are their niche specializations.

CHOICE BASED CREDIT SYSTEM

Also referred as CBCS, it enables students to choose courses of their interest from the subject basket offered. The subject basket and the entire syllabus is upgraded every year by the expert academicians, industry stalwarts, to ensure the industry gets the best professionals.

RESEARCH & INNOVATION

GBSRC has its own research & innovation center which focuses on continuous learning and development of its students and faculty members. Along with research, the institute has its own journal to ensure communication reaches to all. The faculty team here is constantly engaged in writing articles, publishing papers and active on writing books. At GBSRC, they encourage faculty members to participate in national and international seminars and conferences which helps them to keep updated.

SKILLS ENHANCEMENT

Skills enhancement is a continuous process at GBSRC. MBA at GBSRC is versatile and robust that concentrates on imparting the new

RANKS AND REWARDS

- Accredited by NAAC as "A++" Grade University" with a CGPA of 3.64 on 4 point scale
- Awarded a category 1 University, under graded autonomy regulations 2018, by University Grants Commission (UGC)
- NIRF Rank: 41th in the university category across India
- An ISO certified University and ISO 14001:2015 Green Education Campus

interventions through case based pedagogy, live projects and activities on campus. Through EdX, they have collaborated with renowned foreign universities that offers on line certification courses which are universally accepted and help

our students to turn into global professionals. Certification courses from reputed Universities like Harvard University, University of Columbia, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Singapore Management University and many more are offered under continuous skill enhancement program. Knowledge enhancement programs in various domains like financial analytics, taxation, Investment and portfolio management, sales management, retail management, compensation management, event management, digital marketing, Google analytics, business analytics are offered.

CAREER PLAN

GBSRC stands committed to ensure that every individual aspirations are met and students get well placed through campus placements.

Students are trained on Management skills like communication, critical thinking ability, leadership and team skills, personal grooming, overall personality development, corporate etiquettes and social sensitivity disaster management, crisis management, etc to meet Industry requirements.

A committed team of experts train the students through intensive classroom demonstrations, mock group discussions and personal interviews. As result of these efforts their students are placed at MNCs of repute.

At GBSRC, they invite talent from all over India to experience knowledge upgradation and witness corporate exposure to inculcate skills and traits to become management Leaders of tomorrow.

For more details, log on to: gbsrc.dpu.edu.in



Dr. P. D. Patil, Chancellor, Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Pune. (Deemed to be University)

PREPARING FUTURE CORPORATE LEADERS

Pimpri Chinchwad Education Trust (PCET) is a trusted brand since 1990 providing Quality Education from KG to Ph.D. For over 32 years, the PCET trust has established an enviable record of quality and accomplishment.

PUNE BUSINESS SCHOOL (PBS)

Pune Business School (PBS) is a comprehensive academic institution with a distinctive learning style and a global vision. In order to improve the student learning experience, a developed innovative and focused plan has been prepared to enhance and enrich the student services and facilities. As a part of this strategic focus, PBS aims to ensure that all new and existing engagements become a quality centered learning experience. PBS is led by Dr Ganesh Rao as the Director. PBS promoted by the Pimpri Chinchwad Education Trust

Pimpri Chinchwad University (PCU)

- Pimpri Chinchwad Education Trust has come up with a self-financing university as its fourth campus at post Sate (Tal. Maval, Dist.Pune) as a private university which is expected to commence its operation from AY 2023-24



(PCET) Pune, was established in the year 1990 by renowned Philanthropist and social activist, Late Shri S. B. Patil. The campus has rich libraries, state-of-the-art IT infrastructure, multimedia study halls and computer labs, student centers with access to a cafe, canteen and hostel facility

INDUSTRY CONNECT

PCET has a rich advisory board and leader's forum having corporate executive ranging from Directors, CEO, CFO, Management Consultants, Corporate trainers & corporate advisors.

Further PBS has tied up with CII-YUVA for networking with industry.

International Collaboration: PCET group has signed MOU with the international universities in the areas of engineering, architecture and management.

CENTRAL PLACEMENT CELL

Common Central Placement cell of PCET is closely associated with around 1000+ companies. Around 600 companies

Pune Business School

- Advantages**
- Approved by AICTE, Government of Maharashtra
 - Access to experts / networks
 - A Personalized Experience
 - Global orientation through intellectual capital
 - A Strong alumni network
 - Personality enrichment program
 - Entrepreneurial inspiration and innovation
 - Centre for Excellence in Finance
 - Centre for Excellence in Human Resources
 - Specializations in Marketing, Finance, Human Resources as well as Certifications in Supply Chain Management, Business Analytics and International Business
 - Central Placement cell of PCET which is one of the largest in the region
 - Strategically located in PCMC and are surrounded by industrial & IT hubs / SEZ



Recently PCET's Pune Business School organized PBS National HR Excellence 2022. On behalf of PBS, the 'National HR Excellence Awards 2022' were distributed by Chandrakant Patil, Minister of Higher & Technical Education and Guardian Minister of Pune.

conduct campus placements every year at PCET institutes. Till date many students not only from Maharashtra, but from across the country got benefited by attending Pool Campus/Off campus recruitment drives at PCET colleges every year.

For more details visit:
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An MBA program that prepares students for global challenges



Since 2010, K. S. School of Engineering and Management (KSSEM), has been committed to provide value based technical education. It has been established by The Kammavari Sangham, a multi-activity non-profit oriented voluntary service organization, engaged in charitable services for over five decades. With a firm belief that quality and meaningful education only can lay the strong foundation for economic and social changes, the Sangham has established other educational institutions as well, namely K.S. Polytechnic (KSP), K.S. Institute of Technology (KSIT), K.S. School of Architecture (KSSA) and K.S. PU College (KSPUC).

The strength of KSSEM lies in its founding objectives, the eminent and experienced management

HIGHLIGHTS

- Imparting high quality management education and the right attitude amongst students
- Faculty with blended experience of industry and academia
- Strong alumni network
- Industry Institute connect
- The Entrepreneurship Development Cell fosters the spirit of entrepreneurship by creating awareness about emerging challenges and opportunities
- Training and Placement opportunities provided in leading multinational companies with attractive salary packages for all eligible students

from various fields, dedicated and well qualified teaching staff, modern infrastructure with cutting edge equipment and laboratories, sports facilities, hostels for boys and girls,

medical facilities, canteen, transportation and the interactive relationship forged with industry and professional bodies.

KSSEM strives to impart quality education, while ensuring students emerge problem solvers and critical thinkers who exhibit adaptability in their chosen field.

The institution offers 6 UG courses and 2 PG courses including the Department of Management Studies, and hosts over 1350 undergraduates and 150 postgraduates, with favourable student-teacher ratio and non-teaching staff.

KSSEM provides a holistic framework of inter-personal development for its students. The academic aspects of learning are blend with character building, so students develop a wholesome and balanced personality. Further, cultural and sports activities are encouraged by organizing events at frequent intervals, a strong social connect is built through community engagement programs, days of national importance are celebrated and teachers and students grow together in an atmosphere of mutual trust. KSSEM aims to make all students employable and responsible.

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Placements take a high note post the pandemic

How premier' B schools are enhancing the career journey of their students?

In the last two years, the business world has gone through tremendous upheavals which has tested the tenacity and adaptability of both organizations and individuals. The COVID-19 related challenges required educational institutions to display immense agility and resilience. This year also witnessed a fear of recession which led to an anticipation of low hiring across sectors. The stellar placements of many top ranked B schools, including IMT Ghaziabad amidst the increasingly unpredictable macro-economic scenario, stands testimony to the reach and efforts of quality institutions.

With more than 40 years of existence, a vast alumni base, and prestigious recruiters, IMT Ghaziabad has been able to build a consistent and meaningful relationship with the corporate world. This year, IMT G has raised the bar by achieving an increase of 13.4 % in the average compensation at 17.35 lakhs per annum, 75 PPO offers, average and median of top 200 students at 21.5 lakhs per annum, and 20.0 lakhs per annum respectively. IMT G smashes its own placement record in 2023 with a Rs 65.6 LPA Highest CTC.

IMT G has been successful in strengthening its reach across sectors such as



The students, faculty, alumni, and the placement team/committee have done it again. IMT Ghaziabad has worked together as a unit and delivered very positive results for our students and corporate partners. IMT Ghaziabad is moving forward on all its learner centric goals including progressive career outcomes."

Dr Vishal Talwar
Director, IMT Ghaziabad

BFSI, Consumer Goods and Products, Automobile, and Manufacturing & Engineering, by having participation from more than 40% new recruiters in the campus placements for the batch of 2021 - 23.

The institute's placement team has set

a record of 100 % Placement for the PGDM 2021 - 23 batch in just 15 Days, with 150+ recruiters' participation in the campus process, including 77 new recruiters. IMT G believes in gender diversity and strongly encourages a balanced ratio at work place. This was evident again this year as the average CTC of female students is higher as compared to male students, and is above the overall campus average CTC. The average CTC of female students stands at 17.95 lakh per annum as compared to 17.14 lakh per annum for male students.

Students have been offered roles in Sales & Marketing, Analytics, Financial Risk & Advisory, FPA/ Corporate Finance, Treasury Risk, Credit Risk, General Management & Leadership, Strategy, Consulting, Project Management, Wealth & Private Banking, Project Management, Product Management, Market Research, Equity Research, and Operations.

The detailed placement report can be accessed on <https://www.imt.edu/placements/placement-report/>

For more details on IMT campuses visit www.imt.edu | www.imtghaziabad.edu.in | www.imtnagpur.ac.in | www.imt.ac.ac

A Center of Excellence in Management Education



Bharati Vidyapeeth (Deemed to be University), Institute of Management and Entrepreneurship Development (IMED), Pune established in 1978, is one of the premium Business Schools in India that is contributing in the field of Management, Computer Science and Research since its inception.

With the 'state-of-the-art' infrastructural and instructional facilities, IMED contributes in its own ways to the philosophy and mission of Bharati Vidyapeeth i.e. "Social Transformation through Dynamic Education".

Hon'ble Dr. Patangrao Kadam, Founder Chancellor BV (DU) has been a source of inspira-



Hon. Dr. Patangrao Kadam, Founder-Chancellor, Bharati Vidyapeeth (Deemed to be University)

tion for all. Hon'ble Prof. Dr. Shivajirao Kadam - Chancellor BV (DU), Hon'ble Dr. Vishwajeet Kadam - Secretary - Bharati Vidyapeeth, Pro-Vice Chancellor BV (DU) and Hon'ble Prof. Dr. Vivek Saoji, Vice Chancellor BV (DU) are the strong pillars and guiding force for all employees in Bharati Vidyapeeth.

With the support and encouragement received from the top management, has taken IMED to new heights.

The Institute's consistent rankings and awards are a testimony to its outstanding performance. The Institute has been ranked 35th in the top B-School rankings in India by Indian Institutional Ranking Framework (IIRF)-2023. Its Institution's Innovation Council (IIC) has received 3.5 Stars Ratings by Ministry of

Education's Innovation Cell (GoI). It is a recipient of Certificate of Excellence, in recognition of outstanding performance by Navbharat Education Award 2022, First prize of AICTE Lilavati Award-2020 under the sub-theme 'Literacy', Best Management Institute in India for promoting leadership and industry institute partnership, Innovation and Entrepreneurship by ASSOCHAM, First Prize of Rs. 2, 00,000 in State Level Road Safety Drive by Govt. of Maharashtra to name a few.

IMED offers MBA, MBA (HR), MCA, BBA and BCA programmes. Due to its good quality of education, teaching methods, modern curriculum and golden employment opportunities it has attracted students from Pan India (27 states and 10 countries).

Corporate Resource Cell (CRC) of IMED has established cordial relationship with well-known industries. More than 150 top MNC companies participate in the placement drive every year. These include Amazon, TCS, TATA AIG, Oracle, Reliance Industries, Hindustan Uniliver Ltd., Michelin Tyres, NEILSEN IQ, ICICI Bank, ICICI Prudential, Aditya Birla, HDFC, Wipro, S&P Global, Tech Mahindra etc. As a result, IMED has achieved its goal with Highest Package of Rs. 54.08 Lakh (International), Highest Package of Rs. 18 Lakh (Domestic) and Average Package of Rs. 8.00 Lakh. IMED's alumni association has also been instrumental in this.

For more details visit:
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Bharati Vidyapeeth (Deemed to be University)'s Institute of Management and Entrepreneurship Development (IMED), Pune

An MBA in Agribusiness Management

Quantum University has introduced Master of Business Administration in Agribusiness Management, designed for students interested in careers in agriculture and food industries. Here students get comprehensive education & thorough understanding of agriculture business principles.

MBA in Agribusiness Management program at Quantum University focuses on preparing students for leadership and management roles in agriculture and food sectors. Curriculum covers a wide range of topics, from food production/ distribution/ consumption to agribusiness man-

agement/ rural development/food processing and packaging. Students experience hands-on learning opportunities, like internships, and research projects, to work in a real-world environment.



MBA Agribusiness Management graduates are well-equipped to pursue careers in a wide range of industries including Agricultural Manager, Agricultural Economist, Agricultural SR, Agricultural Extension Agent, etc. Having a solid foundation & in-depth knowledge of the sector, students are groomed for success.

MBA in Agribusiness gives students broad education in business and agriculture. Indeed, the best choice for passionate, seeking to make a positive difference.

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TOP 50 PRIVATE INSTITUTES

INSTITUTE/B SCHOOL	RANK
Symbiosis Institute of Business Management, Pune	1
Institute of Management Technology, Ghaziabad	2
ICFAI Business School (IBS), Hyderabad	3
Lal Bahadur Shastri Institute of Management, Delhi	4
Institute of Rural Management, Anand	5
International School of Business And Media , Pune	6
Apeejay School of Management Dwarka, Delhi	6
Lexicon Management Institute of Leadership and Excellence, Pune	7
Jagan Institute of Management Studies, Delhi	8
Jagannath International Management School (JIMS) Kalkaji, New Delhi	9
Institute of Public Enterprise (IPE), Hyderabad	10
Dr. D. Y. Patil B-School, Pune	11
SIES School of Business Studies, Navi Mumbai	12
N. L. Dalmia Institute of Management Studies And Research, Mumbai	13
International Institute of Management Studies, Pune	13
SIES College of Management Studies, Navi Mumbai	14
IEBM, Indus Business School, Pune	15
Universal Business School, Raigad	16
Institute of Engineering And Management, Kolkata	17
MET Institute of Management, Mumbai	17
JIS College of Engineering, Nadia	18
Praxis Business School, Kolkata	19
Krupanidhi College of Management, Bangalore	20
Vignana Jyothi Institute of Management, Hyderabad	21
Chetana's Institute of Management and Research, Mumbai	22
MET Institute of Post Graduate Diploma In Management, Mumbai	22
Pune Institute of Business Management, Pune	23
Durgadevi Saraf Institute of Management Studies, Mumbai	24
SDM Institute For Management Development (SDMIMD), Mysore	25

INSTITUTE/B SCHOOL	RANK
Indus Business Academy (Formerly Indian Business Academy), Bangalore	26
GL Bajaj Institute of Management And Research PGDM Institute, Greater Noida	27
International Institute of Health Management Research, Delhi	28
Apeejay Institute of Management & Engineering Technical Campus, Jalandhar	29
ISSM Business School, Chennai	30
Institute For Technology And Management, Navi Mumbai	31
Durgadevi Saraf Global Business School, Mumbai	31
Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan Institute of Management Science, Kolkata	32
Gitarattar International Business School, Delhi	33
Hindusthan College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore	33
NSHM Knowledge Campus, Durgapur	34
RV Institute of Management, Bengaluru, Karnataka	35
Indira Institute of Management Pgdm, Pune	36
Aditya School of Business Management, Mumbai	36
Aditya Institute of Management Studies And Research, Mumbai	37
Institute of Management Studies, Ghaziabad	38
Symbiosis Institute of Operations Management (SIOM), Nashik	39
ICBM-School of Business Excellence, Hyderabad	40
NSHM Knowledge Campus, Kolkata - Group of Institutions, Kolkata	41
Rajagiri Centre For Business Studies, Kochi	42
ITS School of Management, Ghaziabad	43
Kohinoor Business School, Mumbai	44
Prestige Institute of Management & Research, Gwalior	45
M.S. Ramaiah Institute of Management, Bengaluru	46
Govindram Seksaria Institute of Management And Research, Indore	47
MIMA Institute of Management, Pune	48
Chandigarh Business School of Administration, Landran	49
International Management Institute , Bhubaneswar	50

New Zealand sees 63% rise in first-time visas for Indian students

Industry-oriented curriculum and a strong focus on making the university campus friendly for international students triggered the rise of Indian students going to study in New Zealand.

In August 2019, first-time student visas from India to New Zealand universities showed an increase of 63%. Since 2017, the number of student visas from India went up from 800 to 1600. In addition to this, India is among the top four countries along with China, Japan, Korea, from where most foreign students go to study in New Zealand.

Grant McPherson, chief executive, Education New Zealand (ENZ), says, "Last year, we launched a new proposition that aims at adopting newer ways to enhance the New Zealand education system."

With this new perspective, our agenda is to improve the cultural diversity in classrooms, groom students to be future-ready and equip them with industry skills such as problem-solving, creative, teamwork and leadership. This can be achieved from the influx of foreign aspirants so that students can exchange varied ideas as well as participate in peer learning."

BOON OF EXCELLENCE AWARDS

New Zealand houses eight universities/institutes that offer around 40 programmes. When it comes to Indian students, courses of Management, Finance and Engineering are the most sought-after.

However, says John Laxon, regional director - Asia, ENZ, multidisciplinary programmes in areas such as Robotics, artificial intelligence (AI), Environmen-



tal Sciences, Humanities and Cultural Society, have begun to gain prominence as well.

ENZ recently opened the registrations for a new round of the New Zealand Excellence Awards, which will offer 32 scholarships to Indian aspirants for pursuing various bachelor's and master's courses. As many as 30 PG scholarships worth NZ\$5,000 each and two UG ones worth NZ\$10,000 each will be awarded to eligible candidates. These scholarships are worth a total of Rs 8.2 million.

These awards, adds Laxon, are a medium to promote enrollments of Indian candidates in areas other than STEM, Management and Finance.

Since starting in 2016, 100 Indian students have benefitted from the Excellence Awards to pursue master's courses in New Zealand. This encouraged ENZ to declare the scheme for bachelor's courses as well, and in April 2019, 18 UG scholarships were offered to Indian students.

NEED FOR POST-STUDY WORK OPPORTUNITY

In July 2018, the New Zealand government announced that foreign students can stay in the country for up to three years to find work post their studies.

McPherson says that New Zealand var-

sities highly value the level of improvement and variety that international students bring to the former's curriculum. "Hence, our aim is to help them contribute to the research ecosystem and industry culture of both New Zealand and their home country. While most foreign students especially the ones from China return to find a job in their homeland, several others stay back for better future prospects. We are focussed on providing these students with an opportunity to excel and also drive sustainable academic growth to New Zealand."

STUDYING IN NEW ZEALAND AS AN INDIAN

Joanna Kempfers, New Zealand high commissioner to India, says, "Education is the fourth most driver of the economy in New Zealand and 4% of the country's population consists of Indians. Besides, Hindi is the fourth most commonly spoken languages in the country. Therefore, Indian students will get a piece of home even in New Zealand."

In May 2019, ENZ launched NauMai NZ - an online platform for international students comprising information on the healthcare and wellbeing services, accommodation, culture and lifestyle, etc. in New Zealand. This is aimed at helping foreign students familiarise with a new place.

"Our education system is student-centric; hence we aim to develop a safe environment for international aspirants and render them a high-quality experience of studying in New Zealand," adds McPherson.

Sharangee Dutta



Eagle's view of Kolkata Campus

'PRAXIS' MEANS, TO DO

Praxis Business School - Creating leaders for the digital tomorrow

The name Praxis echoes the institute's philosophy. Praxis is a Greek word, meaning 'to do'. In other words, Praxis is 'practice informed by theory and theory informed by direct practice.'

Founded in 2007 by a group of like-minded industry professionals, Praxis has quickly developed into a contemporary, industry-facing school that combines the art and science of theoretical learning with the virtues of practical training.

TURNING VISION INTO REALITY

Praxis is driven by creating resources that will lead India's transformation in the digital world. Leaders of tomorrow will need to navigate the immense opportunities created by digital technologies in their respective functional areas.

These leaders will be value-driven, embrace diversity be tech and data-savvy, communicate effectively, and have the agility to respond skilfully to the rapidly changing global environment.

Praxis achieves this by empowering students with the knowledge, skills, analytical ability and management perspectives needed to provide leadership to business enterprises in an increasingly digital and fiercely competitive world.

Students learn the fundamentals of business and their application in the real world, and the skills to apply analytical tools for intelligent decision-making.

DIGITAL-READY CURRICULUM AND DELIVERY

The Praxis PGDM program has been



Class Room

recalibrated to align with the evolving demands of the business world. The first-year curriculum includes courses that address emerging skills including Data Science, Data Visualization, Fintech.

In the second year, students can specialize in Data Science, Business Analytics, Digital Business Management, Consumer Insights and Market Intelligence, Financial Risk Management, Digital HR Management etc.

The courses are designed with industry partners and delivered by a faculty team of high academic pedigree and rich industry experience. This enables a contemporary curriculum and prepares the students to be industry-ready.

The pedagogy uses a combination of class-room lectures, use-case analyses and



Campus Front

hands-on labs, to emphasize critical thinking and problem solving in real world business situations. This is supplemented by intensive industry interaction through the distinguished Speaker Series and industry-assigned projects.

EMPHASIS ON SOFT SKILLS

Praxis firmly believes that the ability to communicate, handle oneself with confidence and grace at the workplace, and work collaboratively with people within and outside the organization is critical to career success.

The program at Praxis emphasizes cultivation of soft skills. The program ensures students are given ample opportunity to make formal presentations, individually and in groups.

THE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

The green, eco-friendly Praxis campus creates a wholesome environment for learning – through dialogue, debate and 'learning by doing'. Students are encouraged to put forward their points of view and present their arguments in class. Praxis believes learning happens not only in formal class-rooms, but also through informal interactions amongst peers.

To spur holistic development, Praxites join clubs in all the functional domains and in areas such as quizzing, debating, sports. The entrepreneurship cell engages with the start-up ecosystem and is designed to support those who aspire to set up their own enterprises.

THE PRAXIS PLACEMENT PROGRAM

A business program prepares its students for careers in industry. It is imperative that the placement process enables students to pursue career opportunities of their choice.

A three-step selection process is followed to ensure a good fit between student capability/ aspirations and recruiter requirements.

Praxites have consistently achieved placements across batches. A combination of student ability and industry ready curriculum ensures a recruiter turnout of the most respected brands. Profiles offered include exciting work, fast growth and above average salaries.

Praxis is proud of its strong alumni network, spread across industries and geographies.



Basket Ball court

Academic rigour, industry involvement makes B-school first among equals

and ethically responsible leaders. They need to be trained to develop sustainable businesses for the good of the masses.

NLDIMSR offers:

1. Two years Full Time Post-Graduate Diploma in Management (PGDM) approved by AICTE, Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India.
2. Two years Full Time Post-Graduate Diploma in Management (PGDM)- Finance approved by AICTE, Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India.
3. Two years Full Time Post-Graduate Diploma in Management (PGDM) - Business Analytics approved by AICTE, Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India.
4. Doctorate Degree (Ph.D.) in the area of Management affiliated to University of Mumbai.
5. Global MBA

With a mission to advance Quality Management Education through accreditation, memberships and value-added services, the Institute has associations with prestigious professional bodies such as, Advance Collegiate School of Business (AACSB), USA, European Foundation for Management Development (EFMD), Association of management development Institutes of South Asia (AMDISA), Belgium and European Foundation for Management Development Global Network (EFMDGN), Belgium.

The Institute also has prestigious memberships with professional bodies like Bombay Management Association (BMA), Institute of Management Consultants of India (IMCI), Indian Merchant Chambers of Commerce and Industry (IMC), Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), All India Management Association (AIMA), Association of Indian Management Schools (AIMS), Lifetime Membership of Indian Finance Association (IFA).

The vision of the founder Chairman N. L. Dalmia is taken forward by the third generation, Hon. Secretary Shailesh Dalmia, by voluntarily relinquishing the management quota and admitting students purely on the basis of merit. The Institute strives and thrives to nurture, transform and create global leaders. It has modern infrastructure which transmits positive energy and creates a conducive environment for learning. Academic excellence and rigour are the hallmark of the institute.

The Institute has one of the best infrastructures that provides a conducive environment for learning. NLDIMSR has a South Asia's second largest 24 Terminals Bloomberg Lab and one of the largest financial labs in Academia in the country. Also, the Institute is having an Experiential Learning Partner (ELP) Bloomberg Programme.

N. L. Dalmia Institute has been a forerunner amongst all the top B-schools in India and has been ranked amongst the Top Private B-schools in West Zone by Times B-school Survey 2021,



Shailesh Dalmia

due to its academic excellence and industry relevance. The students acquire a refined business acumen as a result of smart and interactive classroom equipment, available softwares like SAS, SPSS, Markstat, which are used for high end practical learning and applicability. Along with academics the students are sensitized to the society and have incorporated civic engagements like MSR (My Social Responsibility) activities by adopting the Kondgaon village, wherein hugh strides on issues of literacy, hygiene and livelihood are undertaken. The Institute was conferred with the Social Welfare and Growth Award for Empowering Social Change through Education at the CSR Journal Excellence Awards at Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi. The Institute is proud to be associated with INS Hamla to design a curriculum and deliver lectures for various subject of management for senior naval officers. The Institute has also undertaken 6 different projects in the Mira-Bhayander Municipal Corporation area of Thane for Maharashtra Police.

The highly qualified faculty team are alumni of prestigious national and international institutes with a good blend of industry and academic experience. The Institute is associated with Harvard Business School Online, which will be useful to not just the current students but also the Alumni of the institute to constantly keep updated with the recent trends and gives the students an insight into real challenges faced by seasoned leaders across a variety of industries, develop business intuition through interactive learning exercises, and join a global community of peers.

NLDIMSR has an excellent placement record. Every year, top MNCs and blue-chip companies visit the campus for placements. The academic rigor equips the students to achieve good placements. All students get an equal opportunity for placement and the institute strives to offer them placement of their choice, profile and location. Some of the regular recruiters associated with them include Aditya Birla Group, Bloomberg, Bain & Co., CRISIL, Deutsche Bank, E & Y, Edelweiss, Hindustan Unilever Limited, HDFC Ltd., ICICI Bank, L&T Financial Services, KPMG, Morgan Stanley, Network 18, PwC, Reliance Brands Limited, Tata Consultancy Services, The Times of India, Viacom 18, and many more.

According to Dr.Seema Saini, CEO of N. L. Dalmia Educational Society, "it is the prime responsibility of a B-school to prepare the changing workforce to meet challenges and needs of the ever changing and competitive business industry and our students are the best examples of the headway that we are making."

Building strong cadre of professional managers

"Embracing Innovative Ecosystem through Disruptive Innovation – A key to unlock iMinds & eMinds" - DPU's Dr. D. Y. Patil B-School

In words of Hon. Dr Somnath Patil, Secretary, Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth & Unitech Society – "Dr. D.Y. Patil B-School differentiates itself from other Business Schools in terms of commitment to be an institute of excellence by enabling knowledge led academic excellence and sustaining unparalleled educational practices and innovative teaching learning methodologies". Dr. D. Y. Patil B-School has received many awards and accolades from different renowned bodies and continuously thrives to achieve higher rankings in all aspects.

Dr. D. Y. Patil B-School is a proud member of Institution's Innovation Council (IIC) under the Ministry of Education, Government of India, and the first of its kind to offer the most innovative management program by launching "Disruptive Innovation" as a minor specialization. With a synergy between today's ideas and the ideas developing into tomorrow's leading businesses, the Institute believes in offering flexible curriculum structure aligned with



Dr. Somnath Patil

multicultural, human values, multi-disciplinary, adaptable, holistic and lifelong learning approach to students. The curriculum is designed by industry experts and academicians blended with Innovative teaching learning methodologies, thereby transforming them into aspiring management leaders to best fit into tomorrow's corporate culture by following a judicious blend of theory & practice, using highly innovative pedagogical tools tailored to fill its students with cutting edge management wisdom.

At Dr. D. Y. Patil B-School, they enable collaborative learning culture, capabilities built on Experiential Learning through real time projects in collaboration with world's most renowned Ed tech brand – Capsource.

Prepare to be future ready

IEM – MBA- A journey to global destination



IEM Gurukul Campus

The two-year full-time MBA of IEM, Kolkata, is the Institute's flagship course. The four semesters' curriculum constitutes a judicious mix of core and elective courses.

More than 4000 foreign and industry certifications coupled with foreign internship are offered to the students to make them adequately prepared for direct foreign placements. 'Entrepreneurship' is a part of the programme for 'hands on exposure'. Foreign lectures, Industry talk and 'Immersive learning' through the 'Study Abroad Programme' in different foreign countries are integrated in the programme. Leading companies across the globe recruit students every year with attractive packages. The highest package offered is 72 lacs.

The Institute strives to impart to its students' ethical values, compassionate behavior, and concern for society. Hands-on lab experience on SPSS, PowerBI, Creation Studio, Digital Market-

ing and Portfolio Management are regular part of the curriculum along with Winter and Summer Internships. The department has a team of well qualified and dedicated full time faculty members from different IIMs and IITs having an average experience of more than 15 years. The program is committed to adopt best practices in pedagogy, with high quality case-based learning and skill-based training meeting industry expectations.

The MBA programme aims towards providing excellent environment to the students to hone up various management skills and has a continuous process of interaction with corporate, industry leaders through workshops, seminars and various club activities which is reflected in placement also. Today, the alumni serve at the different leadership positions in the various private, public, multinational, government and non-profit organizations.



A dynamic health management institution



International Institute of Health Management Research (IIHMR), Delhi is a pioneer institution in developing skilled health management professionals. Their vision is to be a global leader in health management, research, training, and consulting. The Institute's dynamic two year Post-Graduate programme in Health Management, Hospital Management and Health IT Management provides rigorous training in management coupled with advanced training in Health Systems and Health Services Research.

The IIHMR Delhi flagship program PGDM in Health & Hospital Management goes beyond the traditional way of teaching. Rapidly transforming industry and trends highlight the importance of understanding Digital Disruption, Analytics, Health care Management, Hospital Administration etc. The

INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIONS

In just over 14 years, IIHMR has aggressively established global collaborations for enhancing its research and academic portfolios with renowned institutions such as Imperial College of Science Technology & Medicine, London, Johns Hopkins India Foundation and Mahidol University, Bangkok to name a few. For encouraging cross-learning and faculty and students exchange programs, IIHMR has partnered with University of Jaffna, Sri Lanka, Emirates Hospitals Group, Dubai, U.A.E. and RAK Hospital, U.A.E.

Another highlight was the pilot training on 'Concepts of Leadership & Management' for capacity building of health professionals at Timor Leste, which was conducted in association with WHO.



VISIONARY

Director Dr. Sutapa B Neogi is a specialist in public health and is actively engaged in teaching, research and consultancy at the institute. She is a warm-hearted doctor who has completed her MBBS from NRS Medical College and MD in community medicine from PGIMER. She is experienced in public health and implementing clinical research-based projects for maternal and child health. She has written books on traditional medicines and research on maternal health care. She has authored a book titled 'Gender before birth in India: Role of Indigenous and Traditional Medicine'.



Dr. Sutapa B. Neogi, Director, IIHMR Delhi.

They practice mentor-mentee approach for helping students in growing their skills, making better decisions, and gaining new perspectives in the lives and careers. Also student exchange program with foreign universities and unparalleled Research practices by stimulating intellectual abilities of students towards writing, presenting and publishing research papers in reputed journals. This is reflected by the consistent expansion of Infrastructure, faculty with doctoral degree and Industry experience, research contributions, pre-incubation centre as well as collaborative initiatives with University of Greenwich London, Cardiff University Wales, Leeds Beckett University England, Anglia Ruskin University England for Pathway Program, signalling out globally that Dr. D. Y. Patil B-School is being focused with thrust on development activities like Student Development, Employability Development Programs, Corporate Meets, Internship Programs from first semester; Project based approach, Certification Courses from IBM, Moody's, Amazon, NISM, IIBA, Microsoft, Coursera and Edx, International Placements with the highest package of 24 lakhs as well as Internships in Mauritius and Singapore. Dr. D. Y. Patil B-School is continuing its inexorable development activities in all fronts, in a bid to create a top class Institute keeping in mind the holistic development of students under the extrusive leadership with creative endeavours of Director, Dr. Amol Gawande, who believes in the motto "The student's success is our tradition".

For more details visit - bschool.dpu.edu.in

Courses offered at IIHMR Delhi

- 2-Years full time PGDM (Hospital & Health Management)
- 3 Years Fellow Program in Management
- 11- Months Executive Program on Hospital Management
- 3- Months certificate course in Supply Chain Management in developing countries

Workshops on public health management was organised at Mahidol University, Bangkok for NHM Odisha participants.

CAMPUS FACILITIES:

IIHMR Delhi is continuously striving to deliver high-quality academic knowledge for students and developing a self-contained, global standard campus. The entire campus has a robust and aesthetically designed infrastructure that ideally helps in delivering healthcare management education and training. The infrastructure and facilities available at IIHMR Delhi are at par with the international institutes and are well equipped to meet all the academic and administrative requirements of the institution. They have their own field practice area to give first hand research experience to students.

PLACEMENTS

IIHMR placement cell is well connected with different industry sectors. The principal focus of the cell is to foster corporate connect by facilitating industry engagement. The cell frequently networks with the best companies in healthcare industry, knowledge management consultancies, Hospitals, IT, management consultancies, research, public health organizations, and many more. Students of IIHMR are predominantly focused on getting good Internship followed by placements that hold the promise of a fruitful career. Placement weeks are an endeavour to strengthen industry academia interface.

For more details visit: <https://www.iihmrdelhi.edu.in/about-iihmr-delhi>

FUTURISTIC APPROACH

Sandip University- A hub for industry-relevant management education

Sandip University is one of India's premier educational hubs for industry-relevant and career-oriented degrees in business management. Sandip University is located in a high-tech, lush green campus spanning over 250+ acres of infrastructural excellence in Nashik, Maharashtra and 100+ acres in Sijoul, Bihar. Sandip University's top class campuses hold excellent facilities for students. Sandip University's Sandip School of Commerce & Management Studies offers futuristic undergraduate, postgraduate and PhD programs. Students pursuing BBA or MBA programs at Sandip University can



Sandip University's Value Addition and Global Certification Programs available to management students are:

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- Securities Law
- Commercial Contract Management
- Corporate Restructuring
- Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMA)
- Intellectual Property Rights
- Corporate Restructuring
- Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code 2016
- Independent Director

specialise in Financial Management, Marketing Management, Human Resource Management, International Business, and Entrepreneurship.

Sandip School of Commerce & Management Studies has launched new age MBA programs with specialisation in Banking and Financial Services, and Business Analytics.

At Sandip University, students can opt for value addition and global certification programs to improve their skills and knowledge in the field of their choice.

The course curriculum is designed as per industry needs recommended by industry experts. Management students are challenged through case study development processes to hold ground breaking group discussions and prepare them for leadership roles in the industry.

Entrepreneurship Development Camps are held to help students become job creators rather than job seekers. Furthermore, students have access to CSR activities, industry visits, Finance Cafe to train students in corporate finance, student clubs, guest lectures delivered by industry experts and personality development programs.

Furthermore, students at Sandip University are encouraged to participate in student clubs, extracurricular activities, cultural programs, workshops, industry visits and field trips to ensure overall development of students. They enjoy top-notch facilities like a beautiful campus, well-equipped laboratories, a well-stocked

Students pursuing New Age MBA at Sandip University gain:

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- Industry-aligned curriculum
- Training through Case Studies by Harvard Business School Publication
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Dr. Sandip Jha, Chairman, Sandip University

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Sandip University's students receive placement assistance through annual placement drives. The University's recruitment partners include Airtel, Godrej, Kotak Securities, Amazon, TCS, HDFC Home Loans, BYJU's, ITC, Property Pistol and many more. The Placement Cell trains students to gain skills and knowledge to crack competitive interviews. Sandip University is the ultimate educational hub for a competitive business education.

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Being corporate battlefield ready!

Colonel Marwaha, an alumnus of the National Defence Academy & 47th Course of the Indian Military Academy was among the youngest lot to participate in the 1971 Bangladesh War and are fondly referred to as the "Born to Battle" Course. As Founder President, he carried forward the culture of graduating students of IIEBM "Battle ready for the Corporate Battlefield", same way as they were baptized in the Bangladesh War.



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Dr. Jai Singh, MD & Trustee, IIEBM, Indus Business School



Domain Knowledge, commitment, integrity and winning attitude will be your arsenal to be victorious in the corporate battlefield"

Col. Vinod Marwaha, Founder President & Managing Trustee

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

- IIEBM was established in the year 2000
- Parent Educational Trusts in the field of Education since 1951
- AICTE Approved PGDM Program with dual specialization in Entrepreneurship & Marketing / Finance / HR / Business Analytics / SCM / ERP (SAP)
- Specialization specific mandatory certifications mapped with PGDM Credits for employability enhancement from internationally recognized universities:
- Harvard Business School Online
- Charter Institute of Securities and Investment
- SAP Global Certification from SAP University Alliance
- KPMG
- IIT, Kharagpur
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- IBM

TEACHING PEDAGOGY

1. Industry relevant practical training by experienced faculties.
2. Psychometric assessment of every candidate.
3. Workshops to develop analytical, logical, critical and lateral thinking ability for better and quick decision making.
4. Employability assessment module for focused grooming.
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LEARNING PROCESS

1. Robust corporate interaction.
2. Induction Program spanning 45 days.
3. Personality Enrichment Program (PEP) for holistic development.
4. 3tier mentorship program with Industry Captains.
5. Sectors & domain specific & profile-oriented training.
6. Experiential through OMT, Management Games to develop team spirit & leadership skills.



Soldierathon - Vijay Run at IIEBM Campus

LIFE AT IIEBM

1. Eventia - Annual Cultural Event

WHAT MAKES IIEBM UNIQUE?

- Highest Package: 30 L
- Average Package: 7.5 L
- 25% - 30% students receive PPOs
- 300+ Recruiters on campus
- 600+ Corporate speakers
- 100+ hours boot camps on Entrepreneurial mindsets
- 1200+ hours of Internship, Live Projects, Field Study, Market Research & Industrial Visits
- 100+ hours of CSR Internship
- 100+ Corporate Events

2. IIEBM Ball - Grand welcome party
3. Top performers recognition party in every Semester
4. Monthly Birthday Celebrations
5. Celebration of different religious and cultural events
6. Annual Sports Day.
7. Events by 18 plus different Clubs & Committees

AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

- Ranked 2nd amongst the top 20 Prestigious Management Institutes across India for Placement Performance by Times B School Survey
 - Ranked 7th in Top Private B Schools in Pune by Outlook ICARE Survey
 - Best B School in industry Exposure by for Education Excellence by a leading newspaper in Pune Times Mirrors
 - The Most Emerging Marketing Management College by Zee EduFuture Excellence Award
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TOP 20 NORTH B SCHOOLS

Institute Name	Rank
Institute of Management Technology, Ghaziabad	1
Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, New Delhi	2
Lal Bahadur Shastri Institute of Management, Delhi	3
Indian Institute of Management, Kashipur	4
Apeejay School of Management Dwarka, Delhi	5
Amity Business School, Amity University, Noida	6
Jagan Institute of Management Studies, Delhi	7
Institute of Business Management (GLA University), Mathura	7
Galgotias University, School of Business, Greater Noida	8
Jagannath International Management School (JIMS) Kalkaji, New Delhi	8
School of Management, IMS Unison University, Dehradun	9
Amity Business School, Amity University, Gurugram	10
Chitkara Business School, Rajpura	11
IIHMR University, Jaipur	12
NICE School of Business Studies Shobhit Deemed University, Meerut, Delhi-NCR	13
GL Bajaj Institute of Management And Research PGDM Institute, Greater Noida	14
International Institute of Health Management Research, Delhi	15
Apeejay Institute of Management & Engineering Technical Campus, Jalandhar	16
University of Engineering & Management, (Uem) Jaipur	16
Invertis University, Bareilly	17
GD Goenka University, Gurgaon	18
Gitarattan International Business School, Delhi	19
Birla Institute of Technology And Science (BITS), Pilani	20

TOP 20 SOUTH B SCHOOLS

Institute Name	Rank
ICFAI Business School (IBS), Hyderabad	1
Jain (Deemed-To-Be University),CMS Business School, Bengaluru	2
Alliance School of Business, Alliance University, Bengaluru	3
School of Business, Woxsen University, Hyderabad	3
Institute of Public Enterprise (IPE), Hyderabad	4
Presidency University, School of Management, Bengaluru	5
KL Business School, Koneru Lakshmaiah Education Foundation(Deemed To Be University), Guntur	6
Krupanidhi College of Management, Bangalore	7
Vignana Jyothi Institute of Management, Hyderabad	8
SDM Institute For Management Development (SDMIMD), Mysore	9
Indus Business Academy (Formerly Indian Business Academy), Bangalore	10
ISSM Business School, Chennai	11
Hindusthan College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore	12
RV Institute of Management, Bengaluru, Karnataka	13
ICBM-School of Business Excellence, Hyderabad	14
Rajagiri Centre For Business Studies, Kochi	15
M.S. Ramaiah Institute of Management, Bengaluru	16
Hindustan Institute of Technology And Science, Chennai	17
Dayananda Sagar University School of Commerce And Management Studies (SCMS), Bengaluru	18
Kongu Engineering College, Perundurai	19
Global Institute of Business Studies (GIBS Business School), Bengaluru	20

TOP 20 WEST B SCHOOLS

Institute Name	Rank
Symbiosis Institute of Business Management, Pune	1
Institute of Rural Management, Anand	2
International School of Business And Media , Pune	3
School of Business, Dr. Vishwanath Karad MIT World Peace University, Pune	4
Lexicon Management Institute of Leadership and Excellence, Pune	5
Dr. D. Y. Patil B-School, Pune	6
Sri Balaji University, Pune (BIMM,BITM,BIIB,BIMHRD)	7
SIES School of Business Studies, Navi Mumbai	8
N. L. Dalmia Institute of Management Studies And Research, Mumbai	9
International Institute of Management Studies, Pune	9
SIES College of Management Studies, Navi Mumbai	10
IIEBM,Indus Business School, Pune	11
Universal Business School, Raigad	12
Amity Business School, Amity University, Mumbai	13
MET Institute of Management, Mumbai	14
Chetana's Institute of Management and Research, Mumbai	15
MET Institute of Post Graduate Diploma in Management, Mumbai	15
Pune Institute of Business Management, Pune	16
Suryadatta Institutes of Management, Pune	17
Durgadevi Saraf Institute of Management Studies, Mumbai	18
Symbiosis Centre For Management And Human Resource Development, Pune	19
Institute For Technology And Management, Navi Mumbai	20
Durgadevi Saraf Global Business School,Mumbai	20

TOP 14 EAST B SCHOOLS

Institute Name	Rank
Indian Institute of Management,Raipur	1
XIM University, Odisha	2
Indian Institute of Management, Bodh Gaya	3
Institute of Engineering And Management, Kolkata	4
JIS College of Engineering, Nadia	5
Praxis Business School, Kolkata	6
University of Engineering And Management, Kolkata	7
Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan Institute of Management Science, Kolkata	8
NSHM Knowledge Campus, Durgapur	9
NSHM Knowledge Campus, Kolkata - Group of Institutions, Kolkata	10
JIS University, Kolkata	11
International Management Institute , Bhubaneswar	12
BIBS, Kolkata	13
International Management Institute, Kolkata	14

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3. Strong alumni network: The School has a strong and engaged alumni network, with over 10,000 alumni globally. The School's community is highly connected, and students have many opportunities to network with their alumni.
4. Hands-on learning experiences: The MBA curriculum is designed to provide students with hands-on learning experiences, such as case studies, field projects, and simulation exercises. The School provides students with an intellectually stimulating and challenging environment, which can help them grow both personally and professionally.

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To know more about the MBA program and NICE School of Business Studies, visit www.shobhituniversity.ac.in



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Dr. Parkavi Mahalingam Founder & Managing Director ISSM Business School

A hallmark of management education

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With a vision to be one of the preferred B-schools in India, DSGS aspires to develop socially sensitive business professionals with a global mindset. The institute wants to create a culture of academic excellence by adopting continuous learning through innovations. DSGS offers industry centric two year full-time PGDM program approved by AICTE and the Government of Maharashtra, Department of Technical Education. The main aim of the institute is to provide impetus to new age management education with a thrust on international collaboration specifically focusing on the PGDM Program.

DSGS gives huge importance to building robust industry connects through its Industry Institute Partnership Cell. It



Shri Mahavirprasad Saraf, Main Donor-DSIMS

Top class infrastructures, impeccable faculty members from industry and academia, innovative curriculum, are few hallmarks that catapulted DSGS in high ranking orbit.

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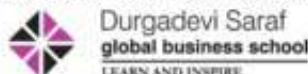


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WE CREATE LEADERS

the faculties while teaching, in order to nurture them both academically and psychologically to become robust leaders of tomorrow.

DSGS actively engages students with the community, and sensitize them about the social issues and aspects in order to develop them into a holistic business leader. Through the Institute's Social Responsibility cell, DSGS believes that students will be able to comprehend and respond to life situations in a stable and matured manner which are unique to transformative leaders of tomorrow.

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The MBA program of Dayananda Sagar University, Bengaluru, is mindful of the exciting job opportunities available to students. However, the institution is even more aware of its responsibilities towards the industry and society. The students hone skills through a curriculum that is broad-based and current. The pedagogy is a mixture of lectures delivered by outstanding professors, case studies sourced from some of the finest universities worldwide and a range of student activities driven by an array of clubs and centres of excellence. Students are encouraged to work on short industry projects and take courses from several international bodies that the institution is engaged with, in the USA and Europe.

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internship assignment expose students to the needs of the industry and make them eminently employable. In developing young minds to take on future responsibilities, the programs arrange boot camps for students to experience simulated leadership and strategy exercises through outbound activities in the wild. Graduates also travel to a foreign country to experience a culture that is different and understand

the nuances of cross-cultural management in a global world.

The institution is located in Bengaluru, the international destination, close to the Electronic City, a hub of innovation and future technologies. Exciting jobs are available for students, and they are prepared to seize opportunities in some of the greatest multinational organizations. The schools' placement record is close to one hundred per cent.

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A testimony to its quality education focusing on creating global managers and budding entrepreneurs in the world of business strives to exceed the very benchmark of educational standards and constantly innovates in its



processes and methodologies in education. Eminent faculties, research powerhouse, various global tie-ups, industry based curriculum, excellent placements and constantly upgrading pedagogies are a few hallmarks KCM Bengaluru.

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Specially abled professionals, entrepreneurs and various organizations awarded

B' Schools of the Indira Group celebrate Indira Diversity Awards 2023

Indira Group of Institutes (IGI), Pune hosted the 1st edition of the Indira Diversity Awards recently. Winners were announced at the grand ceremony attended by 5000+ students, staff and corporates.

40+ specially abled professionals and entrepreneurs were awarded for their fabulous achievements along with various organizations, for their contribution towards society.

Students of PGDM and MBA institutes got an opportunity to witness the live ceremony which will help them to improve their cultural engagement and self motivation.



Dr. Tarita Shankar, Chairperson - IGI, Chief Guest - Col. Rahul Bali (Retd.) & Prof. Chetan Wakalkar, Group Director - IGI

The event was graced by Chief Guest - Col. Rahul Bali (Retd.), Dr. Tarita Shankar, Chairperson - IGI, Prof. Chetan Wakalkar, Group Director - IGI and other dignitaries.

The evening began with an inspirational address by Col. Rahul Bali (Retd.) and enduring vision of Indira Group shared by Dr. Tarita Shankar about the journey of 29 years of IGI. She specified the sense of collective achievement in celebrating diversity awards which drives every member of Indira family to give their best.

Prof. Chetan Wakalkar impressed upon the journey of Indira Group and the drive since its foundation to provide students with the best quality infrastructure for teaching and learning.

The Grand Ceremony also witnessed dance performances by



IIMP BBA students and specially abled artists from Team Drzya. The stage was then set ablaze by the electrifying Live Performance by B Praak who had the entire audience groove to his foot-tapping numbers.

The Indira Diversity Awards serve as a reminder that every individual has the ability to make a difference and contribute towards society. Such award ceremonies are an inspiration for everyone and Indira Group of Institutes, Pune has set an excellent example.

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Sustained growth in placement: An assurance of effective learning in management education



The past few decades have witnessed the strength of the Internet, and technology at large, advance into a mammoth force developing entire landscapes of various industries across multiple sectors. With this revolution at the onset of the twenty-first century, many business leaders and economists have not only visualized the pace of growth which would follow the adaptability of fast moving 'change', but have also foreseen the emergence of several new avenues in employment opportunities for management graduates. With the fourth wave of industrial revolution, or "Industry 4.0" upon us, most Indian companies are rapidly changing their business strategies to be able to reap the benefits of modern age technology and also to reduce the cost of production significantly. As the International Monetary Fund's chief economist, Pierre-Olivier Gourinchas appropriately noted, "Well, India is, I want to say, sort of



bright light". And this is by reason of companies integrating new technologies including Internet of Things (IoT), cloud computing, AI, ML, analytics, and data management.

Given the revolutionary changes to the industrial sector and the incessant need with which

Management Institutions are not only correlating their curriculum but also updating it on a yearly basis through its Board of Study, there is also a need for our management institutions to stop perceiving our MBA students as just receiving ends of these advancements. Along with being highly participative in class, they are also proactively demanding in terms of their learning quotient. This is a valuable reform in management education. Furthermore, each faculty member should draw connections with real world scenarios to make classroom discussions more interesting and to ensure a better understanding of the needs of the industry. Lastly, it is also imperative for management pedagogy to integrate lab (technology) as well as experience-based learning with the help of recent examples and case studies. Pedagogical innovation integrating student driven co-curricular activities throughout the year has enhanced the student's engagement beyond the classroom and has honed their skills to face the challenges when they join the corporate world. The disciplinary culture within our university campus is rooted in all the programs. Prioritizing this, at IMS Unison University, they would like to focus on the following:

- Faculty at IMS Unison are encouraged to focus on learning outcome rather than just completing the course syllabus
- Appropriate use of technology along with several analytical software
- Focus is given towards skill-based learning through appropriate allocation of hours to lab practical, tutorials and workshop
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- Students led events/activities including social, cultural and sports throughout the year
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contribution was recognized by both IPCC and the then Hon. Prime Minister of India. Under her able guidance institute has highly competent faculty drawn from IITs, IIMs and XLRI. Also, MIBM organizes national and international conferences, publishes articles in Scopes Indexed Journals and has international connect with prestigious institutes worldwide.

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Contributor to Nobel Peace
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TOP 50 INSTITUTES - PLACEMENT			
Institute Name	Rank	Institute Name	Rank
Symbiosis Institute of Business Management, Pune	1	N. L. Dalmia Institute of Management Studies and Research, Mumbai	27
Lal Bahadur Shastri Institute of Management, Delhi	2	Indian Institute of Management, Kashipur	28
Indian Institute of Management, Bodh Gaya	3	Suryadatta Institutes of Management, Pune	29
Institute of Management Technology, Ghaziabad	4	School of Business, Dr. Vishwanath Karad MIT	
Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, New Delhi	5	World Peace University, Pune	30
XIM University, Odisha	6	NSHM Knowledge Campus, Kolkata - Group of Institutions, Kolkata	31
ICFAI Business School (IBS), Hyderabad	7	Invertis University, Bareilly	32
Alliance School of Business, Alliance University, Bengaluru	8	Vignana Jyothi Institute of Management, Hyderabad	33
Institute of Rural Management, Anand	9	Institute of Business Management (GLA University), Mathura	34
Jagan Institute of Management Studies, Delhi	10	Galgotias University, School of Business, Greater Noida	35
Indian Institute of Management, Raipur	11	Bharati Vidyapeeth (Deemed To Be University) Institute of Management and Research, New Delhi	36
Sri Balaji University, Pune (BIMM, BITM, BIIS, BIMHRD)	12	Lexicon Management Institute of Leadership and Excellence, Pune	37
School of Management, IMS Unison University, Dehradun	13	School of Business, Quantum University-Roorkee	38
International School of Business And Media , Pune	14	International Institute of Health Management Research, Delhi	39
Jain (Deemed-To-Be University), CMS Business School, Bengaluru	15	Global Institute of Business Studies (GIBS Business School), Bengaluru	40
Symbiosis Institute of Operations Management (SIOM), Nashik	16	SDM Institute For Management Development (SDMIMD), Mysore	41
DPU, Global Business School And Research Centre, Tathawade, Pune	17	Universal Business School, Raigad	42
Dr. D. Y. Patil B-School, Pune	18	Institute of Engineering And Management, Kolkata	43
Symbiosis Centre For Management And Human Resource Development, Pune	19	Institute For Technology And Management, Navi Mumbai	44
Chitkara Business School, Rajpura	20	Hindustan Institute of Technology And Science, Chennai	45
National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management (MANAGE), Hyderabad	21	Chetana's Institute of Management and Research, Mumbai	46
NICE School of Business Studies Shobhit Deemed University, Meerut, Delhi-NCR	22	Jagannath International Management School (JIMS) Kalkaji, New Delhi	47
Hindusthan College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore	23	Gitarattan International Business School, Rohini, New Delhi	48
Indus Business Academy (Formerly Indian Business Academy), Bangalore	24	ICBM-School of Business Excellence, Hyderabad	49
Presidency University, School of Management, Bengaluru	25	Institute for Technology and Management, Navi Mumbai	50
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IN SYNC WITH THE MANTRA OF 'BUSINESSVERSE'

JIS Group, the creator of new generation business leaders

The B-World is experiencing sea changes as a result of newly adopted management practices and continual advancements. The acquisition of global skills and industry insights is necessary for students to achieve career success. A division of JIS Group combines this mantra with academia's ability to produce industry-ready candidates to ensure long-term success.

JIS Group Educational Initiatives cultivates global leaders through experiential learning to meet the challenges of the VUCA world. With a curriculum benchmarked against the top biz schools in the country, institutes under the aegis of JIS Group (JIS College of Engineering and JIS University) run AICTE - approved MBA programs in Human Resource Management, Marketing Management, Financial Management, IT, Business Analytics, Media, Tourism, Retail, Pharmacy, Supply Chain Management and Operations Research with Dual Specializations in all of which provide an integrated learning experience



focusing on the teaching-learning process, employable skills preparation, and academic rigor under the guidance of highly qualified and industry-experienced faculty.



ties. Having a thorough grasp of the business world, JIS Group empowers its students with placement training from day 1, giving them proliferated exposure through industry visits, and even offering students the opportunity to do internships in their final semester to gain industry experience. Students also exercise their breadth of

knowledge through the Skillx program organized annually at JIS University. Students mentored here are recruited by top companies with robust placement opportunities, as evidenced by the 92% placement rate in 2022. The Highest package student received is 36 LPA. Major recruiters of JIS are IBM, TCS, Amazon, Byjus, Justdial, Genpact, Capgemini, Oberoi, Taj, Swissotel, and many more.

Through transformative technologies such as augmented, virtual, and mixed reality, the institutions under JIS Group facilitate complex learning by creating a real-world environment that makes teaching-learning more engaging. Separate and secure girls' and boys' hostels, hygienic cafeterias, modern equipment-infused gyms, and quality educational services - all of these have earned JIS several accolades, awards, and rankings from prestigious organizations, industries, and media houses, making it one of the largest educational conglomerates in Eastern India.

What makes a good Business School?

Taking a look at IBS and what keeps it among the preferred choices for most students

With the rise of available educational opportunities in business, it has become very important to understand what makes a good business school. A good business school provides an education that prepares its students for the world of business and teaches them not only how to survive, but how to excel in their careers.

ICFAI Business School (IBS), Hyderabad has been ensuring academic excellence alongside some of the best-in-class infrastructure for students since its inception. IBS is a name to reckon with as it strives to keep its students fully aware of industry dynamics, capable of applying their knowledge to real-world scenarios and delivering cutting-edge education to students interested in a career in business and management.

What distinguishes IBS from other B-Schools is its case-based teaching method, a large pool of highly qualified faculty members, reputation for industry exposure, and a very good track record of placements.

CASE-BASED LEARNING - A CRITICAL COMPONENT

IBS is one of the few institutions in India that has made case-based learning a key component of its instructional strategy. Almost every course at IBS is taught using case studies. The case studies are customised to meet the needs of various subject areas and topics. The Case Research Center (CRC) is an ICFAI Group Center of Excellence.



IBS's dedicated team works to fulfil its mission of developing high-quality case studies for students of its constituent institutions, as well as a contribution to other B-schools and organisations through The Case Centre, UK. ICFAI is currently the contributor of 6892 cases to The Case Centre, UK which accounts

for more than 8% of its entire repository of cases. As the world's second-largest contributor of cases, next only to Harvard, ICFAI has a market share of bestselling cases of 13%, next to Harvard's 21%. ICFAI's cases are taught in over 900 B-schools across 80+ countries.

EXPERT FACULTY GUIDANCE

The faculty at IBS is well qualified and accomplished in their fields, with most of them holding doctorate degrees, and having decades of experience and specialization in their subjects. They are also articulate and thorough with both theoretical and real-world concepts, which enable them to better prepare the students for a better career and future.

EXPOSURE TO BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY

IBS has a strong, active, and growing relationship with business and industry, with experts from a variety of leading companies delivering regular guest lectures and serving on various advisory boards. The programs offered by IBS provide students with opportunities for continued learning, ensuring that the knowledge and skills acquired remain relevant in today's fast-changing world.

SUPER SUCCESS STORIES

Every year, IBS has an unbroken track record of achieving outstanding placements, with top companies visiting the campus to recruit its students. Students are trained to be well-rounded professionals, as proven by their placement in the most prestigious organisations. IBS's growing alumni are pursuing fast-track careers in leading companies in India and abroad. Their success in the corporate world attests to their abilities, skills, and hard work, as well as to the quality



and rigour of business education at IBS. ICFAI Business School (IBS) is yet another example of how a strong vision combined with sheer determination can produce great results.

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Revolutionizing Higher Education

Presidency University- One of India's prestigious university prepares future leaders and entrepreneurs of the world



Presidency University is a private university, set across a sprawling campus of 70 acres in Bengaluru, the IT capital and start-up hub of India. With a lush green spread and modern infrastructure, the campus ensures an active and vibrant student life.

The university presently comprises of the School of Engineering, School of Management, School of Law, School of Design, School of Commerce, School of Information Science and School of Media Studies.

Presidency University offers various highly specialized, industry-oriented, skill-enhancing programmes, which are employability-centric. The undergraduate and post-graduate programmes, structured on the foundation of Outcome Based Education (OBE) and a choice-based-credit-system driven regime, equip Presidency students with the right mix of well-structured deep knowledge and industry-ready skills, backed by relevant aptitude to excel in their career.

The University also acts as a one-stop-shop for higher education, culminating its programme portfolio with the PhD programme, which is both academic and research oriented. Guided by highly accomplished teaching fraternity with a research-inclination, the PhD programme is offered both as full-time with fellowship and part-time with scholarships across a wide array of domain-disciplines.

The curriculum and pedagogy used are contemporary and integrated with two tranches of industrial internship programme. The Engineering and Management students undertake six months of internship, spread over a two-month internship mid-term and a four-month tenure in the last semester. For Law students, a one-month internship every semester culminates with four-months exposure in the last semester.

Currently, Presidency University has nearly 16,000 students on its rolls taught by nearly 500 highly qualified faculty and subject matter experts, drawn from premier institutions across the country. The University is led by a strongly motivated, highly qualified and professional team with the right blend of academic and administrative competence and expertise.



The Management Program at Presidency University, christened "MBA 4.0" offers Industry-Integrated Curriculum with strong Industry-Academia Partnership. Students are required to undertake internships in companies, in alignment with their specialization-domain as also to carry out Industry-Collaborated Innovative Projects, on campus.

By offering Dual Specialization in in-demand industry-centric like Finance, Marketing, Human Resource Management and Operations, the School ensures that its students equip themselves with the multi-disciplinary knowledge and diverse skill-sets that they had acquired during the tenure at the University. Having said that, the University expects the Industry-demography evolving continually and transforming itself into service-oriented



Management Clusters. With this futuristic view, the University also offers highly-domain specialised and contemporary Management Programs such as MBA in Logistics & Supply Chain Management, MBA in Business Analytics, MBA in E-Business Management and MBA in Digital Marketing, thereby enhancing career opportunities.

The primary goal of the MBA 4.0 Program at the University is to ensure that their students are worthy of the Digital 4.0 Economy-propelled World, through dissemination and/or imbibing of contemporary knowledge, managerial skills and attitude. Blending into this Teaching-learning Model, are the highly accomplished Members of the Teaching Fraternity at the School of Management, who bring to the table, the right blend of Academic and Research Credentials.

The University has tie-ups with prominent foreign universities such as Drexel University, University of Texas - Arlington, University of Wisconsin - Lacrosse, Colorado School of Mines (CS Mines), Manchester Metropolitan University, University of Essex, La Trobe University, Ming Chi University Technology (MCUT), Raman Lullu University and POLIMI School of Management.

The Learning, Training and Development Department and the Career Services and Industry Connect Departments create a platform for a strong corporate partnership to understand relevant skill requirements from fresh graduates. Students have been placed across all verticals in top corporate houses such as Capgemini, TCS, Deloitte, Tech Mahindra, KPMG, EY, Federal Bank, Shell etc.

With student enrolments growing exponentially across all disciplines such as Management, Law, Design and Media Studies, Presidency University, Bengaluru has created a prominent and unique positioning for itself in the IT capital as well as across the country.

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ON A PATH OF DIGITALLY TRANSFORMING THE BUSINESS AND LEADERSHIP LANDSCAPE



The Alliance University Central Campus

With a legacy of 25 years in higher education and as South India's first Private University, Alliance University is growing stronger in aspects that lead to building a generation of future leaders. A designed convergence of the business, engineering, law, and liberal arts units precipitates trans-disciplinarity as the core academic philosophy of the University. Set amidst a 55-acre massive, green, and serene campus in the Silicon Valley of India - Bengaluru, Alliance University offers the perfect ambience for learning, research, sports, and festivity. Home to more than 30,000 alumni; 7,000 students; 700 faculty & staff, the University has an illustrious record of partnerships with 600+ companies for placements and 60+ institutions across the globe for international programs.

Each aspect of Alliance University is embedded with a commitment to provide transformational experience to students and more so in the recent times, a digital transformation. It's a transformation that is shaping the very fabric of our economy and society; one that's been brought to the forefront by the digital revolution. As businesses race to

embrace this new reality, the demand for individuals who can navigate the complexities of digital transformation has skyrocketed.

Digital disruptions have compelled companies across industry sectors to reimagine stakeholder value maximization, reinvent business models, and re-engineer systems and practices. Leaders of contemporary organizations are thus required to drive and accelerate digital transformation.



Organizations are transforming their processes through automation, optimization, data driven decisions and technology integrations. This has pushed up the need for talented tech leaders.

Tech savvy graduates are in huge demand globally, and the MBA in Digital Transformation at Alliance University, curated jointly by key players in the industry under the aegis of Advance Mechanical Services with companies including ABB Robotics; Siemens; Systema-SAP; and Adroitec who would jointly deliver the program, paving way for renowned academics and seasoned technology stalwarts to provide in-demand learning through hands-on education to produce graduates who will play the role of digital agents and drive digital excellence initiatives in their organizations, merging both business acumen and technological prowess.

The course curriculum of the MBA - DT Program has been designed with the principle of progressive learning,

hands-on experience, resources from industry experts and tech-enabled systems along with software packages and license certifications. The students in the program will be exposed to experiential learning through:

- Access to IoT and Robotics Labs, AR/VR Equipment, 3D Printing Tech and Tools
- Diligent exposure in industry-run workshops
- A conducive and massive on-campus ambience to learn
- Industry leaders as faculty cohort
- Delving deep into digital age tools such as Artificial Intelligence, Big Data, Augmented Reality, Internet of Things, among others
- Internship opportunities with companies in and outside the Digital Transformation consortium

The program invites digital change agents who can aid in organizations managing these complex transitions, enabling them to move towards digital transformational excellence in processes, systems, and practices.

With a faculty that brings to class real-time learning, this futuristic program provides comprehensive coursework that goes beyond the confines of the classroom. Alliance University places a strong emphasis on student transformation while building thought leaders with superior cognitive, creative, and innovative abilities through consistent mentorship, support, and care at an individual basis, MBA in Digital Transformation is an investment for the future.

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Future training ground for better life

Sri Balaji University, Pune (SBUP)- Transformational change in the youth of India



Lush Green Campus of Sri Balaji University, Pune (SBUP)

Post Pandemic world is changing very fast. Competition has become the norm in every field. But Education is going to be the greatest enabler and change maker for India. The future of young Indians depends on good qualitative education. We see Indians performing the world over. Change is possible if it is made in the form of good talented citizens hence, the university's focus is to inculcate good habits and character and to create a progressive student mind set, including disciplinary, synthesizing and creative mind sets. Pro-Chancellor of SBUP Prof. B. Paramanandhan has specifically mentioned, "The SBUP is working with purpose and for the purpose with strong desire and zeal towards achieving high performance and high perfection keeping in mind, how to stand up to the expectations of the students? How to stand up to the expectations of the parents? How to stand up to the expectations of Industry and how to stand up to the expectation of the Government and NEP-2020. These are the main questions on which SBUP exercises minds, time, energy, efforts and resources.

The University has a strong foundation laid down by Prof. Dr. (Col) A. Balasubramanian. Sri Balaji University, Pune (SBUP) believes in the three D success mantras viz, "Discipline, Dedication and Determination". The University also believes in "Problems are Opportunities". SBUP conduct Two-year full-time MBA programs in four constituent Institutes namely Balaji Institute of Modern Management (BIMM), Balaji Institute of Technology and Management (BITM), Balaji Institute of International Business (BIIB), Balaji Institute of Management and Human Resource Development (BIMHRD) and



Source of Inspiration: Late Prof. Dr. (Col) A. Balasubramanian Founder President & Chancellor, Sri Balaji University, Pune

various undergraduate and postgraduate programs in the School of Computer Studies, School of Humanities & Social Sciences, School of Commerce & Management. In addition to this Doctoral Research Program (Ph.D.) Programs in Management Science in the domain areas of Marketing, Finance, Human Resources, International Business, Systems and IT, Business Analytics, Supply Chain & Operations and "Sri-Build" is a Sri Balaji

University's Initiative for Learning & Development, aimed at creating future leaders and entrepreneurs. The University is also known for its scientifically designed and well-structured Induction program (40 days), course structure and curriculum along with additional inputs on IT subjects used in teaching learning pedagogy for the well-round development of student managers.

More than 300+ companies from all over the country visit the campus for placements every year. The student managers enter the corporate world with lucrative jobs, immediately upon completion of their respective programs through campus placement. The Institute strongly believes that women's empowerment is the need of the hour hence 50% of the seats in all the programs are

SRI BALAJI UNIVERSITY, PUNE (SBUP) GLADLY DECLARES

"Times of India" B-School Survey (2021) has Ranked Sri Balaji University, Pune- (BIMM, BITM, BIIB, BIMHRD) as:
● Top 11 B-Schools in India
● Top 6 Private B-Schools in India
● Top 3 B-Schools in Maharashtra
● Top 2 B-Schools in Pune

reserved for girls. The University has good hostel facilities along with gymnasium, swimming pool, laundromat and food courts.

It is also acknowledged that Return On Investment and Return On Time Invested in SBUP is quite high. Co-curricular activities, management games, seminars, guest lectures are regular features on the campus. Students are selected on a PAN India basis and they also go through combined campus placements.

Sri Balaji University, Pune (SBUP) has signed MOU with eminent companies, to mention few, like Bosch Global Software Technologies (BGSW), National HRD Network (NHRDN), SUBEX Limited, Confederation of NGOs of Rural India (CNRI) & TCS ION. SBUP is also exploring wonderful opportunities for students and faculties, to expose them to best practices and cultures of different parts of the world.

Being a "student-centric" university, the SBUP provides different types of scholarships for economically, socially weaker sections along with meritorious students and for wards of Armed Forces, Paramilitary and Police forces.

The University is proud to declare that more than 20,000 alumni are pursuing their corporate careers successfully all over the world. Out of the current senior Batch of 939 students, 850 of them have already been placed as of the date and the process for the rest of the students is taking place.

The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. (Dr) G K Shirude said, "SBUP has a conducive environment for the holistic development of students along with re-learning and re-skilling attitudes with a multi-disciplinary approach to make a responsible citizens of India. The integration of courses and industry/business-oriented curricula is in line with the objectives of NEP-2020."

Pro-Chancellor Prof. B Paramanandhan said, "Sri Balaji University, Pune (SBUP) sees the invisible, feels intangible and achieves the impossible."

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Nurturing global business leaders of tomorrow

The primary objective of School of Management at Bennett University is to open students' mental horizons so that they can easily tackle the problems posed by the ever-changing business environment. As businesses get more complex, the need to get global exposure and to get closer to reality are emerging as the most desirable attributes of a budding manager. Since an organisation recruits new managers to improve upon its efficiency and effectiveness, Bennett University School of Management (SOM) students have a clear winning edge as they are groomed with global exposure coupled with an experiential learning approach.

State-of-the-art learning tools like business simulations added with case studies procured from the Harvard Business School Network give the students an edge over others in learning the decision-making method in the most complicated scenario. The 360-degree curriculum design process ensures that the SOM's BBA & MBA programs are constantly updated to the ever-changing needs of the recruiters and are also mapped to the gaps identified by the World Economic Forum.

OFFERING WIDE RANGE OF SPECIALISATIONS

At Bennett University established by Times Group, the 2-year MBA program powered by The Economic Times offers 07 industry-focused specialisations: Sales & Marketing Management, Business Analytics & Operations Management, Finance Management, Human Resource Management,

Logistics & Supply Chain Management, Media Management, Banking and Financial Services & Insurance. BBA at the SOM is amongst very few undergraduate management programs in India, offering students the option of graduating with a BBA(Honors) degree in the 3-year undergraduate program with any of 08 industry-oriented specialisations in Marketing, Finance, Human Resource Management, Entrepreneurship, International Business, International Finance Accounting (integrated with ACCA, UK), Business Analytics, Advertising and Public Relations.

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

A unique curriculum devised by industry professionals, delivered by experienced and highly trained faculty members from premier universities worldwide and deep industry interactions through the Times of India Group makes for a world-class management education. The unique teaching pedagogy through Business Simulations by Harvard Business Publishing Education, Markstrat Simulation and AIMA BizLab, Live Projects, Case-based teaching, Mentorship by CXOs from 40+ companies, Summer and Winter internships develop creative and critical-thinking skills, effective communication skills and technological proficiency for lifelong learning.

GLOBAL IMMERSION

To make the experience truly immersive, every MBA student gets the opportunity to go to one or more of the

50-plus international university partners to sharpen their skills, add value to their knowledge and get a feel of a different culture. The recent immersion trip to UCSI, Malaysia, opened multiple avenues for students apart from giving them an extraordinary experience of a global business environment. University offers BBA students opportunities for accelerated master's programs and semester exchange with partner foreign universities, including University of Technology (UTS), Australia; University of British Columbia (UBC), Canada; Teesside University, UK; Management and Science University (MSU), Malaysia; University of Dundee, UK; Swiss School of Business and Management, Geneva to name a few.

PLACEMENTS & INTERNSHIPS

Aligned with its mission to develop industry-ready professionals, the highest package offered to MBA students is 20.7 LPA and an average of 7.41 LPA. BBA students at BU are placed with an average salary of 6.6 LPA. Some prominent recruiters are KPMG, Tata Power; Tiger Analytics, HCL, Evalserve, Bain & Company, HDFC Bank, Sutherland, Deloitte, Da Milano, HT Media, Federal Bank, D E Shaw & Co, Aditya Birla, Spotlight - Times Internet.

Bennett University School of Management aims to impart quality education with a global focus, preparing students for a corporate leadership role.

For more information, visit, www.bennett.edu.in



Students from all over India: "Unity in Diversity"

FOR A HIGH-GROWTH CAREER

Chitkara Business School - Striving to provide quality education in India

Chitkara Business School (CBS) is a premier management institute in India that provides quality education and an immersive learning experience to its students. Established in 2010, CBS is a part of the Chitkara Educational Trust, which has been one of the leaders in the field of education for over three decades. CBS has been ranked among the top 100 B-Schools in India by the National Institute Ranking Framework (NIRF) and has been highly rated by independent publications.

With a curriculum that is rigorous, flexible, and supported by case-based pedagogy, CBS is a hub of innovation and industry collaboration. The Business School is known for attracting one of the finest students and preparing them for high-growth careers with effective placement support.

CBS offers a variety of management programs, including the Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA), Master of Business Administration (MBA), and Executive MBA. The curriculum at CBS is designed to provide students with a strong foundation in the principles of business and management while also equipping them with the skills and knowledge necessary to succeed in the rapidly changing business world.

One of the unique features of CBS is its emphasis on industry exposure and practical learning. The school has partnerships with several leading organisations, which provide students with opportunities to intern and gain hands-on experience in real-world business environments. This exposure not only helps students better



CHITKARA UNIVERSITY

Chitkara University, situated near Chandigarh, has emerged as one of the most vibrant and high-ranking University in North India. It is ranked among the top 5% higher education institutions in India. The University is awarded NAAC A+ accreditation and has also been ranked by NIRF (National Institute Ranking Framework).

The University offers programs in Engineering and Technology, Business, Planning; Architecture, Art & Design, Mass Communication, Sales and Marketing, Hospitality Management, Pharmacy, Health Sciences, and Education. Students studying at Chitkara get the best startup support with world class research excellence and many internationally renowned opportunities.

understand the practical applications of the concepts they learn in the classroom but also enhances their chances of being hired by top companies after graduation.

The School offers several extracurricular activities, such as student clubs, sports, and cultural events, which provide students with opportunities to develop their leadership, teamwork, and communication skills. These skills are highly valued by employers and are essential for success in the business world.

CBS collaborates with top international institutions to bring top-class academic resources, semester exchange, and interdisciplinary research projects.

With a strong placement record, CBS has a proven track record of inviting over 200 blue-chip companies from 28 industrial sectors for placements.

The campus of CBS is equipped with state-of-the-art facilities and amenities, including modern classrooms, computer labs, library, and a range of sports and recreational facilities. The campus is also Wi-Fi enabled, allowing students to stay connected and collaborate with their peers.

Chitkara Business School is one of the highly respected institution that provides its students with a comprehensive education in business and management. Through its focus on industry exposure, soft skill development, and a supportive learning environment, CBS prepares its students for successful careers and helps them become well-rounded individuals. CBS is the right choice for a graduate or an experienced professional looking to enhance their career.

Digital Marketing: A Growing Career Prospect



Connecting with the right people in the right place and at the right time serves as an important component for the growth of any business. Given this, Digital Marketing has a significant role to play. Having grown tremendously over the past few years, Digital Marketing has not only helped businesses focus on their target audiences using the Internet and Online based digital technologies but has also brought high revenue with little investment. With such benefits to offer along with easy control and easy-to-monitor ability, it is quickly becoming one of the most sought-after Careers.

The demand for digital marketing experts in India has been greatly boosted by the country's rapid growth in Internet users. As per the data, the country had 658 million internet users as of January 2022.

With this number in mind, it is quite evident that promoting businesses online will increase the demand for the product. And to meet this demand in the digital sphere, digital marketing experts are needed.

CAREERS IN DIGITAL MARKETING

When it comes to digital marketing, there are countless employment op-

tions. Candidates from all walks of life who are interested in digital marketing can choose from among the best-paying jobs in this industry:

SEO SPECIALIST:

Average Annual Salary: Rs. 5,00,000

An SEO Specialist has expertise in Search Engine Optimization. He/she researches and analyzes the trend to raise the website rating of a company on search engines like Google. The research on the most common and pertinent keywords and then attempt to incorporate them into web pages in the appropriate way.

SOCIAL MEDIA MARKETER:

Average Annual Salary: Rs. 5,60,000

With the growing influence of social media, this job role is the most in-demand. Every business, small and large, now employs a social media marketer to advertise its goods and services on social media channels. According to research, there are currently more than 350 million social media users in India, and that figure is predicted to increase.

CONTENT WRITER:

Average Annual Salary: Rs. 4,00,000

Not just in movies, but also in digital marketing, "Content is the King." One of the key elements used to rank a

website or blog in search results is the quality of its content. A firm unquestionably requires people who can create attractive, relevant, and high-quality content for its website.

DIGITAL ANALYST:

Average Annual Salary: Rs. 7,19,444

Businesses cannot simply adopt digital marketing strategies based on their generalized assumptions about user behavior. To move forward with any marketing strategy or plan, they need data, statistics, and results that can be verified, and this is when a digital analyst is needed. They collaborate with the marketing team and conduct research on current marketing trends and techniques.

E-COMMERCE MANAGER:

Average Annual Salary: Rs. 9,06,287

They primarily work in an industry that sells a product. They design and formulate strategies, business plans, and procedures to ensure the practicality of their company's online shops and adjacent platforms.

These are some of the highest-paying positions in digital marketing that you might want to think about pursuing as a career. A career in digital marketing is undoubtedly filled with a wide range of opportunities and prospects for growth, as the future is digital.

Tailoring bright careers through quality, experience and dedication

We all know how Business Schools play a crucial role in shaping the future of students and pave their path to success. These institutions offer access to experienced faculty, cutting-edge research and industry connections, helping students to develop analytical skills, critical thinking and problem-solving mind set. B-Schools like RVIM (RV Institute of Management) also provide opportunities for networking, internships and job placements, which are invaluable for MBAs in launching successful careers. Since their inception in the year 1999, the RVIM has been evolved into a premier autonomous business school of India with NAAC A+ Accreditation and DIAMOND rating by QS-IGauge (International



Accreditation Agency).

It is part of the renowned Rahtreyra Shikshana Samiti Trust (RSST) which is also popularly known as RV Group of Institutions. The group has a presence in almost every field of academics and research with over 27 institutions under its ambit, through which they have been enlightening the careers of 20000 plus students (local and international).

The institution's focus on the holistic development of students has pushed them to take some of the most salient measures like equal emphasis on Knowledge, Skills and Attitude has guaranteed the enhancement of the goodwill of their students. They have experienced faculty, top-notch infrastructure,

relevant curriculum, academic rigor, placement support, research focus, and global industry linkages to deliver the same.

Under the leadership of Dr. Purushottam Bung, Professor & Director, B.E., PGDM(Aust), MBA(Aust), Ph.D, a visionary academic leader, who strongly believes in value-driven education and places a strong emphasis on 360-degree grooming of the students, the institution has earned huge respect. They have been recognized by some of the most prominent bodies including the Karnataka Examination Authority where in they were ranked 1st in the PGCEET 2022 (State level Entrance Test for MBA) by the students. Such accolades and reputation make RVIM one of the best B-schools in Bangalore.

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Great Lakes Institute of Management	Chennai	IIT	Madras
IIM	Ahmedabad	ISB	Hyderabad
IIM	Bangalore	Jainnagar Bajaj Institute of Management	Mumbai
IIM	Indore	Studies	Mumbai
IIM	Kolkata	KJ Somaiya	Mumbai
IIM	Lucknow	LPU	Jalandhar
IIM	Kozhikode	MDI	Gurgaon
IIM	Nagpur	MICA	Ahmedabad
IIM	Ranchi	SVKM's Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies	Mumbai
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Re-envisioning B-Schools in India - All set for NEP 2020

Today's B-Schools are re-envisioning and regain the confidence of the corporate houses in terms of providing industry-ready professionals who can match the expectations of all the stakeholders. The National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) provides a great opportunity to all the B-schools, College of Management is pioneer in initiating holistic approach towards education since inception of the University NEP 2020 has already set the tone for a facelift quality management Education.

Team of MIT College of Management is mostly implemented holistic approach of education and the Industry readiness from the beginning and the inception of the MIT ADT University.

NEP 2020 presents optimism in terms of the rising youth population in the country and concomitant employment opportunities for them provided the academic institutions are willing to change almost everything that characterises higher edu-



Prof. Dr. Sunita Karad

cation in the country today. The team of MIT College of Management has taken the leadership role in galvanising management education by adopting a multi-disciplinary approach in restructuring the MBA curricula and accommodating more liberal arts

curriculum multidisciplinary subjects helps them in galvanising management education.

MITCOM follows the new age pedagogy as per the NEP 2020 document, move towards the less content, and more towards learning about how to think critically and solve problems, how to be creative and multidisciplinary, and how to innovate, adapt and absorb new material in novel and changing fields.

Team of College of Management has included UG/ PG level computer Application, Business Administration, Law & Commerce, and education.

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B-school applications dip 3% in India, 56 other nations: GMAC

Reflecting perhaps the end of the Covid-disrupted years and offering insight into how the post-pandemic market for graduate management education (GME) may take shape, the latest survey of trends in applications for management studies across 57 countries revealed a dip of 3.4% in B-school applications.

Another reason for the decline in application is due to a hot hiring market and the 'great resignation' in the US with employers increasingly focused on retention, thus putting downward pressure on domestic candidate demand for GME. Globally, the biggest hit was taken by domestic applications, with 60% of MBA programmes witnessing decline in aspirants.

The annual study by the Graduate Management Admission Council (GMAC) also showed a growing interest among Indian aspirants to study abroad as both domestic and international applications in Indian B-schools have taken a hit. This trend, however, manifested differently in different



regions - in the US, most programmes reported rise in international applications, whereas in Europe most business master's programmes saw a decline.

The report stated: "The weighted sample of programmes... show applications to MBA programmes were down 6.5% after growing 3.8% last year. Among the total sample of responding MBA programmes, more reported application declines (60%) than growth (37%) or stability (3%)."

"As discussed in the GMAC Prospective Students Survey and Corporate Recruiters

Survey reports, a hot hiring market and the 'great resignation' have created conditions in which employers are increasingly focused on retention, offering candidates who might otherwise exit the workforce to pursue an MBA incentive to stay in the form of advancement, increased pay, or other such opportunities."

This decline comes after application volumes increased 2.4% year-on-year in 2020 amid the start of the pandemic and sustained that level of demand in 2021, when schools reported a 0.4% year-on-year increase.

Similar to programmes in Greater China, the pandemic boom did not come in 2020 for responding Indian programmes, but instead a year later in 2021, when 69% of the programmes reported total application growth compared with the previous year. Now in 2022, coming off that hot year, application volumes moderated somewhat as 56% of programmes reported total application volume declines.

Among programmes that responded to each of the last two years' surveys, total applications were down 2.9%, driven chiefly by a 2.9% drop in domestic ones, which account for the vast majority of submitted applications (81%). Off an already small base of international applications in 2021, that volume also fell by about half in 2022 (54%).

Manash Pratim Gohain

REVOLUTIONIZING EDUCATION FOR THE NEXT GENERATION - A GROUNDBREAKING COLLABORATION WITH THE INDUSTRY

A multifaceted approach to education at Invertis

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HOLISTIC DEVELOPMENT IS THE NAME OF THE GAME@ABHIRUCHI CLUBS-

In-house Abhiruchi Clubs at Invertis channel the talents of students to unleash their energies and allow them to discover their interests. Under the Abhiruchi clubs umbrella, students have the opportunity to showcase their talents and skills while strengthening

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AN MBA STUDENT SECURES 29 LACS PACKAGE- Discovering endless career opportunities at Invertis - an MBA student recently secured a whopping 29 Lacs package from Cimpres, a multinational company on campus! Invertis is a goldmine of career opportunities that offer the best placements where 97% of the students have received placements at companies such as Microsoft, IBM, Capgemini, E&Y, Del-

oitte, Samsung, Amazon, McKinsey and Company, Cognizant, Barclays, etc.

THE UNIVERSITY'S HUB OF DYNAMIC OPPORTUNITIES

1st TEDx EVENT IN BAREILLY - The 1st TEDx event in Bareilly was organized by M-factor: The Management Club of Invertis University, Bareilly in which Invertis introduced the concept of a new way to learn, imagine, and grow. Parth Gautam, Executive Director of Invertis University, and Dr. Umesh Gautam, Chancellor of Invertis, worked tirelessly to make this a reality. Hosting India's largest talk show on campus was a great achievement and a fantastic opportunity for Invertis University and its students.

LIFETIME OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPAND YOUR CAREER INTERNATIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM -

Invertis has partnered with top international universities like Livingstone College- USA, Univer-

sity of South Carolina Upstate, Spartanburg, USA, etc for providing global exposure to its students free of cost as well as for enhancement in curriculum, labs, grading methods, industry immersion programs, and value-added courses that promote comprehensive education and development. We have also signed MoUs with GeeksforGeeks, NIDM, Digiperform, and KDCI (Khadi Design Council of India), promoting research and innovation in various fields of study.

GLOBAL EXPOSURE VIA INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIONS-

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Dr. Umesh Gautam, Chancellor of Invertis is a visionary leader who believes in providing students with the best education and is a firm believer in the adage that knowledge is power, and he knows that education is the key to unlocking the door to a bright future.

Providing the exposure business students deserve!

PGDM Programs at the Institute of Public Enterprise (IPE) for students aiming for success



There's a rising trend in business schools. Everyone seems to have come up with an institute and claims it is the best, but many of these barely prepare their students for business in the real world. It is important for students aiming for a successful career to be able to recognize a reliable institution.

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The Post Graduate Diploma in Management (PGDM) programs at IPE are designed to have an impact on multiple stakeholders with varying expectations at the local, regional, national, and global levels. Aside from academic, intellectual, and financial benefits, IPE's PGDM programs are designed to impact societal, business, and regional eco-system activities.

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In the past 58 years of its existence, IPE has trained many senior government officers through short-duration MDPs. It has conducted nearly 1300 programs for around 46000 practicing managers in various types of programs over the years.

AN UPWARD TREND FOR PLACEMENTS

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IPE offers PGDM programs that are equivalent to MBA:

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- PGDM - Banking & Financial Services
- PGDM - International Business
- PGDM - Marketing Management
- PGDM - Human Resource Management



average salaries for students and the highest CTC that was offered this year to the institute was Rs. 24.75 lpa.

FACULTY AND BOARD OF GOVERNORS

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Spread over a sprawling 22-acre campus in Shamirpet, Hyderabad, on one side IPE has reserve forest and on the other a beautiful lake. With spacious, modern buildings, high-quality IT facilities and software, and well-equipped AC rooms in hostels, this cutting-edge campus offers a tranquil academic environment that is welcoming to students, research scholars, and faculty

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MIT-WPU offers a large bouquet of MBA specialisations including International Business, Marketing, Finance, Human Resource Management, Operations and Supply Chain Management, Banking and Financial Services, Digital



Marketing, Business Analytics, and Agri Business Management. These programmes adopt a case-based teaching-learning approach to ensure that students will apply the theoretical knowledge to solve the business problems of tomorrow. Furthermore, industry visits, rural, national, and international immersion programmes, summer internships, skill development courses, ability enhancement courses, and live projects make them ready to embrace their professional journey.

As businesses shape and grow at a rapid pace, they demand individuals who possess versatile knowledge in multiple domains of business management. Keeping in mind the needs of the market, MIT-WPU offers a unique programme structure to get a major as well as a minor degree simultaneously in two fields of MBA. Along with the most sought-after degrees in the fields like Marketing, Finance, Operations, HR, etc, candidates can also pursue a minor specialisation in niche fields of CSR, Sports Management, Innovation Management, and Hospital Management, thereby widening the scope of career options they can pursue.

MIT-WPU's Faculty of Business and Leadership has partnered with top international universities and B-Schools



MIT-WPU Main Building

which allow students to participate in student and faculty exchange programmes, summer and winter programmes, research associations, extra credit programmes, and other activities. Some of these universities are Deakin University in Australia, Virginia Commonwealth University and Lamar University in USA, Teesside University in the UK, IMT Mines Albi in France, Vrije Universiteit in the Netherlands, Central University in China, and University of Aberdeen in Germany.

In order to bring to life, the innovative ideas of the students and foster a spirit of entrepreneurship among them, MIT-WPU has set up the MIT-WPU houses Technology Business Incubator (TBI), the official innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystem of the University in 2016. The incubator, supported by the Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India, nurtures technology business incubation ecosystems and supports early-stage and experienced entrepreneurs and students through technical and business mentoring, legal, IP and fundraising support and networking with the alumni of the University as well as prominent names from the industry. Furthermore, the University also has a dedicated Centre for Industry-Academia Partnerships to support students through structured assessments, training, and grooming activities for internships and job placements. Students are supported in various ways to secure internships during the duration of the programme and placements after the completion of their degree.

The Summer Internship programme offered at MIT-WPU is a mandatory 8 weeks programme incorporated within the MBA degree between the end of April and mid-July. This internship provides a platform to integrate classroom knowledge with related practical applications and skills in a professional ecosystem. The students get a chance to access real-world practical learning, build industry connections, and expand their professional network.

In order to support the students in starting their professional journeys, the Training and Placement Cell at the University organises career guidance programmes and training sessions for Mock Interviews, Group Discussions and Communication Skills. The Cell also invites reputed firms and industrial establishments for student placements. Till date, the students have secured jobs with multiple global companies including Amazon, Accenture, Capgemini, IBM, Cognizant, Dell, TCS iON, Deloitte, and more. The highest package offered to MBA graduates at MIT-WPU is 30 lakhs per annum.

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The Aditya Institute of Management Studies & Research was formed in 2011, with a mission of providing services for nation building through quality education.

A rich co-curricular experience complements a strong conceptual foundation through 100+ experiential learning opportunities spread across the duration of all programs. Whether it is through creative problem-solving workshops, case studies, live projects or out bound training programs, our Faculty selects the pedagogy that's best for each course. The faculty has been recipients of many distinguished awards and honors both nationally and internationally. They also have an impressive roster of innovative industry speakers who share their experiences in events, seminars, and workshops.

The Institute's students are preferred by 500+ recruiters who seek to select professional managers who are ready for corporate life with technical knowledge and professionalism. The industry orientation is strongly developed by weekly Coffee Meets with the 1000+ responsive and engaged alumni who inspire and encourage students. These Alumni of the Institute are making a measurable difference in the industry.

Global perspective is encouraged through an international study tour which includes visits to local companies, business schools and some places of interest. Last year, the tour to Singapore enabled students to immerse themselves in another culture and experience the challenges and opportunities facing organisations outside India. The focus is to develop students as global citizens, with respect and appreciation for diverse cultures. They should become confident decision makers to take up leadership roles in future.

The infrastructure of the Aditya Campus is a nine storied Wi-Fi campus on 1,20,000 sq. ft. built-up area with a 12,000 sq. ft. Convention Centre a 2,000 sq. ft. Seminar Hall and a 2,000 sq. ft. Atrium for informal activities. We have eight amphitheatre-style classrooms with LCD projection, twenty-five classrooms and studio rooms for lectures, Auditorium with a 500+ audience capacity, Cafeteria with 300+ capacity, Three IT Labs equipped with Latest Technology, Language labs and special boardrooms for conducting group discussions, meetings, and interviews. They also have a separate Library and reading zone with thousands of books, magazines, and periodicals.

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Dr. Vijay Khole, Former Vice Chancellor, Mumbai University Chief Guest at Teacher's Day celebration



Ramesh Iyer, Vice Chairman & Managing Director, Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services Ltd Chief Guest at the Innovation & e-Summit



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as skill-oriented-negotiation, problem solving and decision making & creating a global outlook. The courses at AIMSR fast track business learning and prepares an entrepreneurial attitude vide live projects.



Sukmani Sadanah, Writer & Actor

Students are encouraged to organize and participate in workshops, seminars and events associated with various clubs & cells such as Finance club, Marketing club, HR club, Passion club, Entrepreneurship cell, Research cell, CSR cell & Women's cell. During the year, the campus witnessed Prabhakaran, Aahwan, Youth Got Talent and several special Guest sessions. These activities provide opportunities of leading and team work to build the confidence in students.

The Alumni are the ambassadors of the Institute's values in the corporate world. They remain actively connected with their Alma Mater and continue attending weekly Coffee Meets with current students supporting their preparation for the corporate journey. AIMSR attracts recruiters seeking professionally trained individuals. Companies that visit the campus for placements represent different industries. The more regular recruiters besides several others are Oppo, ICICI Bank, Quantum Global Securities, Karvy Stock Broking, Lodha, Infoedge, Oyo, Reliance, Just Dial and BNP Paribas.

The Institute received its NAAC Certification and Certificate of Appreciation for Exemplary Contribution in the field of Higher Education during the 11th Higher Education and HR Conclave held in Pune. The Institute has been awarded ISO Certification 21001:2018 by the TUV SUD.

Innovation is getting deep rooted into our culture. Anyone who takes this path, thinks differently, and creates innovations to solve problems is a Change-maker. It is necessary to provide a platform for discussion on innovative ideas that have the potential to transform current challenges into opportunities for a change. The idea of the event is to provide a ray of hope for Young Entrepreneurs who have ideas in mind but not able to execute it into reality. Just recently AIMSR organised their flagship event "10th Innovation & e-Summit 2023" with the topic - Innovation Culture in new normal. They had series of speakers from the industry like Ramesh Iyer, Vice Chairman & Managing Director, Mahindra Finance and the Guest of Honour is Sukmani Sadanah, Writer & Actor, Altamash Aslam, Brand Head - YXX Apparels, Dr. Rajesh Shukla, Sr. VP, Marsh McLennan, Abhay Mishra, Director, Indian Railways, Harpreet Pannu, Director & Head, Cipla, Mr. Manesh Konkari, Director & Head, Direction One, Deepak Grover, Founder, Snack Amor, Rakesh Tiwari, Founder & CEO, Publi Ventures etc.

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After a roller coaster 2022 of strong growth & layoffs, what 2023 holds for IT industry?

The IT sector has experienced a roller coaster ride in 2022. Although the technology market started the year with strong growth, it also appears to be decelerating as the year comes to a close. This sector has been impacted by the possibility of a severe recession, and the fear of a slowdown in the economy is only acting as a catalyst. Declining margins, a sharp plunge in stock prices, mass layoffs, and capital becoming more expensive owing to interest rate hikes are some of the crises the IT sector is currently facing.

On one side, analysts are predicting a further slowdown, industry leaders are anticipating a positive outlook. Despite these crises, it is projected that there will be a very high demand for IT services in 2023 as businesses advance their digital business initiatives in response to the upheaval in the economy. According to Gartner, global IT spending is expected to reach \$4.6 trillion in 2023, up 5.1% from the previous year. Considering all possibilities, the measures are being taken by the government as well as businesses with cautious optimism.



2023: THE YEAR OF REPAIR AND RESTORATION

Tech companies have finally caught up with rapid hiring, which was especially noticeable during the pandemic, when technology drove nearly all synchronous tasks. Many tech giants, including Twitter, Cisco, Microsoft, and many others, announced mass layoffs as the IT sector began to show signs of sluggishness.

"As 2022 comes to a close, the IT sector in the upcoming year will be dependent on a variety of factors, such as economic conditions, tech developments, and changes in business demand. While it is difficult to predict the future, things are likely to get better, especially pertaining to job security. In a bid to negate modern-day challenges, both employees and employers must stay flexible and be prepared to adapt to changing market scenarios," Vipin Vindal, CEO, Quarks Technosoft.

WHAT GOVERNMENT SHOULD DO TO BOOST THE IT SECTOR

The government is reasonably aware of the importance of the IT sector to the 21st-century knowledge economy that is driven by technology. Given the situation, the government needs to develop a plan of action to slow the crisis' progression. "To promote the growth of new IT-related technologies and industries, the government could make R&D investments. Additional assistance for infrastructure development can be provided in addition to the current support since it will help the sector's expansion. Furthermore, the government could work to promote India as a desirable location for IT investment, which could aid in attracting new businesses and capital to the industry," Vipin Vindal said.

The sector has also witnessed several layoffs by IT companies. As per some experts, the major amount of layoffs has already happened in many companies, the number of layoffs in the industry is likely to come down in 2023. The government has urged tech companies to make layoffs a "soft landing" while giving people enough time to adjust and look for other jobs.

"Although the government cannot completely prevent

major layoffs, it can take steps to address workers' concerns and protect their interests. The government can also ensure easy access to funds for capital requirements and loan return policies for small and medium-sized IT firms. These steps will assist businesses in developing long-term strategies, overcoming immediate market challenges, and making preparations for the impending recession," (Mr. Bhaskar Ganguly, Director, Marketing and Sales, Mass Software Solutions said.

POLICY CHANGES EXPECTED IN 2023

In the past, the Government of India (GoI) has undertaken a number of initiatives to encourage the development of the IT and ITes (information technology-enabled services) sectors in the nation. To address this ongoing crisis, however, some adjustments to previously formulated policies are urgently required. To keep India at the forefront of IT services globally, the government must actively support newer initiatives and encourage the introduction of cutting-edge research and technology.

"To support the domestic software product ecosystem and further the key goals of the National Policy on Software Products (NPSP), more initiatives must be launched. Furthermore, the new data bill, which is currently undergoing public review and consultation, is expected to ensure market parity and drastically reduce compliance costs.

The Emerging Technologies Division of MeitY is responsible for fostering and promoting the utilization of cutting-edge technologies in the country. The Emerging Technologies Division supports work for policy/strategy papers in the emerging areas like AI, AR/VR, IOT, Blockchain, Robotics, Computer Vision, Drones, etc," Bhaskar Ganguly said.

EXPECTATIONS FROM THE UNION BUDGET 2023:

Many significant reforms are anticipated in the Union Budget 2023 to support the expansion of the IT sector. "First and foremost, more startup employees should be able to defer paying taxes on their employee stock option plans, and IT companies should have a set deadline for completing advance price agreements. More policies and incentives for IT startups developing cutting-edge technologies are also anticipated from Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, which would promote the ease of doing business in the nation. Given that the government has already backed India's economic digitalization, giving it top priority will open the door for more flexible and resilient businesses" Ganguly said.

IT OUTLOOK IN 2023:

The technology sector may experience future challenges related to a funding freeze, rising costs, and a higher attrition rate, but there is doubt that things will start to look up in 2023. The tech sector will undergo significant change in 2023 as a result of new technologies, hiring strategies, and governmental reforms, and the potential of the sector will be tested. As a result, firms may decide to focus more effort on resolving local issues while focusing on global events. In 2023, there will undoubtedly be significant issues to address; however, how these issues will affect the IT sector may not be as clear.

Australia to cap work hours for foreign students again from July 2023

Australia is soon going to restrict the number of hours foreign students are allowed to work. As per the latest statement from Australian government, unrestricted work rights in the country for student visa holders will end on June 30, 2023.

"From July 2023, the number of working hours for international students will be capped again. The number of hours will be revised with a view to finding the right balance between work and study," the Australian government said in a statement.

Last month, the Australian government had announced it was extending post-study work rights for foreign students in industries with the workforce shortage.

In January this year, Australia had temporarily given relaxation in working hour restrictions for student visa holders to address skill shortages in specific industries.

Immigrant students were permitted 40 hours a fortnight for work before the relaxation.

With this change, bachelor's degree holders will be allowed to stay in the country for four years, master's graduates for five years, and PhD holders for six years. Current limit for foreign undergraduate students to stay in Australia is two years, master's graduates are allowed to stay for three years, and students pursuing



ing doctorate for four years. Recently, Australia had also allocated a new budget of A\$836 million to be used for the improvement of visa procedure for foreign students. The country is likely to see a heavy flow of study abroad applications after this new change.

Meanwhile, the Australian government's minister for immigration, citizenship, migrant services and multicultural affairs has released the Australia's 2022-23 Migration Program which is aimed to achieve a range of economic and social outcomes that meet the country's needs.

Ravi Shankar

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Dr. Manish Jain
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Founder & Chairman, IBA



ics from recent development which needs deliberations and their impact on overall business environment. The contents of the course gets linked to course objectives and programme objectives. During the learnings and knowledge linking Course Objectives to the Programme Objectives and effective application of theory in real-time situations, says Dr. Subhash Sharma, Founding Member & Chief Mentor of IBA.

"A student must experience, practice and get exposure to learnings in classroom. We ensure that students get hands-on experience directly or indirectly and relate it to classroom learning by way of live projects, case-studies, guest lectures, company visits and panel discussions.

Students organize and manage International and National conferences, Management Fests, Guest relations. They also participate in events organized by NHRD, BCIC, CII etc. and actively network with corporate in such events", said Dr. Manish Jain, Founder IBA.

IBA's Founder Chairman Late Shri. B.M.L. Jain, who was a known industrialist and philanthropist and Alumnus of IIT, Kanpur used to say that we should nurture young generation which is capable of 'Creating wealth for nation through Technology & Management'. "Keeping this in mind we have incorporated programmes such as Six Sigma Green Belt Certification, ERP, Capstone simulation strategy course, offered by CAPSIM, USA including several other courses like



TQM, Business Analytics, Machine Learning, Python, 'R', Testing Tools and Techniques along with Art of Living's Yes+ Residential programme for healthy living," said Dr. Subhendu Dey, Director IBA.

Few of the final year students like Rituparna, Harini, Asmit, Ananya shared that the placement for their batch has been extremely well with many new companies visiting campus offering higher CTC as compared to previous years. They also shared that IBA campus is built on 8.5 acres of land with built up facilities area of 3 Lacs sqft exclusively for a Business Management programme. The facilities comprises of Classrooms, Auditoriums, Knowledge Management Centre, Computing facilities, Campus Store, Gym and other sports facilities, vegetarian mess and hostels for girls and boys.



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Artificial Intelligence: A Career with Endless Opportunities & Growth

Artificial intelligence, or AI, is undoubtedly one of the most significant examples of technological advancement. Almost every industry in today's world, including healthcare, education, business, and automobiles, is growing rapidly. Thanks to AI. Smartphones and other home equipment, it has even made their way into our homes, simplifying our lives. Due to the increase in demand for AI, professional opportunities have increased as well, with most of them providing excellent compensation. But, before we proceed to Career Paths in Artificial Intelligence, let's have a brief understanding of AI and what is its scope and future in India.

WHAT IS MEANT BY ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE?

In simple words, Artificial Intelligence can be defined as the ability of a digital computer or computer-controlled robot to perform tasks that are commonly associated with intelligent beings. It is basically a field that combines computer science and robust datasets to enable problem-solving. AI is often used interchangeably with its subfields, Machine Learning and Deep Learning but they are not the same though closely related.

SCOPE AND FUTURE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE:

Although AI is still in its infancy in India, the future seems quite bright. Organizations are searching for employees with AI expertise as it is rapidly expanding its wings across



every industry. It is anticipated that over the next few years, there would hardly be any industry in India which is left untouched by this technological innovation. That is why the country has a great deal of potential for AI as a career.

CAREER PATHS IN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE:

1. BIG DATA ANALYST:

The role of a Big Data Analyst is to find meaningful patterns in data by looking at the past and making predictions about the future. As a Data Analyst, he/she should be familiar with a variety of tools and Programming languages and must possess Data mining and Data auditing skills.

2. RESEARCH SCIENTIST:

A research scientist is an expert in applied mathematics, machine learning, deep learning, and computational statistics and conducts lab-based trials and experiments. He/

she is expected to have an advanced degree in Computer Science or an advanced degree in a related field.

3. BUSINESS INTELLIGENCE (BI) DEVELOPER:

The primary role of Business Intelligence Developers is to employ data analytics and technology to recognize different business and market trends. They also create and maintain company software tools used to guide business strategies. BI Developer is one of the fastest growing roles as almost every company with data needs at least one person who understands Business Intelligence.

4. ROBOTICS ENGINEER:

With the emergence of robotics in the field of AI, there will be an incessant demand for Robotics Engineers by major industries for programming their machines. They are in charge of creating, constructing, and testing robots or robotics systems that carry out tasks that people are either unable to accomplish or would prefer not to.

5. SOFTWARE ENGINEER:

A software engineer is the one who is responsible for developing programs in which AI tools functions. He/she has extensive knowledge of programming languages, software development, and computer operating systems. They apply their engineering principles to creating software.

Although a job in artificial intelligence offers a vast range of potential applications and tremendous growth opportunities, it is also very competitive. The positions in this field are quite specialized and call for a high level of technical training in addition to a lot of practical experience.

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Management education has truly evolved over the years. Today it goes beyond imparting knowledge and focuses on mastering relevant business skills. With changes in market orientation, curriculum and delivery formats, business schools are poised to see a dynamic shift. Gen Z managers seek management education with a technology-driven dimension, which is flexible to offer blended forms of teaching-learning with a multi-disciplinary approach.

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VJIM offers a two-year full time Post Graduate

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Dr. Ch. S. Durga Prasad,
Director, VJIM

institute also offers specialisations in emerging areas of management which are seeking a skilled workforce like Media Management, Tourism and Logistics and Supply Chain Management. Efforts have been initiated by the institute to offer FinTech courses as a value-addition for finance students, to further upskill them to successfully overcome the challenges they may face as management entrants.

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