RAPE-MURDER CASE

In 2:1 verdict, SC upholds death penalty

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 3

THE SUPREME Court has upheld the death penalty awarded to a man found guilty of raping and killing a twoyear-old girl, daughter of a fruit seller, in Maharashtra in March

A three-judge bench, by a majority verdict of 2:1, upheld the death sentence. While Justices R F Nariman and Surya Kant upheld the death sentence, Justice Subhash Reddy while upholding the conviction modified the sentence to life imprisonment.

The majority ruling took note of the fact that Parliament had amended the POCSO Act and introduced the death penalty for brutal rape of children aged below 12.

It said "if Parliament, armed with adequate facts and figures, has decided to introduce capital punishment for the offence of sexual abuse of a child, the Court hitherto will bear in mind the latest Legislative Policy even though it has no applicability in a case where the offence was committed prior

The court noted that the "victim was barely a two-yearold baby whom the appellant kidnapped and apparently kept on assaulting over 4-5 hours till she breathed her last... He ruthlessly finished a life which was yet to bloom".

"The appellant instead of showing fatherly love, affection and protection to the child against the evils of society. rather made her the victim of lust. It's a case where trust has been betrayed and social values are impaired," it noted.

Justice Reddy, however, said, "I am clear in my mind that in this case on hand, the mitigating circumstances of the appellant, dominate over the aggravating circumstances, to modify the death sentence to that of life imprisonment. Even as per the case of prosecution, the appellant was under influence of liquor at the time of committing the offence, and there is no evidence on record from the side of prosecution, to show that there is no possibility of reformation and rehabilitation of the appellant."

Unnao: CBI chargesheet in gangrape case

New Delhi: The CBI Thursday filed a charge sheet in a case of alleged gangrape of the Unnao rape victim on June 11, 2017, when she was a minor.

The chargesheet was filed before District Judge Dharmesh Sharma. The matter is now expected to be heard on October 10 as the CBI has sought time to file additional documents. This case is separated from the rape case in which UP MLA Kuldeep Singh

According to a PTI report, the CBI has named three persons as accused in the chargesheet — Naresh Tiwari, Brijesh Yadav Singh and Shubham Singh. All three are out on bail. According to the chargesheet, the three allegedly kidnapped and gangraped the victim a week after she was allegedly raped.

Sengar is an accused.

Shubham is the son of Shashi Singh, who allegedly lured the victim to Sengar's residence and is Sengar's co-accused in that case. **ENS**

MP: 7 dead as bus falls into

Raisen (MP): Seven people died and over 30 were injured after a bus fell into a flooded river in Madhya Pradesh's Raisen district in the early hours of Thursday. The bus was apparently speeding and the driver lost control while it was passing over a

bridge, the police said. kin of each deceased. PTI

'Lime-surkhi used in India much before Islamic era'

He also rejected claims that

pillar bases found by ASI were at

different floors and said it was a

"complete misreading" of the re-

port. Of the 50 pillar bases un-

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and the rest to third floor, he

to the report finding similarities

between an octagonal stone

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to show that what was unearthed

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Buddhists, he said, adding that it

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NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 3

LIME-SURKHI mixture as a building material was used "continuously" in India much before the arrival of Muslims, the counsel for Ramlalla Virajman told the Supreme Court on Thursday. He was opposing claims by the Muslim side that its use started in the Islamic era and its presence on a 50 m wall discovered by Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) in Ayodhya was proof that it was an Islamic structure.

Nirmohi Akhara, meanwhile, alleged that the Ramlalla's suit instituted in 1989 was for "political reasons".

Appearing for the deity, Advocate C S Senior Vaidyanathan told a bench headed by Chief Justice of India Ranjan Gogoi that it was "wrong" to say that lime-surkhi made its appearance in India from the Islamic period.

It was used in Gangetic plain from the 2nd century BC as shown by excavations in Kaushambi, he said, citing experts. He said some experts had suggested that Surkhi is "purely indigenous and was not brought in India from Central Asia".

The bench, also comprising Justices S A Bobde, D Y Chandrachud, Ashok Bhushan and S Abdul Nazeer, is hearing appeals against the 2010 verdict of Allahabad High Court which or-

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ple at Ayodhya was renovated by the king of Garhwal Dynasty. He said he will submit a detailed note to answer the query. AAAAA

He also opposed Sunni Central Wakf Board's contention **AYODHYA** that travelogues and gazetteers **HEARING** recording the faith and belief with regard to the Ram's birthplace are hearsay. dered a three-way division of the

The submission was "untenable", he said, adding that it was also "reflective of the deep rooted prejudice of the Western historians and rejection of the oral tradition in the Orient. The recording of the history in India, unlike in Europe, is not one of recording dates and events, it is more in respect of culture, practices etc."

He said the significance of oral history cannot be ruled out and added that even the Quran and Hadith were transmitted orally and then recorded.

Appearing for one of the Hindu parties, Senior Counsel PS Narasimha submitted that the 8th century Skandamahapuran refers to the place of birth of Ram and "and provides the proof of the faith that is instilled in the heart of Hindus that visit (Tirthyatra/pilgrimage) to this place is of extreme merit which, for Hindus, is nothing but

Moksha". Appearing for the Akhara, Senior Advocate Sushil Kumar Jain said the Akhara was in continuous possession of the disputed land till it was attached by the local magistrate.

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7 arrested for gangrape of teenager in Nalanda

SANTOSH SINGH PATNA. OCTOBER 3

POLICE IN Bihar's Nalanda have arrested seven youths under provisions of the POCSO Act for the gangrape of a minor girl after video clips of the incident went viral on social media.

According to police, the incident took place on September 16 after the accused attacked the teenaged girl, who had left home to attend coaching classes, and her male friend in a hilly area.

Police said the girl underwent a medical test and recorded her statement before a judicial magistrate. She is back with her family, they said. The district administration is in touch with her family to provide counselling, officials said.

Videos of the incident show the girl addressing the accused as "brother" and pleading with them to let her go. One clip shows one of the accused threatening to kill

her and "make the video viral" if she resists. Another shows her friend, who has been identified as a local guide, trying unsuccessfully to save her and being assaulted.

Bihar DGP Gupteshwar Pandey told *The Indian Express:* "All the seven accused have been identified and arrested. The chargesheet is likely to be submitted within a week. We expect a speedy trial and conviction within three months. I will be meeting the victim and her family members."

An officer at the local police station said the accused were identified during investigations based on the video clips. "All of them are local residents, some are school dropouts," the officer said. Asked if the accused were mi-

nors, the officer said it was up to the court to decide after verifying their birth certificates. The accused have been booked for rape and criminal intimidation under sections of the IPC and provisions of the POCSO Act.

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Karnataka: Flood-affected farmer commits suicide

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE BENGALURU. OCTOBER 3

A 55-YEAR-OLD coffee farmer in Chikkamagaluru district, who suffered crop losses in the recent floods and was battling a serious health condition, committed suicide on Wednesday, officials said.

The family of Chandre Gowda (55), who lost around half an acre of the five acres of coffee crop land he was holding in the flood in August, has filed a police complaint stating that delay in compensation precipitated his financial position, which eventually led to him commit suicide.

Gowda, of S K Meghal village, incurred debt because of cancer treatment, which he had been undergoing for four years. He had also borrowed money to cultivate coffee on the five-acre land, local officials said, based on a preliminary inquiry.

"The family has given a complaint saying the death is related to farm distress following the flood. They also indicated that he was being treated for cancer. An investigation is being carried out into the circumstances of the death," a police officer said.

People in as many as 17 districts of the state who suffered crop losses because of the flood are waiting for compensation. The total damage in the state has been pegged at Rs 32,000 crore.

The issue of flood relief has taken a major political turn with the Opposition attacking the government for failing to secure a relief package from the Centre.



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B'DESH PM **BEGINS 4-DAY INDIA VISIT**

NEW DELHI: Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina arrived here on a four-day visit on Thursday and will hold talks with Prime Minister Narendra Modi to deepen bilateral cooperation in areas such as trade and connectivity. After arriving here in the morning. Hasina took part in the World Economic Forum's 'Country Strategy Dialogue--Bangladesh'. She will inaugurate the India Bangladesh Business Forum and participate in the closing plenary of the WEF. On Saturday, the Bangladeshi prime minister will hold talks with her Indian counterpart following which the two sides will sign agreements. The two prime ministers will also iointly inaugurate three bilatera projects via video link

PAK VIOLATES CEASEFIRE ALONG LOC

JAMMU: Pakistan army continued ceasefire violation by resorting to heavy mortar shelling and heavy firing targeting civilian areas along the border in Rajouri, Poonch and Kathua districts of Jammu and Kashmir, officials said on Thursday Pakistan army resorted to heavy firing and mortar shelling targeting dozens of villages and forward posts along the LoC in Shahpur and Gotriya on continued till Thursday morning, they said.

BOAT CAPSIZES IN BENGAL, 3 DEAD, **SEVERAL MISSING**

KOLKATA: At least three people died and more than eight went missing after a boat capsized in the overflowing Mahananda river in West Bengal's Malda district on Thursday. The river is in spate because of heavy rains in the region. The Malda district administration rushed a team of rescue operators and policemen to the spot. Till 10 pm, 15 passengers of the capsized boat were rescued and taken to a local hospital. The passengers and local people overloaded. "Rescue operation are on and speed boats have been deployed to look for the missing passengers" a district police officer said.

NO CLEAN CHIT TO DR KAFEEL: UP

LUCKNOW: The Uttar Pradesh government on Thursday said Dr Kafeel Khan has not been given a clean chit in connection with the death of over 60 children at the Gorakhpur Medical College. At a press meet, principal secretary medical education Rajnish Dubey said Khan was misleading the people by giving false statements that he had been absolved of the charges. Out of the four charges against Khan, two have been confirmed, said Dubey, adding that the remaining two — first that he failed to dispose of his duties as the paediatrics depart ment in-charge and, second that he did not alert his seniors and failed to manage with facilities available when the oxygen crisis hit — are still being probed.

HT Correspondent

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NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court

on Thursday indicated that it

would not dilute the Scheduled

Caste and Scheduled Tribe (Pre-

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three-judge bench said: "We

don't want to dilute the provi-

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judgment of justice Adarsh Goel

has been restored by our judg-

ment in the review. We will not

verdict on a batch of petitions

questioning the amended law.

The apex court had on Tues-

day set aside its March 20, 2018

verdict that curtailed police's

power to arrest under the SC/ST

Act. Subsequent to the judg-

ment, Parliament passed an

amendment to the law last year

The bench then reserved its

be touching anything more.

Led by justice Arun Mishra, a

5th SC judge recuses from hearing Navlakha petition

BHIMA KOREGAON CASE Next hearing today, when activist's protection from arrest expires

HT Correspondent

NEW DELHI: Justice S Rayindra Bhat on Thursday became the fifth Supreme Court (SC) judge to recuse himself from hearing a plea filed by civil rights activist Gautam Navlakha, who has challenged a Bombay high court order refusing to quash a first information report (FIR) lodged against him in the January 1,2018 caste clashes at Bhima Koregaon in Maharasthra's Pune district.

Navlakha's interim protection from arrest granted by the high court ends on Friday

On September 30, Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi recused himself from hearing Navlakha's plea. A day later, justice BR Gayai who sat with justices NV Ramana and Subhash Reddy, requested not to list the matter before him. The formal order, uploaded on the SC website later in the day, reflected that all the judges on the bench. including justices Ramana and Reddy had also recused them-

No one has specified a reason for their recusals, leaving it in the realm of speculation.



Gautam Navlakha

In India, there is no rule on judges recusing themselves from cases. It is their personal choice However, it is usually based on sound reasons which the judge is not bound to disclose. Ethically a judge should not hear a case it either party is a past client.

Secretary General of the Supreme Court did not respond to queries on the matter.

On Thursday, justice Bhat was sitting with justices Arun Mishra and Vineet Saran when the appeal came up for hearing before the bench. Justice Mishra being the senior most judge headed the bench. Justice Bhat wished not to be part of the bench hearing the appeal and gave no reasons for the recusal.

When Navlakha's lawyer, sen-

ior advocate Abhishek Manu Singhyi, informed the bench that the protection extended to the activist from arrest expired on Friday, justice Mishra assured him that the appeal would be heard on Friday. The top court shuts for a Dussehra break on October 5.

Singhvi declined to comment on the recusals, instead saving: "It's understandable that justice Bhat, either possibly for having appeared or having being a member of PUDR [People's Union for Democratic Rightsl would have recused himself." Navlakha's plea is now listed before a special bench of justices Arun Mishra and Deepak Gupta.

On January 1, 2018, violence broke out in Bhima Koregaon on the 200th anniversary of a British-era war, leaving one person dead and 40 more injured.

The police alleged Navlakha and others accused in the case had Maoist links and were working towards toppling the government. They are accused of conspiring to foment the Bhima Koregaon clashes at an event held in Pune on December 31. 2017, called Elgar Parishad

Navlakha has denied the charges and called it a political ploy to muzzle dissent. His lawyers have argued that the charges are without substance or proof.

On September 13, the high court refused to quash the FIR lodged against Navlakha in the case, noting that prima facie there was substance in the case.

The HC extended protection from arrest to Navlakha for three weeks to enable him to approach the SC. Navlakha and the other accused were booked under the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act(UAPA) and the Indian Penal Code.

Besides Navlakha, four others -Varavara Rao, a poet-activist; Arun Ferreira.lawver: Vernon Gonsalves an activist and Sudha Bharadwaj, another civil rights activist—are accused in the case.

Supreme Court senior advocate Sanjay Hedge said judges recuse for a number of reasons. but primarily to avoid any situation where fingers are pointed at them, "Justice Markandey Katiu had once recused him self from a case involving Reliance because he had some shares or units of Reliance.

P Chidambaram's custody extended, moves SC for bail

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NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court will on Friday hear a bail plea by former Union minister P Chidambaram, who has been in custody since August 21 in a corruption case filed against him by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) in connection with the INX Media deal.

Chidambaram's petition is listed before a bench headed by justice R Banumathi, which on September 5 dismissed the Congress leader's request to grant him a pre-arrest bail in moneylaundering proceedings by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) that were initiated simultaneously with the CBI case in INX Media matter

In the SC, Chidambaram has challenged the September 30 judgment of the Delhi high court. which dismissed his petition seeking regular bail on the grounds that, being a former Union home and finance minister and a serving Raiva Sabha member, he wielded sufficient clout to influence the witnesses.

Chidambaram's lawver, senior advocate Kapil Sibal, mentioned the matter urgently before a bench led by justice NV Ramana. Sibal approached the bench because Chief Justice Ranian Gogoi is not taking up any freshly mentioned matters due to the



P Chidambaram

Avodhva title suit hearing.

Justice Ramana assured Sibal that he would forward the request to the CJI for urgent list ing so that it could be taken up on Friday, Sibal asked for an immediate hearing as the court shuts down on October 7 for a weeklong Dussehra break.

The assurance came after Sibal expressed apprehension over the matter getting delayed further. Sibal appeared to be referring to how Chidambaram's August 21 plea challenging the HC decision revoking his interim protection from arrest, was not taken up the same day. That evening, a CBI team arrested Chidam baram from his residence.

Meanwhile, a Delhi court on Thursday extended Chidambaram's judicial custody till October 17 and allowed him home cooked food once a day after his counsels told the court that he had lost weight during his time in custody, and was suffering from indigestion.

Special judge Ajay Kumar Kuhar sent Chidambaram to Tihar Jail for another 14 days after he was produced at the Rouse Avenue court complex at

the end of his judicial custody. Appearing for the CBI, advo cate Amit Mahajan on Thursday sought directions from the court to extend Chidambaram's judicial custody. Representing Chidambaram, Sibal and senior advocate Abhishek Manu Singhvi did not oppose the plea and submitted that he has already put forth their arguments at earlier hearings.

"The investigation is pending It is informed that the bail appli cation of the accused has been dis missed by the high court on Sep tember 30. Considering the facts mentioned in the application, and that there is no change in the cir cumstances as noted in the ear lier orders, the judicial remand of the accused is extended till Sep tember 17." the court ruled.

The CBI is probing alleged irregularities in the grant of For eign Investment Promotion Board clearance to INX Media for receiving foreign investment to the tune of ₹305 crore in 2007 when Chidambaram was finance minister in Congress-led United Progressive Alliance (UPA) gov ernment, CBI registered an FIR in the case on May 15, 2017.

WORLD ECONOMIC FORUM

World economy at crossroads: Singapore dy PM

Shreya Nandi

NEW DELHI: The world economy is at a crossroads with many countries adopting protectionism while looking to deepen globalization, Singapore's deputy prime minister. Heng Swee Keat. said on Thursday at the World Economic Forum's India Economic Summit in New Delhi.

trends and challenges—the retreat from globalization in some parts of the world, rapid technological change, and growing inequality. "There are major changes in

Heng highlighted three global

the global economy. In some parts of the world, there is a great desire to retreat from globalization and, in some parts, there is a



Heng Swee Keat

great desire to integrate our economy better to have better specialization and division of labour, and how, through that, we can raise productive efficiency of the resources we have That is one aspect." Heng said.

"We are seeing growing inequality in terms of wealth and

and across countries. We are seeing a lot of concerns about the impact of economic growth on sustainable development, on the environment," he said. Heng warned of greater eco-

income, both within countries

nomic uncertainty because of the ongoing US-China trade war. The conflict will significantly disrupt the global supply chain if it continues, he said. "There is tradefriction. There is no sign of it abating. This is a very important time for us to come together and look at what is it we can do together, given this broader global context of South-East Asia and rest of the Asia, and all those like-minded countries around the world can come together, and support global integration and for us to tackle many global challenges around the world," he "All of us are suffering eco-

nomic damage. It's quite unprecedented." Heng said. Technological changes are

also growing and this will have a significant impact on almost every sector and the importance of innovation will be crucial, he The world is in the middle of a

technology-led transformation. said Sequoia Capital India managing director Shailendra Singh.

The compound effect of smartphones, now in the hands of half a billion Indians, rapid digital payment systems and India's tax reforms, including the implementation of the goods and services tax, have driven rapid changes in the economy, he said.

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MUMBAI: A family court in Mumbai on Thursday granted divorce to former media baron Peter Mukeriea and his wife Indrani based on a petition they had filed in September last year. 'Today, the two were formally

divorced after we submitted compliance of the consent terms. The court accepted it and granted divorce," said Edith Dey, one of the advocates of the couple.

Indrani, 47, and Peter Mukerjea, 65, had got married in 2002. Their divorce came at a time when the couple face trial for their alleged involvement in the murder of Indrani's daughter from an earlier relationship,

Today, the two were divorced after we submitted compliance of consent terms.

Indrani, Peter granted divorce

EDITH DEY, Couple's lawyer

At present, Indrani is lodged in Byculla women's prison while Peter has been kept at the Arthur Road jail in central Mumbai.

plea for divorce by mutual con-

compliance and transfer of rights of properties took almost a year to On Thursday, the couple's law-

vers submitted all the documents which were verified by the judge

After they filed a divorce petition, the couple were given six months' period to reconsider their decision. The two remained firm on their call to end their mar riage and conveved their decision to the court on Thursday.

The differences between the couple occurred soon after Indrani's arrest in August 2015 Three months later. Peter too was arrested by the CBI, alleging that he knew about the conspiracy and had played a key role in the murder.

Ayodhya hearing: Hindu parties reject Muslim claim over site

HT Correspondent

NEW DELHI: The humble construction material Lime-Surkhi held centre stage at the hearing in the Ram Janmahhoomi-Bahri Masjid title suit in the Supreme Court on Thursday even as the judges said they will not take into consideration any new evidence at this stage in the case

Senior advocate CS Vaidyanathan, arguing on behalf of Ram Lalla, the child deity, rejected the arguments of the Muslim parties that Lime-Surkhi was introduced in India during the Islamic rule.

The Muslim parties had argued that the plaster made of Lime-Surkhi on the walls of a structure, discovered by the Archeological Survey of India during excavations in Ayodhya in 2003, was evidence that it was Islamic and part of an Idgah, where Eid prayers are offered.

But Vaidyanathan rejected the argument and said excavations in Kaushambi in Uttar Pradesh also showed the use of Lime-Surkhi

Will not dilute provisions of

amended SC/ST Act, says SC

COURT'S STATEMENT

SET ASIDE ITS 2018

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2018 verdict.

THE SC/ST ACT. AIMED AT

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to effectively nullify the effect of

the court order. The changes

were challenged before the top

During the hearing on Thurs-

day, the bench hinted that it was

open to uphold the amendment.

The petitioners wanted the

court to restore the provisions

for a preliminary inquiry into

complaints as well as anticipa-

tory bail that was spelt out in the

Mishra quoted an earlier Con-

stitution bench verdict that said

pre-arrest bail can be granted in

cases where a prima facie case

On anticipatory bail, Justice

COMES DAYS AFTER SC

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RESTRAINED A HINDU PARTY FROM PLACING ANY NEW EVIDENCE. SAYING IT WON'T **ALLOW IT AT THIS** STAGE OF THE HEARING

mix dating back to second century AD. He quoted some experts who said that Lime-Surkhi was introduced in the Gangetic plains in the second century.

Fourteen appeals have been filed in the SC against the 2010 Allahabad high court judgment that the 2.77-acre disputed land in Ayodhya be partitioned equally among Sunni Waqf Board, Nirmohi Akhara and representatives of Ram Lalla Virajman.

The bench is headed by Chief Justice of India Ranjan Gogoi and comrpises justices SA Bobde, DY Chandrachud, Ashok Bhushan and SA Nazeer

On Thursday, Vaidyanathan

under the SC/ST Act is not made

out. This law, the court said

stands in light of the judgment

delivered on the review petition

two days back. When a lawyer

tried to place before the court

the court clarified that such

"These provisions (relating

instances of misuse of the Act,

false cases will be decided on

to preliminary inquiry) will not

be struck down and will stand

the way they did under the

Lalita Kumari judgment. The

law under Justice Goel's judg-

ment has now been struck

The 2013 Lalita Kumari judg-

ment had made it mandatory to

register a first information

report (FIR) in a case of cogniza-

2018 order diluting the provi-

sions of the SC/ST Act had trig-

gered widespread protests, and

activists had argued that the low

conviction rates under the law

showed it needed to be bol-

stered, not weakened.

The Supreme Court's March

down," the court remarked.

their merits.

ble offence.

reiterated that the site was Hindu god Ram for centuries

The court also restrained a Hindu party from placing or relying on any new evidence, saying it won't allow it at this stage of the hearing that entered its 36th day on Thursday. "Just because a five-judge Constitution bench is sitting you cannot bring new materials at this stage. The bench is hearing this case because of the importance and sensitivity of the

matter," said the bench. The bench stopped senior advocate PNMishra, appearing for a Hindu party, from referring to the sacredness of Ram Sethu, a mythological bridge believed to have been built by Ram

The bench said that at this stage, it would not consider any fresh material that did not come up during the submissions. "If we consider your new material then we will have to give other side time to rebut it. Sorry we can't take any new evidence at this stage," the bench said.

(With Agency inputs)

Chief justices to seven high courts appointed

appointed to seven high courts on Thursday, the Law Ministry said. Justice Ravi Shankar Jha, act-

NEW DELHI: Chief Justices were

ing chief justice of the Madhya Pradesh high court, has been appointed as Chief Justice of the Punjab and Haryana high court. Similarly, Justice Ajai Lamba,

a judge of the Allahabad HC, has been elevated as Chief Justice of the Gauhati HC. Justice Indrait Mahanty, a judge of the Bombay HC, has been appointed as Chief Justice in Rajasthan. Justice A Mani Kumar, a judge

of the Madras HC, has been elevated as the Chief Justice of the Kerala HC. Similarly, Justice LN Swamy, a judge in the Karnataka HC. was elevated as Chief Justice of the Himachal Pradesh HC. Justice J K Maheshwari, a

iudge of the Madhya Pradesh HC. has been appointed as the Chief Justice of the Andhra Pradesh Justice AK Goswami, a judge

in the Gauhati High Court, has

been elevated as Chief Justice of

the Sikkim HC.



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Cancellation of Certificates of Registration issued to Non- Banking Financial Companies

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Reserve Bank of India for information on companies whose certificate of registration have been cancelled by the

New Delhi September 17, 2019

Reserve Bank of India

(S.S.K. Pradhan) General Manager

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Corrigendum

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The last date for submission of applications by eligible and willing ites for the posts of General Manage basis] and Deputy General Manager (T/P) & Deputy Manager (Finance) [on Deputation/ Contract basis] in the National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd., advertised vide Vacancy Circulars dated 31.07.2019 and 07.08.2019 respectively and posted in the website of NHIDCL (<u>www.nhidcl.com</u>) and MoRTH (www.morth.nic.in) and also published in the Hindustan Times dated 03.09.2019, Times of India dated 04.09.2019 and Employment News dated 17-23 August, 2019 [for GM (T/P) and Dy.GM (T/P)] & dated 7-13 September, 2019 [for Dy. Manage (Finance)] has been further extended up to 15th October, 2019 (18:00 hrs.) (Tuesday).

2. All other Terms & Conditions prescribed in the Vacancy Circulars remain unchanged. All eligible and willing Candidates are requested to apply along with requisite documents through proper channel positively by 15.10.2019. Dy. General Manager (HR)

REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS MINISTRY OF HEALTH & QUALITY OF LIFE

BUILDING INFRASTRUCTURE, BUILDING THE NATION

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER (NIT)

Ministry of Health & Quality of Life, Republic of Mauritius invites online item rate bids on nternational Competitive Basis through their Consultants HSCC (India) Limited fron

eligible contractors/firms for the following works:					
Name & Description of Work	Estimated Cost (in Mauritian Rupees)	Tender available online and Last date to fill/upload the tender through e-Tendering	Bid Security (in Mauritian Rupees)		
Construction of Teaching Hospital at Flacq, Mauritius.	2781 Million	From 11.10.2019 to 08.11.2019 upto 15:00 hrs and opening on 08.11.2019 at 15:30 hrs.	28.81 Million		
Completion period is 22 calendar months.					

For tender details, please refer detailed NIT on e-tender portal http://www.tenderwizard.com/ HSCC and Republic of Mauritius websites www.health.govmu.org and publicprocurement govmu.org. The pre-bid meeting shall be held on 22.10.2019 at 15:00 hrs at Ministry of Health & Quality of Life, Republic of Mauritius, Level 5, Emmanuel Anquetil Building, Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam Steet, Port Louis, Mauritius.

Ministry of Health & Quality of Life, Republic of Mauritius/HSCC reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, and to annul the bidding process and reject all bids at any time prior to contract award, without thereby incurring any liability to Bidders.

Prospective bidders are advised to regularly scan through HSCC websites http://www.tenderwizard.com/HSCC, http://www.hsccltd.co.in and Republic of Mauritius

websites www.health.govmu.org and publicprocurement.govmu.org as corrigendum/amendments etc., if any, will be notified on this portal only and separate advertisement will not be made for this.

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