

Writings on recovered slab point to Vishnu temple at Babri site, SC told

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INSCRIPTIONS ON a stone slab “recovered” from the rubble of the demolished Babri Masjid in Ayodhya pointed to the existence of a 12th century Vishnu temple at the site of Babri Masjid, the counsel for Ramlalla told the Supreme Court on Tuesday.

Senior counsel C S Vaidyanathan, appearing for the deity, told a five-judge Constitution Bench headed by Chief Justice of India Ranjan Gogoi that the Sunni Wakf Board and others on the mosque side had disputed recovery of the slab but had not questioned its authenticity.

He was responding to a query from the bench, also comprising Justices S A Bobde, D Y

Chandrachud, Ashok Bhushan and S Abdul Nazeer. The bench is hearing appeals against the September 30, 2010 judgment of Allahabad High Court.

Justice Chandrachud drew the counsel's attention to the HC judgment linking the disputed site to the 12th century and sought to know how this was done.

Vaidyanathan replied that the slab was 115 cm long and 55 cm wide. The inscription on it was in classical Sanskrit and, as deciphered by epigraph expert KV Ramesh, spoke about the existence of a Vishnu Hari temple at the site in Ayodhya, which was the capital of Saketamandala kingdom ruled by King Govindachandra, the counsel said.

The temple was constructed in the 12th century, he said.



On doubts being raised about the recovery of the slab, Vaidyanathan said this was because the witness to the recovery was a reporter, Ashok Chandra Chatterjee, who worked with *Panchajanya* magazine, and others had doubted his statement by contending that the magazine was run by an organisation affiliated to the RSS.

The mosque side, Vaidyanathan submitted, had taken the stand that the recovery

was doubtful. According to them, the slab was available in some museum and had been planted at the site, he added.

“Even assuming it was found in museum, it points to the existence of a temple...there is intrinsic evidence in the inscription about the existence of the temple in Ayodhya,” he said.

The bench then wanted to know whether any question was put to the witnesses — Ramesh and Chatterjee — regarding authenticity of the inscriptions. Vaidyanathan replied that there was “no dispute with regard to authenticity of the inscription, correctness of the translation, or summary of contents”.

He referred to photographs of Babri Masjid taken in 1950 and said the particular slab was on the western wall but not very

clearly visible, as it was stuck between other slabs.

According to the reporter's statement, he was at the spot when the mosque was demolished on December 6, 1992, and had seen the slab being recovered from the rubble. This slab was then moved to Ramkathakunj, and subsequently the police took custody, the counsel said, quoting him.

Vaidyanathan also referred to the testimony of some witnesses, including Muslims, to establish his case.

Vaidyanathan said that another witness, Mohammed Kasim Ansari, had said, “What I call Babri Masjid, they (Hindus) call Ramjanmabhoomi.”

Even though the mosque was built, Hindus continued worshipping there, he added.

CHIDAMBARAM'S ANTICIPATORY BAIL REJECTED

CBI's action is political vendetta, says Congress

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THE CONGRESS on Tuesday came out in support of P Chidambaram, hours after CBI officials went to the senior party leader's residence following the Delhi High Court's rejection of his anticipatory bail application in two cases of alleged corruption and money laundering linked to INX Media.

The party also played down the court's observation that it was a “classic case of money laundering” and that facts reveal that Chidambaram “is the kingpin”, and has accused the government of indulging in a political vendetta.

“Words like kingpin and lynchpin are mere adjectives by way of allegations and not findings or conclusions of trial nor a conviction... This is merely being misused by uninformed people as if they are conclusions,” Congress spokesperson Abhishek Singhvi told *The Indian Express*.

The Congress also hit out at the government after the CBI team reached Chidambaram's residence.

“...Chidambaram is an eminent



Media outside P Chidambaram's residence. Praveen Khanna

person and a law-abiding citizen. What we have been witnessing in the last few years is a selective targeting and politics of vendetta, mainly against the leaders of the opposition,” senior Congress leader Anand Sharma said.

Sharma said the manner in which “police personnel, CBI teams have all descended at his residence raises fundamental questions. When the Chief Justice has said that it (the case) will be heard tomorrow (Wednesday) morning, applications are there... they should wait for final order. It is only a cancellation of bail, it is not a case of conviction. It is not a heinous crime... it is an alleged economic offence”.

Singhvi said it is unfortunate that “so much hullabaloo and sensationalism is happening.”

“Chidambaram was on bail for 15 months. Today's decision came after reserving orders for 7 months. He is certainly not a flight risk deserving arrest between today and tomorrow. He is certainly not tampering with evidence because all the evidence relates to offence of 2007-08 and is either documentary or all statements have been recorded...,” Singhvi said.

He said it is “sad to see certain sections of the media painting him as absconder which he is not or as a proclaimed which he is not”.

HC judge withdraws remarks on Christian institutions, conversion

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MADRAS HIGH Court judge S Vaidyanathan on Tuesday withdrew his controversial remarks that Christian institutions are highly unsafe for girl children.

The judge had recently made the observation while dealing with a sexual harassment case involving a professor of Madras Christian College.

In his order on a petition by the teacher to quash the findings of an internal complaints committee probing the sexual harassment complaint against him, Justice Vaidyanathan had said, “Christian missionaries are always on the source of attack in one way or the other and in the present era, there are several accusations against them for indulging in compulsory conversion of people of other religions into Christianity.”

Questioning his remarks, the Tamil Nadu Bishop Council

(TNBC) and the Tamil Nadu Latin Bishops' Council (TNLBC) said the judge's observations were unwarranted as the case was not connected with the question of religious conversion. They also questioned whether the judge had any data before making such remarks as part of a judicial order.

Other groups, including the All India Democratic Women's Association (AIDWA) and the Indian Christian Association of Tamil Nadu had also raised objections to the judge's remarks.

In the wake of criticism from various corners, including jurists, the MCC counsel on Tuesday raised the issue before Justice Vaidyanathan and submitted that certain remarks in the order were uncalled for and had no connection with the issue raised in the petition.

Accepting the submission, Justice Vaidyanathan said he would withdraw the observations in para 32 of the order, delete the order, and upload the fresh order.



PREVENTION BETTER THAN CURE

BSF personnel cover their face with medicated nets and carry an improvised fogging device before patrolling in malaria-affected places near the Indo-Bangladesh border at Ambassa in Tripura. Tripura and Mizoram are malaria-endemic zones, and border guards are required to wear full-body uniforms, gloves and net masks to protect them from mosquito bites while on duty. The protocol also includes carrying a small improvised fogging device which billows smoke to keep disease-carrying mosquitoes away. *Abhishek Saha*

Bihar govt to repair, rebuild all registered madrasas in state

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THE BIHAR government has decided to repair and rebuild madrasas in a phased manner, incorporating new facilities such as libraries, hostels and science labs.

Bihar currently has 2,549 recognised madaras which get an annual grant from the state government.

This is the first time that any government in the state has taken up task of repairing and rebuilding madaras. All construction and repair work were earlier undertaken by madarsa committees with the help of the government grant.

Minority Welfare Department Principal Secretary Amir Subhani last week held a meeting with Bihar State Madarsa Board chairman Abdul Quiyum Ansari and officials of the Building Construction and Public Health and Engineering Departments. Ansari later told reporters, “The government has given go-ahead to the much-awaited plan. A committee has been formed.”

Though the state madarsa board will be the nodal agency, the Building Construction Department is the executing agency.

In the first phase, Rs 25 crore

EXPLAINED

Sops to win over Muslim votebank

BIHAR CHIEF Minister and JD(U) president Nitish Kumar is introducing schemes in order to endear his party to the Muslim community. With his government's policy of “no compromise with crime, corruption and communalism”, the Nitish Kumar government has been subtly trying to win over Muslims at the expense of the RJD and Congress.

has been sanctioned for repairing and rebuilding over 25 madaras in Aurangabad, Nalanda and Darbhanga. Other districts have been asked to send

proposals through district minority welfare officers with a written undertaking that the land where the madarsa sending the proposal is situated is not under any litigation.

A minority welfare department official said the work would be done in a phased manner, depending on approval of proposals. “As of now, it would be difficult to assess how many madaras need to send proposals but the number might run in several hundreds,” the official said.

The Nitish Kumar government is already running over half a dozen schemes for minorities, including vocational training programmes, and giving scholarships to Muslim students. The government also has a scheme to give interest-free loan to Muslim students. The government has also recently announced to open hostels for gifted minority students.

In 2017, the government had decided to provide infrastructure funds to madaras. However, the scheme could not be implemented.

During his first tenure as chief minister, Nitish Kumar had started the fencing of cemeteries. So far, out of 8,000 plus “sensitive” cemeteries, about 6,000 have been fenced.

Govt to change e-tourist visa fee: higher in peak season, less at lean period

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THE GOVERNMENT has decided to introduce some changes to the e-visa programme, which has now been extended to more than 160 countries, in an effort to make it more “visitor friendly”. Inaugurating a meeting with state government representatives on the tourism sector, Union Tourism Minister Prahlad Patel on Tuesday said that “a flexible e-tourist visa regime will come into place, with higher fee for the peak season of July to March and a considerably lower fee during the lean period of April to June”.

As per the new proposal, tourists will pay \$10 for a 30-day e-visa in the lean season and \$25 during the peak season. A new five-year e-visa will be introduced, which will cost \$80, while the fee for one-year visa has been kept at \$40. But for tourists from Japan, Singapore and Sri Lanka, the fee for one-year and

five-year e-visas is \$25.

There will be no short-duration visa fee for tourists from 14 Pacific Island nations such as Fiji, Cook Islands and Solomon Islands, besides exemption to citizens of Myanmar, Argentina, Indonesia, Jamaica, Mauritius, Seychelles and South Africa, even as they will have to pay regular fee for one-year and five-year visas.

Patel said the move was aimed at encouraging more foreign tourists to visit India. While the Home Ministry has cleared the proposal, as per officials in the Ministry of Tourism, a final clearance from MEA is awaited and is likely to be given soon.

A steep hike in e-visa fee was introduced by the Home Ministry in July last year, leaving the Ministry of Tourism concerned. Then Union Tourism Minister KJ Alphons had urged the then Home Minister Rajnath Singh to reconsider the move.

The travel industry had then sent representations that they were “not consulted before the announcement”.

10-YEAR RESEARCH BY HYDERABAD-BASED CCMB IN JOURNAL 'NATURE COMMUNICATIONS'

Himalayan lake mystery unravelled: At least 3 gene groups, died 1,000 yrs apart

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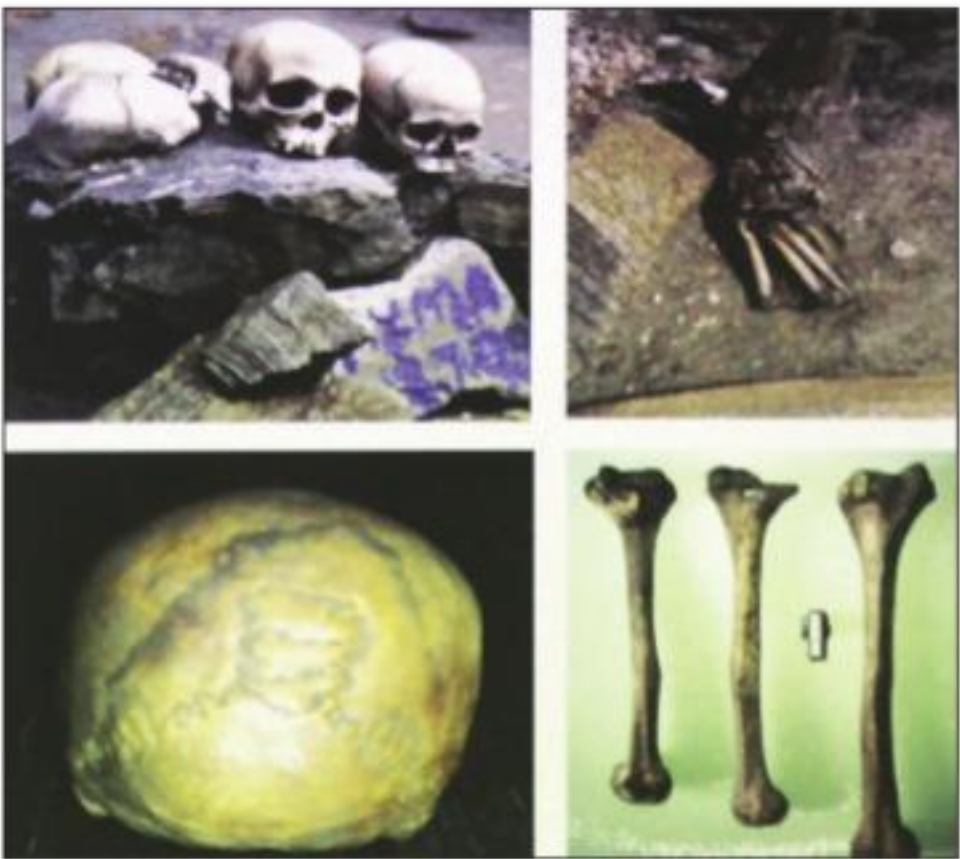
FOR DECADES, the discovery of skeletal remains around a lake in the Himalayas known as Roopkund and the identity of the dead has been a mystery, giving rise to several theories — ranging from a thunderbolt wrath of the mountain goddess Nanda Devi to rockfall and landslides. The puzzle has now been partially solved with a ten-year research by the Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology (CCMB) in Hyderabad concluding that the skeletal remains belong to Indian, Mediterranean and Southeast Asian populations, and the incidents in which they died on the mountain slope near the lake were nearly a 1,000 years apart.

The remains represent the first ancient DNA samples to have been reported from India and are derived from at least three distinct genetic groups.

“The study found that the genetically distinct groups died in at least two episodes separated by 1,000 years. Roopkund Lake is situated at over 5,000 meters above sea-level in the Himalayan mountains... The presence of skeletal remains of several hundred ancient humans, scattered in and around the lake's shores earned it the nickname Skeleton Lake or Mystery Lake. The identity of these skeletons has long been a subject of speculation. Local folklore describes a pilgrimage to the nearby shrine of the mountain goddess, Nanda Devi, undertaken by a king and queen and their many attendants, who were

struck down by the wrath of Nanda Devi due to their inappropriate, celebratory behaviour. It has also been suggested that these are the remains of an army or group of merchants who were caught in a storm. Another view is that they were the victims of an epidemic. A large-scale study conducted by an international team of scientists has revealed that the mysterious skeletons of Roopkund Lake are genetically similar to Indian, Mediterranean and Southeast Asian populations... The study has been published online in the journal *Nature Communications*,” a CCMB official said.

Dr Kumarasamy Thangaraj, co-senior author and chief scientist at the CSIR-CCMB in Hyderabad, initiated work on the issue more than a decade ago, in



The skeletal remains found near the Roopkund Lake. Express

an Ancient DNA Clean Lab at the Hyderabad centre. Officials said that the first group of skeletons composed of 23 individuals with ancestries related to people from present-day India, who do not appear to belong to a single population but are instead derived from many different groups. “The second large group is made up of 14 individuals with ancestry that is most closely related to people who live in the eastern Mediterranean, especially present-day Crete and Greece. A third individual has ancestry that is more typical of Southeast Asia,” officials said.

As per the report, the individuals with ancestry similar to Indians died at Roopkund during 7-10th century CE — possibly during distinct events. The other two groups, possibly composed of

travellers from the eastern Mediterranean and Southeast Asia arrived at the lake between the 17th and 20th centuries.

The study has not revealed the cause of death. However, Dr Thangaraj said extreme natural disasters like avalanche, rockfall or icefall may have led to the deaths.

“We discovered that the history of Roopkund Lake is more complex than we ever anticipated, and raises the striking question of how migrants from the eastern Mediterranean died in this place a few hundred years ago,” said Prof David Reich of the Harvard Medical School, who was part of the investigation and co-senior author.

Dr Rakesh Mishra, Director, CCMB said, “This study highlights the power of genomics study, coupled with other biomolecular

tools, in understanding our past and this would pave way for analysing large number of skeletal remains, obtained from different parts of the country.”

Dr Thangaraj said, “We first became aware of the presence of multiple distinct groups at Roopkund after sequencing the mitochondrial DNA of 72 skeletons. While many of the individuals possessed genetic information typical of present-day Indian populations, we also identified a large number of individuals with genetic makeup that would be more typical of populations from West Eurasia.”

According to CCMB officials, stable isotope reconstruction of the skeletons also supports the presence of multiple distinct groups among the skeletons, consistent with the genetic evidence.

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HOODA SAYS
WILL ABIDE BY
PANEL DECISION

CHANDIGARH: Former Haryana CM Bhupinder Singh Hooda, who has virtually threatened to part ways with the Congress ahead of the assembly polls, on Tuesday said he would abide by whatever decision the proposed committee decides for his faction. Hooda had raised eyebrows by slamming the Congress' stand on scraping J&K's special status, saying it had 'lost its way'. The infighting in the state Congress unit has intensified at a time when the assembly polls are barely months away. At the rally in Rohtak on Sunday, the Congress leader had announced he would form a 25-member committee that would decide the future course of action for his faction, which has been demanding that he be made the state unit chief in place of Ashok Tanwar.

COMPLAINT
AGAINST
KASHYAP

NEW DELHI: A BJP leader on Tuesday filed a police complaint against Anurag Kashyap, alleging he has hurt sentiments of Sikhs through his web series 'Sacred Games'. BJP legislator Manjinder Singh Sirsa also accused Kashyap of 'disrespecting' Sikh and Hindu sentiments through portrayals in the web series directed by him. No reaction was immediately available from Kashyap over the issue.

'CUT MONEY': TMC
LEADER, AIDES
ACCUSED OF RAPE

SILIGURI: A Trinamool Congress leader in Jalpaiguri district and three of his associates have been accused of raping a woman who demanded that 'cut money' (bribe) allegedly taken from for a house under the Indira Aawas Yojana be returned. The house was never sanctioned. The allegation of gang rape has been leveled at Muhammad Bulbul Alam, the deputy head of a gram panchayat, and three of his aides. A police complaint has been registered. The accused were at large till Tuesday. Abhishek Modi, superintendent of police, Jalpaiguri district, said, "We are investigating the case. The complainant has undergone the mandatory medical tests."

UP woman delivers
baby on hospital
floor; probe begins

FARUKKHABAD (UTTAR PRADESH): A woman was forced to deliver a baby on the corridor floor of a state-run hospital here after the staff failed to provide her a bed.

Sanjo, 34, from Runi village under Jehanabad police station area, was brought to Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital late Sunday night. But the hospital staff told her that there were no beds available, the woman's family members alleged on Tuesday. She then delivered the baby on the floor in a corridor of the hospital, her husband Sujit said. A video of the incident has gone viral.

District Magistrate Monika Rani has ordered a probe and warned strict action will be taken against those found responsible. "The CMO and the ACMO will probe the issue and give its report in three days' term. Stern action will be taken against the officials and staff members responsible for negligence," Rani said. Lohia Hospital CMS Kailash said the patient had come in a private vehicle and before she could be admitted, she delivered the baby.

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Two minors 'tied in
MP police station',
probe ordered

BHOPAL/UJJAIN: Madhya Pradesh Police on Tuesday ordered a probe after photos purportedly showing two minor boys chained and tied to a table at a police station in Ujjain went viral on the social media. The boys have been detained at the police station since Sunday, officials said on the condition of anonymity, adding that they were presented before a juvenile board on Tuesday after the photos went viral.

Six people, including the three minor boys, were detained on Sunday in Nanakheda area of Ujjain in connection with a theft on August 9, they said.

It is not known who clicked the photos and posted them on the social media.

Talking to the media, Ujjain district police chief Sachin Atulkar said, "A probe was ordered against the police station in-charge and staff. The city superintendent of police will conduct the investigation.

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Discontent over
K'taka cabinet

PROTEST Several senior BJP leaders skip oath-taking ceremony

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BENGALURU: Several ruling Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) lawmakers expressed displeasure over their exclusion from Karnataka chief minister BS Yediyurappa's cabinet after its expansion with the induction of 17 ministers into it on Tuesday.

Thippa Reddy, a four-time lawmaker from Chitradurga, said he was surprised and pained over his exclusion. "It is not just me, many MLAs [members of legislative assembly] have expressed their pain and we have spoken over the phone. We have even decided to meet in a few days and discuss this," he said.

In Chitradurga, Reddy's supporters shouted slogans demanding "justice" and disrupted traffic partially at the city's Gandhi Circle by burning tyres.

S Angara, a six-term BJP lawmaker, said the people in his constituency were unhappy that he was denied the chance of becoming a minister. "I have practised ethics and values in public life. It is unfortunate that those values are being ignored," he said.

Umesh Katti, a seven-time legislator, said his name was on the list of lawmakers that were slated to be inducted into the cabinet until 6 am on Tuesday. He added his name was removed later. "I have been a minister twice and will continue to work for the party. Let us see when the next [cabinet] expansion happens."

Umesh Katti and other senior BJP leaders like Murugesli Nirani, Balachandra Jharkiholi, Renukacharya, and Basavaraj

FROM THE SWEARING-IN CEREMONY

A tepid affair: Swearing-in ceremonies are usually a show of strength. Parties ensure that supporters come in large numbers. But this time a number of heavyweight BJP MLAs who did not get ministerial berth boycotted the event.

Men in the muddle: While the ministerial aspirants who were left out were upset, nothing attracted their ire more than the induction of Laxman Sangappa Savadi and CC Patil. Their contention was that both Savadi and Patil disgraced the party when

they had to resign in 2012 from an earlier BJP government for 'viewing porn' in the assembly.

When Karnataka almost had a new CM: During the trust vote of the coalition government led by HD Kumaraswamy, the only BJP leader who was authorised by the party to speak on the floor (apart from BS Yediyurappa) was the JC Madhuswamy, the Chickanayakanahalli legislator. On Tuesday, he uttered the statement that he was taking oath as "the CM". He immediately corrected himself and continued his statement.

Patil Yatnal did not attend the swearing-in ceremony of the ministers. Yatnal and Katti belong to the dominant Lingayat caste.

Jarkiholi said he was confident that someone from his family would be inducted into the cabinet. His brother, Ramesh Jarkiholi, was one of the rebels, who brought down the Congress-Janata Dal (Secular) coalition government in the state last month.

The BJP has left 16 ministerial berths vacant. Many BJP lawmakers fear that a majority of these would be used to accommodate the 17 Congress and Janata Dal (Secular) rebels.

A leader said that the BJP was likely to keep two cabinet berths vacant even after another cabinet expansion. "First, we will have to see what the Supreme Court decides about the disqualified former MLAs. If they are elected

back, we will have to include a minimum of 10 of the 17 rebels," he said on condition of anonymity. He added it would leave the party with just four more berths to fill.

K'TAKA CHIEF NAMED

The BJP named Nalin Kumar Kateel as its new Karnataka chief. He will take over the post Yediyurappa vacated after becoming the CM.

Kateel, a three-time MP from Dakshina Kannada, is known as a firebrand Hindutva leader. At 53, Kateel is part of the second rung leadership the party is trying to build as Yediyurappa ages.

Political analyst Narendar Pani said the move signalled the BJP is trying to make the party completely ideological. "Kateel is in the same mould as Ananth Kumar Hegde and both are very committed to Hindutva," he said.

gradable bags and other material, the Lok Sabha secretariat said in a statement issued on Tuesday.

"This initiative by the Lok Sabha Secretariat is a step towards the call by the Prime Minister to the nation to make the country free from plastics," the statement said.

In his Independence Day speech, Prime Minister Narendra Modi urged citizens to abandon

the use of single-use plastic and take significant steps to achieve this objective by October 2, when the country celebrates the 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi.

The move comes close on the heels of Birla's decision to make Parliament paper-less. The steps were a part of the overall aim to make Parliament more greener and environment-friendly.

LS SECRETARIAT DECISION

Ban on use of plastic in Parliament

NEW DELHI: The Lok Sabha Secretariat said it has banned the use of non-reusable plastic water bottles and other plastic items within the Parliament complex with effect from Tuesday.

All officers and staff of the Lok Sabha secretariat and other allied agencies working in the Parliament House Complex will have to stop using plastic and switch over to environment friendly biode-

Woman offered
lift, gang-raped by
three in car in UP

MUZAFFARNAGAR: A 35-year-old woman, who was waiting for a bus to her home in Haryana, was allegedly raped by three men who offered her a lift in their car in Uttar Pradesh's Shamli district, police said on Tuesday.

Based on the survivor's complaint, two of the accused have been arrested, while the third one is absconding. Station house officer Yashpal Dhama said.

He said the incident took place in Kairana town on Monday when the three accused offered a lift to the woman and took her to a forest near Jahanpura village, where they allegedly raped her.

The accused, before leaving the woman on the spot, threatened her of dire consequences if she disclosed the matter, Dhama said. Police is interrogating the arrested men and a search is on for the third accused, he said.

THE DEATH TOLL IN THE
RECENT RAIN THAT
TRIGGERED LANDSLIDES
IN HIMACHAL PRADESH
AND UTTARAKHAND,
AND FLOODS IN PUNJAB AND
HARYANA ROSE TO 42

hailstorms in 2018-19.

On Tuesday, water started receding in many places in Punjab and Haryana with no fresh spell of rainfall, as teams of the army and the NDRF continued to carry out rescue operations. Punjab CM Amarinder Singh said the state administration is fully geared to meet any eventuality.

Haryana CM Manohar Lal Khattar directed all deputy commissioners of the affected districts to make necessary arrangements. State agriculture minister Ram Lal Markanda was on Tuesday airlifted to capital Shimla from tribal district Lahaul and Spiti. Markanda was stranded in the tribal district due to untimely snowfall. A 30-member film crew from Kerala that included actor Manju Warrier was shifted to safety.

3 NIA officials removed
on corruption charges

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NEW DELHI: Three officials of the National Investigation Agency (NIA), who were probing a terror funding case, have been removed for allegedly asking for bribes, NIA said on Tuesday.

Pakistan-based Hafiz Saeed, a globally designated terrorist, is an accused in this case. NIA, the country's federal anti-terror investigation agency, was probing funds being sent to India to set-up a terror network.

The three officials include a superintendent of police, said officials. Two of the three officers have been transferred to their parent organisation, a senior

NIA official said. A third officer has been moved to a non-sensitive role in an NIA branch office.

An NIA spokesperson said the agency had received a complaint of misconduct against the officers. "An enquiry is being conducted by a Deputy Inspector General-rank officer. In the meantime, the three officials concerned have been transferred out to ensure a fair probe," the spokesperson said.

NIA had searched the premises of a Delhi-based businessman for allegedly handling slush funds sent from Pakistan via Dubai. The officials who have been removed allegedly asked for a bribe to go easy on the businessman, the official said.

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AYODHYA TITLE SUIT

Stone slab proof temple existed, SC told

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NEW DELHI: The lawyer representing the deity, "Ram Lalla Virajman", on Tuesday argued in the apex court that a stone slab recovered from the rubble of the demolished Babri Masjid was a proof that a 12th century temple stood at the disputed site in Ayodhya before the mosque was built.

Senior counsel C S Vaidyanathan made this submission before a five-judge bench led by Chief Justice of India Ranjan Gogoi, hearing cross-appeals filed against the Allahabad high court verdict in the contentious

Ram Janmabhoomi-Babri Masjid land dispute case.

Babri Masjid was demolished by a mob on December 6, 1992 in Ayodhya, leading to the protracted legal battle.

Fourteen appeals have been filed in the Supreme Court against the 2010 Allahabad high court judgment, delivered in four civil suits, that the 2.77-acre disputed land in Ayodhya be partitioned equally among the three parties—the Sunni Waqf Board, the Nirmohi Akhara and "Ram Lalla Virajman".

Vaidyanathan said the Sunni Waqf Board and those in support of the mosque had disputed the

recovery of the slab but had not questioned its authenticity.

Vaidyanathan argued, the slab had an inscription written in Sanskrit. It was deciphered by an epigraphist K V Ramesh and it said about the existence of a Vishnu Hari temple at the site, which was the capital of Saketa-mandala kingdom, he said. This was constructed in the 12th century AD, Vaidyanathan said.

The reason why the Muslim side had disputed the slab was because the witness to the recovery was a reporter, who was working with "Panchajanya" magazine.

The opposition was mainly

because the magazine is run by an organisation affiliated to the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh, the lawyer told the bench.

To the bench's query on whether any questions were put to the reporter on the authenticity of the inscription, Vaidyanathan said there was no challenge to its authenticity. Photographs of Babri Masjid taken in 1950 were referred to by Vaidyanathan to show the slab, which was stuck between other slabs.

The Muslim side questioned the recovery of the slab and claimed it was available in some museum and had been planted at the site.

Ahead of state polls, Shah meets
BJP leaders to discuss strategy

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NEW DELHI: The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) on Monday asked its leadership in four poll-bound states to focus on the election campaign and identify weak links within the organisation and outside that could potentially create trouble for the party, two BJP leaders said.

Party president and Union home minister Amit Shah held a brainstorming session with the BJP leadership of Maharashtra, Haryana, Jharkhand and Delhi in the national capital to take stock of their election prepared-

ness and decide poll strategy.

Maharashtra and Haryana will go to the polls in October, Jharkhand in December and Delhi in February.

"We will face election in Maharashtra, Haryana and Jharkhand under the leadership of current chief ministers," the first BJP leader said, requesting anonymity. "All these CMs have a good image and we want to utilise this advantage."

"The BJP leaders from these states were told to create a positive campaign centred around the achievements of the state and the central governments," the second leader said.

CO-ED CHRISTIAN INSTITUTES

HC judge withdraws observation

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CHENNAI: Madras High Court judge Justice S Vaidyanathan on Tuesday withdrew his controversial observation that co-educational study in Christian institutions is highly unsafe for the future of their children.

The judge had made the observation recently when refusing to quash a show-cause notice issued to a Madras Christian College professor facing sexual harassment charge from at least 34 girl students pursuing third-year

Zoology course at the college.

"There is a general feeling among parents of students, especially female students, that co-educational study in Christian institutions is highly unsafe for the future of their children," Justice Vaidyanathan had said in his order rejecting the plea of assistant professor Samuel Tennyson.

"In the present era, there are several accusations against them for indulging in compulsory conversion of people of other religions into Christianity... Though they impart good education, their preaching of morality will be a

million dollar question," Justice Vaidyanathan had added.

Christian organisations, including the Tamil Nadu Bishops Council, and various sections of society had expressed concern over the observation of the Judge in the order.

When the case came up on Tuesday, a mention was made by John Jackria, counsel for the Madras Christian College, seeking withdrawal of the controversial observation.

The judge, who acceded to the mention, said he was withdrawing para 32 of the order.

BEFORE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -III, DELHI.
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In the matter of **O.A NO 92/2018/DRT-III**
CORPORATION BANK (Applicant) Vs. SH. NARENDRA KUMAR (Defendants)
D-3 M/s PSA Impvt Pvt. Ltd. (A Company of Sampada Group) (Builder & Developer) Through its Directors, A-102, Star House Sector-4, Noida, UP-201301 Also At : 197-E, Pocket-IV, Mayapuri Vihar-I, Delhi-110091
Whereas the above named applicant has instituted a case against you and whereas it has been shown to the satisfaction of the Tribunal that it is not possible to serve you in ordinary way. Therefore, this notice is given by advertisement directing you to make appearance in this Tribunal **29.10.2019 At 10.30 A.M.**
Take notice that in case of your failure to appear on the above mentioned date before this Tribunal, the case will be heard and decided in your absence.
Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this **29th day of July 2019.**
By Order of the Tribunal, Assistant Registrar, DRT-III, New Delhi

WESTERN RAILWAY
SURVEY & CONSTRUCTION
SUPPLY OF 50 MM MACHINE CRUSHED STONE BALLAST INCLUDING TRANSPORTING AND STACKING IN CESS/STATION YARD
E-Tender Notice No. DY. CE/C&I/ADI/ADI-MSH/19 Deputy Chief Engineer (Construction)-I, Western Railway, Ahmedabad for and on behalf of President of Union of India invites e-Tender for following work: (1) Name of work with its location: E-Tender No. **DY.CE/C&I/ADI-ADI-MSH/19** : Supply of 50 mm machine crushed stone ballast including transporting and stacking in cess/station yard between stations Ambaliyasan (including) to Mehnsana (including) in connection with Gauge Conversion Ahmedabad-Mehnsana Project. (2) Approx. Cost of work : ₹ 6,35,25,000.00 (3) Earnest Money to be Deposited: ₹ 4,67,700.00 (4) Tender form fees : ₹ 10,000.00 (5) Completion period of work: 12 (Twelve) months including monsoon. (6) Date and submission of bid : Submission of e-tender : 06.09.2019 upto 17.00 Hrs. Opening: 06.09.2019 at 17.30 Hrs. (7) Website particulars Notice Board location where complete details of tender can be seen & address of the office: Website **www.irps.gov.in** Office of Dy.Chief Engineer (Construction), Western Railway, 2nd Floor, BG Station Building, Railwaypura, Ahmedabad -380002 43
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NORTHERN RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE (through e-tendering)
S.N.: 1. Name of work with its location: Signalling work in connection with replacement of turnout and trap points for CTR(P), TRR (FS+C&C&MS), TTR (C&MS), TPR (P), TRR (P), CTR(P/S) on B route of Delhi Division. App. Cost of the work: Rs. 2,60,06,920/- only. Tender Inviting Officer Address: Senior Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer/C, Northern Railway, 3rd Floor, Annex-1, DRM office, New Delhi-110055. Tender Document Fee: Rs. 11,800 only. Earnest Money to be deposited: Rs. 2,80,100.00 only. Date & Time for Closed of tender: Tender uploaded date & time - 11.09.2019 up to 15:00 hrs. Website particular & notice board location where complete details of the tender can be seen etc.: See the N.Rly. website **www.irps.gov.in** & Notice board at S&T branch, 3rd Floor, DRM office, State Entry Road, New Delhi-110055. No.: **558-Sig/16/M/Tender/1297** Dated: 20.08.2019. 2665/2019
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India Tourism Development Corporation Ltd.
(A Government of India Undertaking)
Regd. Office: SCOPE Complex, Core 8, 6th Floor, 7 Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003
Telefax No.: 011-24360249, Website : **www.theashokgroup.com**, CIN No.: **L74899DL1965G01004363**
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS
Notice is hereby given that 54th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Company will be held on Monday, the 16th September, 2019 at 1100 Hours at Convention Hall in Hotel The Ashok, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi-110021 (Entry from Hotel Samrat through Ashok-Samrat connecting door). Pursuant to Section 91 of the Companies Act, 2013, the Register of Members and Share Transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from Monday, the 9th September, 2019 to Monday, the 16th September, 2019 (both days inclusive) for the purpose of AGM and payment of dividend.
The dispatch of Notice together with Annual Report 2018-19 and the Attendance Slip along with E-voting Instructions to the Members at their postal address or e-mailed at e-mail addresses, registered with the Company/Registrar & Transfer Agent (RTA)/Depository Participant (DP), as the case may be commenced on 16.08.2019 and completed on 21.08.2019. The aforesaid documents are also available on Company's website: **www.theashokgroup.com**, RTA's website : **https://evoting.karvy.com** and are also available at the Registered office of the Company for inspection during business hours. Members, desiring hard copies of the same, may write to us or email to **vkjain@tdic.co.in** and the same shall be sent to their registered address.
Pursuant to the provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013, read with the rules made there under and Regulation 44 of SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015, the Company is offering the facility to the Members to exercise their right to vote at the AGM by electronic means on all the resolutions through e-voting services provided by M/s. Karvy Fintech Private Limited, the RTA.
The details pursuant to provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the rules thereof are as under :
1. Cut off date for eligibility of Members to Remote E-voting is 9th September, 2019. A person whose name is recorded in the Register of Members or as beneficial owners in the data downloaded by the Depositories as on the cut off date only shall be entitled to avail the facility of remote E-voting. Any person who acquires shares and becomes Member after dispatch of Notice and holds shares as on the cut-off date may obtain the user ID by approaching the Company/RTA for issuance of the User ID and Password for exercising their right to vote by electronic means.
a. If the mobile number of the member is registered against Folio No. / DP ID Client ID, the member may send SMS : **MYEPWD <space> Event number+ Folio No. or DP ID Client ID to 9212993399**
b. If e-mail or mobile number of the member is registered against Folio No. / DP ID Client ID, then on the home page of **https://evoting.karvy.com**, the member may click "forgot password" and enter Folio No. or DP ID Client ID and PAN to generate a password.
c. Member may call Karvy's toll free number 1-800-3454-001
d. Member may send an e-mail request to **evoting@karvy.com**
If the Member is already registered with the Agency, then the existing User ID and password can be used for casting the vote.
Remote e-voting period will commence on Friday, 13th September, 2019 (9:00 a.m. IST) and ends on Sunday, the 15th September, 2019 (5:00 p.m. IST). During this period, members of the company holding shares in physical or dematerialized form, as on the cut off date may cast their vote electronically. E-voting shall not be allowed beyond 5:00 p.m. IST on 15th September, 2019.
Voting through ballot paper shall also be made available to those Members who attend the AGM and have not already cast their vote through remote E-voting.
Members may participate in the AGM even after exercising their right to vote through remote E-voting but shall not be allowed to vote again at the AGM. However, in case a Member, who has cast his vote electronically as well as through the ballot paper, the vote cast through remote E-voting shall only be considered.
The results of voting will be declared as stipulated under the relevant Rules and will also be posted on the Company's website. Company has appointed M/s. P.C. Jain & Co., (FCS 4103) Practising Company Secretaries, as the Scrutinizer for this purpose.
In case of any queries regarding the process and manner of electronic voting, Members may refer the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for shareholders and e-voting user manual for shareholders available at the Downloads section of **https://evoting.karvy.com** or alternatively may contact **evoting@karvy.com** for any queries or grievances connected with e-voting or may contact Mr. Ramesh Desai, Manager, Email: **einward.rs@karvy.com**, Telephone No. +91 40 87161522 or 1800 345 4001 (Toll Free).
Members having any questions on accounts or any other item set out in the Agenda are requested to send their queries at least 10 days in advance to the Company at its registered office address to enable the Company to collect the relevant information and to keep the information ready at the meeting.
UNCLAIMED DIVIDEND
As per applicable statutory provisions, the Company will be transferring the unpaid/unclaimed dividend for the FY 2011-12 to IEPF on 7th November, 2019, Members who have not encashed their dividend amount(s) in respect of dividend for the year FY 2011-12 and thereafter are advised to write to Company Secretary at the registered address of the company.
By order of the Board
For India Tourism Development Corporation Limited
V. K. JAIN
COMPANY SECRETARY
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E-visa rules eased, fee to be based on tourist footfall

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New Delhi: India will introduce a flexible e-tourist visa regime for over 160 countries based on footfall, with higher visa fee for peak season between July and March, and a significantly lower fee for travel during the lean season between April and June, Union culture and tourism minister Prahlad Patel announced on Tuesday.

The decision, which has been taken following an approval by the ministries of external affairs and home, was announced by Patel at the inauguration of the meeting of state tourism ministers here.

Under the new fee structure, the 30-day e-visa fee will range between \$10 and \$25, for lean and peak season travel respectively. For a one-year e-visa, inbound tourists will have to shell out \$25. The government has also introduced a new five-year e-visa category for which tourists will have to pay \$80.

In addition, there will be no visa fee for tourists from 14 Pacific Island nations belonging to Forum for India-Pacific Islands Cooperation (FIPIC) —Fiji, Cook Islands, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru, Niue Island, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu, and separately Myanmar, Argentina, Indonesia, Jamaica, Mauritius, Seychelles, South Africa and Uruguay.

‘Babri Masjid was built over 10th C temple’

Not An Iota Of Doubt: Deity's Counsel

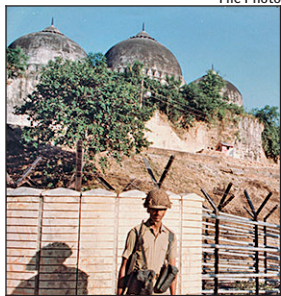
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New Delhi: Deity Ram Lalla's counsel C S Vaidyanathan told the Supreme Court on Tuesday that there was not even an iota of doubt about the fact that Babri Masjid was built in 1528 over a huge, 10th century Hindu temple, either over its ruins or after its demolition.

Arguing before a constitution bench of Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi and Justices S A Bobde, D Y Chandrachud, Ashok Bhushan and S Abdul Nazeer, the counsel read out a report of the Archaeological Survey of India, which said after digging 90 trenches around the demolished structure and examining the yield of stones, bricks and carved pillars from the excavation that a “massive structure” existed just below the disputed structure.

Vaidyanathan said for centuries, people from across the country went on pilgrimage to Ayodhya to worship Ram Jannabhoomi and they continued to do so even after the disputed structure was built over the temple.

He said demolition of the disputed structure in 1992 revealed the temple slabs used for construction of the mosque. Broken pieces of



LEGAL TUSSLE

these slabs with inscriptions in Sanskrit, also pointed to a temple pre-existing the mosque, the counsel said.

Vaidyanathan also cited oral evidence given by non-agenarian priest witnesses who unequivocally stated that in the riots of 1934, the top of a dome of the disputed structure was broken and that namaz was seldom offered at the mosque. He also cited oral evidence of old Muslim residents of Ayodhya who declared that while the mosque was important to them, Hindus had always believed that it was the birthplace of Lord Ram and that the mosque was also known as Masjid Jannasthan.

The deity's counsel also locked horns with Nirmohi Akhara. Vaidyanathan will conclude his arguments on Wednesday.

Full report on www.toi.in

NIA transfers 3 officers after bribe charges in terror case

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: NIA has transferred three officers, including a SP, after a businessman alleged they had demanded a bribe of Rs 2 crore for not naming him in a terror case relating to Falah-i-Insaniyat Foundation. The Pakistan-based charity is run by 26/11 Mumbai attacks mastermind Hafiz Mohammad Saeed.

“A complaint of misconduct was received (in this matter) by NIA. An inquiry into the allegations is being conducted by a DIG-rank officer. In the meantime, three concerned officials have been transferred out to ensure a fair probe,” an NIA spokesperson confirmed on Tuesday.

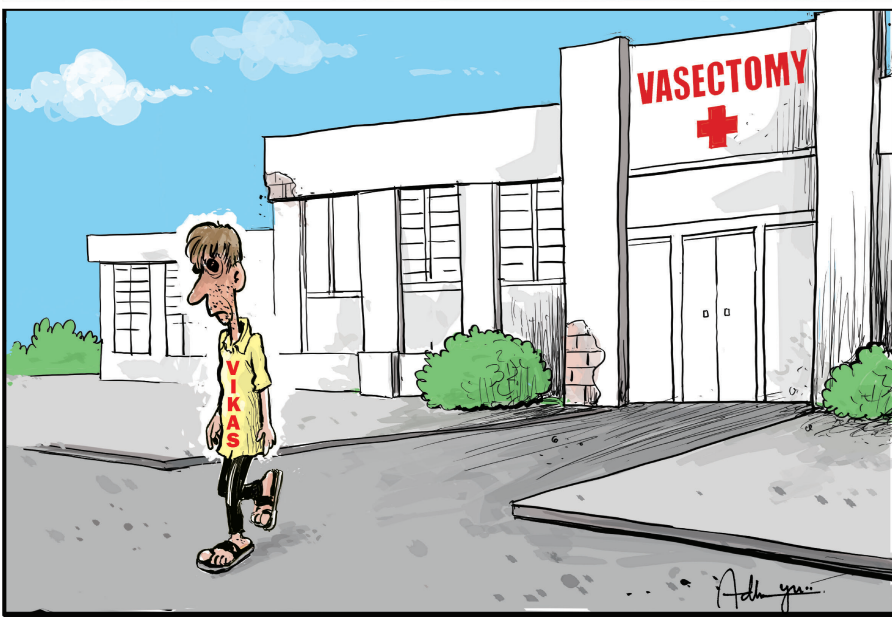
The SP, who was absorbed in the NIA cadre, has been involved in investigation of key cases like Samjhauta and Ajmer Sharif blasts. Two others include an ASI and a fingerprint expert who have been repatriated to BSF and NCRB respectively.

Depending on findings of the DIG-led inquiry, NIA and home ministry will take a call on whether any action must be taken against the said officers. The Delhi NCR-based businessman had complained to NIA a month ago against the SP and two junior officers investigating the Falah-i-Insaniyat Foundation (FIF) case.

The probe found that FIF chief Hafiz Saeed along with deputy FIF chief Shahid Mahmood had hatched a conspiracy around 2012 to create sympathisers/sleeper cells and logistic base in Delhi and Haryana under the garb of religious work. Shahid Mahmood tasked his associates namely Mohammad Kamran, a Pakistani national based in Dubai, for re-routing funds from Pakistan to Dubai and further to India through hawala channels. Shahid Mahmood further tasked Mohammad Kamran to identify such persons in India who could be given this fund in the garb of charity with the real aim being to create LeT bases and motivate sympathisers.

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SANDEEP ADHWARYU



Chandrayaan-2 enters Moon orbit, set for Sept 7 landing

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Bengaluru: In a 29-minute operation on Tuesday, the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) successfully guided Chandrayaan-2 into an elliptical orbit around Moon. After a few more manoeuvres, Vikram, the lander, is expected to touch down on the lunar surface at 1.55am on September 7. Right now, Chandrayaan-2 is an integrated spacecraft comprising the orbiter on which Vikram, the lander, is attached. Vikram, in turn, has inside it Pragyan, the rover, which is expected to roll out about four hours after the lunar landing.

Speaking after the ‘lunar orbit insertion’ (LOI) that put Chandrayaan-2 in a 114km x 18,072km orbit around Moon, ISRO chairman K Sivan, said: “We’ve crossed another milestone. A precise LOI put Chandrayaan-2 in the desired orbit perfectly.” He said in order to achieve the soft-landing on September 7, the spacecraft should achieve an inclination of 90°, as of Tuesday, Chandrayaan-2 has an

World eyeing our data as we'll land on the unexplored lunar south pole: Isro

The “world is eyeing Chandrayaan-2 mission as our spacecraft will land in a place (south pole) on Moon where no other countries have landed. This is because the south pole is rich in water and minerals”, said ISRO chairman K Sivan. “Our mission will give vital inputs about the south pole and help future moon programmes of India and other countries for setting up a human base in that region. In fact, NASA has already announced its plan to set up a human colony in the south pole and is awaiting Chandrayaan-2 inputs”, he said. Why south pole? Craters there have been untouched by sunlight for billions of years, offering an undisturbed record of the solar system's origin. Its shadowed craters are estimated to hold 100 million tonnes of water and its regolith has traces of hydrogen, ammonia, methane, sodium, mercury and silver, making it an untapped source of essential resources. The ISRO chief told TOI, “Rover will touch Moon's surface four hours after the lander lands on Sept 7. The rover will take one and a half hour more to send Moon images back to Earth via the lander. Those images will be put in public domain.”

Surendra Singh | TNN

inclination of 88°. The space agency will now perform four more manoeuvres — on August 21, 28, 30 and September 1 — to take the spacecraft to lower orbits.

After the last set of manoeuvres on September 1, the spacecraft is likely to be in a 114km x 128km orbit. On September 2, Vikram will separate from the orbiter and preparations for Moon landing will begin.

While the orbiter will spend the rest of its life in the near-circular orbit, Vikram will move towards Moon and land in four days.

On September 3, a day after lander separation, the mission control centre in Bengaluru will run a three-second ‘health check’ on Vikram. On September 4, ISRO will do a de-orbit manoeuvre for 6.5 seconds to put Vikram in the lunar landing mode.

IAF on MiG 21: No one drives even cars this old

New Delhi: Indian Air Force chief BS Dhanoa on Tuesday questioned why India is flying aircraft that are over four decades old when no one drives even cars of that vintage.

Air Chief Marshal Dhanoa was referring to the MiG-21 fighter aircraft that had been inducted into the force in 1973-74.

“The fifth-generation fighters are a reality and the next generation fighters are already on the drawing board. Can we afford a victory with such losses? If there is no war, we cannot wait for indigenous technology to replace obsolete war fighting equipment. Neither will it be prudent to import every defence equipment from abroad. Today, I can still fly the MiG 21 MF aircraft which is almost 44 years old. I'm sure none of you are driving a car of that vintage,” he said.

Dhanoa said this in the presence of Defence Minister Rajnath Singh at a seminar on indigenousation of the IAF.

IANS

Chhota Rajan gets 8 yrs in jail for murder bid

Rebecca Samervel | TNN

Mumbai: A special CBI court on Tuesday convicted and sentenced six accused, including 62-year-old gangster Chhota Rajan, to eight years' imprisonment for attempting to murder hotelier and builder BR Shetty in 2012.

Special public prosecutor Pradeep Gharat said that the motive of the shooting was “extortion and an attempt to create terror in minds of hoteliers and builders by organised crime syndicate headed by Rajan.” The accused were also fined Rs 5 lakh each.

Extradited in 2013, this is Rajan's second conviction in a city court. Last year, he was found guilty for the 2011 murder of journalist J Dey and sentenced to life imprisonment. He was also convicted in a passport-related case in Delhi.

Paschimanchal Vidyut
Vitrans Nigam Ltd.,
Victoria Park, Meerut.

TENDER DATE EXTENSION
NOTICE The Date of opening of tender specification no. PVNL-MT/COM/12/19-20 for the work of DT metering on turnkey basis in Non-R-APDRP IPDS Towns of PVNL is hereby extended from 19.08.2019 to 28.08.2019. Time of opening tender and other terms & conditions shall remain unchanged. For detailed information please log on www.pvnl.org & E-Tendering website www.etender.up.nic.in till the date of submission of bids. *Help line Number For Information of Theft of Electricity: “1800-180-3002 (Meerut) & 941220745”
Remarks: www.etender.up.nic.in in Super-Intending Engineer (Com.) For Managing Director “SAVE ELECTRICITY IN THE INTEREST OF THE NATION” RO 6948 dt. 19.08.2019

NORTHERN RAILWAY E-TENDER NOTICE
Chief Workshop Manager N.R. & W Workshop Alambagh Lucknow invites following e-tender: **01 Name of Work:** Refurbishment of ICF Type GS (Non AC) coaches. **02. Location:** C&W Workshop, Alambagh, Lucknow. **03. Approx cost of the work:** Rs.20,58,05,572.00 (Rupees Twenty Crore Fifty Eight Lakhs Five Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Two Only). **04. Cost of Tender form:** Rs.10,000/- (Rs.Ten Thousand only). **05. Earnest money to be deposited:** Rs.11,79,000/- (Rs. Eleven Lakh Seventy Nine Thousand only). **06. Completion period of the work:** 01 Year from the date of issue of Letter of Acceptance. **07. Date & Time for Submissions of Tender:** From 04.09.2019 to 18.09.2019 up to 15:00 Hrs. **08. Format for Affidavit:** AFFIDAVIT AS PER ANNEXURE-A MUST BE SCANNED AND UPLOADED **09. Opening of Tender:** Tender opening will be done any time after the tender closing time. The tenders are not required to be presented during the opening. **10. Address of the office from where the form can be purchased:** All complete details of Tender Notice/Documents are available at website www.irops.gov.in **10. Website particulars where complete details of tender can be seen etc.:** All complete details of Tender Notice/Documents are available at website www.irops.gov.in **Tender Notice No.: 2019-AMV-C and W-Tender-28 Date: 19.08.2019 2669/19**
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डा० रामदयाल मुण्डा जनजातीय कल्याण शोध संस्थान,
अनुसूचित जनजाति, अनुसूचित जाति,
अल्पसंख्यक एवं पिछड़ा वर्ग कल्याण विभाग
राँची-8

दूरभाष-0651-2552184, E-mail- tri.directorate@gmail.com
पत्रांक-954 **सुदि पत्र** राँची, दिनांक- 20.08.2019
P.R. No. 213507/Welfare (2019-20D)
संस्थान के पत्रांक 865 दिनांक 02.08.2019 के आलोक में **TOPIC: TAMAR REVOLT /FROM YEAR 1767 to SARDARI MOVEMENT: ARCHIVAL, NON ARCHIVAL AND ORAL SOURCES BASED COMPILATION AND ANALYSIS** से संबंधी कार्य करने हेतु “इच्छा की अभिव्यक्ति” (निविदा) प्राप्त की अंतिम तिथि बढ़ाते हुए 27.08.2019 तथा खोलने की तिथि 29.08.2018 अपराह्न 3.00 बजे किया जाता है। इच्छुक निविदादाता पूर्व निष्पत्ति शर्तों के अनुरूप मुहरबंद निविदा निष्पत्ति तिथि के अपराह्न 4.00 बजे तक अधोहस्ताक्षरी के कार्यालय में जमा कर सकते हैं। निविदा से संबंधित विस्तृत जानकारी संस्थान के सूचनापट एवं वेबसाइट www.prdjharkhand.in पर देखा जा सकता है।
निदेशक
PR214827 (Welfare) 19-20*D **बूंद - बूंद नहीं बरसो तो बूंद को तरसो**

EAST DELHI MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

Office of the Executive Engineer (Auto)
Auto Workshop Jhilimil Colony, Shahdara, Delhi-110095
No. EE(A)/Shd./EDMC/2019-20/03 Dated: 16.08.2019

PRESS NOTICE INVITING TENDERS

The Executive Engineer (Auto) on behalf of Commissioner, EDMC invites tenders in e-tendering in two system i.e. stage - 1:- documents related to eligibility criteria and stage - 2 :- Financial bid for Engaging of 26 Nos. Private Backhoe Loaders shifts per day for refuse removal work in Shahdara (South) Zone & Shahdara (North) Zone for a period of Six Months uploaded online as per schedule give below :-

Last Date to Download Tender Documents : 30.08.2019 upto 2:00 PM.
Last Date of Bid Preparation & Hash Submission: 30.08.2019 upto 3:00 PM.
Technical & Financial Lock of Bids : 30.08.2019 at 3:01 PM upto 6:00 PM.

Date of Re-Encryption of Online Bid : 30.08.2019 at 6:01 PM to 02.09.2019 upto 3:00 PM

Opening of Technical Bids : 02.09.2019 at 3:01 PM.
Opening of Financial Bid (Tentative) : 04.09.2019 at 3:30 PM.

Sr. No. 1. Name of Item : Engaging of 26 Nos. Private Backhoe Loaders shifts per day for Refuse Removal work in Shahdara (South) Zone & Shahdara (North) Zone for a period of Six Months (182 days) including Operator, Helper, T&P, POL etc., **Earnest Money (Rs.):** 7.0 Lacs, **Tender Cost (Rs.):** 1,500/-, **Head of A/C :** XLIII-D-IV, **Time of Completion :** 6 Months, **Rate hold good for :** 250 days, **Online Tender No. :** 315855

Detailed NIT can be seen from the following website or from the office of the undersigned. <http://mcdetenders.com> or www.mcdonline.gov.in
RO NO - 34/DPI/EAST/2019-20 **Ex. Engineer(Auto)**

EDMC's Citizens Helpline No. 155303

Small Farmers Agri-business Consortium Haryana
Udhyan Bhawan, Sector-21, Panchkula, Haryana (India) - 134112
Website : sfacharyana.org.in, Email : sfacharyana@gmail.com
Phone no. 0172-2581322

(Business Opportunities for Post-Harvest Management Infrastructure Companies)

Govt. of Haryana is implementing Crop Cluster Development Programme (CCDP) in horticulture crop clusters and providing 70-90% assistance to Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) for establishment of 140 nos. of Post-Harvest Management-Crop Cluster and Agri-business Centres with facilities of collection platform, sorting/grading lines, packing, cold room/storage, primary processing unit, retail outlets, waste management, solar system, vehicles for supply chain, etc. These infrastructures shall be established by FPOs for the crop commodities of their cluster areas.

There is big opportunity for manufacturers/ companies/ authorized dealers dealing in installation/ supply of material for such infrastructures. They are requested to offer their proposals to various FPOs, the list is available at SFACH website : sfacharyana.org.in. For contact list of FPOs and guidelines of CCDP, one can visit this website under link Contact us - FPOs and Activities-guidelines. For more detail, contact SFACH office on any working day or through e-mail.

Managing Director
SFACH, Panchkula.

Issued through DPR, Haryana/Adv. No. 1149/11/581/1920/78127/20/08/2019.

HARYANA POLICE HOUSING CORPORATION
(A Haryana Government Undertaking)
Plot No. C-10, Sector 6, Panchkula-134109

Ref :- Dated:

NOTICE INVITING FOR ENLISTMENT OF CONTRACTORS

Haryana Police Housing Corporation Ltd. (HPHC) invites applications from reputed contractors who are willing to get enlisted as per their entitlement on the prescribed format.

The standard terms and conditions for enlistment can be seen in the office of Administrative Officer (Estt.), HPHC, Panchkula or downloaded from the website www.hphc.org.in. The contractor, who have been debarred from any Govt. Department, Board or Corporation or have tendency to delay the completion of work, need not apply.

For & on behalf of HPHC
Assistant Engineer (Civil)

giz GERMAN FEDERAL ENTERPRISE FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION (GIZ)

INVITES TENDER FOR PROCUREMENT, SUPPLY, TESTING AND TRAINING OF EQUIPMENT KITS FOR THE RESPONSE TEAMS

GIZ India invites bids from the interested bidders for Procurement, Supply, Testing and Training of end user, of equipment kits for response teams for Project -Human Wildlife Conflict Mitigation at selected locations in India.

Interested bidders are requested to visit the link given below and download the complete tender package including detailed technical specifications and bidding conditions.

https://www.tendernews.com/free_tender/rapid-response-kit.aspx

Interested bidders can send their bids in the prescribed format to GIZ Office, New Delhi on or before Saturday, 07th September 2019, on or before 5.30 pm.

GIZ reserves the right to cancel/modify this tender and / or reject a bid document including subsequently a technical and financial proposal, without assigning any reasons.

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF A PERSON ACCUSED

(See Section 82 Cr.PC)

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person namely **Sorav Gupta S/o Sh. Sita Ram Gupta, R/o E- 45, Sector-51, Noida, Gautam Budh Nagar, Uttar Pradesh Pin Code-201301** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No. 27/18 U/s 406/420/120-B dated 07.02.2018, PS I.P Estate, Delhi** and it has been returned to the warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused person **Sorav Gupta** could not be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused **Sorav Gupta** has been absconding (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused person namely **Sorav Gupta of Case FIR No. 27/18, U/s-406/420/120-B dated 07.02.2018, PS- I.P Estate, Delhi** is required to appear before this court to answer said complaint on or before **24.09.2019**.

By Order
Sh. Jitendra Singh,
ACMM, Room No. 366,
Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi

DP/207/EOW/19-(Court Matter)

F. No. 1/2(2)2019-NCW(A)-Deputation
NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR WOMEN
PLOT NO. 21, JASOLA INSTITUTIONAL AREA
NEW DELHI-110025

Sub: Filling up of vacant/anticipated vacant posts in the National Commission for Women by deputation on Foreign service terms basis

The National Commission for Women notified the vacant/anticipated vacant posts to be filled up on deputation on foreign service terms basis on the website of the Commission. For details please visit the website of the Commission (ncw.nic.in) The last date for submission of application is **30 Days** from the date of publication in the Employment News.

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ROURKELA SMART CITY LID.
Udit Nagar, Rourkela-769012, Odisha
National Competitive Bidding through e-Procurement
No. 567 **Date: 19.08.2019**
Corrigendum Notice of Request for Proposal for
1) Redevelopment of Birsu Munda Stadium & MLCP Project in Rourkela Smart City Limited (ABD area) under Smart Cities Mission on Turnkey Basis (Bid Id No- 404/RSC/2019/Dt.09.07.2019)
2) Redevelopment of Panposh Market in Rourkela Smart City Limited on Turnkey basis with (Bid Id No- 404(1)/RSC/2019/Dt.09.07.2019)
With reference to the above mentioned Bid-ID in www.tendersodisha.gov.in, www.rmc.nic.in by Rourkela Smart City Limited. The Bidders are requested to visit the website portal www.tendersodisha.gov.in for view of Corrigendum.
Chief Executive Officer
Rourkela Smart City Limited, Rourkela

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GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA
PUBLIC WORK DEPARTMENT
INVITATION FOR TENDER
Notice No. 41 Year 2019-20

Sr. No.	Name of work	Estimated Cost
1	Construction of Gutter Gurudev Compound To Dindigad Road Tal. Bhiwandi Dist Thane.	1,75,00,000/-
2	Construction of Dhamankar Naka To Kamatghar Road Tal. Bhiwandi Dist Thane.	1,75,00,000/-

Prebid Meeting Date 23/08/2019 Time 2.00 PM

Open Date 03/09/2019 Time 12.30 PM

1. Tender form Condition of Contract Specification and Contract drawing can be downloaded from e-tendering portal of Public Works Department of Maharashtra i.e. <https://mahatenders.gov.in>

2. Tender Notice can be seen also on website <https://mahatenders.gov.in> & www.mahapwd.com

No./TD/Tender/
Office of the Executive Engineer
P.W. Division No.1 Thane
Station Road
Date- / /
D.G.I.P.R. 2019/2020/2052

Sd/-

Executive Engineer
P.W. Division No. 1 Thane

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GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER
PUBLIC HEALTH CIRCLE, SAMBALPUR, ODISHA
E-mail id: - sephsbp@yahoo.in
NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING THROUGH e-Procurement
Bid Identification No. SEPHSBP- 02 /2019-20 Dt. 17.08.2019

01 Number of Work : 1 No.
02 Type of Bid : Two Bid system
03 Estimated Cost : Rs.269.30 lakh
04 Period of Completion : 6 (Six Calendar Month)
05 Class of Contractor : Reputed Manufacturer / Authorised Dealer /Contractors of Class 'B' or 'A'
06 Date & Time of availability of bid document in the portal : From 11.00 Hrs. of dt. 28.08.2019 to 17.00 Hrs of 12.09.2019
07 Last date / time of seeking clarification : 17.00 Hrs of 05.09.2019
08 Last date / time of receipt of bids in the portal : 17.00 Hrs of 12.09.2019
09 Date & Time of opening of Technical bids : At 11.00 Hrs. of 16.09.2019
10 Name and Address of the Officer Inviting Bid : Superintending Engineer, P.H. Circle, Sambalpur, Brooks' Hill, Near Stadium, At/Po- Motijharan, Dist-Sambalpur-768 001.

Further details can be seen from the e-Procurement portal "<http://www.tendersorissa.gov.in>"

Sd/-
Superintending Engineer
P.H. Circle, Sambalpur

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IMD: 2-fold rise in extreme rain instances in Aug

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Arvind Kumar Srivastava, head of the Climate Research Division, Climate Research and Services, IMD Pune, told TOI that the 2019 monsoon got active after June 22-23, when heavy rainfall wiped out the high monsoon deficit in various districts within a few days.

"Although there haven't been many deep weather systems during the monsoon till now, the pressure gradient over the west coast was fairly steep. This was mainly because of a significant and consistent positive north-south temperature gradient, the dynamical forcing needed for strong pressure gradient to maintain copious monsoon flow. This, coupled with circulations over the Bay of Bengal, may have caused widespread rain over major parts of peninsular India, west coast and central Maharashtra," Srivastava said.

"There were also easterly and westerly interactions over northern/northwestern parts recently. This led to very heavy/extremely rainfall events in situ. Our data showed that in comparison to August 2018, the number of very heavy to extremely heavy rainfall instances registered a two-fold rise in August 2019. In comparison to August 2017, the increase was almost two-and-a-half times in August 2019," he said.

"Several researches have shown that the occurrence of extreme rainfall events over India during the southwest monsoon season shows spatial variability with preferred regions of occurrence over the entire west coast of India and parts of central India and northeast India. The frequency of extreme rainfall shows a significant increasing trend over the Indian monsoon region during the southwest monsoon season over the 1951-2005 period," Srivastava said.

Former IMD director general K J Ramesh said pre-monsoon heating was anomalously high this year because of the record temperatures in May and June.

Full report on www.toi.in

Aadhaar-social media link: Next SC hearing on Sept 13

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Attorney general K K Venugopal, appearing for the Tamil Nadu government, told the