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that the Ministry of Education has handed it over to the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) for further action. NCERT has established two committees -- the National Oversight Committee and the National Syllabus and Textbook Committee -- for the curriculum. Pradhan said, "We expect both these committees to prepare a syllabus according to the requirements of the 21st century and based on original Indian thinking". The Education Minister said, "We want them to prepare futuristic teaching and learning material for class 3 to 12. The first orientation meeting took place today. "We are confident that new textbooks will fulfil all the requirements, especially when the world is expecting a lot from India, when the PM has shown the dream of Amrit Kaal to the nation."

INDIA'S MEN IN MOON MISSION-3

Chennai | Agencies

They are the Indian Men in Chandrayaan--3 or the country's Moon Mission-3. They are confident of soft landing the country's moon lander on the lunar soil, a Mission Possible after the failure of Chandrayaan-2. Well, the Men in Chandrayaan-3 are as follows: **Dr. S. Somanath, Chairman, ISRO** As a young engineer, Somanath dared to set right an anomaly along with two of his seniors in a Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) that was ready for a takeoff. Nearly two decades later, as the head of ISRO, Somanath seems to have set right the issues that resulted in the crash landing of India's first moon lander called Vikram. Son of a Hindi teacher, Somanath was interested in science. Later he pursued B.Tech in Mechanical Engineering but had an active interest in rocketry. Like a dream come true, in 1985 Somanath got a job with ISRO and joined the Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC) in Thiruvananthapuram, which was responsible for rockets. Prior to becoming ISRO Chairman, Somanath headed VSSC as its Director. **Dr. S. Unnikrishnan Nair, Director, Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre** He is a Distinguished Scientist heading the Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC) - India's rocket centre - as well as a Malayalam short story writer. Dr. S. Unnikrishnan, is a B.Tech in Mechanical Engineering from Kerala University, ME in Aerospace engineering from the Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru and a doctorate in Mechanical Engineering from Indian Institute of Technology-Madras. That apart, he also holds an MA in Telecommunications and



Space Law from NALSAR, Hyderabad. Unnikrishnan began his career in VSSC in 1985 and was involved in the development of various aerospace systems and mechanisms for Indian rockets - PSLV, GSLV and LVM3. **Dr. P. Veeramuthuvel, Project Director, Chandrayaan-3**

Son of a railway employee, Dr. P. Veeramuthuvel always aimed for the skies. Hailing from Tamil Nadu's Villupuram district, Veeramuthuvel completed his Diploma in Mechanical Engineering and went on to get a Degree in Engineering. Later he did his PhD at IIT-Madras. He joined ISRO in 2014.

M. Shankaran, Director, U R Rao Satellite Centre A Distinguished Scientist M. Shankaran took over as Director of U R Rao Satellite Centre (URSC), the lead Centre in the country for design, development and realisation of all satellites of ISRO, on June 1, 2021. He is currently leading satellite fraternity to realise various types of satellites to meet the national requirements in the areas like communication, navigation, remote sensing, meteorology and inter-planetary exploration. He joined the ISRO Satellite Centre (ISAC), currently known as URSC after obtaining his Master's degree in Physics from Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli in 1986. **Dr. V. Narayanan, Director, Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre** He is the man providing the propulsion power to Indian rockets. Dr V.Narayanan, an Alumni of Indian Institute of Technology- Kharagpur and has taken his M.Tech with First Rank in Cryogenic Engineering in 1989 and Ph.D in Aerospace Engineering in 2001. A rocket propulsion expert Narayanan joined ISRO in 1984 and functioned in various capacities before becoming Director of the Centre. As Project Director for C25 Cryogenic Project, he led the team and successfully developed C25 Cryogenic Stage. **A Rajarajan, Director, Satish Dhawan Space Centre** He first joined the India's rocket centre - Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC) and over the years risen through the ranks and is now heading the Satish Dhawan Space Centre (SDSC) that provides the solid fuel for the rocket and also the country's rocket port in Sriharikota in Andhra Pradesh. A Mechanical Engineer, Rajarajan joined VSSC's Fiber Reinforced Plastics Division and over the years grew within the organisation and assumed additional challenges.

ISRO to go for Sun next month with Aditya-L1 satellite, lines up other missions

Chennai | Agencies

The successful moon landing on Wednesday has come like a booster shot for the officials of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), which is now gearing up for a mission to the Sun. India on Wednesday evening successfully landed its moon lander near the South Pole of the moon. Speaking to reporters ISRO Chairman S. Somanath said the Aditya-L1 satellite for the Sun mission will be launched during the first week of September. According to him, the coronagraphy satellite will take about 120 days to travel about 15 lakh km to reach its destination to study the solar atmosphere. The Aditya-L1 spacecraft -- the first space-based Indian observatory to study the Sun -- is getting ready for the launch at India's rocket port



in Sriharikota. According to the ISRO, the space-

craft will be placed into a halo orbit around the first Lagrange point, L1, of the Sun-Earth system. The satellite around the L1 point has the major advantage of continuously viewing the Sun without occultation/eclipses. The Aditya-L1 satellite -- named after the Sun God -- will be carried by Indian rocket Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV). The satellite will be shortly integrated with the rocket. The Sun mission will be followed with the Gaganyaan abort mission demonstration- which is part of India's human space mission. The Gaganyaan abort mission will happen during September end or during the first week of October this year, Somanath said. The Indian space agency is also planning to orbit INSAT 3DS satellite with its GSLV rocket this year, Somanath added.

After that, will be the orbiting of Anusha satellite and XPOSAT- a X-Ray Polarimeter Satellite. It will be the country's dedicated polarimetry mission to study the dynamics of bright astronomical X-ray sources in extreme conditions, the government said. The launch of the Radar Imaging Satellite - RISAT-1B - aboard the PSLV rocket is planned during 2023. The Indian space agency is also planning to orbit two IDRSS (Indian Data Relay Satellite System) satellites. These rocketing missions apart, ISRO will be testing the various systems that will go into its LVM3 rocket for the maiden human space mission. ISRO has also slated a flight to Venus -- Venus Mission -- in 2024. Whether it is going to be a 'Night Flight to Venus' will be known later.

Modi holds talks with SA President, accepts invitation to pay state visit

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi met South African President Cyril Ramaphosa on Wednesday in Johannesburg on the sidelines of the 15th BRICS summit. Both leaders reviewed the progress made in bilateral relations between the two countries and expressed satisfaction at the progress achieved in various fields including defence, agriculture, trade and investment, health, conservation and people to people ties, official sources said. They also exchanged views on continued coordination in multilateral bodies and regional and multilateral issues of mutual interest. President Ramaphosa expressed full support for India's G20 presidency and



appreciated India's initiative for giving the African Union full membership of G20. He conveyed that he looked forward to visiting New Delhi for the G20 Summit. Modi congratulated

Ramaphosa on the successful hosting of the BRICS summit. He also accepted the South African President's invitation to pay a state visit to South Africa at a mutually convenient date.

Wife insisting on living separately from in-laws without valid reason counts for cruelty: Delhi HC

Team Absolute | New Delhi

The Delhi High Court has said that a wife's persistent insistence to live separately from her in-laws, without a valid reason, constitutes an act of cruelty towards the husband. In a divorce case, a bench of Justices Suresh Kumar Kait and Neena Bansal Krishna observed that unlike Western countries, it is not customary in India for a son to get separated from his family upon marriage; instead, his wife becomes an integral part of the family. The court noted that unless there is a strong and valid reason, a wife should not insist on her husband

leaving his family to live separately. In the case at hand, the husband sought divorce based on various grounds, including the wife's disruptive behaviour and insistence on separate living arrangements. The court said that a husband generally would not want to be separated from his parents and family, and a wife's persistent efforts to enforce such separation can be considered an act of cruelty towards the husband. The wife's lack of justifiable reason for her demand to live separately, coupled with her whimsical insistence, led the court to conclude that her actions constituted an act of cruelty.

Kerala IG arrested by Crime Branch for links with fake antique dealer released on bail

Kochi | Agencies

Kerala Inspector General of Police G. Lakshman, who was arrested by the Crime Branch on Wednesday, was later released on bail as per the directions of the Kerala High Court. The 1997 batch IPS officer hailing from Telangana was suspended in 2021 for his alleged close links with fake antique dealer Monson Mavunkal, who is presently under judicial custody. Lekshman was all set to be promoted to the rank of Additional Director General of Police in January 2022, but after his suspension the move was kept on hold. Ever since 54-year-old Mavunkal was arrested by the Crime Branch from his home-cum-museum at Kochi in September 2021 after victims approached Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan with complaints that they were



duped of Rs 10 crore by this "master fraud", the name of Lakshman and his alleged close links with Mavunkal has been in the news. Since the Crime Branch then did not name Lakshman as an accused, he was reinstated in service in February this year. But things went for a toss after the probe team named state Congress President and Lok Sabha member K. Sudhakaran as an accused.

Major tragedy averted as two planes given go ahead to take-off, land at same time

Team Absolute | New Delhi

A potentially catastrophic incident was narrowly averted at Delhi airport on Wednesday morning when a Vistara Airlines plane was cleared for take-off while another aircraft was in the process of landing. The take-off was swiftly cancelled following directives from the Air Traffic Control (ATC). However, sources said that the incident involved Flight UK725 en route from Delhi to Bagdogra. Initiating take-off from the recently inaugurated runway, while a Vistara flight travelling from Ahmedabad to Delhi was concluding its landing on a parallel runway, moving towards the runway's end. "It was around 8:30 a.m when the incident was reported



ed. Both were Vistara flights. Flight UK725 was given a go ahead by the ATC but another flight driven by a woman pilot while on way to landing noticed the parallel flight getting ready to take off," said sources. "She informed ATC. However, despite this, the pilot of Flight UK725 was given go ahead to take off by the ATC but he refused and turned the plane for engine refuelling and regular check," said the sources.

Ladies Circle India Jaipur Chapter 330 women representatives from 30 countries reached the Pink City

Lalit Sharma | Jaipur

The annual international conference of Jaipur Heritage Ladies Circle is going to start from tomorrow, for which 330 women representatives from 30 countries reached Jaipur, visited Agra Delhi and now they are coming to Jaipur to see the culture and civilization here. In this conference, a view of the country's culture and civilization will be given to the delegates. All the delegates will also parade in their traditional attire on 24th August. Supported 8000 classrooms and 9 million children. Till now Ladies Circle India has built 8000 classrooms and supported 9 million children. Vice President Swati Johar, Treasurer Anika Mittal, Circle Chairperson Sarika Saraf will be present in the conference, Trupti Pandey who has a deep understanding of



Rajasthani culture will be present as the chief guest. The Organizing Committee consists of Sweta Golcha, Vandita Vijayvargiya, Anika Mittal, Swati Johar, Ritu Maheshwari, Pooja Bansal, Aditi Jindal, Neha Jain, Sarika Gupta, Twinkle Porwal, Sarika Sarraf and Akanksha Garg. Ladies Circle India, Jaipur Chapter: The Annual International Conference by Jaipur Heritage Ladies Circle will be organized in Jaipur from 24 to 26 August. Program secretary Vandita Vijayvargiya and organizing committee member Pooja Bansal told today that 330 women representatives from

30 countries like Europe, Sweden, Morocco, USA will participate in it. A view of the country's culture and civilization will be presented to the delegates in the conference. After the inauguration of the conference, women from different countries will parade in their traditional attire. The program will begin on August 24 at Birla Auditorium. He told that the guests coming here will be introduced to the civilizational culture of India in Agra-Delhi and they will also be introduced to the Rajasthani culture in Jaipur. Ladies Circle India Charitable organization whose motto is "Freedom through Education" is an all women organization and works together to support children's education and necessary infrastructure. So far this organization has built eight thousand classrooms and has supported nine million underprivileged children.

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SUBSTITUTED SERVICE OF NOTICE U/s.13 (2) OF SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002				
Notice is hereby given to the borrowers as mentioned below that since they have defaulted in repayment of the Credit facility availed by them from Aditya Birla Housing Finance Limited (ABHFL), their loan accounts have been classified as Non-Performing Assets in the books of the Company as per RBI guidelines thereto. Thereafter, ABHFL has issued demand notices under section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (SARFESI Act) on the last known addresses of the said borrowers thereby calling upon and demanding from them to repay the entire outstanding amount together with further interest at the contractual rate on the aforesaid amount and incidental expenses, cost, charges etc. as stated in the said demand notices. However, the demand notice is also being served by way of publication, as per Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (SARFESI Rules):				
S. No	Name and Address Borrower/ Co-Borrower and Guarantor / Co-Guarantor & Loan A/C No.	NPA Date	Date of Demand Notice	Amount due as per Demand Notice / as on Date
1.	1. Santosh Kumar Sen, 2. Daulat Ram Sen, 3. Sunny Sirs English Coaching, House No. 113, On Part Of Khasra No. 357/1, 357/2/1, Shivaji Colony, Gangi Sehore, Ward No. 10, Opposite Nutan School, Tehsil & District-sehore, Madhya Pradesh-466116, 5. Daulat Ram Sen, 6. Sunny Sirs English Coaching, At English Pura, Sehore, Madhya Pradesh-466001, 7. Daulat Ram Sen, 62, Kushiwah Ka Bagicha, English Pura, Sehore, Madhya Pradesh-466001. Loan Account No. LNBH00HL-07190053410 & LNBH00HL-07190053411 All that piece and parcel of House No. 113, on part of Khasra No. 357/1, 357/2/1, Situated At Shivaji Colony, Opposite Nutan School, Gram Chihawani Ward No. 10, Patwani Haika No. 37, Tehsil: Sehore, District: Sehore, Madhya Pradesh-466116, Admeasuring 975 Sq. Ft. i.e. 90.61 Sq. Mtrs. And bounded as: East: Road 12 Ft. Wide, West: House Of Vishwakarma J. Nrth: Road 15 Ft. Wide, South: House Of Master Sahab.	08-08-2023	21.08.2023	Rs. 18,37,643.06/- (Rupees Eighteen Lac Thirty Seven Thousand Six Hundred Forty Three and Six Paise Only) by way of outstanding principal, arrears (including accrued late charges) and interest till 09.08.2023.
2.	1. Vinod Kumar Sharma, 2. Anjali Sharma, 3. Unitech Aqua Solutions, Flat No. S-201, 2nd Floor, On Plot No. 458, Paradigm Meadows Multy, Mandakini Housing Society, Kolar Road, Near Garden, Village: Damkheda, Tehsil-kolar, District-bhopal, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh-462007. 4. Vinod Kumar Sharma, 5. Anjali Sharma, 6. Unitech Aqua Solutions, Flat No. F-102, 1st Floor, On Plot No. 458, Paradigm Meadows Multy, Mandakini Housing Society, Kolar Road, Near Garden, Village: Damkheda, Tehsil-kolar, District-bhopal, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh-462007. 7. Vinod Kumar Sharma, 8. Anjali Sharma, 9. Unitech Aqua Solutions, A-1503, Priya Darshini Adhishthan, Bawadiya Kajan, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh-462026. 10. Anjali Sharma, At Higher Secondary School, Ward No. 10, Bijuri, Shahdol, Madhya Pradesh-484440, 11. Unitech Aqua Solutions, 12. Vinod Kumar Sharma, Plot No. 71, Sector-b, Industrial Area, Bagrod, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh-462026. Loan Account No. LNBH00HL-06210091681, LNBH00HL-06210091682, LNBH00HL-06210091700 & LNBH00HL-06210091701. Item - 1: All That Piece And Parcel Of Flat No. F-102, First Floor, Comprising Of Area 89.21 Sq. Mtrs. i.e. 960 Sq. Ft. "paradigm Meadows", Constructed On Plo No. 458, Which Is Part Of Revenue Survey No. 25/2, 25/3/1, 26/1, Developed By Mandakini GRI Nirman Sh. Samiti Mydt., Situated At Kolar Road, Near Garden, Village: Damkheda, Tehsil-kolar, District-bhopal, Madhya Pradesh-462007, And Bounded As: East: Plot No. 457, West: Flat No. F-101, North: Others Plot, South: Road. Item - 2: All that piece and parcel of Flat No. S-201, Second Floor, Comprising Of Area 89.21 Sq. Mtrs. i.e. 960 Sq. Ft. "paradigm Meadows", Constructed On Plo No. 458, Which Is Part Of Revenue Survey No. 25/2, 25/3/1, 26/1, Developed By Mandakini GRI Nirman Sh. Samiti Mydt., Situated At Kolar Road, Near Garden, Village: Damkheda, Tehsil-kolar, District-bhopal, Madhya Pradesh-462007, And Bounded As: East: Flat No. S-202, West: Plot No. 459, North: Others Plot, South: Road. We hereby call upon the borrower stated herein to pay us within 60 days from the date of this notice, the outstanding amount (s) together with further interest thereon plus cost, charges, expenses, etc. thereto failing which we shall be at liberty to enforce the security interest including but not limited to taking possession of and selling the secured asset entirely at your risk as to the cost and consequences. Please note that as per section 13(1) of the SARFESI Act, all of you are prohibited from transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise, the aforesaid secured assets without prior written consent of the Company. Any contravention of the said section by you shall involve the penal provisions as laid down under section 29 of the SARFESI Act and / or any other legal provision in this regard. Please note that as per sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, if the dues of ABHFL together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by ABHFL are tendered to ABHFL at any time before the date fixed for sale or transfer, the secured asset shall not be sold or transferred by ABHFL, and no further step shall be taken by ABHFL or transfer or sale of that secured asset.	08-08-2023	21.08.2023	Rs. 41,94,386.00/- (Rupees Forty One Lac Ninety Four Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Six Only) by way of outstanding principal, arrears (including accrued late charges) and interest till 10.08.2023
Date: 24.08.2023 Place: BHOPAL				
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MAHA: 82 YAVATMAL FARMERS END LIFE IN 83 DAYS, 2023 VIDARBHA TOLL 1,567

Quaid Najmi | Nagpur

As the country looks skywards at the moon-landing this evening, a disturbing development has hit the Vidarbha region of eastern Maharashtra with virtually one farmer committing suicide daily since June 1, in the Yavatmal district, activists said here on Wednesday.

Among the worst-hit in the country by the agrarian crisis, a staggering 82 Yavatmal farmers resorted to the desperate measure between June 1 till date, portending a dismal scenario for the government ahead of the Lok Sabha elections, warned Vidarbha Jan Andolan Samiti President Kishore Tiwari.

"This is not all. From January 1, at least 1,567 peasants' lives, including several women, were snuffed out in the 10 districts of Vidarbha region, which is reeling under a series of natural or man-made problems of various kinds," a grim Tiwari told reporter.

This 8-month figure (1,567) is itself a 'new record' in the past over 25 years after the agrarian crises of Vidarbha



erupted first into the public domain after Tiwari started systematically monitoring what he calls an unending 'farmers genocide'.

The development came days after Prime Minister Narendra Modi declared that India had achieved a record agricultural growth in the past 9 years, he pointed out.

"However, if this is the tragedy in just one district and one region of a single state, then the data of other regions/states in the country may have more shocking revelations," Tiwari said.

He reiterated that the core issues of agriculture costs, crop and credit are yet to be addressed by the Central government, which has hit the ordinary farmers all over India, particularly Maharashtra, and driving them to take the ultimate step of ending their lives. Currently on a tour of the Vidarbha region, the Shiv Sena (UBT) leader also slammed the Bharatiya Janata Party government, alleging that all the so-called relief packages of the centre and state in the past 10 years failed to provide any succor to distressed farmers. "Despite making all tall prom-

ises and assurances the chain of suicides does not end as 'the backbone of the rural economy has collapsed', along with corruption at local levels, lack of political initiative and an insensitive administration. The government is busy looking at the Moon rather than concentrating on the hell on earth where the tillers are toiling and boiling all their lives without adequate returns," Tiwari said.

Listing the reasons for the latest spurt in farmers' deaths, Tiwari said that the main cash crop, cotton - which is facing very low demand - has brought the economy to a halt, input costs have increased suddenly, public sector banks are providing little or no credits, government's failure to provide sustainable food pulses and oilseeds crop for the region, plus the fallout of the global climate calamity. The VJAS chief said that the Prime Minister Narendra Modi must personally intervene in the crisis as it is the election year and the government's promises of making India a USD Five Trillion economy in the near future 'are fast proving to be hollow'.

SC grants bail to 'encounter specialist' Pradeep Sharma in Antilia bomb scare-cum-Mansukh Hiran murder case

Team Absolute | New Delhi/Mumbai

The Supreme Court on Wednesday allowed bail plea of former Maharashtra Police 'encounter specialist' Pradeep Sharma, who was arrested by the National Investigation Agency (NIA) in connection with the sensational case of planting an explosive-laden SUV at Antilia, home of industrialist Mukesh Ambani and the subsequent death of vehicle owner Mansukh Hiran.

"We have allowed the appeal and granted bail," said a bench headed by Justice AS Bopanna while pronouncing its verdict on the special leave petition filed by the former senior Police Inspector of Maharashtra Police.

Earlier in January this year, the Bombay High Court had turned down Sharma's plea seeking bail after noting that he is an influential person and possibility of evidence tampering by him could not be ruled out.

However, a vacation bench of the Supreme Court in June had granted Sharma three-week interim bail to enable him to meet his ailing wife, which was extended till August 07 by the court last month. The NIA had named Sharma, who is labelled as the 'Dirty Harry' of the Mumbai Police, as the 'main conspirator' in the sensational case of the abandoned SUV with 20 gelatin sticks and a threat note, found near Antilia, home of industrialist Mukesh Ambani, on February 25, 2021.

Ten days later, the police recovered the body



of SUV owner Hiran from the Thane Creek marshes on March 5.

Taking a serious view of the twin cases which triggered a massive political row, the NIA slapped accused with the Indian Penal Code sections pertaining to murder, cheating, conspiracy, besides various sections of the Arms Act, the Explosive Substance Act, and the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act A former college professor-turned-policeman of the 1983 batch state cadre, he built up a formidable reputation for wiping out the Mumbai mafia through the so-called 'encounter killings'. However, Sharma was dismissed from the police force in 2008 for alleged links with the underworld, but was reinstated around 10 years later when the charges against him failed. He started his second innings with a bang by arresting Iqbal Ibrahim Kaskar - the younger sibling of absconding mafia don Dawood Ibrahim Kaskar - in September 2017, on extortion charges.

MNS activists ransack Amazon office in Nagpur

Team Absolute | Nagpur

A group of people created ruckus at an office of Amazon India in Nagpur district of Maharashtra, police said.

In a viral video, a group of people seen shouting the slogan 'Vande Matram' ransacked an e-commerce office. The incident was reported at the Ganeshpath area on Tuesday afternoon.

They were protesting against the sale of Pakistani flags and a book which allegedly hurts religious sentiments of Hindus on the e-commerce platform.

The protesters are said to be associated with the Maharashtra Navnirman Sena (MNS).



Later, a Nagpur-based MNS leader Chandu Lade reportedly wrote to Amazon India Limited, claiming that Pakistani flags were available for sale on its website. He also claimed that the

Amazon website sells a book titled 'Deadly Bhagavat Geeta' which 'denigrates' the Bhagavad Gita and sought its removal from the e-commerce platform.

Bombay HC seeks police reply on preserving CCTV clips of Ram Navami clashes

Team Absolute | Mumbai

The Bombay High Court on Wednesday directed the Mumbai Police to file its affidavit within two weeks on preserving the CCTV footage clips of the Malvani Police Station during the Ram Navami violence that rocked the area in March this year.

A division bench comprising Justice A.S. Gadkari and Justice Sharmila Deshmukh gave the directions in a writ petition filed by a social worker Jameel Merchant seeking that the Malvani Police share the CCTV footage of the police station.

The judges have asked the Deputy Commissioner of Police Ajay Bansal to file his affidavit within a fortnight on saving the CCTV footage of the incidents.

The petitioner's lawyer Burhan Bukhari argued that the police had conspired to frame his client (Merchant) in the incident by including his name in the FIR. Merchant had filed complaints against the Guardian Minister of Mumbai Mangal Prabhat Lodha, Joint Police Commissioner S.N. Choudhary, Additional Commissioner of Police (North Region), the DCP and the Malvani Police with the Lokayukta and the State Human Rights



Commission. Bukhari told the court on Wednesday that on August 9, a division bench of Justice Revati

Mohite-Dere and Justice Gauri Godse had ordered the Mumbai Police to retrieve the CCTV camera recordings of the incidents that happened inside the Malvani Police Station on March 30, 10.30 p.m. to March 31, 10 a.m., within 24 hours or by August 10.

It may be recalled that on the evening of March 30, violence erupted between two communities when a Ram Navami procession was passing through the Malvani Sector 5.

The Malvani Police had rushed to the spot and detained around 400 people and 25 were arrested, including the petitioner Merchant.

Merchant has contended that he was falsely implicated in the case when he was cooperating and actually helping the police control the violent mobs on rampage there that evening. He further claimed that the Malvani Police are suppressing the CCTV footage of that night because it would exonerate him from the case, as some political leaders were present there and pressuring the police to include his name.

However, the Special Public Prosecutor Kaushik Mhatre and Assistant Public Prosecutor (Miss) P.P. Shinde had vehemently refuted Merchant's allegations.

Congress leaders fly to Mumbai to take stock of INDIA's 3rd meeting

Team Absolute | New Delhi/Mumbai

A team of senior Congress leaders are holding a meeting with the party leaders in Mumbai to discuss the preparations of the Indian National Developmental Inclusive Alliance's (INDIA) third meeting scheduled on August 31 and September 1.

From Congress, senior leaders like Gurdeep Singh Sappal, Syed Naseer Hussain arrived in Mumbai to hold a meeting with the party leaders to discuss the preparations of the INDIA alliance's third meeting.

The party sources said that the meeting is to take stock of the preparation for the meeting.

The third meeting of the bloc is being hosted jointly by the Shiv Sena (UBT) and the NCP's Sharad Pawar faction, with support from the Congress -- the three constituents of the Maha



Vikas Aghadi alliance. The MVA constituents had been holding parleys to schedule the meeting. The third meeting is said to be crucial as several committees will be formed for coordination as well

as convenor would be decided.

The opposition parties had held two back-to-back meetings within a month -- first on June 23 in Bihar's Patna and second on July 18-19 in Karnataka's Bengaluru -- to bring the like-minded parties together ahead of the crucial 2024 Lok Sabha elections.

During the Bengaluru's meeting, the name of INDIA for the opposition bloc was finalised.

The Bengaluru meeting was attended by leaders of 26 parties, including leaders like Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge, Congress leader Sonia Gandhi, Rahul Gandhi, KC Venugopal and others. West Bengal Chief Minister and Trinamool Congress supremo Mamata Banerjee, Bihar Chief Minister and Janata Dal-United leader Nitish Kumar, Jharkhand Chief Minister and JMM leader Hemant Soren, DMK leader and Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin and several others.

Man held for decamping with luxury watches worth Rs 26 lakh

Team Absolute | Mumbai

Mumbai police have apprehended a 47-year-old man, identified as Suresh Bhai Rathod, who was employed at a watch showroom, for his alleged involvement in a theft case involving luxury watches worth Rs 26 lakh.

The arrest was made on Monday from the suburban area in Gorai, according to an official statement.

The incident unfolded when Rathod was entrusted by his employer to deliver luxury watches valued at Rs 26 lakh to a customer on August 18. But instead of completing the delivery as assigned, the accused vanished along with the expensive timepieces, leaving behind a trail of missing valuables.

Upon receiving a formal complaint from the affected party, the Mumbai Police promptly launched an investigation and registered an FIR against Rathod. The police were able to trace Rathod to a hotel in Gorai, lead-



ing to his arrest. The accused now faces charges under Section 408 of the Indian Penal Code, pertaining to criminal breach of trust, along with other relevant provisions of the law.

The stolen watches, valued at Rs 26 lakh, have been successfully recovered by the police.

TEEN DIES BY SUICIDE AFTER MOTHER SCOLDS HER FOR IGNORING STUDIES

Nagpur: A 19-year-old college student died allegedly by suicide after being scolded by her mother for spending too much time on her mobile phone, an official said on Wednesday.

Renuka Pramod Kale was a first-year undergraduate student and lived in Zenda Chowk area.

The police official said Renuka had lost her father and was being raised by her mother, Seema, who ran a "daily needs" shop.

Citing the versions of friends and neighbours, the official said Renuka was a bright student. However, she recently appeared to have lost focus on her studies and would spend a lot of time on her mobile phone.

Renuka was busy with her mobile phone on Monday afternoon when Seema reprimanded her for ignoring her studies. Renuka then went to their bedroom and hanged herself, the official said. Seema found her daughter after an hour.

The Gitikhadan police have registered a case of accidental death, the official added.

CBI books Mumbai-based firm, director for bank loan fraud of Rs 269.29cr



Team Absolute | Mumbai

The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) has lodged an FIR against a Mumbai-based firm and its directors for allegedly committing a bank loan fraud of Rs 269.29 crore in the name of Wind Mill Power Project at Rajasthan's Jaisalmer, an official said.

A senior CBI official said that they received a complaint in this connection from the Central Bank of India in 2021 against Varun Industries Ltd (VIL) and its directors Kiran Mehta, Kailash Agarwal and others for defrauding the bank to the tune of Rs 269.29 crore.

The firm approached the bank with a loan request in 2006 and it was declared a non-performing asset in 2012.

According to official information, the company executed loan and security documents for securing the credit facilities availed by it from a consortium of banks through its directors, including creation of charge on its current assets through hypothecation agreement of stock and its book debts and also created registered mortgage over the collateral securities offered by the company

against the bank facilities.

"The company had availed various credit facilities from the Central Bank of India in a consortium led by the Indian Bank for a Wind Mill Power project at Jaisalmer. The company did not remit export payment received from sale of goods received under LC to meet the import leg of merchant transaction. The Merchant Trade LC was issued by the bank on the request of the company. The transactions under this head was dishonestly intended to siphon out the funds from the banking channel," said the FIR.

The bank has alleged in the FIR that during this it learned that the accused company borrowed an amount of nearly Rs 30 crore from SE Investment Ltd against pledge of shares and Rs 15 crore from IFICI Venture Capital Fund without taking NOC from a consortium of banks.

Forensic audit was conducted by the bank in 2012 and it was revealed that most of the sales turnover of the company was with Al Rad International Trading and White Impex General Trading LLC. Al Rad International Trading and White Impex General Trading LLC were having a distributor agreement with Varun Industries.

"Outstanding amount from Al Rad International Trading and White Impex General Trading LLC significantly increased year-on-year between 2009 and 2012 from Rs 165.69 crore (33.17crore +132.52 crore) to Rs 2233.37 crore and payments received from these buyers were Rs 78.61 crore (32.41 crore + 46.20 crore) only during the same period i.e. during 2009-2012. These facts clearly show that these entities have been used as a conduit to siphon the funds out of banking channel with dishonest intention of not repaying the funds," said the forensic audit report.

The report also added that though Varun Industries Ltd raised bills for supplies made to UAE-based companies mentioned above but actually the consignment were sent to Hong Kong and 17 UAE-based companies.

The CBI said that as per the bank's complaint the accused company had discounted export bills, (obtained advance) against export bills sent for collection to its associate companies, namely Al Rad International Trading Est, UAE, and White Impex General Trading LLC, UAE, and did not honour the bills and later on wrote-off the same in its books.

EDITOR'S SPECS

Dengue virus turns virulent under higher temperature

A team of researchers at the Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Biotechnology (RGCB) here has found that dengue, a recurring tropical disease that witnesses an outbreak in the monsoon, becomes more severe and hostile in animal models when its virus (DENV) while being grown in mosquito-derived cells is exposed to higher environmental temperature. The research, which can phenomenally help in predicting and mitigating the severity and virulence of dengue, has assumed critical importance as it seeks to establish the impact of global warming on the disease, with an estimated global disease burden of 390 million cases per year (WHO). The study was recently published in The Federation of American Societies of Experimental Biology (FASEB) journal of America. Dr Easwaran Sreekumar, who led the research team, said: "The body temperature of mosquitoes is not constant as in higher animals and it increases or decreases with the environmental temperature... So far it is not known whether the higher temperature growth condition will affect the virulence of the virus. For the first time, our recent study points that there is such a possibility. DENV cultured at a higher temperature in mosquito cells was significantly more virulent than the virus grown at a lower temperature." The study was conducted in a mouse model, where the virulent strain obtained from the higher temperature growth caused enhanced presence of viruses in the blood, hemorrhage, severe tissue changes in vital organs such as heart, liver, and kidney, which are the hallmarks of the disease, and even death. Globally, the incidence of dengue is on the rise over the years, with a corresponding increase in the disease severity and fatality. While in majority of the patients, the disease is mild and self-limiting; in some patients, it causes life-threatening thrombocytopenia (extremely low platelet count in blood) and shock syndrome.

'VATSALYA PEETH': ABODE OF SPIRITUALITY & PEACE

Lalit Garg

The essence of faith in the hope of liberation and salvation from spiritual practice flows here. Amidst the hustle and bustle of the capital Delhi, this is the same corner where SadhviPramukha Kanakprabha, a prodigious and loving figure, got a sound sleep. Her memorial land is now taking shape in the form of Vatsalya Peeth, the foundation stone of which is going to be laid by RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat on August 27, 2023. A hope resounds between insensitivity and narrow-mindedness; this is the hope of love, compassion and sensibilities. In this hope lies the real music of life, the real meaning of life. Because of who we are, we exist, in this lies the happiness of salvation and liberation. Where one can enlighten the soul, one can become meditative. This is the same soil whose fragrance will be replete with countless affection stories of SadhviPramukha Kanakprabha.

For almost seven decades, the centre of spiritual practice, reverberates in every pore of the centre of worship, prayers and the voice of spirituality. Now a new dimension is being added to it in the form of Vatsalya Peeth. Twenty-first century is considered to be the century of women's supremacy. She has written poems of creation in different directions, and has created a new history. She has proved herself with her ability and capability. In the field of spirituality too, SadhviPramukha Kanakprabha took a leap and created ideal definitions of life. Committed to the highest traditions, rites and values of spirituality, this great Vibhuti, Chaitanya Rashmi, Spiritual Guru, Vatsalya Urja, at the age of 19 in Jainism's main Terapanth sect, got initiated into the great work of national saint Anuvrata Anushasta Acharya Shri Tulsi; gained popularity as like Meera fell in love with Krishna, in the same way SadhviPramukha Kanakprabha gave the message of devotion and creation in Tulsi-devotion, led 750 Sadhvis by becoming Vatsalya Pratimurti and became a strong voice of female consciousness.

Taking care of a family of seven hundred Sadhvis is a great wonder of the world, this

wonder becomes even greater when there is love and affection in it, that is why the memorial place of Sadhvipramukha Kanakprabha is being made a unique spiritual power centre in the form of Vatsalya Peeth, which will be a reality of a dream, an imagination, where multidimensional and supernatural spiritual shades will be proving the meaning of its name.

Under the direction of the Acharyas of Terapanth Dharmasangh, Acharya Mahashraman addressed the Sangha General Director and Mahashramani, who lead the huge Sadhvi Sangh of Terapanth, with the great addresses of the ruling mother and extraordinary SadhviPramukh. The place of his memory was named 'Vatsalya Peeth', which is now going to become a unique, wonderful and unique spiritual place. The responsibility of giving shape to this unique spiritual place has been given to Shri Jain Shwetambar Terapanthi Sabha, Delhi, whose president Shri Sukhraj Sethia and other officials are engaged in this work.

'Vatsalya Peeth' will be a lighthouse. 'Tamso Ma Jyotirgamaya' - A unique spiritual centre of light that takes us from darkness to light. By reaching here, every person will be able to see the fulfilment of her/his desire. Because the journey of light is the eternal aspiration of man. The purpose of this journey is to find the light. Light is found by those who seek it. Some personalities are sources of light. She is self-illuminated and continuously distributes light to others as well. Sadhvipramukha Kanakprabha was one such lighthouse, which had skylights all around. This Vatsalya Peeth has also been given a similar form, which has skylights and open ventilation. SadhviPramukha Kanakprabha's intense self-restraint, devotion to the Lord and self-worship is reflected in her entire life. Her conscience, lit by self-light, was capable of enlightening many. Her thinking, speech, conduct, creation, address, service - all these were such open atmospheres, from which the light was continuously emanating and was benefiting the whole mankind.

'Vatsalya Peeth' will be a nest of pleasant peace, life will get a new direction and a new

destination in the end full of joy and compassion. Because in this the trio of knowledge, philosophy and character of Sadhvipramukha Kanakprabha's life will flow. This would be possible because as attractive and magnetic as her outer personality was, her inner personality was a thousand times more pure and pure than that, she was an embodiment of compassion. She was a personality maker; India's spiritual and cultural consciousness was reflected in her thinking. She was a traveler of salvation with a smile. Her ideological sublimity, profundity of knowledge, purity of soul, creativity, incorruptibility and humility set her in a special category.

Her truthfulness, character-loyalty, principles-loyalty and spiritual-loyalty were wonderful. With discipline and management skill, she had unveiled new dimensions in Terapanth. She had given the dimension of creation to saintliness and spiritual practice, her saintliness was a resolution to make human life beautiful, for the betterment of people and to build him. This does not break the relationship with the world, but through self-meditation connected with God, life becomes completely synonymous with human upliftment, social welfare, service, kindness and deeds of the right path. In this way, she became the beacon of thought-revolution from person-revolution; the energy of this beacon will give liveliness to this place.

'Vatsalya Peeth' will draw indelible lines of advanced life and spirituality. Because SadhviPramukha Kanakprabha has drawn indelible lines of her work throughout her life, she will be written in golden letters in history. We can call her the creator of literature as well as the founder of religious revolution and social revolution. To compare her great personality with any simile would be to limit her personality. All that can be said about her is that she was unique, wonderful, and inexplicable. One aspect of his many abilities and great personality is the presence of a creator in him. She was an excellent and sensitive writer. You were the first SadhviPramukha of Terapanth Dharmasangh in the field of literature-creation and editing, you had unique art of literature-writing and literature-editing. It

is the result of your alertness and untiring hard work that there is a wide list of literature written and edited by you, which surprises even the great intellectuals and learned scholars.

You instinctively surrendered yourself to the path of spiritual practice and knowledge, meditation, study, creation of literature and silence became the basic deeds of this spiritual practice, as if there was no personal expectation anywhere in life. Tulsi literature of one hundred texts and the publication of 20 parts of 'Mera Jeevan Mera Darshan' in the form of Acharya shree Tulsi's autobiography in this episode, expresses her literary form. She has earned fame in the literary world as a successful literateur, speaker and poetess. Such achievements and records will be preserved in 'Vatsalya Peeth'.

Sadhvipramukha Kanakprabha had a store of knowledge on various subjects; there was power in her speech and writing. Has administrative ability, leadership ability, been a strong power? She was synonymous with industriousness, her receptivity was also amazing. Wherever I saw something new, I immediately adopted it. The quality that brightens up the colorful picture of her personality and work is the vibrant talent. With this talent of her, she had established innumerable island pillars on the path of development.

They are such an extraordinary achievement of Jain rule that it is not possible for everyone to reach. She was an example of gentleness, compassion, generosity, purity, tolerance, creativity, devotion, dedication, inspiration and positive thinking. Some used to see the form of a Buddhist nun in her and some of Mother Teresa. Some considered her to be an incarnation of Saraswati, while others saw in her the resemblance between Sri Maa of Arvind Ashram and Sharda Maa of Bailur Math. Some used to find the specialty of Mahadevi Verma in her. The main three steps of his development journey were - determination, talent and effort.

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NEPAL FACES ONION SHORTAGE AFTER INDIA IMPOSES 40% EXPORT DUTY

Kathmandu | Agencies

Nepal is facing onion shortage after India imposed the 40 per cent export duty on the commodity.

Since Tuesday, the Kalimati Fruit and Vegetable Market in Kathmandu wiped onion off its price list after exporters stopped importing onion from India.

"We have 80 vendors that sell out onions but in the last two days, they are running out of the onion stock so we have wiped off the price list of onion because it is no more available," said Binay Shrestha, information officer of Kalimati Fruit and Vegetable Market, one of major and biggest vegetable and fruit markets in Kathmandu that provides fresh vegetables and fruits to the people of Kathmandu Valley.

And there is a sharp rise in onion prices in Nepal following the imposition of the export duty by the Union government. The



price of onion in the Nepali market has reached around Rs 90 - 100 per kg from Rs 50.

As Nepal imports almost all its onion requirements from India, the hefty export duty has created shortages in the domestic market.

Traders say that the scarcity

coincides with Nepal's festive season when onion consumption explodes. Imposition of 40 per cent export duty till December 21, comes at a time when the majority of Nepali festivals fall in between.

Usually the Kalimati Fruit and Vegetable market in Kathmandu

imported 100 tons of onion on average but with the imposition of the export duty, this number has dipped to 40 tons on Sunday and Monday. From Tuesday, the exporters have stopped importing the onion, said Shrestha.

Nepal heavily relies on imported onions from India due to minimal domestic production. The country imported 180,190 tons of onions worth Rs 6.75 billion in the last fiscal year.

The Himalayan country is among the top five export destinations of Indian onions. In the April-June 2023 period, India exported onions to 65 countries, of which a maximum quantity of 1.39 lakh tons was shipped to Bangladesh.

Besides Bangladesh, Malaysia (1.07 lakh metric tons), the UAE (0.90 lakh metric tons), Sri Lanka (0.80 lakh metric tons), and Nepal (0.39 lakh metric tons) are among the top five places which import onion from India.

Key witness changes testimony in Trump classified docs case after switching lawyer

Washington | Agencies

A key witness against former US President Donald Trump in the Mar-a-Lago documents case, has retracted from his testimony, local media reported.

In a new court filing on Tuesday, special counsel Jack Smith's office said, Yuscil Taveras, the director of information technology at Mar-a-Lago, Trump's club in Palm Beach, Florida, retracted from his previous testimony after he switched from a lawyer paid for by Trump's Save America PAC to a public defender, NBC news reported.

In March, Taveras, who is described in a Justice Department court filing as "Trump Employee 4", before the grand jury in Columbia had claimed not to recall any contacts or conversations about the security footage at Mar-a-Lago, the court filing added.

Taveras provided prosecutors with new information regarding alleged efforts to delete surveillance



camera footage taken at the Trumps's Palm Beach, Fla., club and residence, which led to a revised indictment and new charges against Trump, his valet Walt Nauta and a third defendant, Carlos De Oliveira, the court filing said.

Taveras new testimony comes after he got to know that he was being investigated on suspicion of

having made false statements in his previous grand jury testimony in Washington, D.C. and faced criminal exposure to perjury, the court filing said.

The former president has denied any wrongdoing in the case.

A trial has been listed for May 20, 2024, in Miami.

DRONE HITS UNDER-CONSTRUCTION BUILDING IN MOSCOW

Moscow | Agencies

A drone hit an under-construction building in the Moscow City financial district, Mayor Sergey Sobyenin said in the wee hours on Wednesday.

No one was hurt in the incident, the Mayor was quoted as saying by BBC.

Russian Defence Ministry in a statement said, "Three Ukrainian UAVs were on a mission to conduct a terrorist attack on Moscow. Two drones were destroyed mid-air in Moscow's Mozhaisk and Khimki districts, while the third one crashed into a building in the city's business



district."

The damage to the building was minor, TASS news agency quoted emergency services as saying.

Flights were temporarily stopped to and from Moscow's airports, the ministry said.

Ukraine has not commented on the drone strike.

Over 1.7 mn Australians sexually harassed in 2021-22: Survey

Canberra | Agencies

More than 1.7 million Australians were sexually harassed in 2021-22, a national survey has found.

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) on Wednesday published the results of the 2021-22 Personal Safety Survey, revealing an estimated 1.7 million people -- 8.7 per cent of the population -- experienced sexual harassment in the survey period from March 2021 to May 2022.

Of those victims, 1.3 million were women and 426,800 men, Xinhua news agency reported.

According to the ABS data, men were responsible for 97 per cent of all sexual harassment incidents against women, with inappropriate comments about a person's body or sex life as the most common form of harassment.

The PSS survey, the first conducted by the ABS since 2016, found 7



million Australians - more than one-third of the adult population - have experienced physical violence since turning 15.

Men were more likely to experience physical violence but only 42 per cent knew the perpetrator, compared to 87 per cent of women.

"We found that an estimated 4 million men and 3 million women have experienced physical violence since the age of 15," Will Milne, Head of Crime and Justice statistics at the ABS, said in a media release.

Both men and women were three times more likely to experience physical violence by a male perpe-

trator than by a female perpetrator, it said.

"In the 12 months after the assault, nearly two-thirds of women and just over a quarter of men experienced anxiety or fear for their personal safety."

The survey found that an estimated 2.2 million Australian women have experienced sexual violence -- defined as any incident involving the occurrence, attempt, or threat of sexual assault -- since the age of 15.

Women were three times more likely to experience sexual violence by a man they knew than a stranger.

16 people killed in bus-truck collision in Mexico

Mexico City: At least 16 people were killed and 36 others injured when a bus collided with a truck in Mexico's Puebla city, local media reported.

Oaxaca Attorney General's Office (FGEIO) in a statement said the deceased included eight men, seven women and a girl, Mexico news daily reported.

The incident occurred early Tuesday when the bus collided head on with a truck.

The injured were rushed to the Tehuacan General Hospital and other medical centres.

The Interior Department of Puebla posted on social media that it "remains in constant communication with the Federal Roads and Bridges, as well as ministerial and state authorities in order to support the victims of this regrettable event.



YOUTH WILL BE GIVEN TRAINING IN FIELDS OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE, MACHINE LEARNING AND ELECTRICAL VEHICLE: CHIEF MINISTER CHOUHAN

Team Absolute | Bhopal

Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan has said that skill upgradation of youths of the state is necessary in the field of future technologies like Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning and Electrical Vehicles. Also, in view of the ongoing development and construction works at the village level, there is a need for Mason, Plumber, Electrician, Solar Pump Technician etc. in the rural area. It is necessary to train rural youths in these areas. The Centre for Research and Industrial Staff Performance (CRISP) should make serious efforts in this direction. These activities are helpful in creating employment opportunities in the state and building a self-reliant Madhya Pradesh. Chief Minister Shri Chouhan was addressing the general meeting of Centre for Research and Industrial Staff Performance (CRISP).

Sports and Youth Welfare, Technical Education, Skill Development and Employment Minister Yashodhara Raju Scindia, Minister of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Omprakash Sakhelecha, Minister of State for School Education (Independent Charge) Shri Inder



Singh Parmar, Chief Secretary Iqbal Singh Bains, Vice Chancellor of RGPV Sunil Gupta and Managing Director of Crisp Dr. Shrikant Patil were present in the meeting held at the residence office under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Chouhan.

It was informed in the meeting that a tie-up is being done with Microsoft for training of youth in the field of futuristic technology like Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning. Along with this, a Centre of Excellence will be established in association with Volvo Company for training in the field of Electrical Vehicles. Students seeking employ-

ment in these areas will be provided training for 3 to 6 months from skill development centres. The target is to provide training to 4000 trainees every year.

CRISP organisation will start rural entrepreneur programme to provide self-employment to the rural youth of the state. In this, training will be given to four youths each in 22 thousand 800 panchayats. This training will focus on capacity building of Mason, Electrician, Welder, Auto Service, Solar Pump Technician. 91 thousand 200 rural entrepreneurs will be prepared in the state.

The Chief Minister Chouhan gave

his consent to upgrade the existing laboratories, equipment and facilities to create skilled human resource. Along with this, consent was given to develop ITI of Labour Department at par with the level of Skill Trainers Academy of 'L&T' located in Mumbai. In the meeting of the General Assembly, the proposal for starting satellite centres at Gwalior, Indore, Jabalpur and Betul was also approved. Chief Minister Chouhan said that satellite centres are useful for training rural entrepreneurs. Initially satellite centres should be developed as model centres in two districts. After that the activity should be expanded. It was informed in the meeting that CRISP organisation is working in the fields of quality education, economic development to achieve sustainable development goals and local for vocal in the building of self-reliant Madhya Pradesh and in the fields of capacity building, livelihood, skill development, entrepreneurship development and employment generation to achieve goals of Skill India Mission. Information about the activities related to providing vocational training to school students in the National Education Policy 2020 was also given.

Digvijaya Singh's 'ISRO scientists not paid salary' remark sparks row

Team Absolute | Bhopal

On a day when India's moon lander successfully set its four legs softly and safely on the lunar soil as planned, and became the fourth nation in the world to achieve the feat, Congress Rajy Sabha MP Digvijaya Singh's comment on ISRO scientists behind the mission triggered a controversy on Wednesday.

"ISRO scientists behind the Chandrayaan-3 mission have not been paid their salaries," Singh said, claiming that this has been reported in some sections of the media.

The former Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister said: "It's a very proud moment for all of us. ISRO scientists are making efforts for the successful lunar landing of Chandrayaan-3. We pray to the Almighty for their success. But there are reports in newspapers that the scientists who made this happen have not received their salary for 17 months. The Prime Minister should take note of this too."



Responding to Singh's remarks, Madhya Pradesh BJP President V.D. Sharma said that the Congress leader always tries to defame the country.

"Digvijaya Singh is trying to defame the country. Everyone is proud of Chandrayaan-3 and our scientists, but he (Singh) is rais-

ing questions on this," Sharma added.

Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan said: "The country is proud our scientists. I want to thank all the scientists from the bottom of my heart. The country has achieved a lot under Under PM Narendra Modi's leadership."

ON-DUTY COP ASSAULTED IN BHOPAL

Team Absolute | Bhopal

An on-duty policeman was injured after a group of people assaulted him with sticks in this capital city of Madhya Pradesh, sources said here on Wednesday.

A video of the incident, which took place late on Tuesday evening, has gone viral on social media.

The sources said that a police team (100 Dial) received a complaint regarding a ruckus in the Ayodhya Nagar area of the city. Upon receiving information, a police team rushed to the spot and found a wine shop opened at midnight.

On enquiring, they learnt that the policeman, identified as SI Kalyan Singh, had asked the wine shop staff to down



the shutter. However, a group of people standing got agitated at this and thrashed up the cop.

In the viral video, the cop is seen trying to protect himself from the attack.

Later, SI Kalyan Singh lodged a complaint regarding the matter and a search operation was launched to nab the accused persons involved in the matter.

MP govt approves 'surrender' policy for Maoists

Team Absolute | Bhopal

The Madhya Pradesh cabinet has approved the Maoist Surrender, Rehabilitation-cum-Relief Policy 2023 in a meeting chaired by Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan.

According to the policy, provisions have been made to include the Maoists who voluntarily surrendered into the mainstream of society and help the families of the affected victims of the red terror.

With an objective of providing gainful employment and entrepreneurship opportunities to the surrendered Maoists, the Madhya Pradesh Naxalite Surrender, Rehabilitation-cum-Relief Policy 2023 has been approved by the state's Council of Ministers.

The policy, which received the cabinet nod on Tuesday, has been prepared keeping in view the present security situation arising in the state. The main objective of this policy is



to include those persons who voluntarily surrendered by renouncing the path of violence.

According to this policy, a compensation of Rs 1,50,000 has been reserved for the construction of a house for the rehabilitation of the surrendered Maoists, an ex-gratia of Rs 10,000 to Rs 4,50,000 for surrendering arms, Rs 50,000 for the incentive for marriage, for meeting the immediate need Rs five lakh compensation for the purchase of the immovable property or declared prize money, whichever is higher, as well as Rs 20

lakh for the purchase of immovable property.

A compensation of Rs 1,50,000 will be given for vocational training. Along with this, the benefits of Ayushman Bharat Yojana and Food Assistance Scheme will also be provided to the affected families of the Maoists who surrendered before the government.

Provisions have been made to help those affected by the Maoist violence, according to which Rs 15 lakh will be given to the victim's family in case of death of a citizen affected by violence, Rs 20 lakh to the family of the

deceased security personnel and Rs four lakh in case of physical disability. In case of death of a citizen in Maoist violence, the kin of the deceased will be given a class III or IV job.

According to this policy, Rs 1,50,000 will be given in case of complete damage to immovable property in Maoist violence and a maximum of Rs 50,000 in case of partial damage.

Approval has been given by the Council of Ministers to increase the allowances given to the officers and employees of the Police department. The Cabinet has given approval to increase the rate of dearness relief payable to state government pensioners and family pensioners from July 1, 2023, (payment month is August 2023).

According to the decision, the rate of dearness relief has been made 42 per cent under the seventh pay commission and 221 per cent under the sixth pay commission. With this decision, an estimated additional expenditure of Rs 410 crore is likely to be incurred on the state government.

Life of Revered Babulal Gaur Was Wonderful: Chief Minister Chouhan

Team Absolute | Bhopal

Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan said that the life of revered Babulal Gaur was wonderful and full of struggle. He has many achievements. The VIP road in Bhopal is his gift. To keep his memory intact, this college has been named after him. Chief Minister Chouhan was addressing the dedication and naming ceremony of the new building of Babulal Gaur Government Post Graduate College, Bhopal. Higher Education Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav, MLA Krishna Gaur, Rameshwar Sharma along with Sumit Pachauri, administrative officers, citizens and students were present.

Chief Minister Chouhan said that entire Madhya Pradesh is one family. The people are its God and I am the priest of the people. Along with the development of the state, no stone will be left unturned for the development of Govindpura Vidhan Sabha. The state government is committed for the welfare of the people. Under the Mukhya Mantri Medhavi Vidyarthi Protsahan Yojana, the fees of meritorious students for higher education will be paid by the state government. He said that the country's largest Global Skill Park is being built in Govindpura Vidhan Sabha. This



will provide employment opportunities to many youths.

Chief Minister Chouhan said that the land freed from the land mafia in the state would be given to the poor to build houses. The Chief Minister gave necessary instructions to the principal and concerned staff of the college to include the college in 'A' grade. He said that various demands of the college would be fulfilled. PG classes will be started in the college, posts of professors and staff will also be approved. He called for taking forward Bhopal in the matter of cleanliness and environment. The Chief Minister said that Bhopal's Gaurav

Diwas (pride day) would be celebrated on June 1. Will take Bhopal ahead in every field. Chief Minister Chouhan benefitted the beneficiaries of various schemes including Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana, Ayushman Bharat Yojana in the programme.

Before the programme, Chief Minister Chouhan visited the exhibition based on the life of Late Babulal Gaur. He inaugurated the programme by performing Kanya-Poojan. The Chief Minister lit the lamp by paying floral tributes at the portrait of Late Babulal Gaur. Chief Minister Chouhan also honoured five persons who helped in the works of Late Gaur. Chief Minister Chouhan was welcomed by presenting memento. Chief Minister Chouhan also released the annual magazine of the college 'Sarjana' and the book 'Azadi Ka Yuva Smaran'. Principal Shri Mathura Prasad expressed gratitude.

Higher Education Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav said that the life of Late Shri Babulal Gaur is a source of inspiration for all of us. He lived his life like the Karmayogi of Gita. The state is making many achievements in the field of higher education under the able guidance of Chief Minister Chouhan. Many courses have been added under his guidance in the National Education Policy.

TWO BOYS DROWN IN WELL IN MADHYA PRADESH'S SEONI DISTRICT



Seoni : Two boys drowned while bathing in a well at a village in Madhya Pradesh's Seoni district on Wednesday, police said.

The incident occurred at Punwarkala village under Ghuma police station limits, some 80km from the district headquarters, an official said. The boys, aged 11 and 12 and studying in Class 6 and 7 respectively, drowned while taking a bath in the well located in an agriculture field, Ghuma Police Station in-charge Ashish Jaitwar. The two minors were on their way to school when they decided to stop mid-way for bathing in the water body, he said. Jaitwar said a third boy present near the well, on seeing them struggling in the water body, alerted villagers, who took the duo out and rushed them to a primary health centre where doctors declared them dead.

Former UP Guv Aziz Qureshi criticises Congress for indulging in 'Hindutva' politics

Team Absolute | Bhopal

Octogenarian politician and former Uttar Pradesh governor Aziz Qureshi sparked a political controversy in poll-bound Madhya Pradesh saying that Congress leader chanting Ganga Maiya Ki Jai and Garv se kaho Hindu hain is shameful.

He accused his own party (Congress) for indulging in "Hindutva" politics saying "they (Congress leaders) take out religious yatras and install idols at the MP Pradesh Congress office."

The veteran Congress leader was addressing a gathering of Congress Muslim leaders to mark the birth anniversary of former Prime Minister (late) Rajiv Gandhi in Lateri area of Vidisha district. The controversy was sparked after a video of his speech surfaced on social media.

"Muslims are not slaves of the political parties including Congress. Why should Muslims vote for you when there are no jobs for them in the police, defence forces and banks? They aren't even



guaranteed bank loans? Their (Muslims) shops, places of worship and houses are burnt, their kids are made orphans," Qureshi said.

He said that the Muslims will tolerate atrocities to a limit only. "If the red line is crossed, then there will be no harm if one to two crore give their lives out of 22 crore Muslims living in India," he said.

BJP spokesperson Pankaj Chaturvedi took jibe at Congress saying, "What the former governor has said exposes the actual face of Congress. He has exposed the Congress appeasement

politics. Rahul Gandhi and Kamal Nath should come clear about Qureshi's statements. If the two leaders remain silent on this, it will mean their tacit approval of the veteran's statements."

However, the Madhya Pradesh Congress has distanced itself from Qureshi's remarks saying that these are his personal views.

"Congress believes in secularism and cannot subscribe to what has been reportedly said by him (Qureshi)," the state Congress's media department head K.K. Mishra said.

Congress Wears Different Masks Ahead Of Assembly Elections: Jyotiraditya Scindia

Team Absolute | Gwalior

Union minister and BJP leader Jyotiraditya Scindia on Wednesday alleged the Congress puts on different masks in run-up to assembly polls to mislead people. It is the habit of Congress to wear the mask of religion and caste, alleged Scindia, who is on a tour of the Gwalior-Chambal region of Madhya Pradesh.

When asked about Congress leader and former Uttar Pradesh governor Aziz Qureshi's controversial comments that Muslims will not tolerate excesses against them beyond a limit,



Scindia said, "When elections come, many masks of Congress are seen in the name of religion and caste.

Congress is talking about religious pilgrimage. Yesterday (Tuesday) they talked about the caste cen-

sus in Sagar".

He was apparently referring to Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge's announcement that if voted to power in MP, the new government will conduct a caste census. "This is the old habit of Congress to wear the mask of religion and caste. People have removed this mask many times but Congress has not learnt anything. They will see a similar situation (getting exposed) in the upcoming assembly elections in Madhya Pradesh," said Scindia, the former MP from Guna.

Elections in BJP-ruled Madhya Pradesh are due later this year.

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Actress Charlize Theron is known for her method acting as well as her more naturalised behavioural acting, even undergoing great body transformations. The acclaimed star as such has won unanimous praise and is a big name in Hollywood, though she has recently become a strong critic of the industry, calling them out on their double standards regarding female actors, particularly for body transformations.

According to Variety, the actress said in an interview with Allure: "I will never, ever do a movie again and say, 'Yeah, I'll gain 40 pounds.' I will never do it again because you can't take it off. When I was 27, I did 'Monster.' I lost 30 pounds, like, overnight. I missed three meals and I was back to my normal weight."

It took Theron over one year to get back to her pre-production weight once 'Tully' was complete. At one point, she even reached out to a doctor to determine why she could not seem to shed the pounds, which does in fact have a lethal effect on many actors when they undergo massive body transformations.

The 'Hancock' actress in her interview with Allure, added "I've always found it so funny when I've gained weight for movies and then had to go onto a red carpet. I call (my stylist, Leslie Fremar) and say, 'I'm doing this movie about postpar-

Charlize Theron calls out Hollywood's double standards about actresses' body transformations

depression and I've gained like 40 pounds.' And she's like, 'Oh, my gosh! Oh, my gosh! How am I gonna dress you?' It's not something that you can just figure out last minute... She's put a lot of blazers over open backs for me."

It's not just losing weight that became harder for Theron as she got older. Now 48, she said it "bums her out" that when she hurts herself on the set of an action movie, "I take way longer to heal than I did in my 20s." "More than my face, I wish I had my 25-year-old body that I can just throw against the wall and not even hurt tomorrow," said Theron, who in the past decade has starred in action movies including 'Mad Max: Fury Road' and 'Atomic Blonde'. "Now, if I don't work out for three days and I go back to the gym, I can't walk. I can't sit down on the toilet."

Los Angeles | Agencies

Justin Beiber's association with his collaborator and manager Scooter Braun has hit an 'all time low' amidst their ongoing controversy, with the pop star revealing that while he is still managed by Braun, he is no longer on speaking terms with him.

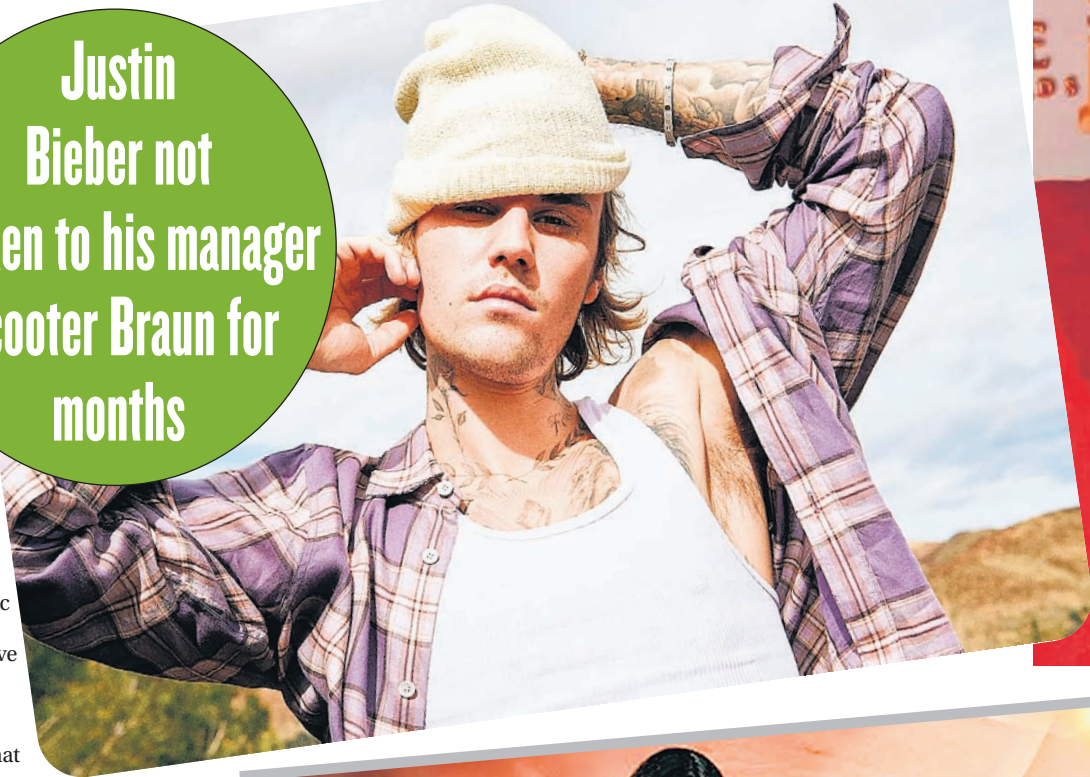
According to People, "Justin's been working on his new record for the last six months. Scooter and SB Projects have not set up one session or done one thing for this new record." Braun has been the longtime manager of Justin and has also managed Ariana Grande for more than a decade, though as things have fallen at their lowest.

On August 22, People confirmed that Ariana Grande had also parted ways with Braun after 10 years of working together.

"They are friendly but she's outgrown him and is excited to go in a different direction. Yes there are negotiations happening because of contracts. But this is her choice. It's time for something new."

Some of the other long time collaborators of Scooter Braun who terminated their contracts with the popular pop star manager include Taylor Swift, J Balvin and Demi Lovato, all of whom terminated their ties with Scooter after a long time association. A source of People, close to the music industry provided some insight regarding the situation, and maintained that "all of Scooter Braun's clients are under contract and negotiations have been going on for several months as Scooter steps into his larger role as HYBE America CEO." The source further noted: "People are spreading rumors based on what they know, but they are off. Scooter's team at SB Projects are still handling both Justin and Ariana as they work through what this new structure looks like."

Justin Bieber not spoken to his manager Scooter Braun for months



Beyonce has a special dress code wish for her b'day wish

Los Angeles | Agencies

Grammy award-winner Beyonce Knowles has a specific request for fans who are planning to attend her Renaissance Tour.

Taking to her Instagram account, the 'Single ladies' hit-maker asks her fans to come to her Renaissance tour concerts in their best shimmering attire to celebrate her birthday together, reports aceshowbiz.com.

"Virgo season is upon us," the R&B singer, who will turn 42 on September 4, began her post on Tuesday, August 22.

"This tour has been such a joy and as we approach the last month, my birthday wish is to celebrate with you wearing your most fabulous silver fashions to the shows 8.23 - 9.22!" She went on to say, "We'll surround ourselves in a shimmering human disco ball each night. Everyone is mirroring each other's joy. Virgo season together in the house of chrome." Fans apparently had mixed responses to the new dress code.



Feeling excited, one fan said:

"Lawd let me go stock up cause there's not gonna a piece of foil left when this is over..."

Another fan thought that Bey is preparing something, saying, "Beyonce NEVER posts on her story.. I think y'all should listen. She prolly recording it for something." Echoing the sentiment, one suspected that "this gone be the Netflix recordings."

Some others, meanwhile, weren't too happy that Queen Bey made the announcement at short notice. "Girl I can't find no silver outfit by tomorrow," a fan said. "Beyonce the concert is tomorrow I'm not gone be able to find nothing silver that fast!!!!" someone else added. Someone, meanwhile, gave up the idea of coming in silver, saying: "Listen girl I already bought the outfit I wanted to wear so sorry won't be participating in that lol. Where was the memo earlier? Tuhhh."

Another comment read, "She ought to provide that people probably already ordered they outfits for it if they anything like me waab."



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Filmmaker Zack Snyder has been keeping relatively secretive about the developments regarding his work on his sci-fi film 'Rebel Moon'. With a trailer of the movie released, it tells the story in two parts: the first titled 'A Child of Fire', which showcases the vastness of space using 'Blade Runner'-esque dystopia, intense action and dramatic sequences.

The movie is a passion project of the former DCEU director and looks like he is tonally shifting gears, going all out with his older 'Zack Snyder's Justice League' style for this film, except with a slightly brighter colour palette.

The trailer is layered with the visuals of a dystopian, dark futuristic nightmare as it mixes 'Star Wars' with 'Blade Runner'. A space opera of epic proportions, we have it all here, a prophesied one to end a cataclysmic war, spaceships raining lasers down on a hapless village with a bloody carnage, talking robots, a spider creature, an awesome fighter wielding glowing red laser swords, a flying pegasus-like animal and lots of slow-motion.

'Rebel Moon: Part I' is a sci-fi space opera merging 'Star Wars' with 'Blade Runner'

The official synopsis of the movie states: "When a peaceful colony on the edge of a galaxy finds itself threatened by the armies of a tyrannical ruling force, Kora (Boutella), a mysterious stranger living among the villagers, becomes their best hope for survival."

"Tasked with finding trained fighters who will unite with her in making an impossible stand against the Mother World, Kora assembles a small band of warriors - outsiders, insurgents, peasants and orphans of war from different worlds who share a common need for redemption and revenge."

WONDERING IF THERE IS ANY END TO CANCEL CULTURE: JENNIFER ANISTON

Los Angeles | Agencies

Actress Jennifer Aniston after being caught in the whole controversy regarding Jamie Foxx's allegedly anti-Semitic social media post has now come out to call out cancel culture as an obnoxious trend, wondering if there is any end to it all.

According to The Hollywood Reporter, the 54-year old actress said: "I'm so over cancel culture. I probably just got canceled by saying that. I just don't understand what it means ... Is there no redemption? I don't know. I don't put everybody in the Harvey Weinstein basket."

"He's not a guy, you're like, 'God, I can't wait to hang out with Harvey,'" she said. "Never. You were actually like, 'Oh, God, OK, suck it up.' I remember actually, he came to visit me on a movie to pitch me a movie. And I do remember consciously having a person stay in my trailer."

For the unversed, Harvey Weinstein is a Hollywood producer who has produced several films such as 'Malena', 'Shakespeare in Love', 'Gangs of New York' and executive producer in films such as 'Pulp Fiction' and 'The Lord Of The Rings' films. However, he is also a registered sex offender, with charges of molesting and even raping somewhere over 90 women and has been sentenced to 16 years in prison. Cancel culture is the practice or tendency of engaging in mass canceling as a way of expressing disapproval and exerting social pressure. The trend has become very big and has been frequently criticised by many celebrities ranging from Chris Rock, Lizzo, Cate Blanchette, Elon Musk and more.



ABSOLUTE PIC OF THE DAY



Chloe Meadows



AS CHANDRAYAAN-3 CREATES HISTORY, FILM FRATERNITY CELEBRATES THE MOMENT

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India created history on Wednesday after its Chandrayaan-3 successfully soft-landed on the Moon's surface at 6.04 p.m. - a feat matched only by erstwhile Soviet Republic, the US and China.

As the historic event opened up new possibilities for mankind, the film folks celebrated India's mark on the lunar canvas as they congratulated the scientists and the brains behind Chandrayaan-3 on their success.

Bollywood superstar Ajay Devgn wrote on social media, "Proud, amazed, excited, honoured to be living this moment of history. Bharat Mata ki Jai #Chandrayaan".

Another Bollywood icon Akshay Kumar wrote, "A billion hearts saying THANK YOU ISRO. You've made us so proud. Lucky to be watching India make history. India is on the moon, we are over the moon. #Chandrayaan3."

Star actress Shraddha Kapoor took to Instagram as she shared a clip of the control room of ISRO. She wrote on the video, "Waah, what a moment."

Vijay Deverakonda, who is awaiting the release of his upcoming film 'Kushi', also wrote on Instagram, "Those smilessss :) That joy & pride across the country.. Kushihihi."

Vijay's 'Kushi' co-star Samantha Ruth Prabhu also took to social media to express her joy as she wrote, "Yet again, we land on the Moon! Jai Hind. Congratulations @isro.in #Chandrayaan3."

Bollywood star Hrithik Roshan took to X (formerly Twitter) and wrote, "My heart swells with pride a little more today, as I witness my people soar high and give their very best. Congratulations & all my respect to @isro & the geniuses behind #Chandrayaan3's lunar



exploration mission. #IndiaOnTheMoon."

Bollywood's action hero Tiger Shroff wrote, "Mission accomplished...history made. Jai Hind Congratulations @isro.in @isroindiaofficial."

Actress Rashmika Mandana, who swayed the nation as Srivalli in 'Pushpa: The Rise', celebrated the moment.

She wrote in her Instagram Story, "A proud moment for all of us as #Chandrayaan3 lands on the moon today... Respect and salute to each and everyone who worked on and supported this mission."

Actress Taapsee Pannu wrote in her Instagram Story, "@isro.in and @chandrayaan_3 Congratulations @isro.in We did it #Chandrayaan3."

Sunny Deol gets teary-eyed while thanking fans as 'Gadar 2' grosses Rs 400 cr

Team Absolute | Mumbai

Bollywood star Sunny Deol got emotional while thanking his fans for the roaring response to his latest film 'Gadar 2', which has now entered the Rs 400 crore club.

Sunny took to Instagram, where he shared a video sitting inside a chartered plane.

In the video, Sunny, who played the role of Tara Singh in the film said: "First and foremost thank you all that you liked the film so much. I never imagined you guys would like Gadar 2 so much.. We have crossed 400 crores because of you all and we will go ahead."

He credited the film's success to his fans.

Sunny added: "This all happened because of you all. You liked the film, Tara Singh and Sakeena. Thank you."

'Gadar 2' is set in 1971, and Tara Singh returns to Lahore, Pakistan in the midst of an anti-India campaign to bring back his son Charanjeet. The film is currently riding high on success and has broken records at the box-office. Directed by Anil Sharma, it released on August 11. The film also stars Utkarsh Sharma and Ameesha Patel.

Since being released, 'Gadar 2' has surpassed the collections of 'Dangal'-starring Aamir Khan on the second Monday.

Trade Analyst Taran Adarsh on Twitter shared that the film is all set to challenge 'Baahubali 2' and 'Pathaan'.



Have seen great heights of success and failures: Vivek Oberoi

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Actor Vivek Oberoi has talked about his struggles, his values and his views on what it means to succeed and fail in Bollywood.

Vivek, who made his debut in 2002 with Ram Gopal Varma's 'Company', became an instant hit with his powerful performances in films such as 'Saathiyaa', 'Yuva', 'Shootout at Lokhandwala', 'Omkaara' and 'Rakht Charitra' among many others.

However, he tasted failure with duds such as 'Prince', 'Dum', 'Kyun! Hogaya Na', 'Naksha' and 'Home Delivery: Aapko... Ghar Tak' among many others.

Recently, in an interview with Dubai-based podcast AB Talks, Vivek revealed that he had never really taken money from his father and actor Suresh Oberoi, and for his 'launch' into the industry he was determined to make his own way in. A snippet of the interview has been shared on Instagram.

"He had fixed up a producer and there was a script waiting and everything. And I said no, I just want your



prayer and your blessings. You made it on your own talent without borrowing anything, and if I have it in me, I'd like to make my own way in," the 46-year-old actor said.

He went on to speak about success and failure in a cut throat industry like Bollywood.

Vivek said: "When it comes to Bollywood, and not just Bollywood because I think you can apply it to anything. I have seen great heights of success and failures, and something my father told me was, your acting never fails, the attempt does not succeed."

"It does not succeed, then move on. The day you really fail as an actor is the day you stop moving on. You can't live so much on your own success because it will make you complacent," added the actor.

Speaking about being brought up by his actor-father Suresh Oberoi, who is also a recipient of the 1987 National Film Award, Vivek said that his parents raised him with the values of "never really getting out of line".

"As such we were very shielded from the glitz and glamour of Bollywood and lived a normal

Aditi Rao Hydari

'OTT reinforces the importance of content'

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Actress Aditi Rao Hydari, who is known for her work in 'Delhi 6', 'Jubilee', 'Bhoomi', 'Taj: Divided By Blood', and several others, feels that the medium of OTT reinforces the importance of content and gives a lot of creative liberty to artists.

Aditi won hearts for her performance as Anarkali in the period drama 'Taj: Divided By Blood'. The actress recently visited the Middle East and interacted with her fans in Qatar, Dubai, and Abu Dhabi, at exclusive meet and greets.

Sharing her experience of playing the iconic character, Aditi said: "The one thing I really enjoy about the OTT medium is that it offers more artistic creativity for writers, actors, and directors. It reinforces the importance of content, and that is why I decided to work on Taj: Divided By Blood." The star, who has been compared to the legendary actor Madhubala for

her role as Anarkali, also mentioned that she knew "those are big shoes to fill" while signing up for it.

Riding the wave of her success in Taj, the actress delighted consumers at ZEE5 Global's first Qatar fan meet and greet at LuLu Hypermarket in Barwa City. In her maiden visit to Qatar, the actress enthralled the audience by singing the popular Malayalam song 'Vathikkalu Vellaripravu' and interacted with the crowd through activities like quizzes and dance performances.

The star currently has an exciting library of titles on ZEE5 Global that includes movies like romance drama, 'Daas Dev', Malayalam thriller 'Psycho', and the Ranbir Kapoor-starrer tragedy romance 'Rockstar'.



Vaani Kapoor takes a break to celebrate birthday in Dubai

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Actress Vaani Kapoor, who will be seen in 'Mandala Murders' and 'Sarvagunn Sampanna', has decided to treat herself to a well-deserved break as she is celebrating her 35th birthday in Dubai.

She is accompanied by her closest gal friends Akansha, Anushka Ranjan, and Raashi Khanna. A source shared: "While Vaani usually prefers low-key celebrations, this birthday calls for something extraordinary. She and her friends are gearing up for a thrilling time in Dubai, complete with luxury shopping, gourmet dining, and lounging at luxurious hotels." The itinerary also includes dune buggy racing, desert safaris, etc.

Following her rejuvenating birthday hiatus, Vaani will return to the sets with renewed vigour, ready to dive back into her projects with a fresh perspective.

'Mandala Murders' is produced by Yash Raj Films and will soon drop on OTT.

'Sarvagunn Sampanna' will supposedly be set in the 90s with Vaani essaying the role of a porn star lookalike. The film is touted to be a laughter-filled ride with a unique storyline set in the 90s.

It is a mix of comedy and social commentary, offering a fresh perspective on contemporary issues with a touch of nostalgia.

INSTAGRAM PIC OF THE DAY



Karishma Sharma