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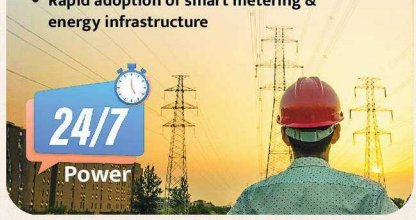

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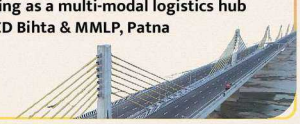

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- Land Allotment & Management Policy 2026
- Bihar Industrial Investment Promotion Package 2025
- Biofuel Production Promotion policy 2025
- Bihar Semiconductor Policy 2026
- Bihar GCC Policy 2026
- BIADA Amnesty Policy, 2025
- Bihar RE Policy 2025
- Export Promotion Policy 2024
- Bihar Logistics Policy 2024
- Textile & Leather Policy 2022
- Startup Policy 2022

STRATEGIC PROJECTS DRIVING GROWTH

- Bihar Integrated Manufacturing City Gaya Limited (BIMCGL)
  - 1,670 acres | ₹16,000+ crore potential
  - 1 lakh+ employment opportunity
- Mega Food Park, Muzaffarpur
- Mega Leather Footwear & Accessories Cluster, Mahwal, Muzaffarpur
- SEZs at Buxar & Bettiah
- Strong push in logistics, food processing, manufacturing & new-age sectors

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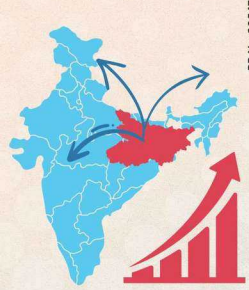

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–:: निविदा सूचना ::–

नगर परिषद बून्दी द्वारा जारी निविदा सं0: न0प0बू0/निर्माण/2026–27 /3144 दिनांक 05/06/2026 की निविदा दिनांक 15/06/2026 से दिनांक 06/07/2026 06.00 बजे तक ऑनलाईन विक्रय की जावेगी। निविदा दिनांक 07/07/2026 को 04.00 बजे ऑनलाईन खोली जावेगी। विस्तृत शर्तें व विवरण निविदा **sppp.rajasthan.gov.in/eproc.rajasthan.gov.in** पर **DLB2627WLOB06744, DLB2627WLOB06746, DLB2627WLOB06750,** तथा कार्यालय समय मे किसी भी कार्यदिवस को नगर परिषद मे देखा जा सकता है।

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule9 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical/ symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank/ Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is"**, and **"Whatever there is"** on the date as mentioned in the table herein below, for recovery of its dues due to the Bank/ Secured Creditor from the respective borrower (s) and guarantor (s). The reserve price and the earnest money deposit will be as mentioned in the table below against the respective properties.

SCHEDULE OF THE SECURED ASSETS

Date of E-Auction: 27.06.2026 (Last date of deposit of EMD: 27.06.2026 up to 11.00 AM)

Name of the branch / Name & A/c No of the Account / Name & addresses of the Borrower/Guarantors Account	Description of the Immovable Properties Mortgaged/ Owner's Name (mortgagers of property (ies)-	A) Dt. Of Demand Notice u/s 13(2) of SARFAESI ACT 2002 B) Outstanding amount as on date of demand notice C) Possession Date u/s 13(4) of SARFAESI ACT 2002 D) Nature of Possession Symbolic/Physical/ Constructive	A) Reserve Price / B) EMD / C) Bid Increase Amount	Date/ Time Of E-Auction	Details of the encumbrances known to the Secured creditors
PNB- Belwa **Sai Baba Auto Traders 1034250024541** Sai Baba Auto Traders, Prop- Sh. Jai Prakash S/o- Om Prakash Vishwakarma at Koiriya Tola, Ward no- 24 PO & PS- Raxaul, East Champaran,845305 Mrs. Ruby Prakash W/o jai Prakash at Koiriya Tola, Ward no- 24, PO & PS- Raxaul East Champaran,845305	Residential land with Sale deed no - 7715 dated 16.05.2007, Thana no 7, Tauzi no 951, Khata no 80, Khesra no 1631, Area- 04 dhur, Boundary: N- Shankar Sah, S- Rasta, E- Nij (Mustari), W- Nidhi devi Imroja No Haja at Mauza- Raxaul, PS & anchal - Raxaul, East Champaran Owner/ Mortgagor- Jai Prakash Vishwakarma	A) 18.06.2021 B) Rs.14,51,195.69/- as on 30.04.2021+ further interest & charges until payment in full C) 11.10.2021 D) Symbolic	**A) Rs.2205000/-** **B) Rs. 220500/-** **C) Rs. 20000/-**	**27.06.2026 From 11.00 AM to 4.00 PM**	OA/70/ 2019 at DRT Patna

TERMS AND CONDITIONS: The sale shall be subject to the Terms & Conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 and to the following further conditions:

1. The properties are being sold on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" and "WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS"
2. The particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule herein above have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorised Officer, but the Authorised Officer shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation.
3. The Sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the Website https://baanknet.com on 27.06.2026 @ 11.00 AM to 4.00 PM and to be confirmed by the Secured Creditor.

For detailed term and conditions of the sale, please refer https://baanknet.com & www.pnbindia.in

Date: 06.06.2026
Place: Motihari

STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 9(1) OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002

Ranjeet Kumar
Authorized Officer
Punjab National Bank
(Secured Creditor)

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Union Cabinet hails Modi's 12 consecutive years as PM

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NEW DELHI: The Union Cabinet on Wednesday passed a resolution congratulating PM Narendra Modi after he became India's longest-serving elected prime minister in continuous terms, surpassing the record previously held by Jawaharlal Nehru.

According to the government, Modi completed 4,399 consecutive days as an elected prime minister on June 10, overtaking Nehru's record of 4,398 continuous days in office between 1952 and 1964.

The Cabinet, which gave a standing ovation to the PM during the cabinet meeting, also noted that the milestone comes as the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) government completes 12 years in office under Modi's leadership and enters its third consecutive term.

"Nehru ji came from a political background and a political family. The country had a different mood then, India had just got independence from the British. Today, those who question India's democracy, whether in India or abroad, should know our democracy has matured and has a democratic consciousness. They have the capacity to select a leader who doesn't have a political background and has reached here through hard work and dedication," said Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw at the cabinet briefing.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi receives standing ovation from the Union Ministers during a cabinet meeting in New Delhi on Wednesday. PTI

The resolution, shared with the media, highlighted several welfare schemes and policy initiatives undertaken since Modi first became prime minister in 2014. The Cabinet claimed that "more than 25 crore people were able to overcome poverty" during this period and cited free ration distribution to over 80 crore people and health insurance coverage of up to ₹5 lakh for more than 60 crore beneficiaries.

On women-centric policies, the resolution referred to

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CRISIS DEEPENS IN TMC AS SECOND RS MP QUITS PARTY

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NEW DELHI: Trinamool Congress' Rajya Sabha MP Sushmita Dev has resigned from the Upper House, two days after her fellow lawmaker Sukhendu Sekhar Ray quit, further damaging the party's strength in Parliament, where TMC also faces a rebellion among its Lok Sabha lawmakers.

"I do hereby resign from the membership of Rajya Sabha, which may please be accepted with immediate effect," she said in her resignation letter.

Later, the Rajya Sabha chairman CP Radhakrishnan accepted her resignation. Ray and Dev's resignation will pave the way for by-elections in the Upper House.

The BJP, which has 208 seats in the state assembly, is set to win both seats.

"I feel I am a free woman now. This is my personal decision and I have the right, as in a free country, to decide which party I will go to.," Dev said after her resignation.

Meanwhile, Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi and Trinamool Congress general secretary Abhishek Banerjee held a meeting, amid efforts by the INDIA bloc to maintain unity

Tender scandal: 3 held after raids

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PATNA: Bihar's Special Vigilance Unit (SVU) on Wednesday arrested three government employees, including a retired official, for their alleged involvement in a tender scam linked to some senior IAS officers and involving the parallel system run by arrested tender mafia Rishu Shree, known for distributing largesse to officials down the line to procure tenders.

After questioning them at their respective residences in connection with the case, the SVU arrested a joint secretary-level officer Mumukshu Choudhary from the finance department, retired chief engineer Tarini Das from the building construction department, and executive engineer Umesh Kumar Singh from the urban development and housing department, officials said.

Another key accused, IAS officer Sanjeev Hans, could not be traced. SVU official claimed he was currently out of the state. It was during the investigation of a different case involving Hans that the name of Rishu Shree surfaced, as a man who played with tenders due to his proximity with several senior IAS officers.

All three were produced before the special vigilance court in Patna, where the agency is likely push for their custodial remand to give investigators more room to dig into their bank records, property holdings, and high-profile connections in the

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Amul plans Bihar plant

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PATNA: Gujarat's Anand-based milk cooperative iconic Amul brand is preparing to establish a modern milk processing plant at Fatuha in Patna district with an investment of ₹200 cr.

The project cleared another hurdle recently when the project clearance committee of Bihar Industrial Area Development Authority approved the allocation of about 13 acres of land for the facility.

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Parimal Nathwani, HT FILE

NATHWANI'S NOMINATION FOR RS POLL ACCEPTED

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RANCHI: Returning officer Ranjeet Kumar on Wednesday accepted the nomination of NDA-backed Independent candidate for Rajya Sabha polls in Jharkhand, Parimal Nathwani, whose papers came under scanner after Congress legislator Naman Kogari filed a plaint on Tuesday raising objections citing 'discrepancies' that allegedly violated the electoral rules.

Ranjeet Kumar, passed a reasoned order on the complaint hours after hearing both sides on Wednesday. The hearing occurred amid protests by Congress workers led by senior party leaders outside the Assembly, who sought the cancellation of Nathwani's nomination. BJP held a counter protest, accusing Congress of creating pressure on the official.

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SALE PROCLAMATION

FORM NO. 22 [See Regulation 37(1)]

OFFICE OF THE RECOVERY OFFICER IN THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL, JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

RECOVERY PROCEEDING No. 172 of 2024 — **IN CASE NO. O.A. Case No. 199 of 2023**

PROCLAMATION OF SALE UNDER RULES 38, 52(2) OF SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT, 1961 READ WITH THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS DUE TO BANKS AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ACT 1993

IDBI Bank Ltd., Utasara Branch, Petarwar, Bokaro Vs. Vasudev Mahato & Others

To,

1. Vasudev Mahato, S/o Shri Ganesh Mahto, R/o Village – Ormo, P.O. – Chandipur, P.S. – Kasmar, District – 829121.
2. Shri Ganesh Mahto, S/o Shri Newa Lal Mahto, R/o Village – Ormo, P.O. – Chandipur, P.S. – Kasmar, District – 829121.
3. Mrs. Renu Devi, W/o Vasudev Mahato, R/o Village – Ormo, P.O. – Chandipur, P.S. – Kasmar, District – 829121.
4. Shri Subhash Mahato, S/o Shri Ganesh Mahto, R/o Village – Ormo, P.O. – Chandipur, P.S. – Kasmar, District – 829121.

1. Whereas you have failed to pay the sum of **Rs. 29,73,561.00 (Rupees Twenty Nine Lacs Seventy Three Thousand Five Hundred Sixty One Only)** payable by you in respect of Recovery Certificate in **O.A. Case No. 199 of 2023** issued by the **Presiding Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal, Ranchi** along with the interest and costs payable, as per the certificate.

2. And whereas the undersigned has ordered the sale of the attached property mentioned in the Schedule below in satisfaction of the said certificate.

3. And whereas as on the **07.05.2024** there will be due there under a sum of **Rs. 29,73,561.00 (Rupees Twenty Nine Lacs Seventy Three Thousand Five Hundred Sixty One Only)** along with pendentelite and future interest @ 9.25% compound interest monthly from 01.01.2023 till full and final realization of the claim besides cost of Rs. 32,000/- (Rupees Thirty Two Thousand Only), as per the certificate.

4. Notice is hereby given that, in the absence of any order of postponement, the said property shall be sold by **e-auction and bidding shall take place through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the website https://www.baanknet.com (PSB Alliance Private Limited) on 17.07.2026 between 11:00 AM to 12:00 Noon with extension of 5 minutes duration after 12 noon if required.**

For further detail contact: Office of the Recovery Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal, Ranchi. Contact No. 0651-2214021 and for property inspection contact Sri Kunal Kumar Tirkey, Assistant General Manager, IDBI Bank, Regional Office, 2nd Floor, City Plaza, Ranchi, Mob. No. 9431369848.

4.1 The sale will be of the property of the certificate debtors above named as mentioned in the schedule below and the liabilities and claims attaching to the said property, so far as they have been ascertained, are those specified in the schedule against each lot.

4.2 The property will be put up for the sale in the lots specified in the schedule. If the amount to be realized is satisfied by the sale of a portion of the property, the sale shall be immediately stopped with respect to the remainder. The sale also be stopped if, before any lot is knocked down, the arrears mentioned in the said certificate, interest costs (including cost of the sale) are tendered to the Officer conducting the sale or proof is given to his satisfaction that the amount of such certificate, interest and costs have been paid to the undersigned.

4.3 No Officer of other person, having any duty to perform in connection with sale, however, either directly or indirectly bid for, acquire or attempt to acquire any interest in the property sold. The sale shall be subject to the conditions prescribed in the Second schedule of the Income Tax Act. 1961 and the rules made there under and to the further following conditions.

4.4 The particulars specified, in the annexed schedule have been stated to the best of the information of the undersigned, but the undersigned shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation.

5. (a) The reserve price below which the property shall not be sold is **as per details**

Details of Properties	Reserve Price	EMD
Properties Measuring 88 Decimal comprised in Plot No. 402 (24 Decimal) under Khata No. 16 and in Plot No. 404 (64 Decimal) under Khata No. 45 situated at Village – Ormo, Thana No. 117, P.S. – Kasmar, Distt. – Bokaro.	**Rs. 1,04,96,550/-**	**Rs. 10,49,655/-**

6. The interested bidders are required to deposit EMD along with documents PAN Card, Identity Proof, Address Proof etc. and in the case of company, copy of resolution passes by the Board Members of the Company or any other documents claiming representation/ attorney of the company also, latest by 15.07.2026 before 4:00 PM in the office of the Recovery Officer, DRT, Ranchi and thereafter they shall be eligible to participate in the e-auction to be held from 11:00 AM to 12:00 Noon on 17.07.2026. In case, bid is placed in the last 5 minutes of the closing time of the auction, the closing time will automatically get extended for 5 minutes.

7. The intending bidders shall pay the EMD amount in the account of Recovery Officer, DRT, Ranchi **through RTGS/ NEFT/EFT to Current Account No. 31598921087, IFS Code : SBIN0007507, State Bank of India, Indrapuri Branch, Ranchi.**

8. The receipt of EMD along with bid form shall be deposited before the **Office of the Recovery Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal, 5th Floor, RRDA Building, Kutchery Chowk, Ranchi.**

9. The amount by which the biddings are to be **increased shall be Rs. 1,00,000/-** in the event of any dispute arising as to the amount of bid, or as to the bidder, the lot shall at once be again put up to auction.

10. The unsuccessful bidder shall take EMD directly from the Office of the Recovery Officer, DRT, Ranchi immediately on closure of the e-auction sale proceeds.

11. The successful/ highest bidder shall have to pay for 25% of the bid/sale amount after adjusting the EMD amount in the account of "Recovery Officer, DRT, Ranchi **through RTGS/ NEFT/EFT to Current Account No. 31598921087, IFS Code : SBIN0007507, State Bank of India, Indrapuri Branch, Ranchi.**, by next bank working day i.e. by 04:00 PM with this Tribunal failing which the EMD shall be forfeited.

12. The successful/highest bidder shall deposit in the account of **"Recovery Officer, DRT, Ranchi" "through RTGS/ NEFT/EFT to Current Account No. 31598921087, IFS Code : SBIN0007507, State Bank of India, Indrapuri Branch, Ranchi,"** the balance 75% of the sale proceed before the Recovery Officer, DRT, Ranchi on or before 15th day from the date of auction of the property exclusive of such day or if the 15th day be Sunday or other holiday, then on the first office day after the 15th day along with poundage @ 2% upto Rs. 1,000/- and @1% on the excess of such gross amount over Rs. 1,000/- in favour of Registrar, DRT, Ranchi. (In case of deposit of balance amount of 75% through post, the same should reach the Recovery Officer as above).

13. In case of default of payment within the prescribed period, the property shall be re-sold, after the issue of fresh Proclaimation of Sale. The deposit, after defraying the expenses of the sale, may, if the undersigned thinks fit be forfeited to the Government and the defaulting purchaser shall forfeited all claims to the property of to any part of the sum for which it may subsequently be sold.

14. The highest bidder shall be declared to be the purchaser of any lot provided that further that the amount bid by him is not less than the Reserve Price. It shall be in the discretion of the undersigned to decline/ acceptance of the highest bid when the price offered appears so clearly inadequate as to make it inadvisable to do so.

15. The property is sold on as is and where is /on what it is/ no complaint basis. Bidders are advised/cautioned to verify with the SRO as well as the Revenue Records and shall satisfy themselves regarding the nature, description, condition, encumbrance, lien, charge, statutory dues, etc. over the property before submitting their bids. Statutory dues/liabilities etc. due to the Government/Local Body, if any, shown in the sale notice/tender document shall be bone by the purchaser(s).

16. Delivery of Possession : - All expenses and incidental charges thereto shall be borne by the auction purchaser. Request for appropriation of sale proceeds by the Certificate Holder Bank/Financial Institution will be considered only upon the auction purchaser filing a memo of having received the title deeds and delivered possession of the property.

17. The undersigned reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids if found unreasonable or postpone the auction at anytime without assigning any reason.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal at Ranchi on this 07th day of May 2026.

RECOVERY OFFICER-II

MAHARASHTRA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
(A Government of Maharashtra Undertaking)

Extension Notice No.12

E Tender Notice No.52 /2025-2026 (Mumbai)

Vide above E Tender Notice, tender for following work were published in Daily Navakal, Mumbai, Daily Apala Mahanagar, Mumbai, Daily Sagar, Thane, Daily Hindustan Times, Mumbai, Daily Mid Day, Mumbai, Daily Active Times, Mumbai, Daily Bhaskar, Mumbai, Daily Navbharat, Mumbai on 04/11/2025.

Sr. No.	Name of Work	Estimated Cost Rs. in Cr.
1	Construction of "Ratan Tata Udyog Bhavan" MIDC (HQ) along with Printing Press Building for Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation on Engineering Procurement and Construction (EPC) mode.	Rs. 903.08

Now the Extension Notice is hereby issued for extending the date of availability of E Tender, raising of queries and reply to queries on website of **https://mahatenders.gov.in** for the above works.

The blank tender forms for above works will now be available upto 18/08/2026 on website of **https://mahatenders.gov.in**

Pre bid meeting for work will be conducted on 14/07/2026 at 12.00 PM in the office of the Chief Engineer (HQ), Udyog Sarthi MIDC Mariol Industrial Area Mumbai-93. Answers to the queries / MIDC Clarification will be available from 31/07/2026 on above website.

Please note that the bidders who have already submitted / uploaded their offer will again have to reload or resubmit their offer with or without change, such bidders shall also note that if offers is not reloaded or resubmitted, their bid will be out of completion for the this tender in particular.

Other contents of the tender notice remain unchanged.

बिहार सरकार

कार्यपालक पदाधिकारी का कार्यालय
नगर परिषद, खगड़िया

E-mail- cm.npkhagaria@gmail.com

ई–निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना (ई–टेंडरिंग द्वारा https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in)

निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना संख्या–14/2026–27 (ई–टेण्डरिंग)

01.	विज्ञापन दाता का पदनाम एवं पता	कार्यपालक पदाधिकारी, नगर परिषद, खगड़िया
02.	निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना निर्गत करने की तिथि	08.06.2026
03	परिमाण पिपत्र प्राप्त करने की तिथि एवं समय	दिनांक–30.06.2026 को 10:00 बजे पूर्वाह्न से (सिर्फ बेवसाईट www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in) पर
04.	प्री बिड मीटिंग का समय, स्थान एवं तिथि	दिनांक–02.07.2026 समय 02:00 बजे अपराह्न स्थान– कार्यपालक पदाधिकारी का कार्यालय, नगर परिषद, खगड़िया
05.	संवेदक द्वारा निविदा अपलोड करने की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय	दिनांक–09.07.2026 को 03:00 बजे अपराह्न तक। (सिर्फ बेवसाईट www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in) पर
06.	तकनीकी बीड खोलने की तिथि एवं समय	दिनांक–10.07.2026 को पूर्वाह्न 11:00 बजे
07.	वित्तीय बीड खोलने की तिथि एवं समय	तकनीकी बीड में सफल होने के उपरान्त निर्देशानुसार

8. कार्य का विवरणः–

क्रम संख्या	निविदा का प्रकार	कार्य का नाम	प्राक्कलित राशि (रुपये में)	अग्रधन की राशि (रुपये में)	परिमाण पिपत्र का मूल्य (अप्रत्यर्पणीय रुपये में)	Bid Processing Fee (Through online payment) (अप्रत्यर्पणीय रुपये में)	कार्य समाप्ति की अवधि
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	Tender	खगड़िया नगर परिषद क्षेत्र अंतर्गत वार्ड सं0–37 जरूण यादव के घर से डाह अविनाष वर्मा के घर होते हुए आरडब्ल्यूएनो सड़क तक मिट्टी ईट सोलिंग एवं PCC सड़क निर्माण कार्य।	2851500	57100	10000	As per E-proc2	4 Months
2	Tender	खगड़िया नगर परिषद क्षेत्र अंतर्गत वार्ड सं0–34 मुखार यादव के घर से समुदायिक भवन, चबुतरा, सनीज दास, वकील दास घर से भूषण दास होते हुए आरडब्ल्यूएनो रोड तक मिट्टी ईट सोलिंग, PCC सड़क एवं सोरुता निर्माण कार्य।	4083500	81700	10000	As per E-proc2	4 Months
3	Tender	खगड़िया नगर परिषद क्षेत्र अंतर्गत वार्ड सं0–05 में बखड़ी स्टेप्ड बाईपास के नजदीक टेंपिरा डायक के जगीन पर फूटकर विक्रेता के लिए मिट्टी भराई कार्य।	4999100	100000	10000	As per E-proc2	4 Months
4	Re-Tender	खगड़िया नगर परिषद क्षेत्र अंतर्गत वार्ड सं0–27 सोनवरषी पथ से स्व0 केदार नारायण सिंह, सावित्री देवी पुस्तकालय तक मिट्टी ईट सोलिंग एवं PCC सड़क निर्माण कार्य।	3686900	73800	10000	As per E-proc2	4 Months

नोट :– Bidders Should submit bid processing fee through Online Payment as per Amount generated on website **www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in**

09. निविदा की वैधता अवधि :– 120 दिन (निविदा प्राप्ति की अंतिम तिथि के बाद)।

नगर कार्यपालक पदाधिकारी
नगर परिषद, खगड़िया

उक्त सूचना **www.state.bihar.gov.in/prdbihar** पर भी देखी जा सकती है।

PR. No. 005347 (B&C) 2026-27

नशामुक्त हो जाए बिहार, सुरक्षित रहे घर परिवार।

जल संसाधन विभाग
कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय
तिरहुत नहर प्रमंडल रतवारा, मुजफ्फरपुर

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अल्पकालीन कोटेशन आमंत्रण सूचना संख्या –03/2026–27

तिरहुत नहर प्रमंडल, रतवारा, मुजफ्फरपुर द्वारा पूर्वी गंडक नहर प्रणाली (गंडक फेज–2) योजना अंतर्गत भू–अर्जन कार्य हेतु जल संसाधन विभाग, बिहार पटना द्वारा मनोनीत/सूचीबद्ध सर्वेक्षण कार्य विशेषज्ञ कंपनी/एजेन्सी से निम्नांकित कार्यमदों का लिफाफा बंद कोटेशन दर अंकित करने हेतु निम्नरूपेण आमंत्रित किया जाता है, जिसका विवरण निम्न प्रकार है :–

कार्य का नाम :– Submission of final Land Acquisition to concerened DLAO with all allied work under jurisdiction of Executive Engineer, Tirhut Canal Division, Ratwara. Muzaffarpur.

Sl. No.	Item of Work	Unit	Rate in Figure	Rate in word
1	Preparation & Submission of LA Proposal to DLAO (Appendix I to V) based on approved LA Plan.	Per Acre		
2	Assistance and verification of Land Acquisition plan by DM/DLAO/SIA.	Per Acre		
3	Publication of Preliminary notification under L.A. Act 2013 (u/s-11).	Per Acre		
4	Preparation and assistance for compensation determination by Concerning Authority and distribution of Compensation amount and Possession of Land to EE, TCD, Ratwara, Muzaffarpur.	Per Acre		
5	Marking & Fixing stone pillar at every 100m apart both sides of acquired Land.	Per KM		

1. कोटेशन आमंत्रण सूचना निर्गत करने की तिथि : दिनांक 08.06.2026
2. कोटेशन आमंत्रण कार्यालय का नाम एवं पता : कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय, तिरहुत नहर प्रमंडल, रतवारा, मुजफ्फरपुर
3. कोटेशन जमा करने की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय : दिनांक 25.06.2026 को अपराह्न 3:00 बजे
4. कोटेशन प्राप्त करने का स्थान : कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय, तिरहुत नहर प्रमंडल, रतवारा, मुजफ्फरपुर
5. कोटेशन खोलने की तिथि समय एवं स्थान : दिनांक 25.06.2026 को अपराह्न 3:30 बजे अधोहस्ताक्षरी के कार्यालय कक्ष में ।

कार्यपालक अभियंता
तिरहुत नहर प्रमंडल, रतवारा, मुजफ्फरपुर

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बिहार सरकार
समाहरणालय, जमुई
(जिला नजारत शाखा)

अल्पकालीन कोटेशन आमंत्रण सूचना

उन्नत शिक्षा उज्ज्वल भविष्य कार्यक्रम के तहत जमुई जिला के चयनित 04 प्रखंडों यथा–खैरा, ई0 अलीगंज, लक्ष्मीपुर एवं सोनो में नव स्थापित डिग्री महाविद्यालयों का संचालन किया जाना है। अपर समाहर्त्ता, (विभागीय जाँच), जमुई की अध्यक्षता में गठित क्रय समिति द्वारा आपूर्ति की जाने वाले सामग्री (शिक्षण सामग्री, फर्नीचर, आई0टी0 उपकरण, विद्युत उपकरण इत्यादि) का क्रय विशिष्टियों, अधिष्ठापन हेतु निर्धारित मापदंड एवं शर्तों के अधीन किया जाना है।

उक्त के आलोक में उपकरणों/सामग्रियों के क्रय एवं आपूर्ति हेतु इच्छुक आपूर्तिकर्त्ता/निर्माताओं/फर्मों से द्वि–लिफाफा प्रणाली अंतर्गत मुहरबंद कोटेशन आमंत्रित की जाती है। पहला लिफाफा तकनीकी कोटेशन एवं दूसरा लिफाफा वित्तीय कोटेशन का होगा। लिफाफे पर तकनीकी कोटेशन एवं वित्तीय कोटेशन लिखना अनिवार्य होगा दोनों सीलबंद लिफाफे को एक अन्य सीलबंद लिफाफे के अन्दर रखा जायेगा। सभी लिफाफे पर कोटेशनदाताओं को अपने प्रतिष्ठान का नाम एवं पैकेज का नाम अंकित करना होगा। लिफाफा बिल्कुल सीलबंद होना अनिवार्य है।

कोटेशन दिनांक–16.06.2026 के अपराह्न 01:00 बजे तक जिला नजारत शाखा, जमुई में किया जाना है। तकनीकी कोटेशन को दिनांक–17.06.2026 को 03:00 बजे अपराह्न में क्रय समिति के समक्ष खोला जायेगा। तकनीकी कोटेशन में सफल होने वाले फर्मों का ही वित्तीय कोटेशन खोला जायेगा। कोटेशनदाता या उनके द्वारा अधिकृत प्रतिनिधि क्रय समिति की बैठक में भाग ले सकते हैं। **विस्तृत विवरणी एवं अन्य शर्तों के संबंध में जमुई जिला के अधिकारिक वेबसाईट https://jamui.nic.in पर देखी जा सकती है तथा कार्यालय अवधि में जिला नजारत शाखा, जमुई में सम्पर्क किया जा सकता है।**

जिला पदाधिकारी, जमुई

PR- 005504 (District) 2026-27

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नशे से बचने का है एक ही उपचार, दृढ़ संकल्प और परिवार से प्यार।

बिहार सरकार
कला एवं संस्कृति विभाग, बिहार
(संग्रहालय निदेशालय)
कार्यालय, रामचंद्र शाही संग्रहालय, मुजफ्फरपुर

कोटेशन आमंत्रण सूचना

कला एवं संस्कृति विभाग, बिहार (संग्रहालय निदेशालय) के अंतर्गत रामचंद्र शाही संग्रहालय, मुजफ्फरपुर में साफ–सफाई, भवन, उद्यान एवं परिसर के रख–रखाव कार्य हेतु आउटसोर्सिंग के माध्यम से माली तथा सफाईकर्मी की सेवा के लिए प्रतिष्ठित निबंधित एजेंसी यथा– कंपनी/गैर सरकारी संगठन/फर्म/प्रतिष्ठान का चयन करने हेतु कोटेशन आमंत्रित की जाती है। कम्प्यूटर टंकित मुहरबंद कोटेशन दिनांक– 20.06.2026 को अपराह्न 4:00 बजे तक अधोहस्ताक्षरी के कार्यालय कक्ष में प्राप्त किया जाएगा। कोटेशन प्रारूप कला एवं संस्कृति की वेबसाइट https://state.bihar.gov.in/vac से डाउनलोड की जा सकती है अथवा कार्यालय अवधि में रामचंद्र शाही संग्रहालय, मिठनपुरा, क्लब रोड, मुजफ्फरपुर के कार्यालय से प्राप्त की जा सकती है।

(विमल तिवारी)
सहायक संग्रहालयाध्यक्ष
रामचंद्र शाही संग्रहालय, मुजफ्फरपुर

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नशे से बचने का है एक ही उपचार, दृढ़ संकल्प और परिवार से प्यार

परियोजना निदेशक का
कार्यालय, बुडको, अरवल

पताः– पुराना प्रखण्ड परिसर, पानी टंकी एस0डी0एस0
ऑफिस के सामने कोर्ट ऐरिया, जहानाबाद–804408
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संख्या– NIT No 01/2026-27 **निविदा आमंत्रण की सूचना**

(ई–टेंडरिंग द्वारा www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in.)

संख्या– NIT No 04/2026-27

1. निविदादाता का पदनाम एवं पताः– परियोजना निदेशक, बुडको, पुराना प्रखण्ड परिसर, पानी टंकी एस0डी0एस0 ऑफिस के सामने कोर्ट ऐरिया, जहानाबाद–804408
2. निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना निर्गत की तिथिः– दिनांक–24.06.2026 से 04.07.2026
3. प्री बीड मीटिंग की तिथि एवं समय एवं स्थान–दिनांक–25.06.2026 को समय 12:30 बजे अपराह्न
4. परिमाण पिपत्र प्राप्त करने की तिथि एवं समयः–दिनांक–24.06.2026 से दिनांक 04.07.2026 के 3:00 PM बजे तक (www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in)
5. संवेदक द्वारा निविदा अपलोड करने की अंतिम तिथिः– दिनांक–04.07.2026 समय 4:00 PM बजे तक (www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in)
6. बीड खोलने की तिथि — दिनांक–04.07.2026 समय 5:00 PM बजे
7. वित्तीय बीड खोलने की तिथि — तकनीकी बीड में सफल होने के उपरान्त निर्देशानुसार
8. कार्य की विवरणी–

क्रम संख्या	कार्य का नाम	प्राक्कलित राशि (रु. में)	अग्रधन की राशि (online के माध्यम से) Website:- www.Eproc2.bihar.gov.in	परिमाण पिपत्र का मूल्य (online के माध्यम से) Website:- www.Eproc2.bihar.gov.in	Bid Processing fee (Through Online Payment हेतु प्रोसेसिंग शुल्क	कार्य समाप्ति की अवधि
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	नगर परिषद् अरवल अन्तर्गत वार्ड संख्या 11 एवं 12 में पीपरा सूर्य मंदिर से उजा तिलपूल ग्राम में जाने वाली गिरि मैरा रोड तक मिट्टी भराई ईट सोलिंग एवं पीएसीसीपी निर्माण कार्य।	35,55,453.00	71,200.00	11,800.00	As Per Eproc	4 Month
2.	नगर परिषद् अरवल अन्तर्गत वार्ड संख्या 09 एवं 10 में गिम्बलेश सिंह के घर से नोनिया बिगहा जाने वाला नहर पीएसीसीपी रोड तक मिट्टी भराई ईट सोलिंग एवं पीएसीसीपी निर्माण।	28,62,816.00	57,300.00	11,800.00	As Per Eproc	4 Month
3.	नगर परिषद् अरवल में बढ़की अहियापुर में पार्क निर्माण कार्य।	28,17,502.00	57,300.00	11,800.00	As Per Eproc	4 Month
4.	नगर परिषद् अरवल में कब्रस्था में पार्क निर्माण कार्य।	32,21,600.00	64,500.00	11,800.00	As Per Eproc	4 Month

नोटः– Bidders Should submit Bid Processing fee thorugh Online Payment as per Amount generated on Website www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in

निविदा की विस्तृत जानकारी state.bihar.gov.in/prdbihar से प्राप्त की जा सकती है।

परियोजना निदेशक
बुडको, अरवल

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नशे से बचने का है एक ही उपचार, दृढ़ संकल्प और परिवार से प्यार।

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अति अल्पकालीन निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना संख्या–23/2026.27

निविदा संख्या– 23/2026–27

क्र0	यूप संo	कार्य का नाम	प्राक्कलित राशि (रू0 में)	अग्रधन की राशि (रू0 में)	परिमाण पिपत्र की मूल्य (रू0में)	कार्य पूरा करने की अवधि
01	01	Construction of temporary helipad -II along with barricading, and drop gate in Rangpura in Dhamdaha Block, Dist. -Purnea on the arrival of Honorable Chief Minister, Bihar for the year 2026-27.	5,00,000.00	10000.00	750.00	1 दिन

1. विज्ञापनदाता का नाम एंव पता — कार्यपालक अभियंता, भवन निर्माण विभाग, भवन प्रमण्डल, पूर्णियाँ।
2. परिमाण पिपत्र बिक्री की तिथि एंव समय — दिनांक 13.06.2026 को 11.00 बजे पूर्वाह्न तक।
3. निविदा प्राप्ति की तिथि एंव समय — दिनांक 13.06.2026 को 02.00 अपराह्न तक।
4. निविदा खोलने की तिथि एंव समय — दिनांक 13.06.2026 को 03.30 बजे अपराह्न।
5. परिमाण पिपत्र की बिक्री निविदा प्राप्ति का स्थान — कार्यपालक अभियंता, भवन प्रमंडल पूर्णियाँ, अधीक्षण अभियंता भवन अंचल पूर्णियाँ, सहायक अभियंता, भवन अवर प्रमंडल सं0–01 , 02, 03, पूर्णियाँ।

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कार्यपालक अभियंता,
भवन प्रमंडल, पूर्णियाँ

PR- 005521 (BCD) 2026-27

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बिहार सरकार
कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय
भवन निर्माण विभाग, भवन प्रमंडल पूर्णियाँ

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अति अल्पकालीन निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना संख्या–22/2026.27

निविदा संख्या– 22/2026–27

क्र0	यूप संo	कार्य का नाम	प्राक्कलित राशि (रू0 में)	अग्रधन की राशि (रू0 में)	परिमाण पिपत्र की मूल्य (रू0में)	कार्य पूरा करने की अवधि
01	01	Construction of temporary helipad -I along with barricading, and drop gate in Rangpura in Dhamdaha Block, Dist. -Purnea on the arrival of Honorable Chief Minister, Bihar for the year 2026-27.	5,00,000.00	10000.00	750.00	1 दिन

1. विज्ञापनदाता का नाम एंव पता — कार्यपालक अभियंता, भवन निर्माण विभाग, भवन प्रमण्डल, पूर्णियाँ।
2. परिमाण पिपत्र बिक्री की तिथि एंव समय — दिनांक 13.06.2026 को 11.00 बजे पूर्वाह्न तक।
3. निविदा प्राप्ति की तिथि एंव समय — दिनांक 13.06.2026 को 02.00 अपराह्न तक।
4. निविदा खोलने की तिथि एंव समय — दिनांक 13.06.2026 को 03.30 बजे अपराह्न।
5. परिमाण पिपत्र की बिक्री निविदा प्राप्ति का स्थान — कार्यपालक अभियंता, भवन प्रमंडल पूर्णियाँ, अधीक्षण अभियंता भवन अंचल पूर्णियाँ, सहायक अभियंता, भवन अवर प्रमंडल सं0–01 , 02, 03, पूर्णियाँ।

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कार्यपालक अभियंता,
भवन प्रमंडल, पूर्णियाँ

PR- 005522 (BCD) 2026-27

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बिहार सरकार
जिला योजना कार्यालय
समाहरणालय, मुजफ्फरपुर
पुनर्निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना 03/2026–27

सांसद स्थानीय क्षेत्र विकास योजनान्तर्गत माननीया सांसद श्रीमती वीणा देवी, वैशाली लोकसभा क्षेत्र द्वारा राजकीयकृत भगवत उच्च विद्यालय, बिरौली बाजार, मोतीपुर, मुजफ्फरपुर में इण्डोर जिम उपकरणों/उपस्करों एवं राजकीयकृत रामचंद्र उच्च माध्यमिक विद्यालय, बीपपुर, कांटी, मुजफ्फरपुर में आउटडोर जिम उपकरणों/उपस्करों तथा मुख्यमंत्री क्षेत्र विकास योजना अन्तर्गत माननीय स0वि0प0 श्री दिनेश प्रसाद सिंह द्वारा मुजफ्फरपुर जिला के राघव प्रसाद सिंह महाविद्यालय, जैंतपुर, मुजफ्फरपुर में इण्डोर एवं आउटडोर जिम उपकरणों/उपस्करों के क्रय एवं आपूर्ति हेतु प्राप्त अनुशंसा के आलोक में सुयोग्य आपूर्तिकर्ताओं से मुहरबन्द लिफाफे में निविदा आमंत्रित किया जाता है।

उक्त निविदा में तकनीकी एवं वित्तीय निविदा अलग–अलग मुहरबन्द लिफाफे में दिनांक **24.06.2026** को अपराह्न **01:00** बजे तक double-bid system के अन्तर्गत जिला योजना कार्यालय, मुजफ्फरपुर में प्राप्त किया जायेगा। प्राप्त निविदा को दिनांक **24.06.2026** को अपराह्न **03:00** बजे क्रय समिति के समक्ष कार्यालय प्रकोष्ट में खोला जायेगा जिसमें निविदादाता स्वयं अथवा उनके द्वारा प्राधिकृत प्रतिनिधि उपस्थित रह सकते हैं। निविदा संबंधी विस्तृत जानकारी एवं शर्तें जिला योजना कार्यालय, मुजफ्फरपुर से किसी भी कार्य दिवस को प्राप्त किया जा सकता है तथा साथ ही जिला के वेबसाईट **https://muzaffarpur.nic.in** पर भी देखा जा सकता है।

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मुजफ्फरपुर

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मुजफ्फरपुर

PR- 005445 (Youth, Art & Cul.) 2026-27

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Govt. of Bihar

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Notice Inviting Tender

Short Notice Tender No. 02/2026-27

The Bodhgaya Temple Management Committee (BTMC), Bodhgaya invites sealed Tenders from experienced and reputed firms for the eligible and experienced Advocates/Law Firms for engagement as Legal Consultant to provide legal advisory and related services to the BTMC Bodhgaya, Bihar, India.

Tender Schedule/Programme:

Sl. No.	Activity	Date/Time : Duration
1.	Last Date/Time for Submission of offer/Bid	29/06/2026 Up to 03:00 p.m.
2.	Date & time for Opening of Bid.	29/06/2026 at 04:00 p.m.
3.	Bid Opening Date and Time	Will be communicated on the date of Bid opening.
4.	Contact person/Nodal Officer for queries	Mr. Sujeet Kumar Mishra Email: bodhgayatemple@gmail.com Mobile. No. 9798994224

- Tender Documents along with detailed descriptions of the service and Terms and Conditions of the Tender can be purchased from office of Bodhgaya Temple Management Committee, Bodhgaya, Gaya, Bihar well as it can be downloaded from www.bodhgayatemple.com.
- Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) of Rs. 50,000/- (fifty thousand) only should be in the form of Demand Draft drawn from a Scheduled Bank in Favor of Bodhgaya Temple Management Committee, Bodhgaya and payable at Bodhgaya.

District Magistrate, Gaya
-cum-Chairman, BTMC

This information is available on **www.state.bihar.gov.in/prdbihar also**

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नशामुक्त हो जाए बिहार, सुरक्षित रहे घर परिवार।

बिहार सरकार
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–:अल्पकालीन निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना:–

राज्य सरकार के सात निश्चय–03(2025–30) के तहत राज्य के सभी प्रखण्डों में डिग्री कॉलेज की स्थापना हेतु कार्यवाई की जानी है। इसी क्रम में अररिया जिला अन्तर्गत 05 प्रखण्डों में डिग्री कॉलेज हेतु आवश्यक वस्तुएं और सेवाओं की अधिप्राप्ति की जानी है।

इच्छुक आपूर्तिकर्त्ता निविदा समर्पित करने की अंतिम निर्धारित तिथि दिनांक–22.06.2026 के अपराह्न 03:00 बजे तक जिला शिक्षा पदाधिकारी, अररिया के कार्यालय में निविदा दाखिल कर सकते है। प्राप्त निविदा उसी दिन अपराह्न 04:00 बजे अपर समाहर्त्ता–सह–जिला लोक शिकायत निवारण पदाधिकारी, अररिया की अध्यक्षता में उनके कार्यालय प्रकोष्ठ में इस अधिप्राप्ति के लिए गठित क्रय समिति के समक्ष खोली जाएगी। उक्त प्राप्त निविदा खोलते समय निविदाकर्त्ता स्वयं या उनके द्वारा प्राधिकृत प्रतिनिधि उपस्थित रह सकते है। विशेष जानकारी के लिए अररिया जिला की वेबसाईट http://araria.nic.in में Tender Section पर देखा जा सकता है।

सीलबंद द्वि–लिफाफा प्रणाली (तकनीकी एवं वित्तीय) के अन्तर्गत योग्य एवं अनुभवी आपूर्तिकर्त्ताओं/फर्मों से निम्नलिखित वस्तुओं की आपूर्ति एवं स्थापना हेतु निविदाएँ आमंत्रित की जाती है:–

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विवरण	तिथि
निविदा जारी होने की तिथि	10.06.2026
निविदा अंतिम तिथि	22.06.2026
तकनीकी निविदा खोलना	22.06.2026
वित्तीय निविदा खोलना	22.06.2026

अपर समाहर्त्ता–सह–जिला
लोक शिकायत निवारण पदाधिकारी
अररिया

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MY PATNA

SAMRAT DISBURSES ₹1,100 EACH TO 94L BENEFICIARIES OF SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEMES IN BIHAR

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PATNA: Chief minister Samrat Choudhary on Wednesday transferred ₹1,100 each to the bank accounts of more than 94 lakh beneficiaries of various social security schemes to mark Narendra Modi setting the record of being the longest serving elected prime minister of the country.

The CM transferred the amount under six schemes of the state government, including those for senior citizens, widows and persons with disabilities, at a programme here.

The Bihar government had last year increased the monthly pensions of senior citizens, widows and people with disabilities from ₹400 to ₹1,100.

According to a statement issued by the chief minister's office here, "On the occasion of Narendra Modi completing the longest tenure as an elected prime minister, the CM transferred a pension of ₹1,100 each directly to the bank accounts of more than 94 lakh beneficiaries. The CM said providing social security to Bihar's poor, deprived, and needy sections is the responsibility of his government." The CM also announced that the pension amount would henceforth be credited to the bank accounts of the beneficiaries on the 10th day of every month.

Choudhary said that persons aged 60 years or above who are not yet receiving benefits under the schemes should apply immediately.

The Social Welfare Department runs six pension schemes for elderly people, widows and differently-abled persons.

These schemes include Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme, Mukhyamantri Vridhjan Pension Yojana, Indira Gandhi National Widow Pension Scheme, Lakshmibai Social Security Pension Scheme, Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme and Bihar State Disability Pension Scheme

{ PERFORMANCE TO BE MONITORED }

Bihar warns banks over poor credit-deposit ratio

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PATNA: The Bihar government issued a strong warning to several nationalised banks over their poor credit-deposit (C:D) ratio in the state. Officials said on Wednesday that the government cautioned banks that their performance would be monitored over the next six months. Failure to improve lending to the people in Bihar could lead to restrictions on placing government deposits with them.

The warning was communicated on June 5 to the heads of major banks, including SBI, PNB, BOI, IDBI Bank, Indian Overseas Bank among others.

The move is significant because Bihar has an annual government budget of around ₹3 lakh crore, accounting for nearly 25% of the state's economy, making government deposits a major source of banking liquidity.

The action follows the recommendations of a high-level committee constituted by the government to review banking performance and improve state's credit-to-deposit (C:D) ratio.

According to the findings of the high-level committee's second review meeting, chaired by Bihar development commissioner Mihir Kumar Singh in Patna on May 18, the state's overall C:D ratio improved to 60.21% in 2025-26 for the first time. However, it remained far below desirable levels due to poor lending performance by some large public sector banks, including the SBI and the PNB.

The committee, constituted by Bihar's deputy chief minister Bijendra Prasad Yadav, who is also the cabinet minister of finance, planning and development, is chaired by development commissioner Mihir Singh. It also includes Bihar's finance secretary, regional director of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), and chief general managers of NABARD and the State Bank of India.

The committee reviewed banks' performance based on the state government's "measurement index," annual credit plan (ACP), C:D ratio and implementation of various government-linked lending schemes.

The committee observed that SBI alone accounts for nearly 32.4% of total deposits in Bihar, but its C:D ratio stood at only 43.63%. PNB, the second-largest bank in terms of deposits, recorded a C:D ratio of 44.57%. Bank of India's C:D ratio was 43.73%, while Central Bank of India's stood at 46.85%.

Financial experts opined that if SBI alone is excluded, Bihar's C:D ratio would rise to 68.16%, and if both SBI and PNB are excluded, the ratio would increase further to 72.75%, indicating comparatively better performance by smaller banks.

The high-level committee also recommended revising the annual credit plan targets. They suggested assigning banks lending targets equivalent to at least 80% of projected deposits to ensure that even if 90% of the target is achieved, the state's credit-to-deposit ratio remains near 70%.

Following the review meeting, Bihar's secretary (expenditure) Rachna Patil wrote to the chairpersons, general managers and circle heads of the banks concerned on June 5, highlighting their poor lending performance in Bihar.

In a letter to SBI chairman Challa Sreenivasulu Setty, Patil said SBI held deposits worth ₹1.99 lakh crore in Bihar, accounting for 32.4% of total scheduled commercial bank deposits in the state, but had extended advances of only ₹87,012 crore, which represented 23.48% of credit given in the state.

She said the bank had been a "regular poor performer" in providing credit to the people of Bihar. She noted that while the average C:D ratio for scheduled commercial banks stood at 58.68%, SBI's ratio was only 43.63%, making it the third worst performer in the state. Officials said the Indian Overseas Bank was the worst performer, with a credit-to-deposit ratio of 42.20%, followed by IDBI at 43.47%.

Patil further said State Level Bankers' Committee, which allocates annual credit plan targets, is coordinated by SBI itself. Yet, the bank failed to improve despite repeated discussions and directions issued in SLBC meetings chaired by Bihar's finance minister, her letter stated.

In separate communications to the general managers and regional heads of other banks, the finance department stated that banks whose C:D ratio remains below 50% would be placed under performance monitoring for six months. It warned that if no improvement is seen thereafter, the government may consider withholding deposits from such banks.

GOVT DOCTOR SUSPENDED OVER HOSPITAL FIRE

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PATNA: The Bihar health department on Tuesday suspended a government doctor over alleged negligence and dereliction of duty linked to the June 4 fire at Muzaffarpur's Prasad Hospital that claimed seven lives.

Dr Pankaj Kumar, a medical officer posted at the primary health centre (PHC) in Bandra block of Muzaffarpur, was allegedly absent from his government posting and working at the private hospital when the fire broke out.

In a statement, the department alleged that Dr Kumar fled the premises during the fire, leaving patients in the ICU unattended amid the emergency.

The health department said disciplinary proceedings would be initiated against the doctor after a preliminary inquiry found serious irregularities in his conduct. Officials said the action followed an inquiry based on reports submitted by the DM and civil surgeon.

The blaze at the private hospital killed seven patients, most of them admitted in the ICU. Preliminary investigations indicated that the fire was triggered by an electrical short-circuit and spread rapidly because of oxygen support systems and combustible material inside the ICU.

The incident triggered outrage and prompted the health department to order statewide fire safety audits of hospitals .

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Amul gets 13 acre land to set up ₹200 cr plant

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PATNA: The Kaira District Cooperative Milk Producers' Union Limited, an Anand-based cooperative behind the iconic Amul brand and a pioneer of India's White Revolution, is preparing to establish a modern milk processing plant at Fatuha in Patna district. The project clearance committee of Bihar Industrial Area Development Authority recently approved about 13 acres of land for the facility.

A senior industries department official confirmed the move, which comes with an estimated investment of ₹200 crore. The unit will focus on processing milk and manufacturing fresh dairy products, aiming to boost local value addition and provide better market linkages for dairy farmers. "The development is expected to create around 200 direct and indirect jobs while strengthening the state's overall dairy infrastructure," he said.

Amul's entry will likely intensify competition in Bihar's dairy market, long dominated by the state-supported Sudha brand under Bihar State Milk Co-operative Federation. Sudha has built strong local loyalty through its network of cooperatives and procurement from small farmers, but Amul's professional branding, product variety and efficient supply chain could challenge that hold. Industry observers suggest this could lead to better prices and choices for consumers while pushing players to improve quality, innovation and farmer payouts.

State facing severe financial crisis: Tejashwi over BCF use

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PATNA : Leader of the Opposition in Bihar assembly, Tejashwi Yadav, on Wednesday expressed serious concern over Bihar's financial health, claiming the state cabinet's decision to withdraw ₹3,662 crore from the Bihar contingency fund (BCF) to disburse social security pensions for May, June and July was a mark of "severe financial crisis".

Traditionally, the BCF is meant for unforeseen emergencies, natural calamities or sudden financial crises rather than routine expenditure. The RJD leader questioned why the government had to resort to using this fund for pension payments, suggesting it reflected a deeper fiscal crisis in the state.

In a detailed statement, the former dy CM highlighted multiple signs of financial stress, including delays in salary and pension payments to state employees for past 4-5 months, pending contractor dues for over a year and the inability to initiate work on schemes approved in 2023-24. He also pointed to frequent power cuts across the state, non-disbursal of scholarships, stalling of Student Credit Card scheme and recent cabinet decision to discontinue Bihar State Crop Assistance Scheme. Yadav urged CM Samrat Choudhary to address the public on the state's financial situation instead of focusing on other issues.

He further asked why such conditions had arisen despite the long presence of the 'double-engine' government in the state.

Additional chief secretary (cabinet) Arvind Kumar Chaudhary on Monday said the state cabinet had approved release of ₹3,662 crore from BCF for payment of social security pension, among 25 key proposals.

Meanwhile, RJD spokesperson Ejaz Ahmed alleged that in Rishu Shree tender scam case, authorities were targeting minor players while shielding senior officials. He claimed although ED named several senior IAS officers in an affidavit submitted to Patna high court, no cases were registered against key officials, including two IAS officers who allegedly received kickbacks from Shree. He claimed these officers continued to hold their positions, raising questions about government's willingness to act against influential figures. The RJD leaders demanded prompt action against all those named in the probe.

Maa Shakumbhari University, Saharanpur
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SPOTLIGHT | 12 YEARS OF MODI

The saffron spread

In 2021, the BJP had a chief minister in 12 states or Union territories and an alliance partner in power in six more. In the five years since, the party's footprint has grown rapidly across India, especially in the Hindi belt and with deep inroads in the east. After the latest poll results, the BJP has 17 states directly under its belt and 5 more with an alliance partner

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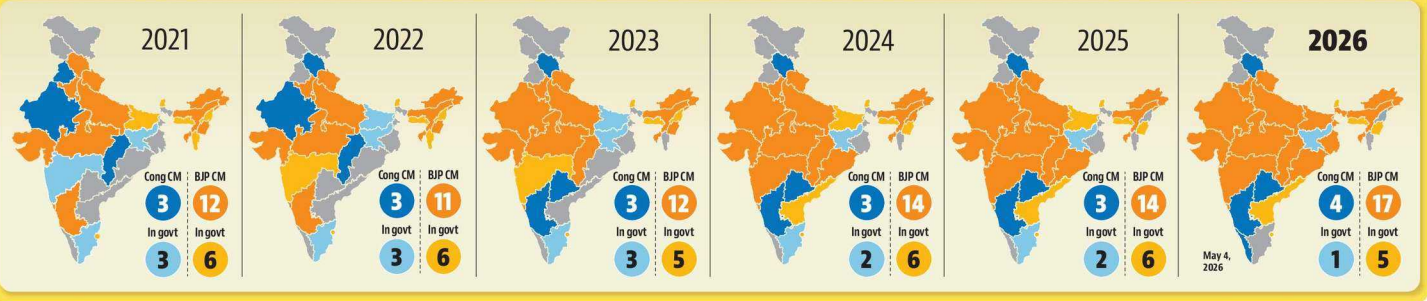

How Modi reshaped India's political map

As PM Modi completes 4,399 days in office, he is credited with reshaping India's polity and building new vote bases for the BJP

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NEW DELHI: On May 20, 2014, Narendra Modi knelt on the steps of Parliament and touched his forehead on the ground. He was soon to be elected as the leader of the Bharatiya Janata Party's (BJP) parliamentary party. Inside the historic central hall, slogans and cheers reverberated as he was showered with praise for steering BJP to a historic win in the Lok Sabha polls. Party patriarch LK Advani said it was the BJP and "Narendra Bhai Ki Kripa" (with his blessings) that he could see the day.

When Modi rose to speak, his voice cracked with emotion. "Advaniji ne ek shabd kaha. Main Advanji se prarthna karoonga ki woh iss shabd ka istmaal na kare... (Advaniji used a word. I will request him not to use this term)..." he said adding that he considered BJP as his mother, and a son serves the mother.

He then proceeded to explain how the election verdict was a "vote for the BJP" and not against the Congress. "Had it been a fractured verdict then one could say that people had vented their anger against the government and that it was anti-establishment. But by giving BJP an absolute majority they have voted for hope and trust. People have voted for hope and faith," he said.

It was this verdict that the PM and his party set out to amplify as they sought to expand the BJP's reach both geographically as well as ideologically. From being in power in seven states before the May verdict, the BJP has grown to being in power in 22 states and union territories in 2026 with its allies. "We were in (power) five states, which were also our strongholds, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Chattisgarh and in alliance with our partners in Punjab and Andhra Pradesh. Today the BJP alone is in power in 15 states, including West Bengal and Odisha where we were never in power, and PM Modi's leadership has made it possible," said a senior party leader and a national office bearer.

He credited the BJP's rise under Modi to the PM's "holistic vision". "The biggest driver of this change was welfare. Policies for the marginalised, innovation, infrastructure, improved federalism while sticking to the tenets of Hindutva and Antyodaya has seen the BJP emerge as a pan national entity," the leader said. Antyodaya or the philosophy of serving the last person in the queue, propagated by party ideologue Deen Dayal Upadhyay, is perceived as the foundation for the government's welfare outreach.

"Barring a few states, where the BJP is dependent on allies, the party can on its own steam win elections. We have been able to form a government even in the far north eastern region where finding a party office, a few years ago, was difficult. And this happened because of the PM's vision and Amit Shah's strategy," said the leader quoted above.

The party's decisive win in Uttar Pradesh and Bihar, and landmark victories in Odisha and Bengal, helped demolish the perception that the BJP couldn't win against regional behemoths such as the Biju Janata Dal in Odisha, the Trinamool Congress in West Bengal, the Rashtriya Janata Dal in Bihar, or the Samajwadi Party in UP.

"The Congress, which after Independence was the dominant force that crushed the aspirations of the regional leaders and ruled for five decades, has now been politically vanquished... It was because of its misrule that allies such as the Janata Dal and the TDP preferred the NDA to the INDIA bloc," the leader said.

A second party functionary who worked with Modi when the latter was party general secretary in Delhi, said the PM's "assertive, indomitable approach" to problems, coupled with his ability to take harsh decisions, has rewritten the rules of the game. "Earlier leaders stayed away from what was considered impossible or not politically sound. He took on the dynasts, he gave people from the most marginalised sections a voice and when it came to hard decisions, he persisted in the face of opposition and criticism," the second leader said.

The emergence of the marginalised castes and their political representation has altered the composition and complexion of legislative bodies. A third party functionary, who is also a Rajya Sabha MP, said the last 12 years have been an era of change with Modi "rewriting the grammar of politics". "From giving positions in the party and the government to non-dynasts to ensuring unsung heroes working for the people are picked for the prestigious Padma awards, he has rewritten the rules. Recognition of work and talent has overridden the culture of sifarish (recommendation)," the MP said.

Modi's colleagues also credit the PM for opening up new channels for communication through his monthly radio broadcasts, Mann Ki Baat, and his social media handles.

"He has ensured that work speaks and elected representatives are judged on the basis of their performance. In fact, there is a standing joke, if anyone is putting in a word for you, then it's a given that you will not get the job!" said the MP quoted above.

Party leaders also assert that the party's social engineering or bringing together a coalition of castes, which has been identified as a key reason for the BJP's consolidation, was strengthened by the PM's outreach. "He has managed to convey the message that politics is not merely a position, but a thought process. The choice of people – whether it was for Rashtrapati Bhavan or Rajya Sabha – is not based on clout, but on attributes, be it a person from the most backward region or a deprived tribe...," said the MP.

The party's expansion and the electoral success has also been attributed to the PM's insistence on changing the systems for "ease of living".

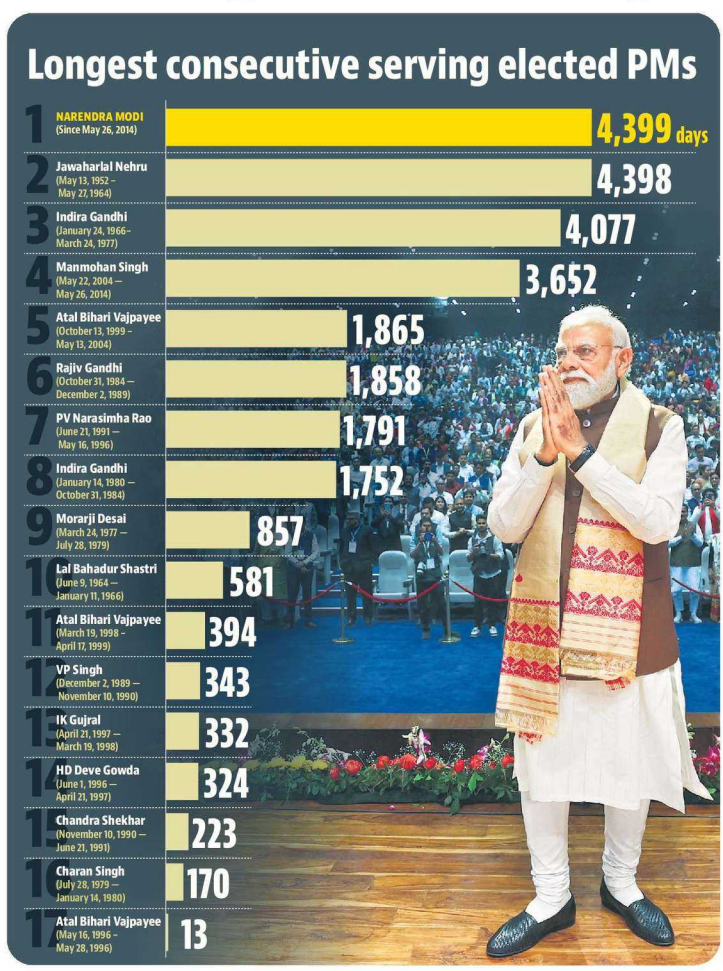
"There are states such as Madhya Pradesh where the BJP has been in power for three decades. We have won elections in Maharashtra and Haryana bucking anti-incumbency because the work done by the government has ensured good governance outcomes," said a fourth leader, who is also a former state president.

The leader said during Congress rule there was a very popular slogan, 'Congress ka haath, garib ke saath' (The hand of Congress is with the poor- an indication of the party's pro poor policy) . "...But it remained just a slogan. Their own leader (PM), Rajiv Gandhi had admitted that there were excessive leakages and by the time the money meant for beneficiaries reached them, it was substantially reduced," the fourth leader said. After his visit to Kalahandi in Odisha in 1985, Gandhi while referring to the corruption had remarked only 15 paise out of a rupee reached the poor.

Doubling down on direct benefit transfers, women-centric schemes, and fewer bureaucratic interventions in clearances have contributed to the BJP's success. "As a leader who spent time in the midst of people, experienced their difficulties, he has ensured that the policies that are drafted are tailored to help the poor. There is constant review to ensure that there are no gaps in implementation and there is saturation of schemes," the fourth leader said. His emphasis on accountability and transparency in the working of the government, is being emulated in the states as well. A senior leader from Bihar said, in the cabinet meeting, ministers are now expected to make presentations and take questions, which was earlier being done by bureaucrats, "The PM's message was to ensure that ministers are accountable. It is no longer afsarshahi (bureaucracy) but lokshahi (democracy)..." the leader from Bihar said.

As he completes 12 years, Modi is credited with reshaping polity and building new vote bases. "BJP's core vote bank today are the labharthis (beneficiaries) who no longer pass through a serpentine process to get their dues... He created a constituency of people who do not shy away from cultural nationalism and are an active participant in the Viksit Bharat [developed India] campaign and this is just the beginning," said the fourth leader. "The PM has already set us new goals."

Longest consecutive serving elected PMs



Mapping 12 years of welfare expansion in Modi's tenure

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NEW DELHI: When Narendra Modi came to power in May 2014, India's welfare delivery landscape was marked by fragmentation, leakages and the heavy presence of intermediaries between the state and its intended beneficiaries. Twelve years on, the government's flagship social schemes collectively constitute one of the largest welfare architectures in the world — reaching over 800 million people on food security alone, disbursing ₹4.27 lakh crore directly to farmers, installing taps in over 150 million rural homes and extending health insurance to nearly 550 million citizens.

The Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY), launched during the Covid-19 in March 2020 and made permanent from January 2024, stands as the single largest expenditure in the welfare portfolio. The scheme covers 813.5 million beneficiaries — roughly 60% of India's population — providing foodgrains entirely free of cost since January 2023, with the food subsidy bill crossing ₹2 lakh crore in FY26. Together with the existing National Food Security Act entitlements, it provides 56-58 million tonnes of foodgrains annually. No other government programme in the world matches its coverage.

> MODI GOVT'S SOCIAL SCHEMES COLLECTIVELY MAKE ONE OF THE LARGEST WELFARE ARCHITECTURE IN THE WORLD

The Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN), launched in February 2019, provides ₹6,000 annually in three instalments to landholding farmer families. As of the 22nd instalment released in March 2026 in Guwahati, over ₹4.27 lakh crore has been disbursed since inception to more than 110 million unique farmer families.

Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PM-JAY), launched in September 2018, provides ₹5 lakh per family per year for hospitalisation, targeting the bottom 40% of the population.

Dr VK Paul, healthcare expert and NITI Aayog member who played a central role in designing the scheme, called Ayushman Bharat the standout welfare intervention of the decade. "One scheme that stands out the most for me in terms of its impact on our welfare is Ayushman Bharat," he said, noting 60 million treatments worth ₹77,298 crore have been provided over 10 years.

The Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM), launched on August 15, 2019, set out to provide functional tap connections to every rural household. As of March 2026, over 158.3 million rural households have tap water connections, up from only 32.3 million when the mission began.

On housing, Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY-G), launched in April 2016, has achieved significant scale. As of August 2025, out of a total target of 41.2 million houses, 38.5 million have been sanctioned and 28.2 million completed. The scheme has been extended to 2029 with a fresh target of 49.5 million pucca houses.

Transforming India through reform, delivery

India has witnessed the longest period in its history during which the welfare of the poor and the common man has remained at the core of every policy initiative of the central government. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been on a mission to expand welfare, opportunity, and access to essential services for all citizens.

It is therefore not surprising that the country has rallied behind his decisive, caring and compassionate leadership, making him India's longest-serving elected PM.

The historic milestone reached on June 10 marks a significant moment in India's democratic journey. The country decisively voted the Modi Government to power in 2014 at a time when the economy was shaky and public frustration was growing over the scandals and controversies that dominated the discredited United Progressive Alliance regime.

PM Modi's 4,399 days of service as India's elected leader, surpassing the tenure of Jawaharlal Nehru after his first electoral victory in 1952, have been marked by far-reaching transformation.

The Modi government ensured free foodgrains for over 810 million people, enabled financial inclusion through 580 million Jan Dhan bank accounts, and provided tap water connections to 160 million households. Through Ayushman Bharat, the world's largest health insurance scheme, 120 million families are assured free treatment of up to ₹5 lakh.

For many young Indians, it may be difficult to imagine how challenging life was before the transformational changes introduced by him, first as chief minister of Gujarat and later as PM. His decisive leadership, combined with a caring and compassionate approach, has steered India towards the Viksit Bharat [developed India] 2047 mission, combining pride in India's heritage with an ambitious development agenda.

For the PM, women are not merely beneficiaries of assistance, but builders of the nation. The fundamentals were addressed first: more than 120 million toilets were constructed under the Swachh Bharat Mission, enhancing safety and dignity, while over 100 million free LPG connections were provided under the Ujjwala Yojana, freeing women from the hazards of smoke-filled kitchens.

The Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao initiative has reinforced the importance of the girl child's education and well-being. Through the Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam, the PM has secured greater representation for women in the country's legislatures to carry forward womenled development.

Farmer welfare has been a central pillar of PM Modi's policies. Through the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN), income support is transferred directly to crores of farmers in recognition of their contribution. Nearly 100 million farmer families have benefited from more than ₹4.28 lakh crore disbursed under the scheme.

The government has also significantly increased the Minimum Support Price, which is now at least 1.5 times the input cost. Also, farmers have been protected from the sharp rise in global fertiliser prices through continued access to crop nutrients at affordable rates.

Flagship initiatives such as Make in India and Startup India have been designed to create opportunities for young Indians. The establishment of a dedicated ministry of skill development and entrepreneurship has helped equip the youth with skills relevant to a modern economy, while positioning India to take advantage of the emerging Artificial Intelligence revolution.

Startup India, along with broader support for innovation, has enabled many young people to transition from job seekers to job creators.

These initiatives have laid the foundation for a new wave of entrepreneurship with the potential to contribute significantly to economic growth and employment generation.

Before 2014, India was widely regarded as one of the world's "Fragile Five" economies, with investor confidence declining. With bold reforms, investor-friendly policies, fiscal discipline and lower inflation, India is now the world's fastest-growing major economy and an increasingly attractive destination for business and investment.

India has signed Free Trade Agreements with developed countries, opening global opportunities for our youth, farmers, small businesses, artisans and workers without compromising India's interests, unlike some reckless deals signed by the UPA.

The government has also strengthened the confidence of businesses and the middle class through major reforms, including the Goods and Services Tax and lower tax rates. The Digital India initiative, coupled with the rapid expansion of internet access and digital payment systems, has had a significant impact on the economy while making daily life easier for citizens.

Businesses have further benefited from the decriminalisation of numerous outdated and minor offences, as well as the removal of unnecessary compliance burdens. The middle class has also received substantial relief, with annual income up to ₹12.75 lakh being made exempt from income tax.

The Modi government is rapidly transforming India's infrastructure. The number of operational airports has more than doubled, rising from 74 in 2014 to more than 160. Large-scale railway electrification, the ambitious bullet train project, and the rapid expansion of national highways and expressways have made many parts of India's infrastructure comparable with the best in the world.

The true significance of the PM's historic milestone lies not in the number of days served, but in the scale of change delivered. His leadership has placed the welfare of the poor and farmers, the aspirations of the middle class, and the ambitions of a rising India at the centre of governance.

As the nation moves forward, this journey of transformation continues with renewed resolve towards building a Viksit Bharat by 2047.

Piyush Goyal is a senior cabinet minister. The views expressed are personal

Family alleges custodial death of 25-yr-old man

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PURNEA: The family of a 25-year-old undertrial prisoner, who allegedly died by suicide at Jadia police station, staged a protest by blocking nearby State Highway 91 in Bihar's Supaul on Wednesday, alleging custodial assault leading to the death.

Koriyapatti resident Bittu Kumar, allegedly a habitual drinker, had been handed over to the police by his family on Tuesday night for 'correction'. Police said Kumar was found hanging from a piece of his own cloth on Wednesday during a routine check-up. SP Sarath RS said, "One man brought to the police station died in custody. Prima facie, it appears that he died by hanging. We have sent the body for post-mortem."

The family accused police of beating him to death and staging it as a suicide. Police pacified the protestors and assured a proper investigation. The SP said the autopsy would be conducted by a board of doctors and the entire process would be recorded.

"Judicial inquiry has been initiated and whoever is found guilty of negligence will be punished. CCTV footage has been preserved and forensic experts are examining the nature of death," he said. Heavy police force was deployed in the area to maintain law and order.

Undertrial prisoner, 55, found hanging in Kishanganj distt jail

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PURNEA: A 55-year-old undertrial prisoner lodged at Kishanganj district jail died allegedly by suicide on Wednesday morning, police said. The woman's family has demanded a fair probe into the incident, alleging custodial assault led to her death.

According to police, Usha Rani, 55, a resident of Kochadhaman in Kishanganj, had been in jail since February after being charged under Dowry Prohibition Act at Kochadhaman police station.

Jail superintendent Dharmendra Kumar said, "Rani was found hanging near the toilet and it was spotted by the warden who later informed it to other jail authorities. She was rushed to the district hospital where the doctor declared her dead."

Jail authorities claimed that the woman was being treated for mental illness at MGM Medical College and Hospital and jail administration was monitoring her illness and well-being.

The woman's family demanded an impartial inquiry into the incident. "We can't rule out the possibility of torture inside jail leading to her death," Ajay Prasad Sinha, Rani's husband, said.

"The woman's family members have been handed over the body after post-mortem for last rites. We are waiting for the autopsy report and an investigation is underway," Kumar said.

Trainee cop dies in AIIMS Patna

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SASARAM : Bihar police trainee constable, Shriram Kumar, died at AIIMS Patna during treatment on Wednesday.

He fell unconscious due to heat stroke while participating in a drill at Police Lines Dehri Ground on Tuesday morning. Kumar was rushed to Narayan Medical College and Hospital at Jamuhar and put on ventilator.

He developed a brain-haemorrhage due to sudden spike in blood pressure, doctors said. He was referred to AIIMS Patna in the evening where he died on Wednesday, Rohtas SP Raushan Kumar said.

1 DEAD, 2 MISSING AFTER BOAT CAPSIZES IN KOSI IN DARBHANGA

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DARBHANGA: A woman died while two others went missing after a country boat carrying 10 people capsized in Kosi river under Kiratpur block of Bihar's Darbhanga district in the early hours of Wednesday, police said.

According to police, the occupants, six women and four girls from Kuboul and Tarbara villages, were crossing the river to reach agricultural fields for harvesting crops when the boat lost balance in the strong river currents and overturned.

Seven persons swam to safety and were rescued by locals. They were shifted to a PHC and discharged after treatment.

Meanwhile, police fished out the body of Kanchan Devi and launched an operation to trace Amira Devi and 11-year-old Neha Kumari.

Kiratpur circle officer (CO) Prashant Kumar said, "All ten passengers were heading for agricultural work when the mishap took place. Local divers and State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) teams have been pressed into service to locate the missing persons."

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Sd/- *RAHUL SRIVASTAVA*
(Designated Partner) DPIN- 01598823
ADDRESS : 1st Floor, HIG-B/15, Madhav Baug Colony, Mango, Jamshedpur, Pardih, East Singhbhum, Mango Notified Area, Jharkhand, India, 831020.
Date: 10.06.2026, Place: Jamshedpur

BANK OF BARODA, KADRU BRANCH:
AG Co-Operative Colony, Kadru, P.O. Doranda, Ranchi - 834002
ANNEXURE-C

POSSESSION NOTICE
(For Immovable Property/ies)
(As per Appendix IV read with rule 8(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002)

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Bank of Baroda under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated 07.04.2026, calling upon the Borrower Shri Krishna Kumar, S/o Ram Ji Ram to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs. 19,65,259.06/- (Rupees Nineteen Lakhs Sixty Five Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Nine and Paise Six Only) as on 07.04.2026 together with further interest thereon at the contractual rate plus costs, charges and expenses till date of payment within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower and the Public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 on this the 06th day of June of the year 2026.
The Borrower/Guarantors/Mortgagors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property/ies will be subject to the charge of Bank of Baroda for an amount of Rs. 19,65,258.06/- (Rupees Nineteen Lakhs Sixty Five Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Eight and Paise Six Only) and further interest thereon at the contractual rate plus costs, charges and expenses till date of payment.
The Borrower's/Mortgagor's attention is invited to provision of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of Immovable Property/ies

All that part and parcel of property consisting of Flat No. 201, 2nd Floor, BINA MANSION, Vill - Pugru, PS - Hatia, Thana No. 250, Holding No. 005500025100002O, Ward No. 55 in Plot No. 547 in Survey No. 92, Sub Plot No. 547/9, City or Town - Ranchi and District - Ranchi. Bounded by: On the North - Flat No. 202, On the South - Front Set Back, On the East - Side Set Back, On the West - Stairs.

Date : 06.06.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Kadru **Bank of Baroda**

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The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower and the Public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 on this the 06th day of June of the year 2026.
The Borrower/Guarantors/Mortgagors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property/ies will be subject to the charge of Bank of Baroda for an amount of Rs. 25,65,871/- (Rupees Twenty Five Lacs Sixty Five Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy One Only) as on 29.05.2025 and further interest thereon at the contractual rate plus costs, charges and expenses till date of payment.
The Borrower's/Mortgagor's attention is invited to provision of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of Immovable Property/ies

All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Flat No. 4E, Fourth Floor, Black Diamond Palace together situated at Village - Missirgonda, PS - Gonda, PS No. 191, District - Ranchi, Jharkhand, Pin - 834008 belonging to Sudarshana Nath Sharma under Khata No. 317, RS Plot No. 1366 Part measuring an area of 397 Sq.ft. equal to 0-91 Decimal and one parking area space 4/E, Holding No. 231/A-1 within Ward No. 02. Bounded by: On the North - Open to Sky, On the South - Flat No. 4/D, On the East - Corridor then Flat No. 4/F, On the West - Open to Sky.

Date : 06.06.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Ranchi **Bank of Baroda**

PSPCL Punjab State Power Corporation Limited
(Regd. Office: PSEB Head Office Building, The Mall, Patiala-147001)
Corporate Identity No. U40109PB2010SGC033813
Website: www.pspcl.in, Contact No. 96461-12344

E-Tender Enquiry No: 01/SE/MHP/2026-27/P-428 **Dtd. 08.06.2026**

Dy. CE/O&M Circle, MHP, Talwara invites e-tenders for **outsourcing the work of Routine & Preventive Maintenance, Breakdown Maintenance and Annual Overhauling of Generating Units, Switchyards and other allied equipment through contractor at Power House No.- 1 to 4 of Mukerian Hydel Project Stage-I, PSPCL, Talwara (Pb).**
Last date for downloading tender documents: 06.07.2026 upto 1000 Hrs.
Last Date for Bid Submission: 13.07.2026 upto 1100 Hrs.
Interested bidders may visit PSPCL e-procurement website for details: **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in**.
In case tender process is not completed due to any reason(s), no corrigendum will be published in newspapers. Details regarding corrigendum may be seen on e-tendering website only.
C638/26 RO NO 1079/12/2026/27/12207

Hajipur Branch
Anwarpur Road, Dakbanglow Road, Hajipur, Pin-844101
(Vaishali), Bihar, Ph: 06224-260146, 9264429746
Email: vjhaji@bankofbaroda.com

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable property)
[As per Appendix IV read with rule 8 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002]

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **BANK OF BARODA** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (3 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice calling upon the Borrower /Guarantor to repay the amount mentioned in the notice together with further interest thereon at the contractual rate plus costs, charges and expenses till date of payment within 60 days from the receipt of the said notice with future interest and incidental charges.
The Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)/ Mortgagor(s) having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)/Mortgagor(s) and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13 (4) of the Said Act with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002.
The borrower(s)/ guarantor(s)/ mortgagor(s) in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **BANK OF BARODA** for an amount stated herein below plus interest and incidental expenses incurred by bank.
The Borrower's attention is invited to provision of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Sl No.	Name of the Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantors/ Demand Notice/Date of Possession/Amount Outstanding	Description of the Immovable Property
1.	**Borrower : M/S DIVYA ENTERPRISES Prop-Asha Devi , Ward No – 16, Pokhara Mohalla, Gudri Road, Hajipur-844101 Mob – 9934906857 and Mrs. Asha Devi W/o Dev Anand residing at – Gudri Bazar, Pokhara Mohallah, Vaishali-844101 and Guarantor Mr. Dev Anand S/o Sudama Singh residing at Ward no – 16, Pokhara Mohallah, Gudri Road, Hajipur -844101 Demand Notice Date:** 16.03.2026 **Possession Notice Date:** 05.06.2026 **Amount Rs 32,16,320.99/-(Rupees Thirty Two Lakh Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred Twenty and Ninety Nine paisa)** as on 12-03-2026 plus further interest and legal charges plus interest reversed (if any) and other charges	**Equitable Mortgage of land and Building** on the name of Asha Devi W/o Dev Anand vide sale deed no 9874 dated 17.12.2013 situated at khata No 98 and 78, Khesra No 849 and 850, Mauza – Panapur, Rev thana no- 291, Anchal- Bidupur, SRO- Hajipur, Dist – Vaishali admeasuring Total Area – 08 Decimal, **As per Sale Deed no 9874 dated 17.12.2013** **North:** Village Road, **South:** Rajendra Singh and Nagendra Singh, **East:** Brahamdeo Singh and Others **West:** Village Road **As per Valuation Report Dated 13.12.2022** **North:** Brahamdeo Singh and Chandradeo Singh, **South:** Village Road, **East:** Village Road, **West:** Rajendra Singh and Nagendra Singh **(Corsai ID : 400024282311)**
2.	**Borrower : M/S Maa Enterprises Prop-** Ritesh Kumar Patel, Mohallah-Medanimal Mahajan Toli, Po- Hajipur, Dist-Vaishali- 844101 and Mr. Ritesh Kumar Patel S/o Harihar Singh residing at Medanimal Mahajan Toli, Po- Hajipur, Dist-Vaishali- 844101 and Guarantor Mr. Harihar Singh residing at Medanimal Mahajan Toli, Po- Hajipur, Dist-Vaishali- 844101, Mrs. Laxmi Devi W/o Mr. Harihar Singh residing at Medanimal Mahajan Toli, Po- Hajipur, Dist-Vaishali- 844101 and Mr. Nitish Kumar S/o Harihar Singh residing at Medanimal Mahajan Toli, Po- Hajipur, Dist- Vaishali- 844101, and Mr. Jitendra Kumar S/o Harihar Singh residing at Medanimal Mahajan Toli, Po-Hajipur, Dist-Vaishali- 844101 **Demand Notice Date:** 25.03.2026 **Possession Notice Date:** 05.06.2026 **Amount Rs 34,99,271.74/-(Rupees Thirty Four Lakh Ninety Nine Thousand Two Hundred Seventy One and Seventy Four Paisa)** as on 23-03-2026 plus further interest and legal charges plus interest reversed (if any) and other charges	**Simple Registered mortgage deed of** Immovable Properties vide Deed No 6938 dated 30/09/2014 executed by Sri Ritesh Kumar patel, Sri Nitish Kumar ,Sri Jitendra Kumar, Sri Harihar Patel and Mrs. Laxmi Devi . **1.** Mauza–Kanhaimal Rev Thana no–179, Survey ward no -12, Khata no– 243, Khesra no-401, Anchal– Hajipur, Ps Town– Hajipur ,Dist–Vaishali admeasuring Total area –0.50 Decimal **Boundaries of the Property :North:** Niz Vendee, **South:** Lakhu Singh, **East:** Ram Ashish Singh, **West:** Niz Vendor **2.** Mauza – Medanimal, Rev thana no -178, Survey ward no–12, Khata No–243, Khesra No-401, Anchal– Hajipur, Ps Town -Hajipur, Dist– Vaishali admeasuring Total area – 1.00 Decimal **Boundaries of Property : North:** Survey Plot No-394, **South:** Chameli Devi W/o- Lakhu Singh, **East:** Ram Ashish Singh, **West:** Haribansh Patel and others **3.** Mauza- Mednimal ,Rev thana no – 178, Survey ward -12, Khata no -243, Khesra No –401 Anchal – Hajipur ,Ps Town -Hajipur admeasuring Total area – 0.375 Decimal **Boundaries of Property: North:** 15ft wide Nagar Palika Road, **South:** Niz, **East:** Ram Ashish Singh, **West:** haribansh patel **(Corsai ID : 40056162493))**

Place: Hajipur **Authorised Officer**
Date: 05.06.2026 **Bank of Baroda**

बैंक ऑफ इंडिया Bank of India BOI
ZONAL OFFICE, BOKARO
E-17, City Centre, Sector-IV, Bokaro Steel City, Bokaro
Contact No.- 06542 2336690

NOTICE FOR PUBLIC AUCTION OF PLEDGED GOLD JEWELLERY / ORNAMENTS/CO

It is hereby brought to the notice of the following gold loan borrowers, their legal heirs, persons engaged in business of gold jewellery/ornaments/coins and general public that in-spite of repeated reminders/notices by the Bank, the following borrowers are not repaying their dues to the Bank.
Notice is hereby published that if they fail to deposit all their dues in their respective gold loan accounts (including up-to-date interest and all costs charges/expenses) by 24-06-2026 then from 11:00 AM of 25-06-2026 their pledged gold jewellery/ornaments/coins will be put up for public auction online. The borrower had failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and in public in general that the undersigned will conduct online auction of the gold ornaments strictly on "As is What is Basis" & "Whatever there is Basis" & "Without recourse Basis". The auction will be conducted online through https://egold.auctiontiger.net on 25-06-2026 from 11:00 am to 05:00 pm. For this, Bank shall not be held responsible for any inconvenience or damage caused to the concerned borrowers and no allegations or representations will be entertained from any borrowers in this regard.
Persons interested to take part in the bidding should deposit Rs.1500/- (Rupees Fifteen Hundred only) with the Branch Manager by 24-06-2026 towards earnest money. Persons having taken part in final bidding must be able to deposit full amount to the Bank within 48 hours, failing which their earnest money, deposited with the Bank will be forfeited. Bank reserves the right to cancel the auction without assigning any reasons in case, the bidding price so arrived at, is observed to be low or inadequate. Further, if need be, Bank reserves the right to change the date, time or place of the above scheduled auction or cancel the same without assigning any reasons thereon.

Sr. No.	BORROWER NAME	Present O/S	Net Weight	Reserve Price	Branch and Contact Number
1.	ANU DEVI 471177610000085	RS.9,9593 +INT	7.44	RS. 71,851/-	Chas 8789238383
2.	PUSHPA JAIN 480577610000035	RS. 1,12,082 + INT	21.39	RS. 2,52,293/-	Suriya 8789238383

Please contact E-Procurement Technologies limited (Auction Tiger) on +919023724780 or +916351896640 or egold@auctiontiger.net for more information.
Visit https://egold.auctiontiger.net for detailed terms & conditions.
Inspection date & time of the Gold : 17.06-2026 12:00PM to 2:00PM (contact Branch Officer)
For More Details Contact : ARD TEAM, Zonal Office: 0651-2331932
Rajendra Prasad (Chief Manager ARD)- 9973505840 | Uday kumar (Sr.Manager ARD) - 9955326324
Place : Bokaro
Date : 11.06.2026 Sd/- Authorised Officer

समाहरणालय, भागलपुर
(शिक्षा विभाग)
बिहार सरकार

भागलपुर जिलान्तर्गत 06 डिग्री कॉलेज के संचालन हेतु क्रय की जाने वाली आवश्यक सामग्रियों का क्रय एवं अधिष्ठापन हेतु इच्छुक प्रतिष्ठित कम्पनी / फर्म / अधिकृत एजेंसी से मुहरबंद निविदा आमंत्रित की जाती है।
निविदा दिनांक 19.06.2026 के अपराह्न 02.00 बजे तक जिला शिक्षा पदाधिकारी कार्यालय भागलपुर में प्राप्त किया जायेगा एवं प्राप्त निविदा गठित समिति के समक्ष दिनांक 19.06.2026 को अपो 3.00 बजे भागलपुर समाहरणालय के समीक्षा भवन में खोली जायेगी। आपूर्ति की जाने वाली सामग्रियों की विस्तृत सूची जिला शिक्षा पदाधिकारी कार्यालय, भागलपुर से किसी भी कार्य दिवस में निविदा प्रकाशन की तिथि से अंतिम तिथि से एक दिन पूर्व तक निजी खर्च से छायाप्रति प्राप्त किया जा सकता है अथवा भागलपुर के वेबसाईट **www.bhagalpur.nic.in** पर भी देखा जा सकता है।
जिलाधिकारी
भागलपुर
PR. No. 005505 (B&C) 2026-27

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STATE BANK OF INDIA
RASMECC BOKARO (10015)

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR E-AUCTION (DATE-19.06.2026) FOR SALE OF VEHICLE

State Bank of India had taken possession of the following vehicles pursuant to the notice issued under Hypothecation Agreement in the Loan account with our Branch with a right to sell the same on the basis of **"AS IS WHERE IS", "AS IS WHAT IS"** and **"WHATEVER THERE IS"** for realization of Bank's dues.

Sl. No	Name of Borrower	Manufacturer	Model	Date of Registration	Registration No.	Reserve Price(Rs.)	Property ID
1	Md Moiuddin Ansari	Terra Motors India Pvt Ltd	E-Rickshaw (P)-3WT	30.11.2023	JH09BE8678	Rs.48600/-	SBIN42435004180
2	Sanjay Kumar Manjhi	Tata Motors Ltd	Magic Mantra Petrol 9+D	26.08.2023	JH09BD8086	Rs.324000/-	SBIN42206608264
3	Irfan Ansari	Terra Motors India Pvt Ltd	E-Rickshaw (P)-3WT	31.01.2024	JH09BE8496	Rs.48600/-	SBIN42631913841
4	Nand Kishore Mahto	Dilli Electric Auto Pvt Ltd	City Life Loader XV-MAX	23.11.2023	JH09BE2352	Rs.51030/-	SBIN42444467376
5	Vishwanath Das	Daksh Industries	Sargam E-Ride	02.10.2023	JH09BD7101	Rs.32805/-	SBIN42310687124

Terms and Conditions of e-Auction:-
1. Date of e-auction: 19.06.2026 (Friday), Time: 360 Minutes from 11:00 AM to 05:00 PM with extension of 10 minutes each.
2. E-auction will be held through the portal/website: https://baanknet.com
3. Bidders have to register on this portal using their mobile number and email-id. Further, they have to upload requisite KYC documents. Once the KYC documents are verified (may take 2 working days), the bidders have to transfer the EMD amount in the EMD wallet through NEFT well in time.
4. The successful bidder shall deposit 10% of the Sale price, after adjusting the EMD already paid, immediately, i.e. on the same day or not later than next working day. The Balance 90% of the Sale price is payable on or before the 15th day of confirmation of the Sale.
5. The Bank reserves the right to cancel/reject any bid/auction process without assigning any reasons.
6. Mobile No. for property related inquiry/ verification: 8789674939, 9437869460, 8210418035. Time of contact: between 11:00 AM to 05:00 PM Bidders are requested to verify the property in person before e-Auction during Office Hours at Balidih Industrial Area, Phase-I, Balidih, Bokaro.
7. GST applicable.
8. Expenses of Registration cost/Dues at Dues of Vehicle to be borne by successful bidders after obtaining sale certificate from Bank.
9. Reserve Price excluding GST.

Date: 11.06.2026 **Sd/-(Authorised Officer)**
Place : Bokaro **State Bank Of India, Rasmec Bokaro**

FORM NO. 32
[See Regulation 14 of DRT Regulation 2024]
[See Rule 23 (VIII) of the DRT (Procedure) Rules 1993]
Government of India
Department of Financial Services
Debts Recovery Tribunal
2nd Floor, Karpuri Thakur Sadan, Rajiv Nagar, Patna -25
O.A. No. 69 of 2026

Central Bank of India.....**Applicant(s)**
V/s
M/s Nutan Ultrasound Colour Doppler and Echo Centre & Others.....**Defendant(s)**
To,
1. M/s Nutan Ultrasound Colour Doppler and Echo Center, Situated at Magistrate Colony, Shop no. 2, Ravi Market, Mauza-Khajpura, Police Station- Shastri Nagar, District- Patna- 800014.
2. Sri Arvind Kumar Pandey son of Sri Kalika Pandey, Proprietor of M/s Nutan Ultrasound Colour Doppler and Echo Center. resident of Magistrate Colony, Mauza-Khajpura, Police Station- Shastri Nagar District- Patna- 800014

SUMMONS

1. WHEREAS, **O.A. 69/2026** was listed before Hon'ble Presiding Officer/Registrar on **04.02.2026**
2. WHEREAS, this Hon'ble Tribunal is pleased to issue summons/ notice on the said Application under Section 19(4) of the Act, (OA) filed against you for recovery of debts of **Rs. 36,32,635.79**
3. WHEREAS, the service of summons/Notice could not be effected in the ordinary manner and whereas the Application for substitute service has been allowed by this Tribunal.
4. In accordance with sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, you, the defendants are directed as under:-
i. To show cause within thirty days of the service of summons as to why relief prayed for should not be granted;
ii. To disclose particulars of properties or assets other than properties and assets specified by the applicant under serial number 3A of the original application;
iii. You are restrained from dealing with or disposing of secured assets or such other assets and properties disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application;
iv. You shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise, except in ordinary course of his business any of the assets over which security interest is created and/or other assets and properties specified or disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application without the prior approval of the Tribunal;
v. You shall be liable to account for the sale proceeds realized by sale of secured assets or other assets and properties in ordinary course of business and deposit such sale proceeds in the account maintained with the bank or financial institutions holding security interest over such assets.
5. You are also directed to file the written statement with a copy thereof furnished to the applicant and to appear before Registrar on **29.06.2026** at **10:30 AM** failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your absence.
Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this **04.05.2026**

Registrar,
Debts Recovery Tribunal, Patna

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{ OUR TAKE }

Accountability down the sewers

No country can claim to be modern while standing on the backs of invisible workers risking their lives in sewers

Some lives are less equal than others, as we are reminded every day. The deaths of two sanitation workers at a sewage treatment plant in Faridabad on Tuesday highlight one of the country's most enduring and repeated failures. According to police, the men lost consciousness after inhaling poisonous gases while entering a sludge tank and drowned. Just days earlier, another worker died while cleaning a sewer line in Uttar Pradesh. Such is the complacence around this issue that headlines do not seem to affect anyone anymore, only to be replaced by the next avoidable tragedy.

What makes such loss of lives particularly disturbing, apart from apathy, is that they continue despite clear laws prohibiting manual scavenging and hazardous sewer cleaning. The Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013, was meant to permanently put an end to the practice. But the numbers tell a different story. At least 859 sanitation workers have died while cleaning sewers and septic tanks between 2014 and 2025, according to a Lok Sabha reply by the Union government on March 17. That averages around six deaths every month.

Perhaps the most dangerous trend in all of this is the familiar pattern that emerges after every such incident. Municipal agencies — responsible for maintaining sewage infrastructure — rarely undertake the work themselves. Instead, they outsource the work through layers of contractors and sub-contractors. At the end of such a chain are some of the country's most vulnerable workers, often employed informally, lacking training, legal protections, insurance, even basic safety equipment. Gas detectors, oxygen supplies, harnesses and protective gear are either absent or treated as dispensable costs. When deaths occur, responsibility is conveniently pushed to the lowest contractor on the job who then gets booked for negligence.

The Faridabad deaths should prompt more than yet another round of compensation announcements, blame-game and police cases. Officials must be held directly accountable for safety violations by contractors working on their behalf. Mechanised cleaning must be made mandatory . No country can claim to be modern while standing on the backs of invisible workers risking their lives in sewers. These tragedies are the predictable consequence of a system that continues to treat some lives as not merely unequal but expendable.

Student suicides are a failure of institutions

When the Supreme Court appointed a National Task Force (NTF) to look into students' mental health concerns and prevent suicides, it termed student suicides in the country an "epidemic". The remark perhaps reflected alarm over the 65% rise in student suicides between 2013 and 2023. The National Crime Research Bureau pegs the rise in student suicides between 2014 and 2024 at 80%. The NTF's interim report reveals a much more sordid picture: 65% higher-education institutions have no access to mental health service providers, 73% lack full-time mental health professional, and fewer than 4% have a suicide-risk assessment. Almost half of the institutions had not conducted a faculty sensitisation workshop in the 18 months the panel took to finalise its interim report.

But attitudes, not numbers, are the most alarming aspect of the report. The larger malaise — that of apathy to students — triggered not only suicide, but also suicidal attempts, ideation, passive death wish, self-harm, and mental health struggles. Many students and faculty members who interacted with the panel appeared either oblivious or unmoved. The NTF flagged weak redressal mechanisms, academic pressure, and severe gaps in mental health care support. It noted caste, class, ethnicity, and language as fault lines that exacerbated vulnerabilities of students from marginalised sections.

The contours of a remedial plan will need to include institutions, parents, and the government. Enforcing regulatory and court mandates on mental health and counselling support, anti-bullying measures, active monitoring for at-risk individuals, along with focused decompression of the academic environment and lowering of financial risks that make education a high-stakes pursuit is needed. The government must acknowledge suicides as only the symptom of a larger disease of discrimination on campuses, and act accordingly.

Indian middle class's gains in the last 12 years

More money in the pocket, better infrastructure, and the digital transformation have fuelled even larger aspirations — allowing a confident, better-served citizenry to demand more

V Anantha Nageswaran

Twelve years is long enough to change the texture of daily life, and in India, between 2014 and 2026, it has. The changes are visible in the household budget, in the morning commute, in the medical bill that is no longer paid out of pocket, and in the tax return no longer needing to be filed. India's middle class — that vast and expanding constituency of aspiration now comprising nearly a third of the population — experiences policy not as headline reform but as altered circumstance. The altered circumstances of 2026, compared with 2014, are considerable.

Let's begin with the most tangible — money in the pocket. In 2014, the income-tax exemption threshold stood at ₹2.5 lakh. Today, under the new tax regime, a salaried individual earning up to ₹12.75 lakh pays nothing to the exchequer. That is not a marginal adjustment; it is a structural re-drawing of the relationship between the State and the earning household — a recognition that the salaried middle class, which cannot hide income and has always borne a disproportionate share of the direct-tax burden, deserves relief.

The introduction of GST in 2017, whatever its teething troubles, eventually rationalised a cascade of hidden levies that inflated the price of goods across the consumption basket. The landmark GST 2.0 rationalisation of 2025 went further still: By reducing the tax rate applicable to a range of essential commodities to zero, it delivered a direct and measurable boost to household disposable income — the kind of relief felt not in policy documents but in households' pockets. But income freed from taxation is only part of the story. What the household could actually do with that income — and at what cost — changed, too. Home loan interest rates, which hovered between 9.5% and 10.5% a decade ago, fell to 7.35–8.75%, widening the aperture for homeownership for families who had long deferred that aspiration. The Special Window for Affordable and Mid-Income Housing (SWAMIH) fund, specifically designed for middle- and lower middle-income buyers trapped in stalled housing projects, has quietly delivered over 58,000 homes. The Jan Aushadhi programme, revamped after 2015, has saved families an estimated ₹40,000 crore in out-of-pocket medicine expenditure over 11 years — a number that tends not to feature in election speeches but registers acutely in the monthly household budget.

The transformation in physical infrastructure is the one most visible from a car or train window. The country's highway network has been built at a pace that would have seemed implausible in 2014. Airports have grown from 74 to 165. The metro rail network, which served five cities before 2014, now serves 26 cities, with daily ridership exceeding 1.15 crore — nearly four times the figure a decade ago — and adding roughly six kilometres of new track per month, compared to under one kilometre per month previously. Vande Bharat trains have set a new standard for intercity rail travel, previously unavailable to passengers who could not afford to fly. Daily rail passenger journeys now exceed two crore. These are not statistics without consequence. They are hours returned to working people, distances compressed, and a small but cumulatively significant reduction in the daily friction of urban life.

The digital transformation has been more profound, if less photogenic. The JAM trinity — Jan Dhan, Aadhaar, and mobile connectivity — has re-engineered how ordinary households interact with the State. Over 58 crore Jan Dhan accounts now exist where 14.72 crore did in 2015. Wireless subscribers are now close to 127 crore. DigiLocker, with 69 crore users, has made the document wallet — that essential of middle-class life — an application on a phone rather than an anxiety-inducing folder. The Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission has assigned nearly 90 crore unique health identity numbers, beginning to build the seamless, paperless medical record that could, in a generation, transform the quality of health care delivery. The Ayushman Bharat health insurance scheme, the world's largest public health care programme by enrolment, has extended coverage to senior citizens across income groups, including the middle class that has long fallen through the gap between government schemes targeting the poor and private insurance priced for the affluent. None of this warrants complacency. Rising aspirations are, by their nature, restless. The same family that gratefully received a cheaper home loan or a tax-free salary now asks harder questions about the quality of the examination system their child must navigate, the contours of the policy framework that determine access to professional and other educational opportunities, and the quality of urban living in modern India. These are not unreasonable questions. They are, in fact, the questions that only a more confident and better-served citizenry is positioned to ask. The government that has raised living standards accepts and understands the higher bar that those very improvements have set. The government acknowledges that these issues need sustained attention and commits itself to doing so.

What the middle class might also appreciate is the environment in which its government must operate. The global order that made the previous generation's prosperity relatively predictable has frayed considerably. Energy security, which determines the price of everything from the cooking gas cylinder to the fertiliser that prices food, cannot be taken for granted in a world where chokepoints are weaponised, and supply chains are instruments of statecraft.

National defence, which is the precondition for everything else, must be funded even when it competes with other social priorities. The government that builds roads, expands airports, extends health cover, and cuts income taxes is the same government that must simultaneously hedge against a world growing less forgiving by the year.

The compact between a government and its middle class is, at its best, one of mutual recognition — the citizen acknowledging what has been built and respecting the policy trade-offs that an increasingly contested and unforgiving world makes ever more binding, the government understanding what remains to be done and bringing to that task the same seriousness of purpose that has marked the last 12 years. That compact is renewed, not concluded, in 2026.

Transformation in physical infrastructure is the most visible gain. REUTERS

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CAN BILATERAL INVESTMENT TREATIES (BIT) WORK FOR INDIA?

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More than a BIT of a challenge for India

In the past couple of years, India signed bilateral investment treaties (BITs) with a few countries — most prominently, with Israel and the UAE. The success of a BIT lies not in the headline investment numbers announced, but in the chances of a mutually-agreed-to framework leading to the effective implementation of such treaties.

Recently, EU President Ursula von der Leyen urged India and the EU to conclude pending investment agreement negotiations soon. Leyen believes the agreement will unlock the full potential of the free trade agreement (FTA) the two sides signed last year. Economic theory supports the idea that trade and investment are joined at the hip — more so when we consider the current realities of global supply chains.

But, the fact is that the EU and India initiated separate negotiations on trade and investment in 2022, and the trade talks alone reached their logical conclusion. An investment deal is yet to materialise — thanks to differences between the two sides on several aspects of investment protection, including taxation, the most favoured nation (MFN) clause, and most conspicuously, the investor-State dispute settlement (ISDS) mechanism. These differences seem to be irreconcilable at the moment.

That said, stuck BITs are not just an India-EU problem. India is reportedly facing similar difficulties in its investment negotiations with other countries, including the UK. It is worth noting here that though India adopted a new BIT framework in 2015 — unilaterally terminating earlier BITs, including with EU member-countries — this framework has yielded investment agreements with just six-seven countries so far.

It is not as if India erred in adopting a new BIT framework — it was certainly not the only country disenchanted with the 2010s' paradigm for investment treaties. In the last 15 years, there has been a global backlash against first-generation investment treaties, many of which were signed in the 1990s — a reflection of the then-pervasive Washington Consensus. First-generation BITs featured extensive protection for foreign investment with limited scope for State intervention to fulfil social needs. This, borrowing from the work of economic historian Karl Polanyi, represented the dis-embedding of the economy from society. Ever since foreign investors began bringing ISDS claims against States — challenging a wide array of sovereign regulatory measures — there has been a Polanyian countermovement focused on re-embedding the economy within society, in the context of BITs.

Apart from recognising the State's power to regulate, this countermovement has taken the form of States de-legalising legacy frameworks governing international investment. States are wresting back control over foreign investment relations, which had been delegated to international law and global institutions earlier. Despite a few instances of extreme de-legalisation — States breaking away from all international investment laws — many countries such as India haven't walked away from BIT.

They are attempting the "re-legalisation" of the investment treaty regime — by altering the terms. For instance, the EU is seeking to replace ISDS with an investment court system. This process will necessitate a rewrite of the existing rules of engagement for foreign investment and the creation of a new normative order for foreign investment relations.

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The new investment-treaty practice of several countries/blocs needs to be viewed through this lens. The problem is not India seeking to de-legalise its international investment relations to create a new normative order, it is the degree of de-legalisation. Has India taken the de-legalisation process too far? Yes, for the three chief reasons. First, India's new investment treaty practice leads to the atrophying of its commitment to substantive investment protection obligations — by altogether excluding the MFN rule from its binding commitments. In other words, even if India discriminates against investment by one State, favouring a different one, the investor from the first State will be left without remedy. Second, India seeks to limit the jurisdiction of ISDS tribunals by excluding a large number of critical issues, such as taxation, from the BIT's ambit. Thus, even if India were to impose arbitrary taxes, those can't be challenged under the BIT. Finally, India's insistence that foreign investors pursue domestic remedies for five years before initiating an ISDS claim does not inspire investor confidence given the tardy pace of justice-dispensing in the country.

India must temper the degree of de-legalisation of its foreign investment relations and align it with that of countries/blocs such as the EU and the UK. This will provide effective and enforceable treaty-based protection for foreign investment without compromising the State's ability to regulate in the public interest.

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HT DEBATE

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BITs need not be only a bitter pill for India

In the last 36 months, New Delhi has inked or upgraded over half a dozen free trade agreements (FTAs), with the UAE, Australia, European Free Trade Association, or EFTA (comprising Switzerland, Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein), New Zealand, Oman, the UK and EU. The long awaited deal with the US is being actively negotiated.

The timing is providential, as global supply chains fray and the World Trade Organization (WTO)'s dispute system remains paralysed, India's FTAs have served as both, a shock absorber and a growth engine.

Global trade growth has slowed amid global volatility, yet India's exports to its new FTA partners bucked the trend.

Post the Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (ECTA), India's exports to Australia rose 14% while imports from there grew 15%. The Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) with the UAE delivered $84.5 billion in bilateral trade in FY24, a 15% increase from pre-CEPA levels.

And, as the Strait of Hormuz remains closed since March, the FTA with Oman can provide India respite, as the ports of Salalah and Duqm are outside Hormuz and remain accessible.

If the old FTAs were about tariffs, India's new ones are about trust, standards, and technology. The India-EFTA TEPA pledges $100 billion in FDI over 15 years, and New Zealand has committed $20 billion in investment over a similar period. While governments made the commitments, the investments will need to come from the private sector. The hard part is facilitation — ensuring these investments lead to projects on the ground.

That means three things: a workable BIT (bilateral investment treaty) framework, genuine EODB (ease of doing business), and tax laws that don't change mid-project. India's model BIT of 2015 vintage was a reset after investor-State dispute settlement (ISDS) shocks, but capital demands predictability. The next step is to finish the job — negotiate BITs that protect sovereignty and give investors a clear path to remedy.

India's breathtaking climb up the World Bank's EODB rankings was real, but land acquisition, logistics constraints, and contract enforcement still decide if and where a factory lands.

On tax, the Indian government has demonstrated great alacrity recently, responding to signals and tweaking laws to make India more attractive to foreign institutional investors. Surely, similar measures for foreign direct investors (FDI) can't be too far off.

This FTA sprint reflects a harder truth: Large multilaterals appear challenged. The WTO's Doha Round is now 25 years old with no end in sight. Its Appellate Body hasn't been functional since 2019. The UN Security Council struggled to pass a resolution on shipping lanes in the Red Sea without a veto.

So, countries are building smaller tables — minilaterals and plurilaterals with shared interests, not lowest-common-denominator consensus.

India hosted the Quad Foreign Ministers' Meet and the BRICS Foreign Ministers' Meet recently. The message: New Delhi isn't choosing camps; rather, it is building optionality. A Quad semiconductor supply chain initiative runs parallel to BRICS efforts on local currency trade. FTAs are the legal scaffolding for that optionality.

As external affairs minister Jaishankar put it at the Raisina Dialogue this year, "The era of diffidence is over. We will do what is needed, with who is willing."

Each trade agreement creates its own rules of origin, paperwork, and standards. An auto component exporter in Pune now needs one team for ECTA, another for CEPA, a third for UK rules.

The danger is a "spaghetti bowl" of compliance that only giants can navigate. The solution is to harmonise: India's push for cross-recognition of digital paperwork in the UK deal is a start, and could augur well for minilaterals to align India's FTAs with other blocs — Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN), Africa, and Oceania.

In a fractured world, trade policy is foreign policy, in some ways.

EU President Ursula von der Leyen's point on the EU investment agreement is valid: Trade and investment are joined at the hip. But investment moves on facilitation, not sentiment. BITs, tax certainty, and contract enforcement are the real unlocking mechanisms. India's EFTA $100 billion pledge proves the appetite exists. Delivering it proves the system works.

The old architecture — the WTO, the UN — still matters for legitimacy. But for liquidity, for speed, for growth, the action has moved to smaller grouping for now. India figured that out early. The world is messy. India is making sure its trade needn't be.

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CABINET HAILS MODI

schemes such as Ujjwala, PM Awas Yojana, Lakhpati Didi and the law providing 33% reservation for women in the Lok Sabha and state assemblies. For farmers, it cited PM-Kisan, higher minimum support prices (MSP), irrigation projects and agricultural export growth. It said India had become the world's third-largest startup ecosystem and praised programmes such as Startup India, Skill India and the Chandrayaan lunar missions.

The Cabinet also praised several major decisions taken by the Modi government, including the abrogation of Article 370 in Jammu and Kashmir, implementation of the Goods and Services Tax (GST), One Rank One Pension (OROP), the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA), criminal law reforms and labour law consolidation.

On national security, the resolution credited Modi's leadership for actions such as the 2016 surgical strikes, the 2019 Balakot airstrike and the recent Operation Sindoor.

"The Prime Minister has given a new dimension to national security," the resolution said, adding that "the credit for taking firm measures against terrorism goes entirely to his leadership." The Cabinet also welcomed the government's decision to place the Indus Waters Treaty with Pakistan in a suspended state, saying, "Now India's water will be useful to the farmers of India."

The resolution said India's global influence had increased under Modi's leadership, citing the country's G20 presidency, promotion of International Yoga Day and initiatives such as the International Solar Alliance. It also highlighted infrastructure projects including the new Parliament building, Kartavya Path and Kartavya Bhawan as symbols of a "new India," and a symbol of leaving behind a colonial mindset.

TENDER SCAM

bureaucracy.

According to investigators, the three arrested persons enjoyed the bounties from tender king Rishu Shree, who essentially ran a back-channel operation where government tenders were quietly steered toward his company, Reliable Infra Services and 11 others. He allegedly worked as an illegal middleman, nudging procurement processes in his favour while keeping officials under his command.

Each of the arrested had a specific set of allegations against them, especially use of their position to provide illegal benefits and inside information to Rishu Shree, said an SVU official.

Mumukshu Choudhary's name started surfacing when SVU investigators began tracing how contracts in municipal bodies found their way to firms tied to Rishu Shree. Choudhary is accused of actively facilitating that process during his time in different roles, especially as municipal commissioner in Sitamarhi and Saharsa. Earlier raids at his residence reportedly yielded ₹2 crore cash and incriminating documents.

The allegations against Tarini Das are that construction project tenders were manipulated to benefit specific companies during his tenure as chief engineer of building construction department, and he also enjoyed extended service due to his role. The ED had earlier raided his home recovering ₹8.53 crore in cash. That finding was serious enough for the government to initiate departmental action against him even before Wednesday's arrest despite the patronage of a minister he had.

Umesh Kumar Singh, then BUIDCO executive engineer, is accused of accepting bribes from contractors linked to the Rishu Shree group and, in return, facilitating payments on bills that shouldn't have gone through. His name came up independently during parallel investigations run by both the SVU and the ED. The raid at his residence had also yielded ₹1 crore in cash.

Sanjeev Hans, a senior bureaucrat whose name came up during the investigation, is currently believed to be outside Bihar, while teams raided his residence near Urja Stadium and office of revenue department.

"Finding him is a priority, as he is a named accused. He had gone to office on Tuesday, but may be, he got tip off and fled. He is at present out on bail in a different case of ED," said a senior SVU official.

Earlier, the Bihar government had suspended two serving IAS officers -Yogesh Kumar Sagar and Abhilasha Kumari Sharma—in connection with the case. Both are facing allegations tied to money laundering connected to tender manipulation.

Their suspensions followed investigations examining the flow of funds and how government contracts were allegedly being redirected for personal gain. However, officials in the General Administration Department (GAD) are tight lipped on further action, even as the Opposition has been questioning the lodging of FIRs against them.

"Getting two serving IAS officers suspended in a single case is not a routine occurrence. It signals that the government, at least at the level of taking administrative action, is not treating this as a minor irregularity. But more officials might came under the ambit of the probe and, perhaps, that the government wants to avoid," said an official.

So far, SVU has arrested 5 persons in the case. The first arrest was that of Rishu Shree.

SVU ADG Pankaj Darad said the tender scam was being investigated deeply. "The legal screws will be tightened on those against whom evidence is found," he added.

The then director DRDA was given the additional charge of municipal commissioner Sitamarhi by Rishu Shree and with his cooperation many tenders of urban development scheme were won. During Chaudhary's posting, he received tenders in his favour and paid bribes.

A cash commission of 3:5 per cent was given to Tarini Das for the tender in the building construction department in return for passing several contracts.

Rishi Kumar was given a commission of one per cent for drainage pumping station work and other tenders.

"The three arrested, along with other officials, have committed criminal conspiracy and embezzled government money to make the government tender and government secrecy in their favour," said THE SVU ADG.

Hans's counsel Farrukh Khan said he was unaware of any raid nor had his client received any notice. "My client was busy with some puja and he has Not gone anywhere. He got bail from Patna HC, when this case was also under investigation. My client never served jn the department, which are under summoned in Rishu Shree case," he added.

J'khand: Congress and BJP spar over Nathwani's RS nomination

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RANCHI: When the Congress began protesting outside the Assembly demanding the cancellation of the nomination papers of NDA-backed independent candidate Parimal Nathwani, the BJP hastily mobilized its workers to reach the Assembly premises.

At around 10 am, hundreds of leaders—including Congress State President Keshav Mahto Kamlesh, former State President Rajesh Thakur, and Minister Deepika Pandey Singh—arrived at the Assembly. They initially protested on the road outside before staging a sit-in at the Assembly portico.

After the BJP workers arrived, Gate No. 2 of the Assembly was closed to prevent a direct confrontation between Congress and BJP cadres.

Subsequently, the BJP workers staged a sit-in right outside Gate No. 2. They raised slogans against leaders such as Rahul Gandhi and Chief Minister Hemant Soren.

After being stopped at Gate No. 2, BJP Mahila Morcha leader Seema Singh, BJYM Ranchi President Romit Narayan, Dharmveer Singh, and Piyush Vijayvargiya managed to enter the Assembly premises. Security personnel attempted to stop them, leading to a confrontation between the BJP leaders and the security staff. The BJP members argued that if Congress workers were allowed to sit in the Assembly portico, they could not be barred from doing so.

Seema Singh demanded that the Congress workers also be removed from the portico. Subsequently, despite opposition from security personnel, four BJP workers managed to reach the portico.

At the time, Congress workers—including Minister Deepika Pandey Singh, former state president Rajesh Thakur, Shashi Bhushan Rai, Vinay Sinha 'Deepu', and Congress leader Rama Khalkho—were staging a protest in the Assembly portico.

BJP members Seema Singh, Romit Narayan, Dharmveer Singh, and Piyush Vijayvargiya sat on the ground right in front of the Congress members and began raising slogans. While the Congress members raised slogans like "Vote Chor Gaddi Chhor," the four BJP members seated opposite them raised slogans against Rahul Gandhi with equal fervor. The four BJP workers remained seated and continued chanting slogans in front of the Congress workers for nearly an hour and a half.

While the BJP members chanted "Jai Shri Ram," the Congress workers recited the Hanuman Chalisa.

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Mohammad Nehal Akhtar (Father/Guardian)
Affidavit No. 295, dt. 03.06.2026

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ANKITA** Mishra D/o-Alok Mishra, R/o Peace Road, Bye Lane, Near Holy Cross School, Lalpur, Ranchi-01 (JH). That my name is written as Ankita Mishra in my educational certificates identity documents & other records. I have decided to change my name from Ankita Mishra to Ankita Rahul Toppo. Affidavit No-01, dt-10.06.26

I ,Ranveer kumar,S/o Ramsevak Yadav ,R/o vill.-Asani,P.S.M.U. Bodhgaya,Dist Gaya,Bihar declare vide affidavit no. 22046 dtd 06.06.2026 , that my daughter Tripti Roy will be known as Uma Bharti for all purposes and intentions

I **HITHERTO** Known as Frog Ansari S/O Aftab Alam, R/O- Banauli, Po: Chenari, Dist: Rohtas, Bihar, 821104 have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Faisal Ansari.

I, **MOHAMMAD** Umar S/o Asiruddin R/o Garad Tola, PO- Hemkunj, PS- Amdabad, Dist.- Katihar, declare vide affidavit no.1090 dt.09.06.2026 shall be known as Umar Ali

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **KRISHNKANT** Thakur S/o GS. No-186275 K PNB Uday Shankar Thakur, R/o- Vill- Malhani, P.O- Sukhpur, Supaul, Bihar- 852130. Declare vide Affidavit No. -IN-LA11417942849137Y, dt- 09.06.2026, that my name is incorrectly recorded as Krishan Kant Thakur in service records. My correct name is Krishnkant Thakur, DOB is 01.09.2007.

नाम परिवर्तन
I, **Vikash Kumar,** Son of Ramadhar Singh, am a resident of Village Phenku Bigha, Police Station and District Arwal. Due to an inadvertent error, my name has been recorded as 'Vikash Singh' instead of 'Vikash Kumar' in the matriculation mark sheet-cum-certificate of my daughter, Sonali Kumari; this is incorrect, as my actual name is Vikash Kumar. Affidavit No. 4262/12.02.2026.

I, **VIJAY** KUMAR THAKUR (existing name of the Veteran as per the service documents) resident of V illage Jaya P.O.Chiraila P.S.Gaighat, District Muzaffarpur, Pin Code-843118 State Bihar, have changed my daughter's name from NAVYA (existing name of daughter as per service record) to NAVYA THAKUR (Proposed/adopted new name) vide affidvait doted 09-06-2026,29753 (date of the affidavit DD/MM/YYYY format) at Civil Court, Muzaffarpur.

I **MARKANDAY** Prasad S/O Surendra Prasad residing at vill & post Ajhaura have changed my minor son's name from Mohit Prasad to Mohit Prasaad.

I, **KAJIL** Khatoon W/o Md Nasir R/o Vill.- Bariyarpur Got, PO- Bariyarpur, PS+ Dist.- Sitamarhi declare vide affidavit no. 1091 dt. 10.06.26 shall be known as Roshan Khatoon

CHANGE OF NAME

I **AM** Mohammad Aftab, son of Mohammad Ibrar, aged 40, and a resident of Razanagar, Ward No. 18. My name appears as 'Mohammad Aftab' on my Aadhaar card and PAN card, and this is my correct name. However, my name is listed as 'Mohammad Aftab Alam' in my passport, which is incorrect. I wish to have the name in my passport changed from 'Mohammad Aftab Alam' to 'Mohammad Aftab'. The affidavit number is 2296/9/06/26.

I, **KOMAL** Kaur, Spouse of No.34080395N, Nk Tajinder Singh, Vill- Bherian, Teh- Pehowa, Dist-Kurukshetra (HR) have changed my name from Komal Kaur to Komal Vide Affidavit dt. 10.06.2026 sworn before Notary, Ramgarh.

I **SUNIL** Kumar Yadav, age 63 years approximately, father- Late Dharnidhar Yadav, Jamalpur, P.O. Jamalpur, Dist Munger. I am a retired soldier from the Indian Air Force. My wife's name is recorded as Meena Kumari in the PPO book, whereas in my wife's PAN card and Aadhaar card, my wife's name is recorded as Meena Yadav. I have given an affidavit to get my wife's name changed to Meena Yadav in my PPO book. My wife is known and recognized by both the names Meena Yadav and Meena Kumari. Both the names are the same woman who is my wife. Affidavit No. 7229/2029

I **SONU** Upadhyay W/o Rakesh Upadhyay R/o Flat no. A 306, Block A,Kamdhenu Residency,Kuluptanga, Adityapur -2, Dist - Saraikela Kharsawan, Jharkhand- 831013 declare that my Old name was Sonu kumari Ojha and Now I have changed my name from Sonu kumari Ojha to Sonu Upadhyay for all Future Purposes Vide Affidavit no. 4626 dated 25.04.2026

I, **SHIVAM** Kumar Singh, S/O- Satish Kumar Singh, resident of Village Maner Balopar, P.O. + P.S. Maner, Distt. Patna,do hereby declare That in my PAN Card, Aadhar Card, Voter-I. Card, Educational Certificates my name is Wrongly mentioned as Shivam,now I want to add two words of my Surname I shall known/called as Shivam Kumar Singh Afdt no-12827 Date-02.06.2026

I, **SUSHIL** Agrawal S/o Shivratan Prasad Agrawal R/of Bharat Veneer Gandhi Chawk, PO+PS- Motipur, Muzaffarpur as per affidavit no. 1093 dated 10.06.2026 shall be known as Sushil Kumar Agrawal

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **BIBHA** Kumari, W/o Sri Sheo Shankar Prasad Singh, R/o Mohalla Plot No-49, Guru Sahay Lal Nagar, P.O-Ashiana Nagar, P.S- Rajeev Nagar, Dist.- Patna 800025, and Resident of Flat No-301, Block-B. Winsome Empire, Digha Nahar Rd, Dist-Patna-800012 (Bihar) declare vide Aff. No. 6536 Dtd-02/06/26, That Bibha Kumari & Bibha Singh both are the same and one person. That I identified by both name Bibha Kumari & Bibha Singh. That my Aadhar No is 9206 16754388.

JC673532A SUB Santosh Kumar Thakur Of HQ J & B Sub Area, My mother name in service record is Manju Devi now change to Pushplata Devi and her date of birth also change from 01 Jul 1949 To 01 Jan 1949 for all purpose.

I, **PARVATI** Kumari W/o Ram Singh R/O Vill.- Nirmal,Khak PO+PS - Khusrupur Patna serving DFR , Rdr Army No. 7243496Y hempur depot , Kashipur,District Udham Singh nagar in my husband's service records my name Wrongly mentioned as Parwati Devi. My correct name is Parvati Kumari Vide Afd No 192 Dt.06.06.26

I, **SHIVANI** Kumari, W/o Anand Roushan, R/o Ram Ratan Lane, Near Hanuman Mandir, Bank Colony Adampur, P.O. Adampur, P.S. Jogasar, District- Bhagalpur, declared vide affidavit No.- 7815, dated- 04.06.2026 that my daughter Diyyanshi shall henceforth be known and recognized by her new name Diyyanshi Roushan for all future and official purposes.

I, **KAVITA** DEVI W/o-No-4291713Y Rank -SEP, Mukesh Kumar, R/o- Ward No. Laxmipur, Naranga, Sitamarhi Bihar-843328 have changed my DOB from 14.04.1995 to 03.05.1991 in my husband's PART-II order. Afl-61/ 10.6.26

I, **RUDALKUMAR** Raut Rajendra Raut S/o Rajendar Raut R/o Gram- Kamaldih, PO- Parariya, PS+Dist.- Banka, declare vide aff. no. 1089 dt. 9.06.26 shall be known as Rudal Kumar Raut

I, **ROHIT** Kumar Singh S/O, Late Avdhesh Kumar Singh, R/O- House No B3/63, Ward No 02, Abha Bhawan Basra Niwas, New Sanjay Colony, Behind Sanjay Cinema Hall, Brahampura.. M.I.T., Muzaffarpur, Bihar-842003, have changed the name of my minor daughter Khushbu Kumari aged 10 years and she shall hereafter be known as Akshita Singh.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Krish Kumar, S/o- Vishwanath Yadav, resident of Village Kahalgaon Tola, P.O.-Khawaspur, P.S.- Pirpainti, Dist.- Bhagalpur, Bihar-813209. As per Affidavit No.- 19/01.06.26, I have changed my name from Krish Kumar to Krishan Kumar. My Aadhaar number is 289577886697.

I, **SANJAY** Mandal, S/o Kamal Mandal, Resident of Village- Madari, P.O. & P.S.- Bousni, District- Banka, Bihar, hereby declare that the name of my son has been wrongly recorded as Shubham Kumar in his Aadhaar Card bearing No. 8217 9912 2966, whereas his correct and actual name as per his Birth Certificate and other valid records is Pankaj Kumar. Hence, in future he will known as Pankaj Kumar only.Affidavit No -87/27.01.26

I, **SHRI** Ashok Kumar Singh, son of Late Foldev Singh, resident of Vill- Ramtobahan, PO&P.Pandey, PS- Minapur, Dist: Muzaffarpur 843109,hereby declare that the names Ashok Singh and Ashok Kumar Singh refer to two different documents belong to one and the same person, namely myself. Both names refer to the same individual and there is no change in identity. Affidavit No. 108 Dt 09.06.2026

I, **SHEKH** Nagma Khatoon D/o Sheikh Shaukat Ali, resident of. Sambhopur, P.O- Mahuaari, District-Siwan, Bihar-841227, declare that name of mine has been wrongly written as Shekh Nagma Khatun in my Birth Certificate and name of my mother and my father has been wrongly written as Shahida Khatoon and Sheikh Shaukat Ali in my class 10th Marksheet. The actual name of mine, my mother and my father are Shekh Nagma Khatoon, Shahida Begum and Shekh Shaukat Ali respectively.

I, **RINKU** Kumar S/o Jivanand Prasad R/o Kushwaha Panchayat Gali, Tulsimandi, PO- Gaya(rbagh, PS- Alamganj, Dist.-Patna-800007 declare that vide affidavit no. 2246 dtd. 5.6.26 known as Rinku Kumar S/o Jivanand Mahto for all purposes.

I, **JUGESHWAR** Das S/o Late Damodar Das, R/o- Vill+P.O- Gerhand, P.S- Dhanwar, Giridih-825412 (JH). My son's name is wrongly written as AKSHAY KUMAR, DOB-01.01.2015 in his Adhar card. His correct name is AKSHAY KUMAR DAS, DOB- 28.05.2013. Affidavit no-367, dt-10.06.26

I, **MD** Mustaq Ahmad S/O Late Md Yusuf R/o Thana toli Ward No 17, Lohardaga, Jharkhand. My name Mustak Ansari is wrongly mentioned in my Aadhar card no 772623589611. Vide affidavit no 288 dated 25.05.2026 My Correct name is Md Mustaq Ahmad.

I, **BALBIR** Kaur, Mother of JC 501487N, Sub & Hony Lt. Manmohan Singh, Vill- Rajpur Kamal, Teh- Nowshera, Dist- Rajouri (J&K) have changed my name from Balbir Kaur to Balbir Kour Vide Affidavit dt. 10.06.2026 sworn before Notary, Ramgarh.

I, **RAJNI** Ranjana W/o Shakti Singh Yadav R/o Vill.- Singhpur, Po+PS- Haveli Kharagpur, Dist.- Munger, declare vide affidavit no. -25, dt. 10.06.26 shall be known as Rajani Ranjana

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SHIVANI** Kumari, W/o Anand Roushan, R/o Ram Ratan Lane, Near Hanuman Mandir, Bank Colony Adampur, P.O. Adampur, P.S. Jogasar, District- Bhagalpur, declared vide affidavit No.- 7777, dated- 04.06.2026 that my son Tejashv shall henceforth be known and recognized by her new name Tejashv Roushan for all future and official purposes.

AMLA DEVI wife of Dev Narayan yadav Resident Of Goth, Ward No-06 P.O-Marauna, P.S-Maraona, Dist-Supaul, Bihar-847408 I Shall be known as Amla Devi Yadav for all future purpose vide Affidavit No-173 Date-06/06/2026

I, **VIJAY** KUMAR THAKUR (existing name of the Veteran as per the service documents) resident of Village Jaya P.O.Chiraila P.S.Gaighat, District Muzaffarpur, Pin Code-843118 State Bihar, have changed my daughter's name from VANSHIKA (existing name of daughter as per service record) to VANSHIKA THAKUR (Proposed/adopted new name) vide affidvait doted 09-06-2026, 29752 (date of the affidavit in DD/MM/YYYY format) at Civil Court, Muzaffarpur.

AFFIDAVIT
Through an Affidavit from Jamshedpur Court **KAMAKSHI RAMKRISHNA NISTALA,** D/o. Ramkrishna Nistala, W/o. Anshuman Raj, permanent resident of Behind Modi Rice Mill, Marartoli, Bhagatsingh Ward, Gondiya, State - Maharashtra - 441614 & presently residing at B-Block, Ganesh Vatika, Anil Sur Path, Uliyan, Kadma, Town-Jamshedpur, Dist. East Singhbhum, State-Jharkhand - 831005 declare that before my marriage my name was **KAMAKSHI RAMKRISHNA NISTALA.** That after my marriage I have changed my name from **KAMAKSHI RAMKRISHNA NISTALA** to **KAMAKSHI RAJ. KAMAKSHI RAMKRISHNA NISTALA** and **KAMAKSHI RAJ** is same and one person i.e. myself. Henceforth I shall be known and identified by the name **KAMAKSHI RAJ** for all purposes and records.

I, **ISHIKA** Shuryavanshi D/o of Rajeev Kumar Singh R/o 3D Ayodhya app Shivaji Park itki road hehal, P.O-Hehal 834005 Ranchi,Jharkhand affidavit no. 08 dated 09.06.2026 declare that Ishika and Ishika Shuryavanshi are same person and henceforth be known as Ishika Shuryavanshi for all future purposes

I, **VIJAY** Venedik Tirkey, S/O-Somra Oraon, R/O Vill+ PO- Balalong, Dist- Ranchi, Jharkhand 834004 declared that my Daughter's name Aradhna Smriti Tirkey mentioned in his Aadhar card no- 416199198655, Which is Incorrect. My daughter's name is Aradhana Smriti Tirkey is mentioned in his Birth certificate, which is Correct. Vide Affidavit No -731, Dated .10.06.2026.

I, **SIKENDRA** Oraon, age about 29 Yrs, S/O Fagu Oraon, Vill- Barkheta, PO- Lat, PS- Chhipadohar, Dist-Latehar, Jharkhand, declare that my son's Aadhar Card No is 2154 1668 1662. My son's name is mentioned as Vansh Tirkey, which is incorrect.A birth certificate has been issued for my son, which is mentioned as Vansh Tirkey, which is correct. Affidavit No. 23803, Dated 09.06.2026.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Mohd Jashimuddin,** S/o Mohd Jailluddin, permanent resident of Village-Datraul, P.S.-Pakhbarawan, District-Nawada, State-Bihar, through Affidavit Number-11671/02.06.2026, do hereby declare that my name is recorded as Mohammad Jasimuddin on my passport card, which is incorrect, whereas my correct name is Mohd Jashimuddin, which is recorded in my Aadhaar card and PAN card. I am submitting this affidavit for the correction of my name on the basis of my Aadhaar card and PAN card. My date of birth is 02/03/1985.

I, **RAM** Singh S/o Pareshwar Singh R/o Vill.- Nirmalchak PO+PS - Khusrupur Patna serving DFR , Rdr Army No. 7243496Y hempur depot ,Kashipur District- Udham singh nagar in my service records my son name Wrongly mentioned as Sahil Kumar. His correct name Shahil Kumar Vide Afd No191 Dt.06.06.26

I **HITHERTO** Known as Saneha Kumari D/O- Siyasharan Prasad, R/O- vill dhanauti po slarpur Jahanabad, Dhanauti, Po- Salarpur, Dist: Jehanabad, Bihar- 804429, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Snehlata Kumari.

I AFTAB ALAM, Son of MD. MONIR ALAM, Residing Vill- Dhamaul, P.O- Ibrahimpur, P.s- Kurtha, Dist- Arwal, Bihar- 804423, do hereby notify that I have changed my name from AFTAB ALAM to MD. AFTAB ALAM.Henceforth. I shall be know as MD. AFTAB ALAM in all government, non-government and officeil records. Affidavit no 10675 dated 09.06.2026

I,**PARMAR** Aarohi Vijaykumar father of No - 4295637P Rank Sep parmar vijaykomar ramanbhai permanent Add- vill-tunki ,mob, po- dadar, theh,ps, - garbada, dist. - dahod 389155. in My father service record my name wrongly mentioned as Aarohi . my correct name Parmar Aarohi Vijaykumar vide Afd Dt, 29 apr'l 2026 before notary public dahod

I, **POOJA** Devi, W/O Late Rajesh Kumar Jha, R/O Rangra, Ward 3, Bhagalpur, Bihar, declare that my son's correct name is Aditya Kashyap (DOB: 20/05/2009). In his Aadhaar Card, his name is wrongly printed as Om Kumar Jha and DOB as 20/05/2010. Aditya Kashyap is his true name for all legal and official purposes.

I, **CHANDRAVATI** Devi (Aadhaar No. ****1842), W/o Late Bhagwan Modi, R/o Village-Sono, Post - Sono, District-Jamui, declare that both Chandravati Devi & Shyshila Devi refer to me, and I am known and recognized by both names. My correct name is Chandravati Devi and I conduct all official and non-official business under the name Chandravati Devi (Affidavit No. 4194 / Dated 03.06.2026)

I, **YASH** Raj Prasad alias Yash Kamna Raj, S/o Rajkumar Prasad, R/o Bargaon, Chainpur (Ramgarh) declare that Yash Kamna Raj and Yash Raj Prasad both are one and same person and shall henceforth be known as Yash Raj Prasad for all purposes. Affidavit no. 1338/ 05.06.26

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **NEHA** Singhania wife of Kaushal Singhania, R/o Savitri Nikunj, Durga Pathak Road, Nearby Head Post Office, Muhalla-Nawatoli P.O. & P.S. Daltonganj Town. Dist-Palamau, 822101 (Jharkhand), That after marriage I have changed my name from Neha Basaiwala to Neha Singhania for all future purposes. Affidav No. 1752, dated 06.06.2026.

Before The Executive Residential Magistrate Bokaro
AFFIDAVIT
I, **DINESH KUMAR DAS**, Son of Maheshwar Das, aged about-28 years, by faith-Hindu, Resident of-Village Chorgoi, P.O-Sardaha, P.S.- Pindrajora, District- Bokaro, Jharkhand, Aadhar No.- 2133 9356 1964, do hereby solemnly affirm on oath and declare as follows- That, DEVASHISH DAS is my son, whose date of birth is 16.05.2013. That, the actual and correct name of my said son is DEVASHISH DAS, which is mentioned in his Birth Certificate issued by Registrar (Birth & Death), Middha, Bokaro vide Registration No B2026203067900000007, Date of Registration & issuance date 12.03.2026. That, in the Aadhar Card of my said son vide Aadhar No. 2230 3331 1357, his name has wrongly been mentioned as RAHUL MAHATO in place of DEVASHISH DAS. That, Devashish Das and Rahul Mahato is the name of same and one identical boy i.e My aforesaid son. Vide Affi. No.-4896, Dt.-23.05.26.

मैं, **ALPHONS** TOPNO,पिता अनिल तोपनो, गांव रामतोलवा गिरजाटोली, पोस्ट रामतोलवा, थाना कामडारा, जिला गुमला का निवासी हूं। मेरा वास्तविक नाम ALPHONS TOPNO है जबकि मेरा आधार कार्ड में ALFOS TOPNO दर्ज है,जो गलत है।शपथ संख्या 59 दिनांक 19 मई 2026 के अनुसार मेरे सभी कागजातों पर " ALPHONS TOPNO को मान्य किया जाए।

I, Vidyanand Yadav, S/o- late Shivvachan Yadav, R/o- Vill.-Kahalgaon Tola, P.s.- Khawaspur, P.S.- Pirpainti, Dist Bhagalpur, Bihar- 813209. As per Affidavit No.- 18/01.06.26, I have changed my Son's name from Manu Kumar to Raj Kumar. My son's Aadhaar number is 429166172568.

I, **Himanshu Kumar** (aged approximately 40 years), son of Krishna Tiwari, permanent resident of Ojhwaliya Kala, Post Andhari, Police Station Chauri, PIN 802222, District Bhojpur, Bihar, do hereby declare via Affidavit No. 2740/06.06.2026 that Piyush Kumar Tiwari is my son and his actual date of birth is 08/11/2008. His date of birth was erroneously recorded as 06/10/2011 in my service records; the correct name & date of birth of my son Piyush Kumar Tiwari DOB 06/11/2008.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **DAVINDER** Kaur, Spouse of JC 501487N, Sub & Hony Lt. Manmohan Singh, Vill- Rajpur Kamila, Teh-Nowshera, Dist- Rajouri (J&K) have changed my name from Davinder Kaur to Davinder Kour Vide Affidavit dt. 10.06.2026 sworn before Notary.

I, **Shubham,** S/O Shiv Shankar Prasad, aged approximately 27 years, a permanent resident of Ward No. 25, near Devi Sthan, Nawada, Bihar — 805110, do hereby declare via Affidavit No. 12244/08.06.2026 that my father's correct, legal, and official name is Shiv Shankar Prasad (SHIV SHANKAR PRASAD), and his Aadhaar number is 9137 0680 7107. My father's name is recorded as SHEO SHANKAR PRASAD in my educational documents and as SHIV SHANKAR PRASAD in my identity documents. SHIV SHANKAR PRASAD and SHEO SHANKAR PRASAD refer to the same individual my father. For all legal, official, educational, administrative, financial, and statutory purposes, these names refer to the same person. I am filing this affidavit to verify this fact.

I, **SAVILA** Khatun, husband Mohammad Shahbaz Alam Sakin Khajechak P.O. Police Station- Haveli Kharagpur, District- Munger, State Bihar, Abu Basra is my son. I have enrolled my son in SCSOAV also. Got it done in class 6 of Public School, Haveli Kharagpur Munger. At the time of admission, by mistake, the name of my son's father was mentioned in the registration form - Shabaz Alam. The true and correct real name of my son's father is Mohammad Shahbaz Alam, which is registered in the Aadhaar card of my son's father. Affidavit No. -4222/2026

I, **ARUN** Kumar Sharma, aged 39 years, son of Rameshwar Sharma, resident of Village Sabha Mahdaiya, Police Station Sakra, District Muzaffarpur, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that I am the deponent of this affidavit. My Aadhaar Card number is 3034 5573 7603. My name is recorded as Arun Kumar Sharma on my Aadhaar Card, which is correct. In my voter ID card and passport, my name is recorded as Arun Kumar. Henceforth, I shall be known and identified by the name Arun Kumar Sharma. The Affidavit Number is 27259, dated 23/05/26.

I, **NOORJAHAN** Khatoon, daughter of Shri Zafir Ahmad, aged approximately 18 years, resident of Village Aswari Banjariya (Ward No. 11, Post Office Patti Aswari, Police Station Kathaiya, Block Motipur, District Muzaffarpur), hereby declare-vide affidavit no. 0392 dated 30/05/2026-that my name is Noorjahan Khatoon. My name appears as Noorjahan Khatoon on all my educational certificates. I wish to change the name on my Aadhaar card to Noorjahan Khatoon (currently, it reads "Noorjaha Khatoon"). Henceforth, I shall be known and recognized by the name Noorjahan Khatoon.

I, **SANJAY** Kumar Sudhanshu S/o Sri Nandu Choudhary R/o Vill.- Bakaur PO - Paithana PS-Islampur , Dist.- Nalanda vide Aff No 8694 Dt.- 08.06.26 have changed my son name from Prince Raj to Priyanshu Kumar Sudhanshu

I, **JAIMUNI** Baraiud W/o Suresh Mundri, R/o Vill-H.No. 22, Bhandra, P.O.-Bandgaon, P.S.-Bandgaon, Dist-West Singhbhum, Jharkhand-835216, that in my JPSC Asst. Prof. Appointment Letter my name is mentioned as Jai Muni Baraiud. My correct nane is Jaimuni Baraiud as per my Aadhar Card No. 8723 6786 1685, Affidavit No. 3958, dated 09.06.2026.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **HEMANT** Kumar son of Shri Ray Shyam Nandan Kumar, R/o Chowk Shikarpur, Nala Par, Patna City,PO-Begampur, PS- Chowk,Patna -800009, Bihar at present add-Jyotish Path (Shwaji Chowk), Ramkri- shana Nagar, PO-Dhelwan, PS- Ramkrishna Nagar, Patna-800027, Bihar Affidavit no. 6907 dated 09.06.2026 as per do hereby solemnly That my son Akshat Sinha known now as Akshat Naman.

I, **MUNNI** Khadiyain,W/o Fagu Khadiya, R/o vill- Dirgaon, PO- Tursaon, PS- Ghaghra, Dist - Gumla, Jharkhand, declare that by mistake, the name of Niraso Kumari & DOB as 15.08.2009 have been entered in the Aadhar card no. 9566 0399 2938 of my daughter Niraso Khadiya.That in the educational certificate (Matriculation) of my daughter Niraso Khadiya, the name Niraso Khadiya & DOB as 15.08.2011 are entered, which is correct and true. Vide Affidavit 8914/26 dated 08.06.2026

I, **MOHAMMAD** Qaisar Ahmad S/o Md. Kurshid Alam R/O Mohalla Ansar Nagar Khan Colony Nawada PO + PS + Dist.-Nawada (Bihar)-805110 declare vide Affidavit No. 46/7818 Dtd-18/12/2024. That my daughter name is Anam Bint Qaisar mentioned in my daughter Aadhar card but my daughter Spelling differ name is Aunam Bint Qaisar mentioned in my daughter passport bearing passport no. is L3007490. Date of issue 02/09/2013, Date of Expiry 01/09/2018. That above my daughter differ Spelling name is only single daughter not other daughter.

I, **SAVITRI** Singh D/o Ravindra Singh W/o Aditya Narayan Singh R/o vill. Singhpur ward no. 08 P.O. Sahdigari P.S. Vijaypur dist. Gopalganj declare vide affi. no.14316 dated 10-06-2026 that Savitri Singh and KM. Savitri Kumari are the same and one lady i.e. mine and I am known and recognized by both names, In some documents, my name is recorded as Savitri Singh, while in others, it is recorded as KM. Savitri Kumari.

I, **NIGAR** SULTANA, daughter of Md. Islam, wife of Anish Kumar, resident of Mohalla Karim Chak, Post Chapra, PS- Chapra Town, Dist-Saran, Bihar, Pin Code 841 301, declare by affidavit no. 15608 that I have accepted Hinduism and have changed my name from Nigar Sultana to Neha Kumari for all future purposes. In future I will be known and identified only by the name Neha Kumari (Wife Anish Kumar).

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Trump says Iran will 'have to pay' price' for deal delay

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DUBAI/WASHINGTON: US President Donald Trump said on Wednesday Iran had taken too long to negotiate a deal and would now "have to pay the price," while Tehran said it would reassess diplomatic engagement with Washington after overnight tit-for-tat strikes.

Iran launched missile and drone attacks on US bases in Jordan, Kuwait and Bahrain in what it called retaliation for American strikes on Iranian targets around the Strait of Hormuz.

The exchange of fire, which came after Trump said Iran had downed a US Apache helicopter near the strait, marks one of the most significant escalations since Washington and Tehran agreed to a ceasefire in April.

"Iran is all talk and no action," Trump said in a social media post on Wednesday morning. "They've taken too long to negotiate a deal that would have been great for them, now they will have to pay the price!!!"

The US military said it had targeted Iranian air defences, ground control stations and surveillance radar sites in what it described as a "proportional response" to the downing of the helicopter, whose two crew members were rescued.

Iran's Gulf neighbours and Jordan activated air defences to intercept incoming missiles and there were no immediate reports of damage to US bases.

The escalation - just days after Iran exchanged strikes with Israel for the first time since the ceasefire - casts fresh doubt on prospects for a deal to end the war, which began on February 28 with joint US-Israeli strikes on Iran.

Iran's Foreign Ministry spokesperson said Tehran would reassess diplomatic engagement with Washington after what it called repeated ceasefire violations. "Any diplomatic process requires a minimum stable environment," Esmaeil Baghaei said.

Vessels in the Strait of Hormuz off Oman on Wednesday. REUTERS

Oil prices jumped by around 2% and stock markets fell after Trump's remarks, which came at the end of a longer message about Iran's military capability, and appeared just minutes after a much longer post criticising a TV host for poor ratings.

Fox News, citing a phone interview, reported that Trump said he may order new strikes on Iran's power plants and bridges because Tehran was taking too long to make a deal.

Still, there were signs diplomatic efforts were continuing. An official with knowledge of the matter told Reuters that Qatari negotiators traveled to Tehran on Wednesday after consultations with the US, in an effort to finalise an agreement. There was no immediate comment from Washington or Tehran.

The US strikes overnight lasted about four hours, with Central Command saying shortly before 9 p.m. ET (0100 GMT Wednesday) that operations had ended. A US official said nearly 20 Iranian targets were hit.

Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) said Qeshm Island and the port of Sirik were attacked. Iranian media also reported explosions in Bandar Abbas, another port city, and later near Jask at the entrance to the Strait of Hormuz.

The IRGC said it had responded by attacking US bases in Bahrain, Kuwait and Jordan with drones and missiles, and was ready to deliver a "crushing and decisive" response to any further US action.

It said it had fired long-range missiles at four sites at the US al-Azraq base in Jordan, including F-35 fighter jet hangars and a command-and-control centre.

A US official said initial assessments showed nearly all Iranian missiles and drones were intercepted, with no immediate reports of casualties or damage.

The Pentagon did not immediately respond to a request for comment. Reuters could not immediately verify the battlefield reports.

SUEZ CANAL GETS TANKER BOOST AS HORMUZ STAYS CHOKED

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CAIRO: The number of oil tankers crossing Egypt's Suez Canal surged by almost a third in April and drove revenue to the highest since early 2024, as the closure of the Strait of Hormuz spurred an alternative Red Sea energy route.

A total of 529 tankers transited that month, 28% more than the year before, according to state statistics agency CAPMAS. Broader traffic picked up too, with 1,182 vessels of all types making the journey — a 14% increase on April 2025.

While Suez Canal crossings dropped after Houthi rebels in Yemen began attacking shipping in the southern Red Sea more than two years ago, the latest publicly available data in Egypt suggests the knock-on effects of the US-Israeli war on Iran have brought an unanticipated fillip.

The Hormuz strait, through which a fifth of the world's crude and liquefied natural gas once transited, has been effectively shut since shortly after the Iran conflict erupted on Feb. 28.

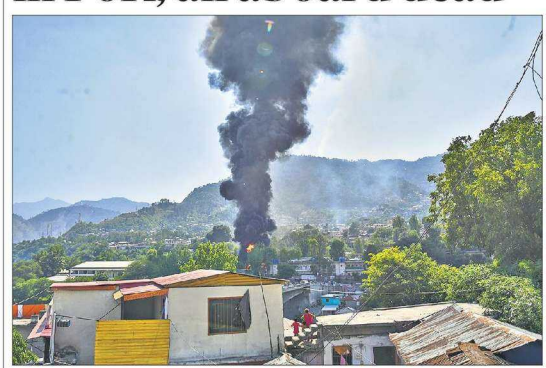
Saudi Arabia, the world's largest oil exporter, is among those who've found workarounds. The kingdom activated a backup pipeline to transfer crude to the Red Sea port of Yanbu, from where it's loaded and shipped overseas.

While many vessels headed south past Yemen and the Bab el-Mandeb — another narrow chokepoint — the data suggests some may have gone north via Egypt. Other Gulf nations have used Saudi Arabia's ports such as Jeddah and its roads across the Arabian peninsula for imports.

The Suez Canal "is turning out to be an unexpected net beneficiary" of the latest regional conflict, said Mohamed Abu Basha, head of macroeconomic analysis at investment bank EFG Hermes.

Revenue from the waterway was $419 million in April, 27% more than the year before and the highest monthly figure since early 2024 when the Houthis stepped up shipping attacks, CAPMAS data show.

Pak army copter crashes in PoK, all aboard dead



Smoke billows from the crash in Muzaffarabad, Pakistan-occupied Kashmir, on Wednesday. AP

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ISLAMABAD: An Mi-17 helicopter of the Pakistan Army Aviation crashed near Muzaffarabad in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir on Wednesday, killing all personnel on board, the army said.

"There were no survivors," the Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR), the media wing of the Pakistan military, said, without giving the number of those killed. In a brief statement, it said that the accident occurred "during take-off due to a technical fault".

Rescue and recovery teams immediately reached the crash site. A board of inquiry has been ordered to ascertain the exact technical cause of the accident.

Chief of Defence Forces and Chief of the Army Staff Field Marshal Asim Munir and all ranks of the army "express deep grief over the tragic loss of precious lives and extend heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families", the ISPR said.

In September 2025, five personnel were killed after an army helicopter crashed in Gilgit-Baltistan's Diamer district after a "technical fault".

In August 2025, a helicopter of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa government crashed in the Mohmand district due to bad weather, killing two pilots and three crew members.

ATTACKERS KILL 12 AND WOUND 9 IN SOUTH AFRICA

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JOHANNESBURG: A group of armed attackers drove into a poor neighbourhood in South Africa's biggest city, got out of a minivan and opened fire at residents in a late-night attack in Johannesburg that killed 12 people and wounded at least nine, police said Wednesday.

The attack unfolded late on Tuesday night in an informal settlement in the city's Cleveland suburb, police said, adding that there were at least 10 suspected attackers who later fled the scene. Johannesburg has long been the scene of organised crime gangs vying for control of illegal mining or other activities, though police said the motive of the latest shooting was still under investigation.

Police said the shooters were dropped off at the settlement in a minibus "and moved through the area, opening fire on residents and community members at multiple locations before fleeing the scene in the same vehicle." The victims were nine men and three women, according to police. Eleven died at the scene and another victim died in the hospital.

Police said a search was launched for the suspects and the vehicle but that no arrests had been made. Provincial police commissioner Tommy Mthombeni called the killings "insane, heartless and barbaric."

Gates testifies in Congress Epstein probe

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WASHINGTON: Bill Gates appeared on Wednesday before a congressional panel investigating the Jeffrey Epstein files, becoming the latest powerful figure linked to the disgraced financier to testify.

Members of the House Oversight Committee are slated to interview the billionaire Microsoft co-founder behind closed doors, as they have done with other witnesses in the investigation. Transcripts are often released later.

Bill Gates arrives for the hearing on Wednesday. REUTERS

Republican U.S. Rep. James Comer, the committee chairman, formally requested that Gates testify after he appeared multiple times in a trove of documents released by the Justice Department as part of its Epstein probe.

The files read like a who's who of powerful men across tech, finance, politics and other industries. All have denied involvement in Epstein's crimes, but some maintained or formed friendships with him even after his history of sexual abuse came to light.

Included in the files are calendar entries for meetings between Gates and Epstein, email correspondence between the two about philanthropic projects and photos of Gates at events that Epstein also attended.

Their professional relationship began in 2011, three years after Epstein pleaded guilty in Florida to soliciting prostitution from a minor, and lasted until at least late 2014, according to the documents.

Epstein was federally indicted in July 2019 on charges of sex trafficking of minors and conspiracy to commit sex trafficking of minors. The Justice Department alleged that Epstein formed a vast network of underage girls, some as young as 14.

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India remains bright spot for FMCG: Chandrasekaran

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MUMBAI: India remains a "bright spot" for consumer-goods companies despite global uncertainty and rising input costs, Tata Sons chairman N. Chandrasekaran said on Wednesday, arguing that the country's demographic advantages and expanding infrastructure continue to underpin growth.

The comments come as fast-moving consumer goods (FMCG) companies increasingly rely on pricing-led growth amid higher raw-material, packaging and transportation costs. Against that backdrop, Tata Consumer Products Ltd is expanding into newer categories, digital channels and premium offerings as it seeks to sustain growth and improve profitability.

Tata Sons is the holding company and promoter of all Tata Group companies.

"India remains bright spot in the world, and continues to be the fastest growing major economy, primarily led by demographic strength, expanding physical and digital infrastructure," Chandrasekaran said at the company's 63rd annual general meeting.

N. Chandrasekaran, chairman, Tata Sons. REUTERS

He added that the company has successfully reimagined itself as a multi-category FMCG player from a tea and salt player. Tata Consumer reported revenue of ₹20,290 crore in FY26, up 15% from a year earlier, and now ranks among India's top 10 FMCG companies, according to managing director and chief executive officer Sunil D'Souza.

The company's growth businesses, which include brands Sampann, Capital Foods, Organic India, Soulfull and Ready to Drink, grew 24% during the year and now account for more than 30% of its India portfolio. It reported an reported an Ebitda (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization) margin of 13.9%.

"The company in medium term will look at 17%, and eventually the goal is to cross 20% Ebitda margin, and there has to be an improvement of 50 to 100 basis points (bps)," Chandrasekaran said. "In a good year, 100 bps. In another year, 50 bps at least," he said.

For comparison, Nestle India and Hindustan Unilever reported Ebitda margins above 20% in FY26.

Tata Consumer ended FY26 with a cash balance of ₹2,978 crore. E-commerce and quick commerce contributed 19% of the India business and grew 62% in FY26. The company also completed the remodelling of its supply chain for salt and non-salt distributors during the year.

Beyond e-commerce and general trade, Tata Consumer has identified pharmacies, vending machines and food services as new growth channels. For Q4FY26, the segments exited with an annual run rate of ₹30 crore, ₹100 crore and ₹170 crore, respectively.

The company also remains bullish on Starbucks in India.

"Starbucks has 502 stores, and our plan is to add 50 to 100 stores a year," Chandra said. "We have had discussions with our partner, and we think eventually the company can have 8,000 stores in India," he said.

Tata Starbucks Pvt. Ltd reported revenue from operations of ₹1,367 crore during the year, up 7% from the previous year. The Starbucks entity was Ebitda positive in the financial year, according to management.

Chandrasekaran also pointed to resilience across consumer segments.

Hyundai Creta output hit after fire at supplier unit

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NEW DELHI: The production of Hyundai Motor India Ltd's best-selling SUV Creta has been disrupted after a fire at supplier and group company Hyundai Mobis curbed the availability of key components, according to two executives aware of the matter. The company is making alternative sourcing arrangements. Daily output at one of its two plants in Chennai has fallen to about 200 cars from over 1,000, according to one executive.

"Majority of the production at this plant is for Creta, which is seeing the highest impact. The company will depend on imports temporarily to resolve the issue as Mobis has plants outside the country. It should get back to normal in the next two weeks but there is urgency to ensure supplies to dealers to prevent a hit to sales," the executive said.

The availability of inventory with dealers means there is no immediate impact on sales. However, Hyundai is rushing to resolve the issue in the week ahead before supply constraints to dealers start hitting sales numbers when it is locked in an intense competition with Mahindra and Mahindra and Tata Motors PV for the No. 2 position in the passenger vehicle market.

Hyundai is making alternative sourcing arrangements. MINT

"The temporary production disruption is confined primarily to Chennai Plant 1 of the Company. This facility is also expected to regain its production pace by June 15, 2026, and all production operations are projected to return to normal by June 22, 2026," Hyundai said in an exchange filing on Wednesday.

Fire broke out on 31 May at Hyundai Mobis plant near Hyundai India's manufacturing facility in Chennai.

The firm did not respond to Mint's queries sent on Monday on the potential impact of production disruption. Hyundai sold over 578,000 vehicles in FY26, with the mid-size SUV Creta accounting about a third of the sales.

Hyundai India shares opened 1% higher on Wednesday against 0.24% decline in the Nifty Auto index. Since the incident, Hyundai's shares have remained little changed compared with a 1.4% decline in the Nifty Auto.

Hyundai Motor India has three facilities—two in Chennai and one in Pune, which was inaugurated in the last financial year.

The two plants in Chennai have a capacity of about 824,000 units per year while the Pune plant can produce 170,000 units annually. "The firm expects that any loss of production arising due to this incident will mostly be recovered within the next quarter," Hyundai India said in the exchange filing, noting that there would not be any impact on retail sales in June.

Experts said companies do not have many options when supplies of critical components are hit. "Where alternative suppliers are not possible, firms got to help suppliers get back on track. Moreover, another option is to look for supply arrangements from other plants of the supplier if spare capacity is available," said Ashim Sharma, senior partner and business unit head at Nomura Research Institute Consulting and Solutions, India.

MF INFLOWS HIT LOWEST LEVEL IN A YEAR TO ₹22,908 CR IN MAY

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NEW DELHI: Equity mutual funds recorded a net inflow of ₹22,908 crore in May, the lowest in a year, as market volatility amid the West Asia crisis and high crude oil prices weighed on investor sentiment and led to lower allocations to the asset class.

The inflow declined 40% from the ₹38,440 crore recorded in April, according to data released by the Association of Mutual Funds in India (Amfi) on Wednesday.

Moreover, Monthly SIP contributions declined marginally to ₹30,954 crore in May from ₹31,115 crore in April, extending the moderation seen after inflows had fallen from ₹32,087 crore in March.

Despite the sequential decline, Systematic Investment Plans (SIPs) remained a key pillar of the mutual fund industry, with SIP assets under management (AUM) rising to ₹17.12 lakh crore in May, accounting for nearly 21% of the industry's total AUM. Overall, the mutual fund industry reported a net outflow of over ₹64,000 crore in May against a net inflow of ₹3.22 lakh crore in April, primarily due to a withdrawal of ₹96,948 crore from debt-oriented schemes.

Consequently, the industry's Assets Under Management (AUM) dipped to ₹81.6 lakh crore at the end of May from Rs 81.92 lakh crore a month earlier.

Venkat Chalasani, chief executive, AMFI, attributed the marginal contraction in the industry's AUM to ongoing global uncertainties and commodity price volatility.

According to the data, net inflows into equity schemes stood at ₹22,908 crore in May, compared with ₹38,440 crore in April, ₹40,450 crore in March, ₹25,978 crore in February and ₹24,028 crore in January.

The latest inflow was the lowest since May 2025, when equity mutual funds had attracted a net inflow of ₹19,013 crore.

Gold ETFs see ₹725 cr outflow in May

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NEW DELHI: Gold ETFs witnessed an outflow of ₹725 crore in May, breaking a 13-month streak of positive inflows, due to government appeals against purchasing the yellow metal and several asset management companies halting fresh inflows into these funds.

This was the first outflow since April 2025, when the Gold ETF saw a withdrawal of ₹5.82 crore.

Overall, Gold ETFs (Exchange-Traded Funds) have attracted more than ₹70,000 crore since May 2025.

According to data disclosed by the Association of Mutual Funds in India (Amfi) on Wednesday, Gold ETFs witnessed an outflow of ₹725 crore in May, against an inflow of ₹3,040 crore in April.

The inflow stood at ₹2,266 crore in March, ₹5,255 crore in February and ₹24,040 crore in January.

After strong inflows in January, momentum tapered in subsequent months, indicating a gradual cooling in incremental allocations.

The reversal appears to have been driven by a combination of profit booking following the earlier rally in gold prices and a shift in investor risk appetite, with some rotation away from safe-haven assets.

"With gold prices touching record highs, the government's request not to purchase gold, and some AMCs stopping inflows into ETFs, investors seem to be taking a more practical view," said Feroze Azeez, Joint CEO, Anand Rathi Wealth.

Meta taps RIL for first AI-enabled data centre

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MUMBAI: Facebook-parent Meta and Indian conglomerate Reliance Industries on Wednesday announced a deal to develop an AI-enabled data centre in the state of Gujarat, as the US tech giant scales its digital footprint globally.

The project, to be built in Jamnagar district, comes as technology giants race to expand computing capacity needed to support generative AI services in the world's fastest-growing major economy.

Reliance will develop a 168-megawatt data centre to be delivered within two years, while Meta will lease capacity from the facility, the companies said in a joint statement.

The financial details of the agreement were not disclosed.

Meta chief Mark Zuckerberg said it was "proud" to partner with Reliance on its "first AI-enabled data centre in India".

"This world-class facility in Jamnagar will help us scale our AI infrastructure globally while deepening our long-term investment in India's economy," Zuckerberg said.

Reliance chairman Mukesh Ambani described the announcement as India's "first built-to-suit data centre for a global technology leader of Meta's scale".

India, home to more than a billion internet users, has seen a wave of investment announcements from global and domestic firms seeking to tap rising demand for cloud computing, artificial intelligence and data storage. Google and Amazon have expanded their cloud infrastructure footprint in the country, while Indian conglomerates including Adani Group and Reliance have unveiled large-scale data centre plans.

Last week, Australian data centre operator AirTrunk said it would invest $30 billion in India by 2030 to develop five gigawatts of data centre capacity.

Reliance is India's biggest privately held conglomerate and its Jamnagar refinery is billed as the world's largest.

बिहार विधान सभा सचिवालय
शुद्धि पत्र

बिहार विधान सभा सचिवालय द्वारा दिनांक–10.06.2026 को प्रकाशित लाईव प्रसारण संबंधी निविदा आमंत्रण **NIT NO-01/2026** में अहदता बिहार विधान सभा के तृतीय सत्र से '31 मार्च, 2030' की जगह '31 मार्च, 2028' पढ़ा जाय। शेष सभी सूचनाएं यथावत रहेंगी।

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Rail Wheel Plant/Bela
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E-Open Tender Notice No.: S/RWP/E/2026-27/09, Dated: 08.06.2026. Principal Chief Materials Manager / Rail Wheel Plant, Bela for and on behalf of the **President of India** invites online **"e-Open Tender"**, through Indian Railways E-Procurement Website **www.ireps.gov.in**, for supply of following Stores item at RWP/Bela. The closing time of all tenders is 14:00 hrs. **1. Tender No.**: 01261036. **Short Description of item:** Magnesite Wet Ramming Mass. **Quantity:** 800 MT. **Due Date / Time of closing:** 03.07.2026 at 14:00 Hrs. Website address, on which full tender details can be seen and downloaded from, is **www.ireps.gov.in.**

For PCMM/RWP/Bela
RWP/CPRO/ADVT/2026-27/33

EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY
E-Auction Notice

The Divisional Railway Manager (Commercial), East Central Railway, Sonpur for and on behalf of the President of India invites E-Auction for award of contract for Rail Coach Restaurent, NFR Stalls, Medical Outlet and Outside parking in the following locations over Sonpur Division.

S.No. AA/1,Types of Contract : Rail Coach Restaurant, **Location/Station :** SPP **Lot No./Category:** MSS-SEE-SPP-KStnGP-162-26-1, **Contract Period :** 05 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 22.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

S.No. AB/1,Types of Contract : NFR Stalls, **Location/Station :** DSS **Lot No./Category:** MSS-SEE-DSS-KStnGP-173-26-1, **Contract Period :** 03 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 22.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

S.No. AB/2,Types of Contract : NFR Stalls, **Location/Station :** SPP **Lot No./Category:** MSS-SEE-SPP-KStnGP-167-26-1, **Contract Period :** 03 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 22.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

S.No. AB/4,Types of Contract : NFR Stalls, **Location/Station :** SPP **Lot No./Category:** MSS-SEE-SPP-KStnGP-164-26-1, **Contract Period :** 03 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 22.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

S.No. AB/5,Types of Contract : NFR Stalls, **Location/Station :** SPP **Lot No./Category:** MSS-SEE-SPP-KStnGP-166-26-1, **Contract Period :** 03 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 22.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

S.No. AB/6,Types of Contract : NFR Stalls, **Location/Station :** DSS **Lot No./Category:** MSS-SEE-DSS-KStnGP-172-26-1, **Contract Period :** 03 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 22.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

S.No. AB/7,Types of Contract : NFR Stalls, **Location/Station :** DSS **Lot No./Category:** MSS-SEE-DSS-KStnGP-170-26-1, **Contract Period :** 03 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 22.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

S.No. AB/8,Types of Contract : NFR Stalls, **Location/Station :** DSS **Lot No./Category:** MSS-SEE-DSS-KStnGP-174-26-1, **Contract Period :** 03 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 22.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

S.No. AB/9,Types of Contract : NFR Stalls, **Location/Station :** SPP **Lot No./Category:** MSS-SEE-SPP-KStnGP-163-26-1, **Contract Period :** 03 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 22.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

S.No. AB/10,Types of Contract : NFR Stalls, **Location/Station :** SPP **Lot No./Category:** MSS-SEE-SPP-KStnGP-165-26-1, **Contract Period :** 03 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 22.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

S.No. AA/1,Types of Contract : Outside Parking, **Location/Station :** NAA **Lot No./Category:** PARKING-SEE-NAA-MX-126-26-1, **Contract Period :** 03 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 23.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

S.No. BA/1,Types of Contract : Medical Outlet, **Location/Station :** BJU **Lot No./Category:** MSS-SEE-BJU-MedStn-175-26-1, **Contract Period :** 03 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 23.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

S.No. BB/1,Types of Contract : NFR Stalls **Location/Station :** NNA **Lot No./Category:** MSS-SEE-NNA-KStnGP-182-26-1, **Contract Period :** 03 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 23.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

S.No. BB/2,Types of Contract : NFR Stalls **Location/Station :** NNA **Lot No./Category:** MSS-SEE-NNA-KStnGP-181-26-1, **Contract Period :** 03 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 23.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

S.No. BB/3,Types of Contract : NFR Stalls **Location/Station :** BJU **Lot No./Category:** MSS-SEE-BJU-KStnGP-176-26-1, **Contract Period :** 03 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 23.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

S.No. BB/4,Types of Contract : NFR Stalls **Location/Station :** NNA **Lot No./Category:** MSS-SEE-NNA-KStnGP-183-26-1, **Contract Period :** 03 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 23.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

S.No. BB/5,Types of Contract : NFR Stalls **Location/Station :** BJU **Lot No./Category:** MSS-SEE-BJU-KStnGP-178-26-1, **Contract Period :** 03 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 23.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

S.No. BB/6,Types of Contract : NFR Stalls **Location/Station :** BJU **Lot No./Category:** MSS-SEE-BJU-KStnGP-177-26-1, **Contract Period :** 03 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 23.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

S.No. BB/7,Types of Contract : NFR Stalls **Location/Station :** BJU **Lot No./Category:** MSS-SEE-BJU-KStnGP-179-26-1, **Contract Period :** 03 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 23.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

S.No. BB/8,Types of Contract : NFR Stalls **Location/Station:** DSS **Lot No./Category:** MSS-SEE-DSS-KStnGP-180-26-1, **Contract Period :** 03 Years, **Date & Time of e-Auction :** 23.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs.

Catalogue No.: - (1) E-Auction Catalogue No.- C-3-1-NFR-2026 (2) E-Auction Catalogue No.- C-3-1-NFR-Mixed, **Website Address: www.ireps.gov.in Note - (1)** The e-auction will be online on the IREPS (E-Auction leasing portal) on the prescribed date and time. **(2)** Desirous of participating in the e-auction shall pay Rs. 10000/- + GST (non-refundable) Online submission of one time registration is required and also having current account with State Bank of India (SBI) linked to IREPS, Payment/Deduction of Security Deposit (EMD) online from the same account. **(3)** Complete information about the terms and conditions related to E-Auction is available in the E-Auction leasing section of the IREPS portal **(www.ireps.gov.in).**

Divisional Railway Manager (Comml.), Sonpur
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पण्डित दीनदयाल उपाध्याय भवन, लालकोठी, जयपुर

क्रमांक :– जसश/2026/115 दिनांक: **08.06.2026**

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ADMISSION NOTICE 2026-27
Diploma in Yoga Science (D.Y.Sc.) for Graduates

Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga, New Delhi under Ministry of Ayush, Govt. of India invites applications for **Diploma in Yoga Science (DYSc.) for Graduates**, a regular, non-residential course of **One Year duration** (02 Semesters) for the academic year 2026-27.

Eligibility: A Graduate from a recognized University with minimum 50% marks in aggregate. However, it will be 45% for SC/ST/OBC candidates.

Age Limit: There is no age limit for taking admission to this course. However, a candidate should be medically fit. In case, a Government servant, wishes to apply for this course, should send his application through proper channel.

No. of Seats: 75 (UR: 33, OBC (NCL): 18, SC: 10, ST: 06, EWS: 08). In addition, 22 seats will be reserved for special categories i.e., for Foreign Student (09), Persons with disabilities (PWD) (03), Students from Andaman Nicobar Islands/ Lakshadweep (02), North-East States (02), Sports/NCC/NSS (02) Dependents of War Martyrs/ Dependent of Ex Servicemen (02) J&K, Ladakh UT (01), Children of MDNIY employees (01). Reservation will be applicable as per Govt. of India Rules.

Selection: The selection will be made on the basis of entrance test to be conducted at all India level. The entrance test will be conducted on **10.07.2026.** The candidates securing 40% or above marks for UR/EWS/Special category and 35% or above marks for SC/ST/OBC/PWD in entrance examination, will be considered for admission on merit.

Online Application Form can be filled and Admission Brochure can be downloaded from Institute's website **www.yogamdniy.nic.in**.

Last date of submission of Online Application Form is **29.06.2026 (Till 11.00 am)**.

For Further details, may visit the Institute's website or contact the office of MDNIY. **(Ph. 011-23730418, 23721472, 23351099).**

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EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY
E-TENDER NOTICE

Open e-Tender is invited on Behalf of the President of India for the under mentioned work:-

S.No. (1), Name of the work with its location : "Electrification, Wiring, Lighting and separate power supply arrangement of Block-C and left over electrical work at patliputra Rail Parisar Digha Patna and any other location under Dy. CEE/ Con/ N/ SPJ.." e-Tender No. EL-CN-MHX-ETEN-09-25-26. **(2) Approx. Cost of the work :** Rs. 2,52,63,559.92/- **(3) Cost of Tender form :** Rs. Nil **(4) Availability of Tender : On IREPS website :** www.ireps.gov.in The above E-Tender, E-tendering document along with full information is available on website http://www.ireps.gov.in Note : In case of any discrepancies found in tender notice, english version will be final. Tenderers are requested to visit the website http://www.ireps.gov.in atleast 15 days before last date of closing for latest corrigendum/corrections etc. in response to this E-tender. **(5) Earnest money to be deposited :** As per NIT **(6) Completion period of the work :** 12 months **(7) Date and time for closing of tender :** 24.06.2026 at 12.00 hrs.

Dy.CEE/Con/North/SPJ
PR/0375/CON-SPJ/CONST/T/26-27/44

EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY
E-Open Tender Notice

E-Tender notice no.: CRW-HRT-M-USCLEAN-26-1, Date: 08.06.2026

For and on behalf of President of India, Dy. Chief Mechanical Engineer-II, Carriage Repair Workshop, Harnaut invites open e-tender for the following works as detailed:-

1. Name of work with its location : "Ultrasonic cleaning of Air brake & Bogie Components at CRW/HRT". **2. Approx. cost of the work: Rs. 2,67,29,664.00** (Rupees Two Crore sixty seven lakh twenty nine thousand six hundred sixty four only), **3. Cost of Tender Form :** Nil, **4. Earnest Money to be deposited : Rs. 5,34,600.00** (Rupees Five lakhs thirty four thousand six hundred only), **5. Date & Time for submission of tender and opening of Tender :** The tender have to be submitted online on **https://www.ireps.gov.in** website up to 11.00 hrs. on **29.06.2026** and will be opened on the same day at 11:15 hrs., **6. Website particulars, Notice board location where complete details of tender can be seen and address of the office from where the tender form can be purchased etc. :** Detailed tender notice, eligibility criteria & tender documents can be seen from the CRIS website: **https://www.ireps.gov.in** & full details of notice can be seen on notice board in the office of Chief Workshop Manager, Administrative Building, Carriage Repair Workshop, Harnaul, Nalanda, Bihar - 803110. All corrigendum will be uploaded on website if required.

Dy. Chief Mechanical Engineer-II/ Carriage Repair Workshop/Harnaut
PR/0377/CRW-HRT/MECH/T/26-27/44

EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY
OPEN E-TENDER NOTICE
(Construction Department)

Open e-Tender is invited on Behalf of the President of India for the under mentioned work :-

S. No.: 1, Name of the work with its location: Description: Removal of infringement of 800 KV HVDC transmission line between Tower no. 1806 to 1818 in Biswanath Chariali, Assam-Agra comes in the alignment of proposed Raniganj-Araria court section in Supaul-Araria Railway Electrification work, **e-Tender No. EL-C-N-MHX-ETEN-12MOD2-25-26, 2. Approx Cost of the work :** 36,85,80,461.41, **3. Cost of Tender form :** Rs. Nil, **4. Availability of Tender:** On IREPS website: **www.ireps.gov.in** The above E-Tender, E-Tendering document along with full information is available on website i.e. http://www.ireps.gov.in

Note: In case of any discrepancies found in tender notice, English version will be final. Tenderers are requested to visit the website **http://www.ireps.gov.in** at least 15 days before last date of closing for latest corrigendum/corrections etc. in response to this E-tender, **5. Earnest money to be deposited:** As Per NIT, **6. Completion period of the work:** 18 months, **7. Date and time for closing of tender:** 22/06/2026 at 12.00 hrs.

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अल्पकालीन निविदा संख्या–09/2026–2027

1– विज्ञापन दाता का पदनाम एवं पता:– कार्यपालक अभियंता, भवन प्रमंडल,कटिहार
2– परिमाण विपत्र बिक्री की तिथि:– 24–06–26 को अपराह्न 01:00 बजे तक
3– निविदा प्राप्ति की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय:– 24–06–26 को अपराह्न 03:00 बजे तक
4– निविदा खोलने की तिथि एवं समय:– 24–06–26 को अपराह्न 03:30 बजे
5– परिमाण विपत्र बिक्री का स्थान:– (क) कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय, भवन प्रमंडल, कटिहार
(ख) अवर प्रमंडल, पदाधिकारी, भवन अवर प्रमंडल, संख्या– 01 का कार्यालय, कटिहार
6– निविदा प्राप्ति का स्थान:– क्रमांक– 5(क) एवं (ख) वर्णित स्थान।
7– कार्य का विवरण:–

क्रं०सं०	कार्य का नाम	प्राक्कलित राशि	अग्रधन की राशि	परिमाण विपत्र का मूल्य	कार्य समाप्ति की अवधि
1	2	3	4	5	6
01	व्यवहार न्यायालय, कटिहार में आवास सं० D-(01) के विशेष मरम्मति एवं पेंटिंग कार्य।	92,730.00	2,000.00	500.00	15 दिन
02	कटिहार के फुटानी चौक के निकट स्थित न्यायिक आवास सं० B1-16 के विशेष मरम्मति कार्य।	1,37,545.00	3,000.00	500.00	15 दिन
03	व्यवहार न्यायालय, कटिहार के 10 कोर्ट भवन के परिसर में गार्डरूम निर्माण कार्य।	1,08,440.00	2,500.00	500.00	2 माह

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कार्यपालक अभियंता
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PR- 005359 (BCD) 2026-27

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Email Id- serwdsiwan@gmail.com
अत्यावश्यक/आकस्मिक प्रकार के योजनाओं के त्वरित निष्पादन हेतु
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विभागीय पत्रांक–मु0अ0(नि0 एवं गु0)–07–14/2026–1798 अनु0 पटना दिनांक–14.05.2026 द्वारा निर्गत मानक संचालक प्रक्रिया के आलोक में अंचलान्तर्गत अत्यावश्यक/आकस्मिक प्रकार के योजनाओं के त्वरित निष्पादन हेतु सामग्रियों/सेवाओं/Tools-Plants आदि के लिए आपूर्तिकर्त्ता/सेवा प्रदाताओं का कार्य अंचल–सिवान में वित्तीय वर्ष 2026–27 के लिए पैनल बनाने हेतु निम्नांकित शर्तों के साथ प्रस्ताव आमंत्रित किया जाता है। कोटेशन के साथ निम्नांकित स्व अभिप्रमाणित कागजात संलग्न करना अनिवार्य होगा।

1. संवेदक का ग्रामीण कार्य विभाग में निबंधन संबंधित पत्र की प्रति।
2. GST में निबंधन।
3. ग्रामीण कार्य विभाग के अन्तर्गत पथ निर्माण कार्य से संबंधित पिछले पाँच वर्षों में कुल 10 करोड़ रुपये का Turnover/कार्य कराने का अनुभव होना चाहिए।
4. संवेदकों को अपना E-Mail ID ,oa Mobile No.उपलब्ध कराना अनिवार्य होगा।
5. संवेदक द्वारा Affidavit, Quotation के साथ समर्पित करना अनिवार्य होगा। "I am/we are not debarred of blacklisted by any state Govt./Central Govt./Public Undertaking. If statements are found false then my /our Quotation/Financial bid will not be entertained & legal action against me/us may be initiated."
6. कोटेशन प्राप्त करने की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय दिनांक 23.06.2026 के अपराह्न 3:00 बजे तक।
7. कोटेशन खोलने की तिथि एवं समय दिनांक 23.06.2026 को 3:30 बजे अपराह्न।
8. कोटेशन प्राप्त करने का स्थान:– अधीक्षण अभियंता, ग्रामीण कार्य विभाग, कार्य अंचल, सिवान का कार्यालय, कार्यपालक अभियंता, ग्रामीण कार्य विभाग, कार्य प्रमण्डल, सिवान–1/सिवान–2/महाराजगंज/गोपालगंज–1/गोपालगंज–2 एवं हथुआ का कार्यालय।

अन्य शर्तें विभागीय पत्रांक–1798 दिनांक–14.05.2026 द्वारा लागू मानक संचालन प्रक्रिया के अनुरुप होगी, जिसकी प्रति कार्यालय अवधि में प्राप्त की जा सकती है।

अधीक्षण अभियंता
ग्रामीण कार्य विभाग
कार्य अंचल, सिवान

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National Highways Authority of India
(Ministry of Road Transport and Highways)

Public Notice
CORRIGENDUM

It is hereby informed that the QR code printed in the advertisement published on page 9 of the *Hindustan Times* daily newspaper (Patna edition) on June 10, 2026, regarding the land acquisition notification (S.O. 2807 (E) dated June 2, 2026) for the construction of the Ring Road (from km 20.46 to km 23.5) in the Saran district of Bihar is erroneous (incorrect). Therefore, all concerned individuals and entities are informed that the previously published QR code is to be treated as cancelled. The correct QR code is provided below and shall be considered valid. We regret this error.

Project Director
PIU - Chhapra

BUILDING A NATION, NOT JUST ROAD

Public Health Engineering Department
Govt. of Bihar
Public Health Engineering Division, Bhagalpur West, Bhagalpur.
SHORT TERM RE-TENDER NIT No –06/2026-27/O&M-PHED (R-1)
National Competitive Bidding
(Through e-procurement mode on www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in)

1	Designation and Address of Advertiser	Executive Engineer, P. H. Division, Bhagalpur West, Bhagalpur.
2	Date of issue of Tender Notice	05.06.2026
3	Period of sale (downloading) of tender Bid Document	17.06.2026 to 22.06.2026 up to 15:00 Hrs. through www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in
4	Date, time & place of pre-bid meeting	19.06.2026 at 12:00 hrs in the Office of Executive Engineer of concerned P. H. Division Bhagalpur West, Bhagalpur.
5	Last date and time of receipt (uploading) of tender	22.06.2026 up to 17:00Hrs on www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in
6	Date and time of opening of technical bid	22.06.2026 at 17:30 Hrs on www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in
7	Date and time of opening of financial bid	To be informed later after the approval of technical bid.

9. Details of works:

Group No	Name of Work	Estimated Cost (in Lakh)	Amount of Earnest Money (in Lakh)	Cost of Tender Document (non-refundable) in Rs.	BSEDC Bid Processing Fee (in Rs.)	Completion Period (in months)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
01	Comprehensive operation and maintenance, routine repairs and Special repairs of i.) Rural Piped Water Supply Scheme (PWS), ii.) Single Village piped water supply schemes (SVS), iii.) Ward level Piped Water Supply Schemes in quality affected wards (WLS_Quality) and iv.) Ward level Piped Water Supply Schemes in non quality affected wards (WLS_Non Quality) based on item rates; constructed by the Public Health Engineering Department including payment to the pump operators, electricity bills for five years.	3408.627	44.10	10000.00	as per eproc2	60 MONTHS

Executive Engineer
Public Health Division, Bhagalpur West
Bhagalpur

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

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धनबाद केंद्रीय सहकारी बैंक लिमिटेड
DHANBAD CENTRAL CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.

HEAD OFFICE:
Court More, Near Randhir Verma Chowk, Hirapur, Dhanbad-826001 (Jharkhand)

-: AUCTION NOTICE :-

Notice is hereby given to the effect that immovable properties described herein under, taken symbolic possession under the provisions of securitization and reconstruction of financial assets and Enforcement of Security interest Act 2002 and Security Interest [Enforcement] Rule 2002, will be sold by Online through Auction as under. Offers are invited from the intending purchaser for Sale of the under mentioned secured Assets on the following Terms

A	B	C	D	E	F
Sl. No	A) Name and address of the secured creditor B) Name of the Borrower	Liability (Plus interest due)	Details of properties	Status of possession (Physical/ Symbolic)	A) Reserve price B) EMD C) Bid increment amount D) Contact person Branch and regional office E) EMD Deposit account
01	A) The Dhanbad Central Co-Operative Bank Ltd. Bokaro Steel City Branch B) M/s Agro Chemical Works, Proop- Mr. Raman Kumar Srivastava, Near Bari Cooperative Colony, Plot No-716, P.O.+P.S.- Sector-12, Dist.- Bokaro – 827012 (Jharkhand)	Rs. 1,69,04,955.49 (as on 7.06.2023) (Rupees One Corer Sixty nine Lac Four Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty five and Forty Nine Paisa only) applicable interest there on Other legal charges applicable	Property consisting of Residential Plot No-716 in Bari Cooperative, P.O.+P.S.- Sector-12, Dist.- Bokaro – 827012 **Bounded by:** North: by Road, South: Plot No. 719 East : Plot No. 715 West : Plot No. 717	Physical	***Property:-*** A) Rs. 1,14,19,704.00 B) Rs. 11,41,970.00 C) Rs. 10000.00 D) The Dhanbad Central Co-Operative Bank Ltd. Dhanbad, Head Office (Phone No.- 0326-2312040, Mob. 9798027478) E) Deposit Through NEFT/RTGS, Bank Account Name- The Dhanbad Central Coop. Bank Ltd. A/c No.- 141105001170, IFSC Code- ICIC0001411, Bank Name- ICICI BANK, BR.- SARAIDHELA DHANBAD

and Conditions:

Date & Time of auction: 30.06.2026, Time: 04 PM to 05 PM, Last Date of EMD: 29.06.2026 at 04:00 PM.

Place of Auction:- The Dhanbad Central Co-op. Bank Ltd. Dhanbad, (HEAD OFFICE), Court More, Near Randhir Verma Chowk, Hirapur, Dhanbad-826001.

Other Terms & Conditions:

a. The property/ies will be sold in "AS IS WHERE IS" condition, including encumbrances if any. (There are no encumbrances to the knowledge of the Bank. For details of encumbrance, contact the undersigned before deposit of the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) referred to in 7(d) below).
b. The Property/ies will not be sold below the Reserve Price.
c. The property can be inspected on or before 25.06.2026 between 10:00 Am and 02:00 Pm.
d. The intending bidders shall deposit Earnest Money Deposit being 10% of the Reserve Price, by way of deposit through ***NEFT/RTGS, Bank Account Name-The Dhanbad Central Coop. Bank Ltd. A/c No- 141105001170, IFSC Code- ICIC0001411, Bank - ICICI BANK, BR.- SARAIDHELA DHANBAD*** on or before 29.06.2026, 04:00 PM
e. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor.
f. The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on the sale being knocked down in his/her favour and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price as stated above, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited.
g. All charges for conveyance, stamp duty and registration etc., as applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only.
h. For sale proceeds above Rs. 50 (Rupees Fifty) Lacs, TDS shall be payable at the rate 1% of the Sale amount, which shall be payable separately by the Successful buyer.
i. Authorized officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of auction without assigning any reason thereof.
j. For further detail contact The Dhanbad Central Co-op. Bank Ltd. Dhanbad Phone No.- 9798027478 e-mail ID **md@dhanbadccb.in** or The Dhanbad Central Co-op. Bank Ltd. Dhanbad, Court More, Near Randhir Verma Chowk, Hirapur, Dhanbad-826001, e-mail ID- **cto@dhanbadccb.in**

Sd/-
Authorized officer
The Dhanbad Central Co-op. Bank Ltd. Dhanbad

Date:-10.06.2026
Place:- Bokaro

SPORT

A club-class blueprint for Cup

Data from the biggest leagues shows teams controlling the middle overs are most likely to succeed

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NEW DELHI: What wins women's T20 matches in 2026? Ahead of the Women's T20 World Cup, data from the three biggest franchise leagues offers an intriguing answer.

While PowerPlays and death overs continue to grab attention -- especially in men's T20 cricket -- the most influential players in the game are increasingly making their mark in the middle overs.

From England captain Nat Sciver-Brunt's run-scoring to New Zealand captain Amelia Kerr's wicket-taking, the numbers point towards a middle-overs revolution that could shape the tournament that begins on June 12.

Numbers point towards a clear trend: the teams that control the middle overs, with both bat and ball, are the ones most likely to succeed. The middle overs were once treated as a period of consolidation.

Batters once rebuilt after the PowerPlay, preserved wickets and waited for the closing overs to accelerate. However, that approach is rapidly disappearing in women's cricket.

Across the three major franchise leagues – WPL, WBBL and The Hundred -- the leading run-scorers have been players who maintain scoring rates while batting deep into innings. In the WPL, Nat Sciver-Brunt has scored 548 runs in overs 7-15 at a strike rate approaching 160. Harmanpreet Kaur (409 runs) and Ashleigh Gardner (320) are not far behind.

The WBBL tells a similar story, with Beth Mooney (383 runs), Ellyse Perry (378) and Phoebe Litchfield (364) dominating the phase. In The Hundred, Sciver-Brunt again leads the charts, followed by Litchfield and Annabel Sutherland.

Moreover, the best batters are no longer using the middle overs to merely survive. They are scoring at rates once associated with the death overs while simultaneously controlling the innings.

The names at the top also reveal another shift. The traditional distinction between anchor and aggressor is becoming increasingly blurred. Players such as Mooney, Sciver-Brunt, Perry and Harmanpreet combine strike rotation with boundary-hitting, allowing teams to sustain pressure throughout an innings rather than a player offering bursts of acceleration.

This evolution has made the middle overs the most important phase for batting sides. A strong Powerplay still helps, but teams increasingly separate themselves through what happens after fielding restrictions end.

The same is true with bowling: as batting line-ups become more aggressive through overs 7-15, bowling sides continue to rely heavily on spin to wrest back control. The wicket-taking charts across the tournaments are dominated by spinners and spin-bowling all-rounders.

In the WPL, Amelia Kerr leads middle-over wicket-taking with 20 wickets. In the WBBL, Georgia Wareham has claimed 22 wickets in the phase, while Sophie Day and Alana King feature prominently. In The Hundred, Hayley Matthews and Mady Villiers thrive during the middle overs.

These numbers reinforce a long-standing truth of women's T20 cricket: wickets remain the most effective way of slowing scoring. The teams best equipped for the World Cup are likely to be those with bowlers capable of striking regularly through the middle rather than simply containing opposition batters.

Perhaps the most fascinating trend, however, is the dominance of all-rounders across these categories.

Sciver-Brunt leads middle-over batting charts while Gardner ranks among the leading run-scorers and death-over wicket-takers.

Matthews and Kerr are match-winners with both bat and ball. Wareham features among the leading wicket-takers in both the middle and death overs.

Women's T20 cricket increasingly belongs to multi-faceted players rather than specialists who excel in only one role. The rise of franchise cricket has accelerated this trend, further popularising cricketers who offer flexibility and allow teams to build more balanced XIs.

Players such as Sciver-Brunt, Gardner, Matthews, Kerr, Wareham, Sophie Devine and Sutherland bring value regardless of match situation. They can change games with bat or ball and provide captains with tactical options throughout an innings.

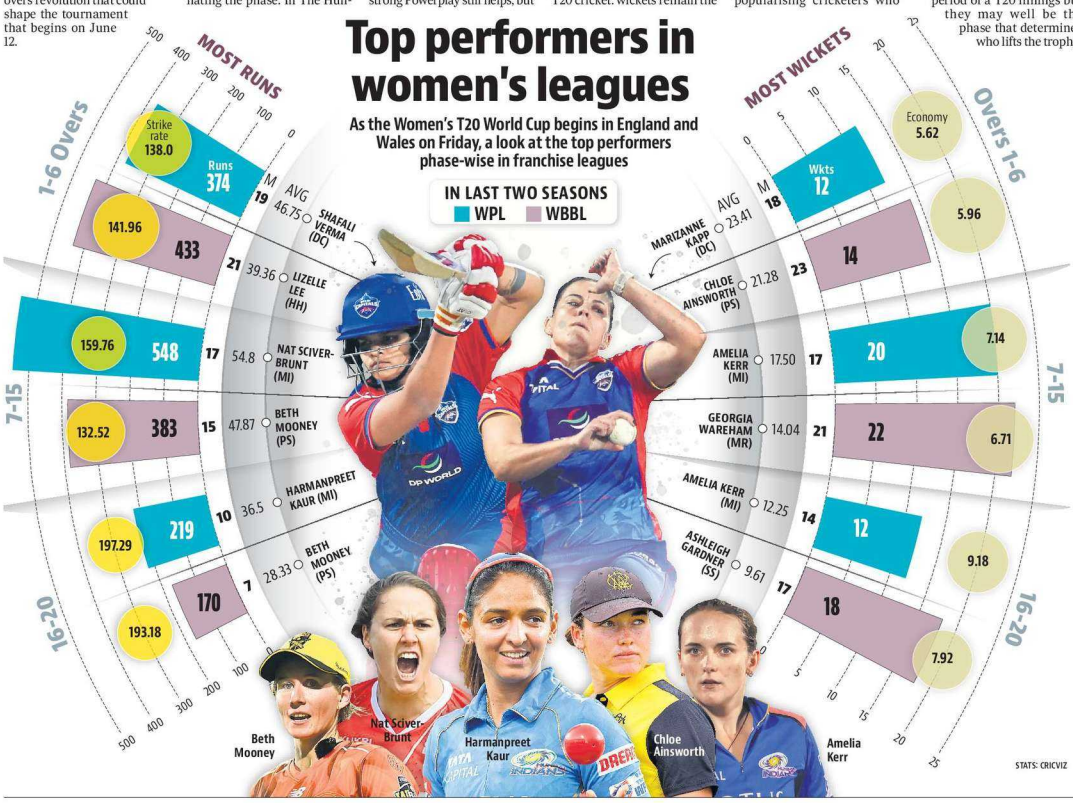
This does not mean the death overs have been rendered irrelevant. Harmanpreet Kaur has scored at nearly 200 in the final overs of WPL innings, while Richa Ghosh has struck at more than 230.

Beth Mooney has been similarly destructive in the WBBL. However, the most successful finishers are increasingly arriving at the death with a platform already established in the middle overs. If the last two years of franchise cricket offer a blueprint for success, it is rather simple. The middle overs were once considered the quiet period of a T20 innings but they may well be the phase that determines who lifts the trophy.

WOMEN'S T20 WC

Top performers in women's leagues

As the Women's T20 World Cup begins in England and Wales on Friday, a look at the top performers phase-wise in franchise leagues



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A man plays football on a street in Mexico City. GETTY IMAGES VIA AFP

World Cup set to begin after chaotic build up

Agencies
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MEXICO CITY: The World Cup kicks off on Thursday with FIFA betting that the enduring appeal of the greatest footballing show on earth can rise above mounting anger at ticket prices and a US immigration crackdown that has seen fans, a top referee and team officials barred from the tournament.

A record 48 teams and millions of fans are set to descend on the United States, Canada and Mexico for the first World Cup co-hosted by three nations, the largest and most logistically complex edition of the tournament ever staged.

The action gets under way at Mexico City's iconic Estadio Azteca on Thursday, with co-hosts Mexico taking on South Africa at 1:00 pm local time (12:30 IST), launching a sprawling, nearly six-week-long spectacle that will culminate in the final at New Jersey's 82,500-seat MetLife Stadium on July 19.

Can Lionel Messi, at the age of 38, settle any lingering debate about his status as the greatest player of all time by leading Argentina to a second consecutive World Cup title?

Or can Messi's great rival, the 41-year-old Cristiano Ronaldo, defy father time by inspiring a talented Portugal team to its maiden World Cup win?

Those questions and more will be answered over the course of a tournament that Gianni Infantino, the president of world football's governing FIFA, has bullishly hyped as "the greatest show that the planet has ever seen."

Yet Infantino's breezy assurances have run into hurricane-force headwinds of scepticism during a build-up dogged by concerns over affordability, politics and conflict in the Middle East.

FIFA WORLD CUP
JUNE 11–JULY 19

The skyrocketing cost of tickets has triggered a global backlash which has left FIFA and Infantino struggling to mount a convincing public relations defense.

The most expensive ticket for the 2022 World Cup final in Doha cost around $1,600 at face value; in 2026 the most expensive face value final ticket being sold by FIFA is an eye-watering $32,970.

That kind of stratospheric inflation has been prevalent across the tournament's 104 matches, where seats for many games remain available on secondary re-sale markets despite huge demand.

Even Infantino's staunch ally, Donald Trump, has balked at the cost, reacting with surprise when told of the $1,000 price tag for tickets to the USA's opening game with Paraguay in Los Angeles on Friday -- the first game on US soil. "I wouldn't pay it either, to be honest with you," the US president told the New York Post last month.

Mexico's President, Claudia Sheinbaum, who is grappling with teacher protests in Mexico City that threaten to disrupt Thursday's opener, has meanwhile said she will not attend any games in Mexico.

Messi scores on injury return

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Messi celebrates a goal. AFP

AUBURN (US): Lionel Messi scored within minutes of making his return from an injury scare as Argentina beat Iceland 3-0 in their final World Cup warm-up in Auburn, Alabama on Tuesday.

Messi started on the bench as the eight-time Ballon d'Or winner is eased back to fitness after exiting Inter Miami's 6-4 win over Philadelphia with muscle fatigue on May 24.

He was joined on the sidelines at the start by Julian Alvarez, Enzo Fernandez and Alexis Mac Allister as Lionel Scaloni named an experimental line-up in front of an 88,000 capacity crowd. Messi is set to feature in his sixth World Cup and allayed fears he may not be ready for the start of the tournament in a supreme 20-minute cameo.

Argentina begin their defence of the World Cup against Algeria on June 16 before also facing Austria and Jordan in Group J.

Iceland should have taken the lead inside the first few minutes when Mikael Egill Ellertsson blasted over with the goal gaping. Instead the three-time world champions took an early lead. Iceland could only partially clear a goalmouth scramble inside their box and the ball broke to Strasbourg defender Valentin Barco to fire into the bottom corner.

Nico Paz failed to make the most of his chance to shine in Messi's absence and wasted a big chance to make it 2-0 before half-time when his powerful hit was repelled by the face of Iceland goalkeeper Elias Olafsson.

Fernandez and Mac Allister were introduced among five Argentine changes at the break.

Lautaro Martinez was another to make his entrance at half-time and twice hit the post when he should have doubled Argentina's advantage.

The expectant crowd had to wait until the final quarter for Messi to make his appearance.

With his first involvement, Messi's brilliant pass played in Martinez, who was wiped out by Olafsson as he chipped the ball wide. Messi made no mistake by slotting in his 117th international goal on his 199th cap.

Messi was involved again as his pass fed Rodrigo De Paul, who squared for Thiago Almada to tap in.

{ D GUKESH } WORLD CHESS CHAMPION

'It's a challenge to enjoy chess'

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BENGALURU: Gukesh perhaps has a fair bit weighing on his mind. Beneath the dark pinstripe suit sits a 20-year-old grappling with expectations and pressures that few of his peers can imagine. He has just finished at the bottom of the Norway Chess standings and is navigating a trough at a time when the stakes could hardly be higher. In six months, he will have to defend his World Championship title. In a strikingly vulnerable chat, Gukesh opened up about his struggle with motivation last year, finding it a challenge to enjoy chess and why most players are "lucky" never to become world champions. Excerpts:

What's been the hardest part of being a world champion?

Managing expectations. As much as you try to switch off from the outside world, you're still aware that there is this elephant in the room — of expectations from you and also you expect something from yourself. In general, I'm an ambitious player and I keep going for wins. Considering these, it has been pretty hard but okay, it's a challenge. I either break from it or grow through it. Right now, it is not looking great.. Let's see..

You are an ambitious player. You can sometimes push too much in games and play yourself into trouble...

Since a young age, I've been playing a lot of opens and to win opens you need to be tricky, you need to win a lot of games. It's just the way I was brought up. It's who I am. Sometimes it's okay but in chess you have to be objective. You need to give in to the demands of the position and sometimes when you want the result too much, it gets in the way of your objectivity and that's what's been happening. I lost so many games which I should have just saved. So yeah, it's something related to self-control and managing expectations. All these are very minor things, but that's what makes the difference at the top, because everybody plays at a very high level. There's no excuse for not being objective. It's the job of a professional to do that and I've not been doing so there's no excuse for that. It's just that I need to manage myself better.

What do you mean by managing yourself better?

To be more disciplined on the board and manage my ambitions better, because being ambitious is good as long as you control it. Lately my strengths have been controlling me, which is understandable because it's a new phase for me. It's not a phase that a lot of 19-20-year-olds go through. So, I think I can cut myself a bit of slack. But yeah, if I want to grow, I need to do some hard things, right?

What are these hard things?

D Gukesh during a cruise in Norway. NORWAY CHESS

Being serious about the process but relaxed around the results, make peace with whatever has happened. I'll try my best going further. Trying my best means being ambitious but not letting it control my decisions.

Until a few days ago you were a teen, did you tell yourself 'it's fine, I'm still a teen'

I think whenever you tell something like that, you're tricking yourself because you know that this means a lot. If you tell yourself, 'okay, it's fine' you're not tricking yourself anymore. The truth is I care. I do get affected, but I need to be performing despite of all that. I'm not using age as an excuse. It's normal. But I want to do something more to strive for greatness. I can understand these problems better. But it doesn't mean it's fine.

Was it weird seeing Javokhir in Oslo for Norway Chess? Was it a reminder of the match?

I think for the World Championship, you don't need a reminder. It's always there in the back of your mind. Him being here was kind of funny to me. It's nice though that they're (Bibisara and Javokhir) having a good time.

You became a World Champion at 18. Has it been difficult to find a new goal?

Yeah, for sure. You can do all the work, you can do everything that you've been doing but the reason why you are doing it is different. You are not striving for the World Championship. You're already there. It doesn't mean you have to lose motivation. For anybody, becoming a world champion is such a huge drive that most people are lucky not to achieve it. They constantly have something to push themselves. There were obviously some parts in 2025 when there were some motivation issues. If you really love the sport, if you're able to connect back to it why you started playing the sport...I feel external results can never be a reliable source of motivation for a very long time. Something that drives you from within, that's what I've been trying to connect with.

What do you enjoy most about chess right now?

Right now, it's a challenge. I can't say I'm fully there. I'm focusing on just having fun, waking up every day and trying to learn something new about chess... Because I simply don't know anything else that I want to spend my whole day with. Even though I'm playing badly and it's frustrating, chess is still something that I want to spend time with. To do something badly for a long time... If you don't love the game, there's no reason to continue. Just the fact that I'm trying so hard, means that there is something behind all of this. Just connecting with it, I think is the reason that I want to keep going.

AUSTRALIAN OPEN: SINDHU CRUISES AGAINST LUCIA, TANVI STUNS FIFTH SEED CHIU

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Sydney Two-time Olympic medallist PV Sindhu led a strong show by Indian women with an easy victory while teenager Tanvi Sharma pulled off an upset win in the women's singles competition at the Australian Open Super 500 badminton tournament here on Wednesday.

Third seed Sindhu, Tanvi, Malvika Bansod, Isharani Baruah and Tanya Hemanth all progressed to the round of 16, but it was a disappointing day for the Indian men with Kiran George, Tharun Mannepalli and qualifier Saneeth Dayanand bowing out in the opening round.

Sindhu barely broke a sweat in her opener, outclassing Peru's Ines Lucia Castillo Salazar 21-13, 21-11 in just 32 minutes. The former world champion was in complete control throughout the contest, dominating the rallies and never allowing her opponent to settle into a rhythm.

Sindhu will next face compatriot Isharani, who fought hard to overcome China's Han Qian Xi 22-20, 10-21, 21-14 in a one-hour three-minute battle.

The biggest result of the day came from 17-year-old Tanvi, who upset fifth seed and world No. 11 Chiu Pin-Chian of Chinese Taipei 21-12, 22-20 in 45 minutes. World No. 36 Tanvi will now take on Malvika.