

‘Half of medically certified deaths in ’24 due to heart, lung diseases’

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NEW DELHI: Almost half (49.8%) of India's medically certified deaths were on account of either cardiovascular or respiratory causes in India in 2024, according to data released by the Office of Registrar General of India (ORGI), which works under the home ministry. These numbers, while they need to be read with several caveats, point towards an increasing trend in mortality burden from lifestyle diseases and possibly also the adverse effects of India's polluted air, an issue which is often flagged by health agencies in India and abroad.

To be sure, some of the increase in these numbers could just be better reporting as the medically certified deaths are still a small proportion of not just overall but even registered deaths in India.

A total of 2,066,117 deaths were medically certified in 2024 — 23.1% of all deaths registered in the year by the Civil Registration System (CRS), the formal record of all births and deaths in the country. The 2024 share of medically certified deaths was 1.1 percentage points higher than in 2023 and

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the highest since 2021 (the peak of the Covid-19 pandemic in India) when this number was 23.4%.

The trends described above are from the Report on Medical Certification of Cause of Death-2024 released by the ORGI on Thursday. The report results from the mandate under the Registration of Births and Deaths Act, 1969 that requires medical practitioners to issue a Medical Certificate of Cause of Death (MCCD) if a death is attended by them.

The MCCD report also shows that 38.8% medically certified deaths in 2024 were from diseases of the circulatory system, which includes diseases related to the heart, blood vessels, hypertension, etcetera. The share of circulatory diseases in deaths in 2024 was 2.4 percentage points higher than in 2023 and the second highest share

after 2021, when such diseases accounted for 40.8% of MCCD deaths.

The report also shows that deaths related to or directly caused by Covid-19 decreased to just 497 in 2024, less than 0.02% of the 2 million MCCD deaths. The number of Covid-19 related deaths recorded in MCCD was 2,040 in 2023, 25,393 in 2022, 413,580 in 2021, and 160,618 in 2020.

To be sure, the distribution of deaths by cause recorded in the MCCD must be read with the fact that it covers less than 25% of registered deaths in the CRS which itself does not cover all deaths in India. For example, death registration in the CRS was estimated at 99% of all deaths only in 2021 and 2024, although the proportion has been higher than 95% every year starting 2019. The proportion was lower than 90% before 2019.

Despite the low level of medical certification, the broad result of the MCCD report is in line with survey-based estimate from the Sample Registration System (SRS) reports of the ORGI. As HT reported on May 22, the SRS reports also show that the share of deaths from cardiovascular diseases has been increasing over time.

PREZ'S MOLDOVA, ROMANIA, NORTH MACEDONIA VISIT FROM JULY 19-25

NEW DELHI: President Droupadi Murmu will undertake state visits to Moldova, North Macedonia and Romania from July 19-25 to boost bilateral ties with the three countries.

She will visit Moldova on July 20 at the invitation of Moldovan President Maia Sandu. This is the first-ever visit by an Indian president to Moldova, the MEA announced on Friday.

During her visit, President Murmu will meet and hold delegation-level talks with her counterpart. She will also meet President of the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova, Igor Grosu.

President Murmu will interact with members of the Moldova-India Parliamentary Friendship Group, address a business forum and have interactions with members of the Indian community in that country.

At the invitation of the President of North Macedonia, Gordana Siljanovska-Davkova, President Murmu will visit North Macedonia from July 21-22. This will be the first-ever visit by an Indian president to North Macedonia, the MEA said.

Also, at the invitation of Nicușor Dan, President of Romania, Murmu will then visit Romania from July 23-25.

Don't write 'doctor' if you don't perform duty: SC raps docs in rape-murder case

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NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court on Friday slammed two private hospitals and their doctors for failing to provide timely medical care to a four-year-old rape-and-murder victim in Uttar Pradesh's Ghaziabad in March.

A bench of Chief Justice of India (CJI) Surya Kant and Justices Joymalaya Bagchi and V Mohana asked the hospitals to grant a reasonable compensation to the family.

"You have no business of writing 'doctor' if you do not perform

your duty. If you had sensitivity, you would have gone with the child to the other hospital if you did not have facility.... You ignored because she was poor? Couldn't afford your fee?" the CJI told the doctors.

The matter will again be heard next week.

On March 16, the victim was allegedly lured away by a neighbour on the pretext of buying her chocolates. When the child did not return, her father launched a search and found her lying unconscious and soaked in blood.

The family took her to the two

private hospitals, which allegedly denied admission. She was taken to a government hospital in Ghaziabad, where doctors declared her dead.

The top court had, in April, flagged "reluctance" of the Ghaziabad Police in lodging an FIR and conducting a probe.

It had also directed the two private hospitals which had allegedly denied treatment to the victim, to file their affidavits in response to the allegations made against them.

The bench was hearing a plea filed by the victim's father, a daily wageer, seeking a court-

monitored probe either by a special investigation team (SIT) or the CBI in the case.

Hearing the matter on April 10, the apex court lambasted the Ghaziabad Police's "insensitive approach" in the investigation.

The bench had issued notices to the Uttar Pradesh government, SHO of the police station concerned, the two hospitals and the executive magistrate.

It had directed police and the hospitals to ensure that the identity of the victim and her family members was not disclosed and to redact any such information from their records.

NORTHERN RAILWAY
OPEN E-TENDER NOTICE
Chief Mechanical Engineer (C), Northern Railway for C&W Workshop, Kalka on behalf of the president of India, invites open e-tender for the following work:
1 **Name of work** Maintenance of Bio-Toilets tanks during POH attention of coaches at Kalka Workshop. (As per scope of work)
2 **Location** Northern Railway, C&W Workshop, Kalka, Panchkula, Haryana-143302
3 **Tender Value** ₹ 1,74,790.56/-
4 **Quantity** As per NIT
5 **Cost of Tender form** Rs. 0 (Zero)-
6 **Earnest money amount** ₹ 35,00,00/-
7 **Completion period of the work** 24 months (02 years) from the date of issue of Acceptance
8 **Date & Time for submission of tender form** 07.08.2026 till 15:00 hrs.
9 **Opening of tender** 07.08.2026 at 15:15 hrs. The tenderers are not required to be present during the opening. Railway reserves the right to open the tender any time after tender closing date and time.
10 **Website particulars** www.irops.gov.in
Tender No:- KLKW0GNRL (MSCN)/76/2025-KALKA WORKSHOP Date- 16.07.2026 2460/2026
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Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh, India. Pin code-462008
Website : www.tourism.mp.gov.in
NIT No. : 4180/2026/E&M/MPBTB
System No. : 2026 MPBTB 521709 15.07.2026
Request For Proposal for the Selection of an Agency for the Design and Fabrication of the Madhya Pradesh Tourism Pavilion at National-Level
Bids are invited for the Selection of an Agency for the Design and Fabrication of the Madhya Pradesh Tourism Pavilion at National-Level. The detailed terms & conditions can be downloaded from website <https://www.mptenders.gov.in/> www.tourism.mp.gov.in For any other information, Contact +91-9407057416 or E-mail on cs.mptb@mp.gov.in Contact No. 0755-2780600 or E-mail on : marketing.mptb@mp.gov.in. Last date and time for online submission is 10.08.2026-03:00 PM.
M.P. Madhyam/126904/2026 **MANAGING DIRECTOR**

No. A-35/2/2024-Estt.-V
Government of India
Ministry of Jal Shakti
Department of Water Resources RD & GR
Central Water Commission
VACANCY NOTICE
Central Water Commission, New Delhi invites applications in the prescribed proforma from eligible candidates to fill up 52 (tentative) posts of Assistant Director Grade-II/Sub Divisional Engineer, Group B Gazetted (Non-Ministerial) in Pay Level 7 (Rs. 44900-142400) in the Offices of Central Water Commission located in different parts of India on deputation (including short-term contract) basis. Detailed vacancy circular and other details are available on the website of Central Water Commission website i.e. https://www.cwc.gov.in/orders_and_circulars. Interested eligible officers may send their applications in the prescribed proforma along with requisite documents through proper channel to the undersigned within 45 days from the date of publication of this Vacancy Notice in the Employment News/Rozgar Samachar.
Under Secretary
CBC 45101/11/0008/2627 **Central Water Commission**

HIMACHAL PRADESH JAL SHAKTI VIBHAG
PRESS NOTICE
The Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Shimla Rural Division at Suni, Distt. Shimla, H.P. invites the following tender on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh from approved eligible contractors for the following work(s) through e-tendering process:-
Job-1:- Name of Work:- A/R & M/O Sewerage Treatment Plant Sunni Town in NAC Sunni, Tehsil Sunni, Distt. Shimla (H.P.) (SH:- Providing and installation of MBBR Aeration System) Estimated Cost: Rs. 2337125/-, Earnest Money: Rs. 47000/-, Time Limit: one month, Cost of Tender Document: Rs. 500/-
Job-2:- Name of Work:- Restoration of rain damages LWSS Shalania Dophi in GP Ghaini Tehsil-Sunni Distt. Shimla (H.P.) (SH:- Providing, Laying and Jointing of G.I. Pipe line 50 mm dia from Main Delivery tank Tikker To Village Chail) (Under PDNA) Estimated Cost: Rs. 1615369/-, Earnest Money: Rs. 30000/-, Time Limit: Three months, Cost of Tender Document: Rs. 500/-
Job-3:- Name of Work:- A/R & M/O LWSS Challahal, LWSS Kotla Bhajol, LWSS Dargi, LWSS Kadraim Mandri, LWSS Ghatru Jubber Hari Ki Choti, GWSS Jagedi Kathia Under JSV Section - Mandari, Sub Division Sunni, Tehsil - Sunni, Distt. - Shimla (H.P.) (Sub Head:- Deployed of Manpower for operation of Pumping Machinery i/c Watch & Ward, Major and Minor repair of pump and motor and Minor repair of schemes such as providing and fixing of Various Dia Fitting (i.e. G.I. Socket, Union, Tee, Brass full way wheel valve), One coat of white washing snow cem in all civil structure, cleaning of storage tanks, brush cutting & removal of slips around the civil structure, Welding of Rising Main of all schemes, repair of pannel board, starter main switch in this estimate complete with all respect to entire-satisfaction of Engineer-in-Charge.) (For 2 Years)) Estimated Cost: Rs. 4526112/-, Earnest Money: Rs. 91000/-, Time Limit: Two Year, Cost of Tender Document: Rs. 2000/-
Job-4:- Name of Work:- R/M of various schemes Jal Shakti Division Sunni tehsil Sunni - Distt. Shimla (HP) (SH:- Out sourcing of 1 No. Light Motor Vehicle (Texti) i.e. Bolero/Jeep along with driver in hilly terrain under jurisdiction of JSV Division Sunni for 12 Month) Estimated Cost: Rs. 630600/-, Earnest Money: Rs. 12600/-, Time Limit: one Year, Cost of Tender Document: Rs. 350/-
Job-5:- Name of Work:- Restoration of rain damages of LWSS Sainj Nallah Tehsil and Distt. Shimla H.P. (SH:- Providing, laying and jointing G.I 65mm Dia rising main RD 450-1040 and distribution line of various dias under JSV Section Taradevi and Jubberhatti) under PDNA. Estimated Cost: Rs. 3925777/-, Earnest Money: Rs. 80000/-, Time Limit: Three months, Cost of Tender Document: Rs. 2000/-
Job-6:- Name of Work:- Restoration of rain damages of GWSS Sainj Nallah Tehsil and Distt. Shimla H.P. (SH:- Providing, laying and jointing G.I 65mm Dia rising main RD 450-1040 and distribution line of various dias under JSV Section Taradevi and Jubberhatti) under PDNA. Estimated Cost: Rs. 3925777/-, Earnest Money: Rs. 80000/-, Time Limit: Three months, Cost of Tender Document: Rs. 2000/-
Job-7:- Name of Work:- Restoration of rain damages of LWSS Sainj Nallah Tehsil and Distt. Shimla H.P. (SH:- Providing, laying and jointing G.I 65mm Dia rising main RD 450-1040 and distribution line of various dias under JSV Section Taradevi and Jubberhatti) under PDNA. Estimated Cost: Rs. 3925777/-, Earnest Money: Rs. 80000/-, Time Limit: Three months, Cost of Tender Document: Rs. 2000/-
Last date of submission of tender 27.07.2026 upto 11.00 A.M. The tender documents and other detailed conditions can be obtained from the website www.hptenders.gov.in.
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HIMACHAL PRADESH HORTICULTURAL PRODUCE MARKETING AND PROCESSING CORPORATION LIMITED (A State Government Undertaking)
HEAD OFFICE: 3RD FLOOR, NIGAM VIHAR, SHIMLA-171002 (H.P.)
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e-Tender Notice for Purchase of MS Drums & Polythene Liners and HDPE BARRELS Food Grade
HPMC invite online offers for the Purchase of MS Drums & Polythene Liners for HPMC FPP Parala, Distt. Shimla and HDPE BARRELS Food Grade for HPMC FPP Parwanoo and HPMC FPP Jarol from the interested parties and authorized manufacturer. The last date of online receipt of bids for MS Drum & Polythene Liners is 29.07.2026 upto 11:00 AM and for HDPE BARRELS Food Grade is 30.07.2026 upto 11:00 AM. The detailed information of e-Tender documents is available online at <https://hptenders.gov.in> website.
MANAGING DIRECTOR, HPMC LTD., SHIMLA

PEPSU ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION PATIALA
e-TENDER NOTICE
e-Tender No.: PRTC/XEN/2K26/97 Dated: 15.07.2026
Online e-Tenders on "Percentage Rate Basis" based on BOQ/DNIT amount are hereby invited for the work mentioned below, from eligible Labour & Construction Co-operative Societies and contractors enlisted with PWD (B&R), PUDA, Central/State Government Departments or PSUs for the appropriate class and category.
1. Construction of a New Separate Entry Gate to the Administrative Block at PRTC Head Office, Nabha Road, Patiala (Estimate Cost ₹ 14.65 lakh and EMD 29,500.00)
The Detailed Notice Inviting Tender (DNIT)/ Bill of Quantities (BOQ) can be viewed/downloaded from <https://eproc.punjab.gov.in> from 22.07.2026 onwards. Technical and Financial Bids shall be submitted/uploaded online at <https://eproc.punjab.gov.in> on or before 11.08.2026 upto 5.00 PM. Technical Bids will be opened on 12.08.2026 at 11.30 AM at PRTC Head Office, Nabha Road, Patiala.
The Managing Director, PRTC reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, either in whole or in part, without assigning any reason whatsoever. Any Corrigendum/Addendum related to this e-Tender, if issued, shall be published only on <https://eproc.punjab.gov.in>.
Executive Engineer (CW) P.R.T.C. Patiala
RO No. 1044/12/2026/27/13389

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SALE OF NATURAL GAS FROM RAJASTHAN BLOCK
NOTICE INVITING OFFER
Vedanta Limited ('Vedanta') on behalf of itself and its Joint Venture partners invites offers from interested entities ('Bidders') for purchase of Natural Gas from RJ-ON-90/1 in Barmer, Rajasthan in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Request for Proposal ('RFP') No. RFP/RJ-ON-90/1/2026/4.
Vedanta has appointed M/s C1 India Private Limited ('e-Bidding agency') as an independent agency empaneled by Directorate General of Hydrocarbons (DGH), to conduct e-Bidding process for sale of Natural Gas through an online web based electronic bidding platform ('e-Bidding Platform').
The prospective Bidders are required to download the RFP available at <https://e1.auctions.com/ra> and follow instructions therein to participate in the Bidding process. For any queries related to RFP, please contact e-Bidding agency at vedlsupport@c1india.com

बैंक ऑफ बड़ोदा Bank of Baroda
REGIONAL OFFICE, SHIMLA:- FIRST FLOOR, DGGRA COMMERCIAL COMPLEX (SANKET HEIGHTS), NEAR APPLE MANDI, BHATTAKUFER, SANJAUJI, SHIMLA, H.P. - 171006
E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE
ANNEXURE-E
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY/IES [APPENDIX-II A WITH RULE 6(2) & 8(6) FOR IMMOVABLE]
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 Rule 6(2) & 8(6) 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/ies Hypothecated / Mortgaged / charged to the Secured Creditor, Possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Bank of Baroda, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "AS IS WHERE IS", "AS IS WHAT IS" and "WHATEVER THERE IS" basis for recovery of dues in below mentioned accounts, liabilities of any dues identified will be upon the purchaser but not upon the banker. The details of Borrower's / Mortgagor / Guarantor's / Secured Assets / Dues / Reserve Price / e-Auction Date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below:-

Sr. No.	Name of the Branch & Address of Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s) & Mortgagor(s)	Description of the Immovable Property with known encumbrances, if any	Total Dues	Date & Time of E-Auction	Reserve Price	Status of Possession (Constructive / Physical)	Property Inspection Date & Time
					EMD Bid Increase Amount		
1.	MANALI BRANCH:- Borrower(s):- Mrs. Anita W/o Shri Ramesh Kumar, Village Mali Pather, Ward No. 3, Bandrol (27/56), Tehsil & District Kulu, Himachal Pradesh. Borrower(s) / Mortgagor(s):- Mr. Ramesh Kumar S/o Shri Prem Chand, Village Mali Pather, Ward No. 3, Bandrol (27/56) Tehsil & District Kulu, Himachal Pradesh.	All the part & parcel of property on land measuring 00-01-20 Hect. i.e. 0-03-0 Bighas comprised under Shikmi Kharsa No. 88/1 Khata & Khatauni No. 142 min / 153 min incorporated in jamabandi for the Year 2016-17 of Muhul Chhathan Seri Patwar Circle Raisan, Tehsil and Distt. Kulu, H.P. standing in the name of Village Mali Pather, Ward No. 3, Bandrol (27/56) Tehsil & District Kulu, Himachal Pradesh.	Rs. 23,78,869/- (Principal) + Rs. 49,157.56 (Unapplied Interest) + Rs. 79,682.07 (Interest Reversal) + Rs. 1,966/- (Penal Interest). Total Dues Rs. 25,09,674.63 (Rupees Twenty Five Lakh Nine Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Four & Paise Sixty Three only) upto 12.07.2026 + further interest & charges till realization.	25.08.2026 from 02:00 P.M. to 06:00 P.M.	Rs. 50,78,000/- Rs. 5,07,800/- Rs. 50,000/-	SYMBOLIC POSSESSION OF BANK	18.07.2026 to 24.08.2026 11:00 AM to 05:00 PM. (With prior appointment only)

CONTACT PERSON AND CONTACT NUMBER:- AUTHORISED OFFICER, M: 94595-67888
LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION OF EMD: 25.08.2026 UPTO 04:00 P.M.
• DATE AND TIME OF COMMENCEMENT OF E-AUCTION: 25.08.2026 FROM 02:00 P.M. TO 06:00 P.M. • MODE OF PAYMENT OF EMD: NEFT
For detailed Terms and conditions of sale please also refer to the link provided in <https://www.bankofbaroda.in/e-auction.htm>; <https://Baanknet.com>
IT MAY BE TREATED AS STATUTORY 30 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER THE SARFAESI ACT 2002
Date: 17.07.2026 Place: Kullu (H.P.) **AUTHORISED OFFICER**

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION CHANDIGARH
E-TENDER NOTICE

Sr. No.	Name of Work	Bid Submission Schedule (Online)	Opening Technical Bid (Online)
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER - Horticulture Division No. 2			
1.	Providing and Planting of different species of Trees, Shrubs under the jurisdiction of Horticulture Division No.02, M.C. Chandigarh under Capital Head-Landscaping. Amount: Rs. 40,93,000/- Earnest Money : Rs.81,860/-	16.07.2026 at 5.30 P.M To 23.07.2026 at 3.00 P.M.	23.07.2026 at 3.00 P.M.
CONDITIONS			
1. The tender documents will be downloaded by the contractors / bidders from the website Chandigarh.nic.in/Chandigarh.gov/tenders.gov.in			
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER Hort. Divn.No.2, M.C. Chandigarh			

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER, HAMIRPUR DISTT. HAMIRPUR (HP).
No. HFW-HMR-(Procurement)Tender Notice/2026/- Dated, Hamirpur _____
TENDER NOTICE
Properly sealed tender is hereby invited for providing /supply of mentioned below items required as per demand for the office of the Chief Medical Officer, Hamirpur, Hamirpur district, so as to reach in the office of the undersigned on or before 04.08.2026 upto 2.30 PM, thereafter no tender shall be entertained/accepted. The offers will be opened on same day at 3.00 PM in the presence of the prospective tenderers who may wish to remain present:

Sr. No.	Name of tender	Tender cost	Earnest Money deposit	Last date & time to obtain the tender form	Last date & time for submission of tender	Opening date & time of tender
1.	Tender for supply of printing material	200/-	2000/-	03.08.2026 upto 4PM	04.08.2026 upto 2.30 PM	04.08.2026 at 3.00 PM

Tender document containing specifications and other terms & conditions can be purchased from the office of the undersigned on cash payment as detailed above on any working day between 10 AM to 4 PM up to 03.08.2026. The tenders sent by post or courier will be entertained only, if these are actually received by the specific date & time.
The tender must be accompanied with earnest money deposit (EMD) as specified above in the shape of FDR duly pledged in the name of Chief Medical Officer, HAMIRPUR H.P. Tender without earnest money or short or not in form specified above will be entertained & rejected straightway.
In case any date mentioned above happens to be a holiday next day will be considered as due date. For any inquiry/clarifications please contact on telephone No.01972-222223, Fax No. 01972-222203 & email cmo-ham-hp@nic.in.
Chief Medical Officer,
DPR HP-1973 HIM SUCHANA AVAM JAN SAMPARK Hamirpur District Hamirpur (HP)