

BRIEFS

Veteran freedom fighter Bimbadhar Muduli no more

BHUBANESWAR, July 24 (PTI)

VETERAN freedom fighter Bimbadhar Muduli died while undergoing treatment



at SCB Medical College and Hospital in Cuttack on Friday, his family said. He was 102.

Muduli, a native of Kendrapara district, had been suffering from age-related ailments. He was recently elected president of the Odisha State Freedom Fighters' Association.

Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi, Leader of Opposition Naveen Patnaik and several other leaders condoled his demise.

"I am deeply saddened to hear of the passing of distinguished freedom fighter Bimbadhar Muduli. His immeasurable contribution and selfless service to the nation will forever be etched in golden letters in our history," Majhi said in a statement.

In a social media post, Patnaik said he was saddened by the veteran freedom fighter's demise.

"His sacrifices and struggles for the nation's independence and for protecting the rights of the people will always be remembered. I pray for the eternal peace of his soul and convey my heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family," the former Chief Minister said.

Fake currency racket busted in K'taka, two held

CHIKKAMAGALURU, July 24 (PTI)

POLICE have foiled an attempt to circulate counterfeit currency in a newly developed layout in Mudigere taluk in Chikkamagaluru District.

Acting on intelligence inputs, officers arrested two individuals on Thursday.

The arrested suspects have been identified as Muhammad Ali from Mangaluru and Mahesh, a local resident of Mudigere.

Authorities recovered 90 counterfeit banknotes of Rs 200 denomination, totaling a face value of Rs 18,000.

Ex-sarpanch beaten to death in UP's Ballia

BALLIA (UP), July 24 (PTI)

A 70-year-old former sarpanch was beaten to death with a blunt object while he was sleeping at a tubewell pump room here, police said on Friday.

Ram Vyas Verma, who was also a local Samajwadi Party leader, was sleeping at the pump station located around 400 metres from his house, where he was found dead with head injuries caused by a blunt object, Circle Officer Jaishankar Mishra said

The incident took place at Udaha village under the Sahatwar police station limits on Thursday night.

Police have lodged an First Information Report (FIR) against unidentified persons based on a complaint filed by the victim's son, Ajay Kumar Verma, Mishra said.

Samajwadi Party national secretary Ram Govind Chaudhary has demanded immediate arrest of all those involved in the killing of Verma.

Mah Govt scraps mandatory one-year service bond for MBBS graduates

MUMBAI, July 24 (PTI)

THEMaharashtra Government has scrapped the mandatory one-year service bond for MBBS students from medical colleges in the State in view of the "inverse ratio" of the limited number of such positions available to the graduating candidates.

The decision to scrap the Social Responsibility Service (Bond Service) will benefit graduates from government-run, aided and municipal medical colleges, as well as private unaided colleges.

A Government Resolution (GR) dated July 23 said the only graduates who must still complete the bond are those who had already joined their allotted bond-service posting before the GR was issued.

Specifying the reason behind the move, the GR said that in view of the increased number of medical colleges in the state, the count of graduates every year, and the inverse ratio of the limited number of positions available across various government departments to provide bond service to these students, it cannot be made available to them within the stipulated time.

Consequently, despite being eligible, many candidates face difficulties in fulfilling the mandatory admission eligibility criteria for postgraduate medical courses due to the non-completion of their social responsibility service, it added.

Additionally, it has been observed that the newly-graduated candidates complete the social responsibility service after their undergraduate medical degree (MBBS) solely to become eligible for postgraduate degree courses. As a result, they do not provide medical services at their assigned postings to their full potential. Since these candidates have only recently passed the MBBS course, they are also not sufficiently competent to render emergency services, according to the GR.

Following discussions with Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis, the Public Health Department had submitted a proposal to the Medical Education and Drugs Department on July 9, 2025, to reconsider the policy.

Those who had not been allotted a post or had been allotted but had not yet joined, are also exempted from this.

However, if a candidate has received an allotment but has not yet joined, will not be required to complete the bond service.

No new bond service postings shall be allotted. The online portal created for allotting MBBS bond service shall be closed immediately, the GR said.

Candidates who had earlier paid the prescribed penalty amount to obtain exemption from bond service will not receive any refund of the penalty paid, it noted.

Meanwhile, the Maharashtra Association for Resident Doctors (MARD) welcomed the move.

A statement said this is a progressive and long-awaited decision that addresses several practical challenges faced by young doctors, particularly delays in service allotment, obstacles in pursuing postgraduate education, and administrative bottlenecks.

The decision will enable medical graduates to pursue higher education and career opportunities without unnecessary delays, it said.

Sonia's criticism misplaced; several paper leaks took place under Congress rule: BJP

In her article, An Education System's Collapse, Young India's Trauma, published in 'The Hindu', Congress leader Sonia Gandhi had said that students have demanded accountability and educational reforms, but the Modi Government has responded to their courage with "cowardice and wanton cruelty, treating them not as inheritors of the future but as enemies of the nation".

NEW DELHI, July 24 (PTI)

THE BJP on Friday dismissed Congress leader Sonia Gandhi's criticism of the Government's handling of the student protests, and accused the Opposition of trying to derive political mileage from the issue.

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In her article, An Education System's Collapse, Young India's Trauma, published in 'The Hindu', she accused the Government of degrading India's education landscape and

asserted that the country's students have called the Modi regime's bluff.

Reacting to Gandhi's article, BJP MP Nishikant Dubey said the Congress lacks the moral authority to criticise it.

"Do you think such an article has any meaning? What moral authority does the Congress have left? What moral authority? The Congress is a shop of lies," he told reporters in Parliament House complex. "The Congress jumped into the agitation only after it saw the public response to the students' protests. It did not launch any movement of its own. It is merely trying to derive political mileage from the issue," he said.

On the proposed legislation to tackle paper leaks, Dubey maintained that the government will introduce a strin-

gent law.

"I had said yesterday that when Parliament functions, a Bill will be brought under which those involved in paper leaks, and even their generations, will tremble.

"The Prime Minister has made that position absolutely clear. He has been telling us consistently that a separate and very stringent law will be brought. Yesterday, the prime minister himself asked everyone to wait for the Cabinet's decision," he said.

BJP MP Shashank Mani Tripathi said Gandhi's criticism is misplaced as several paper leaks had taken place when Congress-led governments were in power, but no one had sought or offered resignations.

"Sonia Gandhi is saying that we mishandled the issue, but that is incorrect. If you look at the record since 2004, there were several paper leaks, including PMT, AIEEE, CBSE and other examinations, but no resignations were sought or given when the Manmohan Singh government was in power. They should stop shedding crocodile tears and instead think about how India's future can be shaped through its youth," he said.



Children dressed as 'warkaris' take part in 'Dindi' procession to observe 'Ashadhi Ekadashi' festival, at Sane Guruji Vidyalaya English Medium School, at Dadar, in Mumbai on Friday.

Pet dog helps crack 2021 Mohali murder case; man gets life term

CHANDIGARH, July 24 (PTI)

AMOHALI court convicted and sentenced a man to life imprisonment in a 2021 murder incident with a pet dog of the victim playing a crucial role in cracking the case.

The court of Additional Sessions Judge Vikran Kumar awarded a life term to Jagir Singh, a resident of village Parol, for the murder of goat farmer Sucha Singh, a resident of Chhoti Badi Naggal village in Mohali in June 2021. The court also imposed a fine of Rs 1 lakh. Two other accused Desraj and Satnam Singh were, however, acquitted in the murder case.

The court also rejected the prosecution's plea for capital punishment, stating that the case did not qualify as one of the "rarest of rare".

The court convicted the accused on July 17 and the sentence was pronounced on July 22. According to the prosecution, Sucha Singh went missing on June 12, 2021, after leaving home to graze his goats.

The family came to know that Jagir Singh took Sucha to his house for making enclosure for goats. When Sucha did not return home that day, Jagir told the family that Sucha had gone with one Desraj.

But Sucha did not return home,

prompting the family to lodge a missing complaint with police.

Despite the family carrying out search at their own level for over a week, Sucha Singh could not be found. Thereafter, the family members of Sucha Singh went to Jagir's farmhouse on June 20, 2021. The family also took along their pet dog Rocky. When the family members were looking for Sucha Singh, their pet dog Rocky went towards a small pit. The family then started digging and found Sucha's T-shirt. Later police was called in and the headless body of Sucha Singh was exhumed from the spot.

ED questions TMC MLA Mitra's wife in municipal recruitment scam

KOLKATA, July 24 (PTI)

THE Enforcement Directorate on Friday questioned TMC MLA Madan Mitra's wife in connection with its money laundering probe into the alleged municipal recruitment scam, an officer said. Accompanied by her young son Subharup Mitra, the TMC legislator's wife, Archana, reached the ED office at the CGO Complex around 11 am. She declined to speak to media persons before entering the agency's office.

According to the ED officer, investigators are examining documents that Archana Mitra was asked to produce in connection with the probe.

"The investigation is focused on tracing the money trail and verifying whether proceeds of crime arising out of the alleged illegal recruitment found their way into accounts linked to the beneficiaries or their associates. Financial documents, including banking records, are being exam-

ined as part of the probe," the ED officer told PTI.

Archana's appearance comes after both her sons were questioned by the central agency earlier this week.

The questioning is aimed at "corroborating documentary evidence already collected during the investigation. Summonses have been issued to all persons whose role or financial transactions require verification," the ED officer said.

Subharup was interrogated for nearly nine hours on Wednesday, while his elder brother, Swarup, appeared before ED officials on Thursday.

Swarup had told reporters after his questioning that their mother had also been summoned and would appear before the agency on Friday. The ED is investigating into the allegations that around 125 appointments at the Titagarh Municipality in North 24 Parganas district were secured in exchange for monetary consideration.

DRUGS WORTH OVER RS 6.89 CRORE SEIZED IN OPS IN MIZORAM, 2 HELD: DRUGS worth more than Rs 6.89 crore were seized in three separate anti-drug operations in Mizoram, police said on Friday. Two persons, including one from Assam, were arrested in connection with the seizures, they said. The biggest haul was made in the early hours of July 21 when two men riding a scooter were intercepted on the Zokhawthar-Melbuid road near Mualrawt in Champhai district, close to the India-Myanmar border, police said. The suspects abandoned the scooter and fled after spotting the police patrol, they said.



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NOTICE OF SALE THROUGH PRIVATE TREATY
SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSETS MORTGAGED TO HHFL UNDER THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002
READ WITH PROVISIO TO RULE 8(8) AND 9(1).

The undersigned, as Authorized Officer of HHFL, has taken possession of the schedule property under Section 14(1) of the SARFAESI Act. Public at large is hereby informed that the secured property described in the Schedule is available for sale through **Private Treaty/Public E-Auction**, on terms agreeable to HHFL, for realization of its dues on an "AS IS WHERE IS", "AS IS WHAT IS" and "WHATSOEVER THERE IS" basis.

MP/BPL/BOP/A/000001388 Mr. Gulrez Ahmed Mrs. Zahida Khatun	Outstanding Amount - Rs. 17,09,581/- Reserve Price - Rs. 15,70,000/- EMD - Rs. 1,57,000/-	EMD Deposition Last Date - 11-08-2026 till 1700 hrs. Date / Time of E-auction - 12-08-2026 1100hrs - 1300hrs Bid Increase Amount : Rs. 10000/-
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All The Property One Residential Plot No 875/A Housing Board Colony Which Is Situated At Berasiya Road Karond Ward No 78 Tehsil Huzur Dist Bhopal M.P. Total Area- 600 Sq.ft **Bounded As** - East: Plot No 876/ A, West: Plot No 874/ A, North: Others Property, South: 20ft Wide Road

Standard Terms & Conditions : 1. Sale will be conducted strictly on "AS IS WHERE IS", "AS IS WHAT IS" and "WHATSOEVER THERE IS" basis. 2. Purchaser must deposit 10% of the offered amount along with the application and KYC documents. This will be adjusted against the 25% deposit required upon acceptance. No interest shall be payable on the EMD. 3. On acceptance of the offer by HHFL, purchaser must deposit 25% of the sale consideration (inclusive of the initial 10%) by the next working day. 4. Balance 75% of the sale consideration must be paid within 15 days of confirmation of sale. 5. Failure to remit amounts within stipulated timelines will result in automatic forfeiture of all deposits made, including the initial 10% and the property may be resold without further notice. 6. If HHFL does not accept the offer, the initial 10% deposit will be refunded without interest. 7. For bids exceeding Rs. 50,00,000/- the successful purchaser must remit 1% TDS under Section 194-IA of the Income Tax Act. 8. The property is sold with all existing and future encumbrances, whether known or unknown to HHFL. HHFL shall not be responsible for any third-party claims, rights, or statutory dues. 9. Purchaser must conduct independent due diligence on all aspects of the property. No claims will be entertained later. 10. HHFL reserves the right to reject any offer or cancel the auction without assigning reasons. 11. Auction/bidding shall only be through "online electronic mode" through the website www.bankauctions.com Or Auction provided by the service provider M/s C1 India Pvt. Ltd., 12. The bidders may participate from their place of choice through online portal. Secured Creditor/service provider shall not be held responsible for the any internet connectivity issue. 13. For any details on e-auction prospective bidders may contact the Service Provider **M/S C1 India Pvt Ltd., Plot No- 68, 3rd floor Sector 44 Gurgaon Haryana -122003 (Contact no. 7291981124,25,26) Support Email - Support@bankauctions.com , Mr. Mithlesh Kumar, Mob. +91 70808 04466. Email: delhi@c1india.com and support@bankauctions.com** 14. For participating in the e-auction sale, the intending bidders should register their name at <https://www.bankauctions.com> well in advance and shall get the user ID and password. Intending bidders are advised to change only the password immediately upon receiving it from the service provider. 15. For participating in e-auction, intending bidders have to deposit a refundable Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) i.e. 10% OF RESERVE PRICE (as mentioned above) shall be payable by interested bidders through Demand Draft/NEFT/RTGS in favour of "Hinduja Housing Finance Limited". 16. Interested parties may contact the **Authorized Officer Vaibhav Shrivastava - 9755225338, Sachin Bhalekar - 8779984037, Dharamveer Yadav - 82694 20174** for details and submit Offer, EMD along with KYC documents on or before **11-08-2026 at 5.00 p.m.** 17. Successful auction Purchaser shall bear all stamp duty, registration fees, taxes and other statutory expenses related to the mortgaged property. The Borrowers/Mortgagors' right of redemption under Section 13(8) of the SARFAESI Act stands extinguished upon the date of publication of this notice as per the latest judicial mandates. 19. Sale shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the SARFAESI Act and Rules.

Date- 25-07-2026

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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 provision to Rule 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 he below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Constructive/Physical/Symbolic(Which is applicable) possession of which has been taken by the 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 borrowers/guarantors. The reserve price and earnest money deposit will be as mentioned in the below against the respective properties.

Date of E-Auction : 24-08-2026 (E-auction timings: 11.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. with an unlimited extension of 10 minutes each) Last Date of EMD : 23-08-2026 upto 11.00 PM		
Name of Borrower/Mortgagor Description of Secured Assets	Reserve Price EMD (₹)	Demand Notice Dt. Possession Dt. Amt. Due to Bank
THE BIDDER SHALL IMPROVE THE OFFER IN MULTIPLE OF RS.25000/- (RS.TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND ONLY)		
M/s Mangal Traders -Through its Proprietor Mr. Harshit Agarwal S/o Bharat Bhusan Agrawal (1) Mr Sunil Kumar Agrawal S/o Mr Babura Agrawal and (2) Mrs Rajni Agrawal W/o Mr Sunil Kumar Agrawal 1. All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Northern Part of land area 0.050 Hec. of Revenue Survey no 118/1/1/1/1/1 (S). Situated at Village Bilkhirya Khurd, PHN-Ratanpur Sadak, Ward no. 84 Tehsil Kolar Bhopal (M.P.) Area 0.050 Hec. (5500 Sq.ft. or 511.15 Sq. Mts.), Boundaries: -East by - Road, West by- Tej Bahadhur Rajput and Bopudi Sita Mahalaxmi Land, North by- Tej Bahadhur Rajput and Bopudi Sita Mahalaxmi Land, South by- Remaining area 5500 Sq.ft. of Survey no,118/1/1/1/1/1 Owned by Mr Sunil Kumar Agrawal S/o Mr Babura Agrawal (Symbolic Possession)	(₹) 1,00,60,600.00	09-01-2026 20-03-2026 ₹ 18974988.55 + Interest + Other Charges
2. All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Southern Part of land area 0.050 Hect. of Revenue Survey no 118/1/1/1/1/1 (S), Situated at Village Bilkhirya Khurd, PHN-Ratanpur Sadak, Ward no. 84 Tehsil Kolar Bhopal (M.P.), Area 0.051 Hect. (5500 Sq.ft. or 511.15 Sq. Mts.), Boundaries: -East by Rasta, West by- Tej Bahadhur Rajput and Bopudi Sita Mahalaxmi Land, North by, Remaining Part 5500 Sq.ft. of Survey No 118/1/1/1/1, South by-Pushpender Kumar Shukla Land, Owned by Mrs Rajni Agrawal W/o Mr Sunil Kumar Agrawal (Symbolic Possession)	(₹) 10,06,060.00	Properties 1 & 2 will be sold jointly.

Terms & Conditions: (1) The sale shall be subject to the terms & conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 and to the following further conditions. (2) The properties are being sold on " AS IS WHERE IS BASIS and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" AND " WHATSOEVER THERE IS BASIS". (3) The Particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule herein above have been stated to the best of the information of the Secured Creditor, but the Secured Creditor shall not be answerable for an error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation. (4) The sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the Website <https://baanknet.com> on **24.08.2026**. Interested Bidders/Buyers will have to do registration on website <https://baanknet.com> of bank's authorized service provider PSB Alliance and have to transfer EMD Money in their Global EMD Wallet through online mode, well before time. If EMD amount is not available in Global EMD Wallet then, system will not allow to place bid. For detailed terms & conditions of the sale please refer <https://baanknet.com> & www.pnb.bank.in.
Place: Katni, Date : 23.07.2026

Authorized Officer, Punjab National Bank