

British Prime Minister Liz Truss resigns after tumultuous six-week term

LONDON(KCN): British Prime Minister Liz Truss resigned Thursday — bowing to the inevitable after a tumultuous six-week term in which her policies triggered turmoil in financial markets and a rebellion in her party obliterated her authority. She said “I cannot deliver the mandate on which I was elected.”

Just a day earlier Truss had vowed to stay in power, saying she was “a fighter and not a quitter.” But Truss couldn't hold on any longer after a senior minister quit her government with a barrage of criti-

A growing number of lawmakers had called for Truss to resign after weeks of turmoil sparked by her economic plan. The plan unveiled by the government last month triggered financial turmoil and a political crisis that has seen the replacement of Truss' Treasury chief, multiple policy U-turns and a breakdown of discipline in the governing Conservative Party. Earlier, Conservative lawmaker Simon Hoare said the government was in disarray.

“Nobody has a route plan. It's all sort of hand-to-hand fighting on a day-to-day basis,” he told the BBC on Thursday. He said Truss had “about 12 hours” to turn the situation around.

READ HERE | Liz Truss: UK's third female PM leaves office without India trade deal prize Truss had held a hastily arranged meeting in her 10 Downing Street office with Graham Brady, a senior Conservative lawmaker who oversees leadership challenges.



cism and a vote in the House of Commons descended into chaos and acrimony just days after she was forced to abandon many of her economic policies.

Her departure leaves a divided Conservative Party seeking a leader who can unify its warring factions.

Brady was tasked with assessing whether the prime minister still has the support of Tory members of Parliament — and it seemed she did not.

A growing number of Conservative members of Parliament had called Thursday for her to step down and end the chaos. **CONTINUED ON: P-7**

Odisha Home Secy Sanjeev Chopra gets Central Posting

Bhubaneswar(KCN): The Appointments Committee of the Union Cabinet on Wednesday approved

lic Distribution, Government of India.

A 1990-batch IAS officer, Chopra was appointed Home Secretary, Government of Odisha, in August 2019.

Unique Identification Authority of India (UIAI) CEO Saurabh Garg, another IAS Odisha cadre (1991), has been given Union Secretary rank.

Mr Sanjeev Chopra's wife Mrs Ranjana Chopra a 1994 batch Odisha cadre IAS officer presently working as Principal Secretary MSME Development in Odisha government has already been appointed as additional secretary in the central government culture department on 26th September, 2022.



a slew of appointments. Among them, Odisha Home Secretary Sanjeev Chopra has been appointed as Secretary, Department of Food & Pub-

PM Modi to launch drive to recruit 10 lakh people



NEW DELHI(KCN): Prime Minister Narendra Modi will launch 'Rozgar Mela', a drive to recruit 10 lakh people, on October 22 via video-conference and appointment letters will be given to 75,000 candidates during the ceremony, the PMO said on Thursday. The PMO said this will be a significant step forward towards fulfilling the continuous commitment of the prime minister to providing job opportunities for the youth and ensuring welfare of citizens.

According to Modi's directions, all ministries and departments are working towards filling up existing vacancies against sanctioned posts in a "mission mode", the statement from the Prime Minister's Office said. The new recruits, selected from across the

country, will join 38 ministries or departments of the Government of India. The appointees will join the government at various levels in Group A and B (Gazetted), Group B (Non-Gazetted) and Group C. The posts on which appointments are being made include the central armed force personnel, sub-inspectors, constables, LDC, steno, PA, income tax inspectors and MTS among others, it read.

These recruitments are being done by ministries and departments either by themselves or through recruiting agencies such as UPSC, SSC and the Railway Recruitment Board. For expeditious recruitment, selection processes have been simplified and made tech-enabled, the PMO said.

BJD axe on rebel Rajendra Das, Naveen to campaign after Diwali

BHUBANESWAR (KCN): Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik on Wednesday expelled former MLA Rajendra Kumar Das from the BJD for indulging in anti-party activities. Rajendra filed his nomination papers for the Dhamnagar bypoll by going against the party decision. Despite party's request, he did not withdraw his nomination papers. Action against him has come in the midst of a hectic campaign trail for the by-election. Sources said CM is likely to campaign for party candidate Abanti Das after Diwali.

Reacting to the action taken against him, Rajendra said he is not surprised by the BJD's decision. “I welcome the decision as the people of Dhamnagar are with me. The action is a blessing for me,” he told mediapersons.

Rajendra added that he has nothing to worry as he is working for the people of the constituency who support him wholeheartedly. Expressing full confidence that he will defi-

nitely win, the former MLA said he is getting support from all sections of voters.

Rajendra was a strong contender for the BJD ticket having lost the 2019 election to Bishhu Charan Sethi of BJP, whose demise last month necessitated the by-election, but the regional party fielded Abanti. The BJP has fielded Suraj,



the son of ex-MLA Sethi.

While several ministers and MLAs have been engaged in the campaign for BJD's Abanti, the Opposition BJP has also deployed its MLAs, Union Ministers and senior leaders to seek votes for its candidate Suraj. Senior Congress leaders including MLAs from the State were also campaigning for party candidate Baba Harekrushna Sethi.

Putin declares martial law in annexed regions of Ukraine

MOSCOW (KCN): Russian President Vladimir Putin declared martial law Wednesday in the four regions of Ukraine that Moscow annexed and gave all regional governors in Russia emergency powers that open the door for sweeping new restrictions throughout the country.

Putin didn't immediately spell out the steps that would be taken under martial law, but said his order was effective starting Thursday. His decree gave law enforcement agencies three days to submit specific proposals and orders the creation of territorial defense forces in the annexed regions. The upper house of

regions. The approved legislation indicated the declaration may involve restrictions on travel and public gatherings, tighter censorship and



Russia's parliament quickly endorsed Putin's decision to impose martial law in the annexed Donetsk, Kherson, Luhansk and Zaporizhzhia re-

broader authority for law enforcement agencies.

“We are working to solve very difficult large-scale tasks to ensure Russia's secu-

city and safe future, to protect our people,? Putin said in televised remarks at the start of a Security Council meeting. “Those who are on the frontlines or undergoing training at firing ranges and training centers should feel our support and know that they have our big, great country and unified people behind their back.?”

On Saturday, the Russian Defense Ministry said two men fired at soldiers on a military firing range near Ukraine, **CONTINUED ON: P-7**

Indian mission heads urged to boost Odisha globally

BHUBANESWAR(KCN): The State government has sought the support of heads of Indian mission in different countries to increase Odisha's

Suresh Chandra Mahapatra said the State under the leadership of Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik is holding business summits and road shows in different

chemicals, textiles, apparel, food processing, IT and ITeS sectors. “With the involvement of the heads of Indian Mission in different countries we can in-

expected that the Indian Mission in different countries could adequately present Odisha at international business forums.

Ambassador Patnaik said, “Our field visits during last two days showed that Odisha is on a futuristic trajectory. As heads of Indian Mission we will extend all help for greater engagements and enhancing exports from Odisha. The two IFS officers visited the Maniabandh textile cluster in Cuttack district, cashew cluster in Mahisapat and Dokra artisans in Sadeibareni of Dhenkanal district, Sea Food Park at Deras, World Skill Centre at Mancheswar and Kala Bhoomi at Pokhariput.



presence in the global market. In an interactive session with Indian Ambassadors to Spain Dinesh K Patnaik and to Guatemala Manoj Kumar Mohapatra after their two-day visit to different developmental clusters of the State, Chief Secretary

parts of the country and abroad as well to attract investments in different sectors. Keeping the strength of a major industrial hub in eastern India, the State has been successful in attracting investments in the mineral, metallurgy, chemicals, petro-

crease our presence in the global market, “he added. Outlining the objectives of the business summit with the two officers of the Indian Foreign Service who hail from Odisha, Principal Secretary Industry Hemanta Kumar Sharma said the State

Vidhan Sabha house committee visits different industries in Barbil and Joda area

Barbil(KCN): Pollution of Barbil, Joda and Koida region of Keonjhar and Sundergarh respectively in Odisha is a great concern for the state and is has become a very necessary to control this. Vidhan Sabha committee under the leadership of Mohan Majhi ,MLA

Committee has come on inspection tour of various industries at Keonjhar and Sundergarh . Along with them the Committees consist of other members Sukant Majhi ,Sub Collector Champua,Alok Patel , Tehsildar Barbil,Rajendra Pittar Barla, Bhawani Shankar Nayak officials of state assembly,Prasant Kar,Regional officer pollution control board, environment scientist of Debasish Bebart and Debabrata Mohanty were also present.



Keonjhar visited the industries of these areas. "If the established industries would not control this pollution then a strong action would be taken" said by Mohan Majhi and Committee's member Naura Naik,MLA Rengali and C S Rajan Ekka ,MLA Rajgangpur .For controlling the situation, this committee would submit a report to state government which was informed by the committee members. Vidhan Sabha

These committee members visited Arya Steel, Jindal Steel and Power and Shree Metallic plants. The Committee members have shown their dissatisfaction over the pollution control measures taken by the industries according to source. They also questions on action of pollution control in these area. The Committee has cited a great concern over the increase of Pollution . MLA Mohan Majhi said that from the industrial area situation of Pollution is very grim. "District Administration and State Government should give a highest priority to this sensitive issue and should take necessary steps".Naura Naik added that pollution control board should act proactively to take necessary action to combat pollution in these area.

Mumbai Bhawan Gets Expansion

Mumbai(KCN): Odisha Bhawan in Mumbai gets an expansion nod

This building has 28 AC rooms and 4 AC dormitories. Out of these

the government at a discounted rate. However, there has been a demand for

of Public Works Department and IDCO and representatives of various Odia organiza-



with the corner stone is laid by Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik Odisha Bhawan, Mumbai is based at Vashi is providing affordable accommodation in metro cities like Mumbai to government officials and the public coming to Mumbai for various purposes.

rooms, 16 2-bed AC rooms and 2 AC dormitories are intended for Odia people coming for treatment of chronic diseases like cancer in Mumbai. The economically weaker sections of Odisha are particularly benefiting from this accommodation facility provided by

a long time from the people of Odisha and various Odisha organizations in Mumbai to arrange more rooms for patients in Mumbai Odisha Bhawan. On this occasion Additional Chief Secretary Home Sanjeev Chopra, Chief Minister's Secretary 5T VK Pandian, officials

tions in Mumbai were present. Once this extension of Odisha Bhawan, Mumbai is completed, more cancer patients can be provided affordable accommodation in a costly city like Mumbai. Odia people and various Odia organizations in Mumbai have complimented the Chief Minister

Mines Secretary Visits Hindustan Copper Limited Corporate Office, Praises HCL's Special Campaign 2.0 initiatives

Kolkata(KCN): Shri Vivek Bharadwaj, Secretary, Union Ministry of Mines, was warmly

Upendra C. Joshi, Joint Secretary, Union Ministry of Mines.



Praising the endeavour of disposing of the scrap accumulated for decades, the Secretary said that this will not only generate revenue but will also clean the workspace, improve ambience and motivate all. Cleanliness is next to Godliness, as the saying goes.

In a recent effort, HCL Corporate Office is in the process of disposing of around 7.5 tonnes of metal scrap, as part of the

welcomed by Shri Arun Kumar Shukla, CMD, Hindustan Copper Limited (HCL) along with the other directors, CVO and the senior officials on his maiden visit to HCL Corporate Office in Kolkata today. In a detailed presentation, the Secretary was apprised of the overall activities of the Company along with its ongoing projects.



During the meeting, Shri Bharadwaj, interacted at length with the senior executives of HCL and urged them to focus on enhancing production.

Special Campaign 2.0 initiative. Earlier, HCL Corporate office in Kolkata had carefully weeded out 2248 old files and archived 16220 of them. In July, 2022, the office disposed of discarded papers and plas-



visited the basement area of HCL Corporate Office, Tamra Bhawan, to take stock of the ongoing cleanliness drive, disposal of scrap, weeding out of old files and deeply appreciated the all-round efforts of HCL in its commitment to the Special Campaign 2.0. Shri Bharadwaj was also accompanied by Shri

etc. weighing around 4.6 tonnes. Committing all possible support, cooperation and help in the administrative, policy and financial matters from the Ministry of Mines, Shri Bharadwaj encouraged the HCL personnel to put their best foot forward in order to build a glorious future for the Company.

Diwali special Train between Secunderabad and Santragachi

Kolkata(KCN): With a view to clear the extra rush of passengers during the Diwali Festival, the South Eastern Railway (SER) authority has decided to run a pair of Special Train between Secunderabad-Santragachi-Secunderabad leaving Secunderabad o-n October 22, 2022 and leaving Santragachi o-n October 23, 2022.

Santragachi at 10.25 am, the next day. In the return direction, the 02773 Santragachi-SecunderabadSpecial will depart Santragachi o-n October 23, 2022 at 6.45 pm in the evening and will reach Secunderabad at 9.30 pm at night the next day. The train with o-ne composite coach (First AC & AC 2 Tier), two AC 2 Tier, 10 AC 3 Tier, five Sleeper Class and two General Second Class coaches will have stoppages at Kharagpur and Balasore in SER jurisdiction.

The 02774 Secunderabad-Santragachi Special will leave Secunderabad o-n October 22, 2022 at 08.40 am and will reach

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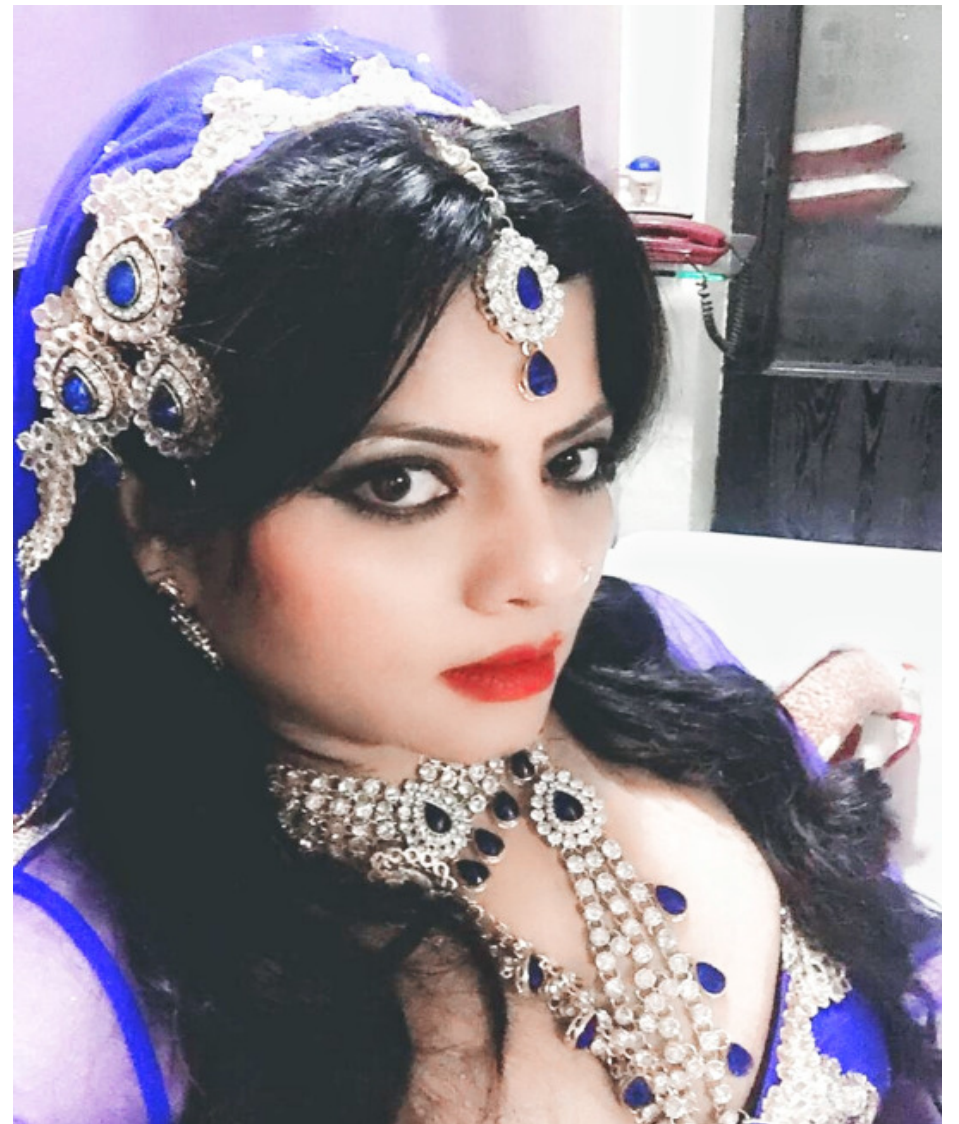
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"Carefully light firecrackers on Diwali," - Actress Shradha Rani Sharma

Glamorous(Mumbai, Sanjay Sharma Raj), sexy and versatile talented actress

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Shradha Rani Sharma is celebrating Diwali this time at her home in Mumbai. This time she will go to the orphanage and give gifts and donations to the people on the occasion of Diwali. Anyway, she regularly helps people by visiting the or-

phanage in between. Once, on the occasion of Diwali, long time back, when she was shooting for the serial 'Har Shakra Pe Ullu Baitha Hai' in Filmcity, they had ordered a big ladi (Fatakadi) and burnt it. Due to which nearby costumes (clothes) were burnt and there was a lot of commotion. About which Shradha Rani Sharma says, "I would like to tell people that during

Diwali, burn firecrackers carefully, otherwise it does not take time for major accidents to happen. Keeping the environment in mind, burn firecrackers as little as possible, instead, help a poor person. Happy Diwali to all the Indians."

'Was difficult to play an 18-year-old': Aamir Khan on 'Laal Singh Chaddha'

How close is Laal Singh Chaddha to Forrest Gump, of which it is an adaptation? We have tried to make it as close to Forrest Gump as possible, but it's an Indianised version. Atul Kulkarni (scriptwriter) and Advait Chandan (director) have made a few changes, and we hope the audience loves it. The Hollywood version had a few adult scenes, but since we wanted to make a family film, we decided to do away with them. We wanted to retain the innocence of the character from the original version.

I prepped for the film, but it stayed in my mind that Laal is an innocent and pure character. I am 57 and an idealist. You learn a lot throughout life and that innocence does not remain. I had to finally use Junaid's instincts for the role. I got the cue from his screen tests as Laal. You are 57 and the character's age spans from 18 to 50. What was the toughest part about it?

What qualities of Laal have impressed you? He is innocent, doesn't complain, and knows how to leave the past behind. If anyone speaks ill of him, he keeps quiet. He knows that you can't rewind the past. A lot of us don't accept that. Even if he feels bad, he just moves on with life. His mother has taught him that. My relationship with my Ammi has been the same.



Did you actually grow a beard for the role? I grew my beard six inches long. It took me almost six months. I met a Sardar at my gym and liked his look. I told him I wanted to have this look for my next film. I did grow a beard but also used extensions.

Your son Junaid gave screen tests for the film. What happened? Junaid studied theatre at the American Academy of Dramatic Arts and did plays for a year. I told Advait to shoot a few test scenes with him for the film to see if he could handle it. We made him Laal Singh Chaddha and he shot for two weeks. That helped us gauge what Junaid had learnt at school. He was so good as the character that I was in a dilemma if Junaid should do the film. I showed (the tests) to all my close friends who don't give any leeway to my work. Only two people said no— Atul (Kulkarni) and Aditya Chopra. They said that since it was an episodic film, a newcomer should not do it. It's a star vehicle, which is why it was Tom Hanks who played the role in the original. How did you convince yourself for the role?



There were challenges during the run sequences. There were a lot of locations and I travelled a lot for one and half months. I don't look 18, but the technical team has done an amazing job with de-ageing. What was difficult was to mentally prepare as an 18-year-old. You made Kareena Kapoor Khan, who you are working with after 12 years, audition for her role. Why so, and how was it working together again? I watched her for the first time in Kabhie Khushi Kabhie Gham and I loved her. Then I did 3 Idiots and Talaash with her. She gets into the character completely and is a fantastic actor. She has never given a screen test, but she agreed for this one because we wanted to see how she would look in the film. After we did a reading with her, both Advait and I realised that she was perfect for the role.

That's why I could relate to the film. I have learnt a lot in life because of her. Are you doing Kiran Rao's next film, Lapata Ladki? I gave a screen test for it, but she rejected me. Both of us felt that I was not the right fit for the role. I was also busy with Laal, so we decided that if she cannot find anyone, I will be there as a backup. Have you ever faced rejections in your career? I don't like rejections; they upset me. I was rejected from a Hindi play during my intercollege years, but when I went out, I saw a notice on the board about a Gujarati play. They wanted chorus players. I said to myself, "Don't give up." I went and auditioned for the Gujarati play. Do you plan to launch Junaid soon? He doesn't want me to launch him. He is making his own career.

Who becomes the Chief Justice of India?

Till the recent past, this had been the concern only of lawyers, and that too of the elite among them. The same is the case with almost all democracies, Pakistan would be the sole exception. Appointments to the judiciary, including to that of the highest court of the land, in all democracies, except for India and Pakistan, does not include any kind of sensation. Judges, by the very nature of their job require to live a relatively secluded life. Judges used to wear wigs symbolising that their identity is of little consequence. In a democracy, the role of the judge is to adjudicate disputes between the parties before him/her, and the implications of their judgements on the public at large is largely incidental. The reason is that in a democracy, the elected representatives alone can make laws. Every citizen is symbolically present in the Parliament and every law enacted by the Parliament is with their consent. And the executive is accountable to the Parliament. But in India, the Parliament is no longer the supreme law maker. Every judgement of the Supreme Court, nay, even every word in a judgement is now considered to be the "law of the land". Matters which fall exclusively in the province of governance, for instance demonetisation, handling of the covid pandemic, etc. were all taken over by the judiciary. It is no exaggeration, today, to say that our country is now ruled by judges. Appointments of directors of the CBI, ED, Central Vigilance Commission, Chairpersons of tribunals, matters which fall in the domain of the executive, all fall under the province of the Supreme Court. The Parliament has increasingly become irrelevant. Who the next CJI is, is therefore, a matter of importance. The engineered hype on the social media and the long army of soothsayers vying for space in glorifying the incoming CJIs is an indication of the irreparable damage that has been caused to the democracy at the cost of the Parliament which, I am afraid, has become virtually redundant.



I, like many, have been closely observing the performance of the Chief Justice designate as an ASG. In many ways I am on the same page with his Lordship. He is erudite and hardworking. Justice Chandrachud has authored many outstanding judgments. We only see the bright shining side of the moon. The moon has another side as well. I am afraid to say this as one who represented thousands of slum dwellers, who were faced with the threat of demolition of their shanties in the implementation of the orders of the Bombay High Court of which Justice Chandrachud was a member. The persecution of the poor started by the Bombay High Court acting on the PILs of the elite like the Bombay Environmental Action Group, started soon after the Maharashtra Assembly enacted the Slum Act giving protection to slum dwellers occupying land for long years. More than 4 lakh slum dwellers were rendered homeless in 1997 in the world's greatest ever mass eviction. In the year 2004, a bench consisting of Justice Dalveer Bhandari, currently a member of the International Court of Justice, and Justice DY Chandrachud, passed an order directing the demolition of illegal structures, the majority being slums, within 50

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rights and for the underprivileged. I hope that Justice Chandrachud will avail of his office as CJI to do something concrete to ameliorate the living conditions of the slum dwellers who constitute 60 percent of the population of Bombay, the relaxation of the Coastal zone regulations, so too, making available salt pans for housing which the government could not because of judicial interference. This will go a long way in undoing the errors of the past.

The collegium which Justice Chandrachud will preside over will have Justices Joseph and Khanna, son and nephew of two former judges of the Supreme Court. That Fifty percent of the collegium falls in the exclusive privilege of the sons and nephews of the former judges of the Supreme Court is a glaring red flag that the collegium system is horribly flawed and responsible for rampant nepotism that has resulted in the denial of opportunity to the more eligible but lesser privileged. I hope that the coming CJIs will undo the historical blunder that the collegium system is, and bring back the NJAC or any other just and equitable system of appointment of judges.

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Women Livestock Farmers & India's Food Security

According to recent estimates, more than 820 million people, or one out of every nine people on the planet, are hungry today. Undernutrition has remained nearly unchanged over the world (around 11 percent).



Malnutrition is on the rise over time (FAO 2019). Recent reports (GOI, 2021), indicate that anaemia has been affecting 59.1% of women, 52.2 percent of pregnant women (15-49 years), and 67 percent of infants (6-59 months) in the country. Furthermore, between 2015-16 and 2019-20, the prevalence of anaemia among women in the country has shot up (GOI, 2021). One in every five children (under 5 Yrs.) in India is underweight and as high as 35% of children (under 5 Yrs) are stunted. India is the world's largest producer of milk, wheat, and fruits, rice, lentils, and vegetables, third largest producer of eggs and stands eighth in meat production. Still it ranked 101 in the Global Hunger Index (GHI) for 2021. It's interesting to notice that, despite substantial increase in food production and per capita income, India failed to meet the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and the World Food Summit (WFS) targets.

The livestock sector is one of the fastest growing segments of the agricultural economy in India. It contributes nearly 29.7 per cent of the total value of agriculture GDP and accounts for about 4.07 per cent of the total GDP. The overall growth of livestock sector is steady and is around 6 per cent and this has been achieved despite the fact that the investment in this sector was not substantial. Livestock are central to the livelihoods of the poor and often form the major capital reserve of farming household and enhance the economic viability and sustainability of the farming system. In addition to income and employment generation, livestock ensures food and nutritional security of the rural poors in the form of readily available quality food - milk, egg and meat. In India, women perform majority of livestock operations that constitute about 69 per cent of total workforce engaged in livestock sector. In India, there are 75 million women engaged in dairying against 15 million men and 20 million in animal husbandry (small animal rearing and back yard poultry farming) against 1.5 million men.

Livestock have some unique characteristics which makes it a desirable livelihood options for the rural women. Livestock can be easily acquired with a

small initial investment and being a reproductive asset these can be multiplied to accumulate wealth and savings. They also generate a range of products and services, almost on a continuous basis, and the earnings from their sales can be utilized to meet households' daily consumption needs and other expenditures. Further, livestock production is less prone to external shocks such as droughts, floods and other natural calamities and therefore, they serve as a form of self-insurance for farm households. Moreover, in mixed farming systems, livestock are largely raised on low-value crop residues or byproducts and common grazing lands, and thus livestock production is relatively less expensive. Livestock are the assets not bound by any property rights, and can be owned and used by women to consolidate their bargaining power in intra-

Dr. Gyana Ranjan Mishra



household resource allocation decisions. Livestock ownership follows the social pecking order hence the female workers, particularly the illiterate ones, outnumber the male workers involved in animal care. Women perform and contribute significantly to almost all the activities related to livestock production and management like cleaning of animals and their sheds, milking, preparing byproducts and value added products like butter, paneer, ghee, curd and utilisation of waste products from farm houses like preparation of cow dung cake, compost and manures etc. They have good knowledge about local feed resources and are able to identify beneficial grasses, weeds and fodder trees for feeding their animals and used to collect and transport fodder from far away places to their

home. In rural areas young girls are involved in the grazing of small ruminants. Activities related to breeding and care of sick animals, care during pregnancy and traditional health care and first aid treatment are mainly performed by women. Women play a key role in both livestock management and household activities besides farming activities but their work is considered as non-productive and unorganized. Despite their large presence and their contribution, women livestock farmers, often, are not equipped with what they need to succeed in livestock farming. Women have less access to resources like land, water, credit funds, technology, less asset ownership, less awareness to extension services, less information about market trends, prices.

One of the key areas for addressing is land ownership. Land is a fundamental resource for livestock farming. With less than 8% of women farmers owning land, they often end up farming without being categorised as farm owners or landowners. The second factor is markets. If land is the first step in farming, markets are the ultimate reason for farming. The consistent disparity in price realisation between male and female livestock farmers has been well documented. One of the key reasons behind this is the disparity in access to catalytic technologies. Take the example of digital technologies that are increasingly becoming essential to connect farmers to markets. Mobile phones, for example, are becoming a very important tool in farming - to buy, sell, report, debate, transfer money, claim insurance. However, across low- and middle-income countries, women are 10% less likely to own a mobile phone than men. Women have less access to marketing agents, less contact with progressive farmers, officials and banks, less women farmer's organizations, hence they are not confident in decision taking related with marketing issues. In other words, women face more difficulties than men for access of marketing opportunities. Another major problem faced by women livestock farmers is the climate change and woman's ability to adapt. Changes in climatic conditions and uncertainties due to it has begun to adversely impact livestock production systems globally. India's livestock sector is not immune to it and incurring heavy loss in recent years, especially in view of the fact that our livestock farming system mostly dependent on natural resources. Small holder livestock producers in general and women producers in particular are more prone to these volatilities. Gender-biasness is a major hinderance in front of women livestock farmers. There is

serious lack in freedom to go alone and attend any public gatherings in rural areas. This attitude hinders women participation in village awareness camps being organised by agencies therefore lacking in technical knowledge about animal husbandry activities. Therefore, women farmers have less opportunity to interact with extension services providing agencies, especially in rural areas where male-female contact is culturally restricted. Due to lack of technical expertise women generally use traditional methods of livestock rearing which affects their production.

The government's both at the centre and state level are now giving too much emphasis on Self Help Groups (SHG), this is an impactful mechanism for addressing some of these fundamental challenges of lack of agency, price inequalities and women's participation in livestock production and market systems. The members of SHGs take various kinds of animal husbandry activities for income generation like dairy, piggery, goatery, poultry, milk selling, value addition, cow dung cake selling etc. Repeated study findings indicated that women in SHG seem to yield expected economic results, as a result of their entrepreneurial ventures, which is the strong reason for the majority of women to attain empowerment. Research had proved it multiple times that, when a woman earns independent income, she is not only empowered, but the entire family stands to benefit, in terms of quality food, improved nutrition and above all standard of living. The SHGs had been successful in empowering rural women through entrepreneurial activities as SHGs helped the respondents in getting easier and quicker loans and reduce the ill effects of taking loan from money lenders. There has also been increasing evidence that SHGs have been effective in driving enhanced market access, bargaining power, collective agency and decreased transaction costs for women farmers.

The Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) of the United Nations estimates that if women do have sufficient access to productive resources, they would increase the yields on their farms by 20-30% and this would end up adding at least 2.5-4% to the total agricultural output in developing countries. In this backdrop it is evident that though the women livestock farmers do have the potential to contribute largely to the food security of India, there exist complex inter-linkages among drivers influencing livestock production and marketing which needs to be understood and leveraged.

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World leaders endorse PM Modi-led 'Mission LiFE' for action against climate change

NARMADA: World leaders, including from France, the UK and the Maldives, were among those who congratulated Prime Minister Narendra Modi for the launch of Mission LiFE movement (Lifestyle for the Environment) on Thursday. Starting his video message addressing the Prime Minister as "Dear Narendra," French President Emmanuel Macron said that he looks forward to working with the Indian presidency of G20 next year.

"India has been very active in World Cleanup Day. Last year, 1.2 million people took part in it in India, which is impressive," Kallas said. Irakli Garibashvili, Georgia Prime Minister said "Georgia welcomes and fully supports this global initiative, timely introduced by PM Modi which promotes an environmentally conscious lifestyle that focuses on the principle of mindful and deliberate utilisations." Prime Minister Modi and United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres

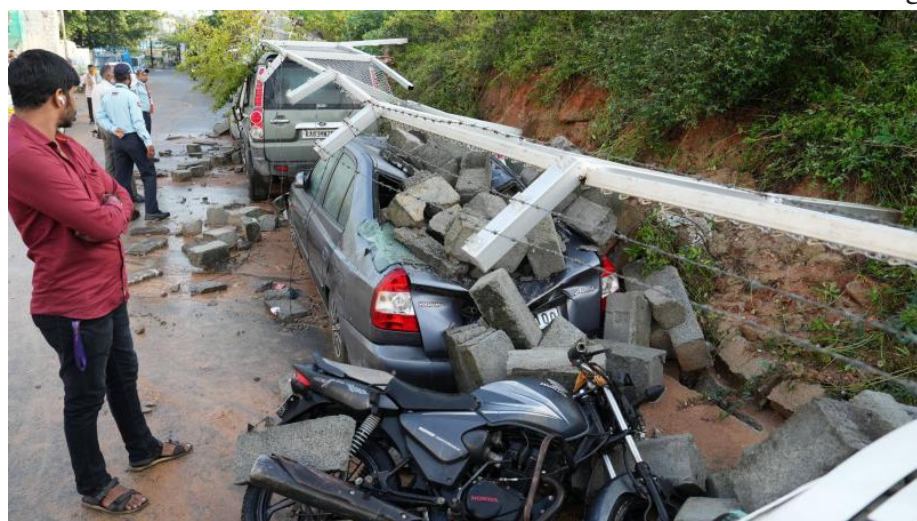


"Dear Prime Minister, dear Narendra, dear colleagues, dear friends, namaste. I wish I could be you in Kevadia at this very special moment. And at a time when our world is subject to increasing geopolitical tensions, we have no choice but to choose cooperation of division for one single region. No one can address global challenges and especially climate change on its own," Macron said. India takes over the presidency of G20 or Group of Twenty, an intergovernmental forum comprising 19 countries and the European Union, from Indonesia for a year from December 1. "France looks forward to working with India to make this initiative a success including in the perspective of the Indian presidency of G20 next year," Macron added. UK Prime Minister Liz Truss also sent her congratulations through a video message. "As democracies, we must work together to secure energy independence and protect economies. We're investing with partners like India to develop vital climate infra. I commend India's leadership in launching Mission LiFE, let's keep leading the way," she said. Founded in 1999, the G20 grouping works to address issues of international concerns, like the global economy, climate change mitigation and sustainable development. Maldives' President Ibrahim Mohamed Solih said that PM Modi's Mission LiFE could not have come at a more crucial juncture when "the ill effects of the climate crisis come at upon the countries with full force." Estonia's Prime Minister, Kaja Kallas in her message expressed gratitude to PM Modi for launching Mission LiFE and said that the need for a collective response to address climate change is stronger than ever.

launched the Mission LiFE movement in Gujarat's Ekta Nagar. Envisaged by PM Modi, Mission LiFE is expected to be an India-led global mass movement that will nudge individual and collective action to protect and preserve the environment, said Prime Minister's Office (PMO). Mission LiFE will be India's signature initiative at the United Nations and other international platforms for showcasing climate action and early achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals, according to the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) statement. "Our planet is under threats. Overall, 70 per cent of forest land is substantially degraded. Collective action is needed to protect the planet. I wish to extend best wishes to Prime Minister Narendra Modi on the launching of the Mission LiFE logo and mission document which seeks to mobilise 1 billion people of India to become pro-planet people by 2027. Congratulations India for taking the lead," said Ifraan Ali, President of Guyana. Andry Rajoelina, Madagascar President in her message said, "I am convinced that LiFE could become one of the turning points in our fight against climate crisis. I thank India through its Prime Minister Narendra Modi who is an inspiring leader in environmental protection, for bringing us together around this cause. It is with hope and conviction that I join you in this mission. Earlier, Prime Minister Modi held a bilateral meeting with UN chief Antonio Guterres here. The duo paid floral tributes at the Statue of Unity at Kevadia and the UN Secretary-General joined Prime Minister Modi at the launch of the Mission LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment) booklet, logo, and tagline.

Heavy rains batter Bengaluru, many roads flooded

BENGALURU: Many parts of Bengaluru were flooded when heavy rains lashed the city on Wednesday evening. Heavy rains lead to collapse of a wall in Sheshadripuram which resulted in damage of several vehicles parked



on the road. In the incident, two persons who were in a car parked in the area managed to escape by a whisker. A resident, Raghupathi, an eye witness stated that he heard a loud sound at around 9.45 pm and saw the retaining wall collapsed. Officials concerned were informed but none have arrived at the spot. He said that the retaining wall was constructed about five years back.

In the heavy rains, a newly constructed road was washed away at Shivanand Circle of the city. Shop-keepers in Russell Market of Shivaji Nagar had a tough time owing to heavy rainfall and waterlogging. Water entered the market area from the main gate and the materials in the shop were damaged completely, said shop-keeper in Russell Market. The scene in Sultanpet was no different from that of Shivajingar. The area Sultanpet main road is completely flooded and the parked vehicles especially two-wheelers were inundated. Many

arterial roads in areas like Krishnaraja Puram, Mahadevapura, Koramangala were also flooded. Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike Commissioner Tushar Giri nath said that the East Zone of the city has suffered maximum damages due to heavy rainfall.

Congress to press for SCS and Polavaram, says Rahul Gandhi

ANANTAPUR: Referring to the losses suffered in the Telugu states after bifurcation, party leader Rahul Gandhi said here on Wednesday,

Pradesh should have one capital, which should be Amravati. That is our position," he said, adding the party would like to defend the rights of farmers who gave

Reacting to a call by AICC presidential candidate Shashi Tharoor to conduct a re-poll in Uttar Pradesh, Rahul Gandhi said the party's election

Rahul Gandhi stressed the need for governments to support entrepreneurs so as to enable them to provide more employment opportunities. "But, GST and



"What the party can do now is work hard for the implementation of the promises on special category status (SCS) and Polavaram in the AP Reorganisation Act. "I am not delving into the past. We must have a clear plan for the future. We feel the commitment made by the Centre to the two states should be fulfilled," he told mediapersons during the second day of the Bharat Jodo Yatra (BJY) in Kurnool on Tuesday. He also reiterated the Congress' commitment to retain a single capital in Amaravati for Andhra Pradesh. "We do not think the YSRC's idea of having three capitals is a sensible move. We think Andhra

away their lands for the capital. Answering a question on the Congress presidential election, Rahul Gandhi said his position and responsibility would be decided by the newly elected party chief Mallikarjun Kharge. "I would follow the directions of the party president. Party president is the supreme authority for every party worker," he said. He pointed out that it was only in the Congress that party workers had the freedom to elect the party president in a transparent and democratic manner. "This is unlike the BJP and the regional parties, which all elected their chiefs in a dictatorial way," he said.

commissioner Madhusudan Mistry had acted in a fair manner and was like T.N. Seshan, the former chief election commissioner known for his strict enforcement of rules. "If there are issues, bring them to his notice, he will get them solved," Rahul Gandhi said. On the question of a Congress alliance with the YSRC in 2024, he said this was not under his jurisdiction and all such matters would be tackled by the AICC president. Stating that there was distress on the part of farmers and the weaker sections in AP, he observed that the three major political parties in the state were acting like corporate entities.

demonetisation caused major setbacks and burdened even the small farmers. A multi-level GST system is seen only in India." Demonetisation and GST destroyed the systems and India's ability to create jobs. A handful of rich people, the rich who are close to the PM, are happy. "What is happening is, 'money transfer' from farmers to small businesses and finally to the top rich." With regard to the yatra in Andhra Pradesh, Rahul Gandhi said, "Our leaders were not sure about the success of the the Bharat Jodo Yatra in AP, but the response is tremendous. This will be the first step for strengthening the Congress in AP," Rahul Gandhi said.

India-Korea promotion of literature and culture

HYDERABAD: Sree Ramya Krishna Govardhan, a student from

USA with scholarships to pursue East Asian studies in Korean language and literature.

tion of South Korean language, culture, music and movies for a decade.

courses from Korean universities and institutions. At 13, she founded Hyderabad Kpoppers and the Korean Cultural Society in 2018. Ramya said, "India and South Korea share many similarities in terms of values, culture and history. I will continue to promote Indian and Korean culture at Ohio State University," she said adding that she would be focusing on academic, organisational and society activities in the USA and India.



Hyderabad, was stated to be the first student from India to be accepted in multiple universities in the

She said she had chosen Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio. She has been working towards the promo-

Ramya learnt Korean by herself starting at the age of 11, and has completed multiple Korean language

Jeypore Airport gets License

Bhubaneswar: There is a piece of good news for South Odisha ahead of Diwali, the Director General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has issued license to start operation at Jeypore Airport in Koraput district.

Thanks to the sincere efforts of Bishnupada Sethi, Principal Secretary Commerce & Transport, who was pursuing the DGCA License efforts from the beginning and ground work for detailed paper work was initiated by the Department of Commerce & Transport. Team Odisha led by Mr. Sethi worked in tandem with the senior officials of Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA).

Now DGCA has issued the License for operation from Jeypore. And the Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) has informed about the development through its twitter handle sharing the license certificate. "Another milestone a day ahead of #UDANDiwas! Jeypore Airport of Odisha, gets the license to carry out scheduled air operations under #UDAN. This will help boost tourism and development of this tribal region," the MoCA said.



Additional Secretary, MoCA, Usha Padhee thanked the Team Odisha and Airport Authority of India (AAI) for issuing the license for the airport.

"Wish to see the #UDAN flights fly to Jeypore soonest. #Koraput, the tribal heartland, is so dear a place to me," she said in a tweet.

The Jeypore airport has been redeveloped under Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS)- UDAN (Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik).

The Airport Authority of India had awarded routes from Jeypore to the Selected Airline Operators for operation of UDAN flights. Subsequently, the awarded UDAN routes were cancelled due to non-compliance with provisions of the contractual agreement by the Selected Airline Operator(s).

Later, the RCS routes connecting Jeypore with Bhubaneswar and Vizag were offered in the fourth round of bidding of UDAN and awarded to SAO for operation of UDAN flights in October, 2021. Very soon, flight operation to the south Odisha town will start, sources said.

SPV For Aluminium Park

Bhubaneswar: State-run IDCO has urged the State Government for early formation of Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) for development of Aluminium Park at Jharsuguda.

Principal Secretary Industries Hemant Sharma has received a proposal from IDCO in this regard.

The Vedanta Limited had submitted an expression of interest for development of Aluminium Park at Jharsuguda in April 2018, of an area measuring 230.74 acres within IDCO Category A land bank in Katikela Village of Jharsuguda Tahasil, adjacent to their existing Aluminium plant of 1.5 MTPA, under revised operational guidelines on Capital Grant to support quality infrastructure under IPR-2015, Poonia said in his letter.

Accordingly, IDCO has done scrutiny of the proposal and recommended it to State Level Committee for in-principle approval. The proposal got approved and Vedanta Limited has been asked to submit Detailed Project Report (DPR) within 6 months and to form project specific SPV for the same, the MD said.

The company has submitted DPR of an area 257.17 acres, on Dt. 19.02.2019 to IDCO for getting scrutiny and recommendation to the next SLC for final approval.

In the meanwhile, IDCO has apprised DPR and moved the proposal to the SLC in February 2019 for final approval of DPR. However, the panel deferred the proposal citing SPV was not formed.

Further, this proposal of Vedanta has been discussed in the review meeting of Chief Minister Office in January 15, 2021 and Vedanta Limited also submitted a proposal in March that year for creation of SPV in a shareholding model having IDCO's equity 49.5% and Vedanta Limited's equity of 50.5%, for development of Aluminium Park, Jharsuguda.

With reference to the letter from Office of the District Magistrate and Collector, Jharsuguda, around 191 acres out of the proposed land in the DPR is dense forest and not feasible. Therefore, an alternate site beyond dense forest at a distance of around 5 KM from the smelter has been shortlisted, and accordingly, Vedanta Limited has requested for finalization of MoU, he mentioned.

The MD said IDCO has reviewed the draft MoU and decided that they will participate by taking 30 per cent in the form of land acquisition cost, by way of equity in the proposed SPV promoted by Vedanta for development downstream Aluminium Park at

Jharsuguda.

He requested the Industries Department to approve the proposal submitted by Vedanta for consideration of maximum 30% equity of IDCO in the proposed SPV.



Once the government and company agree with the draft MoU, it will be signed any time soon. The proposal to set up Aluminium Park has been accorded in-principle approval in State Level Single Window Clearance Authority (SLSWCA), Odisha in its 34th meeting held on 22.06.2010. However, to get final approval, formation of SPV (Special Purpose vehicle) is mandatory, sources said.

The Aluminium Park is proposed to be developed with a project cost of around Rs. 400 crores adjacent to the smelter plant of Vedanta on the land provided by IDCO in the district of Jharsuguda.

IDCO has intended to contribute the equity in the form of land for setting up this Aluminium Park. Similarly, Vedanta has agreed to contribute the initial equity for incorporation of the SPV and other funds for its development. Apart from above, the SPV would source funds from other sources including term loans etc.

It is expected that the proposed Aluminium Park would envisage an economic value addition of around Rs 4,500 crore per year to the State with exchequer contribution of around Rs 2,721 crore.

Further, the proposed project would create around 1 lakh livelihood opportunities and outreach to more than 4 lakh people.

Congress making Dalits 'scapegoats': Mayawati after Kharge elected party chief

Lucknow: A day after Mallikarjun Kharge was elected the Congress president, BSP

historic election held four days ago to become the first non-Gandhi to head

and his society. This party does not remember the safety and honour of Dalits

politics? People ask, 'Is this the real love of the Congress towards Dalits?' she



chief Mayawati on Thursday accused the 137-year-old party of remembering Dalits only in its bad times and making them "scapegoats". Kharge (80), a Dalit leader from Karnataka, trounced his 66-year-old rival Shashi Tharoor in a

the Congress in 24 years.

In a series of tweets, Mayawati said, "The history of the Congress is a witness that it has always neglected/disdained the messiah of the downtrodden Param Pujya Babasaheb Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar

in its good days, but makes them a scapegoat in bad days."

"The Congress party remembers mostly non-Dalits in the long run of good days and puts Dalits in front in their bad days as in the current times. Is this not deceit and pseudo

said in another tweet.

Considered a loyalist of the Gandhis, Kharge will take over as the Congress president on October 26 as he seeks to steer the beleaguered party out of its current crisis.

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Competition Commission slaps Rs 1,337 crore penalty on Google

NEW DELHI: The Competition Commission on Thursday imposed a penalty of Rs 1,337.76 crore on Google for abusing its dominant position in multiple markets in the

Android mobile device ecosystem. Besides, the fair trade regulator has directed the internet major to cease and desist from unfair business practices.



In a release, the Competition Commission of India (CCI) said it has also directed Google to modify its conduct within a defined timeline.

In April 2019, the regulator ordered a detailed probe in the matter following complaints by consumers of Android-based smartphones in the country.

Android is an open-source, mobile operating system installed by Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) of smartphones and tablets.

The allegations of unfair business practices pertained to two agreements -- Mobile Application Distribution Agreement (MADA) and Anti Fragmentation Agreement (AFA) -- which were entered into by the OEMs of Android OS with Google.

In the release, the regulator said it

has imposed a penalty of Rs 1,337.76 crore on Google for abusing its dominant position in multiple markets in the Android mobile device ecosystem apart from issuing the cease and desist order.

As per the release, CCI said that mandatory pre-installation of entire Google Mobile Suite (GMS) under MADA, with no option to un-install the same, and their prominent placement amounts to imposition of unfair condition on the device manufacturers and thereby contravenes competition law.

"These obligations are also found to be in the nature of supplementary obligations imposed by Google on OEMs and thus, in contravention of Section 4(2)(d) of the Act," it added. Section 4 of the Competition Act pertains to abuse of dominant position.

Google has perpetuated its dominant position in the online search market resulting in denial of market access for competing search apps.

Also, it has leveraged its dominant position in the app store market for Android OS to protect its position in online general search which violates

the competition law.

Further, CCI noted that the internet major has leveraged its dominant position in the app store market for Android OS to enter as well as protect

its position in non-OS specific web browser market through Google Chrome App.

"Google has leveraged its dominant position in the app store market for Android OS to enter as well as protect its position in Online Video Hosting Platforms (OVHPs) market through YouTube and thereby

contravened provisions of Section 4(2)(e) of the Act," the release said.

Why law enforcement struggles to throttle crypto scams

PARIS: Under the headline "Scammers in Paris", an online sleuth known as ZachXBT published a blog in August detailing how a pair of youngsters stole crypto assets worth millions.

Much to his surprise, the French police announced last week that they had acted on his tipoff and charged five people.

It was the first time his sleuthing had led to police action. ZachXBT told AFP, despite having investigated USD 250 million worth of crypto scams and thefts and chronicling them for his 300,000 Twitter followers.

One explanation for the lack of action is that low-level scams are not a priority.

The authorities in the European Union and the United States -- the leaders on crypto control -- have relentlessly focused on aspects of crypto crime related to terrorist financing, money laundering and sanctions busting.

Arrests have been rare at the federal level in the US -- the Department of Justice's specialised unit charged only eight suspects in the first half of this year.

Putin declares martial law in annexed regions of Ukraine

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killing 11 and wounding 15. The ministry said two men from an unnamed former Soviet republic fired on volunteer soldiers during target practice before they were killed by return fire.

Putin didn't provide details of the extra powers the heads of Russian regions will have under his decree. However, the order states that measures envisaged by martial law could be introduced anywhere in Russia "when necessary."

According to the Russian legislation, martial law could require banning public gatherings, introducing travel bans and curfews, and conducting censorship, among other restrictions. Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov said Putin's order doesn't anticipate the closure of Russia's borders, state news agency RIA-Novosti reported. In an apparent attempt to assuage a nervous public, regional authorities rushed to declare that no immediate curfews or restrictions on travel were planned. Putin last month ordered a mobilization of army reservists, prompting hundreds of thousands of men to flee Russia.

The Russian leader on Wednesday also ordered the establishment of a Coordination Committee to increase interactions between government agencies in dealing with the fighting in Ukraine, which Putin continued to call a "special military operation."

Prime Minister Mikhail Mishustin, who was named to lead the committee, said it would focus on boosting supplies of weapons and military equipment, conducting construction work and facilitating transportation.

In Russia's regions bordering Ukraine, authorities plan to tighten security at key facilities and conduct checks of motorists, among other measures, according to Andrei Kartapolov, head of the defense committee of Russian lower house of parliament.

British Prime Minister Liz Truss resigns after tumultuous six-week term

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"It's time for the prime minister to go," lawmaker Miriam Cates said. Another, Steve Double, said of Truss: "She isn't up to the job, sadly." Legislator Ruth Edwards said "it is not responsible for the party to allow her to remain in power."

Lawmakers' anger grew after a Wednesday evening vote over fracking for shale gas -- a practice that Truss wants to resume despite opposition from many Conservatives -- produced chaotic scenes in Parliament.

Suella Braverman resigns as UK Home Secretary over 'mistake'

With Conservatives holding a large parliamentary majority, an opposition call for a fracking ban was easily defeated. But there were displays of anger in the House of Commons, with party whips accused of using heavy-handed tactics to gain votes.

Chris Bryant, a lawmaker from the opposition Labour Party, said he "saw members being physically manhandled ... and being bullied." Conservative officials denied there was manhandling.

Rumors swirled that Conservative Chief Whip Wendy Morton, who is responsible for party discipline, and her deputy had resigned. Hours later, Truss' office said both remained in their jobs.

Newspapers that usually support the Conservatives were vitriolic. An editorial in the Daily Mail was headlined: "The wheels have come off the Tory clown car."

International Trade Secretary Anne-Marie Trevelyan, sent onto the airwaves Thursday morning to defend the government, insisted the administration was providing "stability." But she was unable to guarantee Truss would lead the party into the next election.

"At the moment, I think that's the case," she said.

Rishi Sunak would beat Liz Truss if UK PM poll held now, survey finds

With opinion polls giving the Labour Party a large and growing lead, many Conservatives now believe their only hope of avoiding electoral oblivion is to replace Truss. But they were divided about how to get rid of her, and over who should replace her.

The party is keen to avoid another divisive leadership contest like the race a few months ago that saw Truss defeat ex-Treasury chief Rishi Sunak. Among potential replacements -- if only Conservative lawmakers can agree -- are Sunak, House of Commons leader Penny Mordaunt and newly appointed Treasury chief Jeremy Hunt.

A national election doesn't have to be held until 2024.

In a major blow, Home Secretary Suella Braverman resigned Wednesday after breaching rules by sending an official document from her personal email account. She used her resignation letter to lambaste Truss, saying she had "concerns about the direction of this government."

"The business of government relies upon people accepting responsibility for their mistakes," she said in a thinly veiled dig at Truss. Braverman was replaced as home secretary, the minister responsible for immigration and law and order, by former Cabinet minister Grant Shapps, a high-profile supporter of her defeated rival Sunak.

The dramatic developments came days after Truss fired her Treasury chief, Kwasi Kwarteng, on Friday after the economic package the pair unveiled Sept. 23 spooked financial markets and triggered an economic and political crisis.

The plan's 45 billion pounds (\$50 billion) in unfunded tax cuts sparked turmoil on financial markets, hammering the value of the pound and increasing the cost of U.K. government borrowing. The Bank of England was forced to intervene to prevent the crisis from spreading to the wider economy and putting pension funds at risk.

UK's new finance chief scraps 'nearly all' government tax cut plans in humiliation for PM Truss

On Monday Kwarteng's replacement, Hunt, scrapped almost all of Truss' tax cuts, along with her flagship energy policy and her promise of no public spending cuts. He said the government will need to save billions of pounds and there are "many difficult decisions" to be made before he sets out a medium-term fiscal plan on Oct. 31.

Speaking to lawmakers for the first time since the U-turn, Truss apologized Wednesday and admitted she had made mistakes during her six weeks in office, but insisted that by changing course she had "taken responsibility and made the right decisions in the interest of the country's economic stability."

Opposition lawmakers shouted "Resign!" as she spoke in the House of Commons. Labour Party leader Keir Starmer accused the Conservatives of lacking "the basic patriotic duty to keep the British people out of their own pathetic squabbles."

He said that amid a worsening a cost-of-living crisis, "Britain cannot afford the chaos of the Conservatives anymore. We need a general election now."

Shakti Awards For Women

Bhubaneswar (KC-N): 'Shakti Awards' on 25 women entrepreneurs and 25 micro entrepreneurs of the State was bestowed at the Convention Centre of Lokseva Bhavan here.

Organised by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)'s Indian Women Network (IWN) in partnership with MSME Department, Startup Odisha and Mission Shakti, the award ceremony aimed at empowering the female leadership to economic growth and was titled AM/NS Shakti Awards this year.

Minister MSME, Industries and Energy Pratap Keshari Deb presented the awards and appreciated the programme "Shakti Ru Samrudhhi" for recognising the State

women entrepreneurs making a difference.

ACS MSME & Revenue & DM, Satyabrata Sahu graced the program.



Saying that these women achievers are no less than any other, the minister cited the visionary thought of legendary Biju Patnaik about the uplift of rural infrastructure and empowerment of women as key tenets of good governance. He asserted this as the fundamental guiding principle for the present-day Gov-

ernment under the leadership of Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik.

"The big cities in the country are now outpouring with population. Odisha has still many fields to be explored, resources to be harnessed and ample scope for investments to support multiple sectors of industry and economy," he said.

Speaking on Women breaking barriers, Mayor of Bhubaneswar Municipal Corporation (BMC) Sulochana Das said women are playing a key role in economic growth of the country.

Additional Chief Secretary (ACS) Department of MSME Satyabrata Sahu gave the keynote address and said the economic empowerment of women empowers them equally

in society.

Principal Secretary of Industries Hemant Sharma highlighted several measures taken by Odisha Government and strengthening the State ecosystem for women entrepreneurs including special schemes for subsidy in land, infrastructure to be announced in Make in Odisha.

He said that CII IWN can effectively disseminate information to women entrepreneurs making them stronger enterprises.

I-Shakti, a Business Incubation, was launched in collaboration with AIC Nalanda.

Director (Projects) of ArcelorMittal Nippon Steel India (AM/NS) Rajiv Bhatnagar gave Examples to create new futures with the women achievers.

Sri Lanka, Netherlands advance at World T20 after UAE's win

GEELONG: Dusan Shanaka's patched-up Sri Lanka lineup beat Netherlands to secure a spot in the Super 12 stage at the Twenty20 World Cup and the Dutch advanced despite the loss when United Arab Emirates upset Namibia later Thursday in the last of the Group A games.

Former champion Sri Lanka's 16-run victory in its must-win game meant Netherlands needed UAE to produce an unlikely win over Namibia to have any chance of progressing. Namibia had opened the tournament with a big upset over Sri Lanka, a three-time finalist. UAE had never won a game at the T20

World Cup — until Thursday.

The underdogs held on for a 7-run victory despite David Wiese's rearguard half century and 70-run eighth-wicket stand with Ruben Trimpelmann to give Netherlands a pass into the second phase and end Namibia's run in the preliminaries.

The top two teams in each of the first-round groups will join the top eight teams in the next phase, which starts Saturday with defending champion Australia taking on New Zealand in a rematch of last year's final. Muhammad Waseem scored 50 and skipper CP Rizwan post an unbeaten 43 to lift UAE to 148-3 after winning the toss and electing to bat.

When Namibia slipped to 69-7 in reply after pace bowler Zahoor Khan picked up two wickets in four balls with his yorkers in the 13th over, the Dutch players who stayed to watch in the stands were clapping and cheering.

Things got more tense when Wiese (55) and Trimpelmann (25 not out) went on the attack and cut the equation to 20 runs needed from two overs, and suddenly Namibia appeared more likely to secure a spot in the next stage.

With 10 needed off the last three balls, Wiese tried to hit Waseem over the long-on boundary but didn't quite middle it and Alishan Sharafu took a catch just inside the rope to end Namibia's hopes. Namibia finished 141-8.

"It is a great moment. Really grateful," Rizwan said of the drought-breaking win. "It was just a matter of time. Today, all departments clicked together."

"We want to grow on this. We want to show we're here not just to compete, but to make an impact."

That will have to wait until the next tournament.

Sri Lanka and Netherlands finished with two wins apiece, with the Sri Lankans in top spot due to a superior run-rate.

The Sri Lankans posted a competitive 162 for six, including 102 in the last 10 overs, on a two-paced wicket before restricting Netherlands to 146 for nine.

Kusal Mendis equalled his career-best T20 international score of 79 and almost carried his bat through. He faced 44 deliveries and hit five fours and five sixes before being dismissed in the last over. By then, he had done the damage.

Netherlands was never really in the run chase, with spinners Maheesh Theekshana and Wanindu Hasaranga sharing five wickets between them.

Opener Max O'Dowd batted through the innings but played a mostly lone hand and finished with an unbeaten 71 off 53 deliveries, including six fours and three sixes.

Despite qualifying for the second round, Sri Lanka has major injury concerns with three players already ruled out of the tournament. And opening batter Pathum Nissanka didn't field against Netherlands as he had been taken for a precautionary scan.

"We had a bad first game. We were not too sure of the conditions but I guess after that we settled down and played really well," said Mendis, who was voted player of the match. "I just tried to bat the first 10 overs and once I was set, I tried to cash in."

Places in Group B will conclude in Hobart on Friday with all four teams still in contention with a win and a loss each. Two-time champion West Indies will take on Ireland, and Zimbabwe is against Scotland.

Travelling to Pakistan not BCCI's call, government will decide: Roger Binny

BENGALURU: The BCCI can't take a call on its own on whether the Indian team will travel to Pakistan for the 2023 Asia Cup or not as it relies on the government to make such decisions, new Board president Roger Binny said on Thursday.

Speaking at an event organised by Karnataka State Cricket Association here, Binny said the

not travel to Pakistan next year for the Asia Cup and will instead like to play the tournament at a neutral venue.

Earlier on Thursday, Sports Minister Anurag Thakur said the Indian team will need clearance from the Home Ministry to travel to Pakistan.

A 'disappointed' Pakistan Cricket Board



BCCI has not approached the government yet on travelling to Pakistan next year but eventually the central government will only decide on the matter.

"That is not BCCI's call. We need government's clearance to leave the country. Whether we leave the country or teams coming into the country, we need clearance. "Once we get clearance from the government then we go with it. We can't make decision on our own. We have to rely on the government. We have not approached them yet," said World Cup winner Binny.

The Asia Cup is scheduled to be played in Pakistan in September next year, ahead of the ODI World Cup in India.

Binny's comments came after BCCI secretary Jay Shah said the Indian team will

(PCB) on Wednesday requested the Asian Cricket Council to convene an emergency meeting.

Referring to Shah's comment, the PCB had said that "such statements can spilt the Asian and international cricket communities" and impact Pakistan's visit to India for the 2023 World Cup.

India haven't travelled to Pakistan since the 2008 Asia Cup, and after the Mumbai terror attack on November 26 that year, the scheduled bilateral series in early 2009 was cancelled.

Pakistan did travel to India for a short six-match white-ball series in 2012, but in the last 10 years, there hasn't been any bilateral cricket. The two teams have only played each other at various ICC and ACC events.

Tennis legend Becker transforms into 'Yoga instructor' in prison

Former Wimbledon champion Boris Becker is reportedly instructing his fellow prison inmates in a "special type of yoga and meditation", say reports. The German tennis legend was in April this year jailed for two and a half years for concealing £2.5m

source told the paper. "As a sportsman, he knows only too well the highs and lows of victories and defeats. He is sharing his life experience with his fellow prisoners."

Becker was transferred from Wandsworth prison to Huntercombe prison near Nuffield, Oxfordshire, in May. Becker was jailed by the Southwark crown court for five years under the Insolvency Act for hiding assets worth millions of pounds after being made bankrupt in June 2017.

According to a report in The Guardian, the judge, Deborah Taylor, accused him of showing no contrition, telling him

during sentencing: "You have not shown remorse, acceptance of your guilt, and have sought to distance yourself from your offending and your bankruptcy. While I accept your humiliation as part of the proceedings, there has been no humility." He was told he would serve half the sentence.

He has a previous conviction for tax evasion and attempted tax evasion in Germany in 2002.

Huntercombe prison was originally built as an internment camp. The site opened as a prison after the second world war and was a borstal until 1983. In 2000, it became a prison for male juveniles aged 15-18. In November 2010, it became an adult category C training prison and since March 2012, it has held solely category C foreign national prisoners. It holds about 480 adults, the report noted.



of assets to avoid paying money he owed after his bankruptcy.

Reports quoting the tabloid Bild said the 54-year-old had been training regularly in the prison fitness studio and had given up alcohol, which is banned. The tabloid, which quoted a source close to Becker, said also added that he had lost about 8kg (1st 3lb).

Becker is also working as an assistant alongside the prison coach for fitness and psychology, drawing on his experience as a former world No 1 tennis champion, the Bild reported. Further, Becker is teaching about 45 fellow inmates in fitness, nutrition and crisis management at the prison, which has a sports complex with a climbing wall, an astroturf pitch and a cardiovascular fitness room.

Becker is also said to be instructing other prisoners in a "special type of yoga and meditation", the




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