



FORMER PRESIDENT PRANAB MUKHERJEE TESTS POSITIVE FOR COVID-19 | P10



BEIRUT EXPLOSION: US PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP TO JOIN INTERNATIONAL AID CONFERENCE CALL FOR LEBANON ON SUNDAY | P11

'IF YOU'RE GOOD AT WHAT YOU DO, EVEN SKY IS NOT THE LIMIT': VIDYA BALAN ON ONGOING NEPOTISM DEBATE IN BOLLYWOOD | P15



SOUTH ASIAN MidWeek NEWS WEEKLY

Tuesday, August 11, 2020
www.southasiandaily.com
Vol 20 Issue 32, Phone 647-272-8182, 905-670-3687

WILL BE INTERESTED TO WATCH ONTARIO'S NEW CASES FROM 15 AUG TO 30 AUG : GROUP EDITOR YUDHVIR JASWAL



DETAILS ON PAGE 3

COUNCIL DECIDES TO SUSPEND, BUT DHILLON FIGHTS BACK SAYS HE IS INNOCENT



CONTD. ON PAGE 3

CITY OF MISSISSAUGA SAYS YES TO BROADCAST HINDU HYMNS FROM AUG 11 TO SEPT 1



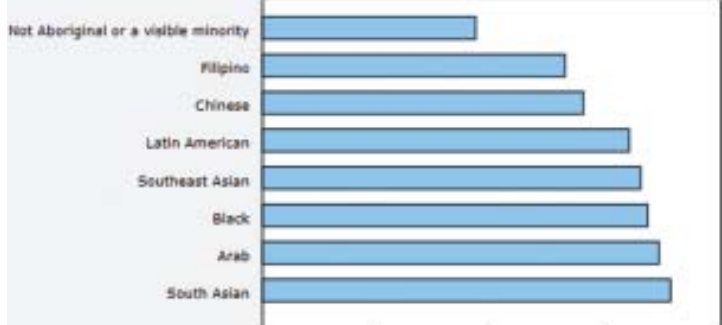
CONTD. ON PAGE 3

Y Media Exclusive: Min of Families, Children, and Social Development Ahmed Hussen announces "historic" federal investment in Peel



CONTD. ON PAGE 3


CANADIAN ECONOMY ADDS 419,000 JOBS IN JULY, 3RD STRAIGHT MONTH OF JOB GROWTH



Ethnicity	Job Growth
Not Aboriginal or a visible minority	~180,000
Filipino	~100,000
Chinese	~100,000
Latin American	~100,000
Southeast Asian	~100,000
Black	~100,000
Arab	~100,000
South Asian	~100,000


CONTD. ON PAGE 3

RECORD-BREAKING MONTH FOR GTA REAL ESTATE AS HOME SALES SEES 29.6 PER CENT YEAR-OVER-YEAR JUMP IN JULY




CONTD. ON PAGE 3

RUSSIA BECOMES FIRST COUNTRY TO REGISTER COVID VACCINE ; PUTIN'S DAUGHTER INOCULATED



Despite international pushback, Russia has become the first country to officially register a coronavirus vaccine. President Vladimir Putin, in a government meeting, said one of his daughters has already become inoculated.


WILL GTA GET A NEW HIGHWAY ?



The Ontario provincial government announced a brand new 400-series highway and transit corridor across York, Peel, and Halton regions. In a bid to reduce travel times for drivers and support economic growth and job creation.

CONTD. ON PAGE 3

CIBC PARTNERS WITH WORLD VISION TO PROVIDE RELIEF FOR CYCLONE VICTIMS IN INDIA



CIBC GLOBAL MONEY TRANSFER

In response to the tragic events of Cyclone Amphan, CIBC has announced a partnership with World Vision to provide relief for those affected in West Bengal, India. As a way of showing support, CIBC will donate a portion of the revenue generated from Global Money Transfer transactions sent to India to the World Vision Disaster Relief Fund, in addition to offering a special exchange rate that will allow clients to maximize their contributions to family and friends who were impacted by the natural disaster.

CANADA TO IMPOSE \$3.6B IN TARIFFS IN RESPONSE TO 10% TARIFF ON CANADIAN ALUMINUM BY US



CONTD. ON PAGE 3

facebook.com/southasiandaily
twitter.com/@ymediagroup
instagram.com/southasiandaily
416.475.5000
 ymedia@southasiandaily.com
 www.southasiandaily.com

PUNJAB NEWS 7am, 9:30am, 2:30pm, 4pm, 5:30pm, 9pm, 11:30pm
NEWS 360 5pm, 7pm, 10pm and 12 midnight
SOUTH ASIAN 360 (EVENING LIVE) Monday - Sunday 7:30pm
 Monday: Health Show
 Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Sat and Sunday: Current affairs
 Wed: Economic updates
ENTERTAINMENT Y 3pm, 6pm, 9:30 pm

channel N


JOE BIDEN CREATES HISTORY BY PICKING BLACK WOMAN KAMALA HARRIS FOR VICE-PRESIDENT CANDIDATE



In a historical move, US Presidential race candidate Joe Biden has announced Senator Kamala Harris as his running mate, making her the first Black and South Asian American woman to run on a major political party's presidential ticket. Biden tweeted, "I had the great honor to announce that I've picked Kamala Harris – a fearless fighter for the little guy, and one of the country's finest public servants – as my running mate." He added, "Back when Kamala was Attorney General, she worked closely with Beau. I watched as they took on the big banks, lifted up working people, and protected women and kids from abuse. I was proud then, and I'm proud now to have her as my partner in this campaign." Harris, 55, is the daughter of immigrants from Jamaica and India. She proved her mettle during her presidential candidacy until she dropped out in December. She also has an impeccable political track record of three election victories in California. With his pick, Biden has added yet another primary rival who based her own bid to take on Donald Trump. Harris caught the public eye during the Senate hearings of Trump nominees including Supreme Court Justice Brett Kavanaugh.

BLOC PARTY LEADER YVES FRANCOIS BLANCHET WANTS TRUDEAU, FM BILL MORNEAU, AND TOP PMO AIDE KATIE TELFORD TO STEP DOWN

In the wake of the WE Charity controversy, Bloc Québécois Leader Yves-Francois Blanchet has called the Liberal government not "worthy" of the public's trust, urging Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Finance Minister Bill Morneau, and top PMO aide Katie Telford resign from respective posts. Speaking to the press in Ottawa on Wednesday, Blanchet said he is prepared to table a motion of non-confidence in the government if the trio refuses to resign.



He said, "Which is more dangerous – the mismanagement of a crisis, or taking the time to change the people who are managing the crisis?" The remarks came as the House of Commons holds a rare summer sitting to debate the government's response to the pandemic.

Eid Mubarak

SONIA SIDHU
MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT
Brampton South

www.ssidhu.liberal.ca 905-846-0076 sonia.sidhu@parl.gc.ca Sonia Sidhu @ f t i y t u

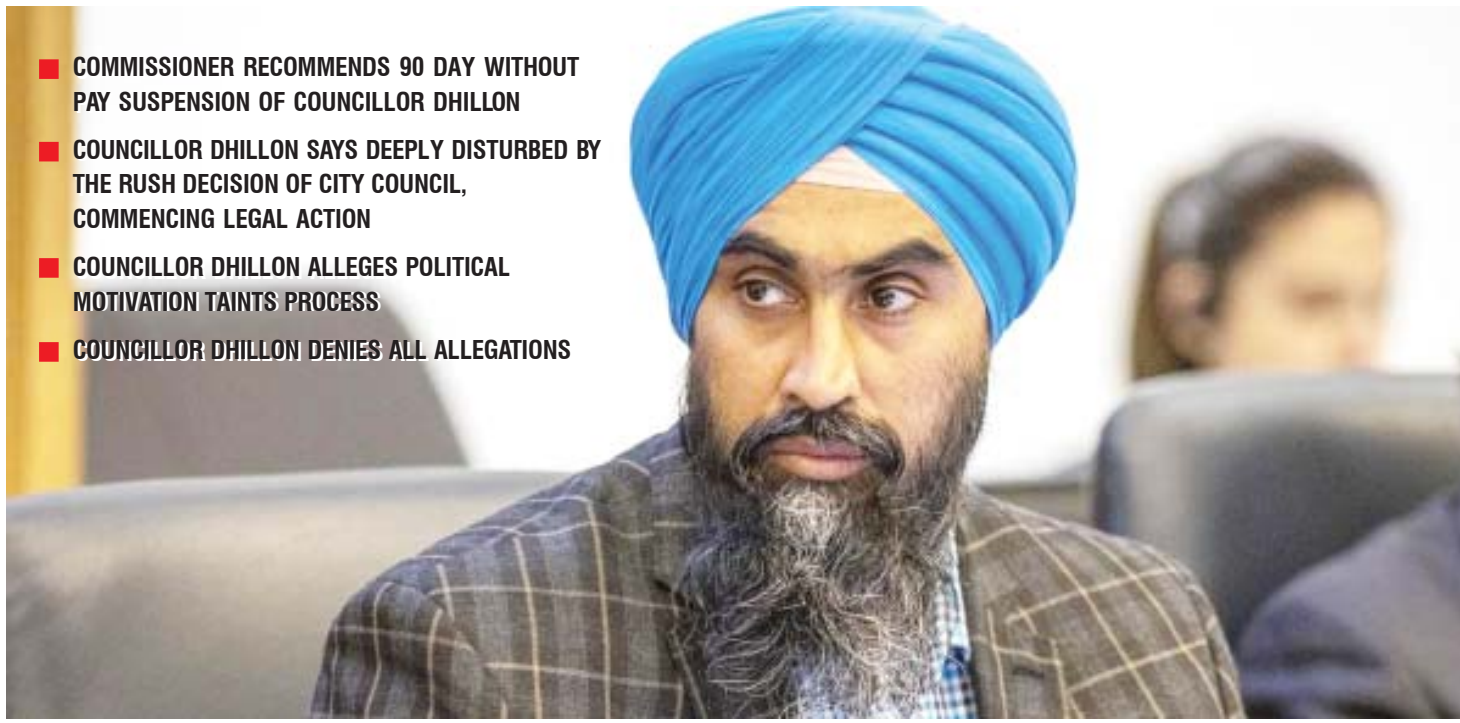
Eid Mubarak

Wishing you and your loved ones a joyous Eid al Adha.

 DOUG FORD MPP Etobicoke North fordmpp.ca	 KALEED RASHEED MPP Mississauga-Cooksville kaleedrasheed.com	 SHEREF SABAWY MPP Mississauga-Erin Mills sabawy.ca	 ROD PHILLIPS MPP Ajax rodphillips.ca	 PETER BETHLENFALVY MPP Pickering-Uxbridge peterbethlenfalvympp.ca	 DEEPAK ANAND MPP Mississauga-Malton deepakanand.com
 NINA TANGRI MPP Mississauga-Streetville ninatangri.ca	 NATALIA KUSEDOVA MPP Mississauga-Centre nataliakusendovamp.com	 RUDY CUZZETTO MPP Mississauga-Lakeshore cuzzetto.com	 VIJAY THANIGASALAM MPP Scarborough-Rouge Park vijaythanigasalam.ca	 DAISY WAI MPP Richmond Hill daisywai.com	

COUNCIL DECIDES TO SUSPEND, BUT DHILLON FIGHTS BACK SAYS HE IS INNOCENT

- COMMISSIONER RECOMMENDS 90 DAY WITHOUT PAY SUSPENSION OF COUNCILLOR DHILLON
- COUNCILLOR DHILLON SAYS DEEPLY DISTURBED BY THE RUSH DECISION OF CITY COUNCIL, COMMENCING LEGAL ACTION
- COUNCILLOR DHILLON ALLEGES POLITICAL MOTIVATION TAINTS PROCESS
- COUNCILLOR DHILLON DENIES ALL ALLEGATIONS



CONTD. FROM PAGE 1

Y Media had previously reached out to Brampton Mayor Patrick Brown, and the Councillor himself for their comments. A response from Dhillon's lawyer revealed that Dhillon has called for a judicial review into the Commissioner's investigation. He denies all allegations, and has called

the investigation "flawed from the start."

Speaking during a Special Channel Y Live Show with Group Editor Yudhvir Jaswal on Tuesday, former Councillor Vicky Dhillon said, "He (Gurpreet Dhillon) should resign from his post until he is clean. This is not going to end tomorrow."

Y Media Exclusive: Min of Families, Children, and Social Development Ahmed Hussen announces "historic" federal investment in Peel



CONTD. FROM PAGE 1

Jaswal asked the federal minister to comment on the ongoing WE Charity issue that has marred the Liberal government cabinet. "Yudhvir," he said, "Ultimately, we didn't proceed with the previous plan to go with WE charity. The recommendation came from a non partisan public service. Our target was always to create opportunities for young people to get work experience to help their communities with respect to community. That aim and goal is still there despite the fact we aren't proceeding with the original plan to go with WE Charity and that was always the focus." Minister Hussen went on to thank Y Media for its role during the

COVID pandemic, and commended Jaswal for keeping the community and people updated on government policies. Jaswal said, "While the initial response of the Canadian government (towards COVID-19) was a little bit slow, and then we had the WE Charity issue. But other than that I have stopped calling you politicians recently and take pride in calling you our representatives. The way our Prime Minister, you and all your cabinet colleagues have stepped up. I must compliment the provincial government and the municipal government as well. I hope that we will make sure there is no or possibly very little effect of the second wave."

Windsor-Essex set to move to Stage 3 with rest of the province

On the advice of the Chief Medical Officer Health and the local medical officer of health, Windsor-Essex will be allowed to move into Stage 3 on Wednesday, August 12, 2020 at 12:01 a.m. The decision was based on positive local trends of key public health indicators, including lower transmission of COVID-19, ongoing hospital capacity, public health capacity to conduct rapid case and contact management, and a significant increase in testing.

The Windsor-Essex County Health Unit will join the rest of the province's 33 public health regions that entered into Stage 3 on July 17, 24 and 31, 2020 respectively.

"Thanks to the collective efforts of our frontline health care workers, public health experts, and the people of Windsor-Essex, more businesses in the region can hang up their 'Open for Business' sign and more people can go back to work as of this Wednesday," said Premier Doug Ford. "As

all of Ontario now enters into Stage 3, I ask everyone to remain on their guard and keep following the public health measures to protect the tremendous progress we've made and keep this deadly virus at bay." "I want to take the time to thank each and every Ontarian for their efforts, sacrifice and hard work, the entire province will now be in Stage 3 effective this Wednesday," said Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. "This is an important milestone for the province in our fight against COVID-19 and one we can all be proud of. However, it's never been more important for each of us to remain vigilant in following all public health advice."

The Chief Medical Officer of Health and public health experts will continue to closely monitor the evolving situation across the province to advise when public health restrictions can be further loosened or if they need to be tightened.

WILL GTA GET A NEW HIGHWAY ?

The GTA West corridor will include a four-to-six lane 400-series highway, separate infrastructure dedicated for transit and passenger stations, as well as intelligent transportation features and truck parking.

A release by the Ontario government reveals, "By 2031, the overall traffic on this route is expected to exceed 300,000 auto vehicles trips per day. Minister of Transportation Caroline Mulroney said, "The Greater Golden Horseshoe is an economic driver for the province and addressing transportation needs in this region is essential to the competitiveness of our economy. The GTA West Corridor will help alleviate traffic congestion and improve the movement of people and goods across the province."

Environmental Assessment (EA) for the GTA West Corridor is expected to be complete by the end of 2022. Talking about the announcement, Y Media Group Editor Yudhvir Jaswal said infrastructure is the most important aspect for a country's development. He said, "For so many years I have been talking to so many elected representatives – from Prime Ministers to Premiers, to Cabinet Ministers. I have been asking why we haven't built a highway in the GTA in this century? As much as I agree that we need to strengthen the transit system, which is a possible solution for long-term congestion, I do think we also need at least one highway that connects Eastern GTA to the West."

RUSSIA BECOMES FIRST COUNTRY TO REGISTER COVID VACCINE ; PUTIN'S DAUGHTER INOCULATED

He said the vaccine has undergone proper testing and is safe. Reports quoted him as saying, "I would like to repeat that it has passed all the necessary tests. The most important thing is to ensure full safety of using the vaccine and its efficiency." International reports reveal one of Putin's daughter has participated in the experiment. She had a temperature of 38 C on the day of the first vaccine injection, which later dropped to just over 37 C the following day. It remains to be known which of Putin's daughters – Maria or Katerina, has received the vaccine. While Russian authorities emphasize that the vaccine candidate underwent all necessary tests and is proven

CIBC PARTNERS WITH WORLD VISION TO PROVIDE RELIEF FOR CYCLONE VICTIMS IN INDIA

CONTD. FROM PAGE 1

"India is the largest outbound remittance destination for international money transfers for thousands of CIBC clients, and we hope this allows our clients to seamlessly support loved ones affected by the disaster," said Vineet Malhotra, MD and Head, Alternate Solutions Group & Retail Solutions Group, CIBC. Clients will also receive a cash back offer on their first transfer sent to India. The offer will be available until July 15.

ABOUT CIBC

CIBC is a leading Canadian-based global financial institution with 10 million personal banking, business, public sector and institutional clients. Across Personal and Business Banking, Commercial Banking and Wealth Management, and Capital Markets businesses, CIBC offers a full range of advice, solutions and services through its leading digital banking network, and locations across Canada, in the United States and around the world. Ongoing news releases and more information about CIBC can be found at www.cibc.com/en/about-cibc/media-centre.html.

Record-breaking month for GTA real estate as home sales sees 29.6 per cent year-over-year jump in July

CONTD. FROM PAGE 1

On a preliminary seasonally adjusted basis, sales were up by 49.5 per cent compared to June 2020.

Year-over-year sales growth was driven by low-rise home types, particularly in the regions surrounding the City of Toronto. However, condominium apartment sales were also up on an annual basis, including in Toronto. Total new listings were also up strongly on a year-over-year basis by 24.7 per cent, but this annual growth rate was less than that of sales, which means market conditions tightened on average compared to July 2019. In addition, active listings at the end of July were down by 16.3 per cent.

"Sales activity was extremely strong for the first full month of summer. Normally we would see sales dip in July relative to June as more households take vacation, especially with children out of school. This year, however, was different with pent-up demand from the COVID-19-related lull in April and May being satisfied in the summer, as economic recovery takes firmer hold, including the Stage 3 re-opening. In addition, fewer people are travelling, which has likely translated into more transactions and listings," said Ms. Patel.

The July 2020 MLS® Home Price Index (HPI) Composite Benchmark was up by 10 per cent compared to July 2019. The overall average selling price was up by 16.9 per cent year-over-year to \$943,710. On a preliminary seasonally adjusted basis, the average selling price was up by 5.5 per cent compared to June 2020.

Price growth was strongest for low-rise home types, notably within the City of Toronto. Despite more balanced market conditions in the condominium apartment market segment, year-over-year price growth remained in the high single digits.

City of Mississauga says Yes to broadcast Hindu hymns from Aug 11 to Sept 1

CONTD. FROM PAGE 1

The proposal was put forward by the Hindu Forum Canada asking for a temporary exemption of the city's noise bylaw.

The 15-person DIAC committee voted unanimously to approve the proposal after the Mississauga City Council elected to consult the advisory board on August 6. The mentioned duration holds religious significance for the Hindu community with the onset of Krishna Janmashtami on Aug 11, Ganesh Chaturthi on Aug 22, and Onam on Aug 31.

CANADIAN ECONOMY ADDS 419,000 JOBS IN JULY, 3RD STRAIGHT MONTH OF JOB GROWTH

CONTD. FROM PAGE 1

In July, employment rose faster among women with 275,000 than men with 144,000. Due to heavier employment losses among women in March, however, employment in July was closer to its pre-shutdown level for men than for women.

Unemployment rate in July higher for South Asian, Arab and Black Canadians. The national unemployment rate disguises significant variation across population groups. Several groups had rates of joblessness significantly above this average, including South Asian (17.8 per cent), Arab (17.3 per cent), and Black (16.8 per cent) Canadians. Among South Asian Canadians, women (20.4 per cent) had a significantly higher unemployment rate than men (15.4 per cent).

CANADA TO IMPOSE \$3.6B IN TARIFFS IN RESPONSE TO 10% TARIFF ON CANADIAN ALUMINUM BY US

CONTD. FROM PAGE 1

The list of potential US aluminum products Canada will be slapping 10 per cent tariffs include Aluminum beverage cans, Household items such as tinfoil, pots and scouring pads, Construction material such as nails, tacks, staples and screws, and appliances such as refrigerators and washing machines. Calling Trump's tariffs "unnecessary, unwarranted, and entirely unacceptable", Freeland said they are the "last thing anyone needs" right now considering the current state of the economy. She said, "We will not back down". Trump, on Thursday announced plans to impose a 10 per cent tariff on raw aluminum from Canada from August 16. The tariffs on unprocessed aluminum imports from Canada come under Section 232 of the US Trade Expansion Act. Accusing Canada of "taking advantage" of the United States, he claimed that the American aluminum business has been "decimated" by Canada.

Ford calls imposition of tariff by US "backstabbing", vows Ontario will come back swinging

Ontario Premier Doug Ford gave strong reactions to Trump's move, and called it "totally unacceptable" tariffs. He said, "We buy more goods off the United States than China, Japan, UK combined. Who does this? At times like this, who tries to go after your closest ally? Your closest trading partner? Your number one customer in the entire world? Who would do this? Your president Trump did this, and I encouraged the deputy prime minister to put retaliatory tariffs on as many goods as possible."

WILL BE INTERESTED TO WATCH ONTARIO'S NEW CASES FROM 15 AUG TO 30 AUG : GROUP EDITOR YUDHVIR JASWAL

For the first time in a week, Ontario's number of new COVID-19 cases surpassed 100. The province recorded 115 new cases of the virus on Monday. Ontario Health Minister Christine Elliott tweeted that Monday's numbers puts an "end to our streak" of fewer than 100 daily cases. She added, "We shouldn't lose sight of the fact that thanks to your efforts the trend in the province remains downward." Ontario recorded 79 new cases last Sunday. The previous week, it reported 70 infections on Saturday, 88 on Friday, 95 on Thursday. The slight plunge in the cases also surpassed the reported 102 recoveries, pushing the number of active cases in the province.

Meanwhile, Y Media Group Editor Yudhvir Jaswal said the days to really watch out for COVID infections is August 15 to 30. Talking about Ontario's coronavirus updates on his daily radio show Radio Y, Jaswal said, "I will be interested to watch Ontario's new cases from August 15 to 30. The province has done reasonably well so far, but we can't lower our guards. Ontario posted fewer than 100 cases for one week, but it ended on Monday. The overall performance of the province has been great." He added, "The real effect of Stage 3 reopening plan should reflect from mid-August. With schools reopening in September, we need to wait and see if it's a gamechanger."



Y MEDIA ALWAYS THERE FOR YOU **#YESWESUPPORT**

CERB

Taxable benefit of \$2,000 every 4 weeks for up to 16 weeks to eligible workers who have lost their income due to COVID-19

Includes people receiving \$1000 and less, seasonal workers, people who have exhausted their EI benefits

Apply online or over the phone:
1-800-959-2019 or 1-800-959-2041

TAX DEFERRAL

Tax filing has been deferred until June 1.

CHILD CARE BENEFITS

Extra \$300 per child through the Canada Child Benefit (CCB)

MORTGAGE DEFERRAL

Defer up to six monthly mortgage payments (interest and principal) for impacted borrowers

STUDENTS

Loan payments and interest suspended till September 30

BUSINESSES

Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS) for employers suffering due to COVID-19
Up to 75 per cent wage subsidy allowing up to \$847 per week for employers who suffered at least a 15 per cent drop in revenues in March, and 30 per cent in April and May

Applications to open April 27

Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance (CECRA)

Loans and/or forgivable loans to commercial property owners who will in turn lower or forgo rent of small businesses for the months of April, May, and June

Tax Deferral

Businesses can defer until after August 31, payment of income tax amounts that become owing on or after March 18, and before September 2020.



For information or queries, call 416-475-5000



SOUTHASIAN PULSE RADIO

SOUTHASIAN PULSE
PRIME TIME
770 AM
10AM - 12 NOON
(MON TO FRI)

SOUTHASIAN PULSE
PREMIUM
91.9 FM
12 NOON - 2PM
(MON TO FRI)

SOUTHASIAN PULSE
DRIVE TIME
91.9 FM
2PM - 7PM
(MON TO FRI)

SOUTHASIAN PULSE
MIDNIGHT
91.9 FM
12 MIDNIGHT - 5AM
(MON TO FRI)

SOUTHASIAN PULSE
WEEKENDS
91.9 FM
1PM - 10AM & 12AM - 5AM
(SATURDAY)

SOUTHASIAN PULSE
WEEKENDS
91.9 FM
1PM - 5AM
(SUNDAY)

News, Analysis, Songs,
Bollywood Gossips, Quizzes, Trivia,
and much more...

91.9 FM

GREATER TORONTO'S
NUMBER 1 FREQUENCY

7 DAYS A WEEK

MONDAY TO FRIDAY
13 HOURS EVERYDAY

SATURDAY
14 HOURS

SUNDAY
16 HOURS

NUMBERS TO LISTEN YOUR
FAVORITE RADIO SHOWS

GTA – (647) 910 5000,
US - 518-801-1313

ymedia@southasiandaily.com
www.southasiandaily.com

facebook.com/southasiandaily
twitter.com/southasiandaily
instagram.com/southasiandaily

416.475.5000

Ford announces acceleration for 320 new LTC beds



The Ontario government announced that a new long-term care home will be built at Humber River Hospital's Finch site in months, not years. The project is part of the province's Accelerated Build Pilot Program. By working with Humber River Hospital and Infrastructure Ontario, the province intends to build up to 320 new long-term care beds at this site by the end of next year.

The pilot program is part of the government's plan to create new long-term care beds across the province that include features such as air conditioning and private or semi-private rooms, beginning immediately. The pilot program was launched on July 21, 2020 in Mississauga where two new homes with up to 640 new beds will be built, and followed up with another project announced on July 28, 2020 in Ajax where 320 new beds will be built.

Details about the new project were provided by Premier Doug Ford, Dr. Merrilee Fullerton, Minister of Long-Term Care, Barbara Collins, President and CEO of Humber River Hospital, and Toronto Mayor John Tory on Tuesday.

"After years of underinvestment in long-term care, we are getting shovels in the ground faster and delivering on our commitment to build 30,000 long-term care beds over the next decade," said Premier Ford. "We're working with innovative partners like Humber River

Hospital and Infrastructure Ontario to help get our seniors off waitlists and into modern rooms, so they receive the quality care they deserve sooner."

Through the use of hospital lands, and a range of accelerating measures such as modular construction and rapid procurement, the government and its partners are targeting completion of the project by the end of 2021, years faster than the traditional timeline for long-term care development. Humber River Hospital will work with Infrastructure Ontario to manage the day-to-day construction and commissioning oversight.

"Now, with our experience of COVID-19, it is more important than ever that we realize our government's vision to build a 21st century integrated long-term care system that provides our most vulnerable with safe, high-quality, resident-centred care and a dignified place to call home," said Minister Fullerton. "Our government is working hand in hand with leaders in the long-term care sector to modernize long-term care as quickly as possible."

Working together with long-term care and health system partners, Ontario continues to use innovative ideas and modern solutions to help end hallway health care and increase long-term care capacity in communities across the province.

Osler Physician Receives Top Canadian Medical Association Leadership Award

William Osler Health System (Osler) palliative care physician, Dr. Naheed Dosani, has been named a recipient of the Canadian Medical Association's (CMA) 2020 Award for Young Leaders in the early career category. The award recognizes early career physicians who have demonstrated exemplary dedication, commitment and leadership in one of the following areas: political, clinical, educational, or research and community service. Dr. Dosani



has received the award for his leadership and initiative in developing innovative programs that improve palliative care for people who are experiencing homelessness.

"Dr. Dosani's commitment to serving the most vulnerable in our community is inspirational and it is truly a pleasure to see that he has been recognized by the Canadian Medical Association for his leadership," said Dr. Naveed Mohammad, President & CEO, William Osler Health System. "We applaud his ingenuity and passion for equitable health care delivery and look forward to seeing what lies ahead for him." In 2014, Dr. Dosani joined Osler's palliative care team and also launched Palliative Education and Care for the Homeless (PEACH) – a program based out of Toronto's Inner City Health Associates (ICHA) that delivers community-based hospice palliative care to society's most vulnerable individuals at shelters and on the streets. PEACH has since provided care to hundreds and the model has been adapted and implemented in many communities across Canada, the United States of America and Australia. In the community Osler serves, Dr. Dosani has been instrumental in advocating for programs to support local palliative care needs. This includes the creation of the Structurally Vulnerable Palliative (SVP) Program at the Central West LHIN area, which is based on the PEACH care model. Dr. Dosani also created an innovative program that couples the latest technology with compassionate care, to deliver virtual palliative care visits for people in the Region of Peel using smartphones and tablets. "We are proud to see Dr. Dosani recognized for the many contributions he has made to the community and the accomplishments he has had so early in his career," said Dr. David Borts, Interim Chief of Staff, William Osler Health System. "Through his commitment and leadership, Dr. Dosani has had a meaningful impact on the lives of many, especially those in our broader community who have for so long been underserved. We are fortunate he is a part of the Osler family."

Earlier this year, Dr. Dosani took on the role of Medical Director of the Region of Peel's COVID-19 Homeless Response, mobilizing public health interventions for people experiencing homelessness in the region. "Through Dr. Dosani, I have witnessed how passion and a strong work ethic combined with a commitment to building a better life for the underserved can lead to sustainable solutions that improve the delivery of timely palliative care," said Dr. Martin Chasen, Medical Director of Supportive and Palliative Care, William Osler Health System.

ONTARIO ANNOUNCES \$2 MILLION TO LEBANON IN URGENT FINANCIAL SUPPORT

The Ontario government is providing \$2 million to the Canadian Red Cross through the International Disaster Relief Program to help people and families affected by the tragic explosion that occurred in Beirut, Lebanon on August 4, 2020. This is one of the largest contributions the Ontario government has ever made towards an international humanitarian relief effort.

"My heart breaks for the victims and the families affected by this terrible tragedy in Beirut," said Premier Doug Ford. "Along with Ontario's Lebanese community, we stand with the people of Lebanon in this time of grief. To support immediate relief efforts, we are providing the Canadian Red Cross with significant financial support so they can assist the people and communities in most urgent need." The Ontario government's contribution will help the Red Cross prepare for and respond to humanitarian needs as the situation continues to evolve in Lebanon, including for mobile health outreach. The Red Cross is working to coordinate emergency relief and recovery efforts, getting help to people in affected areas as quickly as possible.

"From the moment of the explosion in Beirut, Red Cross personnel have been responding around the clock by providing emergency medical assistance, food, water, masks, gloves and other essential relief items to assist the people impacted by this tragic event," said Conrad Sauvé, President and CEO of the Canadian Red Cross. "We are grateful to the Government of Ontario for their generous financial support, which will help the Red Cross to continue its critical work on the ground in Lebanon. The funding announced today will go a long way to assist with the immediate needs of the individuals and families affected by the explosion, and as they begin their road to recovery." "We would like to express our gratitude and appreciation to Premier Doug Ford and the Ontario provincial government," said Mr. Greg Bostajian, Honorary Consul of Lebanon in Toronto. "Their generous and historic contribution will help the Lebanese people on their road to recovery. On behalf of the diaspora of Lebanese Canadians living in Ontario, we are thankful for the humanitarian efforts of our leaders and our community. The support we have received is inspiring and reminds us how blessed we are to have two beautiful nations to call home."



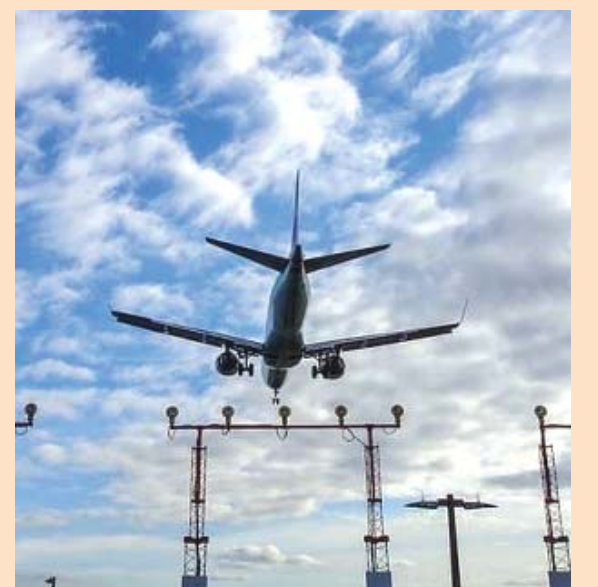
18 International flights to Canada carried Covid positive passengers in August

New data posted on the Canada federal website reveals 18 international flights arriving in Canada since early August carried passengers who tested positive for COVID-19 after arriving in the country. Eight of the stated flights landed in Toronto, while seven landed in Montreal, one in Vancouver and one in Calgary.

The International flights include :

- Air Transat flight TS831 from Punta Cana to Toronto on Aug. 1
- United Airlines flight UA375 from San Francisco to Vancouver on Aug. 1
- Air Transat flight TS893 from Cancun to Montreal on Aug. 1
- Air France flight AF034 from Paris to Montreal on Aug. 1
- Air Canada flight AC1297 from Punta Cana to Montreal on Aug. 1
- Air Canada flight AC1241 from Cancun to Montreal on Aug. 1
- Pakistan International Airlines flight PK797 from Lahore to Toronto on Aug. 2
- Ethiad Airways flight EY141 from Abu Dhabi to Toronto on Aug. 2
- Air Canada flight AC992 from Mexico City to Toronto on Aug. 2
- United Airlines flight UA3488 from Newark to Toronto on Aug. 3
- Qatar Airlines flight QR763 from Doha to Montreal on Aug. 3
- Air Canada flight AC7682 from Chicago to Toronto on Aug. 4
- Air Canada flight AC849 from London to Toronto on Aug. 4
- Air Canada flight AC879 from Switzerland to Toronto on Aug. 4
- Tap Air Portugal flight TP253 from Lisbon to Montreal on Aug. 4
- Delta Airlines flight DL7203 from Atlanta to Calgary on Aug. 4
- Air Canada flight AC870 from Montreal to Paris on Aug. 4
- AeroMexico flight AM680 from Mexico City to Montreal on Aug. 4.

An update the federal website reveals a report of ways people could have been exposed to COVID-19. It reads, "You may have been exposed to COVID-19 during recent travel, such as by airplane, cruise ship or train. Being aware of the risk can help you take the necessary steps to protect your health and the health of others around you." It further advised people to "take the necessary steps to protect your health and the health of others around you."



MidWeek

FOR INQUIRIES, CALL : 416-475-5000

E-MAIL : FORADVERTISING
'YMEDIA@SOUTHASIANDAILY.COM'

YUDHVIR JASWAL
CHIEF EDITOR & CEO
yudhvir@southasiandaily.com
647-272-8182

SUNIL VERMA
GRAPHICS DEPARTMENT

MITUL PANIKER
CONTENT EDITOR

ALI - NICE PHOTOGRAPHY
PHOTOGRAPHERS

DR. PUSHPINDER BRAR
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

BASHIR NASIR
PHOTOGRAPHERS

Newspaper

MIDWEEK NEWS WEEKLY

Published in English every Tuesday

Radio

SOUTHASIAN PULSE

Prime Time Mon to Fri - 10:00 AM to 12 Noon
on 770AM

Drive Time Mon to Fri - 3:00 PM to 6 PM
on 91.9 FM

LISTEN TO SOUTH ASIAN PULSE RADIO ON
YOUR MOBILE

GTA – (647) 910 5000, US - 518-801-1313

Television

CHANNEL Y

Rogers 857
Bell 828
Yupp TV

Online

WWW.SOUTHASIANDAILY.COM

ONLY News Portal for Southasian-Canadians

Cricket

CANADIAN PROFESSIONAL CRICKET (CPC)

6th Annual

CPC Inter-City Cricket Cup Starting June 2013

6 Months of Non-stop cricket action

Events

Annual

Midweek Southasian Awards

PANORAMA INDIA ALL SET TO DIGITALLY CELEBRATE INDIA'S INDEPENDENCE DAY WITH SUPPORT OF CONSULATE GENERAL OF INDIA



Panorama India, with the support of Consulate General of India, Toronto, is all set to digitally celebrate India's 74th Independence Day on August 15th and 16th, 2020. The special two-day event 'India Day 2020 and Virtual Grand Parade' features 14 hours of unique programming including over 100 artists from all over Canada, a virtual grand parade with more than 28 Indian States represented and the highlight event of the weekend 'Toronto Laughs with Sunil Grover'.

"This is the biggest ever digital celebration of India Day and I am overwhelmed by the community participation this year. We have over 100 phenomenal performances lined up and 28 states represented in our Virtual Grand Parade.", said Sumeeta Kohli, Co-chair, Panorama India. Panorama India's India Day 2020 event starts with opening ceremony of Saturday, August 15th at 12 PM and concludes on Sunday, August 16th with a special Grand Finale episode of 'Namaste Live with Panorama India' announcing competition and float winners. The special presentation – Toronto Laughs with Sunil Grover – will telecast at 6 PM on Saturday, August 15th. Many Bollywood celebrities will make special guest appearances as our Virtual Parade Marshalls throughout the event. This is the first time the organization has created a platform for public voting as well scores from the judges for the top three floats.

"I am so proud that the Pandemic is not stopping us from showing our love for our country. This is going to be a grand celebration of our heritage and culture," said Ms. Apoorva Srivastava, Hon. Consul General of India in Toronto. The India Day 2020 celebrations kicks off on August 10th on Panorama India's Facebook and YouTube channel with attractive competitions such as Mera India Photography, Sabse Pehle Safety Face Mask Painting, India Trivia, and Rang De India Painting contests along with 'In Conversation With' series of talks with community leaders and Panorama India Past Chairs, and daily programming that showcases what we are bringing to you on August 15th and 16th.

"We feel honoured to be able to achieve a large-scale digital distribution of the event. We are going live on our social media channels, Facebook

and YouTube as well as on your local favorite channels on Cable and IPTV." said Anuradha Grover Tejpal, Director, Digital Media & PR, Panorama India.

"Our community organizations and the sponsors are the backbone of this event. We are truly grateful for the support we have received from them even in these challenging times. This is truly a celebration of our strength as a community." shared both Co-chair Sanjay Makkar and Executive Director Janak Bhawnani.

Toronto Mayor John Tory announces \$2 million-worth partnership to help Black professionals in city's music industry



Mayor John Tory announced a \$2 million partnership between the City of Toronto, the Slight Family Foundation and Advance, Canada's Black Music Business Collective, to support the entry, retention and advancement of Black professionals in Toronto's music industry.

Mayor Tory and Derrick Ross, President of Slight Music, were joined at the Phoenix Concert Theatre for the announcement by Vivian Barclay, a Board member of Advance, Deputy Mayor Michael Thompson (Ward 21 Scarborough Centre), Chair of the Economic Development and Culture committee and member of the Toronto Music Advisory Committee, Jeffrey Remedios, Chairman and CEO of Universal Music Canada and Lisa Zbitnew, co-owner of the Phoenix Concert Theatre. The City and the Slight Family Foundation are each committing \$250,000 a year from 2020 to 2023 to support Black talent development in the music industry for a total commitment of \$2 million over four years.

With support of Advance, the funds will go towards achieving tangible and sustainable change to address the under-representation of Black talent in Canada's music industry.

While Black artists drive the success of Canada's music industry, Black professionals are under-represented in management and executive roles. This situation has resulted from an under-investment in Black talent development, especially for senior leadership roles within the industry.

Tory said, "I am proud that our City will be partnering with the Slight Family Foundation to provide critical funding to help support the advancement of Black professionals within our thriving music industry. This announcement represents significant and tangible steps towards real change that will help address an ongoing gap within our city's music industry."

He added, "I want to thank Slight Family Foundation, Advance and Universal for partnering with us and for helping us provide opportunities for Black professionals in our city. The time to invest and create change is now as we work towards confronting and eradicating anti-Black racism within our city." The partnership, funding and efforts being announced represent significant, tangible steps towards addressing these issues and will support initiatives aligned with Advance's four pillars of action: research, advocacy and government partnerships; mentorship and education; community outreach; as well as business development and entrepreneurship.

An advisory group, including representatives of the Slight Family Foundation, Advance and the City, through the Toronto Music Advisory Committee (TMAC), will develop a range of initiatives during the four-year partnership, including the following immediate efforts:

- Seed funding to support the establishment of Advance Research to analyze and assess racial discrepancies in the business sector of the Canadian music industry
- A mentorship and internship program with placements to begin in 2021
- A pilot initiative to support Black managerial talent development in corporation with community training partners
- Master classes on music industry career development.

Ford announces \$6 million investment to support police services, enhance public safety

The Ontario government is looking to partner with police services across the province to expand the coverage of closed-circuit television (CCTV) systems, a key tool in the fight against guns and gangs and other criminal activity. The investment of \$6 million over three years will be made available through the Ontario CCTV Grant, a new program designed to further support police services in their efforts to enhance public safety and hold offenders accountable as part of Ontario's Guns, Gangs and Violence Reduction Strategy.

"In light of recent episodes of violence, it's absolutely critical that we give our police the tools and resources they need to keep people safe and ensure businesses and communities can recover from the impacts of COVID-19 without fear of crime," said Premier Doug Ford. "This investment will help keep our streets safe, bring violent criminals to justice, and ensure people can rebuild their lives in peace."

Starting today, all municipal and First Nations police services, as well as the Ontario Provincial Police, will be able to apply for funding for the first year of the CCTV Grant cycle

(2020-21). "Surveillance systems are an important part of our partnership with police services to combat gun and gang violence. We are confident this investment will help municipalities expand their CCTV capacity and ramp up the local fight against crime," said Solicitor General Sylvia Jones. "Criminals are always finding new ways of covering their tracks, but our government is determined to ensure municipalities and police services have the tools and resources they need to detect criminal activity and keep Ontarians safe."

The grant builds on the province's approximate \$106 million investment to combat gun and gang violence, with the support of the federal government, through Ontario's Guns, Gangs and Violence Reduction Strategy. The program also complements the \$14 million the province invested last December through the provincial priorities stream of the new Community Safety and Policing Grant, which addresses provincewide issues that include gun and gang violence, sexual violence and harassment, and human trafficking.

Nasir Studios

Capture your Precious Memories

Bashir Nasir
Award Winning Photographer

603 - 3001 Finch Ave. W
North York, ON
M9N 3A9
CANADA

Tel: 416-742-5020
Cell: 416-414-4213
Fax: 416-742-6069
Email: bnasir88@hotmail.com

Parties and all Occasions

ACCOUNTANT

SERVICES PROVIDED:

- General Accounting & Bookkeeping
- Business Plans & Cash Flow Statements
- HST, WSIB, EHT & Payroll Tax Returns
- Compilation of Financial Statements
- Business & Personal Tax Returns

www.surajgupta.ca

SURAJ GUPTA, CPA, CGA
CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANT
905-677-1334

2355 Derry Road East, Suite 33(2nd Floor),
Mississauga, ON L5S 1V6 (Derry/Torbram) E: suraj@surajgupta.ca

**4255 Sherwoodtown Blvd.
Suite #109 Mississauga, ON L4Z 1Y5**

Pankaj Monga, CFP, CLU, CHS

Certified Financial Planner

Life, Critical illness, Disability & Travel Insurance, RRSP, RESP & TFSA

416-907-4420

Email: pankaj@pmgifinancial.com
www.pmgifinancial.com



Great for Indian Cooking!

SAKURA TURBO HOOD

Kitchen Range Hood

NO MORE SMOKE, GREASE OR ODOURS

U2f, U2 M II and U2 II

Dimension : 29-3/4" W x 25" D x 6-7/8" H

Voltage : 120V 60Hz

Horizontal Ducting: 3-1/8" x 10"

Vertical Ducting : 6" Diameter

Revolutions : 1700 RPM

Wind Exhaust : 520-680 CFM

White, Black & Stainless Steel



STANDARD FEATURES

- Teflon-coated non-stick fan blades
- Rear oil collectors Grease-free inner parts Patented twin oil trapping cones with filters Ultra quiet operation (58 dBA)
- Front steam baffle Each blower is controlled independently Smoke and grease baffler Six vents
- One year labour warranty Lifetime warranty on motors Available in:

R8168M (Micro)



Model: R-8168M

DIMENSION: 29 3/4" x 21" X 6" H

Wind Exhaust: 250-680 CFM

White or Stainless Steel

STANDARD FEATURES

- Teflon-coated non-stick fan blades
 - Patented twin oil trapping cones with filters
 - Front steam baffle
 - Maximum power with intelligent sensor
 - Five year warranty on motor
 - One year warranty on electronic switch
 - Double bright Halogen lighting
 - Two mode lighting (R8168M model only)
- ODOR FREE - Twin motor with high CFM**

ODOUR FREE

TWIN MOTOR, HIGH CFM

SMOKE FREE

DISSIPATE THROUGH DUCT

GREASE FREE

PATENTED FILTRATION SYSTEM

TOLL FREE: 1-800-475-5473

www.sakura-canada.com

R747 II Generation



- Dimension: 29-3/4" W x 23-1/4" D x 6-1/2" H Voltage: 120V
- Ducting: 3-1/8" x 10" Vertical Ducting: 6"
- Diameter Revolutions: 1700 RPM Wind
- Exhaust: 520-680 CFM Weight (lbs): 29.70 - 31.90 Illum.: 60W Max Power

White, Black & Stainless Steel

STANDARD FEATURES

- Twin centrifugal turbo fans
- Teflon-coated non-stick fan blades
- Rear oil collectors
- Grease-free inner parts
- Patented twin oil trapping cones with filters
- Smoke and grease baffler

SAKURA PRODUCTS CO.

4490 Sheppard Ave., E. Unit 2, Scarborough (416) 291-5218 TOLL-FREE 1-800-475-5473

SCARBOROUGH
4490 Sheppard Ave., E
Unit 2, Scarborough
(416) 291-5218

GOLDEN
328 Hwy 7E, Unit 2B,
Richmond Hill
905-881-3338

TIMES SQUARE
550 Hwy 7E, Unit 91
Richmond Hill
(905) 889-3339

MISSISSAUGA DIXIE PARK
1550 South Gateway, Unit 113, Mississauga
(905) 238-3198
South Eglinton-East Side Dixie

STUDENTS GETTING MEDICAL DEGREE FROM POK NOT ALLOWED TO PRACTICE IN INDIA: MCI



In a move that may affect Kashmiri students studying medicine in the colleges of Pakistan occupied Kashmir (PoK), the Medical Council of India (MCI) has said that any qualification obtained from illegally occupied Indian territory of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh will not be recognised in the country.

In a public notice issued on Monday, the MCI has said that any person obtaining medical qualification from PoK will not be allowed to practice modern medicine in India. "This is to inform all concerned that entire territories of UT of Jammu Kashmir and Ladakh are an integral part of India. Pakistan is in illegal and forcible occupation of a part of the territory. Accordingly, any medical institution in Pakistan occupied Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh (PoJKL) requires permission/recognition under Indian Medical Council Act, 1956," RK Vats, Secretary-General of MCI, said in the notice. Such permission has not been granted to any medical college in PoJKL, the notice said.

"Therefore, any qualification obtained from medical colleges located within these illegally occupied areas of India shall not entitle a person for grant of registration under Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 to practice modern medicine in India," it added.

Talking to WION over the phone, president of Jammu & Kashmir Medical Council president Dr Saleem Ur Rehman said that "we have standard guidelines as per MCI. Anyone coming from any country will have to get his qualifications verified from Ministry of Home affairs. Then we do the registration."

The Registrar of IMC in J&K, Vijay Gupta, told WION an order in this regard has been issued.

Many students from J&K in the past have gone to PoK to study medicine, several of them on the recommendations of separatist leaders as there is a special quota for J&K students reserved by the Pakistan government.

PM MODI INAUGURATES SUBMARINE OPTICAL FIBRE CABLE CONNECTING CHENNAI, PORT BLAIR



Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday inaugurated the submarine Optical Fibre Cable (OFC) connecting Chennai and Port Blair through video conferencing. He said that inauguration of the submarine Optical Fibre Cable in Andaman and Nicobar Islands will ensure high-speed broadband connectivity, fast mobile and landline telecom services and will give a big boost to the local economy. Speaking after inaugurating submarine optical fibre cable (OFC) connecting Chennai and Port Blair through video conferencing, the Prime Minister said that the importance of our islands including Andaman and Nicobar Islands has increased as India is following the new policy and practice of trade and cooperation in Indo-Pacific.

"The Indian Ocean has been the centre of India's trade and strategic prowess for thousands of years. Now that India is following the new policy and practice of trade and cooperation in Indo-Pacific, the importance of our islands including Andaman and Nicobar has increased further," the Prime Minister said. "Under the Act-East policy, Andaman and Nicobar's role in India's strong relations with East Asian countries and other countries associated with the sea is crucial and it is going to increase," he said.

The Prime Minister said that Andaman and Nicobar Islands are going to be developed as a hub of Port Led Development in the coming times. "Andaman and Nicobar islands are located at a very competitive distance from many ports of the world," he said. "Today, when India is moving forward with the resolve of self-sufficiency as a global manufacturing hub, is establishing itself as an important player in the global supply and value chain then it is very important to strengthen our network of Waterways and our ports," he said. He said that this optical fibre cable project, connecting Andaman and Nicobar with rest of the country is a symbol of our commitment towards ease

of living. "Be it online classes, tourism, banking, shopping or telemedicine, thousands of families in Andaman-Nicobar will now get its access. Today, the tourists going to the Andaman will get the huge benefit of the facility. Better net connectivity has become the first priority of any tourist destination today," he said. The Prime Minister said that there were several challenges regarding OFC that was also a reason that despite the need of this facility for years, it could not be worked on

"From Chennai to Port Blair, Port Blair to Little Andaman and Port Blair to Swaraj Island, the service has started in a large part of Andaman and Nicobar from today. I congratulate the people of Andaman and Nicobar for this connectivity filled with endless opportunities," he said.

"Before Independence Day, I see this occasion as a present to people of Andaman. The completion of this work of laying of cables for about 2,300 kilometres within the sea, is itself very admirable. Surveying in the deep sea, keeping the quality maintenance of the cable, laying the cable through special ships is not so easy," he added.

"The bigger this project was, the greater the challenges. This was also a reason that despite the need of this facility for years, it could not be worked on. But I am happy that this work was completed, bypassing all the obstacles," the Prime Minister said.

He said that it is our endeavour to reduce the geographical distance faced by every citizen of the country and make an emotional connect with them.

"Our dedication has been that every citizen of the country should reach every area with modern facilities, make their life easier. It has been our dedication to develop border area, areas on sea borders that are related to the country's security," he said.

Monsoon strengthens over northwest India but Delhi remains largely dry

There is a moderate risk of flash floods in many parts of Uttarakhand, including Bageshwar, Rudrapur and Chamoli districts, as monsoon strengthens over northwest India, according to Central Water Commission's (CWC) flood warning.

Eastern Uttar Pradesh (UP) has recorded extremely heavy rain, measuring over 20 centimetres (cm), on Tuesday along with very heavy rains reported over Uttarakhand, Haryana, eastern Madhya Pradesh (MP), eastern Rajasthan and parts of Gujarat, but only very light rain over Delhi.

Delhi has a 35% of rain deficiency to date.

"Most parts of north-west India have started recorded very heavy rains, except for Delhi, since Sunday (August 9). But the region is getting moisture incursion from the Arabian Sea. The monsoon trough (line of low pressure) is to the north of its normal position (from Ganganagar to the Bay of Bengal). So, rains are expected during the next two-three days. A low-pressure area is also developing over the north-west Bay of Bengal, which will bring good rains to central India and extremely heavy rains to Gujarat," said K Sathi Devi, head, National Weather Forecasting Centre (NWFC).

When a low-pressure area had developed over the Bay of Bengal, the Konkan region had recorded severe rains, but this time Gujarat will record the impact of the low-pressure area, which is likely to develop on Thursday, Sathi Devi said.

A north-south trough runs from Bihar to the west-central Bay of Bengal in lower tropospheric levels. A cyclonic circulation lies over the north-west and adjoining the west-central Bay of Bengal off the Odisha-north Andhra Pradesh coasts, India Meteorological Department (IMD) said in its bulletin on Wednesday.

Under the influence of the two systems, a low-pressure area is likely to form over the north-west Bay of Bengal by Thursday. It is likely to persist over the region and become more organised over the north Bay of Bengal during the next two-three days.

Ayodhya Ram Mandir to boost tourism in Nepal's Janakpur, birthplace of Sita

The construction of Ram Mandir in Ayodhya is expected to spike tourism in Nepal's Janakpur- the birthplace of Sita, which became a part of the Ramayana Circuit when Prime Minister Narendra Modi, in 2018, flagged off shuttle service between the birthplaces of Ram and His wife, Sita- major figures in Hinduism. Devotees, coming to Ayodhya, would have Janakpur as one of the spots in their pilgrimage- boosting the economy of the region by giving more employment opportunities to the people of Nepal. "As Janakpur is already included in Ramayana Circuit, the temple construction will attract more number of tourists here. After visiting the temple at Ayodhya people would like to visit the house of Mata Janaki. This will boost the tourism sector of our place," said Sushil Karna, a social activist from Janakpur "It is a matter of pride for Hindus around the world as a Ram Temple is being built in Ayodhya, the birthplace of Lord Ram. Mata Sita, who is an icon for her devotion and virtues, the Ram temple construction is a matter of pride for us," he added. According to Ramayana, Raja Janak of the Kingdom of Videha found a baby girl in a furrow in the Mithila region, a part of which is in the modern day's Janakpur city- 225 km south-east of Nepal's capital Kathmandu. He named her Sita and raised her as his daughter. Hence, the construction of Ram Mandir is a reason to rejoice for the people of Janakpur, who often consider themselves as in-laws of Lord Ram. "Our Mata Janaki will now get a house in Ayodhya as the temple construction has begun there. We are extremely happy with the step undertaken by the Indian Government.

Maharashtra Police: Three more personnel die of COVID-19; death toll in force mounts to 121

Three more personnel succumbed to the COVID-19 infection in the last 24 hours, taking the Maharashtra Police's death toll to 121. Nearly 264 fresh COVID-19 cases have also been reported in the Maharashtra Police force in the last 24 hours.

"264 more Maharashtra police personnel tested positive for COVID-19 while three died in the last 24 hours, taking the death toll to 121. The total number of police personnel infected in the state at 11,392, out of which 9,187 have recovered and 2,084 are active cases," the statement from Maharashtra Police read.

As many as 60,963 new coronavirus cases were reported in India in the last 24 hours, taking the total cases to over 23 lakhs, according to the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. 834 new coronavirus deaths reported in India and the cumulative toll has reached 46,091. The total number of coronavirus cases has climbed to 23,29,639 including 6,43,948 active cases, 16,39,600 cured/discharged/migrated.

Total coronavirus cases in the worst-hit state of Maharashtra has climbed to 5,35,601.

Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi expresses solidarity with PM Modi over Kerala plane crash, floods



Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, the Crown Prince of the Emirate of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Force on Saturday expressed condolences with Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the people of India in wake of the tragic plane crash in Kerala and the floods. Taking to microblogging website Twitter, the Crown Prince wrote wished for the speedy recovery of those who were injured in the tragedies.

"We share our heartfelt condolences with our friend PM Narendra Modi and all the people of India affected by the tragic plane accident, and the recent flooding. You remain in our prayers during these difficult times," the tweet read. Apart from Arab and English, the Crown Prince also tweeted in Hindi to offer condolences.

Notably, at least 18 people including two pilots lost their lives after an Air India Express flight carrying 190 passengers including 10 infants skidded while landing at Karipur airport in Kozhikode on Friday late evening.

Madhya Pradesh CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan to donate convalescent plasma for treatment of COVID-19 patients

Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan on Sunday said he would donate his blood plasma for treatment of COVID-19 patients.

"I was tested positive for COVID-19 earlier and I am perfectly healthy now after treatment. Antibodies to fight coronavirus must have developed in my body and so, I will soon donate plasma for therapy," an official release quoted the chief minister as saying while reviewing the COVID-19 situation in the state via video conferencing.

Convalescent plasma therapy involves transfusing plasma retrieved from the blood of someone who has recovered from COVID-19. The chief minister was tested COVID positive on July 25 and remained hospitalised for 11 days before he was discharged on August 5. Since then, Chouhan has been under home quarantine. Chouhan was discharged from Chirayu Medical College and Hospital without prior testing. The doctors who were treating him found that all his clinical parameters were within normal limits.

RAJASTHAN CM ASHOK GEHLOT MAY SEEK TRUST VOTE, WILL ALLOW TIME TO RESET TIES



Rajasthan chief minister Ashok Gehlot is likely to seek a trust vote despite the rebel legislators returning to the Congress as the move will give a breather of six months to the party to set its house in order, people familiar with the development said.

While the chief minister told HT that the decision on the floor test will be taken once the assembly session starts on August 14, a Congress leader said the move is unavoidable as the party cannot keep its legislators lodged in hotels forever.

The party's two central observers – Randeep Singh Surjewala and Ajay Maken – have also been camping in the state for the past one month since July 12.

With 19 rebel legislators returning to the party fold, the Congress has a comfortable majority in the 200-member assembly. Congress leaders claim that the party enjoys the backing of 125 legislators, including independents, and other supporting parties.

"No doubt, floor test is the only solution and we can go for it at any opportune time. We will prove our majority on the floor of the House,"

said the leader on condition of anonymity.

"We will get a breather of six months to address all the issues raised by party leaders and legislators from both sides," he further said, referring to both the Gehlot and Sachin Pilot camps.

Also, the three-member All India Congress Committee (AICC) panel formed to look into grievances of rebel legislators will submit its report by then, the leader quoted above added.

Another Congress functionary monitoring the party developments in Rajasthan said the government can move the trust vote anytime in the assembly.

He said the strategy for the session will be finalised on Thursday. The legislators, who were shifted to Jaisalmer on July 31, were back in Jaipur on Wednesday.

But the legislators backing Gehlot displayed their anger and resentment at the Congress Legislature Party (CLP) meeting at Jaisalmer on Tuesday over the "amicable resolution" of the crisis and return of Pilot and his supporters to the party fold.

WITH SPIKE OF 60,963 CASES, INDIA'S COVID-19 TALLY TOPS 23.29 LAKH



With nearly 61,000 new cases reported in the last 24 hours, India's COVID-19 count on Wednesday crossed the 23.29 lakh-mark, while the death toll has crossed the 46,000-mark as well. At 9:30 AM on this day, the COVID-19 tally in the country has reached 23,29,639 cases, which include 6,43,948 active cases; 16,39,600 cured, discharged, or migrated patients, and 46,091 deaths. According to the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, as many as 60,963 new COVID-19 cases were reported in the country in the last 24 hours, marking a significant spike. Total coronavirus cases in the worst-hit state of Maharashtra has climbed to 5,35,601.

Maharashtra is followed by Tamil Nadu with 3,08,649 cases. The state crossed Andhra Pradesh to take up second place in the list due to a recent massive surge in the number of cases. Andhra Pradesh is third on the list with 2,44,549 cases.

After Andhra Pradesh comes Karnataka, where the COVID-19 figure stands at 1,88,611 cases with 1,05,599 patients recovered, and 3,398 fatalities. National capital Delhi has reported 1,47,391 cases of which 1,32,384 have recovered and 4,139 patients are dead.

Uttar Pradesh has reported 1,31,763 positive cases so far of which 80,589 patients have recovered and 2,176 patients have lost their lives due to the virus. In West Bengal, as many as 1,01,390 people have confirmed COVID-19, of which 73,395 recovered and 2,149 people succumbed to it. In Kerala, which reported the country's first COVID-19 case, 36,932 people have been detected positive for coronavirus so far. Meanwhile, the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) has said that 2,60,15,297 samples have been tested up to August 11, 2020, for COVID-19. Of these, 7,33,449 samples were tested yesterday.

Centre to bring new law to protect land rights of Jammu and Kashmir natives

The central government is now considering bringing new legislation to protect the land rights of the native people of Jammu and Kashmir (J&K). The move is presumably aimed at addressing the concerns of the citizenry of the union territory after the revocation of the special status of the erstwhile following the abrogation of Article 470 of the Indian Constitution. A bill in this regard is likely to be tabled in Parliament soon.

"Land rights for the locals in Jammu and Kashmir are coming up. Work is on for enacting a new law that will allay all fears of the people of Jammu and Kashmir," an official privy to the development said told news agency PTI.

Notably, there has been a marked rise in fear among the local natives of Jammu and Kashmir domicile regarding the settlement of outsiders in the union territory following the Article 370 abrogation and the subsequent bifurcation of the erstwhile state. There prevails an air of distrust and insecurity over the settlement of people from other states in the union territory now.

"Once the legislation is passed by Parliament, the fear of losing rights over land will be over in Jammu and Kashmir," the aforementioned official was quoted as saying.

On August 5, 2019, the Narendra Modi-led National Democratic Alliance (NDA) government at the Centre revoked the special status granted under Article 370 of the Indian Constitution to the erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir. Although much uproar was raised over its implementation back then, it has now been a



year since the historic act, and statistics show that the situation in the valley is better than ever in the history of the land. Less militancy and more progress mark the region, now a union territory, as the administration's attempts for reform gradually take shape. Here we brief the major changes in Jammu and Kashmir since Article 370 abrogation. Among the major changes, one that needs a special mention is that out of 354 erstwhile state laws in

Jammu and Kashmir, 164 laws have been repealed, 138 laws have been modified while 170 central laws have been made applicable. There has been a 262% increase in minority scholarships. Also, five corporations have been set up to unbundle power department corporations, and government funds worth Rs 1000 crores parked outside have been located and channeled into the consolidated fund.

Is 'Population Control Bill' next in line for Centre? BJP MP's letter to PM Modi raises questions

After the Ayodhya 'Bhoomi Pujan' for the construction of the Ram Janmabhoomi Mandir in the temple city, is the central government now planning to come up with a scheme for the proposed 'Population Control Bill'? Can the government bring about a bill in the coming session of the Parliament for population regulation? And what about the current status of the uniform civil code debate? These questions have been raised by BJP's Rajya Sabha MP Anil Agrawal in a letter addressed to Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Agrawal, in his letter, has demanded that the Prime Minister inform Indians about population control on the occasion of Independence Day on August 15. He has also demanded that the Population Control legislation be passed in the forthcoming Parliament session in the national interest. Agrawal, a member of the Standing Committee on Information Technology (IT), Consultative Committee of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports and the Hindi Advisory Committee of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, told Prime Minister Modi, "Sir, while addressing the nation on auspicious August 15, 2019, your good self had assured the nation about population control measures. Time has come when that pledge should be redeemed. I, therefore, request you to kindly consider bringing an appropriate bill in the coming Parliament session."

WHAT'S WRITTEN IN THE LETTER?

In his letter, Anil Agrawal wrote, "On behalf of all my fellow Indians and the worldwide population of all Hindus, I wish to express very grateful thanks for ushering in a new wave of hope and renewed faith, after a long and seemingly interminable night that lasted for over 500 years."

"As per the tenets of Hindu philosophy, it is believed that every activity in this world only manifests itself as a result of God's supreme will, but he also chooses the agency of living human beings to carry out His grand design - this time you were the chosen one who gave shape to the aspirations of 1.3 billion Indians. So we all salute you," the letter added.

Notably, on August 15, 2019, Prime Minister Modi had expressed in his speech concern over the population explosion taking place in the country. Modi had said, "India was the first country in the world to adopt family planning, a program for which was formed in 1949. The first family planning program was launched in 1952. In 1977, the government had formed a new population policy. People were given the option to accept it voluntarily. Now we are seeing that by 2024-25, India will leave China behind in terms of population. India's population is 135 crore, while that of China is 142 crore. In terms of population, India will leave China behind in just a few years." Whenever the population regulation debate comes up, it has been seen that the opposition is rather fond of turning it towards vote bank politics and striking it against the government. There have been several attempts at population control earlier as well.

INDIA SAYS BUDDHA WAS BORN IN LUMBINI 'WHICH IS IN NEPAL'

Highlighting the "shared Buddhist Heritage" India on Sunday said, Gautam Buddha, the founder of Buddhism was born in Lumbini "which is in Nepal".

The Ministry of External Affairs said, "EAM's remarks yesterday at the CII event referred to our shared Buddhist heritage. There is no doubt that Gautam Buddha was born in Lumbini, which is in Nepal". India's foreign minister S Jaishankar on Saturday said, "Who are the 2 greatest Indians ever that you can remember. I can say one is Gautam Buddha and the other is Mahatma Gandhi. Not just greatest Indians as you and I remember, but greatest Indian that the world remembers".

The Nepal foreign ministry had sharply reacted to the development saying, "It is a well-established and undeniable fact proven by historical and archaeological evidence that Gautam Buddha was born in Lumbini, Nepal. Lumbini, the Birthplace of Buddha and the fountain of Buddhism, is one of the UNESCO world heritage sites."

Adding, "It is true that Buddhism spread from Nepal to other parts of the world in the subsequent period. The matter remains beyond doubt and controversy and thus cannot be a subject of debate. The entire international community is aware of this."

Buddha, born in Lumbini, attained enlightenment in Bodhi Gaya, gave his first sermon at Sarnath, and died in Kushinagar. Buddha was the son of Suddhodana who was the leader of Shakya in Magadha situated in present-day Nepal and India.

The development comes even as Nepal PM KP Sharma Oli has again reiterated that Lord Ram was a Nepali. Nepal pm spoke to a delegation of Madi municipality in Chitwan district in Nepal and told them he believes Lord Ram was born in that area. He called for developing the region and building a Ram Temple. Nepal PM also suggested the name of the municipality be changed to Ayodhyapuri. Last week Indian PM laid the foundation stone for a Ram Temple in Ayodhya, UP.





Happy Eid-al-adha

Michael Tibollo
MPP for Vaughan Woodbridge

Constituency Office
5100 Rutherford Road, Unit 3
Vaughan L4H 2J2
Michael.Tiboloco@pc.ola.org

Biden has surrendered to radical mob by naming Kamala Harris as running mate: Trump Campaign

By naming Indian-origin Senator Kamala Harris as his Vice President running mate, Democratic presidential nominee Joe Biden has surrendered to the radical mob with promises to raise taxes, cut police funding and appease socialist dictators, President Donald Trump campaign has alleged. Launching a scathing attack on Harris, the Trump campaign said the Americans will resoundingly reject the abysmal failures of Biden and Harris. "Joe Biden is no moderate, and with Harris as his 'political living will,' he is surrendering control

of our nation to the radical mob with promises to raise taxes, cut police funding, kill energy jobs, open our borders, and appease socialist dictators," Katrina Pierson, Trump 2020 campaign's senior advisor, said in a statement. "At the ballot box, Americans will resoundingly reject the abysmal failures of Biden-Harris in favor of the America First strength of President Donald Trump and Vice President Mike Pence," Pierson said. The comments came as Biden on Tuesday named Harris as his Vice-Presidential running mate, making history by selecting the first black woman to compete on a major party's presidential ticket. Harris, has been one of those Democratic Senators who has

been leading the party's charge against President Donald Trump, who is seeking his re-election from the Republican party. "Not long ago, Harris called Joe Biden a racist and asked for an apology she never received. Clearly, Phony Kamala will abandon her own morals, as well as try to bury her record as a prosecutor, in order to appease the anti-police extremists controlling the Democrat Party," Pierson said. "In her failed attempt at running for president, Harris gleefully embraced the left's radical manifesto, calling for trillions of dollars in new taxes and backing Bernie Sanders' government takeover of healthcare. She is proof that Biden is an empty shell being filled with the extreme agenda of the radicals on the left," Pierson said.



Happy India Independence Day

NINA TANGRI
MPP Mississauga-Streetsville

154 Queen St. S. Unit 110
Mississauga ON L5M 2P4
Phone: (905) 569-1643
Email: nina.tangri@pc.ola.org
Nina Tangri.ca



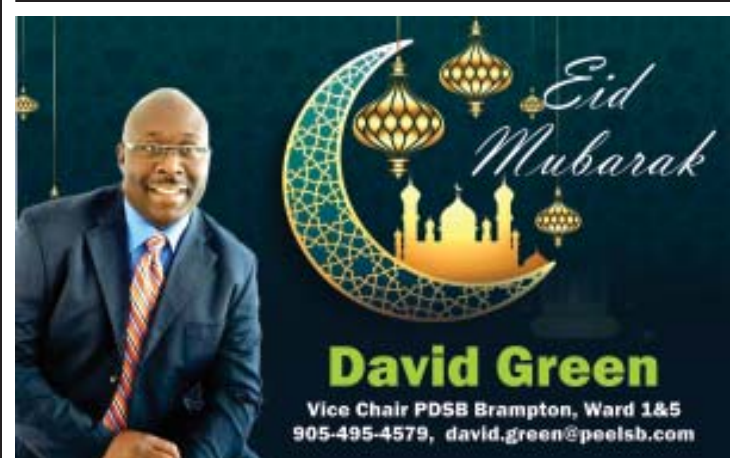
Happy Independence Day

NINA TANGRI
MPP Mississauga-Streetsville

154 Queen St. S. Unit 110
Mississauga ON L5M 2P4
Phone: (905) 569-1643
Email: nina.tangri@pc.ola.org
Nina Tangri.ca

Beirut explosion: US President Donald Trump to join international aid conference call for Lebanon on Sunday

In the wake of a massive blast at Beirut port that killed 154 people and injured nearly 4,000, US President Donald Trump has said that he will join a conference call with Lebanon's president and other world leaders on Sunday to discuss aid to Lebanon. "We will be having a conference call on Sunday with President Macron, leaders of Lebanon, and leaders from various other parts of the world. Everyone wants to help!" Trump tweeted. Trump and Macron spoke by phone and "expressed their deep sadness over the loss of life and devastation in Beirut," White House spokesman Judd Deere said in a statement.



Eid Mubarak

David Green
Vice Chair PDSB Brampton, Ward 1&5
905-495-4579, david.green@peelsb.com

AUTO INSURANCE

Insurance Tiger makes it easy to find the best auto insurance coverage in Ontario. Our insurance brokers will do the comparison shopping for you to find the best coverage and right amount of protection.



- ❖ Winter Tire Discounts
- ❖ Multi Policy Discounts
- ❖ Uber Insurance
- ❖ Student Discounts
- ❖ Family Member Discounts
- ❖ Telematic Discounts
- ❖ Low Commute/Mileage Discounts
- ❖ New Business Discounts
- ❖ Hybrid Vehicle Discounts

COMMERCIAL INSURANCE

Protect your business! Grow your business! Over the years, Insurance Tiger has grown and prospered by paying attention to our clients. We have a strong commitment to giving personal service and providing competitive Commercial and Business Insurance products.



Do you have proper coverage for your business?

- ❖ Commercial Auto
- ❖ General Liability
- ❖ Commercial Property
- ❖ Places of Worship
- ❖ Equipment Breakdown
- ❖ Professional Liability
- ❖ Business Interruption
- ❖ Gas Stations
- ❖ Products Liability
- ❖ Retail
- ❖ Hospitality Services
- ❖ Cyber Liability
- ❖ Retail
- ❖ Hospitality Services
- ❖ Cyber Liability
- ❖ Contractor's Package
- ❖ Builder's Risk
- ❖ Hotels/Motels
- ❖ Apartment Buildings

HOME INSURANCE

A quality home insurance coverage will allow you to protect the things you value. At Insurance Tiger, we will help you find the best home insurance coverage in Ontario.



Fast turn around quotes on:

- ❖ High Value Homes
 - ❖ Single Limit of Insurance Coverage
 - ❖ Cash Settlement Property Policies
 - ❖ Student Rental
 - ❖ Multiple Rental Properties
 - ❖ Multiple Family Homes
- Take advantage of these discounts:
- Multi Policy Discount
 - Non Smoker
 - Claims Free
 - Mortgage Free

LIFE/TRAVEL INSURANCE

Medical travel insurance is a must-have when travelling outside your home province. Even a weekend shopping trip across the border or travelling across the world to meet family or leisure trip could end up being a nightmare without the proper Medical Travel insurance.



Protect your family for less than \$1.00 a day

- ❖ Term Life
- ❖ Whole Life
- ❖ Disability Insurance
- ❖ Critical Illness Insurance
- ❖ Supervisor/Travel/Visitor Insurance
- ❖ Health Insurance Solutions

POLICY NOT DUE FOR RENEWAL YET?

Please email us your name, contact info and expiry date to myrenewal@insurancetiger.ca and our representatives will call you closer to your renewal date.

INSURANCE TIGER

416-224-2800 • www.insurancetiger.ca

Owned and operated by Multi Risk Insurance Brokers INC.

DANISH HOMES.ca

The **PREMIUM** Home Selling System

RECENT SOLDs



SOLD at 120% of Asking in 6 Days



SOLD at 107% of asking in 4 Days



SOLD at 108% of asking in 6 Days



SOLD at 103% of asking in 6 Days



SOLD at 100% of asking in 1 Day



SOLD at 106% of asking in 10 Days



SOLD at 106% of Asking in 2 Days



SOLD at 97% of Asking



SOLD at 105% of Asking in 2 Days



SOLD at 98% of Asking in 13 Days



Secured Great Deal for the Client



Secured Great Deal for the Client



Secured Great Deal for the Client



Secured Great Deal for the Client



SOLD at 100% Asking in 1 day



Secured GREAT Deal for Client



SOLD at 100% Asking



SOLD at 100% Asking



SOLD at 100% of Asking Price



SOLD at 100% of Asking Price



SOLD at 103% of Asking



Secured Very Good Deal for Client



SOLD 30,000 Above Asking



SOLD 100% of Asking in 5 days



Join our Referral Program.

REFER A FRIEND > CLAIM YOUR REWARD > SUPPORT HUMANITY
JOIN HANDS IN SUPPORTING EDUCATION & HEALTHCARE INITIATIVES AT:



Contact Danish Homes for your next big move!

647.723.9900



647.723.9900
647.400.1700



business@danishhomes.ca



www.danishhomes.ca

