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# PM Trudeau names new Federal Cabinet Ministers



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The Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau announced the members of Cabinet following this fall's election when Canadians chose to keep Canada moving forward. This diverse team will continue to find real solutions to the challenges that Canadians face, and deliver on a progressive agenda, as we finish the fight against COVID-19 and build a better future for everyone. "Canadians need a strong and diverse Cabinet to deliver on their priorities and keep Canada moving forward for everyone. This team will finish the fight against COVID-19, deliver on \$10-a-day child care, help Canadians find a home of their own, tackle the climate crisis, and continue to advance reconciliation with Indigenous peoples. Together, we will work tirelessly to build a better future for all Canadians," said PM Trudeau. "Apart from gaining power and influence, Canadian MPs in the cabinet are paid \$88,700 on top of the current annual base MP salary of \$185,800 and are entitled to an official car and driver. Nothing can prevent PM from naming someone to cabinet who does not already have a seat in the House of Commons.

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## Y MEDIA POLITICAL SENSEX: PM TRUDEAU'S CABINET INTERESTING FACTS

- New Cabinet consists of PM Trudeau & 38 ministers, and there is an equal number of women and men
- Parliament returns on Nov. 22
- When it comes to provincial representation, 42% (16) of cabinet ministers are from Ontario, with 29% (11) from Quebec
- Waterloo MP Bardish Chagger is no longer part of the cabinet
- Veteran Liberal Marc Garneau and Jim Carr have been shuffled out of the cabinet
- MPs Yasir Naqvi (Ottawa Centre) & George Chahal (Calgary-Skyview), were expected to be a part of the cabinet, but could not be inducted
- There are 9 new faces in the cabinet, namely Brampton West's Kamal Khara has been named minister of seniors, Toronto MP Marci Ien who becomes gender equality minister, Nova Scotia MP Sean Fraser who takes on the immigration post, Quebec MP Pascale St-Onge who becomes minister for sport and Quebec economic development, Edmonton Centre MP Randy Boissonnault is the new minister of tourism and associate minister of finance, Newfoundland and Labrador's Gудie Hutchings moves in as minister of rural economic development, Former Ontario MPP Helena Jaczek becomes the minister responsible for the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario, Mark Holland becomes Leader of the Government in the House of Commons, and Ginette Petitpas Taylor becomes as minister of Official Languages and minister responsible for the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency.



HARJIT SAJJAN BECOMES MINISTER OF INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT & MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PACIFIC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF CANADA.



BRAMPTON WEST MP KAMAL KHERA BECOMES MINISTER FOR SENIORS & IS THE YOUNGEST MEMBER OF CABINET.



SEAN FRASER BECOMES MINISTER OF IMMIGRATION, REFUGEES AND CITIZENSHIP

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## PRABHJOT SINGH KHATRI MURDER: 2 ARRESTED, POLICE LOOKING FOR 3RD SUSPECT

On Sunday, September 5, 2021, at approximately 02:07 am., Truro Police Service patrol officers responded to a call from 494 Robie Street in Truro, regarding a male who had suffered serious injuries. Responding officers and EHS personnel provided emergency first aid at the scene.

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## 73-YEAR-OLD TORONTO TAXI DRIVER SHOT DEAD

On Sunday, October 24, 2021, at 8:48 p.m., the Toronto Police Service received a call for a taxi cab that had collided with a fence in the Pharmacy Avenue and Eglinton Avenue East area. Officers arrived to find the cab driver alone in the vehicle. He was unconscious and suffering from multiple gunshot wounds. He was transported to hospital via emergency run but succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced deceased in hospital.

The victim has been identified as Christopher Jung, 73, of Toronto. A man wearing dark clothing was seen running away from the area. Anyone with dash cam footage or surveillance footage are asked to contact homicide investigators. Anyone with information is asked to contact police at 416-808-7400, Crime Stoppers anonymously at 416-222-TIPS (8477).



## AMARINDER SINGH SHARES AROOSA ALAM'S PHOTOS, SAYS NO LINK WITH ISI



Former Punjab Chief Minister Captain Amarinder Singh, who is being focused on by his enemies for get to know Pakistani journalist Aroosa Alam, kept on dropping photograph bombs to set up that Aroosa Alam was a very much associated Pakistani who had additionally met numerous other Indian dignitaries before.

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## ONTARIO GOVERNMENT INTRODUCING NEW LEGISLATION THAT WOULD REQUIRE LARGE EMPLOYERS TO PUT IN 'RIGHT TO DISCONNECT' POLICIES & BAR NON-COMPETE CLAUSES

The Ontario government is introducing legislation today that, if passed, would better protect, support, and attract workers to the province. These proposed new measures position Ontario as a first mover in charting the path forward as the way people work changes. The proposed changes would promote a healthy work-life balance and will further enable competitiveness by banning unfair non-compete agreements that are used to restrict work opportunities, suppress salary increases and wage growth.

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## Y MEDIA COVID & VACCINE REPORT

- *Ontario lifts capacity limits in the vast majority of settings where proof of vaccination is required.*
- *Ontario's Covid-19 active cases dip below 4,000; seven-day rolling average on decline.*
- *Moderna says its Covid-19 vaccine protective, safe in children of 6-11 years of age.*
- *More than 88% Ontarians 12+ inoculated with first dose, 84% fully vaccinated.*
- *More than 87.6% Canadians 12+ vaccinated with first dose, 82.7% fully vaccinated.*
- *US FDA panel recommends Pfizer's Covid-19 vaccine for children 5 to 11 years of age.*
- *Air Canada offering portable Covid-19 test kits to travellers.*




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# ONTARIO GOVERNMENT INTRODUCING NEW LEGISLATION THAT WOULD REQUIRE LARGE EMPLOYERS TO PUT IN ‘RIGHT TO DISCONNECT’ POLICIES & BAR NON-COMPETE CLAUSES

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Monte McNaughton, Minister of Labour, Training and Skills Development, will today introduce the Working for Workers Act, 2021, which would help make Ontario the top choice for people around the world to live, work and raise a family. “COVID-19 has changed the way we work, leaving too many people behind, struggling to put food on the table and make ends meet for their families,” said Minister McNaughton. “Our government is working for workers. To do so, we must act swiftly and decisively to put workers in the driver’s seat and begin rebalancing the scales. Today’s proposed legislation shows Ontario is ready to lead the way into the workplaces of tomorrow, and create the conditions that will make talented, innovative people want to work in our great province.” If passed, this proposed legislation would make Ontario the first jurisdiction in Canada to make it easier for people to relax and spend quality time with their loved ones. By requiring employers with 25 employees or more to develop disconnecting from work policies, Ontario is prioritizing workers’ mental health and family time. These workplace policies could include, for example, expectations about response time for emails and encouraging employees to turn on out-of-office notifications when they aren’t working. The proposed legislation will also prohibit employers from using non-compete agreements. These types of contracts often restrict employees from taking new jobs with another business in the same field after they leave the company. The proposed changes would ban this unfair restriction to help workers in Ontario advance their careers and earn more money. This would also give the province a competitive advantage in attracting global talent. Employers would still be able to protect their intellectual property through narrower clauses. Measures proposed earlier this month will also be part of this legislation. This includes making it easier for internationally-trained individuals to practice in regulated professions, protecting vulnerable workers by establishing a licensing framework for recruiters and temporary help agencies, ensuring washroom access for delivery workers by requiring business owners to allow them to use the washrooms at the businesses they serve, and supporting businesses who continue to suffer from the impacts of COVID-19.



Many of the proposed changes were informed by the recommendations made by the experts of the Ontario Workforce Recovery Advisory Committee, based on their consultations with workers, employers, and unions. These proposed changes complement the work that the government is already doing to improve and expand transportation, virtual care and broadband internet access, making it easier for more people to pursue remote work and make Ontario the “work from anywhere” province. Chris Albinson, President & CEO, Communitech said, “Communitech is pleased to see Ontario level the playing field for workers, including tech workers, compared to other jurisdictions like California. Canadian founders are in a global competition for talent, so we are grateful to see Ontario setting conditions to help innovators attract and retain the best workers in North America to keep our economy growing.” “Among CCI’s member companies, access to skilled talent is the No. 1 issue right now. With digital connectivity and remote work, the labour landscape in the 21st century has changed dramatically. Measures that clearly codify worker rights, while allowing for flexibility and labour mobility, stand to benefit Ontario’s innovative businesses as they seek to attract and retain the talent they need to drive growth,” said Alanna Sokic, Manager, Government Affairs (Ontario), Council of Canadian Innovators \ Conseil Canadien des Innovateurs.

# AHEAD OF BUMPER Q3, IN UK TESTIMONY WHISTLEBLOWER HAUGEN TEARS INTO FACEBOOK 97% HATE SPEECH CLAIM



**NEW YORK, (IANS)** Whistleblower Frances Haugen began her 158-minute testimony before British parliamentarians on Monday stating that the Facebook transparency report inflates, multiple times over, hate speech it actually takes down. The chair began by drawing Haugen, former product manager and Harvard Business School alum, into the behemoth’s transparency claim that 97 per cent of hate speech they can find is taken down. Haugen simplified the math pointing to how “what they (Facebook) can find” is the trick phrase here. The actual hate speech brought down as a percentage of total hate speech on the platform is 3-5 per cent, she said. “The (97 per cent) stuff they (Facebook) talk about is (hate) stuff that robots got divided by the stuff that robots got plus the stuff that humans reported! That’s not the number we want. The fraction we expect to hear is total hate speech caught divided by total hate speech.” Though most of Haugen’s testimony repeated what she said before US lawmakers earlier, the British are all ears because they are toying with the idea of an online regulator who can splice through the chaff and ask these kinds of ‘right’ questions. A global barrage of scrutiny, basis some 10,000 pieces of internal documentation, is being called, The Facebook Project. A collective of 17 competing media platforms has been creeding in sync. This is on the day Facebook’s Q3 is expected at the end of market hours. “Facebook is expected to report earnings on 10/25/2021 after market close. The report will be for the fiscal Quarter ending Sep 2021. According to Zacks Investment Research, based on 13 analysts’ forecasts, the consensus EPS forecast for the quarter is \$3.2. The

reported EPS for the same quarter last year was \$2.71,” a Nasdaq notice said. As analysts wait for the investor call, the trickiest bits may not be about financials, but the whistleblower who warned that Facebook, despite having thousands of decent folks on its staff, will fuel more episodes of violent unrest around the world because of the way its algorithms are designed to promote divisive content. The former product manager on the civic misinformation team claimed that the social network saw safety as a cost centre, lionized a start-up culture where cutting corners was a good thing and was “unquestionably” making hatred. “The events we’re seeing around the world, things like Myanmar and Ethiopia, those are the opening chapters because engagement-based ranking does two things: one, it prioritizes and amplifies divisive and polarizing extreme content and two it concentrates it,” Haugen said. Haugen argued that the algorithms pushed users towards the extreme. “So someone center left, they’ll be pushed to the radical left, someone centre-right will be pushed to the radical right.” Likewise, children are being pushed into the pit via accounts that authority figures can’t find out. Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg has contested such accusations earlier this month. “The argument that we deliberately push content that makes people angry for profit is deeply illogical,” Zuckerberg – ranked 7th in the Forbes real-time list of billionaires at \$116 billion as of Monday – had said. Documents cited to indicate that Facebook had known that it hadn’t hired enough workers who possessed both the language skills and knowledge of local events needed to identify objectionable posts from users in a number of developing countries. The Facebook Papers project is a unique collaboration among 17 American news organizations, including The Associated Press and Reuters. A separate consortium of European news outlets had access to the same set of documents, and members of both groups began publishing content at 7 a.m. EDT on Monday, Oct. 25. That date and time were set by the partner news organizations to give everyone in the consortium an opportunity to fully analyze the documents, report out relevant details, and give Facebook’s public relations staff time to respond to questions and inquiries raised by that reporting.

# 'US, INDIA MAKE ATTEMPTS TO MANOEUVRE PAK OUT OF CPEC': KHALID MANSOOR



**NEW DELHI, (IANS)** China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) Authority czar Khalid Mansoor has alleged that the US is colluding with India and hatching plots against the multibillion-dollar project, Dawn news reported. Mansoor, the special assistant to the Pakistan Prime Minister on CPEC affairs, accused the Us of conniving in cahoots with India against the economic lifeline of Pakistan, the report said. “From the point of view of the emerging geo-strategic situation, one thing is clear: the Us supported by India is inimical to CPEC. It will not let it succeed. That’s where we have to take a position,” Mansoor said. Islamabad is the seventh largest recipient of Chinese overseas development financing with 71 projects worth \$27.3 billion currently under way as part of CPEC. Many Western think tanks and commentators have termed CPEC an economic trap that has already resulted in bloated public debt levels and disproportionately high Chinese influence in the domestic economy. The premier’s aide said the Us and India continue to make attempts to manoeuvre Pakistan out of China’s Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) -- a global infrastructure development plan under which the Beijing government has been investing heavily in about 70 countries, the report said. “There’s no way Pakistan will forgo any of its benefits. It has more than once burnt its fingers in (the Western) alliance in the past,” he said, adding that their attempts to dilute China’s strategic influence in the region will fail. He said the Western powers view CPEC as a symbol of China’s political ambition.

# AMARINDER'S EXIT WILL NOT AFFECT THE PARTY: CONGRESS



**NEW DELHI, (IANS)** Congress leaders on Wednesday said the exit of senior party leader and former Punjab chief minister Captain Amarinder Singh -- who announced forming a new party -- will not affect the prospects of the Congress. The issue was up for deliberation on Wednesday during the meeting between the party leaders and former Congress president Rahul Gandhi and Congress’ Punjab in-charge Harish Rawat. The Congress is currently preparing an estimation of the number of leaders who are likely to quit. However, sources say that people close to Singh are unlikely to quit the party. The Congress leaders are watching his moves ahead of the new party formation and sources say that all the Congress members have distanced themselves after he worked out a “patch up formula” with the BJP. Congress’ Punjab in-charge Harish Rawat said “his decision will not make any difference to Congress”.

# CONTROVERSY ON BSF'S JURISDICTION EXTENSION UNWARRANTED, SAY EXPERTS



**NEW DELHI, (IANS)** Opposing the Ministry of Home Affairs’ latest decision to extend the jurisdiction of the Border Security Force (BSF) in Assam, West Bengal and Punjab, the experts say that it was unwarranted, uncalled for and seems to be political. Talking to IANS, the former BSF DG Prakash Singh said that controversy generated over the latest order empowering the BSF was uncalled for in the present security scenario around the country wherein arms, narcotics have been dropped through drones in the ‘Border States’ and also with the new security challenges emerging after the recent developments in Afghanistan and Bangladesh. The MHA has recently extended the jurisdiction of BSF from 15 km to further 50 km deep inside along the international borders in three states -- Punjab, Assam and West Bengal. Describing the objection by the West Bengal and Punjab governments as a sheer political move, Singh further said that under the new notification, the BSF has been mandated to search, seize and arrest a person or persons only under the Passport Act 1967, Passport (Entry into India) Act 1920 and specified sections of the Criminal Procedure code, means any person entering to Indian territory illegally. “It is merely an enabling provision aimed at strengthening and complementing the efforts of the state police and in any case the BSF will have to hand over the accused with the seized consignments to the local police for further investigation. The power to register FIR and investigate the case will remain with the state police”, he said, adding that the Punjab government’s claims that half of the state would fall under the jurisdiction of BSF was misleading. Singh further said that the latest MHA notification was only to reinforce the capabilities of the state police in securing the states under section 139 of the BSF Act that allows the border guarding force to function with certain powers and duties in specified areas and well within the local limits. This does not curtail and limits the powers of the state police in any manner, he added.



## Y MEDIA COVID &amp; VACCINE REPORT

Effective October 25, 12:01 a.m.

Lifting capacity limits in select settings  
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bingo hallsSports and  
recreational facilitiesMeeting and  
event spaces

ONTARIO LIFTS CAPACITY LIMITS IN THE VAST MAJORITY OF SETTINGS WHERE PROOF OF VACCINATION IS REQUIRED (CHRISTINE ELLIOT/ TWITTER).

HOW INTERNATIONAL VAX SCHEME COVAX  
HAS FAILED POOR COUNTRIES

**LONDON, (IANS)** The international Covid vaccine scheme Covax has failed to evenly distribute vaccines against the infectious disease to poor countries, while rich countries have brought the jabs in surplus, many of which have also gone to waste.

"Rich countries have received 16 times more Covid-19 vaccines per person than poorer nations that rely on the Covax programme backed by the World Health Organization," according to an analysis by the Financial Times.

Data compiled by Unicef, a key implementation partner in the global vaccine scheme, show that 9.3 vaccines have been delivered to low-income countries for every 100 people, the report said. Of this, 7.1 have been delivered through Covax.

## 2nd pandemic winter bringing chaos to eastern European nations

**NEW DELHI, (IANS)** Lockdowns, spiraling cases and a vaccine divide is framing the start of Europe's second Covid-19 pandemic winter, bringing chaos to eastern European countries and uncertainty to those in the West, CNN reported on Monday.

Despite the widescale availability of vaccines this winter compared to the last, Europe is the only part of the world reporting an increase in new Covid-19 cases globally, the World Health Organization (WHO) said last week.

This is the third consecutive week the region has recorded a rise in cases, it added. The suffering has been acute in Eastern Europe and Russia, battling mounting deaths and cases fuelled by vaccine hesitancy that has seen coverage rates dip as low as 24 per cent, as per the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC).

On October 21, Latvia became the first country in the European Union to impose a lockdown as the country struggles with a spike in cases amid low vaccination uptake. Only 56 per cent of all adults have had both doses of the jab compared to the EU average of 74.6 per cent.

Western Europe is also driving the rise in Covid-19 cases despite some countries enjoying near universal vaccine coverage, the report said. Germany's Covid incidence rate rose to 100 new infections per 100,000 inhabitants on Saturday for the first time since May.



Belgium, alongside Ireland, is seeing one of the highest case rates in Western Europe, according to the ECDC, of 325.76 and 432.84 per 100,000 people respectively.

Belgium's Health Minister Frank Vandenbrouck told broadcaster VRT that the country was in a fourth wave.

## Covid pandemic killed 80K-180K health workers till May 2021: WHO

**GENEVA, (IANS)** The Covid-19 pandemic has killed an estimated 80,000 to 180,000 healthcare workers from January 2020 till May this year, the World Health Organization (WHO) said.

The estimates are derived from a new WHO working paper based on the 3.45 million Covid-19 related deaths reported to WHO as at May 2021. "The backbone of every health system is its workforce. Covid-19 is a powerful demonstration of just how much we rely on these men and women, and how vulnerable we all are when the people who protect our health are themselves unprotected," said WHO Director-General Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, at the WHO weekly Covid-19 briefing on Thursday.

Available data from 119 countries, in the working paper, suggest that by September 2021, two in five healthcare workers were fully vaccinated on average, with considerable difference across regions and economic groupings.

Less than one in 10 have been fully vaccinated in the African and Western Pacific regions while 22 mostly high-income countries reported that above 80 per cent of their healthcare workers are fully vaccinated.

A few large high-income countries have not yet reported data to WHO.

"We have a moral obligation to protect all health and care workers, ensure their rights and provide them with decent work in a safe and enabling practice environment. This must include access to vaccines," said Jim Campbell, Director of the WHO Health Workforce Department, in a statement.

Besides the death of healthcare workers, the WHO is also concerned that an increasing proportion of the workforce are suffering from burnout, stress, anxiety and fatigue.

The global health body has called on leaders and policy makers to ensure equitable access to vaccines so that health and care workers are prioritised. Tedros noted that more than 10 months since the first vaccines were approved, "the fact that millions of health workers still haven't been vaccinated is an indictment on the countries and companies that control the global supply of vaccines".

Further, the WHO stated that the Covid-19 pandemic will drag on until 2022, much longer than it needs to, because several poor countries have not received vaccines against the deadly infectious disease.

It would be a "moral catastrophe of historic proportions" if G20 countries cannot act quickly, said Gordon Brown, former British Prime Minister and currently WHO's Ambassador for Global Health Financing.

These nations have pledged to donate more than 1.2 billion vaccine doses to COVAX.

According to the WHO, so far, only 150 million have been delivered.

Moreover, just one in seven of the doses promised by pharmaceutical companies and wealthy countries are actually reaching their destinations in poorer countries, new figures from The People's Vaccine -- an alliance of charities, have suggested.

The vast majority of Covid vaccines have been given in high-income or upper middle-income countries.

Africa accounts for just 2.6 per cent of doses administered globally.

CANADA LIFTS ADVISORY AGAINST NON-  
ESSENTIAL INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

**OTTAWA, (IANS)** The Canadian government has lifted its advisory against all non-essential international travel by Canadians outside the country which were in place since the onset of Covid-19 pandemic in March 2020. The new advisories for each country have now reverted to the four levels that existed prior to the pandemic: exercise normal security precautions, exercise a high degree of caution, avoid non-essential travel and avoid all travel, Xinhua news agency reported.

The advisories, put back in place on Thursday, can be seen on the government's Travel Advice and Advisory website. However, a blanket advisory against all cruise travel remains in place. After the Covid-19 pandemic, the government advised all Canadians, regardless of vaccination status, to avoid non-essential international travel.

VAX MANDATE TO BE IMPOSED IN  
CANADIAN PARLIAMENT PRECINCT

**OTTAWA, (IANS)** Starting from November 22, people aged 12 and above entering Canada's House of Commons precinct will have to be fully vaccinated against Covid-19, according to authorities.

Those with a valid medical reason against vaccination will have the option of providing proof of a recent negative Covid-19 rapid antigen test result to enter the buildings that are part of the precinct, said the Board of Internal Economy, which is the body governing the administrative and financial policies of the House of Commons.

"This requirement will apply to any person who wishes to enter the House of Commons precinct, including members and their staff, political research office employees, administration employees, members of the parliamentary press gallery, parliamentary business visitors, contractors and consultants," Xinhua news agency quoted House Speaker Anthony Rota as saying in a statement.

"Details with respect to the implementation of the board's decision are being developed and will be communicated in due course... These decisions were made to meet ongoing recommendations from public health authorities to help limit the spread of Covid-19 within the work environment." The board has also extended existing restrictions in place for the House of Commons until January 31, 2022, including a mask mandate. During the campaign for Canada's 44th national election last month, the Liberal Party of Canada, the New Democratic Party, and the Bloc Quebecois had required their candidates to be fully vaccinated, while the Conservative Party of Canada reportedly said its MPs will follow all public health directives. According to the Public Health Agency of Canada, new Covid-19 cases in the country are 10 times higher among the unvaccinated than the fully vaccinated.

BIOLOGICAL E EXPECTS 'CORBEVAX'  
ROLLOUT BY NOV-END

**HYDERABAD, (IANS)** Hyderabad-based vaccine maker, Biological E expects the rollout of its Covid-19 vaccine 'Corbevax' by the end of November and is looking to supply nearly 10 crore doses on the day of its launch. The company's Managing Director, Mahima Datla on Monday said Corbevax is currently in Phase-3 trials.

"We are likely to complete all these trials by the end of November which is when we expect the license. The license for children should follow one month later but children studies are underway as well," she added. She said the Phase-3 trials for Corbevax vaccine for adults are a comparative study in comparison with an already licensed vaccine. She clarified that the study was not for Corbevax as a booster. "The study is for primary immunization. It's head-to-head study. We have a controlled group with a comparative and our group with our vaccine," she added. Mahima was talking to the media after signing a \$50 million financing agreement with the United States International Development Finance Corporation (DFC) Chief Operating Officer, David Marchick. DFC is providing the finance to the company to support capacity for production of more than one billion doses of Covid-19 vaccines by the end of 2022 for India and developing countries around the world. She said the company has already begun manufacturing Corbevax and submitting doses to Central Drugs Laboratory (CDL), Kasauli, for release. "It's our vision that on the day of the launch we supply close to 10 crore doses," she added. Corbevax is manufactured by Biological E jointly with Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, and Dynavax, California. The Union Health Ministry had announced in June that Biological E will supply 30 crore doses of Corbevax to the Central government by December.





OAKVILLE MP ANITA ANAND BECOMES SECOND WOMAN IN CANADIAN HISTORY TO TAKE ON THE ROLE OF DEFENCE MINISTER AFTER REPLACING HARJIT SAJJAN



Cabinet minister Anita Anand made history on Tuesday by becoming the country's second-ever woman defence minister by replacing fellow Indo-Canadian Harjit Sajjan as Prime Minister Justin Trudeau unveiled his new Cabinet. Sajjan will be the new minister of international affairs. Another Indo-Canadian woman Kamal Khera, the 32-year-old MP from Brampton West, also took oath as minister for seniors, taking the number of Indo-Canadian women ministers in the Trudeau Cabinet to three. The sitting Indo-Canadian woman minister Bardish Chagger, who held the Ministry of Diversity, Inclusion and Youth of Canada, has been shuffled out. The two Indo-Canadian women are among six women ministers in the new Cabinet. Trudeau demoted Harjit Sajjan for failing to address the allegations of sexual misconduct in the Canadian military and rewarded Anita Anand and Kamal Khera for their work during the pandemic. Anand has been praised for her work as procurement minister and Khera - a registered nurse - for going back to work as a health-care provider at the peak of the pandemic. A three-time MP since 2015, Khera has also served as a parliamentary secretary to the ministers of health and international trade. Anita was born in 1967 in Nova Scotia to Indian parents who were both medical professionals. Her mother Saroj D. Ram came from Punjab and father S.V. Anand from Tamil Nadu. Anita, who is on leave as a professor of law at the University of Toronto, was picked up as minister of public service and procurement by Prime Minister Justin in 2019 after her election as MP from Oakville near Toronto. Anita assisted the Air India Inquiry Commission with extensive research. The commission investigated the bombing of Air India Kanishka Flight 182 on June 23, 1985, that killed all 329 people on board. The bomb that exploded on board the Montreal-Delhi flight was planted by Vancouver-based Khalistanis to avenge the military action at the Golden Temple a year earlier in 1984. Before Anita Anand, Canada's only woman defence minister was former Prime Minister Kim Campbell who held the portfolio for six months from January 4 to June 25 in 1993.

PAKISTAN INFLATION BREAKS 70-YR RECORD DURING IMRAN KHAN'S TENURE

**NEW DELHI, (IANS)** Inflation in Pakistan has reached its highest levels in 70 years during the three-year tenure of the Imran Khan-led government, with food prices doubling, while the prices of ghee, oil, sugar, flour and poultry have reached historic levels, The News International reported. According to the Federal Bureau of Statistics (FBS), from October 2018 to October 2021, electricity rates increased by 57 per cent from 4.06 PKR per unit to at least 6.38 PKR per unit, the report said. By the first quarter of October, the price of an 11.67 kg cylinder of LPG had gone up by 51 per cent from 1,536 PKR to 2,322 PKR. Similarly, the price of petrol had gone up by 49 per cent in three years from 93.80 PKR per litre to 138.73 PKR per litre. The highest increase in prices of food items was in the prices of edible ghee and oil. The price of ghee increased by 108 per cent to 356 PKR per kg. The price of sugar increased by 83 per cent in three years and the price of sugar sold at 54 PKR per kg exceeded 100 PKR. Prices of pulses increased by 60 to 76 per cent, mash pulses by 243 PKR, peanuts by 162 PKR, lentils by 180 PKR per kg and gram pulses by 23 per cent to 145 PKR per kg. The price of 20 kg bag of flour has gone up by 52 per cent to 1,196 PKR in the said time period. The price of flour has gone up by 20 PKR per kg.

FIVE STATES, 80% INDIANS MOST VULNERABLE TO CLIMATE EXTREMES: STUDY

**NEW DELHI, (IANS)** Assam, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Karnataka, and Bihar are most vulnerable to extreme climate events such as floods, droughts, and cyclones in India, according to a first of its kind Climate Vulnerability Index released on Tuesday by the Council on Energy, Environment and Water (CEEW). Overall, 27 Indian states and Union Territories are vulnerable to extreme climate events, which often disrupt the local economy and displace weaker communities. A total of 463 out of 640 districts in India - where more than 80 per cent Indians live - are vulnerable to extreme floods, droughts, and cyclones. More than 45 per cent of these districts have undergone unsustainable landscape and infrastructure changes. Further, 183 hotspot districts are highly vulnerable to more than one extreme climate event, the CEEW study found out and also that more than 60 per cent of Indian districts have medium to low adaptive capacity. Dhemaji and Nagaon in Assam, Khammam in Telangana, Gajapati in Odisha, Vizianagaram in Andhra Pradesh, Sangli in Maharashtra, and Chennai in Tamil Nadu are among India's most climate vulnerable districts. The study is an important documentation in view of the annual climate change conference - COP26 - to be held at the UK's Glasgow from October 31. Developing countries such as India are expected to demand at the COP that developed countries ramp up and deliver climate finance timely to help the former strengthen adaptation mechanisms against extreme climate events. Programme Lead, CEEW, and lead author of the study, Abinash Mohanty said: "The frequency and intensity of extreme climate events in India have increased by almost 200 per cent since 2005. Our policymakers, industry leaders and citizens must use the district-level analysis to make effective risk-informed decisions." "Climate-proofing of physical and ecosystem infrastructures should also now become a national imperative. With loss and damage rising exponentially due to the climate crisis, India must demand climate finance for adaptation-based climate actions at COP26," he said. CEEW CEO, Arunabha Ghosh, said: "Combating the rising frequency and scale of extreme climate events is fiscally draining for developing countries such as India. At COP26, developed countries must regain trust by delivering the USD 100 billion promised in 2009 and commit to stepping up climate finance over the coming decade."

AMARINDER SINGH SHARES AROOSA ALAM'S PHOTOS, SAYS NO LINK WITH ISI



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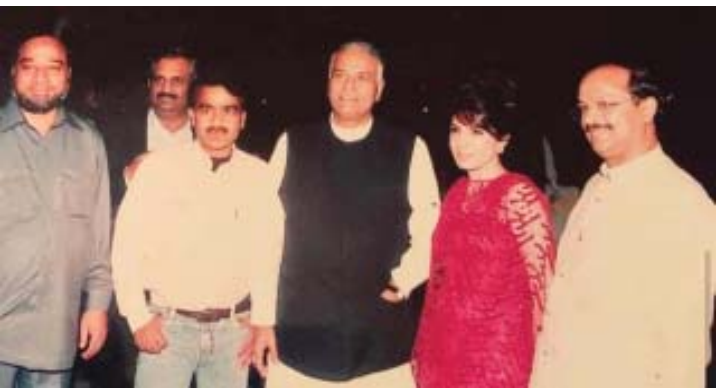


WITH UNION LAW MINISTER ASHWANI KUMAR DURING THE SFMA MEET IN ISLAMABAD.

On Monday, Captain shared on his Facebook page 14 photos of AroosaAlam in which she can be seen with Sonia Gandhi, Sushma Swaraj, Mulayam Singh Yadav, Amar Singh, Ashwani Kumar, Yashwant Sinha, Shatrughan Sinha, Mahesh Bhatt, ShyamSaran and previous Army official Jagjit Singh Aurora among others. "I am posting a series of pictures of MrsAroosaAlam with various dignitaries. I suppose they are all also contacts of the ISI. Those who say so should think before speaking. Unfortunately, visas are banned at the moment between India and Pakistan. Otherwise, I would invite her again. Incidentally I am going to be 80 in March and MrsAlam 69 next year. Narrow-mindedness seems to be the order of the day," Captain said in the Facebook post. This development came after The Punjab government on Friday ordered a probe into former Chief Minister Amarinder Singh's relations with his Pakistani woman friend AroosaAlam and her relation with the ISI. Deputy Chief Minister Sukhjinder Randhawa said the government would probe the ISI links of AroosaAlam. "Captain Amarinder Singh is now saying that there is a threat from the ISI.



WITH UTTAR PRADESH CHIEF MINISTER MULAYAM SINGH YADAV AND AMAR SINGH.



WITH UNION FINANCE MINISTER YASHWANT SINHA.

We will look into the woman's connection with it. Captain kept raising drones issue coming from Pakistan for last four-five years," Randhawa told the media. "Captain Amarinder Singh kept raising the issue of drones coming over from Pakistan for the last four-and-a-half years. So Captain sahab first raised this issue and later got the BSF deployed in Punjab. So it seems a big plot which needs to be probed," he said. Randhawa, who also hold the Home portfolio, added he asked the Punjab Police chief to investigate the allegations. In political circles, the decision to order probe by the government against its own party's former Chief Minister is seen as a major embarrassment for Amarinder Singh, who on October 19 announced that he would soon announce the launch of his own political party to serve the interests of the people, including the farmers who've been fighting for their rights for over a year now. The former Chief Minister also said he is hopeful of a seat-sharing arrangement with the BJP for next year's Assembly elections in the state, if the farmers' issues are resolved in their interest.

BADAL SEEKS MODI'S INTERVENTION ON DEPORTING SIKH NRI

**CHANDIGARH, (IANS)** Reacting strongly to the IGI airport authorities sending Darshan Singh Dhaliwal back to the US after denying him entry to India, five-time Punjab Chief Minister Parkash Singh Badal on Tuesday asked Prime Minister Narendra Modi to "intervene personally and effectively" to get the order vacated. Badal also requested the PM to personally invite Dhaliwal as a "goodwill gesture which will send a great positive signal to NRIs". Dhaliwal was sent back from the Indira Gandhi International airport on October 23-24 night with the authorities saying that this was being done as a punishment for organizing a 'langar' or community kitchen for agitating farmers on Delhi borders. Calling it as an affront to the "sacred practice of 'langar' started by the great Guru Sahiban", Badal also urged Modi to take stern action against the erring officials who "brought a bad name to the country with their action". Badal said organising or sponsoring a sacred socio-religious work such as 'langar' has always been regarded as one of the highest and noblest duties for every devout follower of Sikhism. "Doing so for the country's 'annadata' (bread winners) is a noble task that needs to be emulated rather than penalized." Calling the on-going agitation of farmers "a national movement", Badal said there was nothing wrong or illegal in helping those taking part in this civilized, peaceful, democratic movement. The former Punjab CM also spelt an agenda for agriculture, which, includes revocation of three black laws, taking stakeholders on board before any legislation affecting them, setting up a panel with farmers and farm experts to advise the government on agriculture policies and enlarging of the list of crops for ensured marketing with MSP.



# Glasgow Climate Change Summit

BY ASAD MIRZA

The upcoming Glasgow Summit will prove whether the global leaders are ready to put the entire mankind to peril or whether sagaciously they'll work out a roadmap to counter climate change effectively and wisely.

A UN-sponsored marathon conference to tackle the global climate crisis is due to being the British city of Glasgow, the coming Sunday (October 31) and will continue till November 12. The world leaders will meet in the so-called last-ditch effort to keep global warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius this century, besides considering plans to how to stop burning fossil fuels, stabilise global temperatures and share money to adapt to increasingly extreme weather. The global leaders signed up the Paris Agreement in 2015 - with a supposedly non-binding target to keep warming well below 2 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial temperatures, and ideally 1.5 degrees Celsius - yet most of the participating countries continue to burn fossil fuels and chop down trees at rates incompatible with that goal.

With the effects of climate change visible in both rich and poor countries alike, the leaders are meeting for what analysts expect to be the most meaningful conference since that pledge. Climate change has shot up the political agenda amid deadly weather extremes and mass public protest, and leaders of several polluting countries have pledged to decarbonise their economies by the middle of the century.

## SUMMIT'S AGENDA

The world leaders got to choose how fast their country will cut emissions Under the Paris Agreement, besides agreeing to update their action plans for doing so every five years. But in reality just weeks before the summit, big emitters like China, India and Saudi Arabia are yet to submit new plans.

Reportedly the UK, which is co-hosting the summit with Italy, has pressured countries to submit new plans and is pushing for concrete deals that would help reach those targets. Prime Minister Boris Johnson has called on world leaders to deliver bold commitments on "coal, cars, cash and trees."

The UK is pushing for a treaty that would "consign coal to history" and has proposed a deadline of 2040 to stop selling combustion engine cars. It also wants to put more money into stopping deforestation.

According to the UN Climate Change Framework Convention (UNFCCC) COP26 will work towards four goals: Secure global net-zero by mid-century and keep 1.5 degrees Celsius within reach, adapt to protect communities and natural habitats, mobilise assured finance to help developing and under-developed countries to attain emission cuts, and work together to deliver to frame a list of detailed rules that will help fulfil the Paris Agreement. On the really big question of keeping the 1.5 degree Celsius



temperature threshold within reach, the likelihood is that a significant gap will remain even after Glasgow. Under the terms of the Paris Agreement, those countries that have used fossil fuels the most over the past two centuries - the US and from Europe - accept they will make the bigger cuts in the short term. The larger developing nations that are now the biggest source of carbon dioxide- chiefly China - accept they will make the bigger cuts in the longer term.

The environmentalist and experts say that we can very easily understand the colossal and disastrous results of the climate change, if we can observe the following four weather changes, which have been caused by the increasing global temperature due to the emission of CO2 and other poisonous gases like methane into the atmosphere: Hotter and longer heat waves, more persistent droughts, more fuel for wildfires, and more extreme rainfall events are the resultant climate change vagaries.

Meanwhile, an interesting report by the US intelligence agency's assessment of climate change has come out and as per the report, India and Pakistan are among the 11 highly vulnerable countries in terms of their ability to prepare for as well as respond to the environmental and social impact of climate change. The first-ever US National Intelligence Estimate (NIE) on the issue of climate change has been published, and it adds that India along with China will be crucial in determining the trajectory at which there is a rise in global temperatures. On the other hand, the report has downplayed the role that the Western world has played in the problem of climate change. Further the report has warned that the possibility of geopolitical tensions and the risk to US national security are present due to global warming in the run up to 2040.

## EXPECTATIONS FROM THE SUMMIT

In another development before the summit, India has said that it will raise the topic of compensation to developing nations for the losses caused by climate disasters. The Indian environment ministry said that India stands with other low-income and developing nations on the matter and the compensation clause will be negotiated at the upcoming climate summit. India has reiterated that the countries responsible for climate change should finance what they have committed to and make technology available at an affordable cost. It is also confirmed that Prime Minister Narendra Modi will put forward the Indian stand at the summit

Meanwhile, reports say that Jennifer Morgan, the executive director of Greenpeace International has warned against efforts by countries and corporations at the forthcoming talks in Glasgow to "green wash" their on-going pollution of the planet.

By doing so, governments would "give that kind of hope and confidence to their people that they got this and that they're willing to do things that their corporate interests don't want them to do", she added.

Morgan pointed to leaked documents showing how countries such as Australia, Brazil and Saudi Arabia are apparently trying to water down an upcoming UN science panel report on global warming as evidence of the way in which some governments' public support for climate action is undermined by their efforts behind closed doors. Documents obtained by Greenpeace indicate how those countries wanted the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change to remove references to the need to shut down coal-fired power stations, reduce meat consumption and focus on actual emissions cuts rather than ways to capture carbon already released into the atmosphere.

Various outcomes of the Glasgow Summit in view of the non-adherence to the goals of the Paris Agreement are being predicted. Yet, barring a complete collapse in the talks, there are likely to be a range of tangible outcomes. It's expected that more countries will announce they are moving away from using coal for energy, and more nations may probably sign up to curb methane emissions. There is only a moral pressure to improve your offer, and a degree of embarrassment if a country doesn't step up to the mark. Glasgow will reveal whether this approach actually works.

As Bangladesh's Prime Minister Sheikh Haseena has put it succinctly and wisely in a recent speech, tackling climate requires a great deal of fortitude, imagination, hope and leadership. If western leaders listen, engage and act decisively on what science demands of them, there is still time to make COP26 the success it desperately needs to be.

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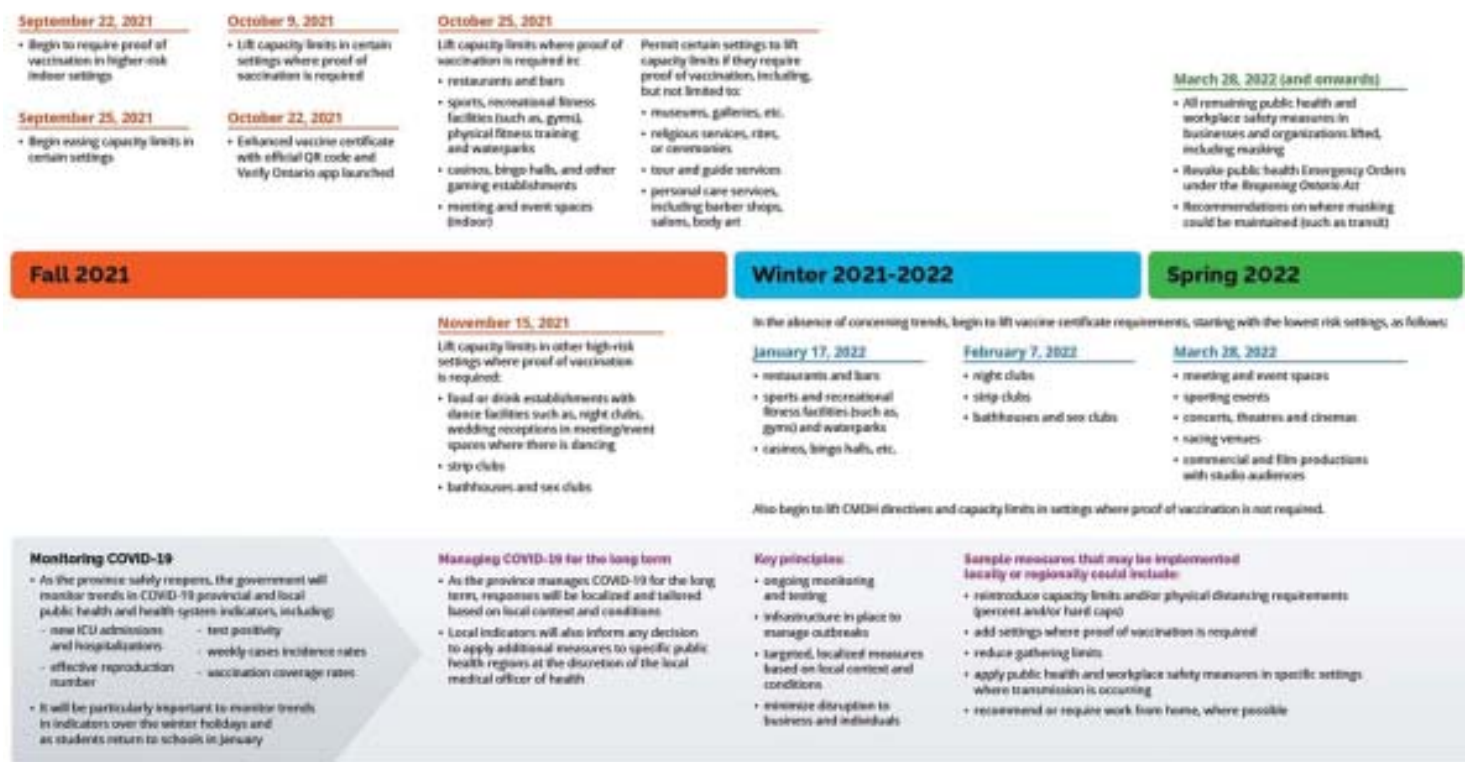
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A Plan to Safely Reopen Ontario and Manage COVID-19 for the Long Term



ONTARIO RELEASES PLAN TO SAFELY REOPEN PROVINCE (CHRISTINE ELLIOT/ TWITTER).

## Ontario Releases Plan to Safely Reopen Province

Ontario will slowly and incrementally lift all remaining public health and workplace safety measures, including the provincial requirement for proof of vaccination and wearing of face coverings in indoor public settings, over the next six months. This phased approach will be guided by the ongoing assessment and monitoring of key public health and health care indicators, such as the identification of any new COVID-19 variants, increases in hospitalizations and ICU occupancy and rapid increases in transmission to ensure that public health and workplace safety measures are lifted safely. October 25, 2021. In response to continued improvements to key indicators, including ongoing stability in the province's hospitals, effective October 25, 2021 at 12:01 a.m., Ontario will lift capacity limits in the vast majority of settings where proof of vaccination are required, such as restaurants, bars and other food or drink establishments; indoor areas of sports and recreational facilities such as gyms and where personal physical fitness trainers provide instruction; casinos, bingo halls and other gaming establishments; and indoor meeting and event spaces. Limits will also be lifted in certain outdoor settings. At this time, the government will also allow other settings to lift capacity limits and physical distancing requirements if they choose to require proof of vaccination, including:

- \* Personal care services (e.g., barbershops, salons, body art);
- \* Indoor areas of museums, galleries, aquariums, zoos, science centres, landmarks, historic sites, botanical gardens and similar attractions;
- \* Indoor areas of amusement parks;
- \* Indoor areas of fairs, rural exhibitions, festivals;
- \* Indoor tour and guide services;
- \* Boat tours;
- \* Indoor areas of marinas and boating clubs;
- \* Indoor clubhouses at outdoor recreational amenities;
- \* Open house events provided by real estate agencies; and
- \* Indoor areas of photography studios and services.

Locations where a wedding, funeral or religious service, rite or ceremony takes place may also implement proof of vaccination requirements for services, rites, or ceremonies at the location. This will not apply to settings where people receive medical care, food from grocery stores and medical supplies. In addition, the government intends to allow for greater capacity at organized public events such as Remembrance Day ceremonies and Santa Claus parades with more details coming in the near future.

November 15, 2021

The government intends to lift capacity limits in the remaining higher-risk settings where proof of vaccination is required, including food or drink establishments with dance facilities (e.g., night clubs, wedding receptions in meeting/event spaces where there is dancing); strip clubs, bathhouses and sex clubs.

January 17, 2022

In the absence of concerning trends in public health and health care following the winter holiday months and after students returned to in-class learning, the province intends to begin gradually lifting capacity limits in settings where proof of vaccination is not required. The Chief Medical Officer of Health will also lift CMOH directives as appropriate.

Proof of vaccination requirements may also begin to be gradually lifted at this time, including for restaurants, bars and other food and drink establishments, facilities used for sports and recreational facilities and casinos, bingo halls and other gaming establishments.

February 7, 2022

The government intends to lift proof of vaccination requirements in high-risk settings, including nightclubs, strip clubs, and bathhouses and sex clubs.

March 28, 2022

At this time, it is intended that remaining public health and workplace safety measures will be lifted, including wearing face coverings in indoor public settings. Recommendations may be released for specific settings, if appropriate.

## CANADA ANNOUNCES NEW SUPPORT MEASURES FOR ECONOMIC RECOVERY



OTTAWA, (IANS) The Canadian government has announced new measures to restore the economy while its income and business support programs against the Covid-19 pandemic are to expire on Saturday. Deputy Prime Minister and Finance Minister Chrystia Freeland said on Thursday that the new measures with an estimated C\$7.4 billion between October 24 and May 7, 2022, are the "final pivot in delivering the support needed to deliver a robust recovery", reports Xinhua news agency.

Freeland noted that Canada is in a new phase following the darkest days of the Covid-19 pandemic.

"We're moving from the very broad based support that was appropriate at the height of our lockdown to more targeted measures that will provide help where it is needed while prudently managing government finances."

The Canada Recovery Benefit (CRB) will be replaced by the Canada Worker Lockdown Benefit for those whose work is directly impacted by government-imposed lockdowns.

The program will provide C\$300 a week to eligible workers until May 7, 2022.

"Temporary lockdowns are still a possibility in the months to come. We want Canadians to know that we intend now to put in place measures that would snap into action immediately," Freeland said.

As of Oct. 10, the government paid out C\$27 billion to more than two million unique CRB applicants.

Freeland also announced the implementation of two new programs to help hard-hit sectors, replacing the wage and rent subsidies.

With the Tourism and Hospitality Recovery Program and the Hardest-Hit Business Recovery Program expiring on November 20, Freeland said the government is proposing to introduce legislation to have them extended until May 7, 2022.

The Tourism and Hospitality Recovery Program, which would apply to operations such as hotels, restaurants, bars, festivals and travel agencies, requires applicants to show an average monthly revenue loss of at least 40 per cent for the first 13 qualifying periods of the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy and a current one-month revenue loss of the same amount.

The Hardest-Hit Business Recovery Program applies to those that don't fit under the tourism and hospitality umbrella but are still facing significant financial hurdles caused by the pandemic.

Eligible businesses would have to show an average monthly revenue loss of at least 50 per cent over the first 13 qualifying periods of the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy and a current one-month revenue loss of the same amount.

The maximum subsidy rate would be set at up to 50 per cent until mid-March and then reduced by half thereafter.

The government will also extend the Canada Recovery Hiring Program, for businesses that can show a more than 10 per cent revenue loss, until May 7, 2022 at a subsidy rate of 50 per cent paid to eligible employees. The Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit and the Canada Recovery Caregiving Benefit will remain in place until the same time and are being extended by two weeks - moving the sickness benefit from four to six weeks and the caregiving benefit from 42 to 44 weeks.

### Peel announces Patricia Caza permanent Regional Solicitor and Director of Legal Services

Brampton, ON - (October 25, 2021) - The Region of Peel announced today that Patricia Caza has been appointed Regional Solicitor and Director of Legal Services. In this role, reporting to the CFO and Commissioner of Corporate Services, Patricia will be responsible for leading and overseeing all business functions of the Region's Legal Services and Procurement Divisions, as well as providing legal advice and guidance to Regional Council, senior leaders, and Regional staff in the administration of municipal programs and services.

Patricia joined the Region in 2001 as Legal Counsel, bringing to the position two decades of Regional legal experience. She has since held a series of progressively responsible senior positions, including Senior Legal Counsel, Director of Procurement and Deputy Regional Solicitor. Prior to joining the Region, Patricia worked with a law firm in private practice for 9 years. In addition to her leadership roles with the Region, Patricia currently serves as Chair of the Board of Directors of Peel Housing Corporation and previously served as Vice-Chair of the Board from 2018 to 2020. A respected member of the Legal community, Patricia was called to the Bar in 1992 and is a member of the Law Society of Ontario, the Canadian Bar Association, the Ontario Bar Association, the Municipal Law Departments Association of Ontario, and the International Municipal Lawyers Association.

"Patricia brings extensive municipal and private sector legal experience along with a solid leadership background to the position. Her experience, leadership and understanding of municipal government will be an asset to the Region as she provides legal advice to inform Council decisions and leads the legal team to protect and advance the Region's legal interests. I am excited to have Patricia's sound legal leadership to ensure the Region's Legal Services and Procurement Divisions continue to achieve best-in-class service delivery, which will play a key role in helping the Region in realizing its strategic vision," said Gary Kent, CFO and Commission of Corporate Services at the Region of Peel

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## Younger people within G20 want bold climate actions: Poll

**NEW DELHI, (IANS)** A major poll of public opinion on climate change in the G20 countries published on Monday by the UN Development Programme (UNDP) and the University of Oxford shows how public support for climate action is set to strengthen in the near future as climate-aware teenagers become of voting age, enter the workforce, and move into positions of greater influence.

The new poll, called the 'G20 Peoples' Climate Vote', surveyed over 689,000 people, including over 302,000 people under the age of 18, and has been published ahead of a crucial G20 summit in Rome this weekend, and the COP26 climate talks in Glasgow next week.

Building on a first round of polling released earlier this year, the new results provide fresh insights into how under-18s support a variety of climate policies in G20 countries.

In all of the G20 countries surveyed, a majority of under-18s said they believed climate change is a global emergency, ranging from Argentina and Saudi Arabia (63 per cent), to Italy and the UK (86 per cent). In most countries, under-18s are more likely to believe this than adults, and often by large margins, such as Australia (11 percentage points), the US (10 points), and India (nine points).

Without bold action from G20 countries, which account for 80 per cent of the global economy and 75 per cent of global emissions, it will be impossible to keep global heating to 1.5C, as required by the 2015 Paris Agreement.

"This new Peoples' Climate Vote shows that, on average, 70 per cent of young people in G20 countries believe that we are in a global

climate emergency," says UNDP Administrator Achim Steiner.

"Given that they are about to inherit this climate emergency, young people are sending a message to global leaders that is loud and clear: they want climate action now. The world is now watching -- hoping that countries will come together at COP26 in Glasgow to make bold, historic decisions that will literally change the future."

The most popular climate policies among under-18s in the G20 countries surveyed were conservation of forests and land (59 per cent), using solar, wind and renewable power and using climate-friendly farming techniques (both 57 per cent). Support for these policies was stronger among young people by three percentage points for the first two policies, and by four percentage points for climate-friendly farming. The gap between children and adults was greatest on policies like increasing access to good, affordable insurance, which enables people to recover more quickly from the impacts of extreme weather events, and using more clean electric cars and bicycles, at five percentage points.

The generational divide on climate change policies could be even larger in individual countries, depending on their particular characteristics, and highlights a potential near-term shift in demand for climate policies, as young people become old enough to vote.

Stephen Fisher, Department of Sociology, University of Oxford, said: "Our findings show that younger people within the G20 want a bold and broad set of policy responses from governments. As they come of age, political leaders cannot ignore the higher expectations of this emerging climate-aware electorate."

## PRABHJOT SINGH KHATRI MURDER: 2 ARRESTED, POLICE LOOKING FOR 3RD SUSPECT

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The victim was then rushed to the Colchester East Hants Health Center, where he succumbed to his injuries.

As mentioned above, the victim was identified as Prabhjot Singh Katri, 23 years of age, of Truro.

Today, the Truro Police Service would like to announce two arrests made in this case.

On Thursday October 21, 2021, the Truro Police Service arrested Dylan Robert MacDonald 21 years of age, of Valley, Colchester County and he is now charged with:

1. Accessory after the fact to murder
2. Dangerous operation of a motor vehicle
3. Flight - motor vehicle in evading peace officer (Flight from Police)

On Friday, October 22, 2021, the Truro Police Service arrested a second male 20 years of age from Pictou Landing First Nation for murder who is currently in police custody.

Charges have been laid against a third individual, and a warrant has been issued for Marcus Denny, 22 years of age, of Pictou Landing First Nation. He is now charged with:

1. Accessory after the fact to murder

We anticipate further charges being laid as the investigation continues.

The Truro Police Service would like to thank Mr. Singh's family and friends, and the Maritime Sikh Society for their patience, trust, and support during this investigation.

We recognize this was and continues to be a difficult time for those close to Prabhjot. We also want to acknowledge the pain that this senseless act has caused the entire community, and we understand that people have been very anxious and fearful.

Knowing how important a quick resolution was, our investigative team worked tirelessly to conduct an extensive investigation. This work is complex and technical, and our end goal has always been bringing those responsible to justice.

We also want to thank the North Nova Major Crime Unit, the RCMP Forensic Identification Section and the Halifax Regional Police Criminal Investigation Division for the assistance that they provided to our team.

Since this case is now before the court, the Truro Police Service cannot comment on or release any additional details in this case as we don't want to jeopardize a successful prosecution.

Our goal at the Truro Police Service and the Town of Truro is to create a welcoming community where diversity is valued. All members of our community deserve to feel safe and protected, and we hope that the news of criminal charges in this case, can help with the grief the community is experiencing.



## PEEL POLICE CHARGED AMEER AZIMULLA, 22, UNAUTHORIZED POSSESSION OF FIREARM INSIDE A VEHICLE

**REGION OF PEEL** - Officers from the Strategic and Tactical Enforcement Program (STEP) have laid charges against a man after a firearm was located inside a vehicle in the city of Mississauga.

On October 24, 2021, officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the area of Hurontario Street and Dundas Street in Mississauga. During the investigation, officers located a quantity of cocaine, fentanyl, promethazine, and a loaded M&P 9C 9mm compact handgun.

As a result, Ameer Azimulla, a 22-year-old man from Hamilton, has been charged with the following offences:

- \* Knowledge of Unauthorized Possession of Firearm
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- \* Possession of a Controlled Substance x3

In answer to the charges, Ameer Azimulla appeared at the Ontario Court of Justice in Brampton on October 25, 2021.

Anyone with information on this incident is asked to contact investigators at 905-453-2121 extension 3515. Anonymous information may also be submitted by calling Peel Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), by visiting [peelcrimestoppers.ca](http://peelcrimestoppers.ca).

## BRAMPTON HOMICIDE: GURPREET SINGH, 29, FROM BRAMPTON, CHARGED WITH ALLEGED OFFENCE OF ACCESSORY AFTER THE FACT TO MURDER

Investigators from the Homicide and Missing Persons Bureau have arrested two men in relation to a homicide investigation in Brampton.

On Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at 12:54 a.m., emergency services received a call reporting a person had been shot at a plaza at Dixie Road and Peter Robertson Boulevard, in the City of Brampton.

Upon arrival, emergency services located a man suffering from what appeared to be a gun shot wound. He was transported to a trauma centre where he died as a result of his injuries.

On October 20, 2021, investigators charged Zachary O'Gorman, a 22-year-old man from Brampton, with the alleged offence of First Degree Murder. Investigators have also charged Gurpreet Singh, a 29-year-old man from Brampton, with the alleged offence of Accessory After the Fact to Murder. They were both held for a bail hearing and appeared at the Ontario Court of Justice in Brampton on October 21, 2021.

"Another fast paced investigation supported by the community, and professionalism of our Homicide and Missing Persons Bureau. Their commitment to providing answers to the family, friends and loved ones of the victim, Amanjot Bains, has led to this expeditious arrest and helps bring some closure in this tragic incident," said Nick Milinovich, Deputy Chief of Investigative Services.

Anyone with information on this incident, surveillance video or dash cam, are asked to call investigators from the Homicide and Missing Persons Bureau at 905-453-2121, extension 3205. Anonymous information may also be submitted by calling Peel Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), or by visiting [peelcrimestoppers.ca](http://peelcrimestoppers.ca).

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AstraZeneca <sup>3</sup>	18+	2			✓
Sinopharm BIBP	18+	2			✓
Sinovac-CoronaVac	18+	2			✓

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# DETERMINATION OF SECURITY FORCES MAKES PEOPLE FEEL SECURE: AMIT SHAH

**SRINAGAR, (IANS)** Union Home Minister Amit Shah told a SainikSammelan here that it is the determination of the country's security forces that makes people feel secure when they go to sleep. Amit Shah addressed the SainikSammelan at CRPF Camp, Lethpora, Pulwama, on the third day of his J&K visit on Monday. The Home Minister was accompanied by Lt. Governor Manoj Sinha during his visit to the CRPF Camp. Addressing the Jawans, the Union Home Minister said that his visit at the CRPF camp is the most important programme of his three-day visit to J&K. "I want to spend a night with Jawans in CRPF camp, want to know the experience and hardships and witness the spirit and passion for the nation. "You are 24x7 ready for the security of the country even in minus 43 to plus 43 degree temperature. "This is the determination that made the people of the country feel secure that they can sleep peacefully," said the Home Minister. "When Article 370 and 35A were removed, there was speculation that there would be a huge backlash and a possibility of bloodshed, but because of the promptness of our security forces, no one had to fire even a single bullet. "Almost all the forces have more than 28,000 jawans. Without any bloodshed, a new era of development has begun in Kashmir. "The law and order situation in Jammu and Kashmir has improved significantly. "From 2014 to 2021, the number of civilian deaths has come down from 208 to 30 and the number of martyred soldiers of security forces has come down from 105 to 60, which shows that this decision has also been accepted by the people of Jammu and Kashmir. "There was a time when stone pelting was common in Kashmir, but today such incidents have also reduced a lot, observed the Union Home Minister. With the kind of development taking place in the country after Narendra Modi became the Prime Minister in 2014, we are confident that in no time India will strengthen its place in one of the top economies of the world. "In 2014, we were at 11th place in the world's economies, today we are at 5th-6th, by 2024 we will definitely reach the third place which will be a big milestone.

"The country is witnessing economic development, infrastructure, industrial development, radical changes in the country's education system, huge changes are taking place in the construction sector, all because the Army and CAPF personnel are standing on the front and are capable of crushing all nefarious intentions of the enemies. "The Prime Minister has decided to celebrate the ongoing Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav in a different way to make it a memorable one. When we will be celebrating hundred years of independence, then where will India be, it is also time to set the goals and strengthen our resolve. "In the 75th year itself, all the people who are working in different ways for the country, they have to set their resolution and goal. All these goals can be accomplished only when we secure our country from the enemies. Pulwama, which the country and the world knew for the ruthless attack on our soldiers, in the same Pulwama, today a medical college worth Rs 2,000 crore has started, this is such a big change. "If there is peace, security, if the elected representatives are determined for development, then what transformation can happen, Jammu and Kashmir is an example of this," said the Union Home Minister. "Today, development in Jammu and Kashmir is progressing at a fast pace, investment is coming, all national level institutions are coming, Jammu and Kashmir has started to change and transform in every aspect. "I am sure that when Modiji's dream of development of Jammu and Kashmir is fulfilled, then we will be able to witness peace and harmony here forever. "The Central government under Narendra Modi has zero tolerance policy against terrorism because it is against humanity and those who are involved in this activity are committing heinous acts. "Narendra Modi government has done many things for the CAPF jawans. Support has been extended under Bharatveer for the soldiers who laid down their lives while doing duty during Covid. "We have just started the Ayushman CAPF card, I request that every jawan should be given two cards, one for himself and one for his family. If there is any health related problem in your family then you can get complete treatment without incurring unlimited health expenses with the Ayushman card.

## NEW PUNJAB CONG IN CHARGE'S FIRST TASK TO SETTLE INTERNAL RIFT

**NEW DELHI, (IANS)** The newly appointed Congress In charge of Punjab, Harish Chaudhary has his task cut out -- to deal with the internal rift in the state unit which has again erupted after Congress Anandpur Sahib MP Manish Tewari trained guns at state president Navjot Singh Sidhu and former state In charge Harish Rawat. Harish Chaudhary did not respond to calls on the issue but sources say that the Congress leadership is reaching out to all prominent leaders of the state. The first success came after party persuaded Sidhu to join the all party meet called by the Chief Minister on the BSF row, much to the relief of the party. Sidhu participated in the all party meeting called by Punjab Chief Minister to denounce Center notifications on BSF. After the meet he said, "People of Punjab demand parties to collectively stand against unconstitutional actions of Centre that demean state's executive/legislature using all resources at disposal, be it persuasive powers of Vidhan Sabha and parliament, go to courts leading a Satyagraha to reclaim our Rights." After party's approach of reconciliation, the Congress state president, who has been critical to newly appointed Chief Minister Charanjit Singh Channi, has toned down a bit. Sidhu said he will only raise real issues, "Punjab must come back to its real issues that concern every punjabi and our future generations. How will we counter the financial emergency that stares upon us? I will stick to the real issues and not let them take a backseat," he said. Manish Tewari, on Sunday had said, "I have never seen such chaos & anarchy as what is playing out in Punjab Congress today. Repeated open defiance of AICC by a PCC President, colleagues squabbling publicly with each other like children. Guttural language against each other that even fish wives would not use. For the past 5 months it is Punjab Congress versus Congress in Punjab. Do we think that people of Punjab are not disgusted by this daily soap opera? Irony is that those who complained loudest of transgressions and aberrations were unfortunately and continue to be worst offenders themselves." The Congress on Friday appointed Harish Chaudhary as Punjab in-charge, which has not gone down well with the camp which is anti Sidhu in the state, as Chaudhary was instrumental in the removal of Amarinder Singh and is said to be close to Rahul Gandhi. Now Chaudhary has a tough task to manage the disgruntled groups in the party and also coordinate with Sidhu and Chief Minister Charanjit Singh Channi. Both do not share good rapport and Sidhu has been attacking the Chief Minister as he has been upset with the choice of cabinet and the appointments in the state's various bodies.



## RAHUL'S PLACE BESIDE SONIA, A MESSAGE TO DISSENTERS?

**NEW DELHI, (IANS)** In a clear message to party workers, Congress president Sonia Gandhi on Tuesday said that discipline is paramount, giving a subtle message to the dissenters. Sonia Gandhi in the meeting of Congress General Secretaries, State In Charges and State Presidents chalked out party's future plans ahead of assembly polls in five states. Seated beside Sonia Gandhi was Rahul Gandhi, the former Congress president, who is likely to be the next party chief, the elections of which are to be held next year. On Tuesday, Sonia said clearly, "I would like to re-emphasise the paramount need for discipline and unity. What should matter to each and every one of us is the strengthening of the organisation. This must override personal ambitions. In this, lies both collective and individual success." The optics on Tuesday showed that Congress leaders and workers have to work with Rahul Gandhi and the message was specially for the dissenters, said an insider. In the CWC meet on October 16, Sonia Gandhi had made it clear that she is taking decisions in the party, saying she is the "full-time Congress President". "I am, if you will allow me to say so, a full-time and hands on Congress President," she had said while addressing the Congress Working Committee (CWC) meeting.



## WORLD

### US REACHES INTERIM DEAL WITH 5 NATIONS ON DIGITAL SERVICES TAX



**WASHINGTON, (IANS)** The US announced that it has reached a deal with Austria, the UK, France, Italy and Spain on digital services taxes (DSTs) during the interim period prior to the implementation of Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) global tax agreement. The OECD announced in July that over 130 countries and jurisdictions have joined a two-pillar framework to reform international corporate taxation rules, which has recently been endorsed by G20 financial leaders, Xinhua news agency reported on FRiday. The so-called Pillar One of the framework aims to re-allocate some taxing rights over multinational enterprises from their home countries to the markets where they have business activities and earn profits, an attempt to settle the longstanding battle between the United States and European countries over DSTs. "In coordination with Treasury, we will work together with these governments to ensure implementation of the agreement and roll-back of existing DSTs when Pillar One enters into effect," US Trade Representative Katherine Tai said in a statement. "We will also continue to oppose the implementation of unilateral digital services taxes by other trading partners," Tai added. Under the deal, in defined circumstances, digital services taxes liability that US companies accrue during the interim period will be creditable against future income taxes accrued under Pillar One under the OECD agreement, according to the statement. In return, the US will terminate the currently-suspended additional duties on goods of the five countries that had been adopted in the DST Section 301 investigations. The statement added that Turkey and India, the other two countries covered by the DST investigations, have not joined the deal.

### CANADA, GERMANY OUTLINE \$100 BN ANNUAL CLIMATE FINANCE ROADMAP



**NEW DELHI, (IANS)** Canada and Germany have published a 'Delivery Plan', commissioned by the incoming UN Climate Conference (COP26) President, that outlines how developed countries plan to meet their joint commitment of mobilising \$100 billion in climate finance annually from 2020 to 2025. This quantified long-term finance element of the Paris Agreement recognises common but differentiated historical responsibility for climate change as well as developing countries' need for support to take climate action. Based on the analysis from the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), the Delivery Plan, published on Monday, shows that developed countries will make significant progress towards the \$100 billion goal in 2022, and provides confidence that it will be met in 2023. The data also provides confidence that developed countries can mobilise more than \$100 billion per year thereafter through to 2025. Climate finance plays a critical role in helping developing countries fight climate change and adapt to its impacts. In 2009, developed countries agreed to mobilise \$100 billion in climate finance per year by 2020, and in 2015 agreed to extend this goal through to 2025. While developed countries have significantly scaled-up their support over the last decade, new analysis shows the \$100 billion goal was unlikely to have been met in 2020 and is likely to also fall short in 2021 and 2022. Ahead of COP26, President-Designate Alok Sharma asked Jonathan Wilkinson, Canada's Minister of Environment and Climate Change, and Jochen Flasbarth, Germany's State Secretary at the Ministry for Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety, to work together to produce the 'Delivery Plan' on the \$100 billion commitment, to demonstrate how and when developed countries will deliver on their promise. Building on assessments of progress on the \$100 billion goal to date, the 'Delivery Plan' sets out an estimated trajectory of climate finance from 2021 through to 2025 - taking into account new climate finance pledges from individual developed countries and multilateral development banks. It also sets out principles on how to improve the delivery of climate finance. Responding to the 'Delivery Plan', Lorena Gonzalez, senior associate in the WRI Finance Center, told IANS: "This 'Delivery Plan', developed under the leadership of Minister Wilkinson from Canada and State Secretary Flasbarth from Germany, is a key step toward ensuring developed countries rapidly scale up climate finance. "Though developed countries pledged 12 years ago to mobilise \$100 billion in climate finance annually by 2020, the 'Delivery Plan' confirms it is unlikely that they delivered the requisite contributions last year. "Developing countries need finance now so that they can invest in climate action to shift their economies' long-term trajectory, as well as deal with mounting climate impacts." Most developed countries have not yet mobilized finance in accordance with their fair share.





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