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EVERYTHING TO KNOW ABOUT U.S. PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS 2020

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There was no clear winner on Tuesday night as the U.S. Presidential elections is on the way to a history of having the highest voter turnout per centage- wise in more than century. Nearly 100 million had voted early to choose between Democrat Joe Biden and Republican Donald Trump. Early voting also includes mail-in votes, in-person votes and absentee ballots.

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MAN ALLEGEDLY CHARGED WITH FIRST-DEGREE MURDER, ATTEMPTED MURDER AFTER SWORD ATTACK IN QUEBEC



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A 24-year-old suspect was charged with two first-degree and five counts of attempted murder after allegedly attacking seven people on Halloween night in Quebec. Police allege the 24-year-old chose victims at random, stabbed two to death, and wounded five.

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CONSULAR CAMPS FOR ATTESTATION OF LIFE CERTIFICATES – 2020

In continuation of earlier Notification for consular camps during November 2020 being organized by the Consulate General of India, Toronto, a revised schedule with a few changes is given below. Please note that the venue in Brampton on 8 November has been shifted to Gurdwara Nanaksar Sahib. Pensioners who had registered earlier for Sikh Heritage Centre, Airport Road, Brampton (venue cancelled due to unforeseen circumstance) are requested to visit Gurdwara Nanaksar, Brampton. In addition, the service at BLS Brampton has also been shifted to Gurdwara Nanaksar from 09 to 13 November.

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THE WORLD HEAD OF THE AHMADIYYA MUSLIM COMMUNITY WELCOMES COMMENTS OF CANADA'S PRIME MINISTER REGARDING FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION



The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community welcomes and appreciates recent comments made by Canada's Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau regarding the importance of utilising one's right of freedom of expression with responsibility. As reported by the media, upon recently being asked if freedom of speech should be allowed to mock or ridicule religions or religious leaders, Mr Trudeau responded:

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SENIORS DEMAND MORE FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Shambhu Dutt Sharma, President of New Hope Senior Citizens of Brampton appreciated the Prime Minister of Canada Mr. Justin Trudeau for his dedicated and compassionate services at the time of Covid-19. But one section of seniors who are 13% of the population of Canada is being ignored and they are living in poverty. A one-time payment of 300+200 is not the solution. Canada's First Pension Plan, Old Age Security was introduced in 1927.

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INDIA ASKS PAKISTAN TO REVERSE ITS DECISION ON CHANGING MANAGEMENT OF KARTARPAR SAHIB



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AUSTRIAN MINISTER SAYS AT LEAST ONE ‘ISLAMIST TERRORIST’ BEHIND VIENNA ATTACK



POLICE OFFICERS BLOCK A STREET AFTER EXCHANGES OF GUNFIRE IN VIENNA, AUSTRIA, ON NOVEMBER 3, 2020. REUTERS

VIENNA: Hundreds of police fanned out across Vienna on Tuesday, searching for perpetrators of attacks that left five people dead in the city’s centre, after what a government minister said was an “Islamist terrorist” incident. In an early morning televised news conference, Austrian Interior Minister Karl Nehammer repeated calls for the public to stay off the streets. Nehammer said police had shot to death one attacker, a man wearing an explosives belt that turned out to be fake, whom authorities have identified as an Islamic State sympathiser. Police confirmed on Tuesday that three civilians — two men and a woman — were killed in the attacks, with at least 15 others wounded, including a police officer. Broadcaster ORF later said a fourth civilian, a woman, had died. Seven of the injured were in a life-threatening condition, the APA news agency said. A police spokesman said that reinforcements had been called in from

neighbouring states and that at least 1,000 officers were involved in the search. “We experienced an attack yesterday evening by at least one Islamist terrorist, a situation that we have not had to live through in Austria for decades,” Nehammer said. “Austria, for more than 75 years, has been a strong democracy, a mature democracy, a country whose identity is marked by values and basic rights, with freedom of expression, rule of law but also tolerance in human coexistence,” he said. “Yesterday’s attack is an attack on just these values.” The editor of Vienna’s Falter newspaper said in Twitter messages that the assailant, who was killed, was known to domestic intelligence agencies. The 20-year-old had Albanian roots but was born and raised in Vienna, the editor said. He was one of 20 Austrian Islamists who had wanted to travel to Syria, the editor added.

UK boosts testing as PM Johnson sees ‘no alternative’ to Covid-19 lockdown

Boris Johnson said there is “no alternative” to imposing a coronavirus lockdown across England to stop the health service being overwhelmed as he revealed plans for whole cities to be tested to root-out asymptomatic carriers of the disease. The UK prime minister rejected criticism he was too slow to act, telling lawmakers he had done his “level best” to avoid national restrictions due to come into force Thursday. Pubs, restaurants, non-essential shops and gyms will be closed for four weeks and socializing will be severely restricted in a bid to curb the spread of the virus, although schools and nurseries will remain open, Johnson said. Speaking in the House of Commons on Monday, Johnson said the number of deaths could be twice as high as the first wave in the spring without urgent action. “Faced with these latest figures, there is no alternative but to take further action at a national level,” he said. If the health service is allowed to be overwhelmed “doctors and nurses could be forced to choose which patients to treat, who would live and who would die,” he told lawmakers.

VETERAN REPUBLICAN OPERATIVE LEADS TRUMP’S ‘ARMY’ OF POLL WATCHERS

A veteran Republican operative who got his start in politics by helping to persuade a judge to throw out hundreds of mail-in ballots is organizing an “army” of volunteers for President Donald Trump’s campaign to monitor voting in Democratic-leaning areas on Tuesday. Mike Roman, Trump’s director of Election Day Operations, is a former White House aide from Pennsylvania who gathered claims in 1993 of voter fraud, resulting in a court ruling overturning election results and getting his candidate seated in the Pennsylvania State Senate. It’s a strategy that Trump has been advocating on Twitter and on the stump. For months the president has been trying to undercut the validity of mail-in ballots, a long-used method of voting that was up this year because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Over the last week, Trump has also suggested that any votes tabulated after Election Day are suspect, even as his campaign has opposed plans by elections officials to start counting mail-in ballots early.

Biden predicts ‘big win’ in Pennsylvania

Joe Biden is predicting a victory in Pennsylvania on the eve of the election. Speaking at a drive-in rally in Pittsburgh, Biden encouraged the audience to vote and said, “I have a feeling we’re coming together for a big win tomorrow!” The crowd, about 250 cars gathered in the parking lot of Heinz Field, honked their horns and cheered as he spoke. Biden was the headliner at a star-studded pair of rallies Monday night. Before he spoke in Pittsburgh, running mate Kamala Harris delivered a call to action at a rally in Philadelphia that was live-streamed on a large screen at the Pittsburgh rally. John Legend played in Philadelphia, while Lady Gaga performed in Pittsburgh and exhorted the crowd to “vote like your lives depend on it!”

China’s race for vaccine to combat Covid-19 raises safety questions

Chinese companies have made a seemingly unstoppable push to the front of the race for a coronavirus vaccine. Yet their speedy ascent has been unhindered by common scientific setbacks being reported by Western rivals, raising questions about how stringently they are vetting and reporting potential safety issues. The lack of clarity over the standards and safeguards used by Chinese developers is drawing concern because some of their vaccines are being distributed in China under an emergency use program before full regulatory approval. In the US, President Donald Trump repeatedly claimed a working shot would be available there ahead of the Nov. 3 election. That hasn’t panned out as the most optimistic timelines for US emergency use authorization now go into late November and December, well behind China on this front.



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BIDEN INCREASES LEAD IN NEVADA, ARIZONA



DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE JOE BIDEN AND WIFE JILL BIDEN ARRIVE ONSTAGE TO ADDRESS SUPPORTERS DURING ELECTION NIGHT AT THE CHASE CENTER IN WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.(AFP)

INDIA ASKS PAKISTAN TO REVERSE ITS DECISION ON CHANGING MANAGEMENT OF KARTARPUR SAHIB

NEW DELHI: India on Thursday has condemned a move by Pakistan to transfer the management and maintenance of the Kartarpur Sahib Gurdwara to the administrative control of the Evacuee Trust Property Board, a non-Sikh body. The Pakistan Sikh Gurdwara Parbhandhak Committee (PSGPC), a body run by the minority Sikh Community, was in control of the shrine. The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) today called upon Pakistan “to reverse its arbitrary decision depriving the Sikh minority community its right to manage the affairs of the Gurdwara Kartarpur Sahib”. Kartarpur Sahib was opened last year for visa-free access via a ‘corridor’ from Dera Baba Nanak in India. “This unilateral decision by Pakistan is highly condemnable and runs

against the spirit of the Kartarpur Sahib Corridor as also the religious sentiments of the Sikh community at large,” the Ministry of External Affairs said in a statement. The Sikh community has responded sharply and has expressed grave concern at this decision of Pakistan. Manjinder Singh Sirsa, president, Delhi Sikh Gurdwara Management Committee (DSGMC), said he had sought time from the MEA to get and lodge a formal protest to the Government of Pakistan. The MEA statement said: “Such actions only expose the reality of the Pakistani government and its leadership’s tall claims of preserving and protecting the rights and welfare of the religious minority communities.”

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Quebec City police Chief Robert Pigeon said during a news conference Sunday morning; the accused was carrying a Japanese katana-style sword and intended to do the “most damage possible.” “Dressed in medieval costume and armed with a Japanese sword, everything leads us to believe he chose his victims at random,” Pigeon said. The accused, Carl Girouard, is a thin, tall man with dark hair who appeared before a judge by video conference on Sunday and is ordered to be back in court on Thursday. Even though the suspect did not have a criminal record, yet he spoke of conducting an attack “in a medical context” five years ago, police said. François Duchesne, 56, and Suzanne Clermont, 61, have been identified as the dead residents of the city, according to the Quebec City coroner’s office. Police said the five wounded are also treated in hospital, with varying levels of injury. As the city is under partial lockdown due to the pandemic, few people on the streets limited the potential damage, police said. Quebec City Mayor Régis Labeaume said the attack had shaken the city. “It is once again, and we believe, an isolated act,” Labeaume said. “We need to have a societal debate on the subject [of mental health] because it is becoming more and more difficult to manage.” Prime Minister Justin Trudeau **wrote on Twitter**, “My heart breaks for the loved ones of the two killed in last night’s horrific attack in Quebec City.” “I’m also wishing a full recovery to the injured. We’re keeping you in our thoughts and will be there for all of you,” Trudeau added. “Quebec is waking up after a night of horror. I have no words to describe such a tragedy. I offer my condolences to the loved ones of the victims,” Quebec Premier François Legault tweeted. Following the tragic incident, the National Assembly of Quebec has decided the Quebec flag’s immediate half-masting on the central tower of the Parliament Building until sunset on Tuesday, November 3, 2020.

CONSULAR CAMPS FOR ATTESTATION OF LIFE CERTIFICATES – 2020

Sl. No.	Date & Time	Area/Region	Venue
1.	Weekdays 04-05,06 Nov, 2020 9:30AM- 4:00PM	Brampton (BLS)	BLS Brampton 20 Gillingham Dr #701, Brampton, ON L6X 0G6
2.	Saturday, 7 th November, 2020 9:30AM- 4:00PM	Mississauga	Hindu Heritage Centre 6300 Mississauga Rd, Mississauga, ON L5N 1A7 (Sh. Surinder Shastri- 9053690363)
3.	Saturday and Sunday 7 th & 8 November, 2020 9:30AM- 5:00PM	Winnipeg	Ramgarhia Association Of Manitoba Inc, Dasmesh Darbar 566 Archibald St, Winnipeg, MB R2J 0X4
4.	Sunday, 8 th November, 2020 9:30AM- 4:00PM	Brampton	Gurudwara Nanaksar, 64 Timberlane Dr, Brampton, ON L6Y 4V7 Shri Gurmeet Singh – 416-732-8707 Shri Gursharn Sidhu – 416-936-4822
5.	Weekdays 09,10,11,12,13 Nov, 2020 1000AM- 4:00PM	Brampton	Gurudwara Nanaksar, 64 Timberlane Dr, Brampton, ON L6Y 4V7
6.	Sunday, 15 th November, 2020 9:30AM- 5:00PM	Burlington	Guru Ravidass Sabha 2284, Queensway Drive, Burlington (Sh. Joginder Singh Chatha- 2899368333/ 9053331924)
7.	Saturday, 21 st November, 2020 9:30AM- 5:00PM	Kitchener	Gurudwara Sahib 2070 Snyder’s Rd E, Petersburg, Kitchener, ON N0B 2H0 (Sh. Kuldip Bachher- 15195006265)
8.	Saturday, 21 st November, 2020 2.00 PM to 5.00 PM	Cambridge	Gurudwara Singh Sabha Cambridge 1070 Townline Rd, Puslinch, ON N0B 2J0 (Ms. Pammi Somal - 226-201-0038)
9.	Sunday, 22 nd November, 2020 9:30AM- 4:00PM	Scarborough	Lakshmi Narayan Mandir 1 Morning View Trail, Scarborough, ON- M1B 5A8 Ph: 416 284 6282 (284 MATA)

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Pennsylvania, Arizona, Georgia, Nevada, North Carolina did not have a clear winner on the Election Day. Both Candidates claimed victory setting the stage for legal fights. Americans not only have to choose indirectly the new president, but also candidates in various state, federal, and local elections. Voters would actually be choosing new members of Congress when they fill in their ballots. The federal races are elections for the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate. These two houses make up the federal legislature known as the US Congress. Four hundred and seventy seats, divided into 35 Senate seats and 435 House seats, are up for the election on Nov.3, 2020. “The candidate needs to win a total of 270 electoral votes out of 538 to hold the position of power. In 48 states, the candidate who wins the popular vote takes all of that state’s electoral college votes except Nebraska and Maine.

‘PRESIDENT MADE NUMBER OF FALSE STATEMENTS’: CABLE NETWORKS CUT AWAY FROM TRUMP’S SPEECH



ABC, CBS, and NBC all cut away from President Donald Trump on Thursday as he spoke from the White House to make an unfounded accusation that the presidential election was being stolen from him. Trump had tried to commandeer the nation’s airwaves at a time when the evening newscasts are shown on the East Coast, after a day when the slow drip of vote counting revealed his leads in Pennsylvania and Georgia dwindling. MSNBC’s Brian Williams also interrupted the president. Fox News Channel and CNN aired the president’s full address, after which CNN’s Anderson Cooper said Trump was “like an obese turtle on his back, flailing in the hot sun realizing his time was over.” Network personalities had sharply criticized Trump after his angry, middle-of-the-night speech following Election Day but aired that talk in full. Trump was more subdued Thursday, yet offered a litany of complaints about “suppression” polls, mail-in voting, and fraud that he never specified. “We have to interrupt here, because the president has made a number of false statements, including the notion that there has been fraudulent voting,” said NBC’s Lester Holt. “There has been no evidence of that.” CBS’ Norah O’Donnell broke in to ask correspondent Nancy Cordes to fact-check Trump’s assertion that if “legal votes” were counted, he would easily win the election. Cordes said there is no indication of a substantive number of illegal votes cast, and said Trump’s reference to votes arriving late was “another falsehood.” MSNBC cut away from Trump to anchor Brian Williams. “Here we are again in the unusual position of not only interrupting the president of the United States but correcting the president of the United States,” he said. “There are no illegal votes that we know of, there has been no Trump victory that we know of.” After ABC ended its coverage, the network’s White House correspondent, Jonathan Karl, also said there was no evidence of illegal votes. “What he seems to be frustrated by is that it takes time to count votes,” Karl said. “It’s always taken time to count votes. But especially in this election.” While CNN kept Trump on the air, a chyron displayed under him said, “Without any evidence, Trump says he’s being cheated.” Anchor Jake Tapper looked weary when it was over.

FACEBOOK REMOVES PRO-TRUMP GROUP OVER ‘WORRYING CALLS FOR VIOLENCE’



Facebook Inc on Thursday said it had taken down a rapidly growing group where some supporters of US President Donald Trump posted violent rhetoric and baseless claims that Democrats were stealing the election. On Thursday afternoon, the “Stop the Steal” group, which called for “boots on the ground to protect the integrity of the vote,” was adding 1,000 new members every 10 seconds and had grown to 365,000 members in a single day. “The group was organized around the delegitimization of the election process, and we saw worrying calls for violence from some members of the group,” a Facebook spokeswoman said in a statement. She said the move was in line with the “exceptional measures” Facebook was taking during “this period of heightened tension.” The group’s backers criticized the deletion, saying they were organizing peaceful protests, that they had been working hard to police the comments, and that Facebook had given them no warning. Chris Barron, a spokesman for the group, said their political opponents were also voicing concerns over the election being stolen and organizing for protests but did not face the same problems.



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MUMBAI INDIANS BEAT DC BY 57 RUNS TO STORM INTO FINAL



IPL 2020: Clinical Mumbai Indians book final berth as Jasprit Bumrah, Ishan Kishan star vs Delhi Capitals

How good a team are Mumbai Indians After dishing out their most dominant performance of IPL 13 in the first play-off against Delhi Capitals, they could well be deserving of the tag of the best T20 outfit in the history of franchise cricket.

The all-round power of MI rose to the fore on Thursday evening at the Dubai International Cricket Stadium as they outclassed DC, storming into their second straight IPL final. After the 57-run rout, Delhi will now have to wait for Sunday, where they will meet the winner of Friday's eliminator to make their maiden final. (IPL 2020 Full Coverage). The most impressive aspect of the performance by the defending champions was in their fightback from tough situations; every time DC put them under pressure after putting them into bat, they bounced back. Without any contribution from the bat from two of their top players – Rohit Sharma and Kieron Pollard – Delhi's bowling attack was still smashed for 200 runs.

Still, even that batting display was overshadowed by how Trent Boult and Jasprit Bumrah blew away the Capitals top-order within the first eight balls of the chase. With DC's score at zero for three, the contest was as good as over. Winning the toss is considered a big advantage due to the dew factor in the second half of the match, but MI's batsmen neutralized it with a formidable total on the board. Delhi's R Ashwin was the only player to challenge MI with an excellent performance of three wickets for 29 runs. Quinton De Kock (40 off 25 balls) and Suryakumar Yadav (51 off 38 balls) gave MI the early impetus. They ensured that the early loss of captain Sharma didn't hurt them by capitalising on the powerplay overs to take the score to 63 for one, their highest six-over score in this IPL.

Later, Ishan Kishan soaked up the pressure during the middle overs to



break Capital's bowling plans. It was his partnership with Hardik Pandya that knocked the wind out of the Capitals' sails. MI added 92 runs in the last six overs after stuttering between overs 11 and 14, when they got just 15 runs from four overs.

What hurt Delhi the most was how their speedsters Kagiso Rabada and Anrich Nortje were taken apart. The two conceded as many as 92 runs between them, the most by them in an innings this IPL. That was mainly due to a late assault by Hardik and Kishan's counter-attack. In the last three overs alone, Hardik waded into Daniel Sams, Rabada and Nortje to finish off the innings with 17, 18 and 20-run overs. The two added 60 runs in 23 balls.

Two hundred was always going to be a tough ask. But tough got a lot tougher once both Boult and Bumrah bowled a double-wicket maiden each, Boult in the first over and Bumrah during the last rites.

FORMER MAHARASHTRA CM DEVENDRA FADNAVIS CALLS ARNAB'S ARREST 'POLITICS OF VENDETTA'



Reacting to the arrest of Republic Media Network editor-in-chief Arnab Goswami, former Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis on Wednesday compared the situation in Maharashtra with the Emergency. Fadnavis told mediapersons, 'In 1977, Emergency was defeated. But the mindset lives on. Allies Congress and Shiv Sena, which had then supported Emergency, have once displayed undemocratic brutality to crush the voice of dissent.'

'Maharashtra is witnessing Emergency. But India has always valiantly fought against such forces and will continue to do so,' he added while describing Goswami's arrest as 'politics of vendetta'.

'When uncomfortable questions are raised, the government, instead of taking corrective measures, has used oppressive tactics by silencing the media,' he said. In Nagpur, state party president Chandrakant Patil said, 'The BJP will launch a statewide campaign to expose the coalition government. The government's terror tactics to silence its citizens and media is a clever ploy to hide its own failures.' Newly appointed BJP national secretary Vinod Tawde, in a statement, said, 'BJP is not against justice for interior designer Anvay Naik, who had allegedly committed suicide. If the police wanted to investigate the matter, we are not objecting. The family should get justice.' Instances of harassment against individuals who criticise the government have substantially increased, he added. Former minister and BJP MLA Ashish Shelar told mediapersons in Mumbai, 'It is to convey a strong message to one and all not to ever question Gandhi and Thackeray families. If anybody dares to raise a question or point out faults, they will be put in prison.' Meanwhile Nationalist Congress Party spokesperson Umesh Patil said on Wednesday that former Maharashtra CM Devendra Fadnavis should be made a 'co-accused' in the abetment to suicide case against Republic TV Editor-in-Chief Arnab Goswami. On Wednesday, the Mumbai Police took the Republic TV editor-in-chief into custody for allegedly abetting the suicide of an interior designer in Alibaug in 2018. Goswami has been sent to 14 days of judicial custody by a court in Maharashtra.

PM MODI WOOS GLOBAL INVESTORS, SAYS INDIA IS THE PLACE TO BE



Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday urged global investors to invest in India and said that the country is the right place for investments as it provides business returns and demand along with reliability and the values of democracy. Addressing the Virtual Global Investor Roundtable, the Prime Minister laid down the reform measures taken up by the government amid the pandemic along with the steps announced during the past six years. "If you want returns with reliability, India is the place to be. If you want demand with democracy, India is the place to be," he said. "If you want stability with sustainability, India is the place to be. If you want growth with a green approach, India is the place to be," he added. Highlighting the country's democracy and demography, Modi said that India offers investors democracy, demography, demand as well as diversity. "Such is our diversity that you get multiple markets within one market. These come with multiple pocket sizes and multiple preferences. These come with multiple weathers and multiple levels of development," he said.

CM ARVIND KEJRIWAL URGES DELHIITES TO ONLY PERFORM LAKSHMI PUJA, NOT BURST FIRECRACKERS THIS DIWALI



Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal on Thursday appealed to the citizens of Delhi to not burn firecrackers in view of the rising pollution level in the national Capital. "We will celebrate Diwali together and won't burst firecrackers in any condition. There will be a wonderful atmosphere and good vibes as two crore people will perform Laxmi Puja. It will lead to well being in each household." Delhi CM said while addressing an online media briefing.

Kejriwal said that he will be celebrating 'Laxmi Puja' programme this Diwali at 7.39 pm on November 14. The entire event will be conducted virtually, and he urged Delhiites to join him and his ministers. "If we burst firecrackers on this Diwali, we are playing with the lives of our children and families..." he said.

"There are adverse effects of both corona and pollution in Delhi this year. The Delhi government, along with the people of Delhi, are making all efforts to deal with the issue. The situation of Corona is deteriorating due to pollution," the Delhi CM said.

BIHAR ASSEMBLY ELECTION 2020: 'PM MODI SAVED INDIA, TRUMP COULDN'T HANDLE COVID-19,' SAYS JP NADDA



BJP chief JP Nadda on Thursday said that the people of US had cornered President Donald Trump on the issue of coronavirus as he lags in the poll forecasts. He said President Trump had alleged that India is hiding actual numbers of corona deaths and active cases. The BJP chief was addressing a rally in Bihar's Darbhanga ahead of the third and final phase of Assembly Election 2020.

"On the other hand, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has taken the right decision at the right time in the beginning of pandemic and implemented nationwide lockdown. He saved lives of 130 crore countrymen," Nadda said at a rally in Darbhanga. "When corona started in our country, there was only one testing lab in Pune and now 15 lakh samples are tested every day. Besides, we are also manufacturing ventilators and face masks," Nadda said. Nadda also slammed RJD and said that Tejashwi Yadav is just bluffing to garner votes. "He is attracting you with promise of 10 lakh jobs. How would he give 10 lakh jobs and how many jobs his father and mother had given in 15 years between 1990 to 2005" Nadda asked. "We all knew when Lalu Prasad was in power, he used to open cowsheds schools and hold 'Lathi' rallies," Nadda said. "Some people asked questions about why we are raising Ram temple issue in Bihar election. I want to tell them that Bihar is the land of Sita's birth (Sitamarhi). Hence, why would we not discuss Ram temple in Bihar," he said. The third phase of election for 78 seats in 15 districts is scheduled on November 7 and the campaign ends on Thursday evening. The results will be out on November 10.

TRAINS WILL RESUME IN PUNJAB ONLY AFTER BLOCKADES ALONG TRACKS ARE REMOVED, SAYS RAILWAYS

The Centre will resume train services in Punjab only when blockades along railway tracks are cleared, railway board chairman and CEO VK Yadav said on Thursday, adding that the state government has assured that all blockades will be removed by Friday.

Till Thursday evening, 14 out of 32 blockades had been removed, Yadav said. A joint team of state government officials and the director general of the Railway Protection Force was reviewing the situation in the state, he said.

"We have been assured by the Punjab government that all blockades will be removed by Friday morning. 14 of 32 blockades have been removed on Thursday. We will resume all train services once the tracks come back in our control," Yadav said at a press conference.

"We (railway ministry) only have two conditions for the state government; there should be no compromise on safety, and blockades should be removed. Our maintenance teams are ready, as soon as tracks are under rail control, we will run the trains," he added.

Trains have been suspended in the state since September 24 due to the agitation over farm bills cleared by the Centre during the monsoon session of Parliament. The state is also facing critical shortage of coal stock across power plants leading to massive power cuts due to the prolonged suspension of goods trains by the railways. Amid tussle between the Centre and the state government over allowing the passage of trains in the state, the Indian Railways has claimed losses of nearly Rs1,200 crore in freight revenue with more than 2,225 goods trains suspended and 1,350 passenger trains cancelled or diverted.

PROVINCE INCREASING DIRECT CARE FOR LONG-TERM CARE RESIDENTS TO FOUR HOURS PER DAY

New Commitment Will Make Ontario the Canadian Leader in Quality of Care for Seniors

MISSISSAUGA — The Ontario government is increasing the hours of direct care for each long-term care resident to an average of four hours per day. This commitment will make Ontario the leader among Canadian provinces in the provision of care for long-term care residents. The announcement was made in advance of the release of Ontario's 2020 Budget on November 5, 2020.

Details were provided today by Premier Doug Ford, Rod Phillips, Minister of Finance, and Merrilee Fullerton, Minister of Long-Term Care, at Trillium Health Partners in Mississauga.

"I made a promise to long-term care residents, their families and their caregivers that we would deliver better care for our seniors," said Premier Ford. "Today, we are delivering on that promise and acting on the early recommendations of Ontario's Long-Term Care COVID-19 Commission. By increasing the hours of daily direct care for residents, we will improve their quality of life and ensure they are more comfortable and safe." This new commitment to improve quality of care includes: Average daily direct care of four hours a day per resident. Direct hands-on care is provided by nurses or personal support workers to support individual clinical and personal care needs.

Hard targets set over the next four years to achieve this standard by 2024-25. Progress against these targets will be measured and reported regularly.

Unprecedented changes to educate and recruit the tens of thousands of new personal support workers, registered practical nurses and registered nurses that will be required. As part of the province's COVID-19 Fall Preparedness Plan, the province is taking the first step by recruiting an additional 3,700 frontline workers for its health workforce.

"On Thursday, I'll introduce Ontario's 2020 Budget, the next phase of Ontario's Action Plan," said Minister Phillips. "It is a plan that will have three pillars. The first is protect, making good on Premier Ford's commitment to do whatever it takes to get through the pandemic. Making Ontario the leader among Canadian provinces in terms of care for our loved ones is a vital part of the protect pillar and reflects our government's top priority ? ensuring the health of people as we continue to respond to COVID-19."

The government will work in collaboration with its partners, including labour, education and training providers, as well as sector leaders, to deliver the significant changes to the long-term care sector required to deliver on its four hour per day commitment. "Improving the quality of life and care for long-term care resi-

dents is at the centre of everything we do. And after decades of neglect by successive governments we will work with our partners and with leadership in the sector to transform how we care for our loved ones for generations to come," said Minister Fullerton. "Although we will continue to make progress, these changes will not happen overnight, as we have to hire and train a great number of staff and build modern new facilities so our residents get the level of care they deserve."

The increase in average daily hours of care builds on supports recently announced for long-term care, including investing \$1.75 billion over five years to increase long-term care capacity and spaces for seniors, as well as the government's commitment to build 30,000 new long-term care beds over 10 years. The government is also driving the development of new long-term care homes through the Accelerated Build Pilot Program, adding 1,280 beds by early 2022.

The government will release Ontario's 2020 Budget on November 5, 2020. The next phase of Ontario's Action Plan, Ontario's 2020 Budget will focus on protecting and supporting people and employers during the COVID -19 pandemic, while laying the foundation for the province's economic recovery.

Community Youth Hub Engagement Begins at the City of Brampton

Brampton youth are now able to register for workshops and take a survey to have their voice heard in creating two Community Youth Hubs soon to be located at Century Gardens Recreation Centre and at South Fletcher's Sportsplex. The creation of the Community Youth Hubs are based on Councillor Medeiros' motion dated September 26 2019. The Community Youth Hubs will provide programs and services based on youth needs, as well as provide activities and social supports that will help young people across Brampton. The two locations are funded through the City of Brampton's 2020-2022 (\$5.85M) and Region of Peel's 2020 (\$6.0M) capital budgets. "I encourage Brampton's youth to participate in the consultation process as the Community Youth Hubs will provide integrated services specific to their needs. This is an important step forward in investing in our youth, and will provide a safe space for youth recreation and access to much needed services and supports." said Councillor Medeiros. The survey is now available at www.brampton.ca/recreation with information on how to register for workshops.

Seniors Demand More Financial Support

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It was promised in the Liberal Election Manifesto that the Canadian Govt. will take care of Old Age Security (OAS) and Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) with 10% increase to OAS and 25% increase to CPP. At the same time seniors of age 75+ universally were promised more payment and will make structural changes.

Long term care homes are used by only 2% seniors due to various reasons. To make those homes better, the need of the hour is to test the employees before hiring them for their sense of service and attitude towards elders, sense of loving, affection and compassion, behavior and service with devotion, honesty and dedication which are very important factors. In the throne speech there was nothing for seniors. The cost of living has increased and basic amount of \$ 2,000 was given as agreed minimum support to the working population only, during COVID, while seniors were given only a one-time payment of 300+200. Let this be made available to all the seniors aged +75 as promised. As far as Health Care problems are concerned, let the physiotherapy with massage therapy be made mandatory for all the seniors in need upon the recommendation of their family doctor. We request our representatives, MPs, MPPs to take care of this section of seniors and put their demands at proper levels.



EU-Canada Leaders' Virtual Meeting

Ottawa: The President of the European Council, Charles Michel, the President of the European Commission, Ursula von der Leyen, and the Prime Minister of Canada, Justin Trudeau, held a Leaders' Virtual Meeting on 29 October 2020.

The leaders re-affirmed their determination to continue joint efforts to overcome the COVID-19 pandemic in keeping with shared principles and values of democracy, human rights and the rule of law, and based on the EU-Canada Strategic Partnership Agreement. They shared the commitment to take effective measures to protect health, ensure a robust economic recovery, and build more innovative, sustainable, inclusive and resilient economies. In this way the EU and Canada will emerge from this crisis stronger than before and in a better position to address challenges of the future. Stressing that solidarity, cooperation and effective multilateralism are essential to defeat the virus and accelerate the recovery, the leaders committed to continuing to work closely together in international fora including the G7, the G20, and the United Nations system. Since the start of the pandemic, the EU and Canada have been cooperating closely, including to ensure universal, equitable and affordable access to COVID-19 vaccines, treatments and tests. In this regard, the EU and Canada, alongside other donors, co-hosted a pledging event for the ACT-Accelerator and continue to collaborate to build support for the global initiative, in particular its COVAX Facility, through high-level engagement. The leaders agreed that the EU-and Canada will deepen their cooperation and exchange of information on COVID-19 vaccines including research, access, procurement and distribution. They also agreed to further advance their discussions on health matters. Both sides will continue to provide joint leadership in strengthening the WHO, and the global pandemic preparedness and response capacity more generally. The leaders stressed the importance of an impartial, independent and comprehensive evaluation of the international health response to COVID-19 as outlined in the World Health Assembly resolution of May 2020.

The World Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community Welcomes Comments of Canada's Prime Minister Regarding Freedom of Expression

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"We will always defend freedom of expression but freedom of expression is not without limits. We owe it to ourselves to act with respect for others and to seek not to arbitrarily or unnecessarily injure those with whom we are sharing a society and a planet. We do not have the right for example to shout fire in a movie theatre crowded with people, there are always limits. In a pluralist, diverse and respectful society like ours, we owe it to ourselves to be aware of the impact of our words, of our actions on others, particularly these communities and populations who still experience a great deal of discrimination." [i]

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community commends Prime Minister Trudeau for having the courage to take a stand in defence of those who continue to hold religion as sacred.

In response to Mr Trudeau's comments, the World Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, His Holiness, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad states:

"I greatly appreciate the comments of the Canadian Prime Minister regarding the need for there to be certain limits to free speech. I believe this is the right way to foster peace and harmony within society. Certainly, I have always maintained my belief, based on my faith, that it is wrong to needlessly provoke and offend the religious sentiments of any people, be they Christians, Jews, Hindus, Muslims or the adherents of any other faith."

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad further states:

"I have said many times that when the religious sentiments of millions of Muslims are grievously injured, it will naturally lead to resentment within the Muslim community. Most regrettably, recent history shows that there will always be a small minority of so-called Muslims, who cruelly violate the teachings of Islam, and react in an extremist fashion, as we have seen recently in France. In turn, this emboldens those who seek to defend freedom of expression at all costs and so this vicious cycle of animosity continues to turn and the rift between Muslims and the rest of society deepens. Thus, we need leaders who not only condemn the violent reaction but who also recognise that the exercise of our freedoms and rights should not be used to needlessly provoke or distress others. In this regard, I express my sincere gratitude to Mr Trudeau and I pray that other world leaders also come to recognise the paramount importance of building a cohesive society in which the sentiments of the people of all religions are protected."



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ONTARIO RELEASES COVID-19 RESPONSE FRAMEWORK TO HELP KEEP THE PROVINCE SAFE AND OPEN

GOVERNMENT PROVIDES ADDITIONAL DETAILS ON \$300 MILLION TO SUPPORT ELIGIBLE BUSINESSES

TORONTO — In consultation with the Chief Medical Officer of Health and other health experts, the Ontario government has developed the Keeping Ontario Safe and Open Framework. It ensures that public health measures are targeted, incremental and responsive to help limit the spread of COVID-19, while keeping schools and businesses open, maintaining health system capacity and protecting vulnerable people, including those in long-term care. Details were provided today by Premier Doug Ford, Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health, Rod Phillips, Minister of Finance, Peter Bethlenfalvy, President of the Treasury Board, and Dr. David Williams, Chief Medical Officer of Health. "It's clear COVID-19 will be with us for a while, which is why we are putting in place a framework that will protect the health and safety of individuals and families, while avoiding broader closures across the province," said Premier Ford. "This framework, developed in consultation with our health experts, will serve as an early warning system allowing us to scale up and scale back public health restrictions on a regional or community basis in response to surges and waves of COVID-19. By introducing public health measures sooner, we can keep this deadly virus at bay, bend the curve and reclaim a little more of our normal lives."

The framework takes a gradual approach that includes introducing preventative measures earlier to help avoid broader closures and allow for additional public health and workplace safety measures to be introduced or removed incrementally. It categorizes public health unit regions into five levels: Green-Prevent, Yellow-Protect, Orange-Restrict, Red-Control, and Lockdown being a measure of last and urgent resort. Each level outlines the types of public health and workplace safety measures for businesses and organizations. These include targeted measures for specific sectors, institutions and other settings.

"The health and wellbeing of Ontarians is our number one priority. This framework, informed by public health experts, data and the experiences of other jurisdictions, is focused on introducing less invasive measures earlier to stop the spread of COVID-19," said Minister Elliott. "We are committed to being transparent with Ontarians, businesses and local communities as we work together to keep Ontarians safe, while keeping our economy open."

"This framework is critical to ensuring that public health measures are able to help slow the spread of the virus, while also supporting mental health and other social determinants of health," said Dr. Williams. "The framework operates like a dimmer switch, enabling measures and restrictions to be increased and give individuals and families the information they need to adjust their activities and interac-

tions based on local epidemiological data."

As the province continues to expand access to real-time data, enhancements are also being made to Ontario.ca/coronavirus, Ontario's one-stop shop for information on COVID-19. Information about the spread of the virus, and public health and health system capacity will now be available on the website. This includes local cases by public health unit regions, the total number of cases, resolved cases, deaths, and tests completed and how many are positive. The province will continue to add data sets as they become available, such as sources of outbreaks as a subset of overall cases. This information will better help businesses, organizations and local communities access key information to prepare in advance for any changes in their region.

"You deserve to have access to the same information that we have, and that's why our government is enhancing online data and data visualization," said Minister Bethlenfalvy. "Greater transparency means that the people of Ontario have reliable access to the information they need to protect their health, and for businesses to reopen and operate safely. This is another way we're using technology and pursuing innovation to put the people at the centre of government and move Ontario onwards."

To provide the utmost transparency, each public health unit will be classified according to current framework indicators. Proposed classifications based on data for the week of October 26, 2020 can be found below. These will be confirmed by the province on Friday, November 6, 2020 and become effective on Saturday, November 7, 2020 at 12:01 a.m. Final decisions on moving public health unit regions into the framework will be made by the government based on updated data and in consultation with the Chief Medical Officer of Health, local medical officers of health and other health experts, and will be reviewed weekly.

Going forward, the government will continually assess the impact of public health measures applied to public health unit regions for 28 days, or two COVID-19 incubation periods.

Supporting Businesses Affected by COVID-19 Public Health Measures The Ontario government is making \$300 million available to businesses required to close or significantly restrict services in areas subject to modified Stage 2 public health restrictions (Ottawa, Peel, Toronto, and York Region) or, going forward, in areas categorized as Control or Lockdown.

Rebates will cover the period of time that businesses are required to temporarily close or significantly restrict services as a result of being located in areas subject to the targeted modified Stage 2 public health restrictions or, going forward, in areas categorized as Control or Lockdown. The property tax rebates will be net of any federal support in respect of property taxes provided through the new Canada Emergency Rent Subsidy (CERS), so that the rebate will cover costs beyond those covered by CERS.

Beginning November 16, 2020, eligible businesses will be able to apply for temporary property tax and energy cost rebates directly to the province through a single, online application portal. Many businesses should expect to receive their rebate payments within a few weeks of finalizing and submitting their completed application. Eligible businesses include restaurants, bars, gyms and cinemas.

"On Thursday, I'll introduce Ontario's 2020 Budget, the next phase of Ontario's Action Plan," said Minister Phillips. "It is a plan that will have three pillars. As we announced yesterday, the first is protect. The second pillar is support, because we know COVID-19 has brought

severe challenges and economic difficulties to families and employers. Supporting businesses affected by necessary public health restrictions in regions experiencing a greater risk from COVID-19 is one way we are helping employers manage during these difficult times." Through Ontario's Property Tax and Energy Cost Rebates program, the government is building on its collaboration with federal partners to ensure eligible businesses receive the financial help they need as a result of targeted provincial public health restrictions.

Public Health Unit Region Classifications

As of November 7, 2020, the province will transition public health unit regions to the new framework. The following proposed classifications for public health unit regions are based on data for the week of October 26, 2020. Updated data will be used for final review by the Chief Medical Officer of Health and approval by Cabinet on Friday, November 6, 2020.

Lockdown:

No public health unit regions

Red-Control:

No public health unit regions

Orange-Restrict:

Eastern Ontario Health Unit;

Ottawa Public Health;

Peel Public Health;

Toronto Public Health (may be delayed in entering Orange-Restrict level until November 14, 2020); and

York Region Public Health.

Yellow-Protect:

Brant County Health Unit;

City of Hamilton Public Health Services;

Durham Region Health Department; and

Halton Region Public Health.

Green-Prevent:

Algoma Public Health;

Chatham-Kent Public Health;

Grey Bruce Health Unit;

Kingston, Frontenac and Lennox & Addington Public Health;

Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit;

Haldimand-Norfolk Health Unit;

Hastings Prince Edward Public Health;

Huron Perth Public Health;

Lambton Public Health;

Leeds, Grenville & Lanark District Health Unit;

Middlesex-London Health Unit;

Niagara Region Public Health;

North Bay Parry Sound District;

Northwestern Health Unit;

Peterborough Public Health;

Porcupine Health Unit;

Public Health Sudbury & Districts;

Region of Waterloo Public Health and Emergency Services;

Renfrew County and District Health Unit;

Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit;

Southwestern Public Health;

Thunder Bay District Health Unit;

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Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health; and

Windsor-Essex County Health Unit.

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Osler expands COVID-19, Cold and Flu Clinic hours

NEW HOURS INCREASE CAPACITY FOR COVID-19 TESTING IN BRAMPTON

BRAMPTON: William Osler Health System (Osler) has increased the hours of operation for its COVID-19, Cold and Flu Clinic located at Peel Memorial Centre for Integrated Health and Wellness (Peel Memorial). The Clinic, which is dedicated to testing, assessing and providing care to people who meet both the COVID-19 testing criteria and who have cold, flu-like and possible COVID-19 symptoms, is now open daily, from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. No appointment is needed.

"With cold and flu season underway and a growing number of COVID-19 cases in the community, Osler is committed to supporting the region's collective efforts to combat the virus by ensuring Brampton residents have access to convenient testing options," said Kiki Ferrari, Chief Operating Officer. "The Clinic's expanded hours of operation will enable us to test and care for more people daily, which is critical to managing the spread of the virus and supporting the health and safety of people in Brampton." The COVID-19, Cold and Flu Clinic, which was one of the first to open in Ontario, is an important part of Osler's comprehensive COVID-19 response. Symptoms of COVID-19, the cold and the flu are very similar and testing is the best way to diagnose which of these illnesses a person may have. The



Clinic also provides an option for care outside of Osler's Emergency Departments, which increases the hospital's ability to provide care for people with non-COVID related illnesses.

"At a time when our Emergency Departments typically see an increase in the number of patients seeking care for flu-like illnesses, we are pleased to provide an alternative for care," said Ferrari. Our goal is to reduce barriers to COVID-19 testing and care, so it was important for Osler to provide the convenience of longer operating hours at the COVID-19, Cold and Flu Clinic."

Osler has now performed more than 245,000 COVID-19 tests in the most of any hospital in Ontario.

Osler's COVID-19 Drive-Thru Testing Centres in Brampton (South Fletcher's Sportsplex) and Etobicoke (Queen's Plate Drive and Highway 27) continue to operate, serving people who meet the criteria for testing by appointment. The Testing Centres are open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., seven days a week.

What do I need to know about Osler's COVID-19, Cold and Flu Clinic

* The Clinic is located at Peel Memorial Centre for Integrated Health and Wellness at 20 Lynch Street in Brampton, and occupies the temporarily-closed Urgent Care Centre space. The Clinic operates seven days a week from 8 a.m. until 9 p.m. Appointments are not required."

* Measures are in place to ensure

the safety of patients, staff and physicians. Patients will be provided with and required to wear masks and use hand sanitizer prior to entering the Clinic.

* The Urgent Care Centre at Peel Memorial remains temporarily closed. If you require emergency care, always call 911 or go to your nearest Emergency Department. Osler's Emergency Departments remain open 24/7 to provide urgent and emergency care. For complete details about Osler's Drive-Thru COVID-19 Testing Centres and the COVID-19, Cold and Flu Clinic, as well as other testing options in the region, visit: www.williamoslerhs.ca/coronavirus.

BRAMPTON SECURES KEY INVESTMENT IN NEW HOSPITAL BEDS FROM PROVINCE

BRAMPTON: The City of Brampton welcomes the Premier of Ontario's announcement to support Brampton's health care needs. Today, Mayor Patrick Brown joined Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Health Christine Elliott, Associate Minister and MPP Brampton South Prabmeet Sarkaria, and Dr. Naveed Mohammad, President and CEO, William Osler Health System, to announce a significant investment in Brampton's healthcare system. This move supports the City's Fair Deal for Brampton advocacy campaign, which calls for closing the gap in health care funding and ending hallway medicine. William Osler Health System will be receiving up to 87 new patient beds to help alleviate hospital capacity pressures and reduce wait times. This includes 41 hospital beds at Brampton Civic Hospital. The Ontario government is building on its \$2.8 billion COVID-19 fall preparedness plan by making additional investments to add more beds in hospitals and alternate health facilities across the province. According to the Province, more beds available will help reduce surgical backlogs and improve access to care during COVID-19.

BACKGROUND

In December 2019, Council passed a resolution that recognized the unique and urgent needs of Brampton's health care system, including major funding gaps, long wait times, and hallway medicine. The resolution requested immediate action from all health care system providers. In January 2020, Brampton City Council unanimously passed a motion to declare a Health Care Emergency in Brampton. The City has undertaken many initiatives to request more funding and support for Brampton's health care system. These include presenting to Brampton's elected representatives and at the annual Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference and advocating to the Provincial government through the Pre-Budget Submission process. The City is also promoting the #FairDealForBrampton health care advocacy campaign to build awareness and support for Brampton's health care concerns.

QUOTES

"Brampton's health care system has been overcrowded and underfunded for too long and the hallway medicine crisis has been compounded by the pandemic. We are in dire need of support from the Province, and we welcome this positive step in the right direction for our community as part of the Province's fall preparedness plan, especially as Peel is now in the second wave of COVID-19. These new hospital beds will improve the access and efficiency of care at Brampton Civic as we pursue a new hospital in the north west of the City. I welcome the Premier's commitment today to get the phase 2 expansion of Osler's Peel Memorial site built to improve healthcare for Brampton residents."

Patrick Brown, Mayor, City of Brampton

"Our community deserves equitable access to health care. We have advocated and the Ontario government has helped alleviate some of the pressures our city continues to face. Brampton is the fastest-growing large city in Canada, and we require continued Provincial partnerships and support to bring our residents the care they need." Rowena Santos, Chair, Community Services; Regional Councillor, Wards 1 & 5, City of Brampton

"New hospital beds are crucial to ending hallway health care. Brampton Civic is currently our community's only hospital, and while this is an important step, we will continue to demand adequate health care for our city from the Province."

Charmaine Williams, Vice-Chair, Community Services; City Councillor, Wards 7 & 8, City of Brampton

"City staff continue to work closely with Council to ensure Brampton gets a fair deal on health care from our government partners. We are proud of this investment in our city and know that our hard work and advocacy must continue in order to improve health care and quality of life in Brampton."

David Barrick, Chief Administrative Officer, City of Brampton

ONTARIO SELLING SURPLUS PROPERTIES TO BUILD THREE NEW LONG-TERM CARE HOMES

TORONTO — The Ontario government is taking the first step towards building three new long-term care homes by making land available in Oakville, Aurora and Vaughan. The government is selling three surplus provincial properties with the requirement that long-term care homes be built on portions of the following properties:

165 Dundas Street West in Oakville - 512 long-term care beds

7231 Martin Grove Road in Vaughan - 256 long-term care beds

50-100 Bloomington Road in Aurora - 128 long-term care beds

"We are delivering on our commitment to transition our seniors from waitlists to modern long-term care homes, providing a warm and safe environment with the quality of care they deserve," said Dr. Merrilee Fullerton, Minister of Long-Term Care. "These new homes will allow almost 900 of our loved ones to enter long-term care homes sooner, and ease hallway health care in local hospitals."

Developing long-term care homes on surplus government lands will help address barriers often faced by long-term care operators, such as the limited supply of available land, particularly in urban areas.

The new long-term care homes will help deliver on the government's commitment to creating 30,000 beds over 10 years. The government is also driving the development of new long-term care spaces through the Accelerated Build program, which is adding 1,280 spaces in a matter of months, not years; and through a new funding model designed to break down historic barriers to building and speed up new development and the upgrading of existing homes. Working together with long-term care 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.

QUICK FACTS

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As of June 2020, more than 38,500 people are on the waitlist to access a long-term care bed.

Ontario Releases Report on COVID-19 Emergency Measures Action taken during declared provincial emergency necessary to keep Ontarians safe

TORONTO — Today, Solicitor General Sylvia Jones tabled a report in the Legislature providing details of the emergency measures put in place by the province to stop the spread of COVID-19 and keep Ontarians safe. The report focuses on the 47 emergency orders made between March 17 and July 24, 2020 when the Declaration of a Provincial Emergency was in effect under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (EMCPA). "The Ontario government has taken decisive action to protect public health and stop the spread of COVID-19," said Minister Jones. "This report summarizes how our government, with the advice of public health experts, used the tools provided under Ontario's emergency legislation to keep people safe and mitigate the impact of the virus while the declared provincial emergency was in effect." The EMCPA requires the government table a report in the Legislature within 120 days after a provincial emergency ends. The COVID-19 report out-

lines the rationale for issuing the 47 emergency orders and the important role they played to protect the community, including:

Limiting the spread of COVID-19

Supporting continuity of critical services

Supporting business

Supporting vulnerable sectors

Providing cost relief to Ontarians

"While the declared provincial emergency was terminated on July 24, 2020, the fight against COVID-19 is ongoing and our government continues to take the action needed to protect the health and well-being of Ontarians," said Minister Jones. "We all have a role to play and with the upward trend in COVID-19 cases, we need to follow public health advice and practice physical distancing, wear a face covering when in public places or when physical distancing is a challenge, wash your hands frequently, and limit social contact to those within our own household."

LAST SUSPECTS SURRENDERS IN CARJACKING INVESTIGATION

Region of Peel – Peel Regional Police have arrested and charged the last outstanding suspect relating to a robbery spree in the Greater Toronto Area and a carjacking in the City of Mississauga in July of 2020.

On Friday, July 24, 2020, at approximately 6:45 p.m., a pharmacy located in the area of Credit Woodlands and McBride Avenue in Mississauga was robbed by two suspects later identified as Teshawn Kerr-Cover and Trestin Cassanova-Alman. No weapons were seen, and no physical injuries were reported. Both men fled the area in a white Nissan Altima.

The vehicle and suspects were involved in several other robberies in July of 2020, including financial institutions in Barrie, Kitchener, and Mississauga and several pharmacy robberies in Toronto and Mississauga.

On Friday, July 24, 2020, the suspect vehicle was located by investigators around Burnhamthorpe Road and Confederation Parkway in Mississauga with another suspect vehicle in an apartment building's underground parking garage. There were two vehicles and four suspects. Tactical and Rescue Unit officers attempted to stop both of these vehicles, and the suspects attempted to flee. During this interaction, one of the suspects, later identified as Ridwan Dalmar, fired one round from a firearm in his possession. One of the involved vehicles was driven at officers, who then returned fire to prevent them from being seriously injured or killed. The two suspect vehicles were disabled, and two occupants were arrested. They were identified as Ridwan Dalmar, a 20-year-old man from Toronto, and Zakariya Dalmar, a 23-year-old man from Waterloo.

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Those who brought jungle raj in Bihar, don't want you to say 'Bharat Mata ki Jai' or 'Jai Shri Ram': PM Modi says in Saharsa



PRIME MINISTER NARENDRA MODI ADDRESSES AN ELECTION RALLY FOR THE SECOND PHASE OF BIHAR ASSEMBLY POLLS IN SAMASTIPUR DISTRICT ON SUNDAY. (PTI PHOTO)

Proponents of 'jungle raj' in Bihar do not want the people of the state to chant 'Bharat Mata ki Jai' or 'Jai Shri Ram', Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on Tuesday as he addressed an election rally in Saharsa, which will vote in third and final phase of the assembly elections on November 7. In the second address of the day, PM Modi urged voters to reject the 'jungle raj' or lawlessness brought about by the opposition. "There is a group of people that doesn't want you to say 'Bharat Mata ki Jai' or 'Jai Shri Ram.' All of them have now come together and asking for votes from the people of Bihar. There's a need to give a befitting answer to such people in during the Bihar elections," PM Modi said in Saharsa. Prime Minister Modi also asserted that Bihar will vote the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) to power once again, as polling in the second phase of the Bihar assembly elections was underway in the eastern state. The Prime Minister said the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)-led NDA is committed to a government which will work for its development and for the poor in the state as he addressed a public meeting in Saharsa. "The people of Bihar have decided to form the NDA government," he said as began the address by urging people to chant Bharat Mata ki Jai and said a few lines in Maithili. "Every citizen of Bihar is well aware of the betrayal by the jungle raj against the capability of Bihar. Those who repeatedly

chanted the name of the poor kept the poor away from elections. The poor of Bihar did not have the right to form a government of their own," he said. The people of Bihar, the Prime Minister said, are committed to Aatmanirbhar Bharat (Self-reliant India) and Aatmanirbhar Bihar. "Over the years, the foundation of Bihar has been laid which has been inspired by a new emerging, self-reliant and glorious past. Now is the time to build a grand and modern Bihar on this strong foundation," he said. "In the past decade, the NDA government under the leadership of Nitishji has laid a strong foundation for self-reliant Bihar. Basic facilities like electricity, water and roads have reached from village to village in Bihar today. Today, Bihar is one of the states where electricity consumption is the highest," he added. The Prime Minister listed the schemes and projects started by his government, including Jan Dhan Yojana and the Mudra Yojana, as he urged people to vote for the NDA. "Due to the Jan Dhan Yojana, hundreds of crores of rupees have been deposited directly into the bank accounts of millions of sisters of Bihar during this crisis in Corona. This is the Jan Dhan Yojana, due to which, even during the Corona period, direct help has reached the bank account of millions of farmer families of Bihar," he said.


PAK TAKING ADVANTAGE OF CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC TO ENHANCE CROSS-BORDER TERRORISM: INDIA

UNITED NATIONS: Strongly hitting out at Pakistan, India has said it is taking advantage of the coronavirus pandemic to enhance support to cross-border terrorism and has resorted to "unbridled hate speech" to try and create divisions among India's religious communities. Addressing an interactive dialogue with Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, First Secretary in India's Permanent Mission to the UN Ashish Sharma on Monday said the hate speech by Pakistan is not merely directed towards one community in India but also against organisations, individuals and even against high ranking political leaders. "While the world has come to a standstill due to the pandemic, Pakistan has only enhanced support to cross-border terrorism taking advantage of the pandemic," he said. Pakistan has resorted to "unbridled hate speech trying to foment violence and intolerance in our country," he told the UN forum. India strongly hit out at Pakistan for abusing the UN platform to forward its "nefarious political agenda." Sharma said that Pakistan is trying to "create divisions among our religious communities as well. Fortunately, their provocation is falling on deaf ears since India has had a tradition of pluralism and co-existence where all communities live in harmony under a democratic framework. India called on Pakistan to practice co-existence in their own country and eschew all sectarian violence, discrimination and intolerance against their own people. Sharma said the world today is confronted not only by the challenge




of tackling the COVID-19 pandemic, but also the challenge of "infodemic", which in many cases has been responsible for rise in hate speech and seeding hatred within communities. In June, India along with 12 countries co-sponsored the Cross-Regional Statement on "Infodemic" in the Context of COVID-19 - a first of its kind statement by UN Member States to counter the increase in hate speech and misinformation during the pandemic. "India is fighting COVID 19 pandemic in the most transparent manner with equal access to medical facilities to all citizens," Sharma said at the Third Committee meeting of the General Assembly, adding that special efforts have been taken to ensure that vulnerable communities are provided adequate medical support.

Voting underway for bypolls on 54 Assembly seats in 10 states




Voting began for by-elections on 54 Assembly seats spread across 10 states on Tuesday morning. A total of 28 seats in Madhya Pradesh, 8 in Gujarat, 7 in Uttar Pradesh, 2 each in Odisha, Nagaland, Karnataka and Jharkhand, and one seat each in Chhattisgarh, Telangana and Haryana going to polls today. Voting will be held from 7 am to 6 pm, except in Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and Nagaland where the timings are different. Voters who are COVID-19 positive will be allowed to vote separately in the last hour. Counting of votes will be held on November 10. BJP Uttar Pradesh unit chief Swantantra Dev Singh also urged people to vote while following COVID-19 guidelines. "Bye-elections are being held in 7 assembly seats in Uttar Pradesh today. I request all voters to follow the guidelines of Covid-19 and go to your nearest polling station and vote and play the role of a conscious citizen in a healthy democratic system. Voting first, then refreshment!" he tweeted. By-elections are being held on 28 seats in Madhya Pradesh following the resignation of 25 MLAs and the death of three legislators earlier. In March this year, 22 Congress MLAs resigned from the state Assembly paving the way for BJP's Shivraj Singh Chouhan to take over as Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister for the fourth time. Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar appealed to people to vote in Baroda bypoll. "My dear people of Baroda, Each and every vote is valuable. I appeal to all of you to participate in the celebration of democracy in greater numbers with your family and vote," he tweeted. BJP has fielded yet again Olympic medalist Yogeshwar Dutta in Baroda against Congress candidate Induraj Narwal. The bypoll has been necessitated due to the demise of sitting Congress MLA Krishna Hooda.

GAP BETWEEN INDIA'S RECOVERED, ACTIVE COVID-19 CASES CROSSES 7 MILLION: GOVT



The government said on Tuesday the gap between the active and recovered cases of the coronavirus disease (Covid-19) has crossed the 7 million mark even as the country's caseload surged to 8.26 million. The active cases of Covid-19 fell below 550,000 on Tuesday morning and the number of recoveries rose to 7,603,121, the Union health ministry said. "India's active cases have fallen under 5.5 lakhs today whereas total recovered cases have crossed 76 lakhs. The gap between active cases and recovered cases has crossed 70 lakh today," the ministry shared on its official Twitter handle. The ministry also shared a graph showing the progression of the gap between recovered and active cases per day, from October 20 to November 3. The graph shows the gap rising progressively from 5,984,790 (6,733,328 recovered and 748,538 active cases) on October 20 to 7,061,716 (7,603,121 recovered and 541,405 active cases) on November 3. In the last 24 hours, India logged 58,323 recoveries, while the number of active cases fell to 541,405 from 561,908 on Monday, according to data released by the Union health ministry on Tuesday morning. Meanwhile, India's total caseload of the Covid-19 disease reached 8,267,623 after 38,310 infections were recorded in the last 24 hours, the lowest single-day tally since last Tuesday. In fact, the 36,470 cases India reported on October 27, were its lowest single-day count since mid-July.

PoK to Gilgit-Baltistan integral part of India, illegally occupied by Pakistan: Rajnath Singh



Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Monday, November 2 categorically stated that Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK) and Gilgit-Baltistan are an integral part of India and are under the illegal occupation of Pakistan. He took to the social networking site Twitter and said, "Gilgit-Baltistan is under illegal occupation by Pakistan and is now going to make it a state on which our government has said in two words that from PoK to Gilgit-Baltistan is an integral part of India." He also tweeted, "We did not want India to be divided but it was done. You are also aware of the Hindu-Sikh-Buddhist who remained in Pakistan and how they have been dealing with them. We enacted a citizenship law for minorities facing religious persecution there," He took a dig at the Congress on raising fingers at Prime Minister Narendra Modi over the 2019 Pulwama terror attack and questioned their silence after Pakistan admitted to the attack. He tweeted, "The Pulwama attack was said to be lewd by the Congress. Prime Minister Modiji was suspected. Three days ago in the Assembly of Pakistan, the Pakistan minister himself revealed what had happened in Pulwama. Why are the Congress silent now?" In an election rally on October 31, Rajnath Singh had said that the acceptance by the Pakistani minister of the Pulwama terror attack has silenced all critics and opposition parties, particularly the Congress. "A Pakistani minister has revealed the truth in the Pulwama attack by giving a statement in the National Assembly. Pakistan has accepted that they were behind the Pulwama attack. Until now, they had been saying they were not involved in it," he had said. "Congress leaders had questioned our intent then. But now that a Pakistani minister has given a statement in the National Assembly that Pakistan was involved in the Pulwama attack, they are silent," he had added. On February 14, 2019, a jeep laden with explosives had hit a convoy of vehicles carrying CRPF jawans on the Jammu-Srinagar highway at Lethpora in Pulwama. The attack had claimed the lives of 40 CRPF personnel.


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COVID-19: Rajasthan govt bans sale of fireworks this Diwali in view of coronavirus pandemic



RAJASTHAN CHIEF MINISTER ASHOK GEHLOT ON MONDAY SAID THAT HE HAS ISSUED DIRECTIONS TO BAN THE SALE OF FIRECRACKERS AND RESTRICT THEIR USE FOR THE UPCOMING DIWALI FESTIVAL IN WAKE OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

In a move to protect COVID-19 patients and the public from the ill-effects of pollution, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot on Monday said that he has issued directions to ban the sale of firecrackers and restrict their use for the upcoming Diwali festival in the wake of the crisis created by the coronavirus pandemic.

In a review meeting held at the Chief Minister's residence, the CM directed to take strict action against the sale of firecrackers in the state and polluting vehicles running without fitness to protect the health of coronavirus-infected patients and the general public from the toxic smoke emitting from them. "In order to protect the health of COVID-19 infected patients and general public due to poisonous smoke emanating from firecrackers, strict action has been taken to prohibit the sale of firecrackers in the state and restrict the movement of vehicles without fitness certificate," Gehlot tweeted. This move comes as air

pollution is on the rise in the northern states of the country currently. The chief minister said that a second wave of coronavirus has started in developed countries like Germany, UK, France Italy, Spain and that many countries were forced to impose another lockdown. He warned that people should also be cautious so that such a situation does not arise here.

The Rajasthan government has also decided to keep educational institutions and coaching centres including school-colleges in the state closed till November 16. Gehlot said the recruitment process of 2,000 doctors in the state should be completed soon. Selected doctors should be given appointments within 10 days, he added. Swimming pools, cinema halls, theaters, multiplexes, entertainment parks etc will remain closed till November 30. The maximum limit of guests at weddings should be 100.

PM MODI, XI JINPING SET TO COME FACE-TO-FACE AT 3 DIFFERENT SUMMITS IN NOVEMBER

Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chinese President Xi Jinping are likely to meet thrice in November through virtual summits.

The summits that the leaders will be taking part in are; the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation Heads of State summit on November 10, the BRICS summit on November 17 and the G20 summit on November 21-22. The BRICS and SCO grouping will be hosted by Russia while the G20 summit will be organised by Saudi Arabia.

Both the leaders will together attend a summit for the first time amid rising border tensions between India and China. Both the countries are locked in a standoff at the Line of Actual Control since April. Several rounds of diplomatic and military talks have not yielded results in scaling down tensions. In fact, both the countries have made heavy deployment of troops along the LAC in Ladakh, the main friction point. In the past, high-level engagements between India and China have taken place on the sidelines of such summits. In fact, it had become a norm for both the leaders to meet on the sidelines of such major meetings. But after the border dispute that emerged in April both the leaders have maintained a distance.

This is for the first time that the summits will happen virtually. Earlier this year, Saudi Arabia had virtually hosted the summit of G20 lead-



ers to discuss the strategy of dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic. Both, PM Modi and Chinese President Xi were present in the meet but relations were not bad. Other than SCO, BRICS and G20 summit the ASEAN virtual summit is also going to take place from November 13-15 while the SCO heads of government will meet on November 30. Vietnam will host the ASEAN summit while SCO Heads of Governments will be hosted by New Delhi. Going by the protocol, Pakistan will also be invited by India at the SCO Heads meet.

In a slip of tongue, BJP's Jyotiraditya Scindia appeals people to 'vote for hand' in MP bypolls

In what you call an embarrassing slip of tongue, BJP MP Jyotiraditya Scindia on Saturday (October 31) urged the people to "press the button with the symbol of the hand and vote for Cong..." before correcting himself.

Scindia was campaigning in Dabra for his party ahead of the by-elections in Madhya Pradesh on November 3 to fill 28 vacant seats in Madhya Pradesh Assembly. It is to be noted that Scindia had resigned from the Congress party in March 2020 and 22 of his loyal MLAs also left the party with him, leading to the collapse of the Congress government in Madhya Pradesh. In the video, Scindia is heard saying: "...close your fists and assure us that on November 3, the 'hand' button will be pressed and Cong..... [corrects himself]... the lotus button will be pressed..." The Madhya Pradesh Congress took a swipe at Scindia and tweeted, "Scindia ji, the people of Madhya Pradesh assure you that they will hit the hand symbol on November 3." In another viral video, Scindia alleged that former Chief Minister Kamal Nath had called him a "dog". "Kamal Nath came here and called me a dog. Yes, Kamal Nath, I am a dog and the public is my owner. Yes, I am a dog because the dog protects his owner," Scindia said at a rally in Sadora. The Congress denied the allegation, saying that Nath never used the word. Meanwhile, the Election Commission of India (ECI) on Saturday barred MP BJP leader Imarti Devi from campaigning on the last day of campaigning for violating the poll code. "The Commission under Article 324 of the Constitution of India and all other powers enabling in this behalf, also bars Imarti Devi, from holding, anywhere in Madhya Pradesh, any public meetings, public processions, public rallies, road shows and interviews, public utterances in media (electronic, print, social media), in connection with ongoing elections for one day on 1 November," the order by the poll panel read. Imarti Devi, in her explanation to the ECI on October 29 denied "any such allegations" levelled against her. Further her explanation reads that her speech as transcribed in the notice is fabricated and exaggerated. Imarti Devi, a BJP candidate, contesting for upcoming by-poll in Madhya Pradesh has received notice from ECI for describing an unnamed political rival as "insane". It has been stated that she has also made remarks against the said candidate's family members.

'What happened to double Yuvraj in UP will repeat in Bihar': PM Modi takes a dig at Rahul, Tejashwi

Without naming Congress leader Rahul Gandhi and Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) leader Tejashwi Yadav, Prime Minister Narendra Modi slammed the Mahagathbandhan leadership on Sunday.

PM Narendra Modi, while addressing a public rally in Chhapra, Bihar, said that Bihar has a double engine government which is committed to the development of the state while on the other hand, there are two "Yuvraj" who are fighting to save their throne.

"Today, Bihar has 'double-engine ki sarkar'. On the other hand, there are two 'Yuvraj' of whom one is from 'jungle raj'. The double-engine NDA government is committed to the development of Bihar and these double Yuvraj are fighting to save their throne," he said.

"You must have seen 3-4 years ago during UP election, double Yuvraj was there as well. Climbed on top of the bus, wore black jackets and used to visit villages while waving," he added. In a bid to strike a chord with the state's women voters, the prime minister said, "My mothers need not worry about whether they would be able to afford Chhath festivities a few weeks from now. Do remember this son of yours is sitting in Delhi. He will take care of all your needs". PM Modi also expressed confidence in forming his government in Bihar once again. "After the first phase voting, it is clear that Nitish Kumar is all set to form government again. We have seen various election rallies before, no matter how close the election is right now but such a huge rally that too before 10 am (today) has never been held earlier," PM Modi said.

"Political pundits have been proven wrong in 1st phase of Bihar polls which saw large voter turnout despite COVID-19. The people of Bihar proved them wrong. Some people have tried to give false hopes to the people of Bihar," he added.

Further attacking Congress leader Rahul Gandhi and RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav, the Prime Minister said that a few people will never bother about the people of Bihar, they will only work for their family and themselves. "They have their eyes on poor people's money, they will never understand their plight. Whereas, the NDA alliance is reducing the plight of the poor people," he added.

MP BYPOLLS: SUPREME COURT STAYS EC ORDER REVOKING KAMAL NATH'S STAR CAMPAIGNER STATUS



In a relief to Kamal Nath, the Supreme Court on Monday stayed the Election Commission of India's (ECI) decision to revoke former chief minister and Congress leader's status as star campaigner due to alleged violation of the Model Code of Conduct (MCC) for his speeches.

In the order, the poll panel had said, "...For repeated violation of Model Code of Conduct and for completely disregarding the advisory issued to him, the Commission hereby revokes the status of leader of political party (Star Campaigner) of Kamal Nath, Ex-Chief Minister, Madhya Pradesh, with immediate effect for the current By-elections of Legislative Assembly of Madhya Pradesh."

A bench of the apex court, headed by Chief Justice of India (CJI) Sharad Arvind Bobde, also comprising Justices A S Bopanna and V Ramasubramanian, said, we are staying the matter, till we further hear the case. The counsel appearing for the poll panel told a bench headed by SA Bobde that Nath's plea has become infructuous as the campaigning has ended and the voting is to take place on Tuesday. Senior advocate Kapil Sibal, representing Kamal Nath, opposed the arguments made by Dwivedi. "No notice was issued to us and this was arbitrary," said Sibal

AFTER UTTAR PRADESH, HARYANA GOVT MULLING LAW AGAINST 'LOVE JIHAD'



Haryana Home Minister Anil Vij said on Sunday that Haryana is mulling to introduce a law against "Love Jihad". It is to be noted that on Saturday Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath said that his administration will introduce a law to curb 'Love Jihad'. "Love Jihad" is a word coined by right-wing activists to refer to an alleged campaign by Muslims to forcibly convert Hindu girls by feigning love. "Haryana is contemplating a law against love jihad," Anil Vij tweeted. Yogi's statement is in reference to the Allahabad High Court's decision, which observes that conversion just for the sake of marriage is not valid.

"The Allahabad HC has said that religious conversion isn't necessary for marriage. Government will also work to curb 'love jihad' and we will make a law. I warn those who conceal identity and disrespect our women that if you don't mend your ways, your 'Ram naam satya' (chants during funeral) journey will begin," Adityanath said. In a recent judgement on a petition filed by a married couple, the Allahabad High Court has observed that conversion just for the purpose of marriage is unacceptable. Priyanshi alias Samreen and her partner had in their writ petition, filed in Allahabad HC, sought directions to the police and the girl's father not to interfere in their married life.

UTTAR PRADESH EMERGES AS TOP DESTINATION FOR INVESTMENT, 1.35 LAKH JOBS TO BE CREATED



The Uttar Pradesh government has been working sincerely in creating jobs in the state by easing the investment process for big companies. According to the state government, over 1.35 lakh jobs are likely to be created through investments by companies in infrastructure and industrial development projects. Ten countries including the United States, the United Kingdom, Japan, Canada, Germany and South Korea have shown interest in investing in Uttar Pradesh, said the Infrastructure & Industrial Development Commissioner (IIDC), Alok Tandon. An investment of Rs 45,000 crore is likely to be made by these companies which will also generate around 1,35,362 jobs in Uttar Pradesh. In order to facilitate the investment process, the UP government has already allotted 426-acre land for several projects. Tandon further said that the entrepreneurs are being provided 166 services through 'Nivesh Mitra' portal, which is a single-window system of the Uttar Pradesh government. "In 6 months, 326 plots have been allotted for investment projects worth Rs 6,700 crore. This has attracted investors from all over the world to UP," said Tandon.



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