



MP GOVT WAIVED LOANS OF 26L FARMERS, I CHALLENGE SCINDIA & CHOUHAN TO REFUTE THIS, SAYS EX-CM NATH

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PM endorses Nitish as NDA's face ahead of Bihar elections



Screen grabs posted by PM Narendra Modi on Twitter, of a video conference whereby he inaugurated three petroleum projects in Bihar on Sunday

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi practically kicked off the NDA's campaign in Bihar, endorsing Nitish Kumar as the ruling coalition's face in the forthcoming elections by acknowledging the chief minister's "big role" in creating a "New India, New Bihar".

"There was a time when road connectivity, internet connectivity were not discussed. Being a landlocked state, Bihar faced many challenges... Nitish Kumar has played a big role in our aim towards a New India, New Bihar," Modi said.

The PM's endorsement comes amid opposition from a section of his own party, the BJP, and Ram Vilas Paswan's LJP to the idea of projecting Kumar as the NDA's face in the polls.

The PM made the comments while inaugurating Rs

900 crore worth projects built by IndianOil and HPCL to augment LPG supply in the state.

With Kumar, deputy CM Sushil Kumar Modi and petroleum minister Dharmendra Pradhan listening in on the online ceremony, the PM minced no words to make his views clear. "In the last 15 years, Bihar has shown that if the right government is elected in a state, benefits of schemes can reach its people," he said, putting his stamp of approval on the chief minister's leadership in making sure central welfare schemes reached common people.

Pradhan, on his part, said the PM was committed to the development of eastern India and ensuring a bright future for the people of Bihar.

The projects would cater to the growing LPG demand in the state, ensure availability of clean fuel and ensure women's empowerment, he said.

DRDO plans Star Wars-style weapons for battles of future

Programme On High-Energy Lasers And Microwaves

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New Delhi: The DRDO is now planning a national programme on directed energy weapons (DEWs) like high-energy lasers and high-powered microwaves, which are increasingly being considered crucial around the world for the contactless conflicts of the future.

The national programme will have short, medium and long-term goals, with the eventual aim being to develop different DEW variants of up to 100 kilowatt power, in collaboration with the domestic industry, sources said.

The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has been working on several DEW projects for long, ranging from 'chemical oxygen iodine' and 'high-power fibre' lasers to a secretive 'Kali' particle-beam weapon for 'soft-kills' against incoming missiles and aircraft. But they are nowhere near operational. The need for a focussed approach on DEWs has now gained urgency amid the ongoing military confrontation with China in eastern Ladakh.

DRDO has so far developed

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Conventional weapons use kinetic/chemical energy in missiles or other projectiles to destroy targets

DEWs are beams of concentrated electronic magnetic energy or subatomic particles to hit targets

Operational Advantages:

- Pinpoint accuracy at speed of light
- Low cost per shot & flexible compared to missiles
- Can engage multiple targets, with rapid re-targeting
- Can be used endlessly if power supply adequate, minimal collateral damage

They can be high-energy/solid-state lasers, high-power microwaves & charged-particle beams

DEWs have 2 major subsystems: laser source & beam control system

Militarily, a laser weapon would require a 500-kilowatt beam to destroy an incoming missile



Status:

- Use of lasers in industry/medicine widely prevalent
- Lasers used in everyday life, from CD/DVD players to printers & barcode scanners
- US, Russia, China, Germany & Israel have developed DEWs to destroy drones, vehicles, boats etc
- High-power lasers for use as deadly long-range weapons still being developed

two anti-drone DEW systems, which will now be productionised in large numbers. While one is a trailer-mounted DEW, with a 10 kilowatt laser to engage aerial targets at 2-km range, the other is a compact tripod-mounted one with a 2 kilowatt laser for a 1-km range.

Successfully demonstrated to the forces, intelligence and police forces in field operations, the systems can bring down micro drones by jamming their command and control links or damaging their electronics through the laser-based DEW officials said.

These indigenous systems, however, are extremely modest compared to the much

more powerful DEWs developed by countries like the US, Russia, China, Germany and Israel to destroy multiple drones, vehicles and boats.

The US, for instance, tested a 33 kilowatt laser weapon from a warship to shoot down drones several years ago. More recently, in May, the US Navy tested a new 'high-energy solid-state laser' to disable a drone aircraft in mid-air. The US, in fact, may be just four to five years away from deploying 300 to 500 kilowatt DEWs capable of shooting down cruise missiles.

The Indian defence establishment's technological roadmap for the next decade says

the Army and IAF need at least 20 'tactical high-energy laser systems' that can destroy 'small aerial targets', electronic warfare and radars systems at a range of 6-8 km in Phase-I.

In Phase-II, the laser systems should have a range of over 20 km to take on 'soft-skinned' vehicles and troops from ground and aerial platforms. Similarly, at least 20 high-power electromagnetic weapon systems are required for the forces, with 6-8 km range in Phase-I and over 15 km in Phase-II.

The ongoing Army study on 'niche and disruptive warfare technologies' identified DEWs as a focus area.

Hizb letter warns J&K leaders, FIR registered

Jammu: Police have registered an FIR after a senior Congress leader received a letter from Hizbul Mujahideen threatening to target mainstream politicians of the Jammu region, including Union minister Jitendra Singh, if they did not relinquish politics, officials said on Sunday.

The two-page letter, written in Urdu on the terror group's letter pad, was delivered by post to senior vice president of J-K Congress and former minister Raman Bhalla at his headquarters on Friday, the officials said.

"We have registered a case under relevant sections of the law and further investigation is on," Senior Superintendent of

Police, Jammu, Shridhar Patil told PTI.

The letter, signed by additional commander of Hizbul Mujahideen, named 17 senior politicians including Union minister Singh, Bhalla, J-K BJP president Ravinder Raina, former deputy CM Nirmal Singh, National Conference provincial president Devender Singh Rana, Dogra Swabhimani Sangathan leader Choudhary Lal Singh and National Panthers Party chair Harsh Dev Singh.

"We warn you to renounce politics and support our cause for freedom otherwise death warrants have been issued against you," the letter read. AGENCIES

Umar Khalid arrested for conspiracy in Delhi riots

New Delhi: Former JNU student Umar Khalid was arrested late on Sunday by Special Cell of Delhi Police under the stringent Unlawful Activities Prevention Act for conspiracy in the northeast Delhi riots.

Police claimed they had found crucial evidence, in-

cluding his movements along with the other co-accused. He will be produced before a court at noon on Monday. His mobile phone has been seized for forensic analysis. He was interrogated about his meeting with members of "United Against Hate" group and Popular Front of India.

Khalid had come under the scanner of intelligence agencies for his speech on February 17 in Maharashtra's Amravati. In a 17-minute video clip of the event, he was heard asking people to come out on the streets during US president Donald Trump's visit.

"The home minister had said that no matter how much we

protest or complain, the government won't back-track on its decisions. I promise you that on February 24, when Donald Trump arrives in India, we will let him know that the Indian PM has been trying to divide the country. If the government wants to divide India, the citizens will unite and step out on the roads," Khalid said in the clip. TNN

Xi's moves against India 'unexpectedly flopped': US mag

Washington: Describing Xi Jinping as the "architect" of the PLA's recent aggressive moves against India, a leading US magazine has reported that the Chinese President has risked his future with the high-profile incursions into Indian territory that "unexpectedly flopped" in the face of ferocious fightback by the Indian Army.



An army convoy carrying tanks moving towards Ladakh on Sunday

Xi, 67, already roiling the Communist Party with a "rectification" campaign and mass persecution of foes, will launch "another brutal purge" following the Chinese army's failures on the Indian border, the News-

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week said in an opinion piece. "Unfortunately for Xi, he is the "architect" of these aggressive moves into India and his PLA has unexpectedly flopped.

The Chinese army's failures on the Indian border will have consequences," it said, adding that the developments give Xi an excuse to pick up the pace of replacing adversaries in the armed forces with loyal elements.

"More important, the failures motivate China's aggressive ruler: who as chairman of the Party's Central Military Commission, is the leader of the People's Liberation Army and the ruling Communist Party of China — to launch another offensive against Indian positions," the magazine warned.

"China is thought to have suffered at least 43 deaths in the Galwan clash," the magazine said. Citing Cleo Paskal of the Foundation for Defense of Democracies, it said number of Chinese killed could exceed 60. China's forces were surprised when India mounted their attempt to retake strategic high points. Stunned Chinese soldiers retreated," it said. AGENCIES

Nawazuddin's ex-wife reasserts abuse charges

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Muzaffarnagar: The ex-wife of Nawazuddin Siddiqui has recorded her statement at a police station in UP's Muzaffarnagar and reasserted her charges, including that a family member was "molested" by the actor's brother. She had filed case in Mumbai, which was later transferred to Muzaffarnagar's Budhana area where the alleged incident took place.

including his mother and brothers were booked at Versova police station in Mumbai on July 27 on the basis of a complaint filed by his wife. The complainant also alleged that she had apprised her in-laws about the molestation incident, but they told her to keep quiet.

In his response, the actor's brother Faizuddin Siddiqui has accused his former sister-in-law of "blackmailing". He has demanded a fair investigation by Muzaffarnagar police.

Nawazuddin is currently living with his family at his native place in Muzaffarnagar's Budhana town.



Government of Puducherry
Puducherry Real Estate Regulatory Authority
Office of the Town and Country Planning Department

INVITATION FOR APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS IN PUDUCHERRY REAL ESTATE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

The Government of Puducherry as mandated under section 20 of the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016 (No 16 of 2016) hereby invites applications for appointment of one Chairperson and one Member in Puducherry Real Estate Regulatory Authority. Complete Information on qualification, eligibility criteria, application format and other details may be obtained from the website of Town and Country Planning Department (<https://tccpd.py.gov.in>). Application in the prescribed format alongwith supporting documents should reach the office of Town and Country Planning Department, Puducherry on or before **9th October 2020 at 5.45 PM.**

* Filling up of the post of Member is subject to the outcome of the W.P. No. 8430 of 2020.

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Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) proposes to appoint Aggregators for selling various petroleum products - FO /LDO/MTO and Industrial SKO in the States of Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Goa, & UT of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu to Micro Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME) Segment.

Details of eligibility, evaluation criteria for selection and application format can be downloaded from HPCL's website: www.hindustanpetroleum.com. All revisions, clarifications, corrigenda, addenda, time extensions etc. to the above advertisement will be hosted on the aforementioned website only. Applicants should regularly visit the website to keep themselves updated.

The duly filled applications along with enclosures and demand draft of ₹ 1180 (One thousand one hundred eighty) in favor of Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited should be submitted at the address indicated for each location on or before **14th October 2020 by close of office hours i.e 17.00 Hrs.**

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RE-OPEN RECRUITMENT NOTICE

AIIMS Rishikesh has reopened and invited online applications from eligible candidates to fill post on **Direct Recruitment Basis** for engineering posts against **Advt. No 2019/003-010.**

For detailed description of qualification & other eligibility criteria please visit the Institute website: www.aiimsrishikesh.edu.in.

Note: The candidates who had already successfully applied (with applicable application fee) earlier in response to above mentioned advertisements need not to apply again.

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NOTICE
IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI
COMMERCIAL SUIT NO.1 OF 2019.

Piraeus Bank S.A.(also known as Piraeus Bank A.E.) ...Plaintiff
Vs.
1. M.V.EVANGELIA M & 27 others ...Defendants

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the order dated 9th September, 2019, 24th October, 2019, 21st December 2019, 31st January 2020, 11th March 2020 and 21st August 2020 passed by His Lordship Sri Justice M. Venkata Ramana of the Hon'ble High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Amaravati in I.A.No.18 and 19 of 2019 in COMMERCIAL SUIT NO.1 OF 2019 respectively, the Registrar (Judicial), High Court of Andhra Pradesh has been directed to auction the vessel M.V.EVANGELIA M (IMO No.9506708) described in schedule hereunder, lying at the port of Kakina, Andhra Pradesh, by inviting bids in sealed covers in US Dollars at his office situated on the second floor of the High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Nelapadu, Amaravati-522237.

The vessel will be sold on "as is where is, what is there is" basis. The intending bidders may give their offer(s) in sealed envelope along with Earnest Money Deposit of \$41,852 (USD Forty-one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two) by way of wire transfer (foreign inward remittance) to State Bank of India, Guntur Main Branch, Account Number 38969202369, Swift code SBININBB181, routing number SBIN0000844 (excluding bank charges) in favour of Registrar (Judicial), High Court of Andhra Pradesh and obtain tender forms indicating the sale conditions, from the office of the Assistant Registrar (Sri R.Karthikeyan), High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Amaravati on all working days till 4.15 pm between 16th September 2020 to 26th September 2020 and can also be downloaded from the website of the Kakina Port (website: www.kakinadaseaports.in). The sealed tenders will be submitted to the Registrar (Judicial) in-person or by post till 2.00 pm on 28th September, 2020. The offer in sealed covers will be placed for opening, before the Hon'ble Admiralty Judge (Civil admissions) of the Hon'ble High Court of Andhra Pradesh on 05.10.2020 at 02.15 pm or on such adjourned date as the Court may fix.

The bidder(s)/offerer(s) shall remain present before the Hon'ble Admiralty Judge (Civil Admissions) of the Hon'ble High Court, Andhra Pradesh on 05.10.2020 at 2.15 pm. The successful bidder shall pay the balance consideration by 19.10.2020.

The specifications of the vessel are given below :

Name of the vessel: "EVANGELIA M"

- Call sign "D5GB2/16409"
- Year of Build/Place: 2010/Yangzhou Guoyu Shipping Co.Ltd, China
- IMO Number: 9506708
- LOA: 189.99 metres
- Breadth: 32.26 metres
- Depth: 18.00 metres
- Summer Dead weight: 56723.99 metric tons
- Main Engine: Wartsila 6RT-Flex 50B Diesel Engine 9480 bhp @ 124 rpm
- Cargo Capacity: 71634 m³
- Classification Society - Bureau Veritas-B.V.
- Type of vessel: Bulk carrier
- Bunkers on board - Fuel Oil-86 metric ton
Diesel Oil-4 Metric ton
Lube Oil-Nil
Bilges-Contain water and oil mixture.
- P & I Club - Hydor AS
- Net Tonnage - 19,231 tonnes
- Gross Tonnage - 33,005 tonnes
- Owner of the Ship - SEA MAJESTY INC.
- Flag - Liberia
- Port of Registry - NEW YORK, USA.

Intending bidders may inspect the above vessel at Kakina Harbour between 10.00am and 5.00pm on all working days from 16th September, 2020 onwards to 26th September, 2020. The inspection expenses shall be borne exclusively by the intending bidders. The intending bidders shall leave a request in writing to the HARBOUR MASTER, KAKINADA PORT, KAKINADA, one day in advance of the choice of the date for carrying out inspection. The inspection expenses incurred by the Port shall be shared by the intending bidders.

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Registrar (Judicial)

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