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MANIPUR FILES: UPROAR OVER MANIPUR VIOLENCE IN BOTH THE LOK SABHA AND RAJYA SABHA

There is nationwide uproar over Manipur violence, the opposition alliance INDIA demands that Prime Minister Narendra Modi should make an inclusive statement on sexual atrocities in the state at Parliament. Congress leader Jairam Ramesh said that a discussion on the issue can take place only after PM Modi's statement. This comes as the Centre has agreed to hold a short-duration discussion on the Manipur issue with the Home Minister replying to it, but the opposition is adamant on its demand for the prime minister's statement first.

"No 5D drama that PM does to escape responsibility in such situations: He denies, 'distorts', diverts, deflects and 'defames'. Will he rise to the occasion? Manipur is waiting. The nation is watch-

ing," the Congress general secretary said.

AAP MP Raghav Chada said "The country demands that the Govt and PM Modi should speak on the issue of Manipur. It is the responsibility of the Central govt to restore peace in the country. Today we are going to protest against this issue in the Parliament. Rajya Sabha Chairman should allow us to discuss on the Manipur issue"

As the Parliament logjam on Manipur persisted on Monday, opposition parties stuck to their demand for Prime Minister Narendra Modi's statement on the issue, saying why the PM is speaking outside the House but not inside, and the ruling BJP accused them of running away from the debate by disrupting proceedings.

Holding a press conference, Congress leaders accused the BJP of treating Manipur issue as just another law-and-order problem. "BJP is shielding the PM from speaking in the Parliament and wants to merely have a symbolic discussion (on Manipur). They are treating Manipur situation as ordinary law and order problem," said Congress leader Gaurav Gogoi. Meanwhile, Shakti Singh Kohli said, "Is there any other issue more serious than Manipur? Why discussion is not being allowed (in Parliament) under Rule 267?"

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Congress leader Gaurav Gogoi.

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Both Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha have failed to transact any significant business during the Monsoon session amid the stalemate between the opposition and the government over the Manipur issue.

Unbiased journalism is not practical

Editoritis



Dr. Vaidehi

Starting from year one, the first problems which we faced were finances. The lack of finances where one lady had to toss the gambling coin in the air, with a possibility of either getting it or losing it all and guess what, we had the ' head and 'tails soon followed. It was totally a game of guts that we did. So far, the media was always owned by the 'rich' or 'capitalists' who had their own backing and they rely on them. Thus, the basic idea of parallel media died and pseudo journalism flourished right from the early times. It was surely difficult for all of us to survive in the market.

Soon, our journey continued and year after year we finally completed fifteen years this year. The honour of having a television media was about to succeed but, unfortunately, we again met the wrong people at wrong

place. Though, there was a slight set back but that was not enough to stop us. We have promised to go ahead and reach out to keep extending our own records, year after year. Last year we came up with 'The Democracy' the digital video news portal. That was inaugurated by the former honourable Governor Of Maharashtra, Shree Bhagat Singh Koshyari.

There are people who have taken away powers from the people but we believe in giving power back to the people. My motive this time was to bring back journalism where it belongs, for the people and by the people. Thus, we even came up with an idea of letting common man or the citizens of India to speak up and give out news about anything and everything that they feel is happening with factual evidences, thus citizen journalism was flourished.

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Money is the most important factor to run anything in this world, even your car needs cash to sustain itself. We are not even playing puppets with anyone; how do we ensure money?

The last year which we spent seems like a story summed up over the nightly full of caffeine running across the membranes and still pushing our adrenaline rush into the veins as we typed the stories for you, the readers!

Trust me these days prime time debates have become sort of physical and verbal wrestling. All chicken headed newscasters with one set agenda and the typical list of panelists, everything staged.

With power back to the people, it feels like to have accomplished a revolution. The event of coming out clean from various challenges itself was the proof that we no need to show more proof of our honesty and commitment. Honesty comes with a huge price and we are constantly investing in it, without hesitation. Wise once said, if you speak a lie, you need to remember and be smarter but if you speak the truth, you just have to remember the event and rest the God stands right next to you. With high regards to my readers who have kept us strong and high respect to people who have taken the time out and contributed in our journey, thanks is a small word for them. We stand up with the pride of being what we are today and will continue carrying on with it. The journey was difficult but difficulties are the only things which are guaranteed in life, isn't it? We have embraced the challenge of running the show and we have proved it, one and for all that running a media house is no game of the industrialists only.

Money is the most important factor to run anything in this world, even your car needs cash to sustain itself. We are not even playing puppets with anyone; how do we ensure money? Struggle story is always aspiring and very inspiring towards growth but no one understands where it pinches in the shoe, except the one who is actually wearing it. If your heart is true to what you wish to do, everything is possible. The voice of people has taken a toll over the past few years and over the repeated incidents, people have become more and more intellectual, politically sound and optimistic towards the opportunities.

The growth of the country and decline of the economics are all tied up into one. The last year which we spent seems like a story summed up over the nightly full of caffeine running across the membranes and still pushing our adrenaline rush into the veins as we typed the stories for you, the readers! There are many media veterans and individual entities made their efforts to sustain with authentic reporting and broadcasting, I would like to mention few names here, like News laundry a readers supported, independent news media company. In an industry driven by corporate and government interests, they understood the need of independent news model, and a free and accountable press. But if you look at their viewers ration, is one is to thousands as compared to main stream media.

Their viewers are also their types some neutral but most of them against Modi government. I personally watch them for the reason they hoot these rabblouser anchors. Trust me these days prime time debates have become sort of physical and verbal wrestling. All chicken headed newscasters with one set agenda and the typical list of panelists, everything staged. Their only job is to keep people high on Modi, Hindutva, temples and the strongest dopamine is Hindu-Muslim. We really need someone to tell the people that this is something is not for your good. The entire team of News laundry doing marvelous job with series of satire sup-

ported by exclusive research work.

Through media critique, reportage, podcasts, documentaries, comics and animation, they bring you the latest in current affairs in innovative and engaging formats. But again, because they survive on people's fund they are grow beyond on limit. Again, even if they manage to grow, few lakhs of subscribers if not enough to compete the channels having hundred crores viewers. The influence of TV is larger the audiences are conditioned by them. Where in all these individual commentators and You-Tubers have limited scope.

Remember, our country has larger population living in rural area and they have got nothing to do with all these broadcasts, the urban population that subscribes them are educated people who are already of similar opinion, perhaps this is the reason these people hardly play any role in influencing the mandate during elections.

Right wing IT cells have successfully tagged them as anti-Modi and leftists, that is another reason those who are flowing in the wind of Hindu Rashtra are not much keen in taking them seriously. An average citizen is not even aware that there is something called News Laundry or Dhruv Rathee's show.

Abrar Bhat, Ram Dutt Tripathi, Navin Kumar, Abu Aimal Azad, Mohammed Akram Ali, Kunal Majumdar are few examples of independent and neutral voices but the collective viewership of all these people against the viewership of Sushant Sinha of Times now is less than 50 percent. Sushant Sinha, Amish Devgan, Navika Kumar, and Arnab Goswami are the big sharks here. Their influence on viewers is larger than these parallel media broadcast. Ravish Kumar had huge following and viewership for his prime time, and he is doing equally well on YouTube. He is known as common man's journalist. In main stream media Arnab Goswami has his typical dominance and his viewers vouch for him.

The main stream media are the actual players. They condition people's mind, they create perceptions, they change narratives and they successfully do businesses. They are the actual powerhouse in the hands of powerful people. No matter how hard the neutral or honest media houses make efforts, they will remain limited in the reach. There are obnoxious voices against ruling government and its leaders, and these broadcasters go to all low levels of demonstrations thankfully they have only set of their kind of viewers.



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Voices



Letters to the Editor

Helpless Virar tribals

It's sad to see the plight of the helpless Virar tribals protesting in waist deep waters recently, on account of the floods resulting from the incessant rains lashing the MMR region. The authorities must take quick action to relieve the sufferings not only of these tribals but all those in the city who are affected by the heavy downpour. We must however, also think of how we can prevent such situations in the future. We cannot fight Nature, we need to adapt to Nature.

Melville X. D'Souza

Parting shot

Uttar Pradesh minister Pratibha Shukla's statement as the minister advised people to not eat tomatoes now. "If you stop eating tomatoes, the prices will inevitably come down. And people should grow tomatoes at home. You can also eat lemon instead of tomato. If nobody is eating tomatoes, the prices will come down." It is obvious that the inflation rate is out of control in the current dispensation and the government is not able to come over it. So, by giving such statements can't be hidden failures.

MJ Azizi

How to celebrate Amritkal?

The incident in Manipur has lowered the face of Indians in the world, but at the same time, the monstrous reality of mob rule that has grown in the country has been seen. Manipur has been burning for the past few days. But it was not thought that the fire would reach this level and the terrible reality would come out. The deplorable situation in Manipur and the elements responsible for it must be punished immediately. With this horrible and irritating incident, do we really deserve to celebrate the "Amrit Kaal" of our country? Is it proper as an Indian that Indians fall down in shame before raising their heads when they are striving for space by doing activities like "Chandra Yaan 3". When Indian culture teaches honor and respect to women, this kind of merciless monstrosity like mob rule is a real example of a society or a mob going in the wrong direction. How and in what manner to celebrate Amrit Kaal?

Dattaprasad Shirodkar

Ban Chinese Apps

Indian citizens are getting deadly digital attacks from loan, betting apps being operated by Chinese citizens. People of many states of India are falling prey to indebtedness and mental harassment by getting trapped in the maze of such tempting and alluring apps made by Chinese people. Many lives are lost in this torture and many people's documents become part of the cycle of abuse. Many states have appealed to the central government to stop such Chinese apps. Delay in this is not appropriate.

K Mazhar

Humanity in 'Precariousness'

The whole of India was dancing with Pakistani Seema Sachin when two Indian women were attacked by a ferocious mob in Manipur. The party which formed its government by raising the slogan "Beti Padhao Beti Bachao" is now under its rule, the dignity of the daughters is being stolen. The Chief Minister says that this was not a single case but hundreds of such incidents happened in his state! Such shameful phrases indicate the dictatorship of the government. Moreover, all the national organizations that claim to be secular are also silent. If any bad words about religion had been said, people would have come to the streets by now, but humanity is being insulted here, despite this, everyone is snoring. All the political parties and national organizations have to unite and fight against this oppression, otherwise we will have also to face it tomorrow.

G.Champa

Humanism is hanged?



We should condemn wrong things, irrespective of who the perpetrator is. This is not happening in our country. Humanism is the best Philosophy. Religion is Opium. All of us know. But we are not prepared to accept.

When human dignity is at stake State government and Union Government should rush every help that is needed by the victims. Every effort is to be made to stop violence and anarchy and establish peace. Governments should understand the root causes and apply remedial measures on war footing. May incidents - inhuman, pathetic, barbaric- came to light after months? Why so?

Issues of seven sisters should be listed out and a committee should be constituted for resolving all

of them, in a time-bound manner. Manipur issue being given top priority.

I fail to understand why so, that part of India was ignored for decades. People are gentle and patient. Now they lost patience. But they should not behave this way. This is totally condemned. (Of late, regarding the Ladak issue, Sonam Wangchuk the popular engineer and educator had to resort to climate fasting to bring the long pending issue to the notice of the Government. I do not know the present status)

We cannot keep issues of any part of the country unresolved for decades.

Students are supposed to study throughout the year but not just before the exams. Government should know the issues in all the parts of the country and resolve. It should not keep them

pending unresolved for long.

When we give importance to G20 by conducting 200 seminars, how can we ignore our own issue for so long? Not to debate our own issues in our own Parliament. (even it happened with farmers issue in Punjab Region earlier.) One should learn from the past too.

It is painful not only to every Indian but also to every human on this planet - the horrific happenings there at Manipur and the response or reaction of Governments - State and Central. Let Sanmathi prevail!

- LakshmanRao Kantamsetti

Columnist

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Mumbai police SIT questions Aditya Thackeray's close aide Suraj Chavan



A Special Investigation Team (SIT) of the Mumbai police's Economic Offences Wing (EOW) Monday started questioning Yuva Sena functionary Suraj Chavan, a close aide of Shiv Sena (UBT) MLA Aaditya Thackeray, in alleged financial irregularities worth nearly Rs 12,024 crore in the Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) projects.

The SIT is conducting pre-

liminary inquiries into projects undertaken by the BMC, including expenses during the Covid crisis. An official said after the SIT finds cognisable offences fit to file a criminal case, it will file an FIR and investigate the matter further.

Joint Commissioner of Police (EOW) Nishith Mishra confirmed the questioning of Chavan, who was earlier questioned for several hours by the Enforcement Direc-

torate. Commissioner of Police Vivek Phansalkar heads the SIT and comprises two supervisory officers: Joint Commissioner of Police (Traffic) Nishith Mishra and Deputy Commissioner of Police (EOW) Sangram Singh Nishandar.

The SIT was formed on the orders of Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde to probe the alleged financial irregularities in projects undertaken by the BMC.

A special audit by the Comptroller and Auditor General – made public in the March-April Budget Session of the state Legislative Assembly — pointed to irregularities to the tune of Rs 12,024 crore in various projects carried out by the BMC between November 2019 and October 2021.

Antilia bomb scare case: SC extends interim bail granted to ex-cop Pradeep Sharma

The Supreme Court on Monday extended by two weeks the interim bail of former Mumbai Police officer Pradeep Sharma, who was arrested in connection with the Antilia bomb scare case and the killing of businessman Mansukh Hiran, in view of his wife's surgery.

A bench of Justices AS Bopanna and Bela M Trivedi, however, said since the interim bail is being extended time and again, this will be the last extension.

"If the surgery does not happen within this period, the petitioner (Pradeep Sharma)



will have to surrender after two weeks. There will not be any more extensions of interim bail", the bench told senior advocate Mukul Rohatgi, appearing for Sharma.

Rohatgi said he will surrender if the surgery of his wife is not conducted by then.

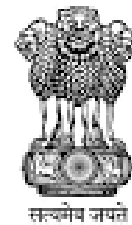
"This time surgery could not be conducted as her blood pressure was not stabilising", he said.

The bench said after Sharma's surrender, the court will take up his plea for regular bail.

Additional Solicitor General SV Raju, appearing for NIA, said Sharma has been seeking extension of interim bail time and again citing various reasons.

On June 26, the top court had extended by four weeks the interim bail granted to Sharma. PTI

Only 1.94 crore was wasted on the function of machine program



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The scheme for distribution of sewing machine, bell machine and masala kandap machine by Mumbai Municipal Corporation was recently concluded at Somaiya Maidan in Chunabhatti. Mumbai Municipal Corporation has spent only 1.94 crores on this program. This information has been given to RTI activist Anil Galgali by the F North Ward office of Mumbai Municipal Corporation.

RTI activist Anil Galgali had sought information from the Mumbai Municipal Corporation about the expenditure incurred for the program of distribution of sewing machines, bell machines and masala kandap

machines. The Municipal Corporation's F North Ward Office informed Anil Galgali that the contractor for the program of distribution of sewing machine, doorbell machine and masala kandap machine organized at Chunabhatti. Jess Ideas Pvt Ltd (for mandap, stage, table, chairs, carpet, water, refreshments, etc.) and M/s. SB Enterprises (for LED lights, lighting, sound systems, generator fans, coolers, photoshooting, video, etc.) Appointed by BMC. As the fund for the said work has not been made available so the contractor bill pending. A total of Rs. 1,93,76,500/- administrative approval has been taken.

3 killed in rain-related incidents in Yavatmal, around 280 people rescued



Three persons have died in rain-related incidents in Maharashtra's Yavatmal district, state Relief and Rehabilitation Minister Anil Patil said and announced an assistance of Rs 4 lakh to the families of each of the deceased. Patil directed the district administration to immediately distribute food grains and provide an assistance of Rs 5,000 to more than 1,600 flood-affected families in the district.

Besides the State Disaster Response Force (SDRF), an Mi-17 V5 chopper of the Indian Air Force was also pressed into service for the rescue operation at Anandnagar Tanda village.

Heavy rains have lashed Yavatmal in the last few days, and more than 77 circles (in the district) received more than 100 mm downpour.

Two persons were swept away in flooding in Akola Ba and Savar villages on Saturday, out of which one of the bodies was yet to be recovered. Besides, a woman died after her house collapsed in Waghadi village.

Yavatmal Collector Amol Yedge said around 280 people were safely rescued from the flood waters, while 6,275 people were shifted to a temporary accommodation and provided food.

Devendra Fadnavis responds to Opposition leader Danve on the issue of unequal fund allocation



Various departments put up proposals before the government. Then depending upon the availability of funds, the allocation takes place by the finance minister," says DyC Fadnavis responding to Leader of Op-

position UBT Shiv Sena Ambadas Danve who raised the issue of all political parties purportedly not receiving equal fund allocation from the state government.

Referring to the past to "answer the questions raised", Fadnavis says during his term as chief minister such questions were never raised. "When Udhav Thackeray was the CM, not a single penny was granted," he adds addressing the Assembly.

Tansa dam in Thane district nearing overflow; villages put on alert

Villages in Shahapur, Bhivandi, and Vasai talukas in Thane and Palghar districts of Maharashtra are put on alert in view of the possible discharge of water from the Tansa dam.

The dam in Thane district is likely to overflow anytime due to continuous rainfall in the region and hence villages situated around the dam and banks of the (Tansa) river are put on alert, a release said. (PTI)

Nation

Rajasthan Assembly adjourned as sacked Minister Rajendra Gudha, BJP MLAs create ruckus



stood to speak. Ugly scenes were witnessed at this time and the BJP MLAs too created an uproar and stormed the well of the House over the issue of the "red diary". The Speaker then adjourned the House. Before the House began in the morning, Mr. Gudha told reporters that he would "disclose" details about the "red diary" in the Assembly. He said the diary contained some "secrets".

Mr. Gudha, who held charge as Minister of State for Sainik Kalyan (Independent Charge), Home Guard and Civil Defence, Panchayati Raj and Rural Development, was sacked on Friday evening, hours after he cornered the State government over the law and order situation and women safety in the Assembly. PTI

The Rajasthan Assembly was adjourned after sacked Minister Rajendra Gudha, aided by BJP MLAs, created unruly scenes in the House during Zero Hour on July 24.

Mr. Gudha, who was sacked as Minister of State on July 21 after he cornered his own Congress government in the Assembly,

reached near Speaker C. P. Joshi's chair with a "red diary" and had an argument with him. As Mr. Gudha waved the red-coloured diary, the speaker asked him to come to his chamber.

After some time, Mr. Gudha reached near Parliamentary Affairs Minister Shanti Dhariwal and confronted him while he

Govt doesn't want any discussion on Manipur alleges Samajwadi Party MP Jaya Bachchan

The face-off between the Central government and the Opposition escalated Monday over the latter's demand for a statement by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in Parliament on the Manipur situation, followed by a discussion.

Samajwadi Party MP Jaya Bachchan on Monday alleged that the government didn't want any discussion on the Manipur issue in the Parliament and instead is choosing to focus on what is



happening in strong opposition-ruled states "They don't want discussion (on Manipur). Instead, they talk about the strong opposition-ruled states. Tell us what is

happening in your states like Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh and whichever states are left with them. And these states won't even remain with them soon," she said.

BJP misusing suffering of women in Manipur to promote 'whataboutery' says Shashi Tharoor

Senior Congress leader Shashi Tharoor on Monday accused the BJP of "misusing" the tragic suffering of women in the "Manipur horror story" to promote "whataboutery" by citing attacks on women in Opposition-ruled states.

Asked about the opposition's demand that Prime Minister Narendra Modi should make a statement on Manipur, Tharoor told reporters outside Parliament, "I think this is an understandable point of view (from opposition's perspective). The biggest issue facing the nation today is that

a state of ours is burning, there are already consequences for the neighbouring state of Mizoram. We are looking at a situation of such great importance that no one less than the chief executive of the government can speak on it to begin with after which the home minister and others can play their part." "The prime minister saw fit to speak to the media outside Parliament when Parliament is in session, that is not acceptable. The prime minister is accountable to Parliament, that is the whole logic of a parliamentary democracy," he said.

In a tweet, Tharoor said the tragic suffering of women in the "Manipur horror story" is being misused by the ruling party to promote "whataboutery" by citing attacks on women in Opposition-ruled states.

"Whenever such shameful incidents have occurred, the state governments have acted promptly and in sympathy with the victims, whereas in Manipur the authorities are complicit and seeking to suppress the truth rather than act against the perpetrators," the MP from Thiruvananthapuram alleged. (PTI)

"Anjuman Intezamia committee misled SC...": Advocate Vishnu Shankar Jain on Gyanvapi survey case



Representing the Hindu side in the Gyanvapi mosque case Advocate Vishnu Shankar Jain on Monday said that the Anjuman Intezamia Masjid committee misled the Supreme Court on the survey being conducted by the Archaeological Survey of India at Gyanvapi mosque in Varanasi. Advocate Jain said that Anjuman Intezamia Masjid committee submitted to the apex court that digging has started at the Mosque complex which is not true.

"Supreme Court has put a stay on the order of the District Court on survey of the Mosque complex and has asked the Allahabad Court to decide the matter afresh. We will keep our argument in at Allahabad HC. The Muslim side, Anjuman Intezamia

misled the SC and said that digging has started there, which is not true," he told ANI.

The Supreme Court on Monday ordered that Varanasi district court order of the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) survey of the Gyanvapi mosque complex, adjacent to Kashi Vishwanath temples, shall not be enforced till 5 pm of July 26 while hearing the matter after a Special Leave Petition (SLP) was filed by Anjuman Intezamia Masjid (AIM) in the apex court seeking an urgent hearing in the Gyanvapi mosque survey case. A bench headed by Chief Justice of India DY Chandrachud says that the mosque committee shall move the Allahabad High Court with its plea against the district court's order. ANI

Union Home Minister Amit Shah says, "Ready to discuss on Manipur"



Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Monday said that the government is ready for a discussion on Manipur and requested the Opposition to let a discussion take place on the issue. "I am ready for discussion on Manipur in the House. I request the Opposition to let a discussion take place on this issue. It is important that the country gets to know the truth on this sensitive matter," he said in the Lok Sabha.

Amid ruckus in the Rajya

Sabha over the Manipur issue today, Chairman Jagdeep Dhankar suspended AAP MP Sanjay Singh for the entire duration of the Monsoon session for "repeatedly violating the directives of the Chair". Sanjay Singh was seen in the Well of the House before being suspended. Later, the House was adjourned for the third time today till 3 pm, after Deputy Chairman Harivansh asked Singh to leave the House, which led to disruption from Opposition MPs.

World

Japan: Fukushima moms led charge for radiation data



Fukushima's mothers have become radiation experts to protect their children as the Japanese government gets ready to transfer cleaned water from the crippled Fukushima Daiichi nuclear plant later this summer, according to Kyodo News. A charity organisation in Fukushima Prefecture, comprising 13 members, many of whom are mothers testing the radioactivity in fish and seawater.

With no prior experience in

taking scientific measurements, the group is driven by serious concerns over how the discharge of radioactive water into the Pacific Ocean might affect the environment and children's health. Learning the monitoring techniques from experts, they continue to fine-tune their operation, Kyodo News reported. "Unless we gather data now, we won't know if there is any impact after the release," a member of the NPO said. "We need to take

accurate measurements now to eliminate our concerns about the effects on growing children," they added. Called "Mothers' Radiation Lab Fukushima", the organisation named Tarachine was founded in the prefectural city of Iwaki in November 2011, eight months after the nuclear accident caused by the devastating earthquake and tsunami that slammed Japan's northeastern coast on March 11 of the same year, Kyodo News reported.

According to the NPO, the word Tarachine comes from the Manyoshu, Japan's oldest selection of poetry, and means mother or someone who fights to protect her children. The group began by measuring homegrown vegetables, rice and soil brought in by citizens concerned about radioactive contamination. Tarachine found "hot spots" with localized high radiation levels in city parks and informed the prefectural government, leading to decontamination work. ANI

S Korea launches radiation tests on seawater amid Japan's plan to release radioactive water



South Korea on Monday began "emergency radiation tests" on seawater at 108 maritime points around the Korean Peninsula to ease concerns over Japan's planned release of contaminated water from its crippled Fukushima nuclear plant, South Korea's Yonhap news agency wrote quoting the oceans ministry. The Oceans Ministry chose 108 more coastal spots, 75 spots in the east, west and south of South Korea, as well as the waters off the southern island

of Jeju, and 33 spots from more distant areas to collect samples to check radioactivity levels, Vice Oceans Minister Park Sung-hoon said during a press briefing, Yonhap News Agency reported.

The tests will be carried out two or three times per month on each spot, and the government will employ a "rapid analysis method" to draw results in a swift manner, rather than using traditional inspection methods that generally take more than two months. ANI

Greece witnesses largest-ever evacuation as tourists flee Rhodes wildfires



The largest evacuation effort launched in Greece's history, according to officials, was when a massive wildfire ravaging the Greek island of Rhodes forced hundreds of tourists to leave their hotels on Sunday, CNN reported. Those who were caught up in the flames described chaotic and terrifying scenes, with others forced to evacuate on foot or by other means after being ordered to do so.

Since Tuesday, a wildfire has been blazing in the centre and southern regions of Rhodes, a very well-liked island among tourists. It is the biggest of sev-

eral fires that have broken out in Greece, which is burning as a result of a heat wave that experts predict will end up being the nation's longest on record, according to CNN. The operation, which the government referred to as "the largest such effort Greece has ever seen," involved the transportation of 16,000 people—tourists and locals—by land and 3,000 by sea.

The middle and southern regions of the island are where firefighters are presently concentrating their efforts on three active fronts, CNN quoted the local fire department as saying. ANI

Russian missile strikes damage historic Orthodox Ukrainian cathedral in Odesa

The Russian missile strikes that killed at least one and injured many have destroyed a famous Orthodox cathedral in the southern Ukrainian port city of Odesa, reported CNN. In the latest wave of attacks on Odesa, several other historic buildings have also been destroyed.

The largest church structure in

Odesa is the Transfiguration Cathedral. It was consecrated in 1809 and later demolished in 1936 during the Soviet era. However, when Ukraine became an independent nation, the structure underwent a reconstruction. Videos circulating on social media revealed the cathedral's interior was filled with debris. According to Ukrainian of-

officials, the patroness of the city's icon had been rescued from the ruins, CNN reported.

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Pakistan: Heavy rains cause urban flooding in Sindh

Heavy rains on Sunday hit Pakistan's Hyderabad, Mirpurkhas and Dadu districts of Sindh province, causing urban flooding in the wake of the breakdown of the drainage system and suspending power supply, Dawn reported. Dawn is a Pakistani English-language newspaper.

It started raining heavily in Pakistan's Hyderabad on Saturday night and continued into

Sunday till 2 am when it rained around 45 minutes. The power supply went off with the first drop of rain causing a massive breakdown early on Sunday. At around 4:30 pm, the second spell of rain started and continued till 10 pm intermittently, paralyzing civic life in the absence of electricity and the non-functioning of Wasa pumping stations. The rainwater flooded all main roads, roundabouts and

low-lying localities.

As per Dawn, the power breakdown struck the Hyderabad region, particularly Hyderabad city, prompting the district administration to struggle to clear rainwater from main roads and roundabouts. Pakistan's Met Office recorded around 50 mm of rain in Hyderabad city. It also rained in Hala, Matiari, Tando Allahyar, Jamshoro and Nawabshah. ANI

Expression

Draftsman - How to become a Draftsman



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Draftsman is the skilled professional who takes the first step towards creating an infrastructure or machine out of an idea in the mind. His job is to make a design of the idea of the infrastructure like dams, roads, bridges etc. on a piece of paper so that it could be well visualized by those professional that has to really build it.

Teams of drafters with different specializations work together on projects, sometimes drawing by hand but more often through the use of drafting computer software like CAD etc. This is not a mean task to do as it is the drawing on which whole of the work is to be based.

So to become a good draftsman, an ability to see all sides of an object i.e. 3-D vision and strong math skills are necessary. Thus aspirants who are looking to combine artistic talent and math skills in a career, becoming a draftsman is an ideal choice. Not only can this job offer a creative outlet, but it can also provide an impressive income in the present scenario when a lot of emphases is being given not only at the strength of the buildings and dams but also their beauty and durability.

To be a Draftsman one has to be dedicated, hardworking, innovative and positively critical. The job of a Draftsman demands intensive foresight and inside depth of the field, one is working in. To get the desired results one should have the capacity to work hard with commitment, open mind and honesty. The most important thing that Draftsman designer should have is that they should always be ready to take criticism in stride as this is the major thing that can help a Draftsman to improve and bring accuracy in his work.

To do his work most effectively he requires special training which can be acquired by doing the required courses of varying duration. To be a Draftsman one has to follow the below-given path.



Eligibility to become a Draftsman

1. Educational Qualification

Pass in Senior Secondary Examination (10+2) or equivalent recognized examination with physics, chemistry and Mathematics as main subjects at this level with at least 60% marks to get admission in some of the good institutions.

2. Age

There is no restriction with regard to the age of the candidate however some good institution prefers younger people below the age of 17yrs as their student.

How to become a Draftsman?

To become a Draftsman one has to follow the below-given steps:-

Step 1

One has to apply for the entrance test taken by some of the good institutes providing diploma and degree courses for the draftsmanship like JET i.e. Joint Entrance Test held by the Punjab state technical education Board and DET Diploma Entrance Test taken by the Haryana state technical Education Board for admission to the Diploma Engineering colleges in their states respectively. However, there are some other institutions which take the

candidates on the merit bases of first cum first bases.

Step 2

After completing this three-year Diploma course one can either join some job with public or private sector companies or can go for the degree course after taking the test for the degree courses in Draftsmanship offered by various engineering colleges. After getting enough exposure in the field one can start his own business or can continue working for some big Construction company like DLF, HDIL, or GMR infra etc with a good financial return.

Draftsman Job Description

A draftsman's job is to turn a design idea into an accurate picture. The drawings that a draftsman creates serve as guides for builders and manufacturers, so 100 per cent precision is required in starting the construction. Although blueprints are now considered out-of-date, draftsmen create their modern relatives.

Draftsman Career Prospects

Although there is a lot of scope for this professional yet there is a lot of competition to get good jobs. But there is no dearth of placements

for the efficient draftsman. They can opt and earn in any of the three option open to them i.e. The private sector, public sector or self-employment. With the increasing privatization of infrastructural activities, Draftsmen can find an employer with a company with handsome salaries or can start their own business once they have got the necessary education and experience. Besides there are a lot of jobs on offer in public sector departments like PWD i.e. Public works department of various state and central Government. With all of the opportunities for advancement in this career, it is worth considering for anyone who is looking for a practical way to apply their creative side.

Draftsman Salary

To start with one can get nearly Rs.15,000 to Rs.20,000 in a job with a good organization. And if working independently then there is no limit of his earning, it may be from a few thousands a month and can be lakhs, to say the least. It all depends upon the capabilities and marketing skills of the Draftsman along with his expertise and clarity of work.

Entertainment

India Couture Week 2023: Bhumi Pednekar to turn showstopper for Varun Bahl



Delhi is all set to witness the different flavours of fashion with the commencement of the 16th edition of India Couture Week at Taj Palace. And guess what? Bollywood diva Bhumi Pednekar will be turning showstopper for ace designer Varun Bahl. Couturier Varun Bahl will present 'Inner Bloom' at FDCI India Couture Week 2023 on July 27.

Speaking about the association with Bhumi, Varun Bahl said, "I am absolutely thrilled to have Bhumi Pednekar walk on the runway for my new couture collection, Inner Bloom. It felt natural to associate with her as she aptly embodies the qualities of a Varun Bahl muse with great finesse and fearlessness."

Bhumi also expressed her excitement about her ramp walk. "Varun and I have been friends for a long time now, and I truly love how his pieces always exude confidence and are synonymous with fearless women. I truly cannot wait to walk at the show, and am super excited to take you guys through what he has in store for you," she said. ANI

Kiara Advani to walk the ramp for Falguni Shane Peacock at India Couture Week 2023



Actor Kiara Advani is all set to unleash her fashionable avatar on day one of India Couture Week. The 'Satya Prem Ki Katha' actress will walk the ramp for designer-duo Falguni and Shane Peacock on Tuesday at Taj Palace in New Delhi.

On Monday, Kiara took to Instagram and shared her excitement about the show. She dropped a short video with the designers from their studio and captioned it, "Showstopper prep! Walking the ramp together after ages." A total of 16 designers will showcase their collections at the 16th edition of India Couture Week. The line-up includes Ritu Kumar, Suneet Varma, Varun Bahl, Gaurav Gupta, Kunal Rawal, JJ Valaya, Rohit Gandhi and Rahul Khanna, Tarun Tahiliani, Rimzim Dadu, Anamika Khanna, Dolly J, Shantnu & Nikhil, Rajesh Pratap Singh and Rahul Mishra. ANI

At 63, actor Sanjay Dutt boasts of a fitness regime that can give people much younger a run for their money. On Monday, the 'Vaastav' star dropped a picture of himself giving major fitness goals to his fans. He captioned the post, "No pain, no gain. #DuttsTheWay #MondayMotivation."

In the picture, he was seen in intense workout sessions dressed in a simple black tee he teamed up with matching trousers and a pair of sports shoes.

Soon after he dropped the video, fans and friends flooded the comment section with red hearts and fire emoticons. One user wrote, "My inspiration." Another commented, "Wow super look baba aatish and aadolan very stylish movie and Sanju baba good body." A fan commented, "You are my childhood hero." ANI



Sanjay Dutt serves major fitness goals, fans call him "inspiration"