

## 12th Manipur legislative Assembly Election: INC candidates' expenditure higher than BJP candidates on average

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The much talk about large scale of election expenditures by each of the political parties and its candidates in the 12th Manipur Legislative Assembly Election turn out to be a mere kitchen talk of the people as the election expenditure submitted by each candidate of political parties are all below Rs. 23 lakhs, where one BJP candidate reportedly spent just Rs. 3,94,642/-.

In a press meet held at Kwakeithel Mayaikoibi, today afternoon, Youth Collective Manipur (YCM) presented a detail report of the Election Expenditure Statement released today at New Delhi by

the Association for democratic Reforms (ADR). Manipur's maximum election expenditure for each candidate stands at 28, 00,000/-.

"In sharp contrast to the popular perception of astronomical rise in election expenditure, the MLA's elections expenditure affidavits analysis shows a totally different picture. It is interesting to note that the lowest expenditure stated to have been incurred by Dr. Yumnam Radheshyam Singh, MLA, is just Rs. 3,94,642/- and the highest expenditure stated to have been incurred by Sorokhaibam Rajen Singh, MLA, is Rs. 22,14,206/- . All the other MLA's expenditure is in between these figures",



Thongam Zingo, Co-ordinator of the People's Election Monitoring (YCM) said.

All the elected MLAs are supposed to submit their election expenditure statement to their concerned District Election Officers within

30 days from the declaration of the election results. The Election Commission should immediately upload the statement in their website. The ADR report have presented an analysis of the expenditure statements available in the ECI website.

Chief Minister N. Biren Singh spent Rs 15,69,534.9/- in his election as per his statement submitted. While, Congress legislature wing leader Okram Ibobi spent Rs. 20,55,918/- as per his expenditure statement.

"Instances of Ministers/ politicians ruing over the crores of rupees being spent during the election have recently kicked off controversies. However, their stated expenditure is much less than the upper limit of 28 lakhs. YCM wishes to leave the public at large to reflect on the gap between the reality that we face on the ground and the pretension and hypocrisy of the system", Thongam Zingo, said.

## Minister Khemchand flags off AMWJU women team for Sikkim tour

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Minister Yumnam Khemchand today flagged off a women team of All Manipur Working Journalists' Union (AMWJU) for Sikkim from Manipur Press Club today.

The press tour of AMWJU women members in Sikkim was organized with the goal of empowering women and exposing Manipur's women journalists.

AMWJU President Wangkhemcha Shyamjai praised women journalists



across India, saying, "The women members of the AMWJU will cover all kinds of news for the Sikkim government like agriculture, education, and many more on these five days programme."

He also expressed gratitude to Manipur CMN. Biren for his support, as well as the two lakh rupee donation for the women journalists.

Minister Khemchand while speaking on the occasion extended full support for the women Journalists of Manipur. The press tour will last for days.

## Royal Riders Manipur helps in bringing back greenery

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Like other environment loving bodies, a group of Royal Enfield riders in Manipur popularly known as Royal Riders Manipur (RRM)'s continuous tree plantation efforts and public awareness programs since 2008 helps in rejuvenating the green covers in some areas of the state.

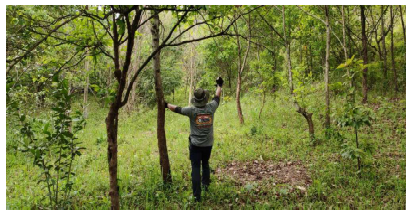
"Our activities also at least help in rejuvenating green cover in some specific areas of Langol, Yarlai pat etc," says RK Tombisana, President of RRM. "Tree plantation became mandatory in most of our events as we've a message -A tree for every hero of the Anglo-Manipuri war of 1891."

With the motto "Serving with adventure," RRM which is

Manipur's most happening bike club with Enfield bullet riders belonging to diverse professionals, is formed with the motive to undertake charity events related to health, environment, child rights, disaster, communal harmony besides art and culture to create a "good biker" image.

They started to take up welfare programmes with their own contributions across the region after their first ride towards Kuirai, a remote in Manipur's Ukhrul district for a free medical camp in April 2007. For their generous service, the people they met sometimes called them 'Angels on wheels.'

The RRM with support of different NGOs has been organising the awareness campaign to save the environment by voluntarily participating in



plantations and taking up activities to prevent pollution. The activity rose from their deep concern over the state's degrading biodiversity, rise in temperature, unpredicted rain etc.

Considering these, the riders (RRM) begins to organise the month-long campaign to protect and conserve the environment locally known as 'Mahousa Ima Ningsing Tha' (month to remember Mother

Nature) with special focus on local environment issues even though it was observed under the United Nations theme, Tombisana said.

Manipur power, forest, environment and climate change minister Thongam Biswajit Singh inaugurated this year's month-long campaign with the UN theme 'Only one Earth,' on May 6 wherein the RRM's 200 plus

members conducted tree plantation at Andro, CI College and Kangchup Chiru covering three districts-Imphal East, Bishnupur and Kangpokpi.

On Sunday, another tree plantation was also held as part of the ongoing observation at Langol hill range in the outskirts of Imphal in presence of DGP Manipur P Doungel.

Regarding the ongoing campaign, RRM's secretary Jogen Phanjoubam said, "We'll also celebrate the Environment Day with awareness programs on mother nature, organising green concerts and distribution of tree saplings etc." Manipur recorded the loss in forest cover (249 sq kms), according to the biennial India's State of Forest Report 2021 published by the Forest Survey of India.

## Modi Govt arguments against WHO 'Excess' death numbers fall flat

By: K Raveendran  
New Delhi, May 9:

The declaration by the World Health Organisation (WHO) of 4.7 million as 'excess' Covid deaths over and above the officially acknowledged figure in India and the response of the Modi government to the report are both shocking, but not surprising. The WHO has resisted persistent opposition from the

Indian government to finally release the report.

The WHO has only stated what the Indian public has known as a fact about the high covid death toll, but vehemently denied by the Modi government in its desperation to claim success in dealing with the pandemic. The report also agrees with the disturbing visuals flashed on television screens across the world of crematoriums

and funeral grounds bursting in their seams, funeral pyres burning non-stop, bodies floating in the river as well as victims dropping dead in the middle of roads outside hospitals as they struggle to breathe.

The government has questioned the methodology and data collection used for arriving at the number by WHO. It has also challenged the robustness and validity of the models followed

by the world body and sought to counter it by citing 'extremely robust' civil registration system for recording births and deaths. But the government is refusing to acknowledge that at the peak of the pandemic, all systems and infrastructures were overwhelmed by the severity and extent of the problem. One or multiple problems with methodology and models can perhaps make a difference in terms of

thousands or even lakhs, but not to the extent that the final figure would be 10 times more.

For the statistically minded, the claim by the Modi government putting the total death toll due to covid at below 5 lakh is totally untenable. Going by the government's claim, the daily average deaths for the two years of 2020 and 2021 work out to less than 700.

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## The Editorial: Noise Pollution, Courts and Administration

Few days earlier, there was much criticism to the students' bodies of the state which had tried to stop entertainment programme including Thabal Chongba during the Class X and XII examination. Examinations for State Board have been however completed but the class X and XII examination conducted by the CBSE is still going on. Around 64 schools affiliated to the CBSE exist in the state. Knowing how disturbing and distracting it would be for not only the students appearing in the examination but also those aged people or person suffering from certain illness because of the loud sound, the district administration is giving permission to organize either Thabal Chongba or other entertainment programme in residential area or along the National High ways without controlling the sound level.

But this issue of noise pollution in loudspeaker loud-speaker at mosques remains a matter of discussion, whereas in many temples, gurudwaras or churches etc., people's happiness is being snatched away in the name of bhajan kirtan and religious events in loud voice. In Manipur noise pollution due to Lai Haraoba, or Thabal Chongba or any kind of festival is not an issue. Except for the students' bodies nobody seems to discuss this issue.

Mental stress and irritability are more common in people who live in more noise. Environmentalist and water star Ramesh Goyal welcomed the Allahabad High Court's new decision, which said that installing loudspeakers in mosques is not a fundamental right, saying that pollution of air or noise is injurious to health. At the time of any event, in the early morning at religious places or in any social, political and cultural program, noise pollution is spread by playing loudspeakers or by running a DJ, while the sound of more than a certain decibel is due to the weakening of the hearing power of the human being.

Simultaneously, he starts living under stress, due to which many diseases are born. He said that in the case of Church of God Vs KKR Majestic Colony Welfare Association, the Hon'ble Supreme Court, while discussing noise pollution, had given a decision, which is published on AIR 2000, Supreme Court 2773, that the Environment (Protection) Act 1986 and the rules of residential In commercial, industrial and quiet areas, the permissible limit for playing speakers has been given, which is fixed at 55, 65, 75 and 50 decibels during day time and 45, 55, 70 and 40 decibels during night time and 10 am to morning respectively. Playing any noisy instrument till 6 o'clock is strictly prohibited. While discussing the evils of noise pollution, the Hon'ble Court has clarified that no religion says that while praying, you should play loudspeakers, drums or other musical instruments due to which noise is created. Shri Goel said that due to loud speaker and DJ playing loudly, many times there are quarrels which sometimes turn into murder. We should take care that our happiness should not become a curse for others.

He said that the Hon'ble Supreme Court has expressed the opinion that at any time such activities cannot be allowed in the name of religion, which can be done by old and helpless persons, students, children, who are sleeping in the morning, afternoon or night, or engage in other activities, cause trouble with these activities. The Hon'ble Court has clarified that we should not forget that young children who are in our neighborhood have the right to enjoy their natural sleep in a peaceful environment. A student who is preparing for his examination has full right to engage in his studies without any disturbance and similarly old and helpless have the right to spend their fun moments without any noise. Old, sick, physically unwell or children up to the age of 6 years are considered more sensitive to noise and we should be aware of their rights. He said that apart from loudspeakers, generators and crackers not only cause noise pollution but also spread air pollution. Specialist doctors of eye nose and throat also believe that people living in constant noise pollution become deaf very quickly. Shri Goel said that in 1944, Robert Cook, a renowned scientist who discovered the TB bacterium, predicted that the way humans are fighting cholera, there will be a need to fight the epidemic of noise pollution in the future. Today that prediction is proving true. In fact, even knowing that this will cause trouble and harm to the general public, the organizers put loudspeakers far and wide on the main road.

Government machineries should be serious about the issue of noise pollution as it is the root of conflict between certain groups of the state. If the noise level is controlled – and allowed at only non-residential area, than certainly students as well people will have no complaint in organizing either Thabal Chongba or Lai Haraoba or any other entertainment programme.

# The Philosophy of Risk taking, Adventures, self-structured insanity, etc.. etc.

By: Dr. Aniruddha Babar

"Too often when trying something new one has ever done, there are only three likely outcomes: success, quitting, or serious injury and beyond. The difference in the three are often forces outside of your control. But this is the nature of the beast: RISK."

~ Hendrik "Hendri" Coetzee, South African Adventurer and author. Known for leading Nile River Source-to-Sea Expedition in 2004.

I was six or seven when parents made me step on the mountain in our village in Maharashtra. We still have those photographs. Confusion, fear and suffering was visible on my face. I was encouraged to climb up till the top which I did with load of fear in me. That I think was the first guided and guarded risk I ever took in my life.

Question that often used to haunt me as to why people do things they do or the way they do, especially risking their lives, reputation, status etc. I used to often wonder about myself as well. Why did I do certain things which normally people cannot think of doing? Be it climbing mountain in the night, or paragliding, parasailing or jungle exploration, white water rafting or any other out-of-the-box thing that I have done. The rationale behind such an act? I did not know. Many such activities have happened and I made sure that they continue to happen even in Nagaland-my final abode, why? Now I think after endless experiments with life, experiences and futile conclusions I have discovered the answer at this relatively younger age of 35/36.

Human is a very unique animal. It is an important link in ecosystem, however, the Brain of a man has been wired differently than that of

other creatures in animal kingdom. Man is able to perceive things, construct thoughts and ideas. Man cannot survive merely in a vegetative state of existence and therefore he needs something more than Food and Sex. Man needs a 'reason' to live and feel alive. However, discovery of 'reason' was never an easy task. This discovery of 'reason' to live and feel alive paved path to number of mind blowing discoveries. Discovery of the abstract idea of 'GOD PRINCIPLE OR THE FIRST CAUSE' was one of them, which offered eternal source of hope, comfort and most importantly, to some extent 'the reason to live' for Man.

However, the concept of 'GOD PRINCIPLE' did not completely solve the problem. Early GOD PRINCIPLES that human civilization discovered were symbolic to the 'creation' for eg. Mother God, Rivers, Mountains, Trees, Rain, Sun etc. These GODS in fact made Man more restless. Intelligent animal like human have got an ability to 'observe', 'learn' and 'react' from nature. The observation of infinite sky, endless rivers, depthless oceans, stormy rains and sky penetrating mountains made Man more curious and that 'curiosity' changed the entire course of human destiny. What is 'up there', what is 'behind' the known, what is 'beyond' visible these questions were sufficient enough to make man gear up to come out of his self-created psychological comfort zones and enter into the 'unknown'. Moreover, Human exist for about 100000 years and tremendous amount of time they were migrating from one place to another, they were hunting, collecting and all of them include great amount of risk in them.

By doing all that our ancestors were trying to survive. If you want to survive then you are alive...Nowadays everything is different. You don't have to go to forest and collect food, or move from one place to another in order to not die from extreme cold...But our instincts and years of memory still drive us to the 'unknown' to feel ALIVE.

People who enjoy adventure, at least in my experience, enjoy being uncomfortable, or at least find it more enjoyable than boring. They look back at negative experiences with fondness. Adventurers are different breed- they suffer and find great meaning in suffering. Jim Wickwire was the first American to summit Mt. K2. In his memoir, *Admitted to Danger*, he said that he developed his love for climbing after reading *Annapurna* by Maurice Herzog. And although Herzog's reason for summiting the formidable Annapurna was simple—"because it was there"—Wickwire's reason seemed far more complex. Despite supporting five young children, he described a relentless compulsion to mountaineer. Even after a nasty fall he said he "wanted more" while also claiming a "heightened attraction to danger." "More" is what he got! He nearly died on Mt. Rainier, and though he successfully climbed McKinley and K2, he saw the lives of friends and strangers alike indiscriminately snuffed out by peril and disaster. Wickwire was obviously searching for something—and risking death in the process.

The desire for adventure is a major part of being human. Since the first people started to spread out in Africa, exploration has been essential to humanity's develop-

ment. However, exploration into the unknown does not remain confined to what is being sought after. In fact, as we get closer to demystify the mysteries of the unknown we end up discovering our inner reality as well. The more you experience the brutality of Mother Nature through the shadow of the possibility of death, the more comfortable you become with the idea of being 'simply a human'. I think, adventure primarily introduce us to the possibility to overcome your own 'ignorant' self through the painful experiences that you encounter.

With this deep understanding Tetso Motorcycle Club and Tetso Mountaineering Club were set up at Tetso College, Nagaland as part of grand experiments I have been performing there as an Educationist. These platforms are absolutely necessary and utmost important to help student liberate themselves from the prison of their 'own' self. I was never in agreement with the kind of education system that has been running since years in our country. We are making students competitive-agree. We are making them capable to at least become a salary men/salary women-agree. We are making them capable to earn so that they can marry, have family, children, get retired, earn pension and DIE-AGREE, however, what we are NOT doing is to help them discover who they 'really' are and their true relation with their 'own self' and the 'creation'. Modern education system has no scope for 'self-discovery'. Man can only search for himself when he is able to develop a desire to come out of the comfortable illusions that he

has created around himself, and may be that is the reason that in religions like Buddhism and also in Christianity missionaries are encouraged for centuries to come out of their comfort zones to engage in adventurous journeys to carry forward the religious missions to spread the 'message' as well as gain the 'self-knowledge' through the overall experiences to accelerate their spiritual ascension.

Adventure involves risk taking. If there is no risk, there cannot be an adventure. However, the element of risk and our ability to 'tackle and manage' it is a major factor that decides the outcome of activities that one is undertaking. My personal experience says that, adventurers are primarily 'risk takers' NOT 'risk seekers'. They know what they are doing and they are well prepared for that. For e.g. in Motorcycle Rides, even though 'speeding' is discouraged, sometimes inner instincts play their role and in no time 'engine accelerates' and riders find themselves battling the wind for few moments, however, the riders are well prepared for it with Helmet, Body Armour, Arm and Leg Guard etc with years of riding experience and sensibility to ride without harming anybody else or themselves on the road. The same could be applicable to the Mountaineers, Sailors, Jungle Hermits, Adventure sports enthusiasts as well.

I think Man is born adventurer. There is something strange that is 'dormant' in all of us which if 'activated' in the right way can transform person completely. Exposure to risk has a constructive emotional as well as spiritual impact over the person. Only when put to threatening circumstances where the whole

existence of someone is at stake, his/her core essence gets activated and all the masks and the layers of social, political, cultural indoctrination that covered the 'real self' of a man disappears and raw 'Life Force' comes out visible and shining and in a moment we are introduced to what we could understand as the 'Kingdom of GOD' within us.

Therefore, in this broader space of understanding, I expect my students and disciples to not to be too timid and squeamish about their actions. They should know that entire life is an experiment. The more experiments they make the better. I expect, they should explore, experience and push beyond with blatant disregard to their own 'perceived' physical and psychological limitations. This is how new Man will be born and such a man is an asset to society. They are the real leaders-the self-starters-motivation into themselves. THE REAL ÜBERMENSCH!

When you reach alone on top of the Mountain after hours of struggle, broken body and shattered mind-you experience yourself transforming into the Mountain. Tall, Strong, Unsurpassable, Wise. A mountain that gives life to the Rivers-ALIVE GIVER-THAT YOU BECOME.

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## How is Bangladesh's transition from aid seeker to a donor country?

By: John Rozario

The transition from an aid seeker to a donor country is a matter of great pride for the people of Bangladesh. Now, Bangladesh has achieved the status of being a donor country. It is the combined efforts of all Bangladeshi people and leadership who have made it possible to achieve this milestone.

Bangladesh's medical and monetary help to Sri Lanka will increase its picture and status. As soon as upon a time, Bangladesh was a 'bottomless pit' and a donation seeker within the worldwide area. Now it's a donor and lending nation. It exhibits all-South Asian nations find out how to revive from ashes. Bangladesh establishes an instance in South Asia how to make sure financial development amidst numerous socio-political points. Debt-ridden Bangladesh a couple of years in the past is now a rustic of unprecedented success in debt aid. The world as we speak appears at Bangladesh in amazement.

As a good friend and shut neighbour, it is usually Bangladesh's privilege to face by Sri Lanka in no matter approach it might, through-out instances of disaster. Bangladesh has donated emergency medication value 2.3 million USD to crisis-hit Sri Lanka.

This medical help by the government of Bangladesh to the pleasant individuals of Sri Lanka is an expression of solidarity and friendship between the 2 nations when they're celebrating 50 years of diplomatic relations this year.

In this regard, a programme was held on May 04 on the State Visitor Home Padma the Place Overseas

Minister Dr A. Okay. Abdul Momenand Wellbeing Minister Zahid Maleque handed over a couple of packing containers of medication as a token to the Sri Lankan Excessive Commissioner to Bangladesh Professor Sudharshan D.S. Seneviratne.

Overseas Security Ambassador Mr Masud Bin Momen, MD & CEO of EDCL and DG (Medication), President of Bangladesh Affiliation of Prescribed drugs Industries (BAPI) Nazmul Hassan, we're additionally current within the programme.

In his quick remarks, Bangladesh Overseas Minister, D. Momen termed the provide of medication, as an expression of solidarity and friendship between Bangladesh and Sri Lanka, at a time when the 2 nations are celebrating 50 years of diplomatic relations.

Nonetheless, what occurred that Bangladesh is creating one shock after one other? Economists say there are some causes behind this: exports, social progress and financial foresight. There are three extra causes apart from financial functionality viz. sympathy, financial diplomacy and political will.

When this was the case, the sudden information got here that Bangladesh had supplied 200 million in monetary help to Sri Lanka. The Sri Lankan media has raised the query if Bangladesh could be self-sufficient, why can't we? In June, the finance ministry of Bangladesh gave extra startling information. It has been mentioned that Bangladesh stands by Sudan, the poorest nation in Africa. 65 crores Bangladeshi Taka has been supplied to scale back the debt burden

of the IMF. The nation borrowed Rs 510,000 crore, Taka, from the IMF. The financial disaster was so extreme that the nation couldn't repay the debt. Bangladesh has come ahead after sending messages asking for assist from nation to nation.

Bangladesh's finance ministry says Sudan is closely indebted and poor. The federal government hopes the funding will strengthen Sudan's combat in opposition to poverty. At one time Sudan was a British colony. The nation gained independence on January 1, 1956, below a treaty. It could be recalled that final 12 months, Bangladesh additionally supplied greater than Tk 80 million to Somalia, one other African nation. That was additionally in repaying the IMF mortgage. Sudan, a member of the Group of Islamic Cooperation, or OIC, has been crippled by debt and poverty, and monetary help is anticipated to assist overcome the disaster.

Final 12 months, Bangladesh additionally handed Tk 80 million to assist Somalia fight poverty as a part of the IMF initiative. Everyone seems to be fascinated by the event of Bangladesh.

The picture of Bangladesh and the respect for the individuals of this nation has elevated as a result of help to Sri Lanka and Sudan from overseas alternate reserves. Bangladesh is now a lending nation! If Bangladesh could be self-sufficient, a lender and a financial miracle in South Asia, why can't others do this?

He added that below the in a position management of Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, Bangladesh by no means hesitates to increase help to any nation in difficulties, particularly, to its neighbours for guaranteeing shared peace and prosperity within the South Asian area. He ensured that Bangladesh stands

able to assist Sri Lanka in all potential methods.

The Sri Lankan Excessive Commissioner, whereas making his remarks expressed his gratitude to the federal government of Sri Lanka Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and the federal government of Bangladesh for this pleasant gesture of supplying medication to the individuals of Sri Lanka.

He famous that Sri Lanka values the pleasant relationship with Bangladesh and is dedicated to additional strengthening it within the coming days.

He termed the gifting of the medicines, which was one other demonstration that the trajectory of the bilateral relations was transferring in the proper route.

Each EDCL and BAPI have contributed medication of BD taka 10 crores every, Taka 20 Crores in complete as items to Sri Lanka.

The medication is anticipated to succeed in Sri Lanka inside a couple of days' time.

The provide of medication would definitely manifest the potential of the prescription drugs industries by way of its capacity in producing high-quality medication, and monetary capability and it additionally demonstrates Bangladesh's overseas coverage resolve of sustaining pleasant and cooperative relations along with her neighbours.

Earlier, Bangladesh supported Sri Lanka by offering \$ 200 million via a forex swapping association. Everyone around the world is praising the sustainable development of Bangladesh. Bangladesh is being recognized as a rising star in South Asia. Bangladesh is improving so much today, said an economist in Pakistan. Abid Hassan said in an article in a Pakistani newspaper, that Paki-

stan may seek financial assistance from Bangladesh by 2030. The former World Bank economist has just predicted the future. If Bangladesh can pay 20 million US dollars to Sri Lanka, waive the IMF's Bangladeshi share of money from Somalia and Sudan, help India and Indonesia with Covid-19 medical equipment, shelter a large number of Rohingya refugees from Myanmar, it can also help Pakistan financially. Bangladesh is a humanitarian state in South Asia.

The picture of Bangladesh and the respect for the individuals of this nation has elevated as a result of monetary help to Sri Lanka and Sudan from its overseas alternate reserves. Bangladesh additionally agreed to supply medical support to Afghanistan. Bangladesh in December, 2021, introduced humanitarian assist for the Afghan individuals whereas expressing deep concern over the financial and humanitarian disaster looming in Afghanistan. The nation introduced a humanitarian support bundle within the type of meals and medicinal help, the Overseas Ministry mentioned following the seventeenth extraordinary session of the Group of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) Council of Overseas Ministers on the Afghanistan state of affairs held in Islamabad, Pakistan. Now, Bangladesh gave medical help to disaster-hit Sri Lanka. It proves that it's a actual humanitarian state in South Asia.

From a humanitarian perspective, the short response of Bangladesh was lauded by many, nationally and globally.

Biggest humanitarian instance? Bangladesh has already portrayed its picture firmly as a humanitarian nation, when she warmly welcomed about 1.1 million forcibly displaced Rohingya refugees from

Myanmar. Regardless of many diplomatic efforts, the repatriation of Rohingya individuals has been lingering for fairly lengthy. The exodus of Rohingya refugees from Myanmar to Bangladesh launched into quite a few strategic, financial and environmental points as Bangladesh is already an over populated nation. Nonetheless, Bangladesh continues to generously host the world's largest and rising refugee settlement regardless of enormous burden on financial system, meals administration, restricted assets and different circumstances. Even Bangladesh deliberate to relocate a few of the Rohingyas to Bhashanchar to make sure higher residing customary for them via Ashrayan 3 Challenge by itself financing. Moreover, Bangladesh has been monitoring a powerful report in improvement and development since final decade which is able to make it extra able to providing assist to different nations in disaster.

1000's of extra examples could be drawn the place Bangladesh was among the many quickest nations to face beside others. By way of quantity, medical support to be supplied by Bangladesh to Sri Lanka may be small in scale of the required fund however its immediate response is definitely praiseworthy.

Now the query is legitimate. Bangladesh is now a donor and lending nation! If Bangladesh could be a self-sufficient, donor, lender, a financial miracle in South Asia, why can't others do this? Why does South Asia not take lessons from Bangladesh? After all, South Asia can study so much from Bangladesh.

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# India reports single-day rise of 3,207 new COVID-19 cases; active caseload dips to 20,403

Agency  
New Delhi, May 9:

India, on Monday, recorded a rise of 3,207 new COVID-19 cases. The Union Health Ministry, however, said that the active COVID-19 caseload in the country dropped to 20,403. 20 deaths were reported over the past 24 hours, the latest update from the government said. With this, the total number of cases

in the country has touched 4,31,05,401, while the death toll stands at 5,24,093.

According to the Health Ministry data, the active cases in the country comprise 0.05 per cent of the total number of infections in the country. The recovery rate in the country stands at 98.74 per cent. The ministry said that a decrease of 232 cases was recorded in the active caseload in the country over the past 24 hours.

"The daily positivity rate was recorded as 0.95 per cent and the weekly positivity rate as 0.82 per cent... The number of people who have recuperated from the disease surged to 4,25,60,905, while the case fatality rate was recorded as 1.22 per cent," the ministry said.

Meanwhile, 190.34 crore COVID-19 vaccination doses have been administered across the country so far. It may be

noted that India's COVID-19 tally crossed 20 lakh-mark on August 7, 2020. By August 23, it was 30 lakh and touched 40 lakh within just 13 days. On September 16, a psychologically important 50 lakh mark was reached. On December 19, the country's COVID-19 tally touched 1 crore.

The grim milestone of two crore cases was reached on May 4, 2021 and three crore on June 23 last year.

## Utkal University conferred D. Litt. to Baba Farid College Professor Uppal

IT Correspondent  
Bhubaneswar, May 9:

Dr. R.K. Uppal completed his D. Litt. in the subject of Business Administration, on the burning topic, "Managing Transformation in Indian banks Through E-Delivery Channels- Challenges and Opportunities" from Utkal University, Bhubaneswar, Orissa. Researchers studied how e-services are transforming Indian banks, how they can compete with global banks, and how e-services can be extended to rural areas. Using his empirical research in Punjab, he proposed some strategies for public sector banks, such as how they can compete with their counterparts through e-delivery channels. His dream is to restructure and revolutionize the Indian banking industry through e-technology, ushering in a new era of competitive banking not only at home but also abroad. Justice Bidyut Ranjan Sarangi of the Odisha High Court conferred a D.Litt degree at the 51st convocation. Dr. run Sahoo, higher education minister, Dr. Savita Acharya, vice chancellor of Utkal University, registrar Dr. Avaya Kumar Nayak, and deans of various departments were present. The Chairman of the Baba Farid group of institutions, Dr. Gurmeet Singh, congratulates on this marvelous achievement.

Dr. Rajinder Kumar Uppal, a prolific writer, an outstanding academician and the more ingenious guide has won accolades not only in the academic field but also in the



genre of research. Presently, he is serving as professor of economics at Baba Farid College of Management and Technology, Bathinda (Punjab) and Principal Investigator of a UGC-Funded Major Research Project on Indian Banking. The doyen of economics who hails from educationally humble area of Punjab completed his post graduation and Ph.D from Punjab University, Patiala. He is considered as master of professional academic work. As a matter of fact, his research fervor and academic zeal primarily focuses upon banking and finance. He heralded a new era of globally competitive Indian banking system. He authored/edited seventy two books and since 2014 some of his books earned global recognition with Google scholar citation such as 548 h-index 11 and i10 index is 15. Amongst his prominent books Indian Banking in the Globalized World-2013, Information Technology in Banks- A New Gateway for Success-2018, E-Age Banking -A Future Outlook-2018, Banking with Technology- A New Vision 2020 have won an array of laurels. Through his books, he envisaged the challenges

and opportunities regarding the use of e-banking particularly in public sector banks. He was instrumental in suggesting the reforms in e-technology. His prodigious research talent gave him leverage to write as many as two seventy five research papers on banking and finance. He presented seventy two research papers in different national and international conferences. His claim as a researcher was never unfounded as eight of his research papers were lauded at different international conferences held at Hawaii, Indonesia, Finland, Costa-Rica, Australia, London and Pakistan respectively. His insatiable craving for research got stimulus under the aegis of UGC and HRD. As many as seven major post-doctorate research projects were funded by UGC, ICSSR and HRD, New Delhi. He reciprocated successfully and harnessed his research skill with incredible finesse and ease. His able guidance inspired even many young teachers to wade into the ocean of research and he produced sixty two M.Phil and eight Ph.D in this process. Although, it is not possible to circumscribe his comprehensive achievements into a

finite space, yet the pile of his degrees and awards speaks volumes of his marvelous eruditeness. His services were acknowledged at different forums from time to time. He was even awarded Honorary D.Litt by reputed Business University, Costa Rica in 2014. His monumental work encouraged various national organizations to honor such an inclusive academic stalwart with Jewel of India Award, Best Educationist Award, Shatiya Shiromani Purskar, Pride of India Award and Excellent Research Award by PCMA respectively. This colossal figure earned Life Time Achievement Award from Dashmesh Girls College, Badal for his exemplarily service to the cause of education. Deputy speaker, Punjab assembly, S. Ajab Singh Bhatti also awarded Life time Achievement award. Malout administration honored Dr. Uppal during 71th R-Public Day celebration due to unparalleled contribution in the field of higher education and quality research. Nelson Mandela University Awarded International Dr. Abudal Kalam Best Economist Innovative Award for the year 2019. He was also awarded Eminence Social Scientist Award by Dashmesh Girls College, Badal. He was also honored during Jagat Guru Shri Guru Nanak Dev Ji birth-day (550) Celebration. His name is also selected for Amity Excellence Award for the Best Academic Author in the area of Banking Academic to be conferred during INBUSH ERA 2020.

## Assam Rifles foils cross border smuggling of contrabands



IT News  
Imphal, May 9:

In two separate operations, Churachandpur and Tengenoual Battalions under the aegis of IGAR (South) foiled cross border smuggling of narcotics and timber in Churachandpur and Tengenoual District on 07 and

08 May respectively.

Troops of Assam Rifles intercepted a drug peddler at Selshi village, Churachandpur and Rec 350 grams of narcotic. The seized narcotic was assessed to be worth Rs 1.40 Crore.

In another operation, troops of Assam Rifles intercepted two trucks carrying il-

legal timber at Kulyang village, Tengenoual. The seized timber was assessed to be worth Rs 2.60 Crore.

The seized contraband along with the apprehended traffickers were handed over to Churachandpur Police and Forest department, Tengenoual for further investigation.

## 44 AR organises Mother's Day

IT News  
Imphal, May 9:

To commemorate World Red Cross and Mother's Day a wellness camp for mothers was organised by 44 Assam Rifles under the aegis of 22 sector/IGAR(E) at Tamenglong town yesterday. This Jan bhagidari for MAA or Medical Administrative Assistance camp was especially aimed at extending medical care to the expecting mothers, new mothers and their children. It is a helping

hand extended by the battalion while celebrating Mother's Day with the civilians as Jan bhagidari. Free general medicine were distributed and basic medical testing lab facility was also setup. A total of 110 mothers were benefitted.

Commandant, 44 AR thanked all the mothers of the society for their immense role and sacrifices for their family and society at large. He also stated that there is nothing more noble or tougher job than home-making. He urged

all the ladies of the Tamenglong to come forward in all spheres of life and march shoulder to shoulder with men. He also called upon men to nurture the dreams and aspirations of the ladies of the family. He further stressed the role of a healthy mother in upbringing a healthy family. Also initiatives undertaken by the Battalion in which battalion alone had organised 28 free medical camps for improving overall health and wellbeing of the people this year were highlighted.

## A woman found dead in a sashroom of a running train

IT Correspondent  
Mumbai, May 9:

The body of a 20-year-old woman hailing from Bihar, was found with a cloth tied around her neck in a washroom of a Swaraj Express train (No 12471-Mumbai-Vaishnodevi Katra, Jammu), on Sunday afternoon.

The train began its journey at 11 am from Bandra terminus in Mumbai. The woman went to the washroom after the train travelled past Borivali station. Since she did not return to her seat for a long time, at about 12.35 pm, the passengers of the S4 coach alerted the Travelling Ticket Examiner (TTE). The TTE and the passengers banged the door of the washroom but there was no response.

There was a stir among the railway officials. After that, the train was given a special halt at around 1.10 pm, at the Dahanu Road railway station (in Palghar district in Maharashtra). The train staff opened the latch of the toilet door and found the woman lying motionless on the floor with a cloth tied around her neck.

She was rushed to Cottage Hospital in Dahanu Road where doctors declared her dead before admission. A case of Accidental Death Report (ADR) has been registered and the post-mortem

examination report is awaited. Based on her Aadhaar card found on her, she was identified as Aarti Kumari, daughter of Mithilesh Mandal, resident of Margujan Nipaniya Purniya, Bihar, a Western Railway CPRO Sumit Thakur said.

The train was delayed for an hour and proceeded on its onward journey to Vaishnodevi Katra around 2.30 pm, the Government Railway Police

said adding that the CCTV footage of all stations where the train halted after starting from Bandra Terminus is being checked.

While the police have maintained that it is not clear whether it was a suicide, murder, or accident and whether the deceased was travelling alone or with someone else, the Western Railway said that the deceased was unaccompanied.

### Career Guidance

## Sports are a source of physical and mental strength



By: Vijay Garg

Student life is a golden opportunity for education. That is why young children are sent to school so that they can get education and succeed in life but they need a healthy body to study. Good diet and sports play an important role in maintaining good health.

**The greatness of sports**  
Sports have great signifi-

cance in human life. They relieve mental and physical fatigue throughout the day. Playing sports creates freshness and agility in the body. The developed nations of the world are well aware of the greatness of sports. That is why in every country teams of the best players are formed and competitions are held. In the Olympic Games, famous athletes from all over the world get medals by performing well in sports and make a name for themselves and the country all over the world.

**Increased sense of community**

Sports create stability and concentration in the mind. Sports also promote discipline and a sense of community.

They also provide the strength to face victory or defeat.

**Heals the body**

Sports also play a role in keeping the body healthy and strong. Participating in sports speeds up blood flow. The lungs get fresh air and digestion is faster. Players are always smart and fresh. His face stays bright. If the body is healthy then the mind also stays alert. Bookworms are left behind in the race for life. That is why students must participate in one or another sport.

**A means of entertainment**

Sports are also a great source of entertainment. Playing your favorite game makes the mind feel happy. Sports are like oil for a body machine. An awakened mind and heal-

ing also glorifies the body. A student who is fond of playing sports behaves much better than other children.

Many players achieve great things in their student life. They become national and international level players and achieve high name and fame in life. We can see that many players today are doing jobs in big positions.

**Sports training in schools**

Nowadays every school has coaches to teach every sport, who teach the children how to play properly. Students must be interested in one sports or another.

We should never forget that sports should be played on time so that education is not harmed.

### Name correction

I, the undersigned, Laishram Gyanendro Singh, serving in the 34 Assam Rifles as a Rifleman/GD, do hereby declare that the date of my legal wife Saikhom Sandhyarani has been wrongly recorded as 01/02/1987 instead of 01/03/1987 in my service record.

I, therefore clarified that the date of birth of my legal wife should be rectified as 01/03/1987 in my service record by concerned to avoid complicity in future.

Sd/-

**Laishram Gyanendro Singh**  
No. 5005056L Rank Rfn/GD, 34 AR  
Kangabok Part-II Maisnam Leikai,  
Thoubal district, Manipur

### Name Change

I, the undersigned, **Brenstein Angom** do hereby declare that I have relinquished, renounced and abandoned the use of my old name **Angon Brenstein Singh** as I have assumed my new name **Brenstein Angom**.

Sd/-

**Brenstein Angom**  
Lalambung Makhong, Takhellambam Leikai  
Imphal West, Manipur

# Cyclone Asani intensifies into severe storm; Three States on alert

Agency  
New Delhi, May 9:

Cyclone Asani, formed over the southeast Bay of Bengal, further intensified into a 'severe' cyclonic storm at 5.30 pm on Sunday as it moved northwards in the direction of north Andhra Pradesh-Odisha coasts, said the India Meteorological Department. The cyclone is expected to get stronger, but will not be making a landfall and fizzle out next week.

"Cyclonic storm 'Asani' intensified into a severe cyclonic storm at 1730 hours IST of today, the 8th May over Southeast BoB, about 610 km northwest of Car Nicobar (Nicobar Islands). To move NW till 10th May night & reach Westcentral NW BoB off North Andhra Pradesh & Odisha coast," the IMD tweeted.

Andhra Pradesh, Odisha and West Bengal are on alert as under the influence of the cyclone, coastal areas are expected to experience heavy winds and rains from the evening of May 10, said IMD director-general Mrunujay Mohapatra. He added that the system will not make landfall either in Odisha or Andhra Pradesh.

The severe cyclone, on reaching west-central and adjoining northwest Bay of Bengal off north Andhra Pradesh-Odisha coasts on May 10, is very likely to recurve north-northeast wards and move towards northwest Bay of Bengal off Odisha coast, the Met said.

The severe cyclonic storm is very likely to lose some steam thereafter and turn into a cyclonic storm on May 11 and further into a deep depression on May 12, the IMD said in its forecast of Asani's track and intensity.



Here's all you need to know about Cyclone Asani:  
**Kolkata taking lessons from Amphan**

While Asani is unlikely to hit Kolkata, the storm will bring heavy rains. Leaves of all KMC employees concerned have been cancelled to deal with any emergency situation that arises. "We are, however, making preparations to deal with any eventuality if the cyclone hits the city so that life is brought back to normal as soon as possible," Hakim said. The city will be taking lessons from the devastating effect of the "supercyclone" Amphan in May 2020. The KMC administration is keeping cranes, electric saws and earthmovers on standby to clear blockades caused by fallen trees and other debris. A control room will be operational during Asani's movement.

**Odisha not lowering guard, prepared for Asani**

The Odisha government said it has not lowered its guard even after getting information that the cyclone will not hit the state's coast. The state was prepared to evacuate 7.5 lakh people if need be, said special relief commissioner PK Jena. While there is no fear of a

flood-like situation in Odisha, state disaster teams are ready in Ganjam, Puri, Astarang, Jagatsinghpur and Kendrapara districts. District collectors have been directed to take steps for evacuation. Gajapati, Ganjam and Puri districts are likely to experience heavy rainfall on May 10. All boats have returned from sea. The 'danger' sign has been hoisted at four ports. Special relief commissioner Pradeep Jena said, "The cyclone will not make a landfall in Odisha and it will cross Odisha and Andhra Pradesh parallel to the states' coast. It will be at a distance of 90 to 100 km away from Puri. Under its influence, the coastal areas are likely to witness wind reaching a speed of 50 kmph. Disaster response teams are kept ready for Ganjam, Puri, Astarang, Jagatsinghpur and Kendrapara districts; district collectors have been empowered to take steps for evacuation if necessary."

**Asani's movement**

The Met has predicted that Asani, on reaching west-central and adjoining northwest Bay of Bengal off north Andhra-Odisha coasts on May 10, is very likely to recurve north-northeast wards and

move towards northwest Bay of Bengal off Odisha coast. The severe cyclonic storm is very likely to lose some steam thereafter and turn into a cyclonic storm on May 11 and further dissipate into a deep depression by May 12.

**Speed and strength**

The maximum speed limit may increase to 95 to 105 kmph with gusting to 115 kmph by Sunday evening. On Monday, the wind speed will be 105 to 115 kmph with gusting to 125 kmph and then the storm is expected to lose steam in the sea on May 10 with wind speed coming down to 96 to 105 kmph with gusting to 115 kmph in the early hours reducing progressively as the day wears off.

**Light to moderate rainfall**

Asani is likely to bring light to moderate rainfall over Gangetic West Bengal from May 10 to 13 with heavy downpour at one or two places in the coastal districts of Purb Medinipur, South 24 Parganas and North 24 Parganas in West Bengal. The administrations of these three districts are keeping cyclone shelters, schools and other pucca structures, dry food and necessary medicines ready.

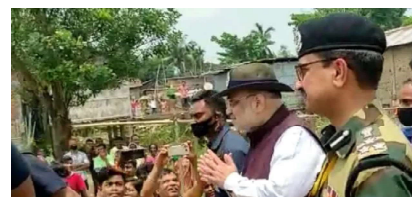
# Amit Shah reviews India-Bangladesh border situation in Assam

Agency  
Guwahati, May 9:

Union home minister Amit Shah, on Monday, reviewed the situation along the India-Bangladesh border at Mankachar in Assam.

Home minister Amit Shah, who was accompanied by senior BSF officials, reviewed the border situation from an observation post.

The union home minister also interacted with the locals of the area during his tour of the India-Bangladesh border in Mankachar in Assam.



A flag march was conducted by the personnel of BSF and Border Guards Bangladesh (BGB) during the home minister's border visit in Assam. Union home minister Amit Shah is on a two-day tour of

Assam, during which he is slated to attend a slew of programmes.

Amit Shah is scheduled to end his Assam tour and return to New Delhi on Tuesday evening.

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## Modi Govt arguments against WHO....

There is no way such a small number could exert pressure on burial and funeral facilities nationally to create the highly disturbing scenes that were seen around hospitals, funeral grounds, crematoriums and river banks.

At the peak of the pandemic, Delhi's crematoriums and burial grounds alone reported about 1,000 funerals over three days, making it more than 300 per day. Going by the average of 700 deaths per day nationally, this would mean that nearly half of all covid deaths in India occurred in Delhi, with the rest of the country contributing the other half. Nothing can be more absurd than such an assumption. So, if an expert body says the figure was 10 times more, that is no cause for uneasiness.

The Modi government certainly has an agenda in keeping the death toll low, while WHO has no such hang-ups as the world body is only interested in dealing with the pandemic as best as humans can. It has nothing

to gain by pointing out India accounted for almost a third of all covid deaths globally. It is not just India that the WHO has faulted for underreporting covid death tolls, it has blamed most countries in this respect. In fact, WHO has pointed out that many countries, including those in Europe and the Americas, lack the capacity for reliable mortality surveillance and therefore do not collect and generate the data needed to calculate excess mortality.

WHO believes these sobering numbers are important as these only point to the impact of the pandemic but also to the need for all countries to invest in more resilient health systems that can sustain essential health services during crises, including stronger health information systems. The numbers provide decision-makers information to guide policies to reduce mortality and effectively prevent future crises.

It is actually this process that the Modi government's obsession with success is frus-

trating. For any problem to be solved, the first most important step is to recognize the problem. This is where the government is making a grave error. There is no need for the government to feel any sense of guilt because covid was a natural occurrence. It is like a government trying to suppress the death toll in an earthquake, which happens due to tectonic factors beyond human control. The onus of a government for such a natural calamity is quite far-fetched because these occur due to shifts in the tectonic plains over long periods, which are beyond the scope of any particular government. Nobody blames a government for an earthquake. If the world has failed to fight covid early enough to prevent such large-scale deaths, it is the manifestation of a human failure, and not the failure of any government, notwithstanding the fact that there may have been areas where the government could have performed better.

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## Sports

### Women's World C'ships:

## India boxers handed mixed draw; Lovlina to begin campaign on opening day

Agency  
Istanbul, May 9:

Tokyo Olympics bronze medallist Lovlina Borgohain will take on former champion Chen Nien-Chin in her opening bout as Indian pugilists were handed a mixed draw in the 12th edition of the IBA Women's World Boxing Championships, starting in Istanbul on Monday.

Borgohain (70kg) will kickstart India's campaign on Monday, as she will be up against the Chinese Taipei boxer, who won gold and bronze medals in 2018 and 2016 editions respectively.

However, Borgohain, who will be making her first competitive outing since her podium finish at the Tokyo Olympics, will head to the fixture with some confidence having defeated Chen in the Olympic quarter-finals last year.

Two-time Asian champion Pooja Rani (81kg), Nandini and Nikhat Zareen (52kg) have also been handed tough draws in their respective categories.

Pooja will start in the round of 16 against two-time World Championships bronze medallist Timea Nagy of Hungary, while Nandini (+81kg) has received bye in the opening



round but will face last edition's bronze medallist Khadija El-Mardi of Morocco in the quarter-finals.

On the other hand, Nikhat will face Mexico's Herrera Alvarez in the opening round and if she wins, she is likely to meet 2021 Asian Championships bronze medallist Lutsaikhana Altantsetseg of Mongolia in the round of 16.

Jasmine (60kg) will lock horns with two-time youth Asian champion Pornpit Buapa of Thailand in the opening round.

If the Indian gets past the first hurdle, she may clash against former World Champi-

onships bronze medallist Rashida Ellis of USA in the last eight stage.

Among other Indians, Ankushita (66kg) got a comparatively easier draw alongside Nitu (48kg), Anamika (50kg), Shiksha (54kg), Manisha (57kg), Parveen (63kg) and Saweety (75kg).

Ankushita will begin her challenge in the round of 16 after getting bye in the opening round.

The Indians have garnered 36 medals, including nine gold, eight silver and 19 bronze, so far in the 11 editions of the prestigious event.

India's tally is the third

highest after Russia (60) and China (50).

In the last edition held in Russia in 2019, the Indian boxers clinched one silver and three bronze medals.

More than 400 boxers from a record 93 countries are set to take part in this year's event, which also marks the 20th anniversary of the prestigious event.

**Indian squad:** Nitu (48kg), Anamika (50kg), Nikhat Zareen (52kg), Shiksha (54kg), Manisha (57kg), Jasmine (60kg), Parveen (63kg), Ankushita (66kg), Lovlina Borgohain (70kg), Saweety (75kg), Pooja Rani (81kg), Nandini (+81kg).



Agency  
Mumbai, May 9:

David Warner glared at Nitin Menon as he walked past him, livid that the umpire's call didn't go his way. Maheesh Theekshana's leg-before appeal was very confident and the DRS showed that Menon was right. Delhi Capitals desperately needed two points from this game to keep their playoffs hopes alive and against Chennai Super Kings' 208/6, Warner was the team's best bet. The batsman's anger captured the frustration of a failed reverse sweep attempt.

In the end, DC folded up for 117 to lose by 91 runs, a serious blow for them with just three group matches remaining. For CSK, they will take this win and hope against hope.

Ruturaj Gaikwad and Devon Conway batting in a partnership is a connoisseur's cricket. CSK missed a trick by not allowing the partnership to bed in during

the early phase of the tournament. Conway was given a game upfront before being dropped. Belatedly, when he was brought back to the fold, he instantly got into the groove and added meat to the CSK top-order in conjunction with Gaikwad.

This has been an underwhelming season for the four-time champions. But a successful franchise like CSK will deal with one bad year. The Conway-Gaikwad opening combination offers hope for the future. They score runs playing orthodox cricket. Conway, an established Test batsman for New Zealand, has every shot in the book. Also, he is excellent against spin. Gaikwad, who has a future India Test batsman written all over him, revels in the bucketload of time against pace, which speaks volumes for his quality. And when they press the accelerator in the shortest format without compromising on their batting principles, cricket becomes very enjoyable.

CSK by and large have failed to make the Powerplays count this term, which also muddled their middle-overs batting. Today, they raced to 57 for no loss after six overs. The

release shot came from Gaikwad in the third over against Anrich Nortje, when the batsman danced down the track and treated the tearaway quick like a spinner. Gaikwad's balance, head position, the straightness of the bat - everything was copybook. The ball sailed over the long-on boundary for a six. Another shot against Shardul Thakur deserves special mention - a hard length delivery was played on the up and through cover-point for a four. Gaikwad had a slow start to the season. But now he has regained his touch and from that perspective, he would rue his dismissals in the 30s and 40s. A Nortje bouncer got the better of him. It was a 152.6kph delivery all right, but a well-set Gaikwad, batting on 41 off 33 balls, was expected to neuter it.

Conway made light work of Kuldeep Yadav. He used his feet to hit a six off a length ball before sweeping the next one to clear the deep square leg boundary. When a batsman is using his feet and at the same time, sweeping with aplomb, it becomes very difficult for the bowler. Before taking Kuldeep to the cleaners, Conway had accounted for back-to-back sixes against Axar Patel.