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Oppn hits the streets in Bihar over revision of electoral roll

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PATNA: Leader of the opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi on Wednesday alleged that the ongoing special intensive revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in Bihar was an extension of the "Maharashtra model" of rigging the polls in favour of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) led coalition. The Congress leader was taking part in the Bihar bandh supported by the Opposition to protest the Election Commission of India's controversial move.

Addressing the Indian National Developmental Inclusive Alliance (INDIA) bloc workers during a protest march to the EC's office in Patna, Gandhi alleged: "Maharashtra assembly elections were rigged to favour the BJP and the NDA. They want to repeat it in Bihar, which we will not allow."

The former Congress president has been targeting ECI since the November 2024 Maharashtra polls, alleging "bogus voters" were added in electoral rolls in the western state. The BJP-led Mahayuti swept the Maharashtra polls, just months after facing defeat in the state during the Lok Sabha polls. He claimed that SIR in Bihar was an extension of the "Maharashtra model" of fudging electoral rolls, adding it would "steal not just people's right to vote but their entire future."

"They want to replicate the Maharashtra model elsewhere. This time they may try to delete the names of many voters. But they must know this is Bihar. People here can see through the designs," Gandhi said.

Terming the SIR exercise a "mockery of democracy", he



RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav, CPI general secretary D Raja, Congress MP Rahul Gandhi and CPI(ML) general secretary Dipankar Bhattacharya in Patna on Wednesday.

accused ECI, which he alleged comprised persons nominated by the BJP, of serving the ruling party rather than the people.

Gandhi was accompanied by leaders of alliance partners, including Tejashwi Yadav, the leader of RJD, and Dipankar Bhattacharya, general secretary of the CPI(ML).

Yadav alleged that EC has become a part of a political party, calling it a "Godi Aayog". "Today, the Bihar Bandh has been called to address how ECI has become 'Godi Aayog'. NDA is losing, so they are using the ECI. Preparations have been going on to remove the names of Bihar's poor people from the voter list," the RJD leader added.

Echoing the sentiment, Bhattacharya described the ongoing SIR as "votebandi". "Voters whose names were not there in

the 2003 voter list will have to prove that they are citizens. And the conditions that have been set by the EC make it very difficult for the people of Bihar. It's vote-bandhi," the CPI(ML) leader said.

The Bihar Bandh, supported by the state's opposition bloc, aimed at galvanising public sentiment against the NDA government and ECI ahead of the assembly polls, which are likely to be held in October-November.

Meanwhile, the Bihar bandh evoked mixed response in the state. Supporters and workers of the opposition parties burnt tyres and blocked roads in Patna, while long-distance trains were stopped at multiple places.

ADG (law and order) Pankaj Darad said all preventive measures were taken to maintain law and order. "There were no major untoward incidents."

Reacting to the opposition's protest, the BJP lashed out at the INDIA bloc for holding a bandh in the state, with senior party leader and former Union minister Ravi Shankar Prasad questioning whether the opposition parties were trying to pressure the judiciary by such tactics. "All these leaders have approached the Supreme Court, which is their right, and when the hearing is scheduled for tomorrow, why are they engaging in street politics today to exert pressure?" Prasad told reporters in Delhi.

In a press release on Wednesday, ECI said that enumeration forms of nearly 57.48% of the total 78,969,844 existing electors in Bihar have been collected while 98% forms (77.1 million) have already been distributed in the first 15 days of the exercise with 16 more days left.

ECI 'FACT CHECKS' RJD MP JHA'S POST ON ELECTORAL ROLL

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NEW DELHI: Facing the heat from various Opposition parties over the ongoing special intensive revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in poll-bound Bihar, the Election Commission of India (ECI) has launched a counter-offensive on social media using the hashtag #ECIFactCheck, labelling posts of several opposition leaders as "misleading".

Since its debut fact check post on Monday night, ECI's official X handle has challenged posts on SIR by Congress chief Mallikarjun Kharge, RJD's Tejashwi Yadav and Manoj Kumar Jha, TMC's Sagarika Ghose, and activist Yogendra Yadav.

On Wednesday, RJD MP Jha posted on X what he claimed was an ECI letter confirming a meeting scheduled for July 10 regarding the Bihar revision. "Dear EC ji, is this not your own letter? When we pointed out the time after noon on July 10, your people, after initially agreeing, are now refusing to meet," Jha said in a post in Hindi on X.

ECI swiftly labelled Jha's assertions as "misleading" in its fact-check response, claiming it received "no communication" requesting the meeting from either RJD chief Lalu Prasad or his "authorised representative" Tejashwi Yadav. "Manoj Jha has not been authorised by President of RJD to communicate with ECI vide their letter dated April 03, 2025," ECI replied.

MDL to get over ₹1L-cr submarine contracts

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MUMBAI: Public sector yard Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL) is likely to be awarded two separate contracts by the government worth more than ₹1.06 lakh crore before financial year 2025-26 ends for building submarines for the Indian Navy, officials aware of the matter said on Wednesday.

The first contract is the ₹70,000-crore Project 751 under which Mumbai-based MDL and German yard thyssenkrupp Marine Systems (tkMS) will build six advanced submarines to sharpen the navy's underwater capabilities. The second contract estimated to be worth ₹36,000 crore is for constructing three more Scorpene-class submarines to bolster the country's maritime posture in the Indian Ocean region.

The contract negotiation com-

mittee is set to begin discussions to finalise the commercial and technical terms for P-751, and negotiations for the additional Scorpene-class submarines have been completed, said Commodore SB Jangamkar (retd), director (submarine and heavy engineering), MDL.

"We are looking forward to executing the two projects. The two deals are likely to be signed before March 31, 2026," he said.

The first submarine under P-751 will be delivered to the navy seven years after the contract is signed, with the rest at the rate of one per year, Jangamkar said.

These advanced submarines, a variant of HDW Class 214 subs, will come with air independent propulsion (AIP) systems. AIP significantly increases a submarine's underwater endurance and reduces the risk of detection. As part of the contract, tkMS will transfer the sub-

marine's design and technology to India, enabling the goal of self-reliance in the defence manufacturing sector.

The first submarine under P-751 must have a minimum of 45% indigenisation, with the local content going up to 60% in the sixth, MDL and tkMS edged out their only competitor the Larsen & Toubro-Navantia combine for this order.

MDL has the capability to simultaneously build 11 submarines and 10 destroyers, said Commander V Puranik (retd), director (corporate planning and personnel), MDL. The first of the three new Scorpene-class submarines will be delivered six years after the contract is signed, Jangamkar said. The other two will be at the rate of one per year.

"MDL is ready and configured for this project. We will hit the ground running as skilled labour is there and the supply chain is in place," he said.

On green path



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School students during plantation drive at a wetland park in Noida, Uttar Pradesh, on Wednesday. The UP government is conducting a state-wide campaign during which it aims to plant 520 million saplings through the year. CM Yogi Adityanath said on Wednesday. In the last eight years, the government has planted 2,040 million saplings.

[ALLEGES CASTE-BASED HARASSMENT]

MP judicial officer opposes proposed elevation of judge

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NEW DELHI: A Madhya Pradesh woman judicial officer, whose controversial dismissal was overturned by the Supreme Court earlier this year, has urged the top court collegium to reconsider its recent recommendation for elevating a senior district judge to the Madhya Pradesh high court, citing serious allegations of misconduct, caste-based harassment and abuse of authority against him.

In a strongly worded representation addressed to the Chief Justice of India and other companion judges in the collegium, judicial officer Aditi Kumar Sharma called the proposed elevation of district judge Rajesh Kumar Gupta a "gross misjudgment that threatens the credibility of judicial institutions".

Along with four other judicial officers, Gupta, who is currently working as principal district sessions judge at Ujjain, was on July 2 recommended by the collegium for appointment in the state high court. He is the senior most in the list of nominees.

Gupta declined HT's request for comment, citing ethics and code of conduct. He said that he is functioning under the subordination of the high court and it is only for the office of registrar general to the high court to respond on such matters.

On her part, Sharma also refused to issue a statement owing to her service conditions even as she confirmed that she

THE JUDICIAL OFFICER'S DISMISSAL WAS OVERTURNED BY THE SC FOUR MONTHS BACK

has moved a representation. The development comes just four months after the Supreme Court, in a landmark judgment on February 28, declared Sharma's 2023 termination from service as "arbitrary and illegal", reinstating her with all consequential benefits. Sharma has since been reinstated as a civil judge in Shahdol.

"It is with great anguish and urgency that I place before Your Lordships a heartfelt, solemn representation," Sharma writes in the letter, seen by HT, alleging that Gupta was directly responsible for biased and malicious inquiries that led to her wrongful termination from service.

Her letter outlined multiple written complaints of misconduct against Gupta, including one from a Dalit district judge alleging caste-based harassment, and another by a principal district judge accusing him of public abuse, intimidation of judicial peers and bureaucrats, and derogatory remarks against senior high court judges and their families. "These complaints were neither duly inquired into nor were the complainants ever called for statement or hearing," Sharma notes.

'Maha to have law on conversion'

MUMBAI: Maharashtra revenue minister Chandrabekhar Bawankule on Wednesday said a stringent law to prevent religious conversions will be enacted in the state.

Replying to a debate on the issue raised by BJP's Anup

Agrawal and others in the state assembly, Bawankule said he would speak to chief minister Devendra Fadnis on how to bring an anti-conversion law with stringent provisions.

"A strict law to prevent religious conversions will be

enacted in the state," he said.

He said he has instructed the divisional commissioner concerned to conduct a detailed investigation into unauthorised churches in Dhule-Nandurbar belt and demolish them in six months.

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Government of India
Public Enterprises Selection Board
Invites applications for the post of
DIRECTOR (TECHNICAL & OPERATION)
in
HLL LIFECARE LIMITED
Last date of submission of application by
applicants is by 15:00 hours on
04th August, 2025
Last date of forwarding of applications by the
Nodal Officers to PESB is by 17:00 hours on
13th August, 2025
For details login to website <https://pesb.gov.in>

NORTHERN RAILWAY
INVITATION OF TENDERS THROUGH
E-PROCUREMENT SYSTEM
Tender Notice No. 08/2025-2026 Dated: 09.07.2025
By: Chief Materials Manager, N Ry. Store Depot Mech. Workshop, AMRITSAR for and on behalf of President of India, invited tenders through e-procurement system for the supply of the following items:

S. Tender N. No.	Description	Qty.	Due Date
1 82255172	Lock Bolt and Collar of various Size	186240 Sets of various sizes	04.08.25
2 822453596	ARGON GAS + (1-5%) O2 GAS for SS WELDING AS PER IS NO 5760 - 1996 GR-3 REAFFIRMED 2010	99840 Cums.	18.08.25

Note:- Above tenders with detailed description are uploaded on IREPS site i.e. www.ireps.gov.in. The firm, who desires to participate against e-tenders, is advised to electronically register themselves on the above website for which they would require to have a class III digital certificate form certifying Agencies authorized under IT Act 2000 by Govt. of India. Manual offers against e-tenders will not be accepted.

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Department of Communication
Central Office, Shahid Bhagat Singh Road, Fort, Mumbai-400001
E-TENDER FOR SELECTION OF AUDIO - VISUAL AGENCY
Tender No. - RB/DoC-Central Office Departments/Others/3/25-26/ET/83
Reserve Bank of India, Central Office invites E-tender for "Selection of Audio - Visual Agency", EMD amount of ₹1,80,000/- (One Lakh Eighty thousand rupees only) to be submitted either through NEFT or in form of bank Guarantee before **August 07, 2025, 12:00 hours**.
2. For full details of eligibility as well as for downloading the tender document, please visit our website <https://www.rbi.org.in> or on the MSTC Portal (<https://www.mstccommerce.com/eproc/>)
3. Online tenders will be available for viewing/download from **15:00 hours on July 08, 2025** from the website www.mstccommerce.com.
4. The last date for submission of E-tender on MSTC portal (www.mstccommerce.com) is till **15:30 hours on August 07, 2025**.
5. Further information/corrigendum/addendum if any, will not be published in the newspaper but the same will be uploaded on MSTC Portal (<https://www.mstccommerce.com/eproc/>) and Bank's website (<https://www.rbi.org.in>)
6. The Bank reserves the right to reject any tender without assigning any reason thereof.
Chief General Manager, Department of Communication

Ministry of Culture
Government of India
Notice Inviting Tender
Request for Proposal for Selection of Design Consultant for Comprehensive Museum Design (Architectural and Exhibition Design) Services for **Yuge Yugen Bharat Museum**, New Delhi has been floated on 09 July 2025 by Ministry of Culture, Government of India.
Interested bidders may see details on eprocure.gov.in
Last date for bid submission is 01 August 2025.
CBC 09101/11/0010/2526

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON
See Section 82 Cr.P.C.
Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused Harjit Singh, S/o: Balkar Singh, R/o: Village-Bamuwal, P.O.-Mudawal, P.S.-Subhanpur, District-Kapurthala, Pin-144802, Punjab. Has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case FIR No. 49/2015 U/s 420/467/468/471 IPC & 12 PP Act. P.S. IGI Airport, Delhi, and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said Harjit Singh cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said Harjit Singh has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).
Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused Harjit Singh of P.S. IGI Airport, Delhi is required to appear before this court to answer the said complaint on or before **18.11.2025**.
By Order
Sh. Pranav Joshi
ACJM-01, Court No.-02
Patiala House Courts, Delhi
DP/8754/IGIA/2025

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Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority
Government of India
NCUI Building, 4th Floor, 3, Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg
Hauz Khas, New Delhi - 110016
Tel. No. 49536496, 49092978
www.File No. IT-CR/1/2024-IT/1229 Form/Dated: 23.06.2025
Subject: - Engagement of 01 Junior Consultant (Information Technology) in WORA on contractual basis.
Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority (WDRA) is statutory body constituted under the Warehousing (Development and Regulation) Act, 2007 to implement the provisions of the Act.
2. Applications are invited for the position of 01 Junior Consultant (Information Technology) in WORA on contractual basis initially for a period of one year. The period of engagement of the Consultants can be further extended as per requirements.
3. Eligibility criteria, Terms and Conditions etc. for engagement of 01 Junior Consultant (Information Technology) is available on the website of the WORA www.wdra.gov.in. Interested applicants, who fulfill the eligibility criteria, may submit their applications in the prescribed proforma in a sealed cover superscripted "Engagement of 01 Junior Consultant (Information Technology) in WORA on contractual basis" within 30 days from the date of advertisement on WORA website. The applications may be sent to the Assistant Director (HR) Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority, NCUI Building, 4th floor, 3, Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, Hauz Khas, New Delhi - 110016. A copy of the advertisement shall also be published in the Newspapers / Employment News.
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(An Institute of National Importance under Ministry of Education (Shiksha Mantralaya))
(OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR)
Advertisement No. Jdms-18/2025/4359-64 Dated: 04.07.2025
WALK-IN-INTERVIEW FOR RECRUITMENT OF TEMPORARY FACULTY
(Purely on Contract Basis with Consolidated Salary)
National Institute of Technology Hamirpur (NIT Hamirpur) intends to recruit Temporary Faculty (Purely on contract basis with consolidated salary) on semester basis with a provision of extension upto one year in various departments/ Centers through Walk-in-Interview. The interested eligible candidates may please visit the Institute website www.nitah.ac.in for more detail and further updates.
REGISTRAR
No. NIT/HMR/Admn/18/2025/4359-64 Dated: 04.07.2025

CENTRAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
6th, 7th, & 8th Floor, Tower-B, World Trade Centre, Nauraoji Nagar, New Delhi-110029
Petition No. 460/TL/2025 Dated: 8.7.2025
NOTICE UNDER CLAUSE (a) OF SUB-SECTION (5) OF SECTION 15 OF THE ELECTRICITY ACT, 2003
An application under Sections 14 and 15 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (the Act) has been made by **Fatehgarh II and Barmer I PS Transmission Limited**, B-8, Outab Institutional Area, Katwaria Sarai, New Delhi-110016 to establish the "Augmentation at Fatehgarh-II PS, Fatehgarh-IV PS (Section-II) and Barmer-I PS" (hereinafter referred to as "the Project") on a Build, Own, Operate and Transfer basis consisting of the following elements:

Sr. No.	Name of the Transmission Element	Scheduled COD
1.	Augmentation with 400/220 kV, 3x500 MVA (6th, 7th & 8th) ICTs at Fatehgarh-IV PS (Section-II) along with associated transformer bays • 500 MVA, 400/220 kV ICTs - 3 Nos. • 400 kV ICT bays-3 Nos. • 220 kV ICT bays-3 Nos	Matching with Transmission system for evacuation of power from Rajasthan REZ Ph-IV (Part-2: 4.5 GW) (Jaisalmer) Barmer Complex; Part F i.e. 07.11.2026
2.	Augmentation with 400/220 kV, 2x500 each other MVA (3rd & 4th) ICTs at Barmer-I PS along with associated transformer bays • 500 MVA, 400/220 kV ICTs - 2 Nos. • 400 kV ICT bays-2 Nos. • 220 kV ICT bays-2 Nos.	21 Months from SPV transfer (21.12.2026)
3.	Augmentation with 765/400 kV, 1x1500 MVA Transformer (7th) at Fatehgarh-II PS along with associated transformer bays • 1500 MVA, 765/400 kV ICTs - 1 No. • 765 kV ICT bays-1 No. • 400 kV ICT bays-1 No.	

2. The Central Transmission Utility of India Limited, vide its letter dated 7.4.2025, has recommended for the grant of a transmission licence to the applicant to establish the proposed transmission system.
3. Based on the material available on the record, the Commission vide order dated 7.7.2025 in Petition No. 460/TL/2025, has proposed to issue a transmission licence to the applicant for establishment of the transmission scheme as noted in para 1 above.
4. A copy of the application, along with its annexures and enclosures, made by the applicant for the grant of an inter-State transmission licence to **Fatehgarh II and Barmer I PS Transmission Limited** before the Commission can be accessed at the www.powergrid.in/subsidiaries or inspected by any person in the Commission's office by following the laid down procedure.
5. Notice is hereby given in pursuance of clause (a) of sub-section (5) of Section 15 of the Act that suggestions or objections, if any, to the Commission's proposal to grant a transmission licence to the applicant, as aforesaid, be sent to the undersigned by **25.7.2025** at the above noted address. The suggestions or objections received after the specified date shall not be considered.
6. The application shall be taken up for the further hearing by the Commission on **29.7.2025**. Any person who files suggestions or objections may in his/her discretion attend the hearing, for which no TA/DA shall be paid by the Commission.
Sd/-
(Harpreet Singh Pruthi)
Secretary

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