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The concerns that Bombay HC's POSCO judgment raises

Today we talk about the judgement and the concerns it raises about mandatory sentencing, and the need for specialised judges that only deal with POSCO cases.

Farmers protest red flag rally

Deputy chief minister Ajit Pawar's efforts to relax restrictions on protests did not change the farmers' mood. On Tuesday, farmers in rural areas rebelled against the state government's decision to ban red flags rally and even“If not restricted, we’ll face consequences”

Expressed anger, fear of violence, and an ultimatum

With the state government ban on red flags rally, farmers in rural areas increased their agitation on Tuesday. "If we’re not allowed to carry red flags, we’ll face consequences," the Farmers Union of Maharashtra (FUM) said. "The government has imposed restrictions on the red flags rally, which is a symbol of our protest. We will continue our agitation until our demands are met." The FUM said that the government’s move to ban red flags rally was an attempt to suppress the farmers’ movement and protect the interests of the rich. "If the government does not lift the restrictions on red flags rally, we will intensify our agitation," the FUM warned. The Farmers Union of Maharashtra has been leading the farmers’ movement against the farm laws introduced by the state government. The farmers have been demanding the repeal of the laws, which they say will devastate their livelihoods.

Farmer protest in Nandurbar

The farmers in Nandurbar continued their agitation on Tuesday. "We’re tired of waiting. The government has to listen to us," said a farmer. The farmers have been demanding the enforcement of minimum support prices for their crops, which they say have been reduced by the government. "Our crops are rotting on the field because of low prices," the farmers said. "We want the government to listen to us and take action," they added. The farmers have been holding protests in Nandurbar for several weeks, demanding the enforcement of minimum support prices and an increase in the price of their crops. The farmers have been facing difficulties in selling their crops because of low prices, and they say that this has caused them a great deal of distress.

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During clashes at the protest site, tear gas and lathicharge were used by the police to disperse the farmers. (Inputs from Ashna Butani)
As protesters entered the Red Fort on Monday, the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) and the Delhi Police used tear gas and water cannons to disperse the crowd. Police also used batons and tear gas to disperse the crowd in the vicinity of the Red Fort. At least 150 people were injured and over 40 were detained by police.

**In Town for R-Day, artists in middle of Red Fort chaos, taken to safety**

As police clashes continued outside the Red Fort, some artists were moved to safer locations. The Delhi Police said they were trying to ensure the safety of the artists while maintaining law and order. The Red Fort was closed to the public as a preventive measure.

**FARMER PROTESTS IN THE CAPITAL**

On Tuesday, the Ministry of Home Affairs decided to review the decision to allow the farmers to enter the Red Fort during the Republic Day parade. The decision was made after the farmers demanded the removal of the security personnel from the Red Fort.

**150 policemen injured, 2 in ICU as crowd control takes heavy toll**

According to the police, more than 100 policemen were injured in the clashes outside the Red Fort. At least two policemen were taken to the hospital.

**Rafale steals Republic Day show**

The Rafale fighter jets stole the show at the Republic Day parade, with a group of pilots performing a precision flypast. The jets were joined by other aircraft, including the Indian Air Force’s Sarang aerobatic team, which put on a spectacular display.

**TABLEAUX SHOWING RAM MANDIR, BIOTECH ADVANCES ON DISPLAY**

The tableau showing the Ram Mandir and biotech advances was one of the highlights of the parade. The tableau depicted the construction of the temple and the advancements made in the biotech industry.

**Two police managers, two civilians injured in Red Fort chaos**

The police confirmed that two police managers and two civilians were injured during the clash outside the Red Fort. The police said they were providing medical attention to the injured.

**Clockwise from top left: Black Cat Commandos with armoured tactical vehicle; a tableau commemorating advances in biotechnology, especially in view of Covid-19; a tableau showing the Ram temple in Ayodhya; a tableau depicting women empowerment.**
RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat after hoisting the Tricolor at Sayunkt Kisan Morcha and Delhi NH-44 were apprehensive that provoked them. According to RSS general secretary Suresh Joshi, “The situation is extremely critical and they have decided to take immediate action.”

Meanwhile, highway snarl meant many on NH-44 remained there.
Unity, fight against Covid: Key message from states

WEST BENGAL: Celebrities were roped in for the COVID-19 pandemic, but the protest march was held on July 31 by the Left Front in Kolkata. The march was peaceful and drew support from various groups.

UTTARAKHAND: Governor Ramnath Kovind unfurled the national flag at Rajpath Ground in Dehradun. He also urged people to follow the government’s guidelines in order to curb the spread of the virus.

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NEW DELHI: Indian athletes perform with the Indian national flag during the parade in New Delhi.

A pensive contingent participates in a parade in Mahmudabad.

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**Exposure to PM2.5 increases the risk of anaemia among children under 5**

Exposure to air pollution, especially PM2.5, has been linked to adverse health effects. A recent study has shown that exposure to PM2.5 can lead to an increased risk of anaemia among children under 5 years of age. The study, published in the *Indian Journal of Dermatology*, found that children living in areas with high levels of PM2.5 exposure had a higher risk of anaemia compared to those living in areas with lower levels of exposure. The study also highlighted the importance of reducing air pollution levels to improve children's health outcomes.

**The study's findings**

The study, which involved 1,000 children aged 0-5 years from different regions of India, found that exposure to PM2.5 was associated with a 20% increased risk of anaemia among children. The risk was highest among children living in urban areas, where PM2.5 levels are typically higher. The study also found that the risk of anaemia was highest among children aged 0-1 months, suggesting that early exposure to air pollution may have a more significant impact.

**Implications**

The findings of this study highlight the urgent need for interventions to reduce air pollution levels, particularly in urban areas. Reducing exposure to PM2.5 could have significant benefits for child health, including a reduced risk of anaemia. Public health measures, such as improving air quality standards and promoting clean energy sources, could help to reduce exposure to PM2.5 and improve children's health outcomes.

**Conclusion**

Exposure to PM2.5 is a major public health concern and efforts are needed to address this issue. Reducing exposure to PM2.5, particularly for young children, could lead to significant improvements in child health outcomes, including a reduced risk of anaemia.
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The pandermic endgame

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Regardless of the truth about an incredible Government, with COVID-19, it appears that very few hundred millions of people to protect them from a virus which has already infected more than 50% of our population. Moreover, this poses an existential question: Should the country whose system is in such a slumber, which is still a long way from universal coverage of vaccines which protect children from deadly diseases, which is witnessing the highest rates of malnutrition and TB in the world, be spending so much on a programme for a disease that may not even be the last leg and which has low mortality rate?

In the unprecedented and unchartered waters in which we find ourselves, it is tempting to be complacent and to assume that the worst is behind us. But the reality is that the battle is far from over. The pandemic has taught us that even in the face of adversity, we must remain vigilant and proactive. The battle against COVID-19 has not ended, and we must continue to fight with all our might. For only when we emerge victorious from this battle can we truly begin to rebuild and to envision a brighter future. So let us all come together, let us all fight for our lives, and let us all work towards a world that is free from the scourge of COVID-19.
Children from economically weaker backgrounds have fallen behind as classes shifted to the digital mode during the pandemic. Remedial action involving parents, communities and schools is urgent.

**Vineet Shrivastava**

Navi Mumbai: Assam’s school closures post the spread of the coronavirus has left behind a large number of students behind, especially from marginalized groups such as disadvantaged children. As months roll by, concerns intensify over the impact of virtual learning on marginalization.

When children return to in-person learning, the children who have been left behind in distance learning will not be given as much importance as their peers. This may result in a two-tier education system.

The Assam government is aware of the problem across the state and is taking steps to mitigate the situation. The state has started a “Bridge to Earlier Hud Hà” program to support children who have been left behind in education.

The program aims to provide remedial classes to children who have fallen behind during the pandemic. The classes will be conducted by teachers from government schools and will focus on core subjects such as mathematics, science, and English.

The government is also providing digital devices such as tablets and smartphones to children who do not have access to them. The program is being implemented in collaboration with non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and other stakeholders.

The government has also launched a helpline for parents and children to seek assistance. The helpline will provide guidance on various aspects of education, including strategy, resources, and other necessary support.

In addition to the immediate measures, the government is also taking steps to ensure long-term sustainability of the program. The focus will be on providing continuous support to children who have been left behind.

The government is working closely with the Ministry of Education and other departments to ensure that the program is effective and reaches all children in need.

The “Bridge to Earlier Hud Hà” program is an essential step towards bridging the digital divide and ensuring that all children have access to quality education.

**Shiksha NATH and Aaran Patel**

In the wake of independence, India’s Constitution was an ambitious and audacious document. It sought to protect the rights of all its citizens and to ensure that both people and states are held to a high standard. Despite its lofty goals and ambitious language, it has been criticized for being overly complex and difficult to understand.

Over the last seven decades, India has made steady progress in terms of educating its citizens. With the help of the government and various NGOs, the literacy rate in the country has improved significantly.

The pandemic has only added to the challenges faced by educators and parents. However, India has been able to mobilize resources and provide support to students in remote areas.

The Constitution still serves as a reminder of how Indians must work together to achieve its goals. It is an aspirational and audacious document that must be embraced by all Indians. The time has come for India to take the next step in its journey towards a green and sustainable future.

**Shloka Nath and Pratim Chakraborty**

India was not made to ask. India was made to exist, to take India to ask.”

There is a need for a Carey Indian climate narrative in which the tragedy of the year is seen as a call to unity. The Centrist Republic, or ‘a country ruled by the people, for the people’ is a model for the country to build on.

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In Budget, disinvestment and borrowings

Nikesh Chopra

Why assets sale targets are important

Despite favourable market conditions, the government has raised less than 3% of budgeted revenues from disinvestment. As a result, fiscal deficit for the current year is set to worsen.

Nishad Barve

In Bombay High Court verdict on sexual assault, the issue of mandatory minimum sentencing

In a long-awaited verdict, the Bombay High Court on Monday ruled in favour of the Progressiveforum's challenge against the Maharashtra government's controversial law making it mandatory to sentence a rapist to at least 10 years in prison.

Why govt borrows off-budget, and how

These loans, not taken directly by the Centre, help meet expenses, but are not counted in fiscal deficit.
WHO issues new clinical advice on treating Covid-19 patients

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Health experts release new clinical advice on treating Covid-19 patients. WHO released new clinical advice on treating Covid-19 patients in a bid to help health systems worldwide manage the pandemic more effectively. The guidance covers a range of topics, from diagnosis and treatment to patient care and workforce management, and is intended to support countries in their efforts to contain the outbreak.

The new advice is based on the latest available evidence and takes into account the evolving nature of the pandemic. It is designed to be flexible and adaptable, allowing healthcare providers to tailor it to their specific needs and circumstances.

The advice includes guidance on the use of vaccines, which are now widely available in many countries. It recommends that all eligible individuals receive a complete course of vaccination, including booster doses as they become available.

The new advice also provides guidance on the use of antiviral treatments and suggests that these should be reserved for patients who are at high risk of severe disease, such as those with underlying health conditions.

The guidance emphasizes the importance of early detection and isolation of cases to prevent the spread of the virus. It also highlights the need for continued surveillance and monitoring of the virus to track its evolution and inform future decision-making.

Overall, the new advice aims to help countries strengthen their healthcare systems and improve the quality of care for Covid-19 patients, while also supporting efforts to address other ongoing health threats.


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SHAHBAZ MAHMOOD, Pakistan's sports minister, says another 14 players and three support staff members have tested positive for COVID-19. Pakistan in the first T20 against South Africa is in severe trouble after nine players and four support staff members have tested positive for COVID-19.

Shahbaaz said on Thursday that the PCB had ordered a full lockdown of the team's hotel in Cape Town and restrictions on movement by players and support staff.

South Africa's cricket board is expected to announce the status of the remaining T20 series later on Thursday.

Shahbaaz did not say how the cases were detected or how many of the players were already in the country.

He said the players were showing mild symptoms and that they had been isolated.

The players and staff members who tested positive had been placed in a separate wing of the team's hotel in Cape Town.

The PCB has previously said it had taken all necessary precautions to ensure the safety of the players and staff members.