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TO KEEP PRESSURE ON SEPARATIST CONGLOMERATE

Govt considers ban on both factions of Hurriyat; final call at 'highest level'

Bid to block funds amid reports of Pakistan MBBS seat racket

DEEPTIMAN TIWARY
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 22

THE CENTRE IS considering a ban on both the factions of the All Party Hurriyat Conference under the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA), government sources said on Sunday. The ban will allow security agencies to arrest any office bearer for being associated with the Hurriyat, and block flow of funds.

According to sources in the Union Home Ministry, while discussions to declare both the



Most leaders of the Hurriyat are currently in jail. Archive

hardline and moderate factions of the Hurriyat as "unlawful association" have started, file

movement in this regard is yet to begin. The hardline faction is currently led by Ashraf Sehrai, and the moderate faction by Mirwaiz Umar Farooq.

The sources said the discussions follow evidence and intelligence provided by Jammu & Kashmir Police and central agencies such as the National Investigation Agency and the Enforcement Directorate. "A final call will be taken only at the highest level in the government," a source said.

A decision to ban an organisation is signed by the Union

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Centre drew red line long ago, Hurriyat left in the cold since J&K split

BASHAARAT MASOOD
SRINAGAR, AUGUST 22

THE RED line was drawn seven years ago. That it wasn't business as usual with the Hurriyat was made clear barely three months into Prime Minister Narendra Modi's first term when



New Delhi called off Foreign-Secretary talks with Pakistan an hour after then Pak High Commissioner Abdul Basit met separatist leader Shabir Shah.

"Pakistan's continued efforts to interfere in India's internal affairs were unacceptable..."

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Afghan refugees at Hindon air base on Sunday. Praveen Khanna

168, including two Afghan MPs, arrive from Kabul: 'Nothing is left. It's zero...'

JIGNASA SINHA & DIVYA GOYAL GOPAL
NEW DELHI, LUDHIANA, AUGUST 22

TWO AFGHAN Members of Parliament and their families were among 168 people, including 107 Indians, airlifted from Kabul to the Hindon airbase in Ghaziabad, in an Indian Air Force

C-17 military transport aircraft, on Sunday morning.

According to reports, the group had 24 Afghan Sikhs and Hindus, including the two minority MPs, Narinder Singh Khalsa and Anarkali Kaur Honaryar.

"India is our second home. We have been living there since generations. We pray to God that Afghanistan is rebuilt, and we

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Tax portal still not working, FM summons Infy CEO today

ENSE ECONOMIC BUREAU
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 22

WITH THE new income tax portal continuing to face glitches and remaining unavailable for the last two days, the Finance Ministry has summoned Infosys MD & CEO Salil Parekh on Monday to explain to Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman the reasons for the continued glitches even after more than two months have passed since it was launched.

The new tax portal executed by the Bengaluru-based

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ELGAR PARISHAD CASE

Waging war on country in NIA draft charges; no mention of 'bid to kill PM'

SADAF MODAK
MUMBAI, AUGUST 22

THE NATIONAL Investigation Agency (NIA) has proposed to charge the 15 people arrested in the Elgar Parishad case with 16 offences, including waging a war against the country which has a maximum punishment of death.

In its draft charges submitted before a special court earlier this month, the NIA has said the accused conspired to organise sophisticated weapons "to attempt or cause death of public

functionary".

The Pune police, which had conducted the initial investigation in the case, had in its proposed draft charges said the weapons were linked to a conspiracy to "assassinate Prime Minister Narendra Modi".

While the NIA does not mention the Prime Minister, an NIA official said the draft charges have not gone into specific allegations and the evidence on this will be part of the trial.

The Pune police had claimed to have seized a letter where a

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17-yr-old Shaili leaps to silver at World U20



Anju Bobby George ward missed gold by just a centimetre

NIHAL KOSHIE
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 22

LONG JUMPER Shaili Singh, 17, brought up by a single mother who learnt tailoring to earn a living, won a silver at the World U20 Championships in Nairobi on Sunday. Mentored by long jump great Anju Bobby George and coached by her husband

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Test for Covid template as Puri temple reopens

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NEW DELHI, AUGUST 22

WHEN THE Shree Jagannath Temple in Odisha's Puri, one of the four pilgrimage centres for Hindus, reopens its doors after four months to devotees from across the nation on Monday, it will put to test a template that could possibly be a template for other religious shrines in these pandemic times.

Forming the core of the strategy is a comprehensive vaccination drive for the temple's more than 3,500 servitors and their families, working out a strict Covid protocol for entry to the temple, taking on board all stakeholders, and adapting to challenges unique



Sanitisation exercise outside Jagannath Temple in Puri on Sunday. Photo courtesy: SJTA

to the temple, according to the top official responsible for the temple's administration.

The plan evolved in the

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PUSH IN NORTHEAST, ANDAMANS

Oil palm mission: Govt cleared despite red flags by top forestry institute

JAY MAZOOMDAAR
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 22

LAST WEEK, to cut the import bill, the Union Cabinet cleared the Rs 11,040-crore National Mission on Edible Oils-Oil Palm (NMEO-OP) with a focus on growing the crop in the North-east and Andaman and Nicobar Islands due to their favourable rainfall and temperature.

That clearance, however, came in the face of objections raised by India's top forestry research institute against introducing oil palm in biodiversity rich areas — and in the absence of a detailed study it had proposed.

Approached by the Andaman and Nicobar administration for relaxing its 2002 ban on plantations of exotic oil palm in the archipelago, the Supreme

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