

'Investment boom': Modi flags off ₹41K cr rail works

Says consumption rose by 2.5x in 10 years, talks of India's achievements

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New Delhi, 26 February

Indian Railways, through its ongoing modernisation, will be the source of massive investment in the next five years, Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi said in New Delhi, ahead of the 2024 Lok Sabha elections.

"India is one of the most promising investment destinations in the world today, and modern infrastructure is one of the biggest reasons for that. In the next five years, when thousands of railway stations have been modernised, the capabilities of Indian railways will increase, triggering an investment boom," the PM said after flagging off and laying the foundation stone for 2,000 rail projects worth ₹41,000 crore. The projects include several stations meant to undergo redevelopment after the laying of the foundation stone, and allied infrastructure.

So far, 1,321 stations of 7,000 have been selected by the railways for redevelopment. Many of them are at different stages of construction. Railways Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw credited the progress to the PM Gati Shakti framework, which



Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday promised all support to the textile sector, stressing that it would play a crucial role in making India a developed nation by 2047, when India will complete 100 years of Independence. He was addressing a gathering after inaugurating Bharat Tex 2024 in New Delhi

has consolidated several operations that earlier took place in silos. In response to a question regarding deficiencies in rail facilities, Vaishnaw said a lot of work would be done to address this "in Modi 3.0". He was briefing the media on the progress of works identified under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme. "It is complex work to build

world-class stations, but the government undertook several reforms to implement these schemes. Also, massive work is going on at all stations irrespective of their sizes and places."

'Fast delivery new normal for world'
Citing data to assert poverty in India at its lowest, Prime

Minister Narendra Modi said consumption rose by 2.5 times in a decade. The world no longer feels surprised at India's achievements as it has become a new normal now and they today realise the benefit of walking alongside the country, he said at a global summit organised by TVS News Network.

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2024 LOK SABHA PLAYBOOK

BJP may field new faces to beat anti-incumbency

ARCHIS MOHAN
New Delhi, 26 February

On Monday, former diplomat Taranjit Singh Sandhu posted pictures on social media of his interaction with farmers on the Indo-Pakistan border in Punjab's Amritsar. At the other end of India, in the hill district of Darjeeling on the Indo-Nepal border, former foreign secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla, after his stint as the chief Group of Twenty (G20) coordinator for India's G20 presidency, has been busy with social work, ensuring the delivery of computers to schools or wheelchairs to those in need.

In March 2019, in the run-up to the Lok Sabha (LS) polls, the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) dropped 99, or 36 per cent, of its 268 sitting LS members (down from the 282 it won in 2014 because of losses in by-polls and the passing away of sitting members). It replaced them with first-timers, including former cricket players, actors, and retired bureaucrats. Cricketer Gautam Gambhir, actors Sunny Deol, Ravi Kishan, Luckey Chatterjee, singer Hans Raj Hans, and bureaucrat Aparajita Sarangi were some of BJP's first-time MPs in 2019.

In 2024, the BJP's top leadership would drop its LS members found to be facing anti-incumbency, according to its internal surveys, in their respective constituencies — a pivotal tactic to ensure the party achieves its target of winning 370 seats. The BJP wants to ensure that the party, along with its allies Apna Dal and Rashtriya Lok Dal (RLD), wins all of Uttar Pradesh's 80 seats, where it lost 16 in 2019.

To ensure this, the party will import winnable candidates from other parties, such as Bahujan Samaj Party's (BSP) Ritesh Pandey and Congress' Jharkhand MP Geeta Koda. Pandey, the sitting BSP MP from Uttar Pradesh's Ambedkar Nagar, joined the BJP on Sunday.

Geeta, the wife of former Jharkhand chief minister Madhu Koda, is the sitting Congress MP from Singhbhum. She joined the BJP on Monday. Some other BSP MPs from UP are likely to join the BJP, sources said. In 2019, the BJP-led alliance lost two of Jharkhand's 14 seats.

The BJP is unlikely to field those above 75 years of age or those with multiple terms under their belt to give opportunities to younger workers. Another prong of this plan is to bring talented bureaucrats and technocrats into the government, just as it brought S Jaishankar, R K Singh, Hardeep Singh Puri, Ashwini Vaishnaw, and others to manage vital ministerial portfolios since 2014.

Shringla and Sandhu have been tight-lipped about contesting the LS polls but fit the bill for the talented retired bureaucrats that Prime Minister Narendra Modi wants to look after ministerial portfolios. Both Shringla and San-



BJP President J.P. Nadda on Tuesday flagged off the party's two dozen vehicles, Viksit Bharat Modi Guarantee Raths, for the Lok Sabha campaigning

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dhru was India's ambassadors to the US.

After 35 years in the government, 61-year-old Sandhu superannuated from the Indian Foreign Service on January 31. Since returning from Washington DC earlier this month, Sandhu has jumped headlong into public outreach in his ancestral city of Amritsar. He has been meeting entrepreneurs, doctors, farmers, and people from all sections of society. Shringla, 62, under the auspices of the Darjeeling Welfare Society, has been involved in social work in his hometown since he retired in April 2022. In between, Shringla managed preparations for India's G20 presidency.

The BJP has 290 LS MPs (down from 303 it won in 2019) as 10 quit after they were elected to the legislative Assemblies of Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, and Chhattisgarh in December and its losses in by-polls.

In 2019, the BJP didn't field those above 75 years of age, such as LS Speaker Sumitra Mahajan, Karima Munda, I K Advani, Kailash Mishra, Bijoya Chakravarty, B C Khanduri, Shanta Kumar, and Murlu Manohar Joshi. In 2024, at least 15 of its LS MPs are either 75 years old or will soon be, including Mathura MP Hema Malini, Bareilly's Santosh Gangwar, and Lucknow MP Rita Bahuguna Joshi. There is uncertainty about whether its multiple-term MPs will get party tickets this time.

Modi will be in Kerala on Tuesday, where the BJP could unveil its candidates for half of the state's 21 LS seats. The BJP could field actors Shobana and Suresh Gopi. Sources said the BJP is in talks with a top Hindi movie star to contest from Delhi's Chandni Chowk seat.

Will scrap Agnipath if voted to power: Cong

Press Trust of India
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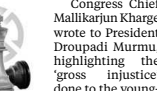
Congress chief Mallikarjun Kharge has written to President Droupadi Murmu, claiming that 'gross injustice' is being done to youngsters

Step up its attack on the Union government over the Agnipath military recruitment scheme, the Congress alleged on Monday that 'gross injustice' was done to youngsters. The party demanded that those who had cleared the old recruitment process but were not inducted be immediately given jobs.

The opposition party asserted it would revert to the old recruitment system if voted to power at the Centre.

Congress Chief Mallikarjun Kharge wrote to President Droupadi Murmu, highlighting the 'gross injustice' done to the youngsters seeking regular employment in the armed forces due to the Agnipath scheme, and urged her to ensure justice for them.

The future of nearly two lakh young men and women has become uncertain due to the scrapping of the regular recruitment process in the armed forces, Kharge said in his letter to the president.



BATTLEGROUND 2024

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NOTICE OF LOSS OF SHARE CERTIFICATES

NAME OF THE SHAREHOLDER	Folio No.	Certificate No.	Distinctive Nos.	Shares
MAHENDRABHAI PATEL	M02714	15499	3543911 - 3544010	100

The public are hereby warned against purchase or dealing in any way with the above said share certificates. Any person who purchases or deals in any way with the above said share certificates should lodge such claim(s) with the company at its registered office at the address given above within 15 days of the publication of the notice after which no claim will be entertained and the company will proceed to issue the duplicate share certificate(s).

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NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Company has on 26th February, 2024 completed the electronic dispatch of the Postal Ballot Notice under the provisions of Section 110 of the Companies Act, 2013, to the Members whose names appear in the Register of Members/Beneficial owners as on the cut-off date (i.e. 23rd February, 2024) seeking assent / dissent of the Members through Postal Ballot only through e-voting for the following Special Resolutions to be passed as per the postal ballot notice dated 14th February, 2024.

- To consider re-appointment of Mr. Kamal Khosro Seth (DIN 00194986) as an Independent Director for 2nd term of five consecutive years with effect from 29th March, 2024 till 28th March, 2029 and continuation in his appointment even though he has already attained the age of 75 years on 12th May, 2020.
- To consider appointment of Dr. (Ms.) Swati Arvind Patankar (DIN 06594000) as an Independent Director of the Company for a period of five consecutive years from 14th February, 2024 to 13th February, 2029.
- To consider and approve Ipca Laboratories Ltd. - Employees Stock Option Scheme 2024 (Ipca ESOS 2024) - grant of stock options to eligible employees of the Company.

The Postal Ballot Notice is also available on the Company's website www.ipca.com and website of National Securities Depository Limited ("NSDL"), www.evoting.nsdl.com. These details are also available on the website of the Stock Exchanges where the shares of the Company are listed: BSE Limited (www.bseindia.com) and The National Stock Exchange of India Limited (www.nseindia.com).

In compliance with the provisions of Sections 108 and 110 of the Act and Rules 20 and 22 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 as amended ("Rules") and Regulation 44 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 as amended, the Company is pleased to provide voting by electronic means ("e-voting") facility to the Members, to enable them to cast their votes electronically. The Company has engaged the services of NSDL to provide e-voting facility to its Members.

The e-voting period commences from 9.00 a.m. (IST) on Wednesday, 28th February, 2024 and ends at 5.00 p.m. (IST) on Thursday, 28th March, 2024. During this period, Members holding shares either in physical form or in dematerialized form, as on Friday, 23rd February, 2024 i.e. cut-off date, may cast their vote electronically. The e-voting module shall be disabled by NSDL for voting thereafter. Once the vote on a resolution is cast by the Member, he/she shall not be allowed to change it subsequently or cast vote again. Voting rights will be reckoned on the paid-up value of Equity Shares registered in the name of the Members on Friday, 23rd February, 2024 ("Cut-off date").

For details relating to e-voting, please refer to the Postal Ballot Notice. In case of any queries, you may refer the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for shareholders and e-voting user manual for shareholders available at the download section of www.evoting.nsdl.com or call on toll free No. 022-4886 7000 and 022-2496 7000 or send a request at evoting@nsdl.com. In case of any grievances connected with facility for voting by electronic means, please contact Manager, NSDL, 4th Floor, A Wing, Trade World, Kankaria Lake Compound, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Panel, Mumbai - 400 013. E-mail: evoting@nsdl.com and 022-4886 7000 and 022-2496 7000. The results of the Postal Ballot will be announced on or before 5.00 p.m. (IST) on Friday, 29th March, 2024. The said results would be displayed on the notice board at the registered office of the Company and intimated to BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited where the shares of the Company are listed. Additionally, the results will also be uploaded on the Company's website www.ipca.com and on the website of National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) www.evoting.nsdl.com.

By Order of the Board
For Ipca Laboratories Limited
Harish P Kamath (ACS 6792)
Company Secretary

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Sl. No.	Name of the Shareholder	Distinctive Numbers	Folio Number	Share Certificate No.	No. of Shares
1	MARTIN GEORGE	2406671 - 2406770	M27250	9399	100
		8091065 - 8094064	548	89677	3000
2	RAMESH KUMAR	4094360 - 4094417	R38336		53
		4631297 - 4631354		1276	50
		4634339 - 4634393		1368	55
		4669974 - 4670023		1949	50
		1852831 - 1852850		14771	20
		2643791 - 2643810		14771	20
		1512061 - 1512100		14784	100
		169121 - 1692000		14786	30
		2643981 - 2644000		14785	70
		2644051 - 2644100		14786	60
		4852883 - 4852922		14786	40
		1854381 - 1854400		14959	20
		2648511 - 2648590		14959	80
		202001 - 202008		12767	10
		2751161 - 2751240		12767	80
		4881440 - 4881539		19552	100
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		3579996 - 3579995		37168	100
		746081 - 746100		37469	20
		824581 - 824590		37469	10
		1049571 - 1049610		37469	40
		1254421 - 1254540		37469	30
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		5273150 - 5273157		57484	8
		6466698 - 6466797		73365	100
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		7762574 - 7762783		86278	100
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		8308365 - 8308664		91834 - 91838	500
		9942230 - 9942429		108513 - 108514	100

The public are hereby warned against purchasing or dealing with the above certificates in any manner. Any person(s) who has/have a claim in respect of the said shares should lodge such claim or claims at the Registered Office of the Bank within FIFTEEN (15) DAYS from the date of publishing this notice failing which the Bank will proceed to issue duplicate Certificates in respect of the said shares.

By Order of the Board
For CSB BANK LIMITED
(Sd/-)
COMPANY SECRETARY

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