

Actor’s brother held in cocaine bust

Small-time actor and brother of a popular Bollywood actress was detained along with five others by Telangana Police for consumption of

cocaine, while five drug peddlers, including two Nigerians, were arrested, in Hyderabad on Monday. Cops seized 199 grams of cocaine,

two passports, two bikes and 10 mobile phones from their possession. Aman Preet Singh and the five other consumers were nabbed during a raid. **TNN**



भारतीय विज्ञान शिक्षा एवं अनुसंधान संस्थान भोपाल
INDIAN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE EDUCATION AND RESEARCH BHOPAL
संस्थान निर्माण विभाग, भोपाल बायपास रोड, भौरी भोपाल – ४६२०६६ (मध्य-प्रदेश)
Institute Works Department, Bhopal By-pass Road, Bhauri Bhopal-462066 (Madhya Pradesh)

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER
The Superintending Engineer, Institute Works Department, IISER Bhopal on behalf of the Board of Governors invites online percentage rate/item rate tenders from CPWD enlisted contractors of appropriate class and other eligible firms/contractors of repute in two envelopes system for the following work:

Sl. No.	NIT No. & Date	Name of work	Estimate cost	Earnest Money	Period
1.	IWD/SE/NIT/2024-25/05 dated 10.07.2024	Providing services of cleaning, sweeping & up-keeping by providing manpower, material, T&P and disposal of garbage at IISER Bhopal for the year 2024-25.	Rs. 235.84 Lakh	Rs.4,71,700/-	12 Months
2.	IWD/SE/NIT/2024-25/06 dated 10.07.2024	Providing services of cleaning, sweeping & up-keeping by providing manpower, material, T&P and disposal of garbage at IISER Bhopal for the year 2024-25 (SW : Supply of cleaning (Consumable) materials.	Rs. 23.45 Lakh	Rs.46,902/-	12 Months
3.	IWD/SE/NIT/2024-25/07 dated 10.07.2024	Mechanised periodical cleaning and disinfection of underground and overhead water storage tanks at IISER Bhopal during 2024-25 and 2025-26.	Rs. 7.36 Lakh	Rs.14,724/-	24 Months
4.	IWD/SE/NIT/2024-25/08 dated 10.07.2024	Providing & fixing of vertical blinds for windows in the THERM & Other buildings at IISER Bhopal.	Rs. 9.42 Lakh	Rs.18,837/-	02 Months

The bids forms and other details for application can be obtained from the website **www.tenderwizard.com/IISERB**. The press notice is also available in Institute website **www.iiserb.ac.in** and website **www.eprocure.gov.in**.



पंजाब नैशनल बैंक
punjab national bank
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES
E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Constructive/Physical/Symbolic (Whichever is applicable) possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Bank (Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on the date as mentioned in the table herein below for recovery of its dues due to the Bank (Secured creditor from the respective borrowers/guarantors. The reserve price and earnest money deposit will be as mentioned in the below against the respective properties.

Circle SASTRA Centre,
Arera Hills, Bhopal Phone No. 0755-2550020

Date of E-Auction : 13-08-2024
(E-auction timings: 11.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. with an unlimited extension of 10 minutes each)

Name of Borrower/Mortgagor Description of Secured Assets	Reserve Price	EMD (₹)	Demand Notice Dt. Possession Dt. Amt. Due to Bank
THE BIDDER SHALL IMPROVE THE OFFER IN MULTIPLE OF RS.25000/- (RS.TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND ONLY) CIRCLE SASTRA Auth. Officer : Shri Binit Kumar Phone No. 0755-2550020/9557822211			
Shri Anoop Gupta S/o Shri Ashok Gupta & Smt Pragma Gupta W/o Shri Anoop Gupta (Physical Possession) Flat No. T-1, 3rd Floor, Shailesh Homes, Plot No. 46, A- Sector, Sarvdharm Colony, Kolar Road Bhopal M.P. Area 618 Sq. Ft. Boundaries: East: Flat No. T-2 & T-3, West: Plot No. 47, North: Road, South: Other land. Property Owner : Shri Anoop Gupta & Smt. Pragma Gupta	16.38 Lacs	01.64 Lacs	07-05-2018 30-11-2019 (₹) 1322386.25 + interest & other charges w.e.f. 01.05.2018
Shri Devendra Kumar Tiwari & Shri Brijesh Kumar Tiwari Equitable Mortgage of Residential H. No. MIG-100, (First Floor) C-Sector, Housing Board Colony, Ward No. 63, Ayodhya Nagar, Tehsil-Huzur, Bhopal, Area: 646.46 sq. ft..Boundaries : East: 4.50 mt. Wide Road, West : H. No. 100, North : H. No. 104, West : H. No. 106. Property Owner : Shri Devendra Kumar Tiwari S/o Shri Hari Narayan Tiwari & Shri Brijesh Kumar Tiwari S/o Shri Hari Narayan Tiwari (Physical Possession)	10.58 Lacs	01.06 Lacs	06.10.2017 20.08.2018 (₹) 2405961.00 + interest & other charges thereon w.e.f.01.04.2017
M/s Jai Maa Bhawani Traders (Physical Possession) EM of Lease hold Plot No. 298-GBH, situated at Grain Yard, Navin Mandi Campus, Karond, Tehsil- Huzur, Distt- Bhopal, Admeasuring 1000 Sq.ft., Boundries: East: Plot No.287, West: Mandi Road, North: Plot No. 297, South: Plot No. 299, Property Owner: M/s Jai Maa Bhawani Traders through Shri Prop. Mahesh Kumar Sahu S/o Shri Kanhaiyalal sahu	17.10 Lacs	01.71 Lacs	10-04-2017 18-12-2018 Amount As per Demand Notice Date 10.04.2017
Smt Pooja Singh W/o Shri Laxman Singh (Physical Possession) EM of Flat No.4, Plot No.286, Second Floor, Sai Homes, Madhuwan Vihar Colony, Grm- Bhairpur, Kharsa No. 53.54.55/1,56.58,38,67/3/3,66/3, P.H. No. 42/25, Rajvas Nirishkak Mandal -04, Vikas Khand- Fanda, Tel- Huzurm Bhopal, Area : 600 Sq.ft., Boundaries : East- Plot No.287, West- Plot No.285, North- Road, South- Flat No.05, Property Owner : Smt. Pooja Singh & Shri Laxman Singh	04.38 Lacs	00.44 Lacs	25-07-2017 10-12-2019 (₹) 1607518.00 + interest & other charges
M/s. Lodhi Ware House & Grading Plant (Physical Possession) Prop.: Shri Kaniram Lodhi S/o Shri Shankar Lal Lodhi All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Land and Ware House Building at Kharsa No. 176, diverted, 2.00 acres, Patwari Halka No. 42/99, RI No. 03, Village Gunga Block, Berasia, Distt.-Bhopal. Admeasuring : 87124 Sq.Ft., Boundaries : East: Open Nala then Manikhedhi Road, West: Land of Mr. Kaniram Lodhi, North: Land of Mr. Kaniram Lodhi, South: Land of Mr. Dharendra Jamna Prasad.	83.49 Lacs	08.35 Lacs	13-04-2017 29-07-2017 (₹)16743162.00 + interest & other charges thereon
Mr. Bala Patil (Physical Possession) EM of Flat No F-01, 1st Floor, Khambara Heights constructed on Plot No 105, Block-D, Patel nagar Colony, Ward No 61, Raisen Road, Tehsil Huzur, Bhopal, Area 650sq.ft Boundaries: East- Plot No104, West- Plot No 106, North- Lane, South- Road, Property Owner: Mr. Bala Patil S/o Shri Balram Patil.	11.61 Lacs	01.16 Lacs	21-04-2016 16-07-2016 (₹) 2232690.00 + interest & other charges w.e.f. 01.04.2016
M/s Eco Oil & Green Energy Pvt. Ltd (Physical Possession) Directors: Shri Vasant Giri S/o Shri Prabirakar Giri & Shri Jasveer Singh Gajar S/o Shri Antar Singh Gajar 1. Industrial Plot No. 3, Industrial Area/ Estate Situated at Village Abdulpur (Pachama), Distt. Sehore, Plot Area 19602.00 Sq ft. Boundaries: East Industrial Area Road, West-Govt. Open Govt. Land, North – Open Govt. Land, South – Plot No. 02-B, Name of Owner: M/s Eco Oil & Green Energy Pvt Ltd.	31.90 Lacs	03.19 Lacs	11-04-2017 18-08-2017 (₹) 31774795.00 + interest & other charges w.e.f. 31.03.2017
M/s Balram Traders Prop.: Shri Abhishek Agrawal S/o Shri Satyanarayan Agrawal (Physical Possession) G+ Mezzanine Floor Godown at Plot No.GBC-05, Anaj Yard, Pt. Laxminarayan Krishi Upaj Mandi, Karond, Teh-Huzur, Bhopal, Area Plot : 1500 Sq.ft., Boundaries : East-Plot No.04 & 05, West- Road, North-GBC-06, South-GBC-04, Property Owner : M/s Balram Traders Prop Shri Abhishek Agrawal S/o Shri Satnarayan Agrawal	29.60 Lacs	02.96 Lacs	01-08-2017 13-03-2019 (₹) 15907412.56 + interest & other charges w.e.f. 01.07.2016
Shri Sudhir Pandeya S/o Shri R.C. Pandeya (Physical Possession) Flat No. F-2, First Floor, Admeasuring 36.40 Sq.Mtr. in Vanshika Apartment , Part of Kharsa No.32, 36/3, MP Police Grah Nirman Sahakaree Samiti Mydt. Bhopal, Priyanka Nagar, Village- Gehunkheda, Kolar Road, Bhopal, In the name of Shri Sudheer Pandeya, Boundaries: East- Stairs & Corridor , West-Land of Others , North-Plot No.75, South-Flat No.F-01	10.08 Lacs	01.01 Lacs	21-12-2021 14-03-2022 (₹) 1761128.62 + interest & Other Charges w.e.f 01.12.2021
M/s Mobile Care Pvt. Ltd., Director Shri Rajesh Singh Thakur EM of Shop No. 306-A, 2nd Floor, Jyoti Shopping Centre, M.P.Nagar, Bhopal, Area 725 sq.ft. – 67.38 Sqmtr., Boundaries : East-Common Passage, West-Open, North- Office No. 305,South- Office No. 306, Property Owner: Shri Rajesh Singh Thakur (Physical Possession)	50.50 Lacs	05.05 Lacs	01-10-2014 17-12-2014 (₹)42030112.50 + interest & other charges w.e.f. 01.10.2014
Shri Naveen Verma (Physical Possession) Residential Flat T-2, Plot No. 165, Draupadi Apartment, A Sector, Sarvdharm, Kolar Road, Bhopal, Area : 450 Sq.ft.,Boundaries : East-6 Plot 164, West- Other Property, North-Road, South-Plot No. 166, Property Owner : Shri Naveen Kumar Verma S/o Laxmi Narayan Verma	11.25 Lacs	01.13 Lacs	06-08-2019 07-07-2020 (₹) 1605327.00 + interest & other charges
Shri Radheyshyam Patel S/o Shri Patiram Patel Flat No S-2, Admeasuring 36.40 Sq. Mtr., Second Floor of Multi Storied Building BANSIKA APARTMENT, Constructed on Plot No.74, Priyanka Nagar, MP Police Grah Nirman Sahakari Samiti Bhopal, Village-Gehunkheda, Inside Main Road, Ward No.84, Huzur, Bhopal, Boundaries : East- Stairs & Corridor, West-Others Land , North-Plot No.75, South- Flat No. S-1, Property Owner: Shri Shri Radheyshyam Patel & Smt. Manju Singrole (Physical Possession)	10.80 Lacs	01.08 Lacs	14-10-2021 31-12-2021 (₹) 1701756.24 + interest & other charges

Terms & Conditions: (1) The sale shall be subject to the terms & conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 and to the following further conditions. (2) The properties are being sold on " AS IS WHERE IS BASIS and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" AND " WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS". (3) The particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule herein above have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorised Officer, but the Authorised Officer shall not be answerable for an error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation. (4) The sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the **Website https://ebkgray.in** on 13.08.2024. Interested Bidders/Buyers will have to do registration on website **https://ebkgray.in** of bank's authorized service provider PSB Alliance and have to transfer EMD Money in their Global EMD Wallet through online mode, well before time. If EMD amount is not available in Global EMD Wallet then, system will not allow to place bid.

Place: Bhopal, Date : 15.07.2024 **Authorised Officer, Punjab National Bank**

‘Only 8 have applied & 2 come for interview under CAA’

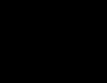
Guwahati: Assam has had just eight applicants for citizenship under CAA to date and six of them are still to report for interviews, CM Himanta Biswa Sarma said Monday, contradicting projections by some organisations that the state’s population could potentially swell by up to 50 lakh because of this provision. “When I contacted some Hindu Bengali families and asked why they weren’t applying for citizenship under CAA, they spoke about not being convinced it was the right thing for them,” the CM said at a presser in Guwahati. “These families told me that they entered India prior to 1971 and hence do not want to seek citizenship under CAA. They want to prove their citizenship in a court of law.” Sarma said the BJP-led govt would provide an opportunity to those with citizenship-linked cases pending in different courts to apply under CAA, although unofficial feedback suggests they are unlikely to do so. **TNN**

Government of Madhya Pradesh
Office of the Engineer-in-Chief Water Resources Department,
Jal Sansadhan Bhawan, Tulsī Nagar, Bhopal (M.P.)
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N.I.T. No. 1078/2024-25/E-in-C/e-tendering Bhopal, Dated 11.07.2024
Bids for following works are invited on website **https://www.mptenders.gov.in**
Last Date of purchase/download of Bid Document and submission of bid is **05-08-2024, 17:30 hrs.** Any amendment/modification can be seen only on the website. Detailed N.I.T. and other details can be viewed on above mentioned website.

S. No.	Tender No.	Work	District	Amount (Lakhs)
1.	2024_WRD_356746	On Turnkey Basis:- Construction of Aamgarha barrage, as per detailed scope of work but not limited to that.	Rajgarh	252.08
2.	2024_WRD_356747	On Turnkey Basis:- Construction of Khechakedi barrage, as per detailed scope of work but not limited to that.	Rajgarh	254.86
3.	2024_WRD_356748	Construction of box culvert and protection wall in submergence area of Bhatakedī Tank.	Shajapur	49.20
4.	2024_WRD_356750	On Turnkey Basis:- Construction work of Devgaon barrage, as per detailed scope of work but not limited to that.	Panna	181.83
5.	2024_WRD_356751	On Turnkey Basis:- Construction work of Ghatari Barrage, as per detailed scope of work but not limited to that.	Panna	181.88
6.	2024_WRD_356753	On Turnkey Basis:- Construction of Devipura Barrage across Retam River, as per detailed scope of work but not limited to that.	Mandsaur	545.79
7.	2024_WRD_356755	On Turnkey Basis:- Management, operation and maintenance of existing Koteswar micro irrigation project for 5 years with its complete distribution network, as per detailed scope of work but not limited to that.	Ratlam	117.12
8.	2024_WRD_356756	On Turnkey Basis:- Construction of Blance work of Shyamnagar Tank (Without Canal), as per detailed scope of work but not limited to that.	Satna	744.03

G-13533/24 **Sd/- Chief Engineer (Procurement)**



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ई-निविदा सूचना / E-TENDER NOTICE दिनांक/Dated : 11-07-2024

भारत के राष्ट्रपति की ओर से, निम्नलिखित कार्य हेतु ई-निविदा द्वारा मदन-दर निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती हैं।
On Behalf of the President of India, item-rate tenders are invited through e-tendering for the following work:

क्र. सं.	कार्य का नाम	प्राक्कलित लागत Estimated Cost (₹ (in Lakhs)	कार्य पूरा होने की अवधि Period of completion	ईएमडी
Sl. No.	Name of The Work			EMD(₹)
1	पुनःआईटी सं:आईपीआरसी/ सौएमजी/ टीडी/ ई-57/ एमएचएम/ सौएमपी-01/2024-25 कन्याकुमारी, तमिल नाडु में अंतरिक्ष विज्ञान एवं प्रौद्योगिकी पार्क (एसएसटीपी) के लिए भवन का निर्माण (सिविल, पौएच, विद्युत, वातानुकूलन तथा यांत्रिक के कार्य) Construction of Space Science and Technology Park (SSTP) at Kanyakumari, Tamil Nadu. (Civil & PH, Electrical, Air conditioning and Mechanical works)	3916.00	24 (जौनीस महीने / Twenty Four months)	49,16,000

ऑनलाइन निविदा करने की तिथि : Dates for Online Request: **From 16-07-2024[11:00 hours/बजे से To: 06-08-2024[23:30 hours/बजे तक।**
बोली स्पष्टीकरण / Bid clarifications From: **16-07-2024[11:10 hours/बजे से To: 07-08-2024[17:00 hours/बजे तक।**
निविदा समय व प्रस्तुतीकरण की तिथि: Due Time & Date of Submission : **13-08-2024[11:00 hours/बजे तक।**
अधिक जानकारी के लिए देखें : For further details visit: **www.isro.gov.in/tenders (या/or) www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO.**
नोट : उपर्युक्त कार्य (कार्य) के लिए भविष्य में सभी पत्राचार (शुद्धिपत्र) केवल उपर्युक्त वेबसाइट पर ही प्रकाशित किए जाएंगे।
Note : All future correspondence (Corrigenda) for the above work(s) shall be published only on the websites mentioned above.

समूह निदेशक, सौएमजी, आईपीआरसी / GROUP DIRECTOR, CMG, IPRC



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e-TENDER NOTICE
For complete details and any corrigendum etc. Please visit **www.iiserb.ac.in/Tender** and **www.eprocure.gov.in**. e-Tenders can be submitted only on **www.tenderwizard.com/IISERB**.

Sr. No.	Name of the Item (s)/Work	Tender No.	Due Date
1.	Supply of high frequency lock-in amplifier.	IISERB/SP/ 2024-25/38 dated 11/07/2024	22/07/2024

Stores and Purchase Officer



SRI PADMAVATHI CHILDREN'S HEART CENTRE
S.V.PRANADANA TRUST, T.T. DEVASTHANAMS, TIRUPATI

e-Tenders are invited for required medical items at Sri Padmavathi Children's Heart Centre for a period of 1 year from the date of award.

Document downloading start Date	15-07-2024 10.30 AM
Last date for receipt of Bids	29-07-2024 05.00 PM

For more details please visit **https://tender.aeprocurement.gov.in** or **https://www.tirumala.org**
TTD-40021(31)/1/2024-PRO SEC (Adv. No. 75), Date: 15-07-2024 **Sd/- Executive Officer**



HRMS Department, State Bank of India, Global IT Centre, Railway Station Building, Tower No 7, 4th Floor, Sector 11, CBD Belapur, Navi Mumbai - 400614, Maharashtra

CORRIGENDUM - II
RFP FOR PROCUREMENT OF LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

This Refers to State Bank of India's earlier notice regarding invites for RFP with reference No. SBI/GITC/HRMS/2024/2025/1156, dated: 15.06.2024 for procurement of Learning Management System. Details of changes in RFP as corrigendum-II is available at Bank's website **https://bank.sbi** under "Procurement News" section.

Place: Navi Mumbai **Deputy General Manager (IT-HRMS)**
Date: 16.07.2024

LOKPRIYA GOPINATH BORDOLOI
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, GUWAHATI ("AIRPORT")

INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN BIDDING PROCESS FOR UPGRADATION OF APRON AT TERMINAL 2 OF THE AIRPORT

Interested parties are invited to participate in the competitive e-tendering process for upgradation of apron at terminal 2 of the Airport.

Interested parties are requested to visit the website, **https://airports.abcpocure.com/** and access the Request for Qualification (RFQ) document(s).

RFQ access shall be available from July 16th, 2024, till IST 5:00 pm on July 20th, 2024.

LOKPRIYA GOPINATH BORDOLOI
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, GUWAHATI ("AIRPORT")

INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN BIDDING PROCESS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF NEW ISOLATION BAY AT THE AIRPORT

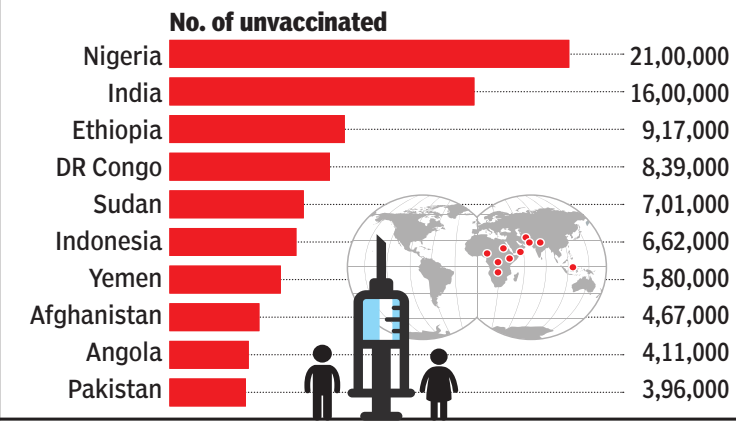
Interested parties are invited to participate in the competitive e-tendering process for development of new isolation bay at the Airport.

Interested parties are requested to visit the website, **https://airports.abcpocure.com/** and access the Request for Qualification (RFQ) document(s).

RFQ access shall be available from July 16th, 2024, till IST 5:00 pm on July 20th, 2024.

1.6M Kids In India Didn't Receive Any Vax In 2023: Unicef

10 COUNTRIES THAT ACCOUNT FOR 59% OF COMPLETELY UNVACCINATED KIDS



India has the second highest number of children who did not receive any vaccine at all in 2023, 1.6 million, just after Nigeria with 2.1 million “zero dose children”, according to Unicef. After being lauded for its catch-up campaigns, which reduced the number of such unvaccinated children to 1.1 million in 2022 from 2.7 million in 2021, the latest Unicef report on immunization coverage places India among 10 countries, including Nigeria, Ethiopia, Congo, Sudan, Indonesia, Yemen, Afghanistan, Angola and Pakistan, that together account for 59% of the world’s “zero dose children”.

This 2023 report of WHO/Unicef estimates of National Immunisation Coverage (WUENIC) titled Progress and Challenges with Achieving Universal Immunization Coverage was based on member states reporting to WHO and Unicef up to July 1, 2024, the 2024 World Bank Development Indicators Online and United Nations Population Division, 2024 revision. “The number of completely unvaccinated children (“zero-dose”) is slightly up from last year (by 600,000 from 13.9 million to 14.5 million) and is still 1.7 million higher than in 2019,” stated the report.

It added that some children also “drop out”, i.e. receive a first but not a third protective dose of DTP. The total number of un- and under-immunised children stands at 21 million in 2023, 2.7 million above the baseline value. India also had the third highest number of “measles zero dose children”, 1.6 million.

Nigeria with 2.8 million and Democratic Republic of Congo with two million children took the top spots. India was among ten countries accounting for 55% of children without measles vaccines globally. The list included countries like Sudan, Yemen and Afghanistan which are afflicted by conflict. Globally, the proportion of children receiving a first dose of measles vaccine was 83% in 2023, well below the 2019 level of 86%.

Man ‘assaulted’ by Odisha gov’s son moved out of Raj Bhavan

Bhubaneswar: The Raj Bhavan official in news for allegedly being assaulted by governor **Raghu-bar Das**’s son Lalit and his aides in Puri was transferred to Odisha home dept Monday.

An order by the home dept said Baikuntha Pradhan has been posted against an existing vacancy with immediate effect.

Pradhan, an assistant section officer, was on deputation to the governor’s secretariat for the last three years. Sources in govt said Pradhan had requested the governor for a transfer when he and his wife, Sayoji, met him Saturday. Sayoji had said Das had promised to treat the July 7 assault as a family dispute and to resolve it accordingly. **TNN**

K'taka CM admits in House ₹90cr scam in ST devpt corpn

Bengaluru: Karnataka CM Siddaramaiah acknowledged Monday a scam of Rs 89.6 crore in the Karnataka Maharishi Valmiki ST Development Corporation, contradicting opposition’s claim of Rs 187 crore. The admission came during a heated debate initiated by LoP R Ashoka of BJP in the legislative assembly.

Siddaramaiah, whose admission came when he intervened in Ashoka’s opening remarks, denied accusations linking former ST minister B Nagendra to electoral funding fraud, saying, “No admissions were made regarding funds for Ballari LS elections as claimed by BJP and Ashoka. These were arguments presented by ED during legal proceedings.”

Ashoka accused undisclosed forces of “orchestrating the scam from clandestine headquarters”, mourning the death of accountant Chandrashekar, calling him a “martyr” who succumbed under pressure to manipulate funds.

BJP’s call for a CBI inquiry echoed through the assembly, citing concerns over alleged partiality of state police and a govt cover-up. “The demand for transparency is paramount given the seriousness of the allegations,” Ashoka added.

The debate in the House on the issue was tumultuous, with repeated adjournments due to objections from Congress members who argued that ongoing probes by CBI, ED, and SIT should preclude discussion.