

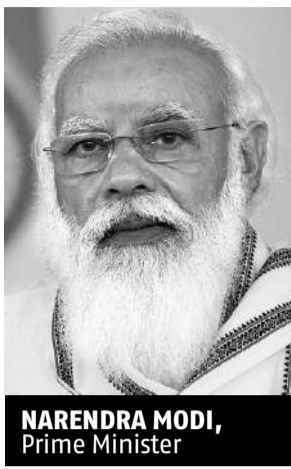
PM, Mamata, Adar in Time '100 most influential' list

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi, West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee and Serum Institute of India Chief Executive Officer Adar Poonawalla have been named among the world's 100 most influential people of 2021 by Time magazine.

Time on Wednesday unveiled its annual list of 'The 100 Most Influential People of 2021', a global list that includes US President Joe Biden, Vice-President Kamala Harris, Chinese President Xi Jinping, Duke and Duchess of Sussex Prince Harry and Meghan, former US president Donald Trump and co-founder of the Taliban Mullah Abdul Ghani Baradar.

Time's profile of Modi says that in its 74 years as an independent nation, India has had three pivotal leaders — Jawaharlal Nehru, Indira Gandhi and Modi. "Narendra Modi is the third, dominating the country's politics like no one since them." The profile, written by noted CNN journalist Fareed Zakaria alleges that Modi has "pushed the country away from secularism and toward Hindu nationalism." It



NARENDRA MODI,
Prime Minister



MAMATA BANERJEE,
CM, West Bengal



ADAR POONAWALLA,
CEO, SII

India has had three pivotal leaders, Modi among them, says Time, while commending Banerjee for her street-fighter spirit and self-made life in a patriarchal culture. Adar Poonawalla's profile says the 40-year-old could still help end the pandemic

also accuses the 69-year-old leader of "eroding the rights" of India's Muslim minority and imprisoning and intimidating journalists.

On Banerjee, her profile for the 100 most influential list says that the 66-year-old leader "has become the face of fierceness in Indian politics." "Of Banerjee, it is said, she doesn't lead her party, the Trinamool Congress - she is the party. The street-fighter spirit and self-made life in a patriarchal culture set her

apart," the profile says.

Poonawalla's Time profile says that from the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic, the 40-year-old head of the world's largest vaccine maker "sought to meet the moment." "The pandemic is not over yet, and Poonawalla could still help end it. Vaccine inequality is stark, and delayed immunisation in one part of the world can have global consequences—including the risk of more dangerous variants emerging," it says.

The Time profile describes the Taliban co-founder Baradar as a "quiet, secretive man who rarely gives public statements or interviews." "Baradar nonetheless represents a more moderate current within the Taliban, the one that will be thrust into the limelight to win Western support and desperately needed financial aid. The question is whether the man who coaxed the Americans out of Afghanistan can sway his own movement," says Baradar's profile.

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Existing investors, including Sequoia, SIG, RTP Global, GoVentures, Moore Strategic Ventures, Play Ventures, Base Partners, Telstra Ventures, and Founders Circle Capital, also participated in the round. The firm didn't disclose the funding, but according to sources, MPL raised \$150 million.

"This investment is a recognition of the potential of the Indian gaming and eSports industry and an endorsement of the capability of MPL to expand globally," said Sai Srinivas, co-founder and chief executive officer (CEO), MPL, adding, "MPL's proven success in India and Indonesia encouraged us to launch in the US, one of the world's largest gaming markets. Our US operations are off to a promising start. We're thus fulfilling our resolve to make our platform the eSports and gaming hub of the world."

In February, MPL was valued at \$945 million after raising \$95 million in a Series D round. Its valuation had reached to around \$450 million after raising \$90 million from investors, last year in September. MPL has raised a total funding of \$375 million from various investors, according to the data platform Crunchbase.

Investors such as Tiger Global Management and Sequoia Capital have backed India's first gaming unicorn and MPL rival Dream11.

MPL will use the fresh infusion of capital to finance its global expansion, invest in its home-grown technology, and drive continued growth in the Indian market. MPL has offices in Pune, New Delhi, Jakarta, Singapore, and New York.

"We are seeing strong traction globally as a function of our direct-to-consumer approach," said Joe Wadaketthalakal, senior vice-president, corporate development, MPL, adding, "We're thrilled to partner Legatum Capital as we continue to work on our vision of building the world's largest eSports platform."

Legatum CEO and new MPL board member, Mark Stoleson, said Legatum is delighted to have led this latest round of funding for MPL as it continues its incredible growth trajectory and becomes the world's leading eSports and skill gaming platform.

Legatum's investment in MPL is another example of our strategy to invest in world-class teams building world-scale companies that define categories and serve customers with integrity," said Stoleson.

Henric Suuronen, founding partner at Play Ventures, said the organisation has been very impressed by the speed that the MPL team is progressing with on its mission to bring competitive gaming worldwide. We have no doubt that its entry into the US market will further strengthen its position as the No. 1 competitive gaming platform in the world," said Suuronen.

Galina Chifina, partner, RTP Global, said, "It was clear to us from the beginning that MPL had the potential to become one of India's major start-up success stories. Srinivas, Shubh Malhotra (MPL co-founder), and the team have taken the platform to new heights in 2021 and this next round of funding has secured its well-deserved status as a unicorn. We are delighted to be supporting the company on its next stage of growth."

Earlier this year, MPL

acquired eSports firm GamingMonk to develop a full suite of eSports and live streaming capabilities. In early September, the platform announced a partnership with Play Magnus Group, founded by young chess genius Magnus Carlsen. With this partnership, MPL will host the official Indian circuit for players to qualify for the Meltwater Champions Chess Tour. This is the first-ever regional expansion for the Champions Chess Tour.

The Covid-19 pandemic-induced lockdown in 2020 provided a fillip to an already-booming eSports industry in India and the world. With approximately 300 million gamers, India sits among the top five gaming markets globally. Further, there has already been a surge in online gaming in recent months, as a result of the impact of Covid-19 on society. With social distancing measures in place, telecommuting becoming the new norm, and physical sporting events remaining limited, eSports and mobile gaming have received a boost.

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Nick Read, chief executive officer of Vodafone Group, said: "The initiative will be the beginning of Vodafone's contribution to building a digital society." The reforms will go a long way in unshackling the telecom sector. The bill will bring alive the digital aspirations of 1.3 billion people," said Kumar Mangalam Birla, chairman, Aditya Birla Group, and former chairman of Vodafone Idea.

Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL) Chairman Mukesh Ambani on Wednesday said these would enable the sector to achieve goals set under the Digital India mission.

The telecom sector is one of the prime movers of the economy and the key enabler for making India a digital society. I welcome the Government of India's announcement of reforms and relief measures that will enable the industry to achieve the goals of Digital India. I thank Prime Minister (Narendra Modi) for this bold initiative," Ambani said.

The relief includes a moratorium on paying adjusted gross revenues and related dues to the government.

The moratorium, which will be applicable from October 1, 2021, is an optional scheme and the company that decides to avail itself of it will pay interest at the rate of the marginal cost of funds-based lending rate (MCLR) plus 2 per cent.

The MCLR is the minimum lending rate below which a bank is not permitted to lend.

A moratorium of up to four years in annual payments of dues will be protecting the net present value (NPV) of the dues being protected.

The deferment is on payments of spectrum purchased in past auctions (excluding the auction of 2021) for up to four years with the NPV protected at the interest rate stipulated in respective auctions.

At the end of the moratorium period or the government can exercise the option to convert the amount pertaining to the deferred payment into equity. This will be finalised by the Ministry of Finance.

Currently, 49 per cent foreign direct investment is allowed under the automatic route; the other conditions remain the same.

FDI is allowed for countries permitted by the Central government to invest in India.

Steering clear of any differences with the Supreme Court, the Cabinet decided to rationalise the definition of adjusted gross revenue (AGR), prospectively. The court, in October 2019, had said the definition of AGR included non-telecom revenues as well.

According to the estimates of the Department of Telecommunications, Vodafone Idea has to pay ₹58,254 crore and Bharti Airtel has to shell out ₹43,980 crore as AGR dues. Payments made by the two companies so far stand at ₹7,854 crore by Vodafone Idea and ₹18,004 crore by Bharti Airtel.

The bank guarantees have been rationalised, which will lead to reduction in such requirements against licence fees and other levies. The requirement of multiple bank guarantees has been done away with and now the companies can have one bank guarantee for different licensed service areas.

Interest rates have been rationalised and penalties removed. For future spectrum auctions, no bank guarantees will be required to secure instalment payments.

Spectrum acquired in auction can be surrendered after 10 years. There will be no spectrum usage charges (SUCs) in future auctions. Additional SUC of 0.5 per cent for spectrum sharing has been removed.

The government has always maintained the telecom sector should not become a duopoly and at the same time the relief measures should not be given to one company.

Till a few years ago, the Indian telecom industry had multiple players and attracted major international telecom companies. The numbers fell drastically after many telecom companies had to go out of business following the 2G spectrum allocation scam. Currently, it's a market of three private players — Reliance Jio, Bharti Airtel, and Vodafone Idea.

Vodafone Idea's precarious condition even had its arch rival Bharti Airtel rooting for relief. Mittal recently made a case for a three-player telecom market, which would benefit the consumer.

The Supreme Court had last September allowed telcos 10 years for staggered payments of AGR dues while reaffirming the dues raised by the DoT. But earlier this year, Bharti Airtel and Vodafone Idea had moved the Supreme Court, pointing out anomalies in the calculation of the AGR dues, which stood at ₹43,000 crore for Bharti Airtel and ₹58,000 crore for Vodafone Idea.

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RFP FOR SELECTION OF CREATIVE & MEDIA AGENCY
Union Bank of India invites proposal for Selection of Creative & Media Agency. The detailed information regarding, eligibility norms and tender document is available on the Bank's website www.unionbankofindia.co.in and NIC portal www.eprocure.gov.in. The last date for submission of tenders is 06.10.2021 till 17:00 Hrs. "Addendum/Corrigendum" if any, shall be issued on Bank's website only under tender section i.e. on www.unionbankofindia.co.in
General Manager (CC)

यूको बैंक UCO BANK
NOTICE INVITING TENDER
UCO Bank invites Request for Proposals (RFPs) for:
1. On-boarding of Online accounting application for dynamic QR Code generation and GST integration on OPEX model for Bank's customers (Re-tendering).
2. Selection of vendor for implementation of EASE banking outlets in the bank under CAPEX model.
For details, please refer to our website <https://www.ucobank.com>
Date : 16.09.2021 Deputy General Manager (DIT, BPR & BTD)
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SALE NOTICE
SIXTH DIMENSION PROJECT SOLUTIONS LIMITED- IN LIQUIDATION
Invitation for Bids for E-Auction of Asset of Sixth Dimension Project Solutions Limited (in Liquidation) under the provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 ("Code") was published by the Liquidator on 23rd August, 2021 and the last date for submission of bids was 16th September, 2021. The Liquidator has decided to extend the last date of submission of bids by 9 days. Therefore, the last date for submission of bids is extended up to 25th September, 2021 and the date and time of E-Auction is: 30th September, 2021 at 03.00 pm to 05.00 pm. Bids are hereby invited for the E-Auction of Asset of Sixth Dimension Project Solutions Limited (in Liquidation).
For extended Sale Notice and E-Auction document please visit: <https://insolvencyandbankruptcy.in/public-announcement/>
Date - 16.09.2021 Sd/- Santanu T Ray
Place- Mumbai Liquidator of Sixth Dimension Project Solutions Limited
IBBI Regn. No.: IBBI/PA-002/JP-N00360/2017-2018/11055

PSPCL Punjab State Power Corporation Limited
(Regd. Office: PSEB Head Office, The Mall, Patiala)
Corporate Identification Number :U40109PB2010SGC033813
Website: www.pspcl.in, Contact No: 96461-23323
Tender Enquiry No. PPR-08/21 Dated: 15.09.2021
Chief Engineer/PP&R Organization, Shed No.D-3, Shakti Vihar, PSPCL, Patiala invites E-tender under three part bid system for supply of electrical energy from interstate/intrastate sources viz. Generators, Traders having Valid Inter State Trading License issued by PSCERC for interstate trading of energy, State Electricity Boards, State Electricity Utilities, States, IPPs & CPPs from 1st October 2021 to 31st October 2021. The link for the e-Bidding portal is www.mscecommerce.com and is also available on the website of Ministry of Power (www.Powermin.nic.in) and PFC Consultancy Limited (www.pfcindia.com). For detailed NIT & tender specifications please refer to www.mscecommerce.com and official website of PSPCL i.e. www.pspcl.in from 15.09.2021 onwards.
Note: Corrigendum and addendum, if any will be published online at <https://eproc.punjab.gov.in> Chief Engineer/PP&R Organization, Shed No.D-3, Shakti Vihar, PSPCL
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मध्यप्रदेश लघु उद्योग निगम मर्यादित
(मध्यप्रदेश शासन का उपक्रम)
प्रथम तल पंचानन भवन मालवीय नगर, भोपाल
दूरभाष : 2673141, 2673142 (For online help)
अखिल भारतीय ई-निविदा सूचना क्रमांक 12-पू/2021-22
म.प्र. लघु उद्योग निगम द्वारा ई-प्रोक्वोरमेंट निविदा सिस्टम के माध्यम से निम्नलिखित उत्पादों हेतु वार्षिक दर अनुबंध आधार पर, दिनांक को अपराह्न 4.00 बजे तक निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती हैं :-
S. Tender No. No. Name of Product EMD/PG Last Date of Bid Submission
1. 21030-A(R) DG Set 2,00,000/- 08.10.2021
2. 21024-A(R) Medical Equipment (Covid Preventive) 2,00,000/- 08.10.2021
3. 21056-A Laboratory Chemical for PHE 2,00,000/- 08.10.2021
4. 21057-A Electronic Weighing Machine ISI Mark 50,000/- 09.10.2021
5. 21058-A Eqi-arm Balance & Digital working standard Balance 2,00,000/- 09.10.2021
6. 21059-A Tender for Selection of Bidder for conducting Physical Proficiency test by using various Technologies 5,00,000/- 09.10.2021
7. 21060-A Traffic Safety Device 2,00,000/- 11.10.2021
8. 21061-A Inverter Battery 50,000/- 11.10.2021
9. 21062-A General Medical Items 50,000/- 12.10.2021
नोट : निविदा में भाग लेने हेतु पात्रता, पूर्ण निविदा दस्तावेज, निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना, निविदा शर्तें आदि की जानकारी mptenders.gov.in पर देखी जा सकती है। निविदा में भाग लेने के लिए उक्त पोर्टल पर पंजीकरण आवश्यक है।
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Information Technology Department
Head Office: Gandamunda, P.O.: Khandagiri, Bhubaneswar-751030 (Odisha)
Odisha Gramya Bank invites application for selection of vendor for AMC of desktops and peripherals. For details and application format please visit Bank's website : www.odishabank.in, RFP Ref. No. OGB/RFP/ITD/HARDWARE/008/2021-22 Dated 16th September 2021. Last Date of Submission of Application: 16th October 2021 on or before 15:00 hours through e-procurement process.
General Manager

TPWODL
TP WESTERN ODISHA DISTRIBUTION LIMITED
(A Tata Power & Odisha Govt. Joint Venture)
Corporate Office Bhub. Odisha, India -758 017
EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
TP Western Odisha Distribution Limited (TPWODL) invites Expression of Interest from eligible vendors for the following packages (Two-Part Bidding) to be executed under various circles of TPWODL:
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TPWODL/SD/O/SER/039 Rate Contract for Construction/Repair/Revamping of Boundary Wall
TPWODL/SD/O/SER/040 Rate Contract for Construction/Renovation of Customer Relationship Centers
TPWODL/SD/O/SER/041 Rate Contract for Construction of Roads and Drains
TPWODL/SD/O/SER/042 Rate Contract for Construction of Stores
Details of pre-qualification requirements, bid security, purchasing of tender documents, etc., may be downloaded using any of the URL's <https://www.tpwesternodisha.com/tenders.html> OR <https://www.tatapower.com/Tender/tenderlist.aspx> OR <https://www.nexarc.in/tender-and-quotations/>
Eligible parties willing to participate may submit their Expression of Interest along with tender purchase fees on or before 23rd September 2021. RFPQ (Bid Document) shall be issued only to parties submitting valid EOI as above through our e-Tender system only. Any future addendum / corrigendum if any, will be issued under Tender Section of TPWODL / Tata Power websites only and parties are advised to frequently visit the site for any further updates.

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NOTICE
NOTICE is hereby given that the 17th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Company will be convened on Tuesday, the 28th September 2021 at 04:30 p.m. (IST) through Video Conferencing (VC)/Other Audio Visual Means (OAVM) in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and Rules framed thereunder and the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015 read with the General Circulars bearing Nos. 14/2020 dated 08/04/2020, 17/2020 dated 13/04/2020, 20/2020 dated 05/05/2020, 22/2020 dated 15/06/2020 and 02/2021 dated 13/01/2021 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) and such other circulars as issued by MCA and SEBI.
In compliance with the above mentioned Circulars, soft copy of the 17th AGM Notice and the Annual Report for the year 2020-21 have already been sent by email to all the members whose email addresses are registered with the Company/with their respective Depository Participants on 04th September 2021 and the same are also available on the websites of the Company (www.sicagen.com), BSE Ltd (www.bseindia.com) and Central Depository Services (India) Ltd (www.evotingindia.com).
The members holding shares in physical form / Demat form and who have not registered their email addresses with the Company / with their respective Depository Participants can obtain soft copy of the aforesaid AGM Notice and Annual Report and login details for joining the AGM through VC/OAVM including e-voting by sending a request mail to investor@cameindia.com.
In this regard, All the members are informed that:

- The ordinary and special businesses as set out in the 17th AGM Notice shall be transacted through remote e-Voting or e-Voting system at the AGM.
- The Register of Members and Share Transfer Books shall remain closed from 22nd September 2021 to 28th September 2021 (both days inclusive) for the purpose of aforesaid AGM and payment of dividend for the year 2020-21.
- The remote e-Voting shall commence at 9.00 a.m. (IST) on 25th September 2021 and remain open for voting till 5.00 p.m. (IST) on 27th September 2021.
- The remote e-Voting module shall be disabled for voting after the date and time mentioned above. Once the vote on a resolution is cast by a member, the member shall not be allowed to change it subsequently.
- Members holding shares either in physical form or dematerialized form as on the Record date (21st September 2021) may cast their vote electronically on each item of the businesses as set forth in the Notice of 17th AGM through the electronic voting system on CDSL (Remote e-Voting) or e-Voting at the AGM.
- Any person, who acquires shares of the Company and becomes member of the Company after dispatch of the Notice of AGM and holding shares as on Record date may obtain the login ID and password by sending a request to helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com or companysecretary@sicagen.com. However, if the members already registered with CDSL e-voting, then such member can use his / her existing User ID and password for casting his/ her vote.
- The facility for voting will also be made available during the AGM and the members attending the AGM through VC, who have not cast their vote by remote e-voting shall be able to vote through the e-voting system at the AGM. Members who have cast their vote by remote e-Voting prior to AGM may also attend the AGM but shall not be entitled to cast their vote again at AGM.
- A person, whose name is recorded in the register of members or in the register of beneficial owners maintained by the depositories as on Record date only, shall be entitled to avail the facility of remote e-Voting or e-Voting at the AGM.
- The Company has appointed M/s KRA & Associates, Practicing Company Secretaries, Chennai as the scrutineer to scrutinize the entire e-Voting process in a fair and transparent manner.
- In case of any queries or issues regarding e-Voting & attending AGM, you may refer the Frequently Asked Questions ("FAQs") and e-voting manual available at www.evotingindia.com, under help section or write an email to helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com or contact Mr. Nitin Kunder (022-23058738) or Mr. Mehboob Lakhani (022-23058543) or Mr. Rakesh Dalvi (022-23058542).
- The Company had already published a notice in Business Standard and Makkal Kural newspapers on 04th September 2021 regarding the aforesaid AGM and to register the E-mail IDs of the members who have not updated the same.
- Please keep your E-mail ID registered with the Company/your Depository Participant to receive all future and timely communications.

By Order of the Board
For Sicagen India Limited
R Chandrasekar
Whole Time Director
Place: Chennai
Date: 15.09.2021

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