

# GUEST COLUMN

## Youth voters- the champions of change



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Sportspersons serve the nation through their dedication, perseverance and teamwork. It is both a privilege and a responsibility to wear the national colours, whether at home or abroad. But as sportspersons, and young Indians, a part of the world's most vibrant democracy, there is another privilege we aspire to - that of voting.

Elections are the bedrock of democracy, granting citizens the vital privilege to elect their representatives. However, this right is not passive; it is a duty, especially incumbent upon the youth, to actively engage in the electoral process. Historically, young people have spearheaded societal change and their involvement in elections is crucial. Strengthening democracy requires the active participation of youth at every stage, from voter registration to grassroots campaigning.

The first-time voters bring fresh perspectives and champion ideals such as transparency and inclusivity. The energy and tech-savvy nature of a young voter inject dynamism into the electoral landscape, fostering accessibility and responsiveness to citizens' needs. Youth play a pivotal role in holding elected officials accountable, utilising social media to amplify voices and advocate for issues that resonate with the public, thereby safeguarding democracy's integrity and vitality.

In the words of Mahatma Gandhi, "The future depends on what you do today". As the wheels of democracy turn once again, gearing up for the upcoming general election in India in 2024, it is imperative to underscore the pivotal role that the youth play in shaping the destiny of the nation. In his monthly radio programme "Mann Ki Baat," Prime Minister Narendra Modi emphasised the importance of youth participation in the electoral process, highlighting the Election Commission's "Mera Pehla Vote Desh Ke Liye" campaign aimed at fostering universal enlightened participation of youth in elections. Union minister Anurag Thakur launched the campaign anthem, symbolising the nation's commitment to encouraging young voters to exercise their democratic right. The anthem, a part of the voter awareness initiative, embodies the spirit of PM Modi's call for greater youth participation in the electoral process. Youth across the country are embracing this anthem as a clarion call to encourage their young friends to pledge to vote.

The initiative is also witnessing Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) conducting comprehensive voter awareness activities nationwide and stressing the value of voting for a more representative democracy. Whereas HEIs are hosting physical events, online competitions are also being organised on the MyGov platform, including blog writing, podcasts, debates, and more, to encourage creativity in content creation. Workshops, seminars, flash mobs and voter pledge drives are further engaging and educating students on the electoral process, with NSS volunteers and institution clubs actively participating in the campaign.

Responding to the Prime Minister's appeal, influencers from across various platforms, including Instagram, YouTube and the entertainment industry are actively supporting the campaign, motivating the first-time voters. Prominent names from across all corners of the country, who have made a mark in spheres like sports, entertainment, business and industry, have come together to spread the message far and wide.

My fellow sportspersons like Jasprit Bumrah, Ravichandran Aswin, Mohammed Siraj, Avani Lekhara, Saikhom Mirabai Chanu, film personalities like Anil Kapoor, Prosenjit Chatterji, Raveena Tandon, Rana Daggubati, Kailash Kher, Shreya Ghoshal, industry leaders such as Ritesh Agarwal, BVR Mohan Reddy and several Padma awardees have participated in this campaign, turning it into a 'national movement' of voter awareness.

As athletes, we are champions of track and field; but as youth, we are 'champions of change'. For in the game of democracy, every vote counts and every voice matters.

(The author is an Indian track and field athlete and reigning Olympic and world champion in men's javelin throw. Views expressed are personal)

## Higher Education Dept to recruit 117 Yoga trainers for Govt colleges

PNS ■ DEHRADUN

The Higher Education department will recruit 117 Yoga trainers for the government colleges of the State. The department has started the process of recruitment. These Yoga trainers will be appointed for a period of 11 months and they will be paid a sum of Rs 300 per day (maximum Rs 18,000 per month).

The trainers will be appointed for the next academic session. The applicant for the post Yoga trainer should have a post graduate or equivalent de-

gree in Yoga, Yoga sciences, Yoga education or Yoga health. The candidates having one year PG diploma from any recognised university or reputed institute can also apply for the post. Apart from educational qualification the applicant must have minimum two years experience in Yoga education and training. The applicants should compulsorily register at rojgarprayag portal (rojgarprayag.uk.gov.in). The department will constitute an interview committee to select the candidates. The

list of selected candidates will be sent to an outsource agency which will appoint the Yoga trainers for a period of 11 months.

The Higher Education minister Dhan Singh Rawat said that the students of the government colleges will be given Yoga training to make them healthy and fit as per the provisions of the National Education Policy (NEP)-2020. He said that the department has started the process of recruitment of Yoga trainers on outsource.

## UKPSC releases recruitment advertisement for 189 posts

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Ahead of the announcement of the dates of the Lok Sabha elections, the Uttarakhand Public Service Commission (UKPSC) has invited applications for 189 posts of Provincial Civil Services (PCS).

In the recruitment advertisement the applications have been invited for 10 posts of Sub Divisional Magistrates (SDMs) and 17 Deputy Superintendents of Police (DSPs). Apart from that, recruitment will also

be done to the posts of finance officers, assistant commissioners in State Tax department and officers in the Education and Panchayati Raj departments.

The secretary of the UKPSC Girdhari Singh Rawat said that applications have been invited for 189 vacant posts in 13 departments.

The commission will also start the interview process of the PCS exam-

inations 2021 from March 18. Recruitment in 318 posts in various departments will be done by this examination.

## Students protest against SRT campus & Garhwal university administration

PNS ■ NEW TEHRI

Student leaders at the Swami Ram Teerth campus of HNB Garhwal University protested against what they alleged is the questionable functioning of the campus authorities. They raised the issue of biometric attendance and other issues while protesting against the university authorities.

The student leaders at the campus in Badshahi Thaul said that the university administration had assured in writing last year that the inter-faculty cultural competition will be held in the campus in Tehri. However, the said competition is being held in Srinagar. Student leaders locked the main gate and various faculties in the campus on Thursday in protest. The protesting students said that not honouring its written assurance to hold the inter-faculty cultural competition at the SRT campus in Badshahi Thaul given last year, the university administration is organising the



competition at Srinagar in Pauri district. The students further said that biometric attendance is being demanded on campus to improve the academic system. However, this demand of the students is being ignored by the authorities. As a result, the teaching faculty members reach the campus on times convenient to them, the students alleged. They further alleged that the university vice chancellor had

not visited the SRT campus in Badshahi Thaul even once. The students are suffering the repercussions of the apathetic attitude of the campus director, they claimed. The campus director AA Baurai explained to the students that programmes are not being organised in the campus due to budgetary limitations. Talks between the campus administration and the students continued till late in the evening.

## Food Safety department gears up to check entry of adulterated food items

PNS ■ DEHRADUN

The Uttarakhand Food Safety department has directed authorities concerned to stay vigilant in interstate border areas to prevent entry of adulterated food items in districts ahead of Holi. The demand for dairy products, sweets and namkeen sees a rapid increase during festive seasons due to which many people sell substandard items in the market. Most of the adulterated items like Paneer, Mawa and milk are supplied to the State from neighbouring States to meet the demand during the festive season. Considering this, all food inspectors and officials concerned have been directed to ensure no such food items enter the State to prevent their sale in the market ahead of Holi, the designated officer of the department GC Kandwal said. He told The Pioneer that all district in-charges have formed teams to conduct regular checking of food items sold in commercial establishments in their respective areas. Many district officials have already started the checking drive. "The department has also directed all district in-charges to identify such establishments that can potentially sell adulterated items ahead of Holi to earn quick profits. After identifying them, the officials will take samples of the items and take further action accordingly," Kandwal said.

On the question of delay of the test results of the collected samples of food items, he said that the department will ensure that the districts get test results sooner to ensure strict action against the offenders. Kandwal said that the department will mainly focus on the adulteration of products like Paneer and Mawa as these are in high demand during Holi. The district officers have also been instructed to conduct workshops with confectioners and others concerned to raise awareness about consequences of buying and selling adulterated food items legally as well as health wise. The consumption of adulterated food items can cause severe health issues and the department is taking all possible measures to prevent the sale of such items in Uttarakhand, he added.

## Complete Smart City project works by June: Agarwal

PNS ■ DEHRADUN

Urban Development minister Prem Chand Agarwal directed officials to complete the smart road, sewerage and drainage works being executed under the Smart City project by

buses are also operating in the city. He said that 24 smart water ATMs have been established and one national flagpole has been erected at Dilaram Chowk. Further, 120 smart waste ve-

rected project officials to ensure quality of work while also completing the tasks on time.

He noted that delay in approval to standards for con-



June. Reviewing the project with officials on Thursday, he expressed satisfaction at the execution of the project so far.

The minister noted that 16 projects had been completed in 10 wards of Dehradun city under the Smart City project. These include construction of seven smart toilets, three smart schools, crèche building and construction of modern Doon library in addition to which 30 electric

hicles have been handed over to the Municipal Corporation of Dehradun and Jal Sansthan. Stating that the project works on Parade Ground and Paltan Bazaar have been completed, he said that the work of installing smart water metres is nearly complete. Work on the smart road, sewerage and drainage is being carried out at a swift pace, he said, while directing officials of the executing agencies to complete these works by June this year. Agarwal di-

struction of the green building under the project had caused a delay in this work, while directing officials to complete this project. Stating that Char Dham Yatra is about to resume in the near future, he stressed that the Smart City project works should be completed on time. Dehradun Smart City Limited CEO and Dehradun district magistrate Sonika and other officials were present in the meeting.

NORTHERN RAILWAY	
TENDER NOTICE	
Name of work with its location	09/SrDEE/MB/2024- Repairing of Emergency Light Units (ELU) and supply of batteries for ELUs over Moradabad Division
Approx. Cost of the work (in ₹)	₹6,80,776.88 (including GST)
Address of the office from where the tender form has been issued	Electrical Branch, Divisional Railway Manager's office, Northern Railway, Moradabad
Bid Security to be deposited (in ₹)	₹13,600.00
Completion Period of the work	4 (Four) Months
Date & Time for submission of tender & opening of tender	Tender will be received upto 15:00 hrs. and opened at 15:00 hrs. on 05.04.2024
Website particulars & Address of office	Website www.ireps.gov.in Divisional Railway Manager's office, Northern Railway, Moradabad
Tender Notice No.: 11/2024 Dated: 13.03.2024 815/2024	
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Loan Code/ Branch / Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Property Address -final	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) (10% of RP)	Outstanding Amount (11-03-2024)
Loan Code No.: 09700003879, Dehradun (Branch), Shaier Hussain (Borrower), Ansama Begam (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 16-03-2018, Rs. 45,06,420/-, (Rs. Forty Five lakh Six Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Only)	All The Piece And Parcel Of The Property Having An Extent:- Khata No. 89 Khasra No. 138/1 Situated At Village Dadupur Govindpur Pargana Roorkee, Haridwar, Haridwar-249403 Boundaries As:- North: Plot No 55 South: Plot No 53 East: 20 Ft Road West: Plot No 39 & 40	Rs. 12,06,000/-, (Rs. Twelve lakh Six Thousand Only)	Rs. 1,20,600/-, (Rs. One lakh Twenty Thousand Six Hundred Only)	Rs. 98,35,904/-, (Rs. Ninety Eight lakh Thirty Five Thousand Nine Hundred Four Only)

DATE OF E-AUCTION: 30-03-2024, FROM 11:00 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M. (WITH UNLIMITED EXTENSION OF 5 MINUTES EACH), LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION OF BID: 29-03-2024, BEFORE 04:00 P.M.

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The above mentioned Borrower/Guarantor are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned in section 13(2) notice in full with accrued interest till date before the date of auction, failing which property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost from borrower/guarantor.

Date: 15-03-2024  
Place: Uttarakhand

Sd/- (Authorised Officer)  
(Aranya - Trust)

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(formerly known as Poonawalla Housing Finance Limited)			
REGISTERED OFFICE: 602, 6th FLOOR, ZERO ONE IT PARK, SR. NO. 79/1, GHORPADI, MUNDHWA ROAD, PUNE - 411036			
Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower, Co-Borrower, Guarantor and Loan Amount	Details Of The Secured Asset	Demand Notice Date
1.	Omkar, Reeta Omkar Loan Amount: ₹1250000/- Loan No: HF/0173/H/21/100084	All That Piece & Parcel Of Khata No 61 Part Of Khasra No 273, Situated At Vill Rahnipur Pargana Bhawanpur Tehsil Roorkee Distt Haridwar Adm. 1254 Sq.ft. Gali No 10, Shivpuram East Pin Code- 247667 Bounded By:- East:- 15ft Road, West:- Plot Of Other, North:- Property Of Shivkumar Tyagi, South:- Plot Of Usha Chauhan.	07/03/2024
2.	Anees Ahmed, Babli Anees Ahmed Loan Amount: ₹1000000/- Loan No: HF/0173/H/21/100183	All That Piece & Parcel Of Part Of Khasra No 84, Private Plot No 31-H, Situated At Shamim Sabri Colony, Vill-Piran Kalyar Chak Partham, Pargana And Tehsil Roorkee Distt Haridwar Adm. 800 Sq.ft. Pin Code- 247667 Bounded By:- East:- Plot Of Dr Umer Kureshi, West:- 19ft Road, North:- Plot Of Other, South:- Plot Of Usha Husain.	07/03/2024
3.	Injar, Rashida, Mushayada Loan Amount: ₹1930000/- Loan No: HF/0540/H/21/100145	All That Piece & Parcel Of Kh No 1030M, Mohalla Mohd Gauri, Kasba Gangoh, Pargana Gangoh Tehsil Nakur, Saharanpur Pin. 247341 Adm. 77.8 Sq.mtrs. Pin Code- 247341 Bounded By:- East:- Gangoh Bypass Road, West:- House Of Ishtar, North:- House Of Shalid, South:- Bagh.	07/03/2024
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Details of the Borrowers, Co-borrowers, Guarantors, Securities, Outstanding Dues, Demand Notice sent under section 13(2) and Amount claimed there under are given as under

You the Borrowers and Co-Borrowers/Guarantors are therefore called upon to make payment of the above-mentioned demanded amount with further interest as mentioned hereinabove in full within 60 Days of this Notice failing which the undersigned shall be constrained to take action under the Act to enforce the above mentioned securities. Please Note that as per Section 13(1) of The Said Act, You are in the meanwhile, restrained from transferring the above-referred securities by way of sale, lease or otherwise without our consent.

DATE: 15/03/2024, PLACE: UTTARAKHAND

Authorised Officer GRIHUM HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED (Formerly Known As Poonawalla Housing Finance Ltd)

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