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## TIBETAN WOOLLEN CLOTHES MARKET

A quiet open spot at the foot of a green hill close to the famous Gulab Bagh, Doodh Talai and Lake Pichchola, on way to City Palace and Jagdish Temple, is the Tibetan Market in Samore Bagh. Warmed by soft sunlight during the day and canopied by bright stars shimmering in clear blue sky at night, is a place which invites Udaipurites to come and dress themselves properly for the coming winter.



Going round the rectangular arena with over fifty stalls each put up by one family, we meet Tibetans who come from different cities in India like Dehradun, Shimla and Macleodganj and we also learn that the largest number of them are from Shimla followed by Dehradun.

Udaipur Plus runs into Tashi, aged 38 and his wife Kalsang, 32, who met here and later on got married at Dehradun. Tashi studied at C.S.T. School, Mussoorie upto class ten. He runs a family shop with his parents. Father of Tsering (13) and Choyang (10), he tells us that in spite of the fact that the price of woollen garments has gone up by Rs.20-30 per piece, good sale is expected this year as increasing income makes people splurge. Another reason for the rise in sale, Tashi feels, is that after good monsoon, there is likelihood of a harsh winter season. The young couple who loves to eat 'dal bati' occasionally in a local hotel, tells us that the jackets they sell are made of imported fabric like Memory, PMP and Bonded by Delhi trailers and the designs are decided in discussions with 'lalas' who supply clothes at wholesale rates. A small amount is paid in advance whereas accounts are settled at the end of each season.

We are told by Kalsang that in their shop they are helped by Sanjai who comes every year from Begun Sarai in Bihar.

Veteran journalist Ashok Mathur's blog (ashokmathuronudaipur.com) with over forty articles on Udaipur's palaces, temples, lakes, gardens, festivals, fairs, wildlife etc. is getting very popular. It has interesting content for Udaipurites as well as tourists.

Some other stalls have boys and girls from places like Darjeeling to assist them in sale.

Tashi tells us that some young men

among them are very enthusiastic football players and they enjoy the game at Maharana Bhupal ground from 6.00 to 7.30 every morning.

We move on to the stall of Dehradun resident Dekyi Chomzom, who has been coming to Udaipur for over 25 years. Her sales person for about 16 years is Mahendra Singh from Rishikesh area. Dekyi tells us that 'lalas' show her the designs and colour of the clothes and then she selects them according to her needs. Designs and colour combinations change every year. She feels that the choice of Udaipurites is very simple. They like decent designs and mostly soft colours unlike Gujaratis who prefer gaudy ones. This also applies to jackets for gents and cardigans for ladies. They do not like too many pockets either. While buying in the wholesale market, Dekyi also keeps the choice of Gujarati tourists in mind.

During Diwali season big groups of Gujaratis throng to Nathdwara for Srinathji's darshan and on their way they come to this market in large numbers to shop in a big way. These shops also attract foreign tourists who buy mostly shawls, light jackets and cardigans.

As we leave Dekyi's stall, she tells us that she likes Udaipur very much as it is a peaceful place and the people are so nice. For all this, she expresses her gratitude. She is all praise for her landlord in Rajoi Ka Hata.

Udaipur Plus meets some customers also. Middle aged Asha Kunwar seems to be pleased with the beautiful designs. She likes the fixed rate formula as it saves a lot of time and bother and nobody feels cheated at the end as was the case earlier. Shopping with her sister and father, young Himani who is doing her B.Com. at Indore, tells us that she prefers to visit this market as soon as it is set up for the simple reason that the whole range is available whereas later on the choice gets limited.

In a cosy office with a big portrait of benign Dalai Lama, we meet the newly elected headmen. Jhumpa and Palden who seem to be busy setting up a water filter for the convenience of the customers. The Tibetan community celebrates December 10, the day on which Dalai Lama was honoured with Nobel Prize for peace in a big way. It holds two whole night sessions praying-continuously for peace. Some of the Tibetans here will be going to Buddha Gaya towards the end of December for the special puja for world peace in the presence of Dalai Lama.

Jhumpa tells us that they have never had any problem in Udaipur. The customers here treat them very nicely and they in turn try to be courteous to the buyers.

With their distinctive facial features, traditional attires and attractive ornaments the Tibetan folks create an otherworldly, fascinating environment that charms Udaipurites.

- Ashok Mathur

## Corona & Air Pollution: Horrible combination for people's health

Even though we faced every difficult moment related to the corona epidemic and the outbreak, the corona is becoming a more severe, more inaccessible public challenge. Government declarations and assessments about Corona are also starting to look like election manifestos. In India, when the Corona cases were negligible, the governments were very aware, when the cases were at the peak, the governments were exhausted, what irony and contradiction? The country's capital Delhi is still battered by a double whammy of corona and pollution. On the one hand, Corona is making new records this week; on the other hand, a situation like red alert has also arisen on pollution.

Balaram Bhargava, director general of the Indian Council of Medical Research, said that we have handled the Corona curve in such a way that we do not have a state of extreme in the mid of September. This statement is not a political statement, even if the statement given for self-confidence may have been stated, but it shows more confidence, seems exaggerated as 5,673 new covid patients were reported in Delhi alone on Wednesday and 5,739 on Thursday.

Amidst these figures, there was a discussion that whether the third outbreak of Corona is going on in Delhi is a fierce condition due to indifference towards Corona, is it the result of increasing air pollution. However, Delhi Health Minister

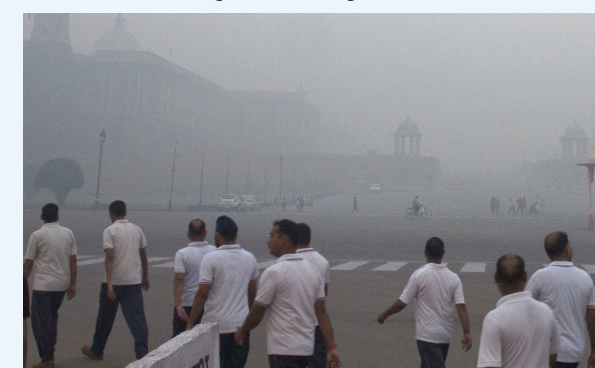
Satyendra Jain said there is a matter of keeping a check on Corona's trend for a week to confirm the third fierce outbreak.

It is a matter of concern that the level of pollution in Delhi is also creating new records, the air has become poisonous and the statistics of air quality index are going to make anyone numb. According to the Central Pollution Control Board, the air in Delhi has become so toxic that it has become a serious threat of new respiratory diseases and is becoming a major reason for the Corona epidemic to resume. However, be aware that the corona virus also affects the respiratory system of humans. In such a situation, if a person's respiratory system is weakened due to pollution, the risk of his life increases manifold in the event of a covid-19 pandemic because his ability to fight against the pandemic decreases completely.

The year 2020 has passed under the terrible shadow of Corona. Displacement, accidental deaths, fear of disease and worsening economic conditions has disturbed the lives of the entire world. The atmosphere of fear and panic has not stopped with Corona. India, which has been on the track of lockdown since March, is slowly becoming normal, but the Corona cases rising in some parts of the country including Delhi are causing concern, air pollution from the world and the country markets. In the growing crowd, pictures of social distance, masks,

carelessness being taken for fun and giving rise to new fears.

Poisonous mist of pollution is proving fatal on the sky of Delhi, coronavirus is entering the breath, and while on the other hand, the amount of pollution in air is alarming. Recall



the years when it became difficult to breathe in Delhi, schools were closed and the pace of the city stopped. In such a situation, the question arises, what makes this call of pollution in the corona period more frightening? Corona or the poisonous air that we call pollution and which the governments have been beating hands and feet over the past 5 years to stop the judiciary, but no effective measures have been taken. In fact, earlier many reports have said that ninety percent of the world's population is breathing unsafe air and air pollution is one of the biggest threats to human health.

According to Frank Hammes, CEO of IAQAir, the new Corona virus has made international headlines, while air pollution is a silent killer causing more than 7 million deaths a year. There is a dou-

ble threat to the health of the people in Northern India at this time. Every year pollution in the air proves to be a major threat to the health of all of us, but this year the coronavirus epidemic with pollution is making a double attack on health.

Pollution has a direct effect on the heart, lungs and other parts of the body. During this double invasion of corona and pollution, people need to take special care of them. Especially those who have lung disease or have trouble breathing.

This is because the corona virus infection also reduces the amount of oxygen in the body and at the same time there will be difficulty in breathing due to pollution. Cases of COPD and asthma are on the rise in the surrounding states due to cold and burn of straw.

Air quality is deteriorating all over North India. Temperatures have dropped at the beginning of winter and wind speed has decreased. Along with this, the situation is getting worse due to the burning of straw in the areas around Delhi. Sunita Narayan, an environmentalist and mem-

ber of NCR's Environmental Pollution Authority, says, I am very scared this year. This can be a double kill with covid-19 as the virus attacks our lungs in the same way as air pollution.

Therefore, we need to take effective steps. She says, our pollution control boards in Delhi, Haryana, UP, Punjab or Rajasthan are very weak; they have very limited staff, so their capacity is very less. We need to empower these institutions. The disappointing situation is that along with pollution in Delhi, the dirt also remains a threat to Corona. Here again and again politics is happening in the name of cleanliness. It is also seen that this issue related to common life is also a victim of politics. If the Delhi government considers the Center to be guilty, then the Center exposes the inefficiency of the Delhi government, the people of Delhi are crushed.

But till when? This is the reason why Delhi High Court itself has had to intervene in this case many times. It cannot be denied that cleanliness and health are directly related to each other.

Narendra Modi, taking a sweep to clean the dust and soil, gave the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan the form of a mass movement for the entire nation and said that people should neither spread dirt on their own nor let anyone else spread it. They "will not mess, nor will they let me do it." Also gave the mantra of cleanliness but the BJP has the responsibility of cleaning in Delhi, then

why is there a difference in its speech and actions? How long have people lived in the capital and major cities of the country in the grip of broken breath? Nobody listens to reform, morality.

There is no light anywhere. What effective measures are the Chief Ministers of Delhi doing other than advertisements in radio-TV and newspapers on the fatal problems of Delhi, because the victims of deadly air pollution are not safe even in their homes? Lack of proper drainage system has been a permanent cause of water logging in the city, that too, being fatal. The city needs roads, electricity, water, houses and offices. For all this, either the fields are being home or the forest. Trees, wild animals, and traditional water sources are all being destroyed in the trick of digesting the forest. This is a loss and is the major cause of air pollution.

The corona epidemic is a lesson in order to make the systems of governance fit, to change the lifestyle, to be aware of the environment and nature. To be conscious of body, mind, soul and nature. Everyone should take care of themselves and their loved ones. Adopt a healthy lifestyle. Think well, forgive others.

Help others. Trust in yourself. Do regular meditation and self-study. Learn to be equitable and comfortable. Keep nature, environment and surroundings clean. This is the moment that we have to understand, capture and live.

- Lalit Garg

## Agri reforms will connect farmers directly to market, send middlemen out of system: Modi



**Lucknow:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday said the agriculture reforms introduced by the government will connect farmers directly to the market and "send middlemen out of the system".

"The agriculture reforms will give direct benefit to farmers. They will be directly connected to the market and the middleman will be out of the system. The farmers of Purvanchal (eastern Uttar Pradesh) will also be benefitted from this," the prime minister said while launching various projects for his Lok Sabha constituency Varanasi via video-conferencing.

Highlighting various schemes launched by the government, Modi said under the Swamitva scheme, farmers will be issued property cards, which will not only help them get loans, but the "game of grabbing their properties will also end".

He said Varanasi is witnessing all-round development in all sectors and this is giving a new identity to the city. "The development in Varanasi is not only helping the people of Purvanchal, who now will not have to go to Delhi for their works, but also helping people from other parts of the country," he added. Starting his address in Bhojpur with "Har Har Mahadev", the prime minister appreciated the people of Varanasi for their "social unity" in fighting against the coronavirus pandemic. He hailed the farmers of Purvanchal, saying even during the pandemic, they worked hard in their fields and are witnessing good crops. **PTI**

## J.A.R.'s membership drive will reach rural reporters

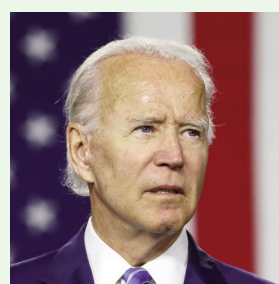
**Udaipur:** the membership campaign of the Journalists Association of Rajasthan (J.A.R.) will reach rural correspondents. Rural journalists, who are responsible for taking the village's problems and activities to the people through their writing, will also be attached to the J.A.R. so that the issues faced in rural journalism can be brought to the appropriate government platform and try their way to solve them. Could.

This thing emerged in the meeting of Jar Udaipur held on Tuesday at Mahakal temple here. In connection with the membership drive, the executive and members of Jar Udaipur gave various suggestions in this meeting organized on the instructions of J.A.R. State President Rakesh Kumar Sharma and State General Secretary Sanjay Saini.

District president Nanalal Acharya said that all the officials and members, including the state secretary of J.A.R., Kaushal Mundra, state executive member Rajesh Verma, shared their views. Everyone talked about adding more and more members and the necessary documents to become a member.

JAR Udaipur general secretary Bharat Mishra told media persons the need to provide relief to the needy and troubled people in emergencies. In the meeting, treasurer Gopal Lohar, including Ravi Nandwana, Priya Dubey, Hemant Singh, Dinesh Bhatt, Jaywant Bhairaviya, Suresh Lakhani, Laxya Lohar, Harish Lohar, etc., gave their views.

## US : Joe Biden announces 12 member task force to deal with COVID-19



US President-elect Joe Biden has announced a 12-member coronavirus task force to mount an effective response to the pandemic that has infected millions and damaged the US economy.

In his victory speech in Wilmington, Delaware, Mr Biden said he will spare no effort to turn around this pandemic. He said, the panel will convert his coronavirus-fighting plan into an action blueprint that will be built on bedrock of science. The task force will be co-chaired by former Surgeon General Vivek Murthy, former Food and Drug Administration Commissioner David Kessler and Marcella Nunez-Smith, a professor of public health at Yale University. It will also include Ezekiel Emanuel, a former Obama administration health adviser. Mr Biden has promised a much more muscular response to the pandemic than President Donald Trump has made. The virus has infected 9.8 million people in the US and killed more than 2 lakh 37 thousand people as daily case counts continue to rise.

## Posters declare Tejashwi Yadav Bihar CM day before counting of votes



**Patna:** Workers of the Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) on Monday put up posters in Bihar, wishing the "to-be chief minister of Bihar Tejashwi Yadav" on his birthday after exit polls, based on voters' responses right after they exit the polling booths, projected the opposition alliance led by him as the winner of the high-stakes polls.

"Here is wishing Tejashwi Yadav, Bihar's youngest chief minister to be, a very happy birthday," the posters read.

If 31-year-old Tejashwi Yadav becomes the chief minister of Bihar, he will be the youngest person to have ever held the top post in any state in the country. In 1967, MOH Farook became the chief minister of Union territory of Puducherry at the age of 29. Satish Prasad Singh, at the age of 32, became the chief minister of Bihar in 1968.

The posters surfaced a day after the RJD warned its workers against indulging in celebratory firing and "uncivil behaviour" towards rivals on the day of the counting of votes, irrespective of the results. "Whatever the election results are on November 10, it has to be accepted with absolute restraint, simplicity and courtesy. Improper fireworks, celebratory firing and uncivil behaviour towards our rivals or their supporters will not be accepted at any cost," the party had said on Sunday.

Most pollsters, who have been widely off the mark in the past, have said the Mahagathbandhan or Grand Alliance led by Tejashwi Yadav is set to win the Bihar assembly elections. The Mahagathbandhan is projected to get around 120 seats in the 243-member house by Times Now C-Voter exit poll, while Republic TV-Jan Ki Baat projected 118-138 seats for the alliance. According to Today's Chanakya, it could win 180 seats and the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) fronted by chief minister Nitish Kumar could fall short of a clear majority in the Bihar Assembly Election 2020. According to the Times Now C-Voter exit poll, the NDA could end up with only 116 seats. The Republic TV-Jan Ki Baat exit poll projected between 91 and 117 seats for the NDA and Today's Chanakya said the alliance could end up winning just 55 seats.

Elections in the state were held in three phases on October 28, November 3 and November 7 and results will be announced on Tuesday, November 10. In preparation for the counting of votes, the Election Commission of India (ECI) has set up 55 counting centres in all the 38 districts of the state. Three-layer security of the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF), Bihar Military Police and district armed police have been provided at these counting centres.