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FOREWORD

More has been said about the writing of lawyers and judges than of any other group, except, of course, poets and novelists. The difference is that while the latter has usually been admired for their writing, the public has almost always damned lawyers and judges for theirs. If this state of affairs has changed in recent times, it is only in that many lawyers and judges have now joined the rest of the world is complaining about the quality of legal prose. My best wishes to all these student contributors, for their future endeavours. My best wishes and assurance to the readers that this will add a lot to the knowledge after reading this perfect case compilation. It's not just for the legal fraternity but for anyone who has an interest in the field of law.

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PREFACE

May there be Peace in Heaven, may there be Peace in the Sky, May there be Peace in the Earth, 3 May there be Peace in the Water, May there be Peace in the Plants, May there be Peace in the Trees, May there be Peace in the Gods in the various Worlds, May there be Peace in all the human beings, May there be Peace in All,

PEACE, PEACE, PEACE. Our age-old culture prays for peace and happiness for one and all. Family is the first and oldest social group. It has played an important role in the stability and prosperity of the civilization. Almost everything of lasting value in humanity has its roots in the family. Peace and harmony in the family are important for the all-round development of children. This Compilation of Judgments of the Supreme Court of India and High Court of India by All India Legal Forum is aimed at bringing about desired sensitivity in all duty holders. We're glad to be a part of the All-India Forum. Here's an introduction to my team:

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INTERNATIONAL SPORTS NEWS

Ex-world heavyweight boxing champ Leon Spinks dies at 67.

Former world heavyweight boxing champion Leon Spinks, who took the crown from Muhammad Ali in 1978 before losing a rematch, died on Friday, according to his publicists. He was 67. Spinks had been hospitalized in December at Las Vegas before losing a five-year battle with cancer with his wife, Brenda Spinks, at his side

Maya Weug becomes first female driver to earn a spot in the Ferrari Driver Academy.

Maya Weug has made history by becoming the first female driver to join the Ferrari Driver Academy. Weug, 16, was selected from the final stage of the Girls on Track - Rising Stars initiative, a program run jointly by Ferrari and motorsport governing body the FIA. The evaluation camp took place at Ferrari's headquarters in Maranello, Italy, and saw Weug beat competition from 17-year-old Doriane Pin, 14-year-old Antonella Bassani and 15-year-old Julia Ayoub.

Tom Brady wins his 7th Super Bowl in his first year with the Buccaneers at age 43.

Tom Brady has taken things to another level not seen before: Winning a Super Bowl at age 43, in his first year with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, and making history by being part of the first team to appear in a Super Bowl in its home stadium -- and accomplishing all of this in a pandemic. The Buccaneers won Super Bowl LV at Raymond James Stadium by a score of 31-9 against last year's champs, the Kansas City Chiefs.

Djokovic serves up masterclass on favourite court.

Novak Djokovic got back to doing what he does best on Monday when he steamrolled Frenchman Jeremy Chardy 6-3 6-1 6-2 on Rod Laver Arena in the opening round of the Australian Open. Having come through two weeks of quarantine in Adelaide, and a brief but damaging spat with his hosts about the strict isolation conditions placed on competitors in Melbourne, the world number one let his tennis do the talking as he eased to a 297th Grand Slam victory.

INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL NEWS

(1) France joins US to mount multilateral challenge on China in South China Sea

On Friday deployed a nuclear attack submarine in the South China Sea, in line with US President Joe Biden's call to mount a multilateral challenge to China, reported Asia Times.

In a tweet earlier this week, France's Defence Minister Florence Parly announced that the European power has deployed the nuclear attack submarine Emeraude along with naval support ship Seine to the maritime area to "affirm that international law is the only rule that is valid, whatever the sea where we sail."

"This extraordinary patrol just completed its passage in the South China Sea," declared the French defence chief following its unprecedented military manoeuvres in Asian waters this week.

(2) After acquittal, Trump calls 2nd impeachment trial 'greatest witch hunt'

After being acquitted for the second time in the impeachment trial, former US President Donald Trump on Saturday (local time) called the trial yet another phase of the "greatest witch hunt" in the history of the United States. In an official statement, Trump said, "Our historic, patriotic and beautiful movement to Make America Great Again has only just begun."

His acquittal comes over a month after a mob of Trump supporters stormed the US Capitol as legislators were counting the electoral results that certified his loss. Five people died in the riot, including a police officer.

(3) Mexico's president welcomes US cancellation of border wall construction.

Mexican President Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador welcomed the decision by his US counterpart Joe Biden to cancel the construction of a border wall separating the two countries, calling it a "good" decision.

Lopez Obrador also welcomed Biden's proposal to set up a visa system for Mexican and Central American migrants. Both measures are among Biden's first actions since taking office in January, Xinhua news agency reported on Saturday.

“It is an issue that we celebrate because the wall has been under construction for some time ... so it is a historical step,” Lopez Obrador told reporters during his usually daily press conference at the National Palace in Mexico City.

(4) EU Urges China to reverse ban on BBC, says it violates Chinese constitution

That it is strongly committed to safeguarding media freedom, the European Union (EU) said China should reverse its ban on BBC World News as it violated both the Chinese constitution and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

The EU added that it has repeatedly spoken out on cases of intimidation and surveillance of journalists and media workers in China.

In a statement issued on Friday, the EU condemned China’s move to ban BBC in the country, which was imposed in response to the UK regulators revoking the broadcasting license for China Global Television Network (CGTN), stating that it restricted “freedom of expression and access to information inside its borders”

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(6) Donald Trump’s lawyers decry impeachment case as political vengeance

Lawyers For Donald Trump opened his impeachment defense Friday by strenuously denying he played any role in inciting the deadly riot at the U.S. Capitol, blasting the case against him as politically motivated hatred and part of a years long Democratic witch hunt.

Lawyers for the former president told senators that Trump was entitled to dispute the 2020 election results and that his doing so, including in a speech that preceded the assault on the Capitol, did not amount to inciting the violence that followed.

They sought to turn the tables on prosecutors by likening the Democrats’ questioning of the legitimacy of Trump’s 2016 win to his challenge of his election loss. When Trump implored

supporters to fight like hell on January 6, they said, that was no different from the Democrats' own charged rhetoric that risks precipitating violence.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS

INTERNATIONAL CURRENT AFFAIRS: 08.02.2021 – 13.02.2021

1. Donald Trump acquitted, denounced in historic impeachment trial.

- In the vote, seven of the 50 Senate Republicans joined the chamber's unified Democrats in favouring conviction.
- Donald Trump was acquitted by the US Senate in his second impeachment trial in 12 months, as his fellow Republicans shielded him from accountability for the deadly assault by his supporters on the US Capitol, a shrine of American Democracy.
- The Senate vote of 57-43 fell short of the two-thirds majority needed to convict Mr. Trump on a charge of incitement of insurrection after a five-day trial in the same building ransacked by his followers on January 6 shortly after they heard him deliver an incendiary speech.
- In the vote, seven of the 50 Senate Republicans joined the chamber's unified Democrats in favouring conviction. Mr. Trump left office on Jan 20, so impeachment could not be used to remove him from power. But Democrats had hoped to secure a conviction to hold him responsible for a siege that left five people including a police officer dead and to set the stage for an office again. Given the chance to hold office in the future, they argued Mr. Trump would not hesitate to encourage political violence again.
- Republicans also saved Mr. Trump in the Feb 5, 2020, vote in his previous impeachment trial, when only one senator from their ranks Mitt Romney – voted to convict and remove him from office.
- The drama on the senate floor unfolded against a backdrop of gaping divisions in a pandemic-weary United States along political, racial, socioeconomic and regional lines. The trial provided more partisan warfare even as Democratic President Joe Biden, who took office on Jan 20 after defeating Mr. Trump at the ballot box on Nov. 3, called for healing and unity after his predecessor's four turbulent years in power and a caustic election campaign.

2. India, Afghanistan signs MOU for Construction of Lalandar (SHATOOT) Dam:

It is the second major dam being built by India, after the Friendship Dam (Salma Dam) in 2016. It is a part of New Development Partnership between India and Afghanistan.

Dam would meet safe drinking water needs of Kabul city, provide irrigation water to nearby areas etc. it is being built on Maiden River, a tributary of Kabul River which flows into Pakistan from Afghanistan.

Since 2001, after US-led forces ousted Taliban from power, India has extended around 53 billion in aid for the reconstruction of Afghanistan. Major project includes:

- Humanitarian assistance: Supply of 1.1 MT of wheat etc.
- Infrastructure: Parliament Building, Zaranj-Deleram road to move goods and services to Iran border etc.
- Connectivity: Chabahar port, Direct Air Freight corridor between India and Afghanistan.
- Economic Development: 116 high impact community developmental projects.
- Capacity Building: Scholarships to Afghans under Indian Council for Cultural relations, administration and governance training.

Importance of Afghanistan for India:

- India's gateway to oil and mineral rich Central Asia.
- Stable Afghanistan is crucial for regional and domestic security.

3. Houthi:

- US administration has notified that it would remove Houthis from its list of foreign terrorist organizations.
- This would help assist humanitarian groups provide crucial aid to the warring sides in Yemen.
- Houthi rebels emerged from Yemen's Northern Province Saada bordering Saudi Arabia. They are considered to be backed by Iran and have been fighting a complex war with Yemeni Government.
- Saudi Arabia and other Sunni Arab states had earlier begun an air campaign for defeating Houthis.

4. Biden wants to close Guantanamo Bay prison. Unfulfilled promise from Obama's term:

- US President Joe Biden wants to close the Guantanamo Bay prison for terror suspects, echoing an unfulfilled campaign promise from Barack Obama’s administration.
- The administration was working through the National Security Council to “assess the current state of play that the Biden administration has – well, inherited from the previous administration”.
- In his 2016 presidential campaign, Donald Trump expressed willingness to keep the Guantanamo Prison open and fill it with bad guys. The Republican retained this position once elected. However, some detainees were promised their release from Guantanamo under his Democratic predecessor Obama, but he never succeeded in working out a compromise with congress.
- The military prison accommodates inmates linked to the US “war on terror”, including Pakistani Khaled Sheikh Mohammed, the self-proclaimed mastermind of the September 11, 2001 attacks.

5. Tensions high as mass protests in Myanmar enter second week. UN demands release of ousted leader Aung San Suu Kyi.

- Opposition to Myanmar’s new military regime intensified as spontaneous neighbourhood watch groups mobilized to thwart arrests of anti-coup activists and the UN demanded the release of ousted leader Aung San Suu Kyi.
- The army takeover that brought a decade-old democracy to an end last week has unleashed a storm of anger and defiance, with huge daily protests bringing urban centres around the country to a standstill.
- Since taking Suu Kyi and her top allies into custody, troops have stepped up arrests of civil servants, doctors and others joining strikes calling on the generals to relinquish power.
- Crowds defied overnight curfews to gather on streets as night fell, hours after finishing a seventh straight day of rallies, following rumours that police were launching a fresh wave of arrests. One group swarmed a hospital in the city of Patheingyi on rumours that a popular local doctor would be taken.

NATIONAL SPORTS NEWS

India vs England: R Ashwin overtakes Harbhajan Singh as second-highest wicket-taker at home in Tests

Chennai's local lad Ravichandran Ashwin joined an elite list on Sunday when he went past former India off-spinner Harbhajan Singh to register the greatest number of wickets on home soil on Day 2 of the 2nd Test between India and England in Chennai.

Ashwin, who bagged the wickets of Dom Sibley, Dan Lawrence before lunch returned after the break to outfox Ben Stokes and overtake Singh's tally of 265.

Ashwin now has 266 victims at home in the longest format of the game in just 45 Tests at an outstanding average of 22.64.

Former India captain Anil Kumble leads the list with 350 wickets from 62 matches in India.

Earlier, Indian spinners had England reeling on an exploding pitch, reducing them to 39 for four at lunch on day two of the second Test on Sunday.

India, who resumed the day at 300 for six, could only score 29 runs in the morning session with Rishabh Pant (58 not out of 77 balls) running out of partners.

At the break, England were trailing India by 290 runs and face a herculean task in getting close to India's first innings score of 329 on a dustbowl.

Pacer Ishant Sharma (1/15) provided the first breakthrough for India when he had left-handed opener Rory Burns LBW for a duck with a ball that nipped back and beat his defensive push.

The other opener Dom Sibley (16, 25 balls, 3X4) was the next to go, caught by Virat Kohli at leg-slip off Ashwin, which was given by the third umpire after India chose to review as the on-field umpire turned down the appeal for a catch.

Rishabh Pant needs break from constant comparisons, says Ravichandran Ashwin

Give Rishabh Pant a "break" from constant comparisons and let him go from strength to strength, his senior India teammate Ravichandran Ashwin suggested on Sunday.

Be it for his keeping or batting, be it with one of India's greatest or any other player, Pant needs a break from all sorts of comparisons, expressed Ashwin, who has been keeping the young stumper on his toes with deliveries that look like fetching their team wickets every now and then.

“He was constantly compared with the great M.S. Dhoni for a long time. Now he gets compared for his wicket-keeping with (Wriddhiman) Saha, this that and all that, sometimes it’s just better to give a break and let people build on confidence,” Ashwin said.

The seasoned off-spinner was speaking at the end of the second day’s play in the second Test between India and England, during which he collected his 29th five-for in Test cricket.

On his swashbuckling wicketkeeper-batsman, Ashwin continued, “With respect to Rishabh’s keeping, the name of the game is confidence right, he has been batting well, he has been working incredibly hard on his keeping as well...

“And sometimes, when you are constantly being compared to someone who has done well for years, it can be really hard, I really do feel for Rishabh, on a lot occasions, when I am watching games from home where he is playing the white-ball format.

“He has definitely got the ability, that is why he is here and I have no doubt he will go from strength to strength.”

After playing a key role in India’s incredible series win in Australia last month, Pant said the comparisons with Dhoni are flattering but added he wants to carve his own identity in the game.

Ashwin has now dismissed more left-handers than anyone else in Test cricket and though he admitted bowling to southpaws is an advantage for off-spinners, he said he has been working on a lot of aspects in recent years.

“I can’t really remember how it all started, to be honest. Obviously the ball turning away from the left-hander is one very big advantage when it comes to off-spinners and likewise left-arm orthodox spinners also enjoy bowling to right-hand batsmen.

“So for me, over the years, the left-hand batsmen have generally tended to receive a lot of bowling from round the stumps, so one thing that I have learnt better and started doing a lot more is varying the seam position...

“... The point where I use the crease went really wide to the middle to try and get as close as possible and also change over the stumps, over the stumps is one angle I have used effectively over the last 36 months,” said.

On Sunday, he became the first bowler to dismiss 200 left-handers in Test cricket.

There has been a lot of chatter about the rank turner used for the second match at Chepauk but Ashwin said he has not heard any current English player complaining about the wickets.

“I don’t not know if they have complaints in the first place, so if they do, I mean it is quite natural for people to come up against adverse conditions and then take (backward)...

“In all honestly the seven days of Test cricket we have played so far, England played really well, competed really well, I haven’t seen any of them complaining anything like that.

“But time and again there are conditions which will challenge you be it spin or with seam.”

He said it is always a tougher proposition to bat against top-class fast bowlers on seaming and bouncy conditions.

“I mean the only comparison I can say is the bowl is moving around at 140-150, takes off the deck, that has to be more challenging than somebody bowling at 85-90 Ks, when the ball is moving, clearly the challenges are way greater than when you come off come up against seam.

“It is just the same way when you play spin, you have to give it to the bowler, take your time, buy your time and then probably cash little later, it is another form of art, that’s it. It is as simple as that.”

Ashwin was delighted to have got a five-wicket haul — his 29th overall — at his home ground and in front of spectators.

“Look, I think, it is wonderful to have crowd back in the first place, we haven’t played (in front of) crowds for a long time.

“I think the Indian cricketing fans are also, you know, waiting to get back and watch sport, especially cricket, it is one of the biggest sport here, so people enjoy coming for it.

“On the other hand, playing in front of my home ground is always special for me and to get five wickets here is something that I would always cherish and in front of the crowd is even better,” Ashwin said.

Chennai Test: Injury scare for India as Cheteshwar Pujara remains off the field

Cheteshwar Pujara took a blow during his batting.

India batsman Cheteshwar Pujara did not take the field for England’s first innings after being hit on the hand while batting on the opening day of the second Test here.

Pujara made 21 off 58 balls in India's first inning score of 329. Reserve opener Mayank Agarwal took the field in Pujara's place after India was bowled in the morning session of the second day.

"Cheteshwar Pujara was hit on his right hand while batting on Day 1 of the second Test against England. He felt some pain later. He will not be fielding today," read an update from the BCCI.

Pujara had taken a lot of body blows in the recent series in Australia, especially in the final innings of the series-deciding fourth Test at Brisbane, but had carried on batting to play a part in his team's incredible win.

West Indies secure 17-run victory, series vs Bangladesh

West Indies secured a thrilling 17-run victory against Bangladesh in the second and final test to complete a clean sweep of the series on Sunday.

West Indies won the first test by three wickets, chasing a huge 395-run target.

Off spinner Rahkeem Cornwall played a key role, ending the match with 9-179 as West Indies clinched the series despite stubborn resistance from Mehidy Hasan.

Cornwall followed his 5-74 with 4-105 in the second innings to help the side bowl Bangladesh out for 213, with the hosts chasing a target of 231.

The off spinner broke up several key partnerships at various stages of the game to keep the tourists' noses in front.

But Mehidy made sure the West Indies had to work for their win. With Bangladesh's ninth wicket falling 43 runs away from the target, Mehidy came up with an aggressive brand of cricket.

He struck Cornwall for six twice in his consecutive overs and found the boundary regularly to keep the side interested.

But he fell just short and was dismissed while poking a delivery from left-arm spinner Jomel Warrican at first slip, where Cornwall fittingly took a tough catch to seal the victory.

Bangladesh made a decent start in pursuit of 231, after its bowlers, led by left-arm spinner Taijul Islam (4-36) bowled out West Indies for 117 in their second innings.

Opener Tamim Iqbal struck a 46-ball 50, hitting nine fours and shared a 53-run opening stand with Soumya Sarkar.

With his spinners failing to break the partnership, captain Kraigg Brathwaite (3-25) found success with his part-time off spin.

He broke through with the wicket of Soumya for 13 and Tamim soon followed, chipping one straight at short cover.

Cornwall then ripped through Bangladesh's middle order on a pitch that offered variable bounce, reducing the hosts to 115-5 including the key wicket of Mushfiqur Rahim (14).

Joeml Warrican, 3-47, helped the side edge closer to victory, sending back skipper Mominul Haque for 28 before Cornwall dismissed Liton Das (22), who appeared comfortable during his spell.

Earlier, West Indies were bowled out for 117 in their second innings, after resuming on 41-3. Nkrumah Bonner was the top-scorer with 38 while Joshua Da Silva made 20.

Pacer Abu Jayed (2-32) struck twice in the morning session. He trapped night watchman Warrican lbw for 2 before dismissing the first test's double centurion Kyle Mayers for 6.

Mayers after his epic 210 not out, scored 5 and 6 in his two innings in the second test.

Left arm spinner Taijul Islam (4-36) then removed Jermaine Blackwood for 9, stumped by Liton Das before Bonner and Da Silva steadied the innings for the tourists up to the interval.

Bonner (90) and Da Silva (92) put on a 118-run partnership in the first innings to help West Indies score 409.

This time Taijul broke the partnership, dismissing Da Silva for 20 and West Indies then collapsed, losing their last four wickets for 13 runs.

Bangladesh was bowled out for 296 in its first innings to concede a 113-run lead.

West Indies won the first test by three wickets.

Australian Open 2021 Results, Day 7: Dimitrov upsets Thiem to reach QFs, Serena down but not out

Grigor Dimitrov beat third-seeded Dominic Thiem 6-4, 6-4, 6-0 to reach the quarterfinals of the Australian Open for the fourth time.

The No. 18-seeded Dimitrov was down a break in each of the first two sets but rallied to keep up the pressure on his tiring opponent.

Thiem won the U.S. Open and was the runner-up at the Australian Open last year, but he was coming off a tough third-round match when he had to rally from two sets down to beat local favorite Nick Kyrgios in five.

Dimitrov, who has a career-high ranking of No. 3, will next play 114-ranked Aslan Karatsev, who upset Felix Auger-Aliassime to become the first man since 1996 to reach the quarterfinals on his Grand Slam debut.

The 27-year-old Russian qualifier dropped the first two sets but lifted his level and cut down his error-rate to beat the 20th-seeded Auger-Aliassime in five.

Serena Williams down but not out

Serena Williams tumbled to the ground, her heavily taped right ankle turning, her body contorting, her racket flying.

This was early in the second set of a competitive-as-can-be matchup in the Australian Open's fourth round against a younger version of herself — stinging serves, huge groundstroke cuts, a fierce streak — and during a stretch Sunday (Saturday night EST) when things seemed to be slipping away.

Williams quickly put up a hand to indicate she was OK, retied the laces of her right shoe and, while it took her a bit to regain control, she did so, just in the nick of time. Grabbing the last two games, Williams pulled out 6-4, 2-6, 6-4 victory over No. 7 seed Aryna Sabalenka to reach the quarterfinals at Melbourne Park.

Two years ago at this tournament, Williams was on the verge of a quarterfinal win when she hurt her ankle and ended up losing.

“Well, my first thought was, ‘Not another ankle sprain in Australia.’ But I knew immediately that it wasn’t. Then I was more embarrassed than anything. I was like, ‘Oh, my goodness.’ I don’t like falling,” Williams said. “But I was fine. I mean, once I realized I didn’t twist my ankle, like at all, I was like, ‘OK, I’m good, let me just get up.’”

Williams, who wore a black T-shirt with “Unstoppable Queen” in capital gold letters to her news conference, moved closer to an eighth Australian Open championship and record-tying 24th Grand Slam singles title overall.

Her most recent came in 2017, while she was pregnant.

On a cloudy day with the temperature in the mid-60s Fahrenheit (high teens Celsius), both Williams and Sabalenka dismissed much in the way of subtlety or nuance.

“I was OK with it, really,” Williams said. “If she wants to play power, let’s go.”

These two hit the ball hard, over and over again in Rod Laver Arena, and Williams was barely better. She ended up with more winners, 30-24, and more aces, 9-4, while cranking up her best-in-the-game serve to as fast as 126 mph (202 kph).

When Williams needed to volley, she did, rather well, claiming 13 of 15 points when she went to the net. More importantly, she covered the court much in the way she did in her younger days, when opponents’ apparent winners were rendered mere fodder for her own strikes.

And she showed no signs of trouble from the left Achilles tendon that hampered her in a U.S. Open semi-final loss in September and forced her to withdraw from the French Open before the second round later that month.

“I’ve worked really hard on my movement. Yeah, I like retrieving balls. I mean, obviously I like to be on the offense, but I can play defense really well, as well,” the 39-year-old American said. “I didn’t think about my Achilles. It’s so good to not think about it. Oh, my goodness.”

Sabalenka — a 22-year-old from Belarus playing in only her second fourth-round Slam match — was visibly and audibly frustrated. She frequently would scream after lost points. She spiked her racket, too.

With the high quality of the match, the only shame was that no fans were there to see it in person. That’s because this was Day 2 of the five-day lockdown imposed by the Victoria state government after some COVID-19 cases emerged at a local hotel. (Any cheering or chatter TV viewers heard at home was being piped in to broadcasters’ feeds).

Up next, Williams is assured of facing another Grand Slam champion: Simona Halep or IgaSwiatek, who were scheduled to meet Sunday night.

The other quarterfinal on that half of the draw will be Naomi Osaka against unseeded 35-year-old HsieSu-wei of Taiwan.

The first man to win Sunday was completely unexpected: Aslan Karatsev, a 27-year-old Russian qualifier who is ranked 114th, is the first player in a quarter-century to reach the quarterfinals in his Grand Slam debut. Karatsev eliminated 20th-seeded Felix Auger-Aliassime 3-6, 1-6, 6-3, 6-3, 6-4.

Osaka barely advanced, saving two match points and grabbing the last four games to top Garbiñe Muguruza 4-6, 6-4, 7-5.

The third-seeded Osaka returns to the quarterfinals of a tournament she won in 2019 for one of her three major trophies. Osaka ran her winning streak to 18 matches — a run that included a U.S. Open title in September.

“She’s playing great. Big shots, big serve,” Muguruza said. “That gives her a lot of free points.”

The key moment came when Osaka was serving at 15-40 while trailing 5-3 in the final set. Muguruza could not convert either chance to end things: Osaka delivered one of her 11 aces at 118 mph (191 kph) on the first; Muguruza missed a groundstroke on the second.

Fifteen minutes later, the match was over.

The 71st-ranked Hsieh’s 6-4, 6-2 victory over 2019 French Open finalist Marketa Vondrousova made her the oldest woman to make her major quarterfinal debut in the professional era.

This is the 38th major for Hsieh, who beat 2019 U.S. Open champion Bianca Andreescu in the second round.

The secret to Hsieh’s success?

“I try to pretend,” she joked, “I’m only 18 years old.”

POLITICAL NATIONAL NEWS

PM wants to ‘hand over’ entire agriculture business to his ‘two friends’, alleges Rahul Gandhi.

JAIPUR: Continuing scathing attack against PM Narendra Modi over the farm laws on the second day of his visit to Rajasthan, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Saturday alleged that the prime minister wants to “hand over” the entire agriculture business to his “two friends”.

Gandhi addressed two farmers' rallies at Rupangarh in Ajmer and Nagaur's Makrana. He had addressed farmers' rallies in Hanumangarh's Pilibanga and Sri Ganganagar's Padampur on the first day of his two-day Rajasthan trip on Friday. At the Rupangarh rally, Gandhi said 40 per cent people of the country are stakeholders in the farming business.

2. Won't tolerate inhuman behaviour: MP CM on dumping of homeless

INDORE: A fortnight after Indore civic body's staff dumped homeless people out of the city amid cold weather, Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan has said that inhuman behaviour will not be tolerated.

He made the statement during his visit to night shelter homes here on Friday night.

Officials said that Chouhan reached the night shelter homes in Sukhaliya and Jhabua Tower areas and asked the homeless people staying there if they were facing any problems at these facilities in terms of food and other things.

According to eyewitnesses, the people staying there expressed satisfaction over the arrangement at the shelters.

3. Rahul Gandhi becoming 'doomsday man' for India, says Nirmala Sitharaman.

NEW DELHI: Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Saturday hit out at Congress leader Rahul Gandhi saying he is becoming a "doomsday man" for India by constantly insulting constitutional functionaries and creating fake narratives on various issues.

Replying to the general discussion on Budget in Lok Sabha, she said the former Congress chief was creating fake narratives but does not have patience to listen to replies on allegations levelled against the government.

4. Rakesh Tikait supports farmers' protest at Mahapanchayat

The farmers' protests are continuing on the borders of Delhi against the agricultural laws with 'Mahapanchayats' taking place to boost the movement and spread it across the country while BKU leader Rakesh Tikait has emerged as the prominent voice in the movement.

However, enthusiasm in the farmers is less in Tikait's absence at the Ghazipur border protest.

Tikait, national spokesperson of the Bhartiya Kisan Union, told IANS, "This movement is a mass liberation movement, people are in captivity and they have to be released, hence the mahapanchayat is being held." Is Rakesh Tikait creating a different world due to his

popularity? In response to this, he said, “I have no world, I am the same farmer and the leader of this movement is also a farmer. Farmers are running this whole system. If someone tries to become a leader among the farmers here then he will get the treatment.”



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