

Gujarat's Sanskarinagari struggles to stay afloat

VADODARA: Neither Barodians nor the city administration had expected a rain fury this brutal.

After 20 inches rainfall in 24 hours, of which 18 inch fell in just six hours on Wednesday, Vadodara was a city in complete chaos with residents left totally stranded inside their homes. Roads were not visible as overflowing Vishwamitri flooded several parts of the city and residential colonies marooned, most of them in waist-high or knee-deep waters.

Panic spread in low lying areas and those close to Vishwamitri even as National Disaster Response Force (NDRF), State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) and Indian Army along with teams of Vadodara and Surat fire brigade and police worked overtime to shift people to safer locations.

Teams of NDRF based in Vadodara district had started

evacuation operation in the areas near Vishwamitri on Wednesday midnight itself. But as the river swelled rapidly, the rescue agencies expanded their operations to other parts of the city. The rescue operations were however focussed in the eastern parts as the waters of Vishwamitri River did not flood areas beyond Akota.

NDRF officials said that they evacuated people in Harni, Karelibaug and Mujmahuda among others along the Vishwamitri River and shifted them to government schools in high areas. By noon, the waters had started to enter residential societies in all these areas which left Barodians frantically calling up emergency helpline numbers and took to social media platforms to air their woes.

The civic body sent rescue teams of fire departments along with boats and



other equipment as and when it was possible to evacuate the helpless citizens.

The police department also extended help in moving people from Vadsar, Parshuram Bhatta, Amritnagar and Sama-Savli Road. Deputy commissioner of police (admin) Manish Singh said that students and staff mem-



bers who were stranded at Ambe School and Urmi School since Wednesday were also evacuated. Cops also roped in NGOs to prepare food packets for people living in slums at Mujmahuda, Gorwa, Panchvati and Karachiya.

Several citizens also volunteered to prepare food packets at their homes despite facing

hardships themselves. "We prepared around 75 to 100 food packets at our home and distributed them among people living at Amritnagar, Sangam crossroads, near expressway, Jalaramnagar and Anandnagar," said Prapti Suriya, who lives on VIP Road. Suriya's father and brother walked through knee-deep waters in all

these areas to reach out to citizens.

By 4pm, columns of Indian Army and two engineering task forces had landed in the city. Defence officials said that initially they could not get clearance from Vadodara airport due to waterlogging, but as situation improved the road connecting them were inundated.

Gujarat: Sowing resumes after rain, farmers breathe easy

VADODARA: The recent showers across many parts of the state have saved crops like cotton and groundnut, and farmers have resumed sowing in earnest.

A senior agriculture officer said that sowing of crops, including cash crops and vegetables had begun in the wake of rain from cyclone Vayu, but had declined thereafter. There had been almost no sowing activity over the past fortnight.

"Concerns about the groundnut crop remain as Jamnagar, Devbhumi Dwarka and Morbi districts are still suffering from rainfall deficiency," said a groundnut dealer.

Cotton farmers too have regained hope. "The recent rain has saved the cotton crop and will boost both quality and yield. Had the rain been delayed further, the cotton crop would have been severely damaged," said



Arun Dalal, a city-based cotton broker.

The sowing figures released by the government at the end of July had revealed that cotton sowing on July 15 had been across 21.43 lakh hectare and had increased to 23.76 lakh hectare by July 30. Hence, the total increase had been of 2.3 lakh hectare. Similarly, groundnut was sown in an additional 96,000 hectare between July 15 and July 30. On July 15, groundnut was sown in 12.91 lakh hectare which increased to 13.87 lakh hectare by July 30.

Draft redevelopment rules released

VADODARA: The draft rules of the Gujarat Ownership Flats (Amendment) Rules, 2019 were released by the state government, seeking objections and suggestions from members of the public and those likely to be affected by the new rules.

The new rules mandate that a special general body meeting of a housing society shall take a decision with the consent of not less than seventy-five per cent of members regarding redevelopment of the building and to select an architect/project management consultant to prepare the re-development project.

One may write to the secretary of the urban development and urban housing department for suggestions or objections. The draft rules are in the public domain for one month.

The rules lay down conditions under which a society can go in for redevelopment — it should be 25 years old



and be declared 'dilapidated, dangerous or ruinous' by the authority concerned.

The rules also mention that the managing committee or body of a co-operative society or association managing the affairs of the building(s), either through suo-moto or on an applica-

tion received from one-fourth members of the flats or the apartments, can undertake re-development of the building, according to Section 41 A of the Act. Immediately after receiving offers from contractors, builders, company or developers, the secretary or managing committee of

the building is expected to prepare a list of offers received and display it for the information of the members. The rules also prohibits developers from making any changes to the building plan except with the written permission of the managing committee.

Fabric production plummets due to acute workers shortage

VADODARA: The production of polyester fabric in the country's largest man-made fabric (MMF) centre has been affected with the power loom, embroidery and textile processing units facing acute shortage of workers for the past few months.

Industry sources said that majority of textile workers, who had gone to their native villages in Uttar Pradesh, Odisha, Bihar and other states to attending marriages, sowing seeds in their fields and casting votes between January to April, are yet to return.

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President of Pandesara Weavers Association, Ashish Gujarati said, "Fabric production has dipped by almost 30% in the last few months due to the shortage of workers in the weaving units. Many small units in the industrial estates across the city are either closed or operating at less than 60% of their capacity."

According to Gujarati, most of the textile workers moved out from the city between April and May to vote during the Lok Sabha election in the states like Odisha and Bihar.

Rajnish Lilha, who owns 30 embroidery machines in Udhna told TOI, "Against the requirement of 20 workers to run 30 embroidery machines, I have just four at my disposal. My workers went to native places to cast their votes and they are yet to return. About 20 embroidery machines are shut down since

April." On the other hand, the textile processors are also facing shortage of workers and the unit owners are operating at less than 40% of their efficiency.

President of South Gujarat Textile Processors Association (SGTPA), Jitu Vakharia said, "Workers shortage is only adding to our troubles. After implementation of GST, the textile sector is in doldrums. Also, the 0% most favoured nation policy is hurting the sector as the fabric dumping from other countries has increased. At present, the units are operating four days a week to cut down on production." The production of polyester fabric in the country's largest man-made fabric (MMF) centre has been affected with the power loom, embroidery and textile processing units facing acute shortage of workers for the past few months.

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Rain subsides, but swelling Vishwamitri floods Vadodara

VADODARA: The Banyan City breathed slightly easy as rain abated, but normal life remained crippled as roads, residential societies and educational institutes in most areas remained submerged following 500 mm inch rainfall in 24 hours ending 8am on Thursday.

At least 5,000 people from low-lying places and marooned localities were shifted to safer places as waters of the overflowing crocodile-infested Vishwamitri river flooded several areas. The river kept swelling till afternoon as Vadodara Municipal Corporation (VMC) released water from the Ajwa reservoir

which got heavy influx due to incessant rains in upper catchment areas.

A large number of residential colonies from Sama to Fatehgunj and Sayajigunj to Manjalpur were marooned as Vishwamitri level touched 34 feet. At 29 feet, the river waters start overflowing into the areas nearby. The National Disaster Response Force (NDRF), Army, State Disaster Response Force (SDRF), local police and fire brigade teams waded through waist-high waters in most areas to rescue.

Vadodara and Surat fire brigades also joined the efforts to

shift the people living in low-lying areas, while two columns of Indian Army too were brought in. Five more NDRF teams from Pune have been called. Defence officials said that two medium lift helicopters of SWAC of Indian Air Force have also been stationed at Vadodara airport.

At least five people have died in rain-related incidents since Wednesday. While two labourers were killed when a wall collapsed in Chhani, one person was electrocuted in Vadsar Bridge on Wednesday. On Thursday, owner of Damodardas Jewellers, Mahesh Choksi also died after being jolted by an electric shock

when he was trying to repair an inverter at his house. Rescuers also found the body of a 60-year-old man identified as Mangu Solanki(60) near the divider on New VIP Road. Power cut in several areas added to residents' woes. Staterun discom Madhya Gujarat Vij Company Ltd (MGVCL) cut off power supply in many areas for safety reasons and 32 teams from other cities have been called in to restore electricity. Long queues were seen outside the milk parlours as the regular supply of milk was badly hit due to floods. Panicked Barodians lined up at the handful of shops to buy milk.

VNSGU prof appointed member of National Statistical Commission

VADODARA: Dr Kiran Pandya, head of department of human resource development (HRD), Veer Narmad South Gujarat University (VNSGU), has been appointed as member of National Statistical Commission (NSC). This is first time that a researcher and academician from the state has been appointed as NSC member.

Professor Bimal Roy, head of R C Bose Centre for Cryptology and Security, Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata is chairman of NSC. Pulak Ghosh, professor, data centre and analytics laboratory, IIM Bangalore, and Gurucharan Manna, professor, Institute for Human Development, are other members of NSC.

The central government appoints NSC members for a term of three years on the



recommendation of a search committee. NSC, a four-member advisory body to central government on statis-

tical matters, initiates research projects, prepares reports and identifies the core statistics of national importance, which are critical for the development of economy.

"The commission has wider role and academicians are appointed to it to carry out research in the area of statistics. I will be focusing on health, education and environment," said Pandya.

After schooling at Sigam village of Bharuch district, Pandya did his higher studies at MS University, Vadodara and Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune and received PhD from University of Sussex, England.

Mating season ending, lone male great Indian bustard crosses LoC

VADODARA: With the mating season of great Indian bustard (GIB) set to end in July, Gujarat is sorely missing its lone male bird. Officials fear that the bird, reported missing since December 2018, has flown over neighbouring Rajasthan or, worse, crossed the border to Pakistan.

Gujarat is precariously placed with regard to the critically endangered GIB. With only six birds, all females, left in the state, it is literally on verge of extinction. Deputy conservator of forest, Kutch (West), B J Asari, said the lone male bird was a sub-adult and, before it went out of sight, had started showing signs it was ready for mating.

"According to an internal re-

port submitted by search teams formed to locate the male GIB, the lone male bird was spotted in Nakhatrana from where it moved to Banni in Kutch. There is a possibility that it has moved to Rajasthan or Pakistan," said Asari.

Past studies have revealed that the GIBs from Naliya in Kutch have crossed over to Pakistan. The 2017 International Union for Conservation of Nature Red List warned that "high intensity poaching still continues in Pakistan, where 49 birds were hunted of 63 that were sighted over a period of four years".

With remote chances of the male GIB being found this season, the forest officials admit the state is at mercy of Rajasthan to

save the GIB. "With GIB population down to a single digit in state, Gujarat will be forced to request Rajasthan to part with one male GIB to conserve the bird. We are also planning to set up our own breeding centre in Kutch for which we will need two male GIBs for captive breeding," said a senior forest official.

Gujarat government has also decided to set up its own captive breeding centre in Kutch. "Gujarat is very serious about GIB conservation. The lone male bird going missing has proved to be a major setback for our conservation efforts. We have identified a site for breeding center. The department is also likely to seek assistance from Abu Dhabi for captive breeding," said a top

forest official. With the mating season of great Indian bustard (GIB) set to end in July, Gujarat is sorely missing its lone male bird.

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NOTICE OF BOARD MEETING
Pursuant to Regulation 29 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations 2015, Intimation is hereby given that meeting of Board of directors of Lypsa Gems & Jewellery Limited, is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, 14th August, 2019, at 4.00 p.m. at its CORPORATE OFFICE - situated at Mehta Mahal, 2nd Floor, North Side, Opp. Roxy Cinema, 15 Mathew Road, Opera House, Mumbai-400004 for the approval of Quarterly Un-Audited Financial Results, of the company, as per Regulation-33 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations for the quarter ended on 30th June 2019.

By and on Behalf of the Board of Directors:
FOR:LYPSA GEMS & JEWELLERY LIMITED
Sd/-
CHAIRMAN
Name: DIPAN B. PATWA
DIN: 02579405

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(₹ in Lakh except EPS)			
Particulars	Quarter ended on 30/06/2019	Year ended on 31/03/2019	Quarter ended on 30/06/2018
	Unaudited	Audited	Unaudited
Total Income From Operations	1,011.58	5,160.81	12,260.00
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(44.92)	(919.53)	(255.70)
Net Profit/(Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(44.92)	(919.53)	(255.70)
Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(35.14)	(733.19)	(214.21)
Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	(33.80)	(729.22)	(211.91)
Equity Share Capital	685.00	685.00	685.00
Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve as shown in the audited Balance Sheet of the previous year)	-	(366.92)	-
Earnings Per Share (of Rs 10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations)-			
Basic : (not annualized for the quarter ended)	(0.51)	(10.70)	(3.13)
Diluted:(not annualized for the quarter ended)	(0.51)	(10.70)	(3.13)

Note:- The above financial is an extract of the detailed format of quarterly Financial Results filed with the BSE Limited under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligation and Disclosure Requirements) Regulation, 2015. The full format of the quarterly Financial Results are available on the Bombay Stock Exchange Website at www.bseindia.com and Company's website at www.bloomdekor.com.

For:Bloom Dekor Limited
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Dr. Sunil Gupta
Managing Director
DIN: 00012572

Place: Ahmedabad
Date: August 2, 2019