

HC refuses to interfere with ITAT order on Congress tax recovery

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THE DELHI High Court Wednesday "refused to interfere" with a March 8 order of the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal (ITAT) dismissing the Congress plea seeking a stay on the recovery of an outstanding tax demand of over Rs 100 crore for the 2018-19 assessment year.

A division bench of Justices Yashwant Varma and Purushandra Kumar Kaurav noted that during the pendency of the ITAT proceedings, the I-T department had obtained bank drafts of Rs 65,88,81,874 from various bank branches where the party maintains its accounts.

The HC order noted that the department's counsel informed

the bench that the bank drafts "have been encashed", which roughly translates to 48% of the outstanding demand.

"This changed circumstance is an aspect which... would merit consideration by the ITAT... While we find no ground to interfere with the order impugned, we dispose of the writ petition... according to liberty to the petitioner to approach ITAT by way of a fresh stay application, bringing to its attention the change in circumstances noticed above. An application, if so moved, may be considered by the ITAT with due expedition," the bench ruled.

The bench ruled, "We fail to find any fundamental infirmity in the prima facie conclusions." It, however, clarified that the HC's order should not be construed as affirming the ITAT's view.

The HC further said although the first demand notice was issued to the party on July 6, 2021, "no concrete steps appear to have been taken by the petitioner to either consider securitising the outstanding demand or to seek appropriate interim protection..."

While the party filed its appeal before the ITAT in May 2023, the stay application was filed only on February 14 this year, it "appears to have fallen into a deep slumber and stood reawakened only in January 2023 when a notice of demand came to be raised", the bench noted.

The bench also took note of the adjournments sought by the party before the ITAT, adding that the party appeal appears to have been called on numerous dates before "coercive steps" were initiated on February 13.

"An assessee in default can neither be permitted nor expected to adopt such a casual or lackadaisical approach while faced with a tax demand which had remained outstanding right from 2021...", the bench underscored.

The HC noted that the Congress had moved an application for a stay of recovery of demand before the Assessing Officer (AO), who had disposed of it on October 28, 2021, and directed the party to deposit 20% of the outstanding tax liability and the failure to deposit would amount to the party being treated as an "assessee in default." The assessment of the Congress for 2018-19 was completed at an income of Rs 1,99,15,26,560 "against nil income" declared in its return, resulting in a demand of Rs 105,17,29,635.

SC to hear plea against law dropping CJI from panel to select CEC, ECs

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THE SUPREME Court on Wednesday agreed to take up on Friday an application seeking directions to the Centre to fill the two existing vacancies of Election Commissioners in the Election Commission of India (ECI) only as per the recommendation of a panel that would also include the Chief Justice of India.

The matter was mentioned before a bench presided by Justice Sanjiv Khanna.

In March 2023, a five-judge Constitution Bench had ruled that the Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) and Election Commissioners (ECs) shall be appointed on the advice of a committee comprising the Prime Minister, Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha and the CJI.

Following this, Parliament brought the Chief Election Commission and other Election Commissions (Appointment, Conditions of Service and Term of Office) Act, 2023, leaving out the CJI from the panel.

The Association for Democratic Reforms and Madhya Pradesh Congress leader Jaya Thakur filed petitions against the Act.

However, SC refused to stay the new law while hearing these pleas earlier.

With Arun Goel resigning as the Election Commissioner on March 10, 2024, the parties once again urged the court to take up their pleas.


Knocking at woman's door at odd hours unbecoming of officer: HC

Mumbai: Declining to quash the penalty imposed on a Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) personnel for misconduct, the Bombay High Court on March 11 observed that knocking on the doors of a woman at odd hours asking for a lemon was "unbecoming" of an officer of the force.

The 33-year-old constable had approached the high court against a penalty imposed on him by reduction in his pay. An order passed by the Deputy Inspector General, Western Zone, CISF, in 2021 and a

revisional order passed in 2022 passed by the Inspector General, CISF, had directed that the constable will also not earn increment of pay for three years.

The charge against him was that on the intervening night of April 19 and April 20, 2021, he had knocked on the door of a neighbour around midnight in the residential quarters of CISF personnel. The neighbour said that she was alone at home with her six-year-old daughter as her husband was on election duty in West Bengal.

**OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, RAYAGADA (R&B) CIRCLE, RAYAGADA**
e-mail ID - sepwd_rgda@yahoo.co.in
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e-Procurement Notice
Bid Identification No. C.C.E (RANDB) RGDA-2023-2024 (Online) 07.03.2024
No. 414 Date: 7/3/2024
INVITATION FOR BIDS

1 The Chief Construction Engineer, Rayagada (R&B) Circle, Rayagada on behalf of Governor of Odisha invites percentage rate bids in double cover mode to be received in online mode only for the construction of works as detailed in the table below:

2 Nature of work	: Building & Bridge Works
3 No. of works	: 05 (Five) nos. of works
4 Estimated Cost. (Approximately)	: Rs. 434.41 Lakh, Rs. 183.69 Lakhs, Rs. 261.30 Lakhs, Rs. 727.46 Lakhs, Rs. 837.33 Lakhs,
5 Bid Cost (Online)	: Rs. 10,000/- (each)
6 EMD/ Bid Security Amount (Online)	: One Percentage of the Estimated Cost.
7 Class of Contractor	: "B, A and Special" Class as per Financial Eligibility.
8 Availability of Bid Documents in the website	: 11.00 Hrs of Dt. 16.03.2024 to 17.00 Hrs of Dt. 02.04.2024.
9 Date of opening of Bid	: 11.00 Hrs of Dt. 03.04.2024.
10 The Bidders have to participate in ONLINE bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website: https://tendersorissa.gov.in. Any Addendum/Corrigendum/cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said website. The authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids without assigning any reason thereof.	

Sd/-
Chief Engineer,
Rayagada (R&B) Circle, Rayagada

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CRPF forms board for promotion, financial issues of cadre officers

MAHENDER SINGH
MANRAL
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TO RESOLVE issues of stagnation in promotion and financial upgradation of cadre officers, a board, comprising 11 officers, has been formed with the approval of CRPF DG Anish Dayal Singh, said an order issued by a DIG rank officer on March 7.

"A board... is hereby constituted to examine the issue of stagnation in promotion and fi-

nancial upgradation of cadre officers in CRPF and to suggest way and means to resolve the issues of stagnation in promotion and delay in extending financial upgradation as awarded by the government," the order said, adding that the officers have been asked to submit proceedings in 3 months.

The board of officers have been also asked to work out the modalities and suggest required action on some of these aspects: how to ensure timely promotions in each rank of of-

ficers, whether existing recruitment rules require any change and if so, the details of suggested changes with proper justification, and action to be taken to increase the authorisation of officers in the force.

The board has also been asked to find out steps to reduce litigations, which also become impediments in timely promotions and how to extend the benefits of Non-Functional Financial Up-gradation and Non-Functional Selection Grade to officers in time.

Kerala Cong MP questions Pak role in Pulwama attack on CRPF, BJP calls it insult


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THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, MARCH 13

ANTO ANTONY, three-time MP and the Congress candidate from Kerala's Pathanamthitta Lok Sabha constituency, Wednesday questioned Pakistan's role in the 2019 Pulwama attack and alleged the 40 CRPF soldiers killed were "sacrificed" for election victory.

The BJP called his remarks an insult to soldiers. The remarks of Antony — who is pitted against BJP's Anil Antony, the son of Congress veteran Anil Antony — came as both the ruling LDF and the main opposition UDF are protesting against the BJP-led Centre for notifying the CAA rules.

"This time (it is) CAA. Last time, just before the elections, it was Pulwama (attack)... What was Pakistan's role in it? The lives of our jawans, who were in extremely adverse weather, were sacrificed. That is how they won the election. A blast that happened within Indian territory. They (jawans) were purposely sent, a blast happened and they were killed. This is what the (former J&K) Governor Satya Pal Malik said," Anto told reporters in Pathanamthitta.

BJP's Kerala unit president K Surendran said, "He (Anto) has insulted the brave soldiers of the country. People of Pathanamthitta will give a fitting reply to him through the ballot."

**GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA, "e"-PROCUREMENT NOTICE**
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, KHORDHA (R&B) CIRCLE, KHORDHA WORKS DEPARTMENT
Tender call Notice
E-mail: rbcirclekhorda@gmail.com
Bid Identification No. CCE-Khordha (R&B) Circle-45/2023-24 Memo No-763
Dt. 11-03-2024

The Chief Construction Engineer, Khordha (R&B) Circle, Khordha on behalf of Governor of Odisha invites percentage rate bid in double cover system in ONLINE MODE from eligible contractors for building works as detailed in the table below:

1 Nature of Work	: Building Works
2 No of Work	: 10 Nos
3 Tender Cost	: Rs.10000.00 (On-Line)
4 Class of Contractor	: B& A Class
5 Available of Bid document in the Website	: From 10.00 AM of Dt.18.03.2024 up to 05.00 PM of Dt.30.03.2024 up to 5.00 PM
6 Date of opening of Bid	: Dt.02.04.2024 at 11.30 AM
7 The Bidders have to participate in ONLINE bidding only. Further details can be seen from the Website: https://tendersodisha.gov.in. Any Addendum / Corrigendum / Cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said website.	

Sd/-
Chief Construction Engineer
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Khordha

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Tender Notification NO.EE/CKPE-PROC/25/2023-24 Dated:13-03-2024

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER (TWO COVER)


(Through GoK KPP Portal https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in only)

The Executive Engineer (Chickpet Division), BBMP, Bangalore invites tenders from eligible Contractors registered in Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike or equivalent registration with CPWD/KPWD/Railways / MES/ National Highway or any State Government Organisations for the construction of work detailed in the table below.

S.N.	Name of the work
1	Repair and Renovation of City Cattle Pound, Usmaankhan Road (Animal Husbandry) Call-2. Estimate Cost : Rs.100.00 Lakhs. EMD : Rs.200000

Calendar of events: 1)Pre bid meeting will be held on 16-03-2024 at 15.00, 2) Last Date for uploading the Filled Tender Document is 28-03-2024 up to 16.00, 3) Date of Technical bid opening of Tenders is on 30-03-2024 by 11.30 4) Date of Financial bid Opening of Tenders is on after Technical bid approved.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Chickpet Division


**GOVERNMENT OF TAMILNADU**
DIRECTORATE FOR WELFARE OF THE DIFFERENTLY ABLED
5, LADY WILLINGDON COLLEGE CAMPUS, KAMARAJAR SALAI, CHENNAI - 600 005.
Roc.No.1075/A&A/RIGHTS/2024 **TENDER NOTICE** Dated : 13.03.2024

Bids are invited from potential bidders to Hiring of Human resource agency for recruitment of Staffs through the e-procurement portal. The complete details are available on the department website-www.scd.tn.gov.in as well as on the tender website-tntenders.gov.in.

Bids are to be uploaded through the e-procurement portal at <http://tntenders.gov.in>

Project Director – TN RIGHTS / Director for Welfare the Differently Abled, Chennai-600 005 reserves the right to accept or reject the tenders without assigning any reason.

Project Director – RIGHTS / Director for Welfare of the Differently Abled
DIPR/ 1592 /TENDER/2024


**OFFICE OF THE ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF (CIVIL), ODISHA NIRMAN SOUDHA, UNIT-V, BHUBANESWAR**
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File No-B-IV-H (H&D)-16/2024 Lr. No- 11224 Bhubaneswar, the 7th Mar, 2024
Invitation for Bids
Bid Identification No. C.E. (B) - 77/2023-24

1 The Chief Engineer, Buildings, Odisha, Bhubaneswar, on behalf of Governor of Odisha, invites percentage rate bids in double cover system in ONLINE MODE only, for the works, (1) Construction of new CHC Building (G+2) at R.Udayagiri, Paralakhemundi in the district of Gajapati, (2) Construction of new CHC Building (G+2) at Gurundi, Paralakhemundi in the district of Gajapati, (3) Construction of new CHC Building (G+2) at Mohana, Paralakhemundi in the district of Gajapati, (4) Construction of CHC Building at Kikidakhundi, Ganjam, Odisha, (5) Construction of CHC Building at Digapahandi, Ganjam, Odisha, (6) Construction of CHC Building at Gallery, Ganjam, Odisha, (7) Construction of new Community Health Centre at Jajpur Road in District of Jajpur, (8) Construction of new Community Health Centre at Korei in District of Jajpur, (9) Construction of CHC Building at Borikina in District of Jagatsinghpur, (10) Construction of 50 Bedded Critical Care Block at MC&H Baisore, Odisha, as detailed below.

2 Nature of work	: Building work
3 No. of work	: 10 Nos.
4 Cost of Bid Document	: Rs. 10,000/- (each)
5 Class of Contractor	: 'A' / Special Class
6 Availability of Bid Documents in the website	: From dt. 20.03.2024 to 17.00 Hours of dt.04.04.2024.
7 Date of Opening of Bid	: Dt.08.04.2024 at 11.30 AM.
8 The Bidders have to participate in ONLINE bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website: https://tendersodisha.gov.in . Any addendum / corrigendum / cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said website only.	

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Odisha, Bhubaneswar


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Attention! GST Taxpayers

Whose Aggregate Annual Turnover# is upto a specified limit* can opt for GST Composition Scheme for the FY 2024-2025 by 31st March, 2024


Eligible taxpayers who wish to avail the Composition Scheme can follow these steps on the GST portal (www.gst.gov.in):


**Log in to the Taxpayers' Interface**


**Go to Services > Registration > Application to Opt for Composition Levy**


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Supplier of Goods	Taxpayers registered in 08 Specified States	upto ₹ 75 Lakh
	Taxpayers registered in other States	upto ₹ 150 Lakh
Supplier of Services		upto ₹ 50 Lakh


For more details, please refer to Section 10 of CGST Act, Rule 3-7 of CGST Rules and Notification No. 14/2019- Central Tax dated 07.03.2019


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