Life of struggle and controversy shadows prof's love of teaching

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Nagpur: The title of the incarcerated ex-DU professor Gokarakonda Naga Saibaba's anthology of poems and letters from prison-"Why do you fear my way so much?" – possi-bly encapsulates his chequered life as eloquently as the trials and tribulations through a teaching career shadowed by

SOLITARY STRUGGLE

the persona of an activist accused of waging war against the state. Struck by polio as a child that left him disabled, the 52-year-old Andhra Pradeshborn teacher and writer has spent most of the past five years in solitary confinement, seeing one bail application after another being rejected even as he kept his spirits up writing about his hope for freedom

Saibaba had been teaching English at Ramlal Anand College under DU when the Gadchiroli Police knocked on his door on May 9, 2014, with an arrest warrant containing a lengthy list of charges under the stringent Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act. The accusations against

him included acting as a coordinator between banned Naxal organisations and other outfits supporting Maoist ideology. Investigators said Saibaba had been actively networking with "like-minded" organisations in the country and abroad. The professor would use aliases like "Prakash" and "Chetan" to communicate as a ideologue, they al-Saibaba was also charged with masterminding several attacks on the police and recruiting youth from colleges to rebel against the administration.

Solicitor General Tushar Mehta Says Release Could Have Serious Ramifications

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New Delhi: The Maharashtra government on Friday rushed to the Supreme Court challenging an hours-old Bombay high court judgment acquitting former Delhi University professor GN Saibaba and five others in a case of alinvolvement with banned Maoist organisation by reversing their convictions by a Gadchiroli trial court under the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UA-

Solicitor general Tushar Mehta made an unscheduled mentioning before a bench of Justices D Y Chandrachud and Hima Kohli and sought stay of the operation of the judgment by arguing that the HC erred by reversing the well-reasoned conviction order of the trial court by tak-



LEGAL RELIEF: Former Delhi University professor G N Saibaba with his wife Vasantha Kumari. The bench said it would not be able to grant ex parte stay on an acquittal order but would ask the registry to list it for hearing on Saturday after requesting the CJI for constitution

Uttering abusive words not sufficient

ing into account a mere technicality of lack of sanction accorded for the prosecution of accused under UAPA by the Centre. He said these accused were convicted in a crime against the country and their release could have

serious ramifications.

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SC nixes Maha plea for stay on Saibaba relief

Kin rejoice acquittal but rue lost life

Nagpur: As relatives heave a sigh of relief after the acquittal of Sai Baba and five others, the verdict does not bring any cheer for Baiu Narute, the brother of Pandu Narute, Justice has been delayed and denied for the Narute family living at Murewada, a remote village in Maharashtra's Gadchiroli district close to Chhattisgarh border, as Pandu died in jail on August 25 due to an

"Yes, the lawyer told me that all have been acquitted," say Baju, ruing that it is too late now. One among the six convicted in the Maoism case, Pandu died in jail. Baju had met him four days before his death in the hospital. Pandu is survived by his aged parents, 14-year-old daughter Karishma, widow Shanti, and two brothers. The family struggles to make a living by tilling their 3-acre land in the village, said Baju, who stays in Pune, preparing for competitive exams. "Even I will have to leave studies and go back to support my family," he says. TNN

The SG agreed to make an appropriate application in that regard. The SC has set up a bench of Justices MR Shah and Bela M Trivedi, which will hear Maharashtra's appeal against acquittal of Saibaba and others on Saturday trials 30/2014 and 130/2015 are null and void in the absence of

A Nagpur bench of Bombay HC comprising Justices Anil L Panasare and Rohit B Deo in its judgment on Friday said, "In view of the findings recorded by us, we hold that the proceedings in sessions

valid sanction under Section common judgment impugned is liable to be set aside, which

The bench said as accused Vijay Nan Tirki is already on bail, his bail bond stands discharged. It ordered authorities to forthwith release accused Mahesh Kariman Tirki, Hem Keshavdatta Mishra, Prashant Rahi Nrayan Sanglikar and G N Saibaba from custody forthwith, unless their custody was required in any other case.

The Maharashtra appeal stated that the HC failed to appreciate that "even after the receipt of sanction against accused Saibaba, an application for recalling prosecution witness number 1 was filed by the prosecution. The trial court had allowed the said application since a 'no objection' was given by Saibaba.

US releases over 1 lakh work-based visa appointments

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New Delhi: The US embassy in India has released over a lakh appointments for applicants for the employmentbased H&L category of visas and their family members. This was among the key assurances given by the US mission here recently after external affairs minister S Jaishankar had raised the visa delay issue with US secretary of state Antony Blinken late last

Waiting times for firsttime applicants for B1 (business) and B2 (visitor) visas continue to remain high at 884 days in Delhi and 872 in Mumbai as on Friday, inching close

"In response to high demand for employment-based visas, the US mission to India recently released over 100,000 appointments for H&L workers and their families.

"Thousands of applicants have already booked their appointments and the wait time for both interview waiver and first-time appointments has been cut in half throughout Mission India," the US embassy in India tweeted on Friday. "In fact, in the first nine months of 2022, the (we) had already processed 160,000 H&L visas and we will continue to prioritise H&L workers for visa appointments as resources allow," it

for offence of obscene act, says SC The bench examined the complaint filed by a lady against the

New Delhi: Mere utterance of abusive, humiliating or defamatory words by itself do not amount to an offence of obscene act under Section 294(b) Indian Penal Code and it has to be proved that it was done to cause annoyance to others, the Supreme Court held while quashing a criminal proceedings against people under the provision for using unparliamentary language in a public place.

Granting relief to the accused, a bench of Justices S Abdul Nazeer and J B Pardiwala said, "To prove the offence under Section 294 of IPC mere utterance of obscene words are not sufficient but there must be a further proof to establish that it was to the annoyance of others, which is lacking in the case. No one has spoken

accused and found that offence under **Section 294 was not** made out

about the obscene words, they felt annoyed and in the absence of legal evidence to show that the words uttered by the appellants accused annoyed others, it cannot be said that the ingredients of the offence under Section 294 (b) of IPC is made out.'

he bench examined the complaint filed by a lady against the accused and found that offence under Section 294 was not made out. It said that the test of obscenity under Section 294(b) of the IPC is whether the tendency of the matter charged as obscenity is to deprave and corrupt those whose minds are

ences. "It has to be noted that in the instance case, the absence of words which will involve some lascivious elements arousing sexual thoughts or feelings or words cannot attract the offence under Section 294(b). None of the records disclose the alleged words used by the accused. It may not be the requirement of law to reproduce in all cases the entire obscene words if it is lengthy, but in the instant case, there is hardly anything on re-

cord.," the bench said. Section 294 deals with obscene acts and songs and says: Whoever, to the annoyance of others—(a) does any obscene act in any public place, or (b) sings, recites or utters any obscene song, ballad or words, in or near any public place, shall be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term months, or with fine, or with

The bench also said that court should adopt a judicious approach while taking cognisance as a person against whom no offence is disclosed cannot be put to any harassment by the issue of process. "Issuance of process must be preceded by an application of judicial mind to the material before the court to determine if there is ground for proceedings against the accused. When the allegations made in the complaint are found to be too vague and general without giving any material particulars of the offence alleged against the accused then the order of the Magistrate issuing process on the basis of the complaint would not be justified as there must be material prima facie, for issuance of process," it said.

INDIA DIGEST

Poll promise leads to legal battle

A poll promise by a munici-pal candidate in Bihar to rid the streets of dogs and stray animals

has escalated

battle with BJP



MP and animal rights activist Gandhi. When Gandhi objected to the candidate, Neelam Singh, making such a promise, her husband registered a complaint case against the former Union minister in a local court, which has fixed November 2 as the date of hearing. Singh, who is contesting the election of a councillor from ward No. 30 in Muzaffarpur district, had promised in her one-page manifesto to free every locality in her jurisdiction from street dogs and

Murugha mutt seer booked for sexual assault:

stray animals.

Shivamurthy Murugha Sharana, pontiff of Murugha Mutt in Karnataka's Chitradurga district, was booked by the Mysuru city police on Friday on order".

charges of sexually assaulting four more minor girls aged between 12 and 15. Six of the seer's associates were also booked for forcibly taking the girls to his private room, threatening them when they declined to oblige and preventing others from going inside. Pertinently, on August 27, city police had registered the first FIR against the seer over sexual assault of two other minors which had led to his

SIA files chargesheet against journalist: State Investigation Agency (SIA) of Jammu and Kashmir has filed a chargesheet against a digital magazine editor and a PhD scholar in a "narrative militancy" case.

Accused Peerzaada Fahad Shah, editor of monthly online magazine 'Kashmir walla' and a resident of Srinagar, and scholar Aala Fazili of Budgam were booked under the IPC and the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA), the SIA said in a statement here. Shah was arrested on February 5 for "glorifying militancy, spreading fake news and inciting | the public against law and

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF GREATER MUMBAI

NO.CHE/7822 / Bridges, Dated 14/10/2022

Bid No. 7200037432 Notice of Intimation to E-TENDER/E-TENDER NOTICE

Construction of 45m wide Elevated Road from Link Road at Dahisar (West) in BMC limit to Bhayander (West) in MBMC limit (Coastal Road Last Leg).

- The Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) invites e-tender to appoint Contractor for the above mentioned work from contractors of repute, multidisciplinary engineering organizations i.e. eminent firm, Private Limited Companies/Public Limited Companies / Companies registered under the Companies Act 2013, the contractors registered with the Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) in Class I (A) and above as per new registration and equivalent category as per old registration (Excluding those should not have, in last two years as on date of tender submission been debarred / blacklisted or FIR registered against) or those having equal or more work experience from Central or State Government/Semi Govt. Organization/ Urban Local Bodies Central or State Public Sector Undertakings, will be allowed subject to condition that, the contractors/ sub-contractors who are not registered with BMC will have to apply for registering their firm within three months' time period from the award of contract, otherwise their Bid Security i.e. E.M.D (Earnest Money Deposit) will be forfeited/recovered and a penalty of 0.1% of contract cost or Rs. 10.000/- whichever is more will be recovered / deducted from the contractor's payment/bill by the executing department. The contractor, who fails to get registered with BMC in Civil / Mechanical and Electrical disciplines, shall not be considered for BMC work in future in that discipline. The assessment of actual costs for designing, engineering, procurement and construction of the Project (the "Project Cost") inclusive of all taxes, duties, GST will have to be made by the Tenderers at this E-TENDER stage.
- Prior to making an Application, the Applicant ("the tenderer") shall pay online through payment gateway from e-wallet to the Employer a non-refundable sum of INR. 10,400+18% GST as the cost of the E-TENDER Documents and process downloading. The Employer shall not entertain any query or clarification from Applicants who fail to qualify.
- The scope of work will broadly include earth improvement in intertidal zones, construction of suitable protection works, road building with construction of new pavement, construction of bridges, obligatory span bridge, culverts, road intersections, interchanges, drains, etc. with all allied works (wherever applicable) as per the alignment suggested by BMC from time to time. The successful bidder will be responsible for obtaining all required NOCs from various government authorities such as but not limited to MCZMA, MMB, MMRDA, MBMC, Salt Pan Commissioner, Forest clearance from Forest Department/ MoEF & CC etc. BMC authorities will assist only for the

Sr.	Particulars Schedule		
1	Request for Proposal for Design & Built the Mumbai Link Road Project from Dahisar (West) to Bhayander (West)	45-meter-wide roads and bridges	
2	Tender Security Amount (EMD) (Refundable)	 Rs.2,50,00,000/- through Online Gateway. Rs.22,50,00,000/- In the form of Bank Guarantee from Approved List of 	
_		Banks by BMC.	
3	Cost of Tender (Tender Fee) (Non-Refundable)	Rs. 10,400 + 18 % GST	
4	Contract Period	42 months (Inclusive of monsoon)	
5	Sale of E-Tender starts from	From 17/10/2022 16:00 hrs. onwards	
6	Pre-Bid conference	At 03/11/2022 14:00 hrs.	
7	Venue of Pre-Bid conference	Office of the Additional Municipal Commissioner (Project), 2nd floor Conference Hall, Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation Head Office Annex Building, Mahapalika Marg Mumbai-400 001, Maharashtra, India Phone:+91-022-24919252, Fax:+91-022-24919262	
8	Clarifications of queries: The interested tenderers have to download E-Tender documents and raise all the queries including technical, design etc. by e-mail to the Engineer within stipulated time. Email Id: che.br@mcgm.gov.in	Up to 11:00 hrs. on 03/11/2022	
9	Last Date & Time of e-Tender Sale	Up to 16:00 hrs. on 18/11/2022	
10	Date & Time of uploading document in e- Packet 'A', and Technical submission in e- Packet 'B'	Up to 18:00 hrs. on 18/11/2022	
11	End Date & Time of entire submission uploading with Commercial Proposal, e-Packet 'C'	Up to 18:00 hrs. on 18/11/2022	
12	Date & Time of Opening of e Packet 'A, Physical packet 'A' & Technical e-Packet 'B'	In the office of Chief Engineer (Bridges) From 16:00 hrs. on 21/11/2022	
13	Date & Time of opening of e- Tender,	In the office of Chief Engineer. (Bridges)	

- All bids shall be submitted online in e-tendering module only, unless instructed specifically. The Municipal Commissioner reserves the right to reject/modify all or any of the e-tender(s) without
- assigning any reasons at any stage. The dates and time for submission and opening the bids are as shown in the Header Data. If there are
- any changes in the dates the same will be displayed on the BMC Portal. (http://portal.mcgm.gov.in) sd/-14/10/2022

AVADI CITY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION E - TENDER INVITING NOTICE

Roc.No.5155/2021/E2

The Corporation Commissioner, Avadi invites sealed bids from the eligible and qualified contractors for the following scheme works as detailed in the table given below

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SI. No	Packages	Amount Rs. in Lakhs	Tender document available	Clossing Date & Time	Tender Opening	of Comple tion
1	AMRUT 2.0 fund 2022-23 Rejuvenation of Villinjiyambakkam kulam in Ward no 22 at Avadi City Municipal Corporation	72.00				2 Months
2	Rejuvenation of Mittanamallee Kulam in Ward no 4 at Avadi City Municipal Corporation	60.00	From 13.10.2022 (10.00 am)			
3	NUHM- 2021-2022 Construction of Urban Primary Health centre at Villinjiyambakkam in Ward no 36	120.00	to 28.10.2022 (3.00 P.M.)	28.10.2022 (3.00 P.M.)	28.10.2022 (3.30 pm)	6 Months
4	State Finance Commission - Savings Fund 2022-23 Supply, laying and jointing of UGSS line at Left out portion with in Avadi City Musicing Corporation	350.0				3 Months

Pre- Bid conference 20.10.2022 at 11.00 am Place: Avadi City Municipal Corporation Office, Avadi, Chennai-54.

Tender document and schedule available in https://tntenders.gov.in can be downloaded from 10.00 Am on 13.10.2022 to 28.10.2022 3.00 Pm. The Bidding document will be received by the Commissioner, Avadi by way of off- line and e-submission also in 2 cover system up to **28.10.2022.** 3.00 pn Earnest Money Deposit, 1% of the value of work should be submitted along with the tender. If E-tender, th

EMD should be dropped in the tender box before closure time, it is at 3.00 pm on 28.10.2022. Evaluation of bid will be done as per Tender Transparency Act 1998 of Government of Tamil Nadu and rules there us. the said tender date happens to be a holiday, the tenders will be opened on the next working day. The City Municipal Commissioner reserves the rights to accept or reject any bidding document at any time without assigning any reason thereof. Eligibility criteria and other details can be had from the Bidding document.

For other details contact e-mail address: commr.avadi@tn.gov.in Contact No.044-26552515 / 26554440 IPR /4588 / TENDER / 2022 கனை கடந்து சுதந்த்ரம் அடைந்தோம் சாதனை புரிந்து சரித்திரம் படைப்போம்

Commissioner **Avadi City Municipal Corporation**

GICICI Home Finance | Corporate Office: ICICI Home Finance Company Limited, ICICI HFC Tower, Andheri - Kurla Road, Andheri (East), Mumbai- 400059, India Branch Office: 2nd floor, No: 75 D, Laxmi Vaults, Plot - A-8, Salai Road, Thillai Nagar, Tiruchirappalli- 620018 [See proviso to rule 8(6)]
Notice for sale of immovable assets

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interes (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Symbolic Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of ICICI Home Finance Company Ltd., will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is", as per the brief particulars given h

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s) / Co Borrowers/ Guarantors / Legal Heirs. Loan Account No.		Amount Outstanding	Earnest	Date and Time of Property Inspection	Date & Time of Auction	
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	
1.		Plot No.37, 38, S.F. No.271/1, 271/4, Simco Colony 2nd cross, K. Abishekapuram Zone, Trichy Taluk, Trichy District- 620015.	Rs. 94,49,125/- 6th Oct, 2022			31st Oct, 2022 02:00 PM- 03:00 PM	

The online auction will be conducted on website (URL Link- https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net/EPROC/) of our auction agency Auction Tiger. The Mortgagors/ notice are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest till 28th Oct, 2022 before 5.00 PM else these secured assets will be sold as per above

The Prospective Bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) RTGS/ Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at ICICI Home Finance Company Limited, 2nd floor, No: 75 D, Laxmi Vaults, Plot - A-8, Salai Road, Thillai Nagar, Tiruchirappalli-620018 or before 28th Oct, 2022 before 04:00 PM. Kindly note, in case prospective bidder(s) are unable to submit their offer as per above mentioned time then signed copy of tender documents may be submitted at ICICI Home Finance Company Limited, 2nd floor, No: 75 D, Laxmi Vaults, Plot - A-8, Salai Road, Thillai Nagar, Tiruchirappalli- 620018 or before 28th Oct, 2022 before 05.00 PM. Earnest Money Deposit Demand Draft (DD) should be from a Nationalized/ Scheduled Bank in favorof "ICICI

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Centre moves apex court seeking 5-year term for ED director

New Delhi: Intending to sync its laws with the apex court's verdict, the Centre on Friday filed an application seeking modification of the Supreme Court's September 8, 2021 judgment barring further extension to the present ED Director Sanjay Kumar Mishra.

After the pronouncement of the judgment, the Union government had promulgated Central Vigilance Commission (Amendment) Ordinance, 2021, which provided that a director of Enforcement shall continue to hold office for a period of not less than two years and that the term could be extended to a maximum period of five years.

A bill to the same effect was passed by Parliament later and came into force on December 19. 2021. The validity of the ordinance as well as the amendment Act has been challenged by a host of petitions. Mishra would be completing four years as head of ED on November 18 this year, having been granted extensions on the basis of the

The grounds cited by the govitions is that Mishra has been supervising investigations into several sensitive cases, which are at final stages

It had said that appointing a new person as Director of Enforcement would create a hiatus in the speed and efficiency of the ongoing investigations into sensitive cases as the new incumbent would take some time to familiarise himself with the status of probe into such cases.

When solicitor general Tushar Mehta wanted time to argue the case, a bench of Justices B R Gavai and B V Nagarathna posted it for hearing next week. Appearing for petitioner NGO Common Cause, advocate Prashant Bhushan said that it is a gross abuse of the process by the Union government as it is a plea for review of the September 2021 judgment disguised as a modification application. Incumbent ED director Mishra had reached the age of superannuation on May 31, 2020.

GREATER VISAKHAPATNAM SMART CITY CORPORATION LIMITED, VISAKHAPATNAM (GVSCCL) NOTICE INVITING TENDER (NIT)

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3.Download starting date :13/10/2022 @5.00 PM 4 Download ending date : 28/10/2022 @3.00 PM 5.Last date of submission of bids

For more details contact: E-mail: visakhapatnamsmartcity@gvsccl.in, MD&CEO Mobile No. 09717716600, 07729995934

: 28/10/2022 @4.00 PM

Mondipatti, Manapparai Tk, Trichy Dist 621306 Ph: 04332-261600. E-Mail: purchaserm.u2@tnpl.co.in					
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Tender No.	Description of work	Due date			
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222323 002527	Lubricant for TNPL Unit-II	02.11.202			
222323 002528	Latex 2 (Pre coat - SBR Binder) for TNPL Unit-II	27.10.202			
222323 002529	Cross Linker for TNPL Unit-II	31.10.202			
222323 002530	ASA sizing chemical for TNPL Unit-II	28.10.202			
222323 002531	Carboxy Methyl Cellulose (CMC) Powder Form for TNPL Unit-II	01.11.202			
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