

Mask rule back in Delhi as Covid cases rise again

Sharp rise in test positivity rate in Delhi past few weeks; doctors say many admitted for other ailments testing Covid-positive; Mumbai also sees spurt in cases

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Mumbai, 11 August

Masks are back in the national capital, bringing back memories of the Covid-19 wave that kept the country on its toes for a large part of the last two years. After the test positivity rate crossed 17 per cent in Delhi and over 5.7 per cent of its hospital beds were occupied, the city brought back the mandatory mask rule.

Violating the mask guidelines will attract a fine of ₹500. Tamil Nadu had already made masks mandatory a few months ago and the step seems to have paid off. A *Business Standard* analysis showed that Chennai's test positivity rate has remained stable at 4.6 per cent from end of July till date.

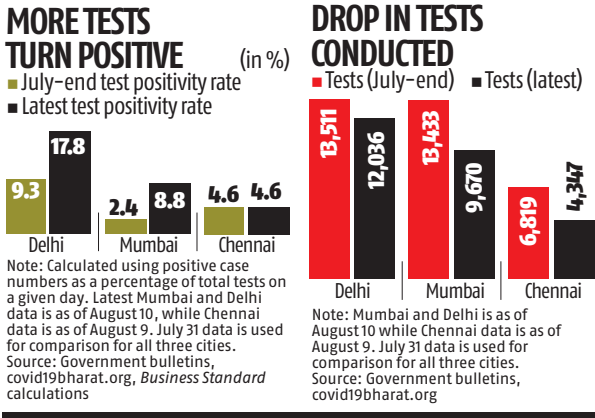
Delhi, however, has seen a sharp rise in test positivity rate over the past few weeks — from 9.3 per cent in the end of July to 17.8 per cent now.

In the past few weeks, cases have seen a spike in Delhi, hovering around 1,500-2,000 daily, and around 520 patients are admitted in various hospitals.

Doctors say that many hospitalised for other ailments are turning out to be Covid-19 positive incidentally; there is a rush of patients with Covid-19 symptoms at OPDs.

Shuchin Bajaj, director, Ujala Cygnus Group of Hospitals, said: "There is a rush of patients in the OPDs who have Covid-19 symptoms — fever, cold, cough — and upon testing many turn out to be positive. Among those hospitalised, many are admitted for other ailments but turn out to be Covid-19 positive."

A matter of concern is that



Delhi has witnessed over 32 deaths in the first 11 days of August. "We cannot take this virus lightly at all. There is a rise in post-Covid-19 heart attacks. We do not know about the long-term impacts of this virus even now," Bajaj said.

Other major cities too are catching up — Mumbai has already seen an upward trend in the number of cases. In fact, the city saw a 79 per cent jump in fresh cases on Wednesday to 852 cases, up from 476 infections reported on Tuesday. So far, only 1.2 per cent of

Mumbai's hospital beds are occupied. Mumbai is yet to bring back mask guidelines.

There has been an increase in the share of tests that are positive in Mumbai and Delhi, while Chennai has remained the same. Mumbai's test positivity rate has risen from 2.4 per cent to 8.8 per cent in the same period (see chart 1).

There has been a drop in tests conducted amid the rising positivity rate. Delhi testing is down 10.9 per cent and Mumbai is down 28 per cent. Chennai has seen a 36.3 per

cent testing decline; although it has not seen the rise in positivity rate witnessed in the other two cities (see chart 2).

Doctors in Kolkata say that the Covid-19 numbers have started to show a decline, while swine flu numbers are rising.

Aviral Roy, consultant-intensivist, internal medicine and critical care, Medica Superspecialty Hospital said: "We had an increase in Covid-19 numbers a month or two ago, but the numbers have recently begun to decline. However, there have been numerous isolated cases of H1N1 swine flu, a subtype of the influenza A virus."

He added that every week, one to two such individuals were admitted to the hospital. The patients show serious infection, and a few fatalities have recently been reported.

The Union health ministry had written letters to Maharashtra, Delhi, Odisha, Telangana, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu on August 5, highlighting that the case positivity rate was rising in these states.

The Centre had also directed the states to increase testing, monitor clusters of infections closely and report district-wise influenza-like illnesses regularly.

On August 5, Delhi had a weekly positivity rate of 9.86 per cent. Covid-19 spread can escalate quickly — within merely a week, the positivity rate almost doubled in the national capital.

India has reported an average of 17,016 daily fresh cases in August and an average positivity rate of 4.7 per cent. As of Thursday, India's overall positivity rate is 4.85 per cent.

Rishabh Pant Uttarakhand's ambassador

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Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami on Thursday named cricketer Rish-

abh Pant the brand ambassador of the state. The wicket-keeper-batter was born in Roorkee in Haridwar district. Naming Pant the state's brand ambassador in Delhi's

Uttarakhand Sadan, Dhami said his achievements in cricket due to his will power despite coming from a humble background can be a source of inspiration for everyone.

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(₹ in Lakhs, except EPS)

Sr. No.	Particulars	Standalone				Consolidated			
		Three months ended		Year ended		Three months ended		Year ended	
		30.06.2022	31.03.2022	30.06.2021	31.03.2022	30.06.2022	31.03.2022	30.06.2021	31.03.2022
		Unaudited	Audited	Unaudited	Audited	Unaudited	Audited	Unaudited	Audited
1	Total Income from Operations	9116.13	10,144.50	4,708.81	29,732.86	11,725.04	10,153.83	4,617.02	29,441.32
2	Net Profit for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	681.85	777.42	421.62	2,662.88	733.62	711.36	483.71	2803.12
3	Net Profit for the period (before Tax after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	907.34	920.46	421.62	2,805.93	959.11	854.40	483.71	2946.16
4	Net Profit for the period after Tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	684.21	667.79	321.44	2,111.52	698.90	633.75	336.16	2164.58
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	688.67	667.95	325.35	2,117.10	705.66	634.69	340.68	2171.84
6	Equity Share Capital (FV Rs. 2/- Per share)	1399.47	1399.47	1399.47	1399.47	1399.47	1399.47	1399.47	1399.47
7	Other Equity	-	-	-	5,029.56	-	-	-	5,029.49
8	Earnings per equity share (Face value of Rs. 2/- each)								
	- Basic	0.98	0.95	0.46	3.02	1.00	0.91	0.48	3.09
	- Diluted	0.98	0.95	0.46	3.02	1.00	0.91	0.48	3.09

Notes:

- The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarter ended 30th June, 2022 Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchange under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligation and Disclosure of Requirements) Regulations 2015, as amended. The full format of the same is available on the website of the stock exchange at (www.bseindia.com) and also on the company's website at www.rnbdenims.com.
- The above results have been reviewed and recommended by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors at its meeting held on 10th August, 2022.

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TO THE EXIT: FOREIGN COMPANIES' INTEREST IN INDIA FADES

The number of firms active in the country is declining and new manufacturing concerns are scarce

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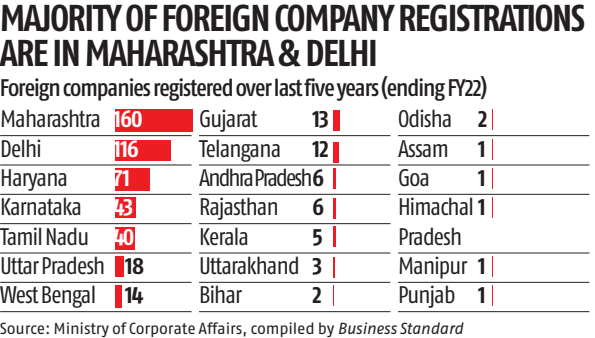
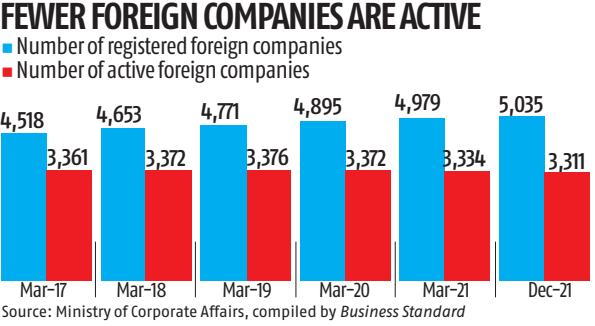
George Acland from Great Britain ran a coffee plantation in Sri Lanka and set up India's first jute mill in 1855. He raised capital and imported the machinery for the mill on the banks of the Hooghly in West Bengal. His company wasn't a great success, but his pioneering work paved the way for India to dominate the jute industry.

Foreign companies importing technology for their use often facilitate the development of indigenous industry. How has their interest in India changed in recent times? Registrations are up, but the number of active foreign companies in India has dropped. There are fewer active foreign companies compared to five years ago, shows an analysis of data from the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.

The Companies Act defines a foreign company as one incorporated outside India but having a place of business within the country. Since 2017, the number of registered foreign companies increased 11.4 per cent to 5,035. Active foreign companies dropped by 1.5 per cent in the same period to 3,311 despite the new registrations. While more companies have been registered, fewer of them are active (see chart 1).

Just two places, Maharashtra and Delhi, accounted for 53.5 per cent of the 516 foreign firms registered over the five years ending March 2022 (see chart 2).

Few registered foreign companies are in the manufacturing sector, which provides employment without necessarily needing higher educational qualification. Seventeen new foreign manufacturing firms



were registered in 2016-17. There were two in 2021-22. The percentage share of manufacturing sector companies among new foreign firms has fallen accordingly (see chart 3).

There are other signs of declining foreign interest in India. Automobile companies Harley Davidson, General Motors and Ford left the country. Cement maker Holcim sold its India business and Citibank exited its retail operations. Net foreign direct investment has fallen 12.2 per cent year-on-year to \$38.6 billion in 2021-22, though it is still higher

than the 2018-19 figure of \$30.7 billion.

Demand for Indian jute jumped during the Crimean war between Russia and other European powers in the 1850s. The war is said to have affected Russian hemp exports and boosted Indian jute. There are parallels today, amid a global debate to shift manufacturing away from China and Russia's invasion of Ukraine. India got foreign capital and technology for jute nearly two centuries ago. Its aim to become a foreign investment destination again is a work under process.

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1.	Total Income from Operations	385.33	218.81	1,209.18	670.73	232.12	1,732.05
2.	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before tax & exceptional items)	28.36	(12.85)	31.94	28.57	(29.24)	(14.52)
3.	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period before tax (after exceptional items)	48.22	(8.82)	39.27	28.94	(25.21)	(16.83)
4.	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax	35.63	(6.47)	27.08	18.18	(22.48)	(32.80)
5.	Total Comprehensive Income/(Loss) for the period [Comprising Profit/(Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	36.07	(6.23)	29.09	16.40	(22.24)	(33.23)
6.	Equity Share Capital	46.31	46.24	46.30	46.31	46.24	46.30
7.	Other Equity			883.45			703.00
8.	Earning Per Share (₹)						
	-Basic	1.54	(0.28)	1.17	0.69	(0.97)	(1.53)
	-Diluted	1.53	(0.28)	1.16	0.69	(0.97)	(1.53)

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खार येथे भररस्त्यात गोळीबार

फेरीवाल्यांनी रस्त्यावर व्यवसाय करू नये अशी धमकी; नागरिकांमध्ये दहशतीचे वातावरण

प्रतिनिधी/मुंबई
खार येथे भररस्त्यात झालेल्या गोळीबाराच्या घटनेने परिसरात प्रचंड तणावाचे वातावरण निर्माण झाले होते. घटनास्थळी पोलिसांना एक पत्र सापडले असून या पत्रात गोळीबार करणाऱ्या अज्ञात व्यक्तींनी रस्त्यावरील फेरीवाल्यांना धमकीवजा इशारा दिला आहे. त्यांनी रस्त्यावर व्यवसाय करू नये अन्यथा परिणाम वाईट होतील, अशी धमकीच फेरीवाल्यांना देण्यात आली आहे. याप्रकरणी रात्री उशिरा तीन अज्ञात व्यक्तींविरुद्ध खार पोलिसांनी गुन्हा नोंदवून तपासाला सुरुवात केली आहे. या गुन्हाचा संमातर तपास गुन्हे शाखेचे अधिकारी करीत आहेत.



लिकिंग रोडवरील गेजिबो शॉपिंग सेंटरजवळ घडली. हा परिसर नेहमीच गजबजलेला परिसर म्हणून ओळखला जातो. गुरुवारी सायंकाळी सव्वासात वाजता एका

बाईकवरून तीन तरुण आले आणि काही कळण्यापूर्वीच त्यांनी हवेत तीन गोळ्या झाडल्या. अचानक झालेल्या गोळीबाराने तिथे उपस्थित लोकांसह फेरीवाल्यांमध्ये प्रचंड भीतीचे वातावरण निर्माण झाले होते. एक पत्र टाकून ते तिथेही बाईकवरून पळून गेले होते. गोळीबाराची माहिती मिळताच वरिष्ठ अधिकार्यांसह खार

पत्रात नेमके काय?

रस्त्यावर फेरीवाल्यांनी व्यवसाय करू नये, अन्यथा गंभीर परिणाम भोगावे लागतील असा मजकूर पत्रात नमूद करण्यात आला होता. या घटनेनंतर खार पोलिसांनी रात्री उशिरा तिन्ही अज्ञात व्यक्तींविरुद्ध गुन्हा नोंदविला होता. हा गोळीबार करण्यामागे फेरीवाल्यांना धमकी देणे हाच उद्देश आहे का, यामागे इतर काही कारणे आहेत का, गोळीबारासाठी या व्यक्तींनी कुठल्या शस्त्रांचा वापर केला याचा आता पोलीस तपास करीत आहेत. परिसरातील सीसीटीवी फुटेज पोलिसांनी ताब्यात घेतले असून या फुटेजवरून तिन्ही आरोपींची ओळख पटविण्याचे काम सुरु आहे.

मुख्यमंत्र्यांचे साताऱ्यात जोरदार स्वागत

कराड : एकनाथ शिंदे मुख्यमंत्री पदाचा कार्यभार घेतल्यानंतर पहिल्यांदाच सातारा जिल्ह्याच्या दौऱ्यावर आले आहेत. त्यांचे स्वागत मंत्री शंभूराज देसाई यांनी सारोळा ब्रिज, शिरवळ जि. सातारा येथे पुष्पगुच्छ देऊन केले. तसेच शिंदे यांच्या आगमनावेळी जेसीबीमधून पुष्पवृष्टी करण्यात

आली. या प्रसंगी जिल्हाधिकारी रुचेश जयवंशी, जिल्हा परिषदेचे मुख्य कार्यकारी अधिकारी विनय गौडा, पोलीस अधीक्षक अजय कुमार बंसल यांच्यासह विविध विभागाचे अधिकारी व नागरिक उपस्थित होते. यावेळी जिल्हा पोलीस दलाकडून मुख्यमंत्र्यांना मानवंदनाही देण्यात आली.



हर घर तिरंगा अभियानांतर्गत मंत्रालयातील त्रिमूर्ती प्रांगणात आयोजित कार्यक्रमाला राज्याचे मुख्यमंत्री एकनाथ शिंदे आणि उपमुख्यमंत्री देवेंद्र फडणवीस यांनी हजेरी लावली होती. त्यांच्यासह सेल्फी काढण्यासाठी नागरिकांनी तुफान गर्दी केली होती. यावेळी त्रिमूर्ती प्रांगणातले वातावरण तिरंगामय झाले होते.

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30 जून, 2022 रोजी संपलेल्या तिमाहीसाठी अलेखापरीक्षित स्वतंत्र आणि एकत्रित वित्तीय निकालांचे संक्षिप्त विवरण (रु. कोटीत)

अनु. क्र.	तपशील	स्वतंत्र			एकत्रित		
		रोजी संपलेले तिमाही	रोजी संपलेले वर्ष		रोजी संपलेले तिमाही	रोजी संपलेले वर्ष	
		30.06.2022	30.06.2022	30.06.2022	30.06.2022	30.06.2022	30.06.2022
		अलेखापरीक्षित	अलेखापरीक्षित	लेखापरीक्षित	अलेखापरीक्षित	अलेखापरीक्षित	लेखापरीक्षित
१.	कामकाजातून मिळालेले एकूण उत्पन्न	30.4.33	29.6.49	9.209.90	60.03	232.92	9.032.04
२.	कालावधीसाठीचा निव्वळ नफा/(तोटा) (कर व अपवादाल्मक बाबींपूर्वी)	20.36	(9.24)	39.98	20.40	(29.24)	(98.42)
३.	कालावधीसाठीचा निव्वळ नफा/(तोटा) करपूर्व (अपवादाल्मक बाबींनंतर)	40.22	(0.02)	39.20	20.98	(24.29)	(96.03)
४.	कालावधीसाठीचा निव्वळ नफा/(तोटा) करपश्चात	34.63	(6.40)	20.00	10.90	(22.40)	(32.00)
५.	कालावधीसाठीचे एकूण सर्वांगीण उत्पन्न/(तोटा) (ज्यात या कालावधीसाठीचा नफा/(तोटा) (करपश्चात) आणि इतर सर्वांगीण उत्पन्न (करपश्चात) समाविष्ट आहे	36.00	(6.23)	20.00	96.80	(22.24)	(33.23)
६.	समभाग भांडवल	46.39	46.28	46.30	46.39	46.28	46.30
७.	इतर समभाग			0.00			0.00
८.	प्रति भाग उत्पन्न (रु.)						
	- मुलभूत	9.48	(0.20)	9.90	0.69	(0.90)	(9.43)
	- सौमिकृत	9.43	(0.20)	9.90	0.69	(0.90)	(9.43)

टीप: वर दिलेल्या माहिती सेवा (लिस्टिंग ऑब्लिगेशनस अँड डिस्कलोजर रिझायमेंटस) रेग्युलेशन 2014 च्या रेग्युलेशन 33 खाली स्टॉक एक्सचेंजसकडे सादर केलेल्या तिमाही आर्थिक निकालांच्या सविस्तर अहवालाचा सारांश आहे. तिमाही आर्थिक निकाल पूर्ण स्वरूपात स्टॉक एक्सचेंजच्या वेबसाइटवर म्हणजेच www.bseindia.com आणि www.nseindia.com येथे उपलब्ध आहेत. ते कंपनीच्या वेबसाइटवर www.greavescotton.com येथेही उपलब्ध आहे.

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