

# ORIENTAL CARBON & CHEMICALS LIMITED

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Dear Sirs,

**Sub: Newspaper Advertisement – Book Closure Notice and Completion of Dispatch of Notice and Annual Report of the 44<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Members of the Company**

We enclose herewith in terms of Regulation 30 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, copy of the newspaper advertisements published on July 09, 2024, in English, in Financial Express (all editions) and in Gujarati in “Sandesh” (Bhuj edition), both having electronic editions, regarding e-Voting information for the 44<sup>th</sup> AGM of the Members of the Company in terms of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, as amended and Regulation 44 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.

This is for your information and record.

Thanking you,

Yours truly,

For **Oriental Carbon & Chemicals Limited**

**Gourab Kumar Nayak**  
**Company Secretary**

**Encl.: As above.**

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NEET (UG): NEXT HEARING ON JULY 11

SC: Leak is clear, far-fetched to assume all pupils involved

Won't be proper to order re-test if breach confined to specific centres

ANANTHAKRISHNAN G New Delhi, July 8

THE SUPREME COURT on Monday said it was clear a leak has taken place in the NEET (UG) 2024 examination and self denial is only adding to the problem, but a retest depends on whether the alleged breach was at a systemic level and affected the integrity of the entire process...



Members of the India Youth Front, an umbrella group representing youth wings of the opposition INDIA bloc parties, stage a protest over alleged irregularities in NEET at Jantar Mantar in New Delhi on Monday

The fact that the sanctity of the examination has been breached... compromised, is beyond doubt. Now the question is how widespread is a breach, Chief Justice of India D Y Chandrachud said Monday hearing petitions of those seeking and opposing cancellation of the May 5 NEET UG exams over paper leak allegations.

The CJ-1 led Supreme Court bench - also comprising Justices JB Pardiwala and Manoj Misra - said it may be far-fetched for it to at least presume, unless the government and its agencies point out material to it, that all 2.3 million students or a substantial number of them are involved in the fraud.

The Supreme Court fixed the matter for a further hearing on July 11 and said it would decide on the merits after the government, the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), and the National Testing Agency (NTA) file their response to its queries.

their affidavits by 5 pm on July 10 and share these with the petitioners as well.

"If we are not able to identify candidates who are guilty of wrongdoing, the retest has to be ordered. If you can't distinguish the grain from the chaff, tainted from the untainted, it has to be ordered. On the other hand, we are now dealing with the situation of 2.3 million students. It may be far-fetched for us to at least presume, unless they point out material to us, that all 2.3 lakh students or a substantial number of them are involved in the fraud.

The consequence of the leak depended on the nature of the leak, he said. "...before we decide to order a retest... we are conscious of the fact that we are dealing with the careers of 2.3 million students. Asking 2.3 million students to reappear for an examination together with the preparation, cost travel, and dislocation of admission schedule..."

In its order, the court said the law on whether a retest should be ordered is based on fairly settled parameters: the court would have to scrutinise on the basis of the data which has

emerged whether... whether the alleged breach has taken place at the systemic level... whether the breach is of a nature which has affected the integrity of the entire exam process... whether it is possible to segregate the beneficiaries of the fraud from the untainted students.

"In a situation where breach in the sanctity of an examination affects the entirety of the process, and if segregation of beneficiaries of wrongdoing cannot be separated from others, then it may be necessary to order a retest. On the contrary, where the breach is confined to specific areas or centres and it is possible to identify those who are beneficiaries of wrongdoing, it may not be appropriate to order a retest, particularly of an examination which has been conducted on such a massive scale involving over 2.3 million students," the Supreme Court said.

"We are of the view that an order on merits would have to be deferred. NTA is directed to make full disclosure before the court... in three areas - nature of leak, places where the leak took place, and the lag of time between leak and conduct of the exam," the court said.

It asked the NTA to clarify

"when the leak first took place, the manner in which the question papers leaked were disseminated" and "the time duration between the occurrence of leak and the exam on May 5".

The top court also asked the CBI to file a report on the investigation's status as of Monday, July 8, and on material that has come to light until now.

It asked the NTA to inform the court about the steps taken to identify the leak's beneficiaries, the steps taken to identify the centres/cities where the leak took place, the modalities followed to identify the leak's beneficiaries, and how the leak was disseminated. The court also asked the Centre and the NTA to inform whether it would be feasible to use data analytics to identify suspect cases and segregate tainted students from untainted ones.

The bench asked the government to inform it about the constitution of the committee so that the court could take a call on whether there needed to be any additions to it.

Free education for poor girls

THE MAHARASHTRA GOVERNMENT on Monday said higher education for girls from economically weaker sections and OBC groups will be free. The announcement is being seen as a major women-oriented sop ahead of the Assembly polls later this year.

In prestige battle, Anurag Thakur goes all out to reverse Hamirpur setback

SAURABH PARASHAR Shimla, July 8

BJP MP FROM Hamirpur and former Union minister Anurag Thakur has been camping in his constituency in Himachal Pradesh for several days, leading the campaign in the bypolls for three Assembly seats in the state, which are scheduled for July 10.

Two of these seats - Dehra and Hamirpur - fall within the Hamirpur Lok Sabha constituency being represented by Thakur for five consecutive terms since 2008. Prior to that, Thakur's father, Prem Kumar Dhumal, the former Himachal Pradesh chief minister, had represented the constituency three times.

Nalagarh, the third seat bound for bypolls, is part of the Shimla Lok Sabha constituency.

On Saturday, Thakur was in Dehra, where he held various meetings as part of his campaign for BJP candidate Hoshyar Singh Chambyal.

Himachal Pradesh chief minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu's wife Kamlesh Thakur is making her electoral debut from the Dehra seat on the Congress's ticket.

Apart from Dehra, Sukhu has also stepped up his campaign for the Congress candidates in two other seats. He is seeing these bypolls as a prestige battle as he hails from Hamirpur district's Nadaun, which he also represents in the Assembly. Deputy chief minister Mukesh Agnihotri's Haroli seat also falls in the same district.

The bypolls were necessitated as these seats fell vacant after three independent MLAs - who had voted in favour of BJP nominee in the February Rajya Sabha polls, Harsh Mahajan - resigned and went on to join the BJP. They have been fielded by

the BJP from their respective seats for the bypolls - K L Sharma from Hamirpur, K L Thakur from Nalagarh, and Hoshyar Singh Chambyal from Dehra. Sukhu is aiming to clinch these bypolls so as to send out a message about the Congress's hold in the state amid discontent in the party.

In February this year, six of the Congress MLAs had turned rebel and cross-voted for Harsh Mahajan in the Rajya Sabha polls. They were suspended from the party. The elections to their seats were held along with the state's four parliamentary constituencies in the final phase of the Lok Sabha polls on June 1.

Of these six Assembly seat bypolls, the Congress won four as against the BJP's two. Four of these six seats were part of the Hamirpur Lok Sabha seat, of which the Congress won three and the BJP got one.

This boosted the Congress's tally in the state Assembly, which is now 38 in the current 65-member House as compared to the BJP's 27. Sukhu has since emerged stronger, even as he needs more bypoll wins to further consoli-

date the Congress government - and his position - in the state. It is another matter that the BJP again bagged all four Lok Sabha seats in the state.

On his part, Thakur wants to ensure the BJP's victory in the bypolls to send out a signal that he continues to hold sway in the Hamirpur region and could pull off wins in the Assembly seats too.

In the Lok Sabha elections, while Thakur defeated Congress candidate Satpal Raizada with a margin of 182,000 votes in Hamirpur and got leads in all its 17 Assembly segments, this could not then translate in the bypolls held in his constituency simultaneously. Then, the Congress's Rakesh Kalra won from Gagret, defeating the BJP's Chaitanya Sharma by 8,487 votes. The Congress's Capt Ranjeet Singh clinched Sujandar seat by defeating the BJP's Rajinder Rana by 2,440 votes. In Kutlaha, Vivek Sharma of the Congress trounced the BJP's Davinder Bhutto by 5,356 votes.

A senior BJP leader admits that the BJP's losses in the June 1 bypolls were a blow to the party. "The defeat of the BJP candidates in three Assembly constituencies within the Hamirpur parliamentary seat, where Anurag Thakur had garnered considerable votes, was discussed at length during various post-election review meetings of the party. Serious discussions were held to analyse why Thakur managed to get leads in these Assembly segments, but the Assembly bypoll candidates did not."

Another BJP leader said the party performed poorly in the June 1 bypolls due to "resentment among the BJP cadre who were unhappy about inducting Congress rebels and turncoats into the party fold."



Bengal govt recovers unused land of industry

IN A MOVE to address the shortage of industrial land, the West Bengal government on Monday announced the recovery of around 500 acres from previously closed industrial units.

Speaking at the unveiling of INDPLAS'25, an international plastics exhibition, state industry minister Shashi Panja said those recovered land parcels are now directly available for allocation through the department's land bank. "Efforts are underway to identify similar unused land parcels along state and national highways," Panja added, emphasizing that reclaiming such plots is an ongoing process.

This initiative follows chief minister Mamata Banerjee's earlier announcement regarding the government's intention to reclaim unused land designated for industrial purposes.

Meanwhile, Lalit Agrawal, president of the Indian Plastics Federation, highlighted the robust growth of the state's plastic industry, currently experiencing a rate of 12-15% compared to the national average of 6-7%. Ashok Jaodia, chairman of the exhibition, emphasized the need for a deep-sea port to facilitate the import of raw materials and export of finished products.

—PTI

Sebi limits passive MF schemes investing in sponsor group firms

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA New Delhi, July 8

PASSIVE MUTUAL FUND schemes cannot invest more than 25% of their net assets in the listed securities of the sponsor's group companies, according to the new prudential norms notified by market regulator Sebi on Monday for such schemes.

Sebi announced new measures to streamline the prudential norms applicable to investments by passively managed mutual fund schemes in the group companies of their sponsors. The market regulator had constituted a working group to review the regulatory framework under Sebi (Mutual Fund) rules. Pursuant to public consultation on the recommendations of the working group in the Mutual Funds Advisory Committee (MFAC), Sebi decided to "streamline" the extant prudential norms, the regulator said.

In a circular issued on Monday, under the new framework, mutual fund schemes, excluding equity-oriented exchange-traded funds (ETFs) and index funds, are restricted from

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For equity-oriented ETFs and index funds, investments in accordance with the weighting of the constituents of the underlying index, but are capped at 35% of the net asset value of the scheme in the sponsor's group companies.

To ensure transparency, Sebi has defined "widely tracked and non-bespoke indices" as those with collective assets under management (AUM) of ₹20,000 crore

and above, tracked by passive funds or serving as primary benchmarks for active funds. The Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI) will update and publish the list of such indices biannually, on April 15 and October 15, based on AUM data as of March 31 and September 30, respectively. The first list of these indices, effective June 30, 2024, includes prominent indices such as Nifty 50, BSE Sensex, among others.

Passive schemes not aligned with these indices will be rebalanced within 30 business days from the date of issuance of this circular. "In cases where the portfolios of such schemes are not rebalanced within this period justification in writing, including details of efforts taken to rebalance the portfolio will be placed before the Investment Committee of the AMC.

"The investment committee, if so desires, can extend the timeline for rebalancing up to 60 business days from the date of completion of mandated rebalancing period, the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) said in the circular.

MONSOON MAYHEM



People shift from a flooded area to a relief camp following heavy rains in Udhham Singh Nagar, Uttarakhand, on Monday. Several villages in Champawat and Udhham Singh Nagar districts were under water. However, the Char Dham Yatra in the state resumed on Monday after remaining suspended for a day in view of heavy rain forecasts

Table with 2 columns: Date (8th July 2024) and Details of the Offer pertaining to Target Company. Includes information about SOMA PAPERS AND INDUSTRIES LIMITED, offer details, and summary of reasons for recommendation.

OCCL ORIENTAL CARBON & CHEMICALS LIMITED. NOTICE OF THE 44TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND REMOTE E-VOTING INFORMATION. Includes details about the meeting, e-voting process, and contact information.



