

# PM: Follow Covid protocol as cases rising in many nations

## Focuses On Precautions For Yr-End Travellers In Radio Address

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**New Delhi:** PM Narendra Modi on Sunday asked people to take precautions against Covid-19, as he noted that the infection is spreading in many countries.

In his last 'Mann Ki Baat' broadcast of the year, Modi said many people are on a vacation or will go on one during Christmas and New Year and urged them to follow protocols like wearing masks and washing hands.

The Centre has stepped up measures to tackle any po-



A medic takes a swab sample from an air passenger for Covid test at the Ranchi international airport on Sunday

tential crisis, with cases on the rise, especially in China where the lifting of the government's zero-Covid policy has caused a spread of the pandemic. Modi has also chaired meetings and his government has written to the states to put in place ade-

quate measures to deal with any spurt.

Modi said the outgoing year, 2022, has been inspirational to India in many ways. India carved out a special place for itself in the world with its incredible vaccination doses of over 220 crore

## Agra man back from China tests +ve; genome sequencing next

**Agra:** A 40-year-old man who had returned from China two days ago has tested positive for Coronavirus in Agra. The Shahganj resident, after reaching the city from Delhi airport, went for a Covid-19 checkup at a private lab on December 23, reports **Deepak Lavanja**. The lab alerted the health department about the man's sample following an antigen test. The RT-PCR test conducted by the health department confirmed the infection on Sunday.

The man had been working with a private company in China. The health department is closely monitoring his health condition. This is the first Covid-positive case in the district detected since November 25, officials said. Chief medical officer of Agra district, Arun Kumar Srivastava, said, "As per government orders, the samples of the man who has been tested positive after returning from China have been sent for genome sequencing to King George's Medical University in Lucknow. This is required to identify the variant of Covid which caused the infection."

The CMO added: "The man is asymptomatic and has been isolated in his home. Health department teams have been asked to conduct tests of his family members and those who came in contact with him."

and the country becoming the fifth largest global economy, he said.

Modi also cited a Tata Memorial Centre's research to assert that the country's traditional methods like yoga and ayurveda are now standing up to the touchstone of

evidence-based medicine of the modern era. An intensive research done by this centre has revealed that yoga is very effective for breast cancer patients, he said, noting that it is the first such study. The study shows regular practice of yoga can help reduce the

risk of recurrence and death of breast cancer patients by 15 per cent.

"This is the first example of Indian traditional medicine being tested vis a vis the stringent standards of Western methods. Also, this is the first study, in which yoga has

been found to improve the quality of life in women affected by breast cancer. Its long term benefits have also come to the fore. The Tata Memorial Center has presented the results of its study at the European Society of Medical Oncology conference in Paris," Modi said.

PM also mentioned the achievements of Centre for Integrative Medicine and Research established in AIIMS six years ago to validate traditional medical practices.

Noting that India has eradicated diseases like smallpox, polio and 'Guinea Worm', he said the country is also near eliminating the disease of 'Kala Azar'. Till recently, it was affecting 50 districts across four states but is now confined to only four districts of Bihar and Jharkhand.

Lauding the country's feats in 2022, PM Modi said India attained the status of the world's fifth largest economy, and crossed the "magical" export figure of \$400 billion.

The country adopted and lived its resolution of 'self-reliant India' and welcomed its first indigenous aircraft carrier INS Vikrant and also attained glory in space, drone and defence sectors in the year, he added. Even in the field of sports, be it the Commonwealth Games or the performance of our women's hockey team, our youth have shown tremendous potential, the Prime Minister said. With India getting the presidency of the G-20 group, he said the country has to take the enthusiasm around it to new heights and make this a mass movement in 2023.

## Telangana sees 400% rise in booster jabs, Odisha 8-fold jump

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**Hyderabad:** Within 72 hours of the detection of the BF.7 Omicron variant in India, there has been a 400% jump in precautionary jabs across Telangana and almost eight-fold rise in Odisha.

In Telangana, on December 21, a day before the sub-variant surfaced in India, only 646 beneficiaries had taken the booster shots. But this figure spiralled to 3,380 within three days (December 24) as people were jolted by the fear of another Covid wave that's already taking a debilitating toll on neighbouring China.

On December 22, the number of citizens availing the precautionary dose climbed



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to 1,631. And the trend continued on the 23rd, with the figure rising to 2,267 and touching an unprecedented 3,380 doses on Saturday. Even on Christmas Day, more than 1,500 beneficiaries took the jab. "In my family, none of us took precautionary doses because we thought cases were a trickle, but after seeing what was happening in Chi-

na and how the virus entered our country, we rushed to take the boosters," Enugu Ramchandra Reddy, a Hyderabad-based techie, said.

Except on November 23, when the number was close to 2,913, daily precaution doses in Telangana never hovered around the 3,000 mark in the last few months. Telangana health minister T Harish Rao has asked the Centre to supply more precautionary doses.

In Odisha, while five days ago, the empanelled 12 private hospitals together would see 100 people taking the third jab daily, now around 800 people are taking the precaution dose every day, according to the state health department.

(With inputs from Riyan Ramanath in Bhubaneswar)

## BF.7 in India since Sept but no wave, says K'taka mantri

Mini Thomas & Umesh Isalkar | TNN

**Bengaluru/Pune:** Ruling out a major Covid wave in the country triggered by the BF.7 sub-variant, experts said tracking hospitalisations and deaths from the virus would give a more accurate picture than monitoring the number of cases.

According to senior epidemiologist Dr Raman Gangakhedkar: "It is difficult to predict which local outbreak is likely to assume proportions of a wave. It largely depends on vulnerability at the population level. But monitoring hospitalisation and deaths appears to be a better alternative than assessing daily cases and test positivity rates."

The term "pandemic wave" is not properly defined. The "wave" is just a graphical representation showing a rise in cases, a peak and then a dip. It is designed to give a simple picture and the number of variables is just too many to have a clear definition.

Revised ICMR guidelines state only the symptomatic will be tested and that may cause caseloads to rise as people with fever or a cough are more likely to test positive.

Testing only within the symptomatic pool will then show more cases, but that shouldn't mean Covid is surging everywhere, experts said.

Then there's variable testing, including home tests, which makes identifying the real burden of mild illness almost an impossibility as results often go unreported. In such a scenario, where testing data can present a skewed picture, the most reliable predictor of a surge is data on hospitalisations and deaths, experts said.

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perts said.

Karnataka health minister K Sudhakar's go-to mantra is "prepare but not panic" as "India is relatively safer" because of "100% coverage of two doses (of vaccine)", and "most of us are already exposed to Omicron, its sub-variants and sub-lineages and as a result, many Indians have developed what we call hybrid immunity".

"Moreover, the BF.7 variant has been around in India since September-end when the first case was reported in Gujarat. Three months since, we haven't seen any rise in hospitalisation," said Sudhakar.

## BSF jawan killed for protests over daughter's clip

**Ahmedabad:** A 46-year-old BSF jawan was beaten and axed to death at Chaklasi in Gujarat's Nadiad by 7 members of a 15-year-old boy's family after he complained to them about his daughter's objectionable video being circulated online by the teenager. The incident took place on Saturday night when the BSF jawan, his wife, their two sons and his nephew went to the boy's place to talk about the issue. Police said that all the accused were held. TNN

## Gujarat HC says false charge of illicit affair is cruelty, grants divorce to man

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**Ahmedabad:** Accusing the spouse of an illicit relationship and not proving it amounts to cruelty, the Gujarat HC has said while rejecting a woman's appeal against divorce granted by a family court to her husband on the grounds of "desertion and cruelty".

The case involves a schoolteacher couple from Prantij taluka in Gujarat's Sabarkantha district. They got married in 1993 and a son was born in 2006. The husband filed for divorce in 2009 in Gandhinagar, accusing his wife of "desertion and cruelty", saying she left his home in 2006 and didn't return after the child was born.

He said his wife filed an FIR alleging that he was having an extramarital affair with a colleague. But he was acquitted in the criminal case and a complaint filed by his wife under the domestic violence law was also dismissed by

court. The family court granted the husband divorce in 2014, following which the estranged wife challenged the decision in HC. She alleged the man deserted her, but he submitted that they were living separately for the past 16 years.

He said she left his home on her own and when he filed for divorce, she returned. But she misbehaved with him and his elderly mother, prompting them to leave their ancestral house and shift to Gandhinagar.

Facts that the man and his mother are living at a place where they do not own a house, and despite the divorce, she has been occupying the man's ancestral home speak volumes about her behaviour, HC observed.

It also said false accusation against the spouse of having an illicit relationship is cruelty; and "the feeling of deep anguish, disappointment, agony and frustration of the husband would be obvious".

**China, Pak together says Rahul Gandhi:** Warning that China and Pakistan have formed a military compact, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi has said that any war with one will mean a "joint battle" against the two. TNN

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[Pursuant to section 27(1) and rule 7(2) of Companies (Prospectus and allotment of securities) Rules, 2014]

## Jayant Infratech Limited

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Notice is hereby given that by a resolution dated 22nd December, 2022, the Board has proposed to vary the Objects(s) for which the prospectus dated June 24, 2022, was issued in connection with the issue of Rs. 9,24,00,000 Equity Shares at an issue price of Rs. 67 per Equity Share including a share premium of Rs. 57 per equity share aggregating to Rs. 619.08 Lakhs.

In pursuance of the said resolution, further notice is given that for approving the said proposition, a special resolution is to be passed by postal ballot.

The details regarding such variation/alteration are as follows:

1). **Particulars of the Objects to be altered:** The Company has raised Rs. 619.08 lakhs from the initial public offer of its equity shares (the 'issue') for the purpose of (i) Payment of Security Deposit for renting of Office Space; (ii) Working Capital Requirements; (iii) General Corporate Purposes. Out of which the objects which are to be altered are as follows;

Sr. No.	Objects as stated in prospectus	IPO Proceeds	Total Amount Spent up to 22.12.2022	Unutilised Amount as per Prospectus	% of achievements per prospectus
1.	Payment of Security Deposit for renting of Office Space	300.00	0	300.00 0	0

2). **Particulars of the proposed variation:** The unutilized IPO proceeds of Rs. 300.00 lakh is intended to be utilized for Business Expansion, Working Capital, Business Promotions, etc.

3) **Reason for variation :** The Company executed a MoU dated 07th June, 2022 with the licensor BRV Leasing Andheri LLP to take on lease an office space located at 1st and 2nd Floor, Wing A, Satellite Heights, opp. Megamall, New Link Road, Jogeshwari West, Mumbai 400102 for expansion of company's existing business by opening a branch office in Mumbai but as the licensor is unable to provide the property required for expansion of the company and would take a considerable amount of time for the property to be ready in future. Therefore, the company wants to employ the IPO proceeds of 300.00 lakhs for its business expansion to ensure the optimum utilization of IPO proceeds.

4) **Justification for the variation:** The Board considers it prudent to re-classify the Unutilized Amount towards various objects stated above for optimum utilization of IPO Proceeds and maximize the return on investment for members of the Company and ensuring future growth of the Company.

5) **Effect of the proposed variation/alteration on the financial position of the company:** The management of the Company foresees that after the utilisation of unutilised proceeds in proposed new objects the earnings and cash flows of the Company would improve in long term. The management of the Company is of the view that the proposed variation in terms of the Objects of the Issue will ensure optimum utilization of IPO Proceeds and maximize the return on investment for members.

6) **Major risk factors pertaining to the new objects:** Change in Government Policies, Economic Environment, period of recovery of amount from debtors, casualties in events.

7) **Names of Directors who voted against the proposed variation:** None of the director voted against the proposed variation/alteration. Any interested person may obtain the copy of the special resolution along with the explanatory statement free of charge at the registered office of the Company or at the office of its Company secretary Ms. Shristi Ramani at "Mangal Smriti", Bajpai Ground, Tilak Nagar, Bilaspur (C.G.) 495001 or visit the website of the Company at [www.jayantinfra.com](http://www.jayantinfra.com) for a copy of the same.

For, Jayant Infratech Limited  
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Nilesh Jobanputra  
Chairman & Managing Director  
DIN: 00188698

Date- 27th December, 2022

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POSTAL BALLOT NOTICE

Members are hereby informed that pursuant to section 110 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 (if any), read with rule 22 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, as amended from time to time, on December 26th, 2022 the company completed the dispatch of postal ballot notice, along with explanatory statements and postal ballot form through physical mode, along with a postage pre-paid self-addressed business reply envelope to the members, to seek consents of the members of the Company in relation to :

- Variation in terms of objects of the issue referred in the prospectus dated June 24, 2022-Special resolution;
- Alteration in objects clause of the Memorandum of Association- Special resolution;

It is to be noted that pursuant to proviso of sub rule 2 of rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, Company referred to in chapter IX of its Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulation, 2009 is not required to provide the facility to vote by electronic means. Therefore, our company is not providing e-voting facility to its shareholders. Members whose names are recorded with depositories as on cut-off date i.e., Friday, 23rd December, 2022 will be entitled to cast their vote by postal ballot only.

M/s Agrawal & Agrawal, Practicing Company Secretaries, Raipur, has been appointed as Scrutinizer, for conducting the Postal Ballot in a fair and transparent manner. The voting through postal ballot will commence on Tuesday 27th December, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. IST and will close on Friday, 27th January, 2023 at 5:00 P.M. IST.

Postal ballot forms duly filled in and completed should reach the scrutinizer through self-addressed business reply envelope that bears the address of the Registrar & Transfer agent at S6 – 2 Pinnacle Business Park, Mahakali Caves road, Next to Ahura Centre, Andheri (E) , Mumbai 400093, Maharashtra on or before 5:00 P.M. IST on Friday, 27th January, 2023. Any Postal ballot received after the said date will not be valid and voting by postal ballot shall not be allowed beyond the said date.

In case of non-receipt of notice and postal ballot form, a member as on cut-off date may write to the company at the registered office of the company or Email at [cs@jayantinfra.com](mailto:cs@jayantinfra.com) mentioning their DP ID and Client Id No. to receive duplicate copy thereof. Any grievance connected with the postal ballot may address to Ms. Shristi Ramani at [cs@jayantinfra.com](mailto:cs@jayantinfra.com).

The resolutions, if approved by requisite majority, will be taken as passed effectively on Friday, 27th January, 2023, i.e. the last date of receipt of postal ballot. The result of postal ballot will be declared by the chairman on or before 5:00PM IST Wednesday, 01st February, 2023. Such results along with the scrutinizer report will be available on the Company's Website i.e., [www.jayantinfra.com](http://www.jayantinfra.com) and shall be intimated to BSE. The Postal Ballot is available on the Company's website and on the website of BSE.

For, Jayant Infratech Limited  
Sd/-  
Shristi Ramani  
Company secretary & Compliance officer

Date- 27th December, 2022  
Place- Bilaspur