

FYJC round 2 concludes, only 29% students who were allotted seats confirm admissions

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Mumbai: Only 29% of students who were allotted FYJC seats in round two have confirmed admissions. As round two concluded on Monday, data revealed that 40% of those who were allotted their first preference colleges did not secure seats.

The second merit list was announced on July 20 and 80,141 were allotted seats. Of these, only 23,043 secured seats. The number of students who did not report for admissions despite being allotted their first preference has doubled as compared to round one. In the first round, 42,854 out of the 53,803 students rejected their top college choice.

Meanwhile, parents and students on Monday queued up at the education department's office to complain about problems in the online admission system. Anil Lohar, a parent, said a Badlapur college uploaded

WHAT TO DO NEXT

STATISTICS AFTER ROUND 2 OF FYJC ADMISSIONS

Total students allotted seats in round two

80,141

Students admitted	Students rejected	Cancelled admissions
23,043	63	164

Students who did not report for admission: **56,872**

SYSTEM REOPENS ON WED

As round two has wrapped up, the system will re-open on Wednesday for students to change college preferences according to vacant seats available

CORDING TO VACANT SEATS AVAILABLE

Students who were rejected in round one and two due to differences in the applications and original documents, can rectify mistakes on July 26 and 27 at BJCP Junior College, Charni Road

SCHEDULE AHEAD

Education dept will declare number of vacant seats and cut-offs after round two | **Tuesday at 5pm**

Changing options, stream (if required) for third merit list | **Wed and Thurs up to 5pm**

Declaration of third merit list | **July 29 at 5pm**

All changes must be made before 5pm on July 27

online that his son had confirmed admission in round one though the student did not pay fees or submit documents. "We had only gone to enquire at the college and now we are out of

the process. We have got an apology letter from the college but the department does not have a solution to get us back in the process," he said. The department also got

complaints from parents about their college preferences were altered. "Some parents have alleged that schools had access to their user IDs and passwords and that they removed all selec-

ted options except their own college," said an official from Nyasa Asia, the agency managing the admission portal. Some parents also complained that colleges were misleading them by saying it is mandatory to confirm seats even if they were not given their first preference.

Education officials said not all claims could be true. "We are looking into the complaints but the system cannot make an exception for one or two students. They will have to wait for the special admission rounds after the four merit lists are announced. Some students might have secured admission in the colleges under the quota but not filled the part two of the form. In such a case, the authorities could have selected their own college," said BB Chavan, deputy director of school education, Mumbai.

The department will put up a list of vacancies available at all colleges at 5pm on Tuesday.

State govt budgets ₹20,000 crore for farm loan waiver

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Mumbai: The state government on Monday budgeted Rs 20,000 crore for the loan waiver scheme, as a part of the Rs 33,553 crore supplementary expenditure statement tabled in both Houses of the legislature.

But finance department officials said of the Rs 33,553 crore supplementary expenditure demand, the state government only has funds to meet demand worth Rs 5,555 crore, and the remaining Rs 27,998 crore will have to be raised. The Rs 27,998 crore includes payouts for farm loan waiver and compensation the state government has to pay urban local bodies for loss of revenue after octroi and local body tax (LBT) were subsumed by the Goods and Services Tax (GST), for which Rs 7,353 crore has been budgeted.

Senior department officials said this is an exercise to make allocations but funds to realise these allocations will have to be generated or raised from sources other than the state government's current revenue.

Supplementary expenditure is a revised estimate of the budget which the government undertakes following unplanned work that was not part of the original budget, or if there is an increase in allocation for planned work.

Officials said the state government hopes to mop up revenue worth nearly Rs 10,000 crore from austerity

MONEY TALK

Supplementary demands

₹33,553cr

Farm loan waiver

₹20,000cr

Compensation for revenue loss after GST

₹7,353cr

State government 40% share in national rural health mission

₹679cr

Grants to urban local bodies to complete basic infrastructure work

₹553cr

Premium for Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Jan Arogya Abhiyan

₹690cr

HC paves way for release of Indu Sarkar this Friday

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Mumbai: The Bombay high court on Monday dismissed a petition against the film Indu Sarkar, thus paving the way for its scheduled release on July 28. Priya Paul who claims to be a biological daughter of Sanjay Gandhi, son of India's former prime minister Indira Gandhi, had filed the petition, seeking a stay on the release till portions which she said were objectionable were deleted from the film.

The film is directed by Madhur Bhandarkar. The HC division bench of Justice Anoop Mohta and Anuja Prabhudesai, after hearing the parties at length, dismissed the writ petition as it observed that she has no locus standi to file the present petition at this stage as her claim on biological lineage to Sanjay Gandhi is pending adjudication. The court acknowledged that the scope of judicial review is very limited once a film is certified by CBFC which is an expert statutory body to certify films.

Paul's lawyer, Tanveer Nizam, had argued that the film's release and certification be set aside till the producers remove "30 percent" of the content which its director had said was "based on facts". How are the viewers to know which is factual and which is not, he asked, pointing to certain scenes. She challenged the 'UA' certificate granted after several cuts.

She alleged that the main characters of the film are depicting the late Sanjay Gandhi and late Indira Gandhi "in bad light". She claimed that she recently learnt about her biological lineage and is in the process of establishing it.

Bhandarkar, represented by lawyers Birendra Saraf and Amit Naik, pointed to four other films on Emergency which the Central Board of Film Certification had cleared, the last in 2003. Arguing for dismissal of the plea, Saraf said Paul had no locus standi as her biological lineage to the late Sanjay Gandhi is not adjudicated. Besides, he questioned her timing of moving the court at the last minute, a week before its release.

HC asks state to explain giving club open plot without tenders

4,425 Sq M In Oshiwara Given For 30 Yrs For ₹45L

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Mumbai: The Bombay high court asked the state government on Monday to "come clean" and explain how it allotted a 4,425-square metre plot (pic, right) at Oshiwara in Andheri (west) to a private club without inviting tenders.

A bench of Justices Rajendra Savant and Sadhana Jadhav was hearing a plea by 12 housing societies at Adarsh Nagar, a Mhada layout, that they are affected by the loss of open space after Mhada, the state housing authority, in 2009 entered into a deal with Legent Recreation Club. They sought cancellation of the lease, saying the plot was reserved for a recreation ground and a similar plot is not available in the locality. They added that tenders were not invited and the plot would fetch more than the Rs 45 lakh paid by the club for a 30-year lease.

The club's advocate said an earlier PIL challenging the allotment had gone to the Supreme Court and was dismissed; it is in review in the HC. So, the "issue stands concluded". But the petitioners' advocate



Sandeep Tapke

Anand Mishra said one Radheshyam Gaur had filed the PIL on "collusion" with the club. The judges said the petitioners would have to "buttress their claim by placing material on record".

The Mhada advocate said the allotment was sanctioned by the state government. "State must come clean on this. On what basis has it been done? We are concerned about the residents of the area. We have no personal interest in all this," said Justice Savant, seeking responses from both sides after four weeks. The bench also

directed the state to file an affidavit on how "the allotment was done to the club and why it was chosen without going through the process of inviting tenders".

The club advocate added that the plot was allotted on the condition that it be kept open to the public for three hours in the morning and two hours in the evening. The bench, referring to a similar case, said nothing changes in reality. "It looks good on paper. Same thing goes on. Then there are fights between the residents and the watchmen," said Justice Savant.

Centre must take note of China: Uddhav

Mumbai: Shiv Sena president Uddhav Thackeray has urged the Modi government to strengthen the country's armed forces in view of the escalating threat from both Pakistan and China.

Stating that China has begun to emerge as a global superpower, Thackeray, in the second part of his interview to Saamna, underscored the need to enhance India's defence preparedness to match China's growing military strength. "Let your politics go to hell. It would amount to betraying the country if those in power think only of elections and ignore issues of defence preparedness," he said.

To a question on the fraying BJP-Sena ties, equations, he said the situation seems to be improving. "I believe it will lead to a conducive atmosphere, where the two parties can take a review of mutual ties and try to find out what has gone wrong between us." It's fine if things begin to look up. If not, Sena will go solo... he said. —Ambarish Mishra



'Godse India's first terrorist'

Mumbai: Independent member Kapil Patil termed Mahatma Gandhi's killer Nathuram Godse as the first terrorist in the country, in the legislative council on Monday. He was giving a condolence speech for former MLC Bhiku Bhilare.

Bhilare had claimed he saved Gandhi by twisting the knife out of Godse's hand in 1944. The state Congress leadership, including leader of Opposition, Radhakrishna Vikhe Patil, skipped mention of Bhilare's 'contribution'.

The former Congress MLA had passed away recently. Vikhe Patil only mentioned Bhilare's political and social contribution. NCP leader of the House Ajit Pawar mentioned Bhilare's 'act' too. TNN

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