

HK court rejects Lai's bid to end national security trial

AP ■ HONG KONG

A Hong Kong court on Monday rejected a jailed publisher's request to terminate his national security trial, pressing ahead with a landmark case seen as part of Beijing's crackdown on the city's pro-democracy movement. Jimmy Lai, the 75-year-old founder of the now-defunct newspaper Apple Daily, faces up to life in prison if convicted under a Beijing-imposed national security law. His lawyers earlier filed an application to halt the trial, raising concerns that his case was being heard by three judges approved by the city's leader, instead of a jury.

When Hong Kong returned to China in 1997, it was promised that trials by jury, previously practiced in the former British colony, would be maintained under the city's constitution. But in a departure from the city's common law tradition, the security law



Lai's bid to allow no-jury trials for national security cases.

On Monday, Judges Esther Toh, Susana D'Almada Remedios and Alex Lee unanimously rejected Lai's request, saying there was no reason to believe they "would be biased, actually or apparently, against" Lai. The national security law was enacted in June 2020 following months of anti-government protests calling for an

investigation into police conduct during the unrest and universal suffrage.

It outlaws secession, subversion, terrorism and foreign collusion to intervene in the city's affairs, and has been used to stamp out dissent.

Lai is accused of conspiring with others to call for sanctions or blockades, or engage in hostile activities, against Hong Kong or China. He also faces a

charge of collusion with foreign forces to endanger national security, and a separate sedition charge under a colonial-era law that is also increasingly used to crush the opposition.

Under the security law, the secretary for justice may direct national security cases to be tried without a jury if state secrets need to be protected, foreign forces are involved, or if the personal safety of jurors needs to be protected.

In such cases, they will be heard by a panel of three hand-picked judges.

Earlier this month, Robert Pang, one of Lai's lawyers, pointed to the lack of transparency in the appointment of the judges, saying that might affect the public's confidence in the judiciary and the judicial process. Pang also alleged the executive's move to block British lawyer Timothy Owen from representing Lai could be fairly described as "persecution."

Explosions rattle Kyiv during day

AP ■ KYIV

Explosions rattled Kyiv during daylight Monday as Russian ballistic missiles took aim at the Ukrainian capital, hours after a more common nighttime barrage of the city by drones and cruise missiles. Debris from missiles intercepted by Ukrainian air defenses fell in Kyiv's central and northern districts during the morning, landing in the middle of traffic on a city road and also starting a fire on a building's roof, the Kyiv military administration said. At least one civilian was reported hurt.

The blasts unnerved some locals, already under strain after being awakened by the night attack.

"After what happened last night, I react sharply to every siren now. I was terrified, and I'm still trembling," shared Alina Ksenofontova, a 50-year-old woman who took refuge in the Kyiv subway with her dog Buklik.

The central station, Tetralna, was crowded with sheltering locals.

Artem Zhyla, a 24-year-old who provides legal services abroad, took his laptop with him and kept working underground.

"I heard two or three explosions, went to the bathroom, and then I heard five or seven more explosions. That's when I realized something terrible was happening," he said.



People take cover at metro station during a Russian rocket attack in Kyiv, Ukraine, on Monday.

Like many others in the capital, he feels exhausted and stressed. However, he has no intentions of giving up and plans to attend his yoga class to recharge. "This is certainly not enough to break us," he said.

Russia used Iskander short-range missiles in the morning attack, the spokesman for Ukraine's air force said on local television.

The missiles were fired from north of Kyiv, Yuriy Lhnat said without clarifying if he meant Russian territory. Kyiv lies around 380 kilometers (236 miles) from the Russian border.

During the previous night, air defenses brought down more than 40 targets as Russian forces bombarded Kyiv with a combination of drones and cruise missiles in their 15th

nighttime attack on the capital so far this month, said Serhii Popko, the head of Kyiv's military administration.

On Saturday night, Kyiv was subjected to the largest drone attack since the start of Russia's war. At least one person was killed, local officials said.

Kremlin's strategy of long-range bombardment has brought many sleepless nights for Ukrainians.

Over the winter, Russian forces aimed their missiles and drones at power plants and other infrastructure. The apparent goal was to weaken Ukraine's resolve and compel the Ukrainian government to negotiate peace on Moscow's terms, but Ukrainians swiftly and defiantly repaired the damage.

Russia issues arrest warrant for Lindsey

Moscow (AP): Russia's Interior Ministry on Monday issued an arrest warrant for US Sen Lindsey Graham following his comments related to the fighting in Ukraine.

In an edited video of his meeting on Friday with Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy that was released by Zelenskyy's office, Graham, a Republican from South Carolina, noted that "the Russians are dying" and described the U.S. military assistance to the country as "the best money we've ever spent." While Graham appeared to have made the remarks in different parts of the conversation, the short video by Ukraine's presidential office put them next to each other, causing outrage in Russia.

Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov commented Sunday by saying that "it's hard to imagine a greater shame for the country than having such senators." The Investigative Committee has moved to open a criminal inquiry against Graham, and the Interior Ministry followed up by issuing a warrant for his arrest.

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(Rs. in Lakhs)					
Extract of the statement of Audited Financial Results for the Quarter/year ended March 31, 2023					
Sl. No.	Particulars	Quarter ended 3/31/2023 (Audited)	Quarter ended 3/31/2022 (Audited)	Year ended 31-03-2023 (Audited)	Year ended 31-03-2022 (Audited)
1	Total Income from operations	35.45	21.42	114.80	216.00
2	Profit/(Loss) for the period before tax	-24.17	26.53	-19.67	81.73
3	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax	-26.94	23.14	-28.57	67.53
4	Equity Share Capital	1303.40	1303.40	1303.40	1303.40
5	Reserves excluding Revaluation Reserve	-	-	53.85	82.49
6	Earnings Per Share (EPS) (of Rs. 2/- each)				
	Basic	-	-0.04	-	0.10
	Diluted	-	-0.04	-	0.10

Note: The above is an Extract of the Detailed Format of Quarterly Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosures Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The Full Format of the Quarterly Financial Results is available on the Website of Bombay Stock Exchange at www.bseindia.com & on Company website at www.cubical90.com.

By Order of the Board of Directors
For CUBICAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED
ASHWANI KUMAR GUPTA
MANAGING DIRECTOR
DIN-00348616

DATED : 29TH MAY, 2023
PLACE : DELHI.

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Tinubu sworn in as Nigerian President

Abuja (AP): Nigeria's Bola Tinubu has been sworn in as president of Africa's most populous country at a period of unprecedented challenges, leaving some citizens hopeful for a better life and others sceptical that his government would perform better than the one he succeeded. The former governor of Lagos, Nigeria's economic hub, Tinubu, 71, was sworn in as Nigeria's president in Abuja, the capital city, in the presence of thousands of Nigerians and several heads of governments. He succeeds President Muhammadu Buhari to lead a country that by 2050 is forecast to become the third most populous nation in the world, tied with the United States after India and China.

Judge appointed in SA to oversee weapons-for-Russia probe

Cape Town (AP): South African President Cyril Ramaphosa has appointed a judge to oversee an inquiry into allegations that the country supplied arms to Russia on a ship that docked secretly at a naval base in December. The allegations were made this month by the United States' ambassador to South Africa, who said he was sure that weapons and ammunition were loaded onto the Russian-flagged cargo ship Lady R when it docked at the Simon's Town naval base near Cape Town late last year. Ambassador Reuben Brigity indicated that the US had intelligence to sustain the

inquiry and he said he would bet his life on the accuracy of his claim that weapons were loaded onto the ship. The Lady R container-carrying ship is under US sanctions for being tied to a company that has transported weapons to aid the Russian war effort in Ukraine. South Africa has denied there was any government-sanctioned deal to provide weapons to Russia, although it hasn't categorically ruled out that an unofficial transaction took place involving another entity. Judge PMD Mojapelo, a former Supreme Court of Appeal judge, was appointed chairman of a three-member panel to investigate

the incident, Ramaphosa's office said in a statement on Sunday. A lawyer and a former minister of justice were also appointed. The panel has six weeks to complete its investigations and another two weeks from then to provide a report to Ramaphosa, the president's office said. "The panel has been tasked to establish persons who were aware of the cargo ship's arrival, and, if any, the contents to be off-loaded or loaded, the departure and destination of the cargo," Ramaphosa's office said. Ramaphosa ordered the inquiry because of the seriousness of the allegations and "the impact of this matter on South

Africa's international relations," his office said. South Africa could be in breach of international law and its own laws regarding weapons sales if it is found to have supplied arms to Moscow for the war in Ukraine. The incident has strained relations between the US and South Africa, which is Africa's most developed economy and a key Western partner on the continent. South African Defence Minister Thandi Modise has said the Lady R was visiting to deliver an ammunition shipment from Russia that was ordered by South Africa in 2018 but was delayed because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Extracts of Standalone Audited Financial Results for the Fourth Quarter and Financial Year ended March 31, 2023					
(Figures in Lakhs)					
Sl. No.	Particulars	Quarter Ended		Year Ended	
		March 31, 2023 (Audited)	December 31, 2022 (Un-Audited)	March 31, 2022 (Audited)	Financial Year Ended March 31, 2023 (Audited)
1	Total Income from Operations	17.74	15.05	9.03	56.81
2	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	1.73	0.56	4.39	6.63
3	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period before Tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	1.73	0.56	4.39	(5.14)
4	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	1.63	0.58	3.83	(5.30)
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period (Comprising profit/(Loss) for the period (after tax) and other Comprehensive Income (after tax))	10.05	0.94	(10.45)	5.22
6	Equity Share Capital	300.65	300.65	300.65	300.65
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of the Previous Year	-	-	-	301.95
8	Earnings Per Share (of Rs 10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations) -				
	1. Basic:	0.05	0.02	0.13	(0.18)
	2. Diluted:	0.05	0.02	0.13	(0.18)

Notes:

- The above is an extract of the detailed format of fourth quarter & financial year results for the period ended March 31, 2023 filed with Stock Exchange under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly & Twelve months results for the period ended March 31, 2023 are available on the website of the Stock Exchange (www.bseindia.com) and website of the Company (www.ramsonspj.com).
- # Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items are adjusted in the Statement of Profit and Loss in accordance with IND AS Rules.

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Managing Director
DIN: 00012115

Place: Gurugram, Haryana
Date: May 29, 2023

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Extract of Audited Financial Results (Standalone) for the Quarter and Year Ended 31/03/2023					
Particulars	Quarter ended			Year Ended	
	31-Mar-23	31-Dec-22	31-Mar-22	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-22
Total income from operations (net)	1511.46	4639.95	2151.58	10371.96	9866.13
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	20.77	(147.60)	(52.69)	(515.75)	(13.17)
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	20.77	(147.60)	(52.69)	(515.75)	(13.17)
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	21.77	(144.67)	(25.81)	(503.90)	(5.56)
Total Comprehensive Income for the period (Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax))	26.84	(144.67)	(12.62)	(498.83)	7.63
Equity Share Capital	1025.98	1025.98	1025.98	1025.98	1025.98
Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve as shown in the Balance Sheet of previous year)	-	-	-	-	-
Earnings per share (before extraordinary items) (of Rs. 10/-each):					
(a) Basic	0.21	(1.41)	(0.25)	(4.91)	(0.05)
(b) Diluted	0.21	(1.41)	(0.25)	(4.91)	(0.05)
Earnings per share (after extraordinary items) (of Rs. 10/-each):					
(a) Basic	0.21	(1.41)	(0.25)	(4.91)	(0.05)
(b) Diluted	0.21	(1.41)	(0.25)	(4.91)	(0.05)

Notes:

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For Prakash Woollen & Synthetic Mills Limited
Sd/-
Vijay Kumar Gupta
Whole Time Director & CFO
DIN: 00335325

Place : Village Amhera (Amroha)
Date : 29-05-2023

Erdogan turns away reform-minded challenger to win another term

AP ■ ANKARA

Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan turned away a challenger who sought to reverse his authoritarian-leaning changes, securing five more years to oversee the country at the crossroads of Europe and Asia that plays a key role in NATO.

Erdogan prevailed by winning more than 52% of the vote in Sunday's presidential runoff, which came two weeks after he fell short of scoring an outright victory in the first round.

A majority of Turkish voters in the second round chose him over challenger Kemal Kilicdaroglu, showing their support for a man who they see as a strong, proven leader.

Voters were divided between loyalty to Erdogan, who has ruled for two decades, and hopes for the opposition candidate, who promised to return to democratic norms, adopt more conventional economic policies and improve ties with the West.

With his immediate political future secure, Erdogan must now confront skyrocketing



President Recep Tayyip Erdogan delivers a speech to supporters outside his residence in Istanbul.

inflation that has fuelled a cost-of-living crisis and rebuild in the aftermath of a devastating earthquake that killed more than 50,000 people.

In two speeches — one in Istanbul and one in Ankara — Erdogan thanked the nation for entrusting him with the presidency again. "We hope to be worthy of your trust, as we have been for 21 years," he told supporters on a campaign bus outside his home in Istanbul.

He said the divisions of the election are over, but he continued to rail against his opponent. "The only winner today is Türkiye," Erdogan said outside



Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sánchez calls for an early election.

the presidential palace in Ankara, promising to work hard for Türkiye's second century, which he called the "Turkish century." The country marks its centennial this year.

Supreme challenges lie ahead, starting with the economy that has taken a beating from what critics view as Erdogan's unorthodox policies. He also must tend to massive rebuilding efforts in 11 provinces hit by the Feb. 6 earthquake that levelled entire cities. Kilicdaroglu said the election was "the most unjust ever," with all state resources mobilised for Erdogan.

Prior to Sunday's debacle, Sánchez had insisted that he would ride out his four-year term with leftist government coalition partner United We Can, indicating that an election would be held in December. The woes for Sánchez and his PSOE party come as Spain is due to take over the rotating presidency of the European Union on July 1.

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Spanish PM Sánchez calls early election

AP ■ MADRID

Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sánchez on Monday called an early general election for July 23 in a surprise move after his Socialist party took a serious battering in local and regional elections.

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leading opposition right wing Popular Party, or PP, the main political force in the country.

"This is unexpected," said Ignacio Jurado, a political scientist at Madrid's Carlos III University. "Sánchez is trying to short circuit the PP's rise as soon as possible."

In the municipal vote, the Popular Party, or PP, won 31.5 per cent of votes compared with 28.2 per cent for the Socialists.

This was a 1.2 percentage point decrease for PSOE on 2019, but almost a nine point increase for the PP, which benefited from the collapse of the centrist Citizens party.

The PP won in seven of the 12 regions contested and dominated in several regions previously won by PSOE including Valencia, Aragon and La Rioja. It remains to be seen whether PP will have to rely on far-right party Vox to form regional governments.

Spain's regional governments have enormous power and budgetary discretion over education, health, housing and policing.

China to send astronauts to moon by 2030

PTI ■ BEIJING/JIUQUAN

China on Monday announced plans to send a manned mission to the moon by 2030 for lunar scientific exploration, amid its deepening space race with the West.

The announcement was made by Lin Xiqiang, Deputy Director of the China Manned Space Agency (CMSA), as China is preparing to send a third set of astronauts to its space station on Tuesday.

Li told the media at the Jiuquan Satellite Launch Centre in Inner Mongolia ahead of the launch of the spacecraft that takes the three astronauts to the space station called Tiangong that China has recently initiated under the lunar landing phase of its manned lunar exploration programme.

The overall goal is to achieve China's first manned

landing on the moon by 2030 and carry out lunar scientific exploration and related technological experiments, he was quoted as saying by the state-run Xinhua news agency.

China's manned lunar mission came as the US space agency NASA aims to send a second manned mission to the moon by 2025 to explore the south pole for frozen water.

For its part, the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has announced plans to launch its ambitious Chandrayaan-3 mission aimed at demonstrating critical technologies to land the spacecraft on the south pole.

Chandrayaan-3 mission carries scientific instruments to study the thermo-physical properties of the lunar regolith, lunar seismicity, lunar surface plasma environment and ele-



mental composition in the vicinity of the landing site.

China in the past successfully launched uncrewed missions to the moon which included a rover. China has also sent a rover to Mars.

According to Lin, the goal of China's moon mission also includes mastering the key technologies such as earth-moon manned roundtrip, lunar surface short-term stay,

human-robot joint exploration, accomplishing multiple tasks of landing, roving, sampling, researching, returning, and forming an independent capability of manned lunar exploration.

In 2021, China and Russia announced plans to set up an International Lunar Research Station.

Russian space agency Roscosmos said in March 2021

that it has signed an agreement with China's National Space Administration to develop research facilities on the surface of the moon, in orbit or both.

Lin said China's manned lunar landing will promote the leapfrog development of manned space technology from near-Earth to deep space, deepen human understanding of the origin and evolution of the moon and the solar system, and contribute Chinese wisdom to the development of lunar science, he said.

The aim of space powers, such as the US, Russia and China, is to set up bases on the Moon for astronauts to live in, Dr McDowell, an astronomer at the Harvard-Smithsonian Centre for Astrophysics in the US told BBC earlier.

The Moon is being used as a stepping stone to places like Mars, he says.

