

# CJI flags 'falling credibility' of CBI

Justice Ramana calls for umbrella probe body to avoid multiple proceedings

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Chief Justice of India N.V. Ramana on Friday said that with the passage of time, like every other institution of repute, the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) had also come under deep public scrutiny. Its actions and inactions had raised questions regarding its credibility, in some cases.

Delivering the 19th D.P. Kohli Memorial Lecture, organised by the CBI, he said there was an immediate need for the creation of an independent umbrella institution, so as to bring various central agencies like the CBI, Enforcement Directorate and the Serious Fraud Inves-



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"We have a vested interest in strengthening democracy, because we essentially believe in democratic way of living. We Indians love our freedom. When any attempt has been made to snatch our freedom, our alert citizenry did not hesitate to seize the

power back from autocrats. So, it is essential that, all the institutions including the police and the investigative bodies uphold and strengthen the democratic values," he said.

Chief Justice Ramana said the police and the probe agencies should not allow any authoritarian tenden-

cies to creep in. "They need to function within democratic framework as prescribed under the Constitution. Any deviation will hurt the institutions and will weaken our democracy. The police and the investigative agencies may have de-facto legitimacy, but yet, as institutions, they still have to gain social legitimacy," he said.

Recommending an independent umbrella institution, the CJI said: "This body is required to be created under a statute, clearly defining its powers, functions and jurisdictions... This organisation will end multiplicity of proceedings."

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### Vocabulary

Word	English Meaning	Hindi Meaning
Scrutiny	(NOUN): critical observation or examination.	छानबीन, अनुसंधान
Vested	(Verb): confer or bestow (power, authority, property, etc.) on someone.	नननित, स्थित, नननष्ट

### Static News

Nuthalapati Venkata Ramana is an Indian judge who is serving as the 48th and current Chief Justice of India. Previously, he was a Judge of Supreme Court of India, Chief Justice of Delhi High Court and the acting Chief Justice of Andhra Pradesh High Court

Dharamnath Prasad Kohli was the founder Director of the CBI, India's Central Investigation Agency.[1][2] He held office from 1 April 1963 to 31 May 1968.

### Grammar

**PARTICIPLES:** A participle is a non-finite verb form that has some of the characteristics and functions of both verbs and adjectives.

Read the following sentence:

Hearing a loud noise, the boy woke up.

Here the word hearing qualifies the noun boy as an adjective does. It is formed from the verb hear and has an object – noise. The word hearing, therefore, has the properties of a verb and an adjective and is called a participle.

A participle is a word which is partly a verb and partly an adjective.

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## Decoding The Hindu Article

# Six pairs of trains likely to be shifted to Baiyappanahalli

These may include services from Yeshwantpur, Bangalore Cantt.

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After multiple delays, **South Western Railways (SWR)** has started drawing up plans to commission the **swanky**, fully air-conditioned **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Baiyappanahalli Station** (Baiyappanahalli Terminal). The first train from the terminal is likely to operate to Visakhapatnam. As per internal communications, SWR is also reportedly looking to shift six pairs of trains from Yeshwantpur and Bangalore **Cantonment** stations.

These may include services operated from Yeshwantpur to Tatanagar Junction and from Bangalore Cantonment to Bhubaneswar and Hatia. Passengers, who have already booked tickets will be notified about the change in the originating point via SMS.

However when contacted, the Divisional Railway Manager (DRM-Bengaluru) **Shyam**

**Singh** said that nothing has been finalised so far. "We have to assess operational feasibility and other parameters. When authorities concerned take a final decision the same thing will be communicated," he said, adding that barring passenger services, the terminal has been in use.

The Railways had initially planned to start commercial operations in March 2021, but the launch was delayed due to the pandemic. Poor connectivity was another reason for the delay. Though hundreds of crores was spent on the terminal itself, road infrastructure connecting it to other parts of the city was abysmal.

In January, an RoB was built to connect the terminal with Old Madras Road. Though the existing road network is not robust, it is believed it is sufficient to commence operations from the terminal, said officials. Bus connectivity from

Terminal to different locations is likely to play a crucial role in reducing the traffic connecting the terminal.

SWR plans to open three ticket counters out of seven counters, depute staff and operate the parking facility. Rail activists are demanding that the authorities open the terminal at the earliest. "Generally, projects get delayed in the planning stage and even in the execution stage. Sir MVT is a project that not only got delayed at both the planning and execution stages, but also because of the lack of road connectivity. It came up after the station was ready. It is very unfortunate that this asset has been unused all these months.

Utilising this station to its capacity will go a long way in enhancing much-needed short and long distance train services to and from Bengaluru," said Rajkumar Dugar from Citizens for Citizens.

## Vocabulary

Word	English Meaning	Hindi Meaning
Swanky	(Adjective): stylishly luxurious and expensive.	डोमिया
cantonment	(Noun): a military garrison or camp.	छािनी, सैयनिरि

## Static News

The South Western Railway is one of the 18 railway zones in India, headquartered at Hubballi in Karnataka State. SWR was created from carving out the routes from Southern Railways and South Central Railways in 2003

Sir Mokshagundam Srinivasa Shastry Vishveshwarayya, KCIE FASc, often referred by his initials, MV, was an Indian civil engineer, statesman and the 19th Diwan of Mysore, serving from 1912 to 1919

Sir M. Visveshwaraya Stn., Central College is a station in the Purple Line of the Namma Metro in Bangalore, India, opened to the public on 30 April 2016.

## Grammar

### GERUND VS PRESENT PARTICIPLE

Both gerunds and present participles look the same; they both are a progressive form of a verb. If you just look at them, you might not be able to tell the difference, but if you know how they function, there is no confusion as they are worlds apart.

So let me tell you the trick:

If an ing form of a verb (progressive) functions as a noun, it is a GERUND.

If it functions as an adjective (modifies a noun), it is a PRESENT PARTICIPLE or PRESENT PARTICIPLE ADJECTIVE.

If it functions as an action verb(modifies a noun), it is a PRESENT PARTICIPLE.



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## Decoding The Hindu Article

### Several meetings held before Budget was published

BENGALURU BUREAU  
BENGALURU

Without any fanfare or announcement, the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) uploaded the 2022-23 Budget on its website close to midnight on March 31. The budget was initially scheduled to be presented the previous day, but was called off at the last minute. What followed was extensive discussions with not just Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, who also holds the Finance and Bengaluru Development portfolios, but also Ministers R. Ashok and C.N. Ashwath Narayan as well as the city's BJP MLAs.

According to sources, civic officials had prepared a Budget with an outlay of around

₹9,000 crore. This was in line with the BBMP (Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management) Act, 2021. However, BJP MLAs took objection to the Budget and budgetary allocations, demanding higher allocations be made for development works. This, considering that polls to both the BBMP council and the Assembly are due. Added to the mix was the one-upmanship between the two factions of city MLAs - one led by Mr. Ashok and the other by Mr. Narayan, who were both reportedly trying to get more funds. After several rounds of discussions, the outlay was increased to ₹10,484.28 crore. Soon after this was finalised, the budget document was uploaded online af-

ter it received a green signal from the Chief Minister's office, civic officials said.

BBMP Chief Commissioner Gaurav Gupta said that the administrator Rakesh Singh, who is also Additional Chief Secretary of Urban Development Department, wanted the budget to be put on public domain as soon as it was finalised. To increase the outlay, the State government has given the BBMP a one-year exemption to the BBMP (Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management) Act, 2021.

The Opposition Congress has taken strong objection to this as the State government had notified the rules of the BBMP (FRBM) Act only weeks earlier. This government's move to exempt it from the

Act, the sole purpose of which was to bring in accountability and transparency in finance, has been criticised. Congress councillors said this would set a "bad precedent."

Questioning the exemption, M. Shivaraju, former Ruling Party Leader from Congress, said it was done with an eye on the polls. "The BJP government has failed the city and citizens. The inflated outlay belies the actual fiscal health of the civic body. As such, most of the development works will remain on paper," he said.

He alleged that civic officials had not consulted any Congress MLAs, former councillors and Mayors nor any civil society organisations.

## Vocabulary

Word	English Meaning	Hindi Meaning
Fanfare	(Noun): a short ceremonial tune or flourish played on brass instruments, typically to introduce something or someone important.	तुरी, नोंडा या ढुल की आंज
Outlay	(Noun): an amount of money spent on something.	खर्, लांति

### Static News

The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike is the administrative body responsible for civic amenities and some infrastructural assets of the Greater Bangalore metropolitan area. It is the fourth largest Municipal Corporation in India and is responsible for a population of 8.4 million in an area of 741 km<sup>2</sup>

Basavaraj Somappa Bommai is an Indian politician and engineer who is the current and 23rd Chief Minister of Karnataka. He is Member of Legislative Assembly in the legislature of Karnataka for Shiggaon, from where he has been elected three times since 2008. He is a member of the Bharatiya Janata Party.

Mr. Gaurav Gupta is an officer of the Indian Administrative Service of the 1990 batch borne on Karnataka cadre. Currently, Mr. Gupta is serving the Karnataka Government as Principal Secretary, Department of Information Technology, Biotechnology and Science & Technology.

### Grammar

**Stative verbs** are verbs that express a state rather than an action. They usually relate to thoughts, emotions, relationships, senses, states of being and measurements. Stative verbs can be recognized because they express a state rather than an action. They typically relate to thoughts, emotions, relationships, senses, states of being, and measurements. The best way to think about stative verbs is that they are verbs that describe things that are not actions. The stative verbs are all expressing a state: A state of doubting, a state of believing, a state of wanting. These states of being are often temporary.

EXAMPLE: The doctor disagrees with your analysis.

(Disagree is a stative verb here, as it describes the doctor's state of being – disagreement.)

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## Decoding The Hindu Article

# Davis Cup dates adjusted for Asiad

### GENERAL

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The **Davis Cup World Group** play-off ties will have a different set of dates for the Asian countries **owing** to the Asian Games scheduled to be staged in China in September.

Thanks to the **Asian Tennis Federation (ATF)** and the **All India Tennis Association (AITA)** taking up the subject with the **International Tennis Federation (ITF)**, the president of ITF, David Haggerty, has even agreed to consider the option of the

ten Asian countries getting the chance to host the ties.

To ensure the Asian countries fielding their best teams for both the Davis Cup and the Asian Games, the tennis event will be held in the second week of the Games from September 18.

The Davis Cup dates for the Asian countries will be September 14 and 15, so that they have a small window to travel to China after the ties. Originally, the Cup dates were 16, 17 and 18.

#### Norway tie at home?

Thus, India which has drawn Norway, has an opportunity

to host the tie at home, so that it is easier to travel to China.

After a lot of written communication, the president of ITF spoke to the life president of ATF and the vice president of ITF, **Anil Khanna**, conceding ground and accepting the suggestions in the best interest of both the events.

The referee for the Asian Games would also be requested to give a little more time for the players involved in the Davis Cup ties, so that they get to compete in singles, doubles as well as mixed doubles in the Games.

## Vocabulary

Word	English Meaning	Hindi Meaning
Owing to	(Phrase): because of or on account of.	िेतु से, कारण से

## Static News

The Davis Cup is the premier international team event in men's tennis. It is run by the International Tennis Federation and is contested annually between teams from competing countries in a knock-out format

The Asian Tennis Federation is a non-profit organization affiliated with the International Tennis Federation.

The All India Tennis Association (AITA) , is the governing body of tennis in India. It was established in 1920 and affiliated by International Tennis Federation and Asian Tennis Federation.

## Grammar

### The Story of "COMMA"

There are two situations. Observe the below two sentences:

1. The boy who stood first in the class gave a beautiful speech in the farewell.
2. The boy, who stood first in the class, gave a beautiful speech in the farewell.

Both of the above sentences are identical but the second sentence has comma and the first one doesn't. Both are correct. We use comma when the adjective clause (the highlighted text) doesn't specify its noun and just gives additional information. If we observe the first sentence, then the adjective clause specifies "the boy" and the same adjective clause in the second sentence gives additional information about "the boy".

"Who" is used for people. "Which" is used for things. "Whose" is used for people and things. For Example: Never go to a doctor whose office plants have died



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