

Biden uses trip abroad to confront China on climate, more

GLASGOW, NOV 3/--/Over five days abroad at two global summits, President Joe Biden showed a new willingness to openly confront China over climate change and its lack of leadership on the global stage.

Biden ended his time at the U.N. climate summit in Scotland on Tuesday by chastising Chinese President Xi Jinping for physically skipping the event and failing to make the level of commitments that roughly 100 other nations did to curb greenhouse gasses. Xi also avoided the earlier Group of 20 summit in Rome, allowing Biden to dominate the conversation as he met with his French, Italian, British and German counterparts.

"We showed up, and by showing up we've had a profound impact on the way I think the rest of the world is looking at the United States in its leadership role," Biden said at a Tuesday news conference wrapping up his trip abroad. Biden added that China had made a big mistake in bypassing the events because they've lost an ability to influence people around the world.

But Biden's global progress and willingness to challenge China a stance

that also was critical to the rise of his predecessor Donald Trump may be lost in the fog of domestic politics.

Biden jetted back to Washington to confront his deepest challenge yet as he struggles to pass 3 trillion in new government spending, including 555 billion to combat climate change. His poll numbers are flagging. The headwinds could worsen in Congress, where a wave of retirements bodes poorly for holding on to Democratic majorities in next year's elections.

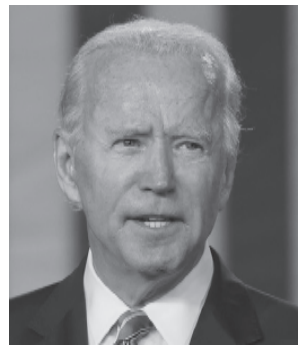
And another blow greeted his arrival: Republican Glenn Youngkin defeated Democrat Terry McAuliffe in the race for Virginia governor, an outcome widely thought to cast another shadow on the 2022 elections and reflect poorly on Biden's own agenda as well as his efforts to campaign for McAuliffe.

The president stressed that he wants to compete against China, rather than have conflict. But he also showed a new strategy of using climate as a cudgel against Beijing.

White House national security adviser Jake Sullivan told reporters during the trip that China has an obligation to step up

on climate and the U.S. will keep pressing Beijing. One tool might be economic penalties: Biden brokered a deal with the European Union to block dirty steel made possible by Chinese coal plants.

The president outlined his thinking by quoting his father at Tuesday's news



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conference. My dad had an expression. He said the only conflict worse than one that's intended is the one that's unintended, the president said, adding that he wants to make sure in an upcoming virtual meeting with Xi that there are no misunderstandings.

Biden was well-received on the world stage, where he shared backslaps, handshakes and elbow-bumps with global leaders across two major international summits, with

European Commission President Ursula von der Leyden referring to him as dear Joe. He scored victories on key priorities like a global minimum tax on corporations and boosted global commitments to combat climate change.

Biden insisted no world leaders had been pressing

rising threat from China.

As much as the five-day European trip was meant to promote Biden's message that America is back, it also was meant to highlight why he believes the U.S. must reengage with the world after four years of isolation. The president worked to forge new alliances and coalitions meant to contain Beijing from all sides, and on a host of economic, security and environmental issues.

Asked why American should commit to cutting emissions when China and Russia have not done likewise to the same degree a frequent complaint that his predecessor cited to justify withdrawing from the 2015 Paris climate accord Biden answered forcefully: Because we want to be able to breathe, and we want to be able to lead the world.

Biden issued a rare public mea culpa during the climate summit for America's step away from leadership on climate during the Trump administration. Those of us who are responsible for much of the deforestation and all of the problems we have so far, Biden said, have overwhelming obligations to the poorer nations that

him on the fate of the budget and climate legislation back in Washington and he expressed confidence in its passage. But members of his own party are growing impatient at the delays in settling intraparty conflicts over the matter.

Since he launched his presidential campaign in 2015, Biden has cast the 21st century as a generational struggle between democracies and autocracies principally the

account for few of the emissions yet are paying a price as the planet has grown hotter.

As for Trump's action, he said: I shouldn't apologize, but I do apologize for the fact the United States, the last administration, pulled out of the Paris accords and put us sort of behind the eight ball a little bit.

Biden also eased a trade war with Europe that threatened to raise prices on goods in the U.S. and harm American exports ranging from motorcycles to whiskey. The new agreement would still block Chinese steel production that is coal dependent and allow his administration to devote its focus to renewed trade talks with China, as Biden maintains Trump's pressures in a simmering economic conflict.

But the fundamental challenge between China and the U.S. on climate might be an incompatible set of world views. Biden sees the efforts to limit global warming as an opportunity to create jobs and boost economic growth as the U.S. becomes more innovative. He pronounced the next decade crucial for getting climate change under control. (AP)



A school girl flashes victory sign when receiving a dose of COVID-19 vaccine in Dhaka, of Bangladesh

COVID-19 cases rise in Europe for 5th consecutive week

GENEVA, NOV 3/--/The number of coronavirus cases has risen in Europe for the fifth consecutive week, making it the only world region where COVID-19 is still increasing, the World Health Organization reported Wednesday.

In its weekly report on the pandemic, the U.N. health agency said new cases jumped by 6%, or 3 million, in Europe compared to an 18% increase the previous week. The weekly number of new infections in other regions either fell or remained about the same, according to the report. The sharpest drops were seen in the Middle East, where new cases decreased by 12%, and in Southeast Asia and Africa, where they fell by 9%. The number of deaths from COVID-19 worldwide rose by 8%, driven mainly by Southeast Asia, where deaths spiked by 50%.

The coronavirus infection rate was by far

the highest in Europe, which reported about 192 new cases per 100,000 people, followed by the Americas, which had about 72 new cases per 100,000. While the Czech Republic, Poland and other countries in Central and Eastern Europe have reported recent infection spikes, the continuing rise in confirmed cases across Europe has been driven mostly by Britain, Russia, Turkey and Romania, the report showed.

Leading British medical authorities have called for the government to again require infection precautions such as mask-wearing and social distancing, but the government has insisted the health system can handle the increasing caseload.

Some scientists worry that waning immunity from vaccinations across Europe could allow even more people to fall ill from COVID-19 during the winter season.

WHO nevertheless has slammed rich countries for rolling out booster vaccine programs while the majority of poor countries have yet to administer shots to their most vulnerable populations; the agency said last week that about 1 million booster shots are administered every day, about three times the number of COVID-19 doses given in poor countries.

WHO said the easier-to-spread delta variant remains predominant worldwide and continues to mostly crowd out other variants; more than 99% of COVID-19 samples sequenced by an international database were the delta variant.

It said delta's spread has been slightly slower in some parts of South America, where other variants, including the mu variant, account for a large proportion of cases. (AP)

Roadside bomb targets Taliban, kills 2 in Afghanistan IS hub

KABUL, NOV 3/--/A roadside bomb struck a Taliban patrol in a stronghold of Islamic State militants in eastern Afghanistan on Wednesday, killing two people and wounding three, witnesses said.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility, but the attack bore the hallmarks of previous IS strikes against the Taliban. The two groups are bitter rivals, and IS has stepped up attacks since the Taliban takeover of Afghanistan in

August. Wednesday's bomb went off in the city of Jalalabad, the capital of Nangarhar province.

A Taliban district commander in the city confirmed the blast and said four Taliban fighters were wounded. The commander, who identified himself as Mubariz and like many Afghans goes by one name did not provide details about those killed in the attack, saying the investigation continues. (AP)

Pandemic, politics drive Xi's absence from global talks

BEIJING, NOV 3/--/Chinese President Xi Jinping has been absent from the Group of 20 summit in Rome and this week's global climate talks in Scotland, drawing criticism from US President Joe Biden and questions about China's commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

China is the world's biggest emitter of carbon dioxide and has pledged to begin reducing that output by 2030 and obtaining carbon neutrality by 2060. The US and others have urged Beijing to make bolder commitments, but Xi's administration has strongly implied those will only come in exchange for political concessions.

China has enforced tight travel restrictions during the coronavirus pandemic and Xi hasn't left the country since making a January 2020 trip to neighbouring Myanmar.

That was just weeks before the outbreak, believed to have originated in the Chinese city of Wuhan, spread worldwide. China has come under heavy pressure to reveal more information about the

origin of the pandemic and has been accused of mismanaging the outbreak and then seeking to cover up its mistakes.

China has also come under heavy criticism over its policies toward Muslims in its Xinjiang region and its crackdown on civil rights in Hong Kong. Like all Chinese leaders, Xi is extremely image conscious and his public appearances are carefully choreographed to avoid potentially confronting the US.

His formerly heavy travel schedule took him across continents, with first lady Peng Liyuan, an accomplished musician, on hand to add a bit of glamour and a human touch.

Those travels included trips to several African nations and a meeting with the former Japanese emperor in Tokyo. Xi rode in a gilded carriage with Britain's Queen Elizabeth and paid a visit to North Korea's capital that included a ride through city streets lined by tens of thousands of cheering citizens of the hard-line communist state.

Such travels have underscored China's more assertive foreign policy, as the world's second-largest economy seeks to exert its influence beyond East Asia with Xi's signature Belt and Road overseas infrastructure investment programme.

The president's decision not to attend the meetings in Rome and Glasgow seems at odds with that policy, although Xi isn't alone in staying away. Russian President Vladimir Putin, whose country has aligned with China in opposing US influence in world affairs, also remained at home.

"I think it's been a big mistake, quite frankly, for China, with respect to China not showing up," Biden said Monday at the COP26 climate conference in Glasgow.

"They've lost an ability to influence people around the world and all the people here at COP the same way, I would argue, with regard to Russia," Biden said.

Responding to Biden's remarks, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Wang Wenbin on Wednesday said China's

response to climate change is concrete" and pointed to recent achievements in reforestation and renewable energy.

Friction in bilateral relations is complicating cooperation on climate change between the two countries, said Shi Yinhong, professor of international relations at Beijing's Renmin University.

Biden has taken COP26 as an important occasion for China and the U.S. to compete for global influence, ideology and image," said Shi, who attributed Xi's absence from the meetings to China's zero tolerance" approach to dealing with the pandemic, which has been largely controlled within the country.

Despite not leaving China, Xi has remained in contact with foreign heads of state through virtual meetings, said Zhao Kejin, who teaches international relations at Beijing's Tsinghua University.

The US wants Chinese cooperation in responding to climate change, but Beijing is also looking for changes in US policy,

including its support for the self-governing island of Taiwan, which China claims as its own territory, Zhao said.

"This result was produced by the US failing to integrate ties with China into its overall multilateral relationships," Zhao said. (AP)

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NOTICE OF BOARD MEETING
NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company is scheduled to be held on Friday, 12th day of November, 2021 at 03:00 P.M. inter-alia to approve and take on record the financial results of the company for the quarter ended 30th day of September, 2021. For and on behalf of the Board of Directors, For Brahmanand Himghar Limited
PARIN MITTAL
Managing Director
Date : 03/11/2021 DIN: 07052211

APL METALS LIMITED		Extract of Unaudited Standalone Financial Results for the Quarter/Half Year ended 30th September, 2021 (in Lakhs except EPS)			
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Sl. No.	PARTICULARS	30.09.2021 (Unaudited)	30.09.2021 (Unaudited)	30.09.2020 (Audited)	31.03.2021 (Audited)
1	Total Income from Operation (Net)	16550.74	29935.37	17567.10	63362.18
2	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period before Tax and Exceptional Item	298.16	401.28	266.86	917.19
3	Exceptional Item	-	-	-	-
4	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period before tax	298.16	401.28	266.86	917.19
5	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax	223.12	300.29	199.70	671.89
6	Total Comprehensive Income/(Loss)	211.16	276.51	194.86	620.72
7	Equity Share Capital (Face Value - ₹10/- each)	1072.09	1072.09	1072.09	1072.09
8	Other Equity	-	-	-	943.85
9	Earning Per Equity Share of ₹10/- each - Rupees not annualised	2.08	2.08	1.86	6.27

Notes:
1. The above is an Extract of detailed format of Quarterly Financial Results of the Company filed to the Stock Exchange under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. Full Format of Quarterly Financial Results are available on the Website of the Company at www.aplmetals.com and on the website of the Stock Exchange at www.cse-india.com.
2. Previous Period figures have been regrouped / rearranged wherever necessary.
By Order of the Board For APL METALS LIMITED
Shri Sanjay Nandan Sahaya
Chairman & Managing Director
(DIN - 0019420)

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POSSESSION NOTICE
APPENDIX-IV
(For immovable property) Rule 8 (1)

Whereas,
The authorized officer of the Indusind Bank Ltd under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued Demand Notice dated 21st June 2021 calling upon the borrower- M/S ARHAM OPTICAL; MR. HEMANT BARBHAYA; MR. RAMESH CHANDRA BARBHAYA; MRS. HETAL BARBHAYA and MRS. KALPANA BARBHAYA to repay the amount mentioned in the said notice being Rs.4,17,39,590.67/- (Rupees Four Crores Seventeen Lakhs Thirty Nine Thousand Five Hundred Ninety and Paise Sixty Seven Only) together with further interest as mentioned against respective credit facility in the said notice from 01st June 2021 plus penal interest @18.75% p.a. (Simple Basis) plus costs, charges and expenses etc. within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
Further, it is on record that Indusind Bank Ltd. (IBL) the original creditor has assigned all its rights, title and interest of the entire outstanding debt lying against above referred borrowers/loan account along with underlying securities in favor of Omkara Assets Reconstruction Pvt. Ltd. acting as Trustee of Omkara PS 06/2021-22 Trust under the provisions of SARFAESI Act. The Authorized Officer of Omkara Assets Reconstruction Pvt. Ltd. (OARPL) a company incorporated under the provisions of Companies Act, 1956 and duly registered with Reserve Bank of India (RBI) as an Asset Reconstruction Company under section 3 of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 ("The SARFAESI Act, 2002") having CIN No. U67100T2014PTC020363 and its registered office at 9, M.P. Nagar, 1st Street, Kungu Nagar Extn, Triपुर - 641607 and corporate office at C/515, Kanakia Zillion, Junction of LBS Road and CST Road, BKC Annex Near Equinox, Kurla West, Mumbai - 400070, is herein acting in its capacity as a Trustee of "Omkara PS 06/2021-22 Trust".
Pursuant to the said assignment of debt/financial assets in favour of Omkara Assets Reconstruction Pvt. Ltd. (OARPL) has stepped into the shoes of Indusind Bank Ltd. (IBL) and has become entitled to recover the entire outstanding dues and enforce the security.
M/S ARHAM OPTICAL; MR. HEMANT BARBHAYA; MR. RAMESH CHANDRA BARBHAYA; MRS. HETAL BARBHAYA and MRS. KALPANA BARBHAYA, having failed to repay the amount, as per notice dated 21st June 2021 under section 13(2) of SARFAESI Act. The Authorized Officer of Omkara Assets Reconstruction Pvt. Ltd. duly appointed under sub-section (12) of section 13 of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 has taken possession of the following secured assets/ immovable/movable properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 the said [Act] read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 on this 29th of October 2021.
The Borrowers/Mortgagors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Omkara Assets Reconstruction Pvt Ltd acting as Trustee of Omkara PS 06/2021-22 Trust having corporate office at C/515, Kanakia Zillion, Junction of LBS Road and CST Road BKC Annex, Near Equinox, Kurla (West), Mumbai - 400070 for an amount of Rs.4,17,39,590.67/- (Rupees Four Crores Seventeen Lakhs Thirty Nine Thousand Five Hundred Ninety and Paise Sixty Seven Only) together with further interest as mentioned against respective credit facility in the said notice from 01st June 2021 plus penal interest @18.75% p.a. (Simple Basis) plus costs, charges and expenses etc. within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice till the date of payment and realisation.
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DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
All That the Unit No. 3B admeasuring Area about 2240 Sq.Ft. (Super Built up Area) (be the same a little more or Less) on the 3rd (third Floor) of the Building together with One Car Parking Space on the Ground Floor of the Building known as "NATORE" constructed at or upon the Plot of the Land measuring 14 Cottahs and 2 Chittacks lying and situated at Municipal Premises No. 6, Sarat Bose Road, Kolkata 700020 under P.S. Ballygunj under Municipal Ward No. 69 with the limits of Kolkata municipal Corporation, together with the undivided impartible Proportionate Share in the Land comprised in the said premises and also together with the proportionate share in the common parts, portions, areas, facilities and/or amenities comprised in the said building at the said premises.
*****The details and description of the property is more specifically described in the Deed No.4591 of the year 2006 in the name of Sri Ramesh Barbhaya and Sri Hemant Barbhaya.
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