## **Information Act**

NEW DELHI: The Right to Information Act, aimed at ensuring transparency in the functioning of the Central and State Governments, came into force on Wednesday. It will empower citizens to inspect official works, documents, records and extracts or certified copies of documents. — UNI

# Mahajan flays Advani

NEW DELHI: In a veiled criticism of outgoing party chief L.K. Advani, senior BJP leader Pramod Mahajan on Wednesday said discipline could be brought back to the party if all decisions were taken collectively. — PTI Page 18

## Gyanendra orders polls

KATHMANDU: Nepal King Gyanendra has directed the Election Commission to conduct parliamentary elections by April 2007. —

#### <sup>UNI</sup> **30 die in suicide attack**

BAGHDAD: A suicide attacker set off explosives outside an army recruitment centre in Iraq on Wednesday, killing at least 30 Iraqis. — AP Page 19

## IA to hike fares

NEW DELHI: Indian Airlines has decided to hike the domestic fares by 10 per cent from October 18, owing to surging prices of aviation turbine fuel. The economy class fare on the Delhi-Mumbai sector will go up by about Rs. 800, while the Delhi-Bangalore fare may go up by Rs. 1,200. — Special Correspondent

## One killed in Assam

**DIPHU:** One person was killed and 55 houses were set on fire in Mahandijowa village of Assam on Wednesday. — UNI