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NEWS CAPSULE

Rhino poaching

KAZIRANGA, April 22: A rhino carcass was recovered last evening at Kartika Chapor under Agarhatoli Range of the Kaziranga National Park. The horn was taken away by poachers who might have killed the rhino around three days back. — Correspondent

Suspended

DIPHU, April 22: Two government employees and a VDC member of Rongkhami Development Block were arrested by Hmarim police today on charges of corruption in an MNREGA scheme in West Karbi Anglong. — Correspondent

Surgeon General

WASHINGTON, April 22: US Surgeon General Vivek Murthy stepped down after he was asked to resign by the Trump admin as part of a move to appoint new leaders in key posts. — IANS

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Students of Sessa Tinai Maidumia High School planting saplings on the occasion of Earth Day on the school campus, near Dibrugarh on Saturday. — UB Photos

Over 100 killed in Afghanistan

MAZAR-I-SHARIF (Afghanistan), April 22: More than 100 Afghan soldiers were killed and wounded in a Taliban attack on an army base in northern Afghanistan, the defence ministry said today, the latest in a string of deadly assaults against Afghan military sites.

The ministry did not give a breakdown of the casualties in the hours-long attack near Mazar-i-Sharif on Friday.

The US military has said that "more than 50" Afghan soldiers were killed, while an Afghan army source who was

on the base at the time put the death toll as high as 150, with dozens more wounded.

"They entered the compound using two army trucks with machine guns on top of them. They opened fire on

Taliban attack on army base

condition of anonymity and adding that no civilians were killed.

Noorullah, a second officer injured in the attack, speculated the militants may have had "inside help", noting they had to pass through at least seven checkpoints before entering the compound.

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Elephant smuggling racket comes to fore

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Talks on Assam Accord on April 25

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, April 22: A tripartite talk among the Union government, Government of Assam and the All Assam Students' Union (AASU) on the issue of implementation of the Assam Accord would be held in New Delhi on April 25.

The discussion, to be held under the presidency of the Union Home Minister, would be participated by an AASU delegation, comprising its president Dipankar Kumar Nath, general secretary Lurinjyoti Gogoi and chief advisor Dr Samujal Bhattacharya and educational Basanta Deka.

"The burning issue of illegal migration to Assam must be solved through implementation of the Assam Accord. Despite 31 years of signing of the accord after a prolonged movement, the people of Assam are yet to find the solution to issues like border security, economic and Constitutional safeguard to the indigenous people of Assam and illegal influx. We hope this tripartite talk would find a concrete roadmap for addressing the grievances of the people of Assam," said the AASU general secretary.

1 held for death threat to Zubeen

DIBRUGARH, April 22: One person was arrested here today for allegedly giving a death threat to popular Assamese and Bollywood singer Zubeen Garg on the social media.

Tutul Baghali alias Kai Khapang had allegedly posted the message "will kill Zubeen" with a 9mm (pistol) from 10 m away, along with a photo showing him holding a pistol, on Facebook yesterday, ahead of Zubeen's event at a Bihu programme in Chowkidee here last night.

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Landslide in Arunachal: 3 labourers from Assam die

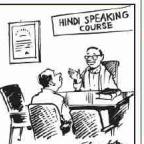
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ITANAGAR, April 22: In a tragic incident of landslide, three labourers from neighbouring state of Assam have lost their lives in a remote place in Arunachal Pradesh.

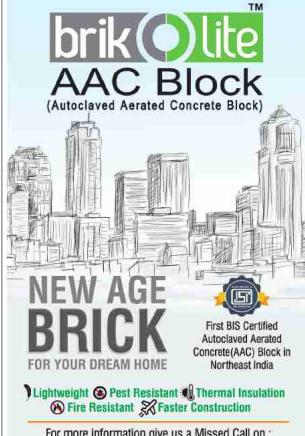
The deceased persons, identified as Nur Haque, 35, Saiful Islam, 40, and Alias Ali, 35, hailed from Assam's Lakhimpur district. They were buried alive when a retaining wall they were constructing at Hading-1 village under Palin in Kra Daudi district collapsed in the landslide.

Chief Minister Pema Khandu has expressed deep sense of shock and sorrow over the loss of lives and announced ex gratia relief to the next of kin of the deceased. He also appealed to the people to be cautious during the rainy season as Arunachal Pradesh is prone to natural catastrophes.

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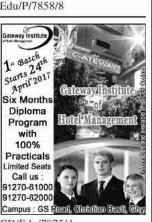
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SRINAGAR, April 22: Senior CPI(M) leader and legislator MY Tarigami today termed the PDP-BJP alliance in Jammu and Kashmir as "illegitimate" and asked the regional party to quit the coalition before it is too late.

"The PDP used to claim that its 'agenda of alliance' with the BJP is a sacred document. Is there anything sacred left in the 'agenda of alliance' now? In 2015, we had said it is an opportunistic alliance but now we also say it is an illegitimate alliance," Tarigami said in a statement.

"Before it is too late, the PDP should introspect and quit this disastrous alliance. Sooner the better," he added. - PTI

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Rheumatology consultation camp today

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, April 22: Naranya Superspeciality Hospital here is organising a free consultation camp on rheumatology on Sunday. Rheumatologist Dr Santosh Kumar Mandal from Naranya Superspeciality Hospital, Kolkata, will be present the screening and consultation camp for all types of rheumatic diseases.

The camp will be held from 11.30 am to 4 pm at Naranya Superspeciality Clinic located in Ulubari, Karibasti. People who have got very delicate and brittle bone structures can attend the camp by taking prior appointment.

Dist admin launches drive to clear drains



GMC workers engaged in cleaning drains at Ambari in Guwahati on Friday. — UB Photos

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, April 22: With intermittent rainfall and a persistent cloudy weather, raising fears of waterlogging in the city, the district administration has undertaken a drive to clean the drains on a war-footing.

Kamrup Metro Deputy Commissioner M Angamithu said cleaning of the drains has started in full swing.

"It has been observed that a good number of critical drainage network and systems are being encroached by individuals, etc,

by way of construction. We have started removing all such structures. GMC will do the needful," the DC said. He said any kind of structure blocking the drains will be evicted.

Officials in the administration said that severe waterlogging has been observed from Khanapara to Jorhat on National Highway 37 in recent times. "It is occurring only because of blockages of natural channels and several illegal encroachments along the highway on that stretch," they said.

The DC has directed the circle officers of Dispur and GMC to clean the drains on a war-footing.

He said the drive will cover the main arterial roads like GS Road, RG Baruah Road, VIP Road, etc.

In another order, the DC has directed the PWD to refurbish all the main roads in the city that are in depleted condition within May 15.

Sonapur to take necessary steps to clear the drains and remove the encroachments within April 30. The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has been directed to provide all logistic support to the drive, while police will ensure that law and order is maintained.

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Central Administrative Tribunal

Guwahati bench maintains high rate of disposal of cases

SANJOY RAY

GUWAHATI, April 22: The Guwahati bench of the Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) has maintained one of the best disposal rates of cases (disputes) in the last 10 years in the entire country.

Of the 3,653 cases filed between 2007 and 2016, the Guwahati bench of the CAT has managed to dispose of 3,643 of them, which is one of the highest rates of disposal in the country, meaning that the burden of pending is too high.

As on December 31, 2016, only 323 cases were shown as pending. The nature of cases that the CAT is mandated to deal includes disputes concerning Indian Administrative Service (IAS) and Indian Police Service (IPS) officers.

Records made available to this reporter suggest that the rate of disposal of cases/disputes in the Guwahati bench

has been almost cent per cent if the record in the last one decade is taken into account.

The CAT which came into being in 1985 is meant for adjudication of disputes with respect to recruitment and conditions of service of persons appointed to public services and posts in connection with the affairs of the Union or other local authorities in India or under the control of the Government of India.

Sources stated that despite shortage of staff, the Guwahati bench has been doing a commendable job unlike many other courts where the pending rate is too high.

In the Guwahati bench, the actual strength is 45 against the sanctioned strength of 54 which means the bench is short of 10 staff members including that of a member.

Sources also stressed that there was also a need to develop the infrastructure of the tribunal.

Civil Services Day

GUWAHATI, April 22: The Northeast Institute of Advanced Studies (NE-IAS) celebrated Civil Services Day on Friday on their Guwahati campus to motivate and boost the morale of civil service aspirants undergoing pre-examination training at the NE-IAS.

Speaking on the occasion, Nripen Sarma, director academics of Northeast-IAS, urged the aspirants to inculcate in themselves a good understanding of human values so as to become able administrators in future.

He also stated that Northeast Institute of Advanced Studies will offer free training to 100 talented youths of the State for UPSC/APSC Examination. "A

team also visited the Kunming Institute on Botany (KIB) Kunming with which the Gauhati University had signed an MoU in 2016.

At KIB Prof Janchu Xu welcomed the delegation and talked at length on recent research achievements and future scopes for collaboration. He encouraged the delegation from Assam to work with KIB scientists on ecology, agroforestry, edible mushroom research, etc.

Dr Baoming Fan, Professor of YMU and Hong Kong Baptist University and Deputy Director, Joint Laboratory of Traditional Natural Medicine also spoke on the occasion.

The delegation also visited the Renming University.

Novel released

GUWAHATI, April 22: *Aayoi*, a novel by architect and writer Tinkendrajit Saikia was released at a function in the auditorium of the Assam Film Finance Corporation Limited today.

A host of speakers including writer Anuradha Sarma Puji, sculptor Birin Singh, translator Bipul Deuri and senior journalist Mrinal Talukdar termed the novel a welcome addition to Assamese literature.

Written against the backdrop of the life of a village boy of Assam in a reputed architecture university outside the State, the novel – published by Banphool Prakashan – touches upon many facets of contemporary Assam and India including politics, social life, love and aspiration. – Staff Reporter

The newly-elected president of the two branches Rajeev Chankad and Sangeeta Agarwal took oath for the session 2017-18.

The ceremony was attended by Anand Prakash Tiwari, MD, ASTC and founder national president of All India Marwar Yuva Manch Pramod Saraf, and the present national vice-president Amit Agarwal, a press release said. – Staff Reporter

Oath-taking ceremony

GUWAHATI, April 22: The 40th oath-taking ceremony of Marwar Yuva Manch, Guwahati Branch, and the ninth of Pragya (ladies' wing) were held in the city today.

Newly-elected presidents of the two branches Rajeev Chankad and Sangeeta Agarwal took oath for the session 2017-18.

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Poster campaign

GUWAHATI, April 22: North East Diocesan Social Service Organisation (NEDSS), Guwahati, organised a poster campaign on environment with rickshawpullers of Guwahati city on Friday at Lal Singh Academy, Kharghuli. The objective of the campaign was to create awareness on environment protection.

Posters with messages were distributed among the rickshawpullers. Volunteers also went round corner shops, local establishments and general public distributing the posters which carried messages like 'Green Guwahati', 'Reduce Reuse Recycle', etc. – Staff Reporter

Search for missing woman

JALUKBARI, April 22: A search is under way for a 29-year-old woman of Andherjuli, Rani who went missing after she had gone to a nearby pharmacy. Seema Boro (29), a mother of two minor daughters, had left her home on April 17 around 2.30 pm to buy medicine and has been missing since then, said police sources. Her husband Govinda Boro who failed to trace her, lodged an FIR at the Azara Police Station today. – Correspondent

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— Harvey Firestone

The Assam Tribune

Holistic development

That in recent days the Brahmaputra river-system has been in focus would be welcomed by the people. There are two aspects to the concern – hazard management and resource-development. Far from being antagonistic, these complement each other and any plans for harnessing the mammoth river-system should embrace both. It is unfortunate that since independence endeavours associated with the Brahmaputra have been undertaken based upon inadequate data. Thus the very first requirement is sustained scientific study of the river, its flow regime, conveyance capacity, navigability etc. It is also an unfortunate fact that attempts to harness the river system, far from being holistic and plan-based, have been undertaken in a piece-meal way, with the result that despite thousands of crores having been spent, hazards like floods and erosion continue unabated while resource utilization remains at a rudimentary stage. This is precisely why, before undertaking further costly measures, a broad-based plan based upon the latest data, for holistic development of the river-system taking into consideration the hazard management and resource utilization aspects, has to be mapped out. Enough money has been literally thrown into the Brahmaputra on ill-conceived measures which have not alleviated the suffering of the people. Needless to add that such a broad-based plan should be worked out by hydrologists and river-management experts and not by politicians and bureaucrats!

It is in this context that media reports informing about the start of processing for the first phase of the World Bank funded Rs. 1000 crore infrastructural development project by the Inland Water Transport Directorate (IWTD), must be viewed. That the project envisages a study on the natural flow channel of the river and impact of the project on the riparian people and the river bio-diversity is a laudable step. The broad contours of the project are stated to be a long term strategic plan for institutional and capacity development and improvement of passenger ferry services. However, placing merely the broad contours in the public domain through the media is not enough, and the specific and finer points too need to be brought to the attention of the people. They must also be made aware of the qualifications of the experts responsible for planning out the project as also whether it has been taken in isolation or synchronized with any hazard-management schemes the State Government or the Centre might have framed. It may be recalled that the cutting of the Brahmaputra-Ganges link after the India-Pakistan war had spelled doom for the once flourishing inland waterways and today the Brahmaputra lies barren and utilized. But currently the prospect of reopening of the river passage to the west has created enormous new opportunities and the IWTD must avail of these.

Developing Batadrava

Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal's emphasis on developing Batadrava, the birth place of the great 15th-century saint-reformer, Srimanta Sankaradeva, as a religio-cultural destination is appreciable. Showcasing Batadrava before a wider audience will also be a fitting tribute to the saint whose contributions towards building an equitable and secular social order in Assam is second to none. What the State Government, the Tourism Department in particular needs to do is to prepare a broad roadmap encompassing the diverse aspects to be promoted at Batadrava. The birthplace of Sankaradeva can also be turned into a centre for study and research on Sankaradeva, his works, the values he stood for, and the egalitarian culture he promoted. While creating the required tourism infrastructure at Batadrava, efforts need to be directed towards engaging the local communities so that they became active stakeholders in tourism promotion. More than anything else, it's the lack of proper roads and comfortable accommodations that hinders tourist flow to places of tourist interest. Sadly, our government authorities seem to be blind to this sine qua non for tourism promotion. The condition of the roads linking many of our well-known destinations such as Manas National Park remains in a state of perennial disrepair. Even the road connecting Pobitora Wildlife Sanctuary with State capital Guwahati has been in a bad shape for quite some time. Unless these basic issues are taken care of, the Government's rhetoric on showcasing Assam as a vibrant tourist attraction will remain mere lip service. In spite of the State's inherent potential, tourism continues to be at a nascent stage in Assam. This is largely attributable to the absence of a well-planned and sustained effort towards harnessing its potential. Given the State's endowments in the form of pristine forests and exotic wildlife, cascading rivers and verdant vales, and a uniquely diverse and vibrant ethnic culture and heritage, Assam ought to have figured prominently in the list of global destinations. Regrettably, the absence of a vision, coupled with poor planning and execution, remains a persisting stumbling block in realizing the tourism prospects.

The Assam Tribune

From THE PAST

**Anti-Chinese Riots
In Indonesia**

JAKARTA, April 22: Indonesian troops and police using armoured cars today blocked off the Chinatown and other business centres in Jakarta after hundreds of young Indonesians had run wild destroying Chinese property.

Youths armed with crow bars, bicycle chains and molotov cocktails, marched to the Embassy of the Peoples Republic of China for retaliatory action against the Chinese merchants who staged an anti-Government demonstration on Thursday.

Troops in armoured cars prevented them from forcing their way into the barred and bolted Embassy buildings.

The youths then turned on Chinese owned cars, motorcycles and scooters in streets close to the Embassy, set fire to some and pushed others into a nearby canal.

Chinese citizens who refused to stop their vehicles for destruction were punched and kicked. Many had to be rescued by the troops.

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 1967

Bangladesh: rising hub of the jihadists

■ Dr Makhann Saikia

Bangladesh is fast turning into a "jihadist haven". It is losing its secular and cosmopolitan culture. The foreign radical Islamic groups such as the Islamic State (IS) and al Qaeda are gaining grounds in the country. Why the sudden spurt in jihadist violence in Bangladesh? The reasons are not far to seek. Obviously, there are two main aspects which potentially contribute to the recent rise of Islamic extremism in the country. Firstly, the execution of both Salahuddin Quader Chowdhury, a senior opposition leader and former minister in Khalida Zia Government and Ali Ahsan Mohammad Mujahid of the Jamaat-i-Islami, who were involved in war crimes, particularly killing of the Hindus, during the war of independence in 1971, had set the tone for mass violence across the nation. As both of them were awarded death sentence by a controversial domestic war crimes tribunal, the rage against the current Government was gradually spreading. Besides, the arrests of thousands of people belonging to various religious organizations have fuelled the situation wherein the extremist elements took the centre stage. Indeed, many say that Sheikh Hasina Government has been selectively targeting political opponents and those who are raising voices against her establishment for long. Even to a great extent, the rising extremist violence is also an indication that it is just the beginning and Bangladesh may soon witness

the radical organizations have demonstrated their prowess more than anyone else in the past. Therefore, they are, particularly the IS is always getting foreign recruits who are committed to carry out lone attacks wherever possible against their targeted enemies.

However, an element of terrorism was very much there in the country, when it was a part of Pakista and a part of undivided India. During the 17th century, this region

The massive growth of the madrasas funded by the Saudis can easily bring in radical organizations such as the Islamic State (IS) and the al Qaeda. These organizations look for easy targets who could be rightly motivated to fight. With globalization of information and communication technologies, poor, unemployed, backward and socially alienated youths can be inspired to take up arms in the name of 'global jihad'.

was known as a "House of turbulence" to the great Mughal emperors. And during the colonial era, most of the terrorist activities against the British Empire were launched from this part of Bengal only. Finally, after India's partition and later when East Pakistan wanted to cede away from the mainland Pakistan, it was all with the help of a violent and militaristic brand of Bengali nationalism that gave birth to

Bangladesh. Thus, violence has remained as a part of the history of the nation.

But then the current rise of Islamists radicals can nowhere be compared to the earlier saga of violence. The way the IS and al Qaeda spread hatred and violence just go against all ethos of civilized societies of today. The IS has offered a new dimension to radical Salafism and Islamism. Starting from the last year's terror incident in Dhaka city where the Islamists targeted the foreigners, this March the country has witnessed the first indiscriminate suicide attack on civilians. It is on the rise. It is fast spreading towards the north eastern city of Sylhet to the southern city of Chittagong and mostly to each part of the country, despite consistent counter-terror efforts by the Government.

The IS which is fast encountering reverses in Syria and in Iraq are spreading its tentacles towards safe places like Bangladesh. The declaration of the caliphate though claimed to be a universal act by the IS, yet some of the Islamic scholars questioned the outfit's way of functioning and the way it has been demanding allegiance of all Muslims towards its leader. However, the establishment of the caliphate in Iraq and the subsequent occupation of huge territories by the IS has bolstered its strength and popularity. And this has affected many more disenchanted young people such as the ones who took up the cause of global jihad in Bangladesh.

Therefore, the Government's counter-terror campaign has to go a long way beyond what it is doing today. By now the Government and its various agencies are successful in motivating people to report about the movements of suspected militants across the country. But the saddest part is that the Government's appeasement policy towards hardcore religious groups like Hefazat-e-Islam continues till date even after repeated terror attacks in and around the country. Also, the Government has yet to accept the fact that foreign jihadists are at work within the country. It should stop thinking that the recent militant attacks are very much homegrown. Unfortunately many of the top brass leaders of the Hefazat-e-Islam are no other than the former radicals belonging to the country's first openly formed Islamist outfit called Harkat-ul-Jihad-al-Islami (Huji). Hasina Government's inaction may be suicidal as the Islamist web is almost engulfing the country.

Finally, there is no gainsaying that an ultimate battle against the bloody jihadism can be rightly checked in the large numbers of madrasas that have grown across Bangladesh. The Government must take a serious look at these educational institutions as they continuously attract poor youths from various parts of the country who could be easily indoctrinated.

Remittances

■ Geetima Das Krishna

India's external fundamentals remain stable despite the Balance of Payments (BoP) turning negative in Q3 FY17 (October 16 to December 16) quarter. The US election, Fed rate hike, FCNR (foreign currency non-resident deposits) redemptions and demonetisation led to large capital outflows in that quarter. The net portfolio outflows at \$11.3 bn was larger than that witnessed during the Taper Tantrum of 2013 or Global Financial Crisis of 2008. Despite such large outflows, the overall capital account remained positive. However, the portfolio flows have already recovered since the start of the calendar year. India's current account deficit (CAD) is expected to widen to a still sustainable level of 1.7% of GDP in FY2017 from 0.5% in FY2016.

Among all these details on external factors, it is surprising that nobody is talking about the secular slowdown of remittance flows since 2015. Remittances are money that migrant workers send back to their home country.

According to World Bank report, total remittances in 2016 by migrant workers from developing nations, to their parent countries were a massive \$442 billion – three times the size of the total development aid money. India has been the top recipient of remittance flows among developing economies since 2002. Remittances to India declined by 2.1 percent in 2015, to \$68.9 billion – marking the first decline since 2009.

The World Bank estimates it to decline by another 5 percent in 2016. The latest BoP data for Q3 FY2017 quarter shows that remittances slowed to \$13.9 bn, the levels last seen in 2011 from the peak of \$16 bn per quarter till September 2015. Despite this, India will retain its topmost place by a small margin ahead of China accounting for about 14% of total remittance flows to the developing countries.

Based on RBI Survey, the sources of remittances in India broadly reveal the migration pattern, skill content of the migrants and the earning levels. Prior to the IT & BPO revolution of 1999, larger share of India's remittance earnings was from unskilled and semi-skilled workers in Gulf countries as

most of them had temporary employment and remitted their earnings home while migrants to the US, Canada and UK had secure jobs and came from families that needed less support. From 1997 onwards, IT and software related short-term work assignments attracted Indians across the globe contributing to an increase in the remittances to North America. These two regions account for about 70 percent of India's remittance flows.

World Bank reports that UAE, USA and Saudi Arabia are the top three countries sending remittances to India. Indian coastal state of Kerala receives about 40% of total remittance inflows to India, followed by Punjab and Tamil Nadu with a share of around 12 and 13% respectively. If Kerala was considered as a country, it would be the top remittance dependent economy in the world with remittances accounting for about 35% of State GDP.

Slowdown of remittances can have a serious ramification. Remittances are important and stable source of foreign earnings for India. In FY 2016–17, remittances, at 3% of GDP and 18% of reserves, covered nearly 48% of India's merchandise trade deficit. It was twice as large as our oil import bills halved, inflation softened and fiscal deficit narrowed with lower subsidy bill. On the other hand, lower oil prices hurt economic activities and employment in the Gulf countries. Indian immigrants in those countries lost jobs and had to return home. The labour market 'nationalization' policies in Saudi Arabia also impacted Indian workers. As a result, remittances from the GCC countries dwindled. Kerala, with large part of its immigrant population in GCC countries, is worst hit by this slowdown.

There is a need to put in place the infrastructure required to attract these flows by including all the post offices in the electronic clearing and settlement systems as banking facilities in remote villages are still poor. Other measures like reducing migration costs, recruitment costs for low-skilled temporary workers, improving banking penetration in rural India, increasing financial literacy and using innovative technology for cross-border payment transfer are necessary for lowering cost of remittances. Indian diaspora is one of its biggest strength who have always responded generously to times of national need. The World Bank had recommended floating diaspora bonds in order to tap into their large savings. These bonds can be used to fund many of the government's campaigns like low cost housing, rural electrification etc. With government facing fiscal constraints, this will help increase public investment.

Remittances have both economic and social implications. It is time for policy makers to understand the direct and indirect impact of remittances on wealth creation, inequality-poverty reduction and human development.

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a role in placing Kerala at a high Human Development Index (HDI) rank, at par with that of developed nations, despite considerable unemployment and a negligible industrial base. Moreover, the Crisis prosperity index puts Kerala in the second position, next to Punjab. Interestingly, remittances and oil prices are positively related. Being a large oil importer, India benefited massively as oil prices declined sharply – our oil import bills halved, inflation softened and fiscal deficit narrowed with lower subsidy bill. On the other hand, lower oil prices hurt economic activities and employment in the Gulf countries. Indian immigrants in those countries lost jobs and had to return home. The labour market 'nationalization' policies in Saudi Arabia also impacted Indian workers. As a result, remittances from the GCC countries dwindled. Kerala, with large part of its immigrant population in GCC countries, is worst hit by this slowdown.

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Voices of the WEEK



Courtesy: THE HINDU

"We all know GST will be implemented from this financial year. It is difficult to say right now what kind of tax collection, especially sales tax collection, can be expected after that." — HIMANTA BISWA SARMA, State Finance Minister

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"This is a very bold and historic decision by the Prime Minister... with the 'red beacons gone, the great divide between VIP and common commuters on the road will disappear forever." — PEMA KHANDU, Chief Minister, Arunachal Pradesh

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"The government is not imposing Hindi on anyone. We are only creating awareness and we have a constitutional mandate to promote Rashtrabhasha." — M VENKAIAH NAIDU, Union Minister for Information and Broadcasting

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"We will bring in a legal framework by which if a doctor writes a prescription, he has to write in it that it will be enough for patients to buy generic medicine and he need not buy any other medicine." — NARENDRA MODI, Prime Minister, India

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"Priyanka is an asset to Congress... we need to make our party so big and vibrant that every person who believes in Congress ideology is given space to work." — GAURAV GOGOI, MP, Congress

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"God bless everyone. I'm not a Muslim and I have to be woken up by the Azan in the morning. When will this forced religiousness end in India?" — SONU NIGAM, singer

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"I am ready to face whatever punishment it takes for construction of a temple at Ayodhya or be it on the issue of cleaning of the Ganga, the Tricolour or the cow." — UMA BHARATI, Union Minister

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"I want fans to stop boozing me because I always give my best and even when I don't score I try to help Real Madrid." — CRISTIANO RONALDO, footballer

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"I believe that projecting a face is important for the Congress in current political situation. We have to strengthen the organisation." — JYOTIRADITYA SCINDIA, senior Congress leader

Ways of bureaucracy

the sewage treatment plant on the city outskirts to be turned into humus and nitrogen rich organic manure suitable for ornamental and rock gardens. An indignant letter is shot off to the municipal corporation authorities and pat comes the reply — "Inconvenience caused is regretted."

A telephone on which quarterly rental, demand caution deposits and inflated bills for lighting ISD calls made to one's Eskimo friends in Greenland and Alaska have been paid up to date goes dead during a life-and-death emergency and an an-

gracious complaint is sent off to the telephone department and to be sure, like a dutiful homing pigeon returning to its roost comes the reply — "Inconvenience caused is regretted."

I think we are justified in thinking that the phrase "Inconvenience caused is regretted" is codified and gazetted in the Government's Rules of Business and Manuals of Procedure and that facility and proficiency in its use is pre-requisite for accelerated promotion to the selection grade and super time posts of All-India Administrative Services.

Of course, the bureaucrats, once in a blue moon to be sure "deeply" regret the inconvenience caused which, I suppose is a sop and a consolation of sorts.

A complainant certainly does not expect an orgy of contrition and the ash and sack cloth. All he expects is a fair and expeditious enquiry into the substance of his grievance. Instead the mindless mandarins in their ivory towers try to fob him off with long-winded words cleverly strung together to form an enigmatic sentence which epitomizes bureaucratic finality and against which there is no appeal.

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Architect's solution to Bharalu flooding

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, April 22: Here is a new idea for solving the city's vexed problem of flash flood in the Bharalu Basin. Flooding by the Bharalu can be effectively addressed by creating a polder or reservoir along the Brahmaputra riverfront in the city between Kalipur-Kamakhya and Sukreswar points and encircling the existing natural curve. This is the observation made by city-based architect Ritwick Hazarika.

The areas recovered through reclamation along the bank of the mighty river can be used to create a large reservoir, or polder for flood management of the Bharalu. This may also help in creation of a large area for riverfront development, said the architect.

He suggested that the Mahatma Gandhi Road may be realigned along this embankment



creating a large promenade and riverfront development area. This will be a unique solution combining the creation of the Brahmaputra riverfront with a flood management feature for the Bharalu, he said.

This feature will enhance the capacity of the Bharalu and it will, in the long run, manage the overflow from Bharalu for 24 hours to 36 hours. This will effectively address the problem of rain-induced flash flood in the Bharalu Basin of the city. However, the embankment, or polder created for the purpose, will not affect the channel width of the Brahmaputra as its width remains within the 1.1 km range between Kamakhya and Sukreswar, he maintained.

He asserted that the reclaimed area with the polder is within the natural curve created in the southern bank of the river.

Importance of PR as profession underlined

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, April 22: The Dr Bhupen Hazarika Centre for Mass Communication and Journalism (BCMJ), Cotton College, observed National Public Relations Day by holding an interactive meet on Friday.

The event was attended by the students and alumni of the centre, who specialise in advertising and public relations. The session highlighted the significance of the day and also the importance of public relations as a profession and its ever-expanding opportunities in today's world.

At the start of the meet, a message received from AS Tapader, founder director of Unity Education Foundation (UEF) was read out. Tapader expressed the hope that the meet would enable the students to shine in the field of public relations in the coming days.

The meet was organised by BCMJ in collaboration with PR convergence group Leap-PR and Tangent PR agency, and supported by UEF.

Anubhuti Dua Baruah, Dhriti Haloi and Aranya Jyoti Das who are emerging with promise in different public relation-related activities in different sectors,

Maneka visits Ujala Gruha

GUWAHATI, April 22: Maneka Gandhi, Union Minister for Women and Child Development visited 'Ujala Gruha' of the Global Organisation for Life Development (GOLD), here on Friday.

She interacted with the inmates of the shelter house and inquired about their needs and the training they have undergone. She praised their handicraft and also activities of GOLD. She also advised the director of the State Social Welfare Department to train the inmates of GOLD under CSR so that they can be employed under different companies, hotels, malls etc., to check the trafficking of women and girl children. This was stated in a press release issued by Kaveri Sarma, general secretary of GOLD.

Man missing

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, April 22: Dharan Basor, an employee of Malignon Railway Hospital, has been missing since December 15 last year. He went missing after he had gone to Bihar on that day. The aggrieved family has filed a police case in this regard.

Talk

GUWAHATI, April 22: Hiramoni Sarma from Bunkl Lockhart Plc, Theale, Berkshire, United Kingdom, will deliver a talk on how to get the dream job at the Sundersen Hall, Cotton College State University campus at 10.30 am on April 24, stated a press release here.

Conference

GUWAHATI, April 22: The 34th biennial general conference of Assam Engineering Service Association (AESAA) will be held tomorrow April 22-29, which will include an eye camp in the neighbouring village; distribution of bicycles to the students of 40 schools around the refinery, literary and cultural competitions in nearby schools , blood donation drive, etc.

NRL foundation day

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, April 22: The Numaligarh Refinery Limited (NRL) observed its 25th foundation day today. It was on this day that the company was established in 1993.

NRL Managing Director P Padmanabhan unfurled the NRL flag at NRL Corporate Office, Guwahati, in the presence of Sr. GM (HR) NRI, A K Bhattacharya, GM (Mktg & BD) NRI, B Eka, employees, associates and contract workers present.

He also planted a sapling on the corporate office campus to mark the occasion. In his address to the employees, he ex-

pressed pride at being a part of an organisation like NRL. However, he added that the company would remain relevant only if it continues to uplift the society around. Business success apart, compassion and concern for the people are what will make NRL sustain in the long run, he said.

In order to mark the silver jubilee year, celebrations have been planned for the week between April 22-29, which will include an eye camp in the neighbouring village; distribution of bicycles to the students of 40 schools around the refinery, literary and cultural competitions in nearby schools , blood donation drive, etc.

Journalists, kin attend OPD clinic at Press Club

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, April 22: The Saturday evening OPD clinic at the Guwahati Press Club was conducted by four senior homeopathic physicians namely Dr SK Das, Dr Susanta Malakar, Dr Gayatri Dutta Barua and Dr Ramamand Gupta.

More than 35 individuals, including journalists and their families, participated in the camp and also availed the opportunity to have their blood pressure and blood sugar checked.

Open for the members of the Press Club along with their dependants, the camp was assisted by Manish Bhattacharya.

The next OPD on April 29 will be conducted by Dr Debajit Basumatary. Dr A Vinutha. She will also deliver a talk on various women-related ailments at the Press Club prior to the camp, a statement said.



The OPD clinic in progress. - AT photo

BJP resorting to 'anti-people', 'pro-corporate' policies: APCC

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, April 22: The Assam Pradesh Congress Committee (APCC) today came down heavily on the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) accusing it of resorting to "anti-people" and "pro-corporate" policies and pushing crores of educated unemployed youths to an uncertain future.

APCC spokesman Apurje Bhattacharya told *The Assam Tribune* here today that like in its first term in power at the Centre, the BJP has now resorted to its pet game of job shrinkage, in a country where droves of job seekers are exposed to uncertainties. The BJP-led Government came to power at the Centre with the assurance of providing jobs to two crores of educated unemployed people every year. It

provided jobs to around 3.5 lakh job seekers during the past three years and now has announced that it would abolish all the vacant posts of the Central Government departments and Central Public Sector Undertakings like it had done in its first term in power in the Central Government.

The latest decision of the Union Cabinet in this regard is nothing but a serious blow to the around 20 crore educated youths of below 35 years. Most of these youths voted for the BJP and its allies in 2014 Lok Sabha elections and in the elections to the State Assemblies subsequently. But in return, the BJP has now provided them with a rude shock, the APCC spokesman said.

He demanded immediate

revocation of the above decision and made an appeal to the students and youth organisations of the State to raise their voices against it.

"The real face of the BJP is getting exposed with every passing day. It is becoming clear that the BJP resembles the tiger of the fable, which was debilitated by old age and was sitting by a lake with the motive of a golden bangle in its hand," APCC spokesman said.

Organisational poll: The All India Congress Committee (AICC) has announced the schedule for the organisational election of the party. As per the schedule, the process for membership enrollment will come to an end by May 15 next.

The APCC will hold a

meeting at a meeting held at 11 am of April 29 at the Manabendra Sarma Bhawan, Dispur.

At the function, the newly appointed APCC office-bearers, executive committee members and the new district presidents of the party will also assume their offices, said the party in a statement here today.

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Karbi bodies carry out nude protest

CORRESPONDENT

DIPHU, April 22: As many as 24 Karbi bodies comprising UKSA, NNRKAA, SSIC, KARAA, RNSU, DSU, KNA, KFA, KSYA, PPF, KASDO, UHDO, KAHTSCA, GGKSA, NKSA, TKS, LKSA, SKSA, GKSA, JKS, DKS, Bangalore Karbi Society, Biswanath Chariali Karbi Students Association jointly launched a nude demonstration at Diphu town on Friday, demanding fresh electoral roll to be prepared by Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council before elections.

It may be mentioned here that hundred youths took out a nude procession starting from Karbi Club around 12.30 pm taking banners and placards and shouting slogans, the protest demonstration covered almost two kilometres through the stadium road of Diphu town. A large police and paramilitary contingent led by the Additional Superintendent of Police obstructed them and put a cordon round the unclothed group.

Later, police and a magistrate of Karbi Anglong Deputy Commissioner's office came followed them to put-on bare minimum clothes and steadily pushed back the ex-

ited group after almost 1.5 hours naked revelation.

As per their demands, the Act and rules for the conduct of council election have not been made and because of the obsolete and defective rules of 1951 are still used by the Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council (KAAC) and the State Government. The protesters claimed that the non tribal immigrants have taken away the political power of the schedule tribes, guaranteed by the Constitution of India. Hence, the sixth schedule tribes who were covered with protective law are now politically naked, hence this naked demonstration.

They also alleged that due to disobedience and dilution of the provisions of the Sixth Schedule, all government funds for development, government job, land, trade and commerce reserved by the sixth schedule under paragraph 20 have been snatched away by the illegal Bongos Sena and foreigners and as a result, the tribal people in the rural areas have been reduced to abject poverty. The tribal people living in the urban areas are rapidly becoming poor and they will have no clothes to wear, hence this naked demonstration, the another protester said.

They further alleged of corrupting of public fund sanctioned for development by the KAAC body led BJP and as well as State Government.

It needs to be mentioned that the demands basically has stipulated for the modification of the existing Assam Autonomous District Council (Constitution of District Council Rules) 1951 which actually came to existence in accordance to an executive order no TDA/R/23/51 dated October 15, 1951. According to the order passed by Tribal Affairs Department of Assam Government mentioning that the Governor of Assam shall make rule for the first seating of the then Karbi Anglong District Council and subsequently the elected members of the District Council will make rule for the statutory body themselves.

The whole matter has been described well in the para-2 and sub Para 6 of the Constitution of District Council Rules. It is quite outlandish to imagine that the present Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council which has customized itself into present higher category in its 66 years journey is till following the same executive order and has not amended its own constitution.



A cultural procession being taken out to mark the Birangana Sati Sadhani Divas at Golaghat, on Friday. - UB Photos

Khongjom Day programme at Hojai today

GUWAHATI, April 22: The Manipuri National Council (MNC), Hojai District Committee is going to observe the 126th Khongjom Day on April 23 at Geeta Mandir, Hojai, a press release stated.

The day-long programme will begin with flag hoisting at 8.30 am which will be followed by paying of floral tributes to the martyrs of Khongjom War 1961 and a seminar on the topic 'Rights and Movements of Manipuris in Assam'. The seminar will be chaired by Prof W Joykumar Singh of ADP College, Nagaon and the inaugural lecture will be delivered by Dr Albencha, Assistant Professor, Assam University Diphu Campus; Dr Hawaham Heroit, Dr Abelchum Rishikesh, Dr Serum Ani, Ksh. Singhajit and Dijamani Sarma will present papers on the relevant issues of the topic. The day-long programme would conclude with the open session which would be presided over by L Biswajit, president MNC, Hojai District and Colonel Tensu Ram Gobal (Retd) will grace it as the chief guest. Eminent scholars N Bidy and W Joybahn will deliver special lectures on the topic of Khongjom War, the release added.

Unique *husori* presentation by students

CORRESPONDENT

DERGAON, April 22: Although *husori* is not a new dance form for the people of Assam, yet there are some experiments going on in this regard. One such laudable effort is the *husori* presented by the students of Missionary Khumka School in Golaghat district, 10 km off Dergaon town.

According to information, 50 students from Class V to VIII of the school formed a *husori* troupe to present Bihu dance in the nearby houses. But since most of the students come from the tea tribe community of local Doria TE, the students decided to incorporate the traditional *jhoomer* dance into the *husori*. Finally, the *husori* consisted of Bihu naam, Bihu dance and *jhoomer*.

Although it was just an innovation on the part of the students, it turned out to be a good model of community *husori*. The troupe presented its performance in front of the guardians of tea tribe and the Assamese communities.

Members of both the communities welcomed the *husori* and enjoyed the same. They praised the innovative efforts of the students.

On being contacted, the HM of the school, Arun Bikash Barua opined that he allowed the students to do so as they wanted to give their best. The HM further revealed that the funds so collected will be spent for the welfare works of the students. He also praised the effort of the students and the support extended to the *husori* troupe by the community members. The villagers expressed their satisfaction over the *husori* presentation by the students.

Organic farming begins in Kaziranga areas

CORRESPONDENT

KAZIRANGA, April 22: The dream of turning the north-eastern region into a full-fledged organic hub, which was actually the brainchild of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, would see the light of the day soon in parts of Assam including, Golaghat and Kaziranga along with other States of North-East India.

Informing this, Pradip Gogoi, an official of State Agricultural Department of Bakokhata, told this correspondent that to turn a vast area of agricultural occupation into organic farming under the GOI scheme 'Mission for Organic Value Chain Development' (MOVCD), the State Agricultural Department had selected Kaziranga Dagaon area, Moharpa area and number 2 Kohora village where different varieties of *bao paddy*, *momoiom singha*, *amona*, *deori* and *bethi* were supplied to farmers free of cost. Similarly, a turmeric variety viz., *labodang* had also been supplied to the farmers without charging any fee. Commonly *bao rice* is called deep water paddy and is also known as red

rice worldwide.

Meanwhile before sowing the seeds, the State Agricultural department had also arranged tractors for the farmers free of cost for preparing the fields.

Under the MOVCD scheme, ten kgs of seeds per one bigha of land had been distributed among the interested farmers. Till now progress of work is encouraging as it has covered about 300 bighas of cultivable land in Kaziranga. More than 40 per cent seeds have been distributed and remaining seeds would be distributed soon after the completion of repuddling of agricultural land. It is worth mentioning that due to rainy condition during the last part of March and the first few days of April, the seed sowing in some parts of Golaghat district got delayed. Agricultural official Gogoi also informed that within a short period of time they would be able to make up the losses of number of farming days without any difficulty.

Gogoi added that to prepare the farmers for proper and scientific application of organic bio-fertilizer, a demonstration was already given to the beneficiaries of the MOVCD scheme.

Foundation of Kaliabor naamghar

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KALIABOR, April 22: The inauguration function of the newly-constructed naamghar and *guru ason* foundation and *batchora* of Srimanta Sankaradev Sangha, Daalgola Pratamaroller Kalabar Zila, Srimanta Sankar Dev Sangha will be held on April 30 next with a day-long programme.

The programme includes *prabhat prasanga*, religious flag hoisting at 7.30 am by NN Hazarika, president of the *prathamik ason*, at 8.30 am *guru ason pratista* will be started by Ananya Ram Borua, at 10.30 am *batchora* inauguration project.

Senior citizens of Kaliabor were present in a get together recently at Kaliabor College of Education on the

invitation of Keshab Mahanta, Water Resource Minister where the latter took blessings from the gathering. Among others, former Minister Guan Hazarika and writer Kusum Boru spoke a few words and mentioned about the opening of the Kollong river project. The minister disclosed that the Government has allocated a sum of Rs 10 crore for his department for the project and in this regard a committee will take initiative soon.

The senior citizens hoped that the minister will work for the all-round development of Kaliabor in the new Assam year and also look into the burning problems of the Water Resource Department.

As per baseline survey of 2012, Kaliabor is short of 26,000 toilets to get the tag of Open Defecation Free (ODF) district. However, as per the present requirement, a total 76,000 toilets will have to be constructed to make the district completely open defecation free.

Adoption of State scientist's technique boosting pig production

MANISH GOSWAMI

GUWAHATI, April 22: Pig farming has great employment generation potential and can emerge as a commercially lucrative option for the youths who are trying to be self-employed in the State. With the demand for pigs on the upswing in the North East region, the necessity to increase its supply has become greater than ever before.

To boost pig production in the region, Dr Madan Kumar Tamuli, a scientist at the ICAR-National Research Centre on Pig, Rani near here, has been assiduously working on advanced reproductive technologies. Dr Tamuli, after intensive research, has been successful in introducing the concept of artificial insemination techniques for pigs in the country.

Informing about artificial insemination in pigs, Dr Tamuli said that collection and preservation of semen

was possible due to indigenously developed techniques which he had designed long back in 1981 after intensive research.

The technique now helps preserving liquid boar semen for 10 days as is evident from successful farrowing by two sows in Pachin Dairing village. This was possible due to incorporation of one developed herbal compound which replaced the antibiotics and stabilized sperm plasma membrane, he said.

Under his leadership, a group of scientists are also working to simplify the packaging of undiluted semen extender which can be kept ready to use for *in-situ* dilution of semen of desired boar at distant localities.

Dr Tamuli has popularised artificial insemination in pigs not only in Assam but also in Meghalaya and Nagaland. With the success in the technique, farmers from Punjab, Rajasthan, Karnataka and Tamil

Nadu too are using it with preserved liquid semen from the ICAR-NRC on Pig in Rani.

The demand for artificial insemination in pigs has picked up in the State. Now farmers are being trained to breed the sows using the techniques devised by Dr Tamuli. The success story of this technique becomes evident in Pachin Dairing where more than 300 crossbred AI born piglets have been produced since September 2016.

The project is being supervised by Tarun Rabha, Chairman of Rabha Hasong Autonomous Council. So far, more than 37,000 crossbred piglets have been produced since 2010 involving 1750 registered farmers in 240 villages.

Dr Tamuli feels that if the AI technology is introduced in the pig husbandry sector, it will make an economic turnaround for the farmers who are engaged in this sector.

Joint Govt-public effort can bring progress: CM

ANN Service

BAIHATA CHARIALI / GORESWAR, April 22 :

"Overall development in the State is impossible without joint efforts from the public and the Government. Though the Government is a set of some elected public representatives, regarding the collective development of a State or a country, public participation and cooperation is very important and the determinative factor," said Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal in Thursday's open meeting of the 15th biennial conference of the Sadou Asom Saranya Kachariya Baah-Gosai Utsav of Barsingaruli village of Barana Development Block bagged the second prize of Rs 7000, the third prize of Rs 5000 was bagged by Bongaon village under Jalah Development Block, No. 1 Kathogia village under Barsa Development Block bagged the fourth prize with an award of Rs 4000 while Karanakata village under Jalah Development Block was presented Rs 3000 along with citations.

Rihon Daimary, Minister of PHE, Assam presented the awards. The minister urged Government offices not to use plastic disposable glasses and plates and also urged the Barsa PHE Division to start a pilot project on recycling of plastic materials. He announced that a cash award has been instituted for journalists for best coverage on cleanliness issues taken up at the Government and that community level. He added that swachhata awards will also be instituted at the constituency levels.

As per baseline survey of 2012, Barsa is short of 26,000 toilets to get the tag of Open Defecation Free (ODF) district. However, as per the present requirement, a total 76,000 toilets will have to be constructed to make the district completely open defecation free.

The celebrations began with the hoisting of Bihu flag by Jitendra Kr Deba, president of the Bihu Samman and it was followed by *swachid tarpan* initiated by Rudra Kr Das, Associate Professor in Geography, Jagiroad College.

A cultural procession was brought out in the area where several ethnic groups in their traditional dresses participated. This procession was inaugurated by Dr Puni Ram Patow, retired Joint Director, Health Services, Morigaon. A total of 70 sen-

ior citizens including farmers, artists and literateurs were felicitated by the Bihu Samman, Mouchumi Tai of Dulaijan, Nivedita Borah of Dibrugarh and Juri Borah of Digboi won the first, second and third prizes with cash awards respectively in the Bori-bihu competition while Palki Borah of Mori-gaon, Bismita Hazarika of Guwahati and Anjana Thakur of Bhurburhcha received first, second and third prizes with cash awards respectively in the Saru-bihu competition organised on the occasion.

A State-level Bhupendra Sangeet competition was also organised, which was inaugurated by artiste Surjya Goswami in which Bhaban Saikia of Tezpur, Demiraj Deka of Morigaon, Kasturi Anirudha and Archana Dey



Dr Tamuli during an artificial insemination process at a farmer's house.

Mob caned at Tezpur after road mishap

CORRESPONDENT

TEZPUR, April 22: A tense situation prevailed at Paruwa Chariali area here following lathi-charge and blank firing on a mob by police following the death of one Mosim Ali (50) of Gutlung area under Mahabharat police outpost here on NH 37 (A) on Thursday night at around 8.45 pm.

The deceased, it may be mentioned, was mowed down by a Jorhat-bound truck at Paruwa Chariali centre. Soon after the incident, hundreds of people gathered at the spot and started creating a chaotic situation by sloganising against the police.

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Shillong	16.8	13.4	
Imphal	25.4	18.0	
Itanagar	31.8	20.0	
Aizawl	27.5	7.7	
Port Blair	24.4	21.0	
Kohima	20.2	10.2	
Pasighat	31.6	21.7	
Cherrapunjee	16.7	14.1	

Teacher suspended for harassing minor

SHILLONG, April 22: The Meghalaya State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (SCPCR) has filed an FIR against a teacher for allegedly sexually harassing a minor girl at school in West Khasi Hills, officials said.

"We filed the FIR against the teacher yesterday for harassing the girl," SCPCR chairperson Meena Kharlong said.

The matter came to light on March 23 when the girl informed the executive district magistrate about the incident during a routine inspection at the school, DC Krembhai said.

A district committee constituted to probe the allegation found the teacher guilty. The accused was then suspended from the school, he said. — PTI

Two killed by lightning

SHILLONG, April 22: Two persons died on the spot and another suffered burn injuries after lightning struck them when they were playing football in Meghalaya's South West Khasi Hills district, officials said today.

The incident took place yesterday at Umsur village under Rankip PS, he said. The IMD has warned of heavy to very heavy rainfall over Meghalaya in the next 72 hours. — PTI

Flood-like situation grips Garo Hills



Incessant rains since Friday night has led to flooding of low-lying areas in South West Garo Hills district of Meghalaya, on Saturday. — UB Photos

Kalaichara were the worst-hit, he said.

Paddy fields in Mahendranagar area were submerged and BDOs and field staff were trying to assess the damage, he said.

The District Disaster Management Agency has deployed officials and 'gram sevak' on the field for conducting actual ground assessment and set up relief camps, should the need arise.

Tura Correspondent adds: Incessant rain over the past two days in entire Garo Hills region has raised the fear of floods though the situation is still under control. Parts of North Garo Hills have, however, faced the wrath of storm with houses in three villages being damaged by strong winds and rains.

Strong winds in Resubelpara block even led to trees snapping in half.

Rivers across the region have been reported to be close to danger level leading to the administration keeping a close watch on developments.

"All rivers are in spate though people have not been affected by floods yet. We are keeping a close watch on the situation," said acting DC of West Garo Hills, DD Shira.

In East Garo Hills, residents reported the Simsang river to be flowing close to the danger mark with the river also affecting South Garo Hills. Other rivers were also in spate.

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Ex-HC judge to probe Meghalaya firing

SHILLONG, April 22: Meghalaya Government has appointed former Gauhati High Court judge Justice (Retd) B D Agarwal to head the judicial commission that will probe the alleged police firing in North Garo Hills.

The Governor has notified the appointment of Justice Agarwal as chairman of the judicial commission into the incident, Chief secretary KS Krophi said today.

Krophi said the notification was issued earlier this week and the Commission has been given six month's time to file its report.

Chief Minister Mukul Sangma had assured the State Assembly of appointing a judicial in-

quiry into the March 6 incident in which three persons while returning from a weekly market, were allegedly fired at by police when they did not stop their vehicle at a police check point in Kalding area of the district.

The trio were injured in the incident and following it a mob torched a police station and seven vehicles. Resubelpara MLA and former SC Marak had demanded in the Assembly a judicial inquiry and adequate compensation for the victims.

The injured were compensated with Rs 20,000 each and the two policemen accused of firing at the vehicles were suspended. — PTI

Manipur police arrests 5 KRA ultras

CORRESPONDENT

IMPHAL, April 22: Manipur police on Friday arrested five renegade cadres of the armed group Kuki Revolutionary Army (KRA) who were involved in attacking oil tankers on the highways and extorting activities.

The arrest of five KRA cadres and seizing of five mobile phones with nine SIM cards from their possession was carried out by police during an operation in Kangpokpi area, a hill station about 45 km from Imphal.

This was disclosed by DGP LM Khauta at a press conference here on Friday. He said, "They worked with Kangleipak Communist Party (Lalheiba) and KNF(N) in anti-social activities and shared the funds."

On April 18, unidentified gunmen, suspected to be Kuki tribal militants, opened fire at oil tankers in Manipur and Kangpokpi district. The CRPF personnel escorting the convoy opened fire in retaliation and an exchange of fire took place. Two tankers, carrying petrol and diesel, were hit by the militants. Bullets. However, the militants managed to escape.

The District Magistrate has also ordered for immediate stoppage of quarries from upstream of Myntdu river.



Workers searching for bodies of three labourers who were buried in a landslide at Patin Kra Daadi district of Arunachal Pradesh on Saturday. — UB Photos

Probes on Manipur encounters ‘biased’: Army to Supreme Court

NEW DELHI, April 22: Three days after it was tapped by Supreme Court for remaining silent over rape and murder charges against its personnel in Manipur, the Army on Wednesday said the judicial probes conducted into these charges were “biased” and slanted against them due to local factors.

It alleged that the district judges, who were locals, had conducted the judicial inquiries into the alleged killings and local factors came in the way of the probe reports which went against the armed forces.

“The problem in every case is that the slant of judicial inquiry was against

us. Judicial inquiries which have been done by a district judge proceeded against us by the virtue of their local apprehensions or local positions. Army’s job is not to kill its own people,” Attorney General Mukul Rohatgi told a bench of Justices MB Lokur and UU Lalit.

Citing an example, Rohatgi said if the Army goes after two terrorists holed up in a civilian area and in cross-fire some people are killed, then it cannot be held guilty for these casualties. The Attorney General urged the apex court that no decision should be taken on the judicial inquiry reports of district judges due to their local bias.

Rohatgi cited the case of Thangjam Manorama, a Manipuri woman who was allegedly killed in the custody of the Assam Rifles on July 10, 2004, after being picked up on suspicion of working for the Peoples Liberation Army (PLA).

He said the appeal in the case was still pending in an apex court which had directed an adhoc compensation of Rs 10 lakh to be given to the kin of victim.

The apex court had yesterday pulled up the Army asking why it had remained silent over allegations of rape and murder against its personnel in Manipur and questioned the State Gov-

ernment for not proceeding with these cases against them.

The court is hearing a PIL seeking probe and compensation in alleged 1,528 extra-judicial killings in Manipur from 2000 to 2012 by security forces and police.

During the hearing, the court was earlier told that there were 265 cases of deaths which have to be examined and there were various reports of the commission of inquiry in which serious allegations have been levelled against armed forces personnel.

The apex court had earlier asked the Centre to segregate the cases related

Tripura employees’ demand 7th Central Pay panel scales

CORRESPONDENT

AGARTALA, April 22: All Tripura Nationalist Left Democratic Employees’ Forum, a conglomeration of employees’ organisations has demanded for implementation of 7th Central Pay Commission’s recommendations.

“We have already given a representation before Chief Secretary Sanjeev Ranjan seeking his intervention for implementation of 7th CPC for State Government employees,” Samar Roy, Forum convener said here on Saturday.

He made it clear that the Forum would give any representation to the Pay and Pension Review Committee even if the government extends timing of submission of views/suggestions.

As per the notification, submission of views/suggestion in regard to the revision of pay scales of the State Government and pension is

scheduled to expire on April 22.

The Left Front Government has changed the convention of revision of pay structure of government employees and pensioners. In 2008, the government constituted Pay Review Committee for revision of pay scales and pension which deprived the employee community as a whole”, he alleged.

Expressing anger over the role of the State Government, Roy said the budgetary allocation of Rs 600 crore would be a small amount to provide a decent pay structure and pension. “Pending DA has already crossed 40 per cent and this is unlikely to be merged with the revised pay scales and pension as outlay is very less”, he pointed out.

Roy also raised a finger at the committee where a Tripura Civil Service (TCS) officer was made the secretary.

Beacons removed from Arunachal Raj Bhavan vehicles

ITANAGAR, April 22: Welcoming the decision taken by Central Government to ban red lights atop vehicles from May 1, Governor of Arunachal Pradesh has removed red beacons from vehicles of Raj Bhavan, a press release said.

The Governor said that in a democratic country there is no room for VIP culture and all are equal before the law and should be treated equally.

World Earth Day observed in Manipur



Manipur Forest Minister Th Shyamkumar handing over saplings to students during World Earth Day observation in Imphal on Saturday. — Correspondent

CORRESPONDENT

IMPHAL, April 22: World Earth Day was observed in Manipur today with the theme ‘Environmental and Climate Literacy’.

The State level function was held at Manipur State Film Development Society auditorium under Directorate of Environment where Minister of Forests and Environment, Agriculture & Soil Conservation, MAHUD and Town Planning Th Shyamkumar distributed saplings to students of various educational institutions.

Chairman of Planning and Development Authority T Robindro Singh, G Tomba Sharma, a retired college principal and Director, Environment department Dr M Homeswori Singh also spoke

on the occasion. Earth Day is observed to encourage people across the world to be more environment-friendly. The first Earth Day was held on April 22, 1970 in America.

The Directorate of Environment also distributed indigenous plant saplings free of cost to students and teachers of Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya, Andro, Wangkhei Model School, Mega Manipur School, Environmental Science Department, DM College of Science, Wangkhei Model School, etc.

Mao Students Union is planning to observe the Day by switching off electricity and electrical appliances for one hour starting from 8.30 pm tonight.

‘Clean election’ rallies held in Nagaland

NEWMAI NEWS

DIMAPUR, April 22: Against Corruption and Unabated Taxation (ACAUT) Nagaland held two public rallies on “Clean Election” at Pflutsero and Phiek and an interactive session at Chizami.

Pflutsero town rally was held on April 17 followed by interactive meeting with Chakhesang Baptist Church Council (CBCC) and Chakhesang Clean Election Movement. Later on, another interactive session was held at Chizami village attended by village leaders, elders, GBs, youths, women and general public, a press note of ACAUT said.

Joel Naga, Chairman ACAUT, in his speeches at the public rallies stated that though the clean election mission was initiated in 2012 by NBCC, the electoral mal-

practice in the 2013 election was the worst and the money spent was the highest.

Citing net’s survey that more than Rs 900 crore was spent in 2013 elections, he said that ACAUT as responsible stakeholders have decided to join hands with the Church in tackling this menace. He hinted that if Nagas do not reform, the 2018 elections will turn out to be the worst.

He called upon the youths to impact 2018. Unless there’s a change in 2018 by having clean elections and election of good and godly leaders, the frustration of youths is going to reach its zenith with fearful consequences, he warned.

The Longchar of ACAUT alleged that backdoor appointment is a factor in creating feelings of tribalism as successive Ministers keep appointing own tribes-

men at the cost of merit.

“Our children have no future” if we continue to sell our votes, he said. He powerfully exhorted that after selling our votes we the public have no right to demand good roads, hospitals, good schools, etc. He cited that the State with its vast number of proxy teachers, hardly qualified to teach children, has done untold damage by creating an entire generation of equally ill-equipped persons thereby creating a vicious cycle.

At the interactive meeting at Chizami, ACAUT Nagaland members categorically stated that ACAUT was a watch-dog, a people’s movement formed to check rampant corruption and multiple taxation and that it has no intention of transforming itself into a political party, the press release said.

The court is hearing a PIL seeking probe and compensation in alleged 1,528 extra-judicial killings in Manipur from 2000 to 2012 by security forces and police.

During the hearing, the court was earlier told that there were 265 cases of deaths which have to be examined and there were various reports of the commission of inquiry in which serious allegations have been levelled against armed forces personnel.

The apex court had earlier asked the Centre to segregate the cases related to the State police.

In July last year, the apex court had directed a thorough probe into the alleged fake encounter killings in Manipur saying the use of “excessive or retaliatory force” by the armed forces or police was not permissible in “disturbed areas” under the controversial Armed Forces Special Powers Act. — PTI

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RAIPUR

RAIPUR, April 22: Union minister Suresh Prabhu today said the expansion of rail services would play a key role in the country's growth. He also asserted that the Centre and the States need to work together for this purpose.

Prabhu was speaking at a function at Chhattisgarh's Raipur Railway Station when he inaugurated various passenger facilities for stations for railings under the South Central Railway (SCER).

"The Prime Minister wants development of the country. For the success of 'Make in India' in India's success," Prabhu said.

"Unless the Centre and the States will not work hand-in-hand, it will not be possible," he pointed out. The Union minister further underlined the need for the development of Chhattisgarh to make the

PM's 'Make in India' campaign

take over charge as the DGP of the State said.

LUCKNOW, April 22: The new police chief of Uttar Pradesh, Sukhan Singh, today vowed to crush 'goondagardi' and warned that no one would be allowed to take law in their hands in the name of cow vigilante or protection from eves-teasing.

"Those indulging in 'goondagardi' and criminal activities will be dealt with without mercy. They cannot escape and even VIP's will not be spared," he said.

"We will not allow anyone to indulge in forceful behaviour as

it leads to hatred in society and it will not be allowed," Singh said in response to a question.

"No one has the right to interfere in the name of 'rakshu' or eve-teasing at public places or any such basis...and if someone does vigilanteism, the police will take strict action..we ask people to give us information such things. We will also ensure that we neither ask for their names nor make them public," he said.

"We have maintained a good relationship with him before training him before the MCD elections, but despite that he fires one bullet at me every day and on this, we are not speaking against him. Tell me what is our fault?" Kejriwal told PTI in an interview yesterday.

Rahul hits out at PM over social media advice

NEW DELHI, April 22: Congress leader Rahul Gandhi today took a swipe at Prime Minister Narendra Modi over his advice to bureaucrats, asking them not to use the social media for self-promotion, saying he should lead them by example.

"Leading by example is clearly overrated," the Congress vice president said on Twitter, after Modi told baba yesterday not to use the social media for self-promotion or spend too much time online.

The Prime Minister actively uses the social media to connect with the public and is the most followed leader on Twitter and Instagram in the country.

Modi had said yesterday that he does not lack the political will required to carry out reforms and rather has an "extra bit" even as he exhorted bureaucrats to work together as a team to perform and transform the country, either live or die.

"We have gone to the places where the captive elephants were supposedly taken as per the papers. But we did not find them there. Apparently, they were taken to some other place," a forest official said.

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Dhinakaran quizzed in EC bribery case

NEW DELHI, April 22: AIADMK (Anna) leader TTV Dhinakaran was today questioned by the police here over an alleged attempt to bribe an EC official for retaining the 'two leaves' party symbol and the related money trail.

It is learnt that an ACP-ranked investigating officer quizzed Dhinakaran, the nephew of AIADMK chief Sasikala.

"Dhinakaran is being asked about the money trail, his association with Sukesha (Chandrasekhar) and whether he has met any Election Commission official or not. After this, there is high possibility of

cross-questioning of the two," a senior police official said.

Dhinakaran's lawyers were not allowed to accompany him during the questioning by the Crime Branch of Delhi Police which began around 3 pm at its Chanakyapuri Inter State Cell office amid tight security.

His call logs, WhatsApp messages and SMSes were also being examined, the police said. He had come under scanner after the arrest of alleged middleman Sukesha. Since then, Dhinakaran has maintained he does not know Sukesha and has never met him.

There was heavy security outside the office and media-persons were not allowed to enter the premises. Even local residents were asked to show identity cards before entering the area that houses the office.

The controversial AIADMK leader had earlier been served summons by Delhi Police at his Chennai residence in the case.

Dhinakaran, who was appointed as deputy general secretary by Sasikala, has been isolated in his party amid moves to merge rival factions led by Tamil Nadu Chief Minister EK Palaniswami and his predeces-

sor O Panneerselvam.

A powerful section of the ruling AIADMK (Anna) recently revolted against the Sasikala-Dhinakaran leadership. The development came after Panneerselvam, who is leading the faction, demanded ouster of Sasikala and Dhinakaran as a condition for the merger.

Dhinakaran later announced he would stay away from party affairs, and that he could be removed only by Sasikala. Sasikala is at present serving a four-year jail term in Bengaluru in a disproportionate assets case. — PTI

Both AIADMK factions out to retrieve 'two leaves' symbol

COIMBATORE, April 22: Tamil Nadu minister SP Velumani today said the primary aim of both the AIADMK factions was to retrieve the party symbol – two leaves – which was frozen by the Election Commission (EC). The EC had on March 23 frozen the name, AIADMK,

and its election symbol after the factions led by Chief Minister K Palaniswami and former Chief Minister O Panneerselvam stalled claim to it ahead of the RK Nagar bypoll, necessitated by the death of former party chief J Jayalalithaa.

"The two leaves symbol was

frozen by the EC. Keeping aside individual priorities, all are working towards retrieving the symbol," Vellumani said.

Minister for Municipal Administration Minister Vellumani told reporters on the sidelines of a review meeting on water supply. He said both the sides have already formed their respective panels to discuss the issue of merger.

To a question on when the discussions would be held, he said Palaniswami had gone to Delhi to participate in the chief ministers' meeting. A date for discussion will be decided after his return, he said. — PTI

Modi to address 13 BJP CMs today

NEW DELHI, April 22: With the upcoming State Assembly poll and next Lok Sabha elections on his mind, Prime Minister Narendra Modi will address the party chief ministers tomorrow and is likely to ask them to focus on the agenda of "good governance and development."

BJP president Amit Shah will also speak to the leaders, who will include 13 chief ministers, five deputy chief ministers and Rajnath Singh, Nitin Gadkari, Sushma Swaraj and M Venkaiah Naidu among other Union ministers.

Modi's pitch will include the need for them to focus on his development agenda with an emphasis on the poor sections of society, party sources said.

BJP general secretary Bhupender Yadav said this would be the first meeting of all party chief ministers with power since he came to power in 2014. A similar exercise was held last August.

With the next set of Assembly elections due later this year and Modi and Shah already toning up the organisational machinery for the 2019 Lok Sabha polls, they are keen to ensure that their governance agenda continue to be a part of the public discourse and not be overshadowed by other factors.

Only recently in his address to party leaders in the BJP national executive meet, Modi had spoken about the need for India to take a "long jump" to make rapid progress, while Shah had asserted that the saffron party was yet to reach its peak. — PTI



Farmers from Tamil Nadu raising slogans during a demonstration in protest against the delay in providing drought relief, in New Delhi on Saturday. — UNI

Lalu's family owns Rs 115-cr benami property, alleges Sushil Modi

PATNA, April 22: In a fresh salvo against RJD chief Lalu Prasad's family, senior BJP leader Sushil Kumar Modi today alleged that it had amassed "benami property" worth Rs 115 crore in a posh area of New Delhi through a shell company.

The RJD, however, dismissed the allegations and dared Modis to get all the charges probed by a central agency.

"Lalu Prasad's family has got control over AB Exports Pvt Ltd, Mumbai, which owned a land and an under-construction house on it, valued together at

Rs 115 crore at New Friends Colony in New Delhi. The company's entire share holding, directorship and properties have been given to Prasad's family," Modi added showing documents purportedly supporting his claim.

One Ashok Kumar Bantia's son AB Exports got interest-free Rs of 5 crore – Rs 1 crore each from five diamond jewellers of Mumbai – and bought an 80 sq metre plot (no D-108B) in New Friends' Colony in 2007-08, he claimed.

"At present, the value of the plot is estimated to be around

Rs 55 crore on which a four-story building is being constructed at an estimated cost of Rs 60 crore," he said.

On the balance sheet of AB Exports, it did not have any employee and did no business in the past 15 years, and later all the shares and directorship of the company were handed over to Prasad's family, Modi claimed.

Deputy CM Tejashwi Prasad Yadav was made a director of the company in January 2011, followed by his elder brother, minister Tej Pratap, in June 2014, he claimed. — PTI

Oncologists urge PM to include bidi in demerit goods list

MUMBAI, April 22: Leading oncologists from over 100 cancer hospitals have urged the Prime Minister to include *bidi* in the list of demerit goods under the GST regime, saying this low-cost tobacco product is the single largest cause of smoking-related deaths in the country.

The demand from leading oncologists and 108 cancer hospitals under the aegis of the state-funded National Cancer Grid (NCG), comes ahead of the GST Council meeting on Monday in the national capital that is likely to fix GST rates, including those on demerit goods.

The meeting, to be chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, is also expected to finalise the fitment of various goods and services into five slabs under the GST regime.

The call follows media reports that the Government may exclude *bidi* from the list of demerit goods under the GST and fixing a uniform

cess to protect the interest of tobacco farmers. Oncologists, from 108 cancer centres, led by Tata Memorial Centre, pleaded with Modi in a letter to end the serious anomaly of low tax on *bidi*'s in the Goods and Services Tax as *bidi* smoking kills烟民 as many as 6 lakh or 60 per cent of all cancer-related deaths annually.

The NCG is a network of 108 cancer hospitals, research institutes, patient groups, professional societies and charities and works towards uniform quality of cancer care across the country.

It is estimated that around 6 lakh cancer patients are treated annually at the NCG centres, which amounts to 60 per cent of the total cancer patients in the country.

Calling for putting all tobacco products, including *bidi*, in the demerit goods list under the GST and fixing a uniform

tax on all tobacco items, RA Badwe, director at the Tata Memorial Centre, said: "The present tobacco taxation is much lower than the WHO recommended level. GST is a golden opportunity to correct this historical aberration in tobacco taxation."

In the interest of citizens, especially future generations, we urge you to put all tobacco products, including *bidi*, in the category of demerit goods in the proposed GST structure and rates."

Pramesh CS, cancer surgeon at the Tata Memorial Hospital, which is the largest cancer facility in the country, and coordinator of the NCG, said, "Tobacco kills every third user prematurely and unfortunately, every third adult uses some form of tobacco".

He said: "About 10 lakh die of tobacco-related diseases each year in the country and

nearly 40 per cent of all cancer cases in the country are attributable to tobacco usage. High taxation will certainly curb this epidemic."

The letter pointed out that according to the Union Health Ministry, the total economic cost attributable to tobacco use in 2011 was a staggering Rs 1.05 lakh crore or 1.16 per cent of the then GDP. It was 12 per cent more than the combined healthcare budgets of the Centre and States.

The total excise duty collected from tobacco was however only 17 per cent of this cost, Badwe said. A uniform taxation on all tobacco products can be a first effective step to discourage its consumption, the letter said.

It concluded by saying that cancer cannot be defeated unless tobacco use is curtailed and termed tobacco-related deaths as man-made disasters. — PTI



A view of Jhelum river which is in spate following heavy downpour in Srinagar on Saturday. — UNI

Physicians must prescribe generic drugs or face action: MCI

NEW DELHI, April 22: The country's apex medical regulator has warned doctors of action if they failed to adhere to its guideline on prescribing generic medicines in names.

The Medical Council of India's directive comes days after Prime Minister Narendra Modi spoke of putting in place a legal framework to ensure that doctors prescribed low-cost generic medicines to patients.

The MCI yesterday reminded doctors that prescriptions had to be legible, preferably in capital letters, and there had to be a "rational" prescription on the use of drugs, failing

which "strict disciplinary action" would be taken.

The MCI has asked the medical community to follow its 2016 notification in which it had amended Clause 1.5 of the Indian Medical Council (Professional Conduct, Etiquette and Ethics) Regulations, 2002, in this regard.

Recently, while inaugurating a multi-specialty hospital in Surat, Modi had said that doctors write prescriptions in such a way that people do not understand their handwriting and they end up buying medicines from private stores at high prices. "All the registered medical practitioners under the IMC Act are directed to comply with the aforesaid provisions of the regulations without fail," said the MCI circular, issued to the deans, principals of medical colleges, directors of hospitals and presidents of all State Medical Councils.

The Government is also revising the National List of Essential Medicines of 2015 to include more medicines.

The Jan Aushadhi programme under which the Government provides essential medicines at reasonable rates at specially established shops, is also being reinforced. — PTI

Two militants gunned down at Budgam

SRINAGAR, April 22: Two militants, who opened fire on an Army patrol, were killed by the security forces in an encounter today in the Budgam district of central Kashmir.

"Two militants have been killed in the gunfire with the security forces," a police official said. A patrolling party of the 53 Rashtriya Rifles came under fire from the militants at Hayatpura village, 18 km from here, at around 6 pm, triggering a gunbattle between the two sides, a police official said.

The official said reinforcements were rushed to the village and an operation was launched to flush out the militants, during which two of them were killed.

One of the militants has been identified as Younis Maqbool Ganai, a resident of Patigam area of Chadoora, while the identity of the other is being ascertained, the official said.

An AK-47 assault rifle and some ammunition has been recovered from the encounter site, the official added. — PTI

Suspected poacher killed in Rajasthan

JAIPUR, April 22: A suspected poacher was killed and eight policemen were injured when members of a nomadic tribe attacked a police party which had gone to arrest him for allegedly poaching wild animals.

The eight-member police team had gone to arrest Pusa (40) last evening near Silaria village, but members of his tribe attacked it, prompting the personnel to fire in the air, SP Nagaur, Paris Deshmukh told PTI today.

Despite police firing in the air, the mob beat up the policemen with sticks. The personnel then opened fire in "self-defence," which led to Pusa's death.

Circle Officer Dinesh Singh said: "Pusa, who was wanted in a case of animal poaching, suffered bullet injuries on the thigh and died of excessive bleeding." He belonged to the Banbaiga tribe, which is notorious for poaching wild animals. — PTI



A kalash yatra being taken out on the occasion of Shree Ram Katha in Patna on Saturday. — UNI

CAPSULE**FIEO team for Maldives**

COIMBATORE, April 22: A delegation of Federation of Indian Export Organisations (FIEO) will be visiting Maldives from April 27 to April 29 to explore the possibility of boosting trade opportunities and joint ventures. The team, to be headed by FIEO Regional Chairman A Sathivel, will comprise exporters, importers and investors in various sectors like construction, processing food, textiles and garments, home appliances, fashion accessories, home furnishing, healthcare service, a release said today. – PTI

LIC to Infuse Rs 406 cr in IDBI

NEW DELHI, April 22: Life Insurance Corporation of India will infuse Rs 406.3 crore in IDBI Bank increasing its stake to 14.25 per cent in the state-owned lender. In a regulatory filing, IDBI Bank said it received a letter today from the LIC "for infusion of capital to the tune of Rs 406.90 crore on preferential allotment basis". Currently, the LIC has 13.76 per cent stake in the bank. – PTI

Hero Cycles plan

CHANDIGARH, April 22: Bicycle maker Hero Cycles has shown interest in setting up a Rs 400-crore cycle project near Sahnewal in Punjab. The project will come up at the proposed 300-acre 'cycle valley' on the outskirts of Ludhiana. Hero Cycles' Chairman Pankaj Munjal, who met Chief Minister Arvinder Singh today, shared a detailed report on the project, according to a spokesperson in the Chief Minister's Office. – PTI

Mahindra Lifespaces

NEW DELHI, April 22: Really firm Mahindra Lifespaces Developers today reported a 64 per cent decline in its consolidated net profit at Rs 17.4 crore for the quarter ended March 31, 2017, as pereps. Its net profit stood at Rs 49.51 crore in the year-ago period. The company said in a filing to the BSE, "The company's revenue doubled to Rs 342.47 crore in the fourth quarter of the last fiscal from Rs 164.71 crore in the corresponding period of the previous year." – PTI

HDFC Bank headcount falls

MUMBAI, April 22: For the second quarter in a row, there was a massive drop in HDFC Bank's headcount that came down by over 6,000 to 84,325 owing to increased digitisation in the March quarter and it expects the trend to continue. The second largest private lender's senior management hinted this trend of staff strength may continue as greater efficiencies set in. – PTI

Daikin launches new ACs

NEW DELHI, April 22: Daikin India Pvt Ltd on Friday launched its new ACs under JTKM series with more energy efficiency features in Jaipur. Daikin India Managing Director and CEO KJ Jawa said the ACs under JTKM series bearing SEER rating of 5.6 are taller made for the larger power and weather control which offers silent discharge technology that eliminates harmful substances like virus, dust, bad odour and allergens. – PTI

Microsoft India enhances paternal leave benefits

NEW DELHI, April 22: Microsoft India today said it has enhanced all types of paternal leave benefits and introduced a new family caregiver leave – which entails four weeks of paid leave to take care of an immediate family member.

From April 21, Microsoft India has enhanced all types of paternal leave benefits such as paternity, adoption and surrogacy.

Besides, the company has introduced a new family caregiver leave benefit, which includes four weeks of paid leave to take care of an immediate family member with a serious health condition.

Definition of family in this case is spouse/domestic partner, parent-in-law, sibling, grandparent or child.

With effect from February 2016, maternity leave at Microsoft India is 26 weeks.

Paternity leave at Microsoft India has been extended to 6 weeks from 2 weeks, while adoption leave for mothers has been enhanced to 26 weeks and for fathers it is increased to 6 weeks and surrogacy leave for mothers has been introduced at 26 weeks.

"This move is reiteration of Microsoft's commitment to empower its employees through a suite of benefits," Microsoft India Director (Human Resources) Ira Gupta said.

"We hope the extended parental leave benefits will further improve work-life balance for our employees, and help them transition back to the workplace at a time and pace that is more conducive to such a major development in their lives," Gupta added.

Gupta further said that Microsoft India is actively reviewing its family leave policies across the globe to ensure that all countries offer an appropriate level of paid leave to support Microsoft employees and their families. – PTI

India a major driver of global economic growth: Jaitley

WASHINGTON, April 22: Finance Minister Arun Jaitley has said that emerging economies have become increasingly important, accounting for more than 75 per cent of global growth, and that India has been a major driver of global economic growth. Jaitley said India's growth is expected to be 7.5 percent for 2017-18 as against 7.1 percent in 2016-17.

"India's growth remains resilient, with low inflation, fiscal prudence and low current account deficit," the Minister said, addressing a gathering at the G-20 Finance Ministers' and Central Bank Governors' meeting in Washington DC on Friday.

The discussion sessions focused on the compact with Africa, financial sector development and regulations, international financial architecture and global financial governance.

Jaitley said that India is on course



Union Minister for Finance, etc., Arun Jaitley meeting Indonesian Finance Minister Mulyani Indrawati, in Washington DC on Saturday. – IANS

to introduce the Goods and Services Tax (GST) from July 2017.

He also said the government is mulling many more multi-faceted reforms, which are expected to ensure that India can withstand the volatility of the global economy as well as ensure an upward growth trajectory.

Jaitley said the rich nations still have a big responsibility and obligation to use their resources to support multilateralism, to make institutions like the World Bank strong to be able to fund policies and programmes for the growth and development of poorer nations. He was addressing the gathering at the Development Committee Restrictive Lunch Session here.

Jaitley also held separate bilateral meetings with the Finance Ministers of Indonesia and Australia here and discussed areas of mutual collaboration and compatibility of their positions in various multilateral forums. He is currently on a tour to Washington to attend the Spring Meetings of the IMF and the World Bank and other associated meetings.

Jaitley is accompanied by RBI Governor Urjit Patel, Economic Affairs Secretary Shaktikanta Das, Chief Economic Adviser Arvind Subramanian and other officials. – IANS

Fall in orthodox tea price

Tripura planters shift to green tea production

AGARTALA, April 22: The price of orthodox tea has been dwindling over the years prompting tea planters to gradually shift to green tea production in Tripura.

"In 2017, tea planters can expect good production and it may break the previous year's production of 9.50 million kg of made tea (orthodox tea). But what is worrying the tea planters is the rapid downfall in the price of tea," he said.

"A kg of orthodox tea was being sold at Rs 80/85 in the auction markets whereas price of green tea stands at Rs 150/200 per kg. Obviously, tea planters are gradually shifting from traditional orthodox tea to green tea", he said.

"A kg of made tea was being sold at Rs 80/85 in the auction markets in 2016 which is less than the cost of production".

Sarkar said, "At present 52 tea estates are operating with 13,000 workers involved in the tea industry but the industry is no longer a viable business due to various factors, he said.

He did not spell out the factors. – PTI

India, Indonesia to cooperate in oil, coal sectors: Goyal

NEW DELHI, April 22: India and Indonesia have agreed to explore cooperation in areas like oil, coal, electricity and energy efficiency. Power Minister Piyush Goyal said.



Piyush Goyal said Indonesia is an im-

portant destination for investing, especially in energy and infrastructure sector.

He added that a team of 19 officials from oil and gas, coal and power sectors will be visiting India to look into several issues discussed during the Energy Forum, includ-

ing relocation of gas-based plants and large-scale use of LEDs.

A memorandum of understanding between the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas and the Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources (Indonesia) on cooperation in the field of oil and gas was signed on the occasion.

The MoU seeks to establish an institutional framework to facilitate and enhance bilateral cooperation in the field of oil and gas.

India is the third largest importer of coal from Indonesia. India's imports of coal from Indonesia amounted to \$3.5 billion in 2016.

Several Indian companies have invested in coal mines in Indonesia. The bilateral trade between the two countries stood at \$15.90 billion in 2015-16 with Indonesia's export to India amounting to \$13.06 billion and India's exports to the country at \$2.84 billion. – PTI

Abbott to withdraw 2 stent types from India

NEW DELHI, April 22: Healthcare major Abbott has decided to withdraw two types of stents from the Indian market in the wake of drug price regulation NPPA's move to cap the prices.

The company has applied to the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) seeking to withdraw two stents of Abbott.

Abbott spokesperson said that following the NPPA's price ceiling decision, it "examined and re-examined" whether there is a sustainable way to make available

two of the latest stent technologies in India. The company took into consideration Alpine drug eluting stents and the Absorb dissolving stents' higher manufacturing costs and other associated costs.

Price cap

"We have determined it is not sustainable, and we have applied to the NPPA to withdraw these two stents," the spokesperson told PTI in an e-mailed statement.

The company said that presently, only a very small percentage of patients in India receive Alpine and

Absorb stents.

"While we are aligned with the government's intent for broad access to care, we're disappointed that the NPPA concluded there is no differentiation in coronary stent technology," the company noted.

According to Abbott, it would continue to make available all other XIENCE coronary stent products within the ceiling price set by the NPPA.

"Alpine and Absorb will continue to remain available while the government reviews our application. There is no shortage of Abbott stents," it added. – PTI

NEW DELHI, April 22: The mobile subscriber base of seven telecom operators, including Bharti Airtel and Vodafone, increased by 5.68 million in March to reach 895.25 million, according to industry data.

The numbers include those of the latest entrant, Reliance Infocomm as of December 2016. Excluding the data of the Mukesh Ambani-led firm, the total subscriber base at the end of March 2017 stood at \$23.10 million.

"...The number of mobile phone subscribers showed an increase to 895.258 million in March 2017. The net increase in subscriber base is 5.68 million in the month of March," the Cellular Operators Association of India said in a statement.

Bharti Airtel led the subscriber growth, adding 3 million new mobile customers during March and taking the total base to 273.65 million subscribers. It had the highest market

share at 33.25 per cent.

Vodafone followed in the tally with 209.06 million subscribers and Idea Cellular with 195.37 million subscribers. Reliance Jio had 72.18 million subscribers.

"The growth in the subscriptions indicates that consumer base is expanding... The industry, however, is undergoing extreme financial stress and submits that requisite interventions are made at the policy regulatory front for a stable, facilitative long-term ecosystem," COAI Director General Rajan S Mathews said.

Telenor, whose business has been acquired by Airtel, lost 1.13 million mobile customers.

West Bengal and Arunachal and Nicobar added the maximum number of subscribers at 0.86 million million in March, while UP East circle had the highest number of subscribers at 75.10 million. – PTI

Saroj Goenka (3rd R) Chairperson, Express Infrastructure Pvt Ltd launching a five-foot tall robot to help the mall visitors, at Express Avenue, in Chennai on Saturday. – UNI



Renewable energy policy needed to meet target: Report

NEW DELHI, April 22: India needs to have State-level renewable energy policies to achieve the national target of 175 GW by 2022, a report said on Friday.

"The ecosystem of renewable energy in India is still fraught with constraints, in particular with respect to State policies," said Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) in its report 'State Renewable Energy Policies: A Comparative Study', with special focus on

northern States, released at the 4th CII Renewable Energy Summit held here.

"Even though most of the northern States have come up with their Renewable Energy Policies, it is important to understand and imbibe the best incentives and practices depending on the need of the State/Region," it added.

The industry chamber's Northern Region Chairman Ratul Pan of Hindustan Power Projects said that the govern-

ment has over the last two and half years taken several policy measures to ensure rapid capacity addition from mere 32 GW in 2014 to 175 GW by 2022 from new and renewable energy resources.

During the events, speakers also discussed challenges such as financial health of DISCOMS, outdated grid infrastructure and fragmented solar component manufacturing. – IANS

PDO machine to sell Wi-Fi data packs

NEW DELHI, April 22: Telecom Minister Manoj Sinha today launched a public data office machine that will work like yesterday's telephone booths to provide low-cost Wi-Fi service to mobile phone users.

The public data office (PDO), developed by state-run C-DOT, can be installed at any neighbourhood shop or even on push carts to provide low-cost Wi-Fi powered data packs to public.

The PDO creates Wi-Fi hotspots using 2G, 3G or 4G signals and connect up to 100 mobile devices at a given time in a range of 500 metres. A retailer using PDO would issue coupons of small units to consumers for accessing Internet services.

"C-Dot has developed technologies which are getting deployed in various networks of service providers," Sinha while speaking the PDO launch event.

"It has got huge scope in rural area where people are hungry to use Internet services and avail various packs sitting at home. Like PCs helped in retailing phone call services, PDOs will help in retailing Wi-Fi services," the Centre for Development of Telematics Executive Director Vipin Tyagi said.

"The government is expanding Wi-Fi services in rural area. The PDO will use wi-fi signal to amplify it and create Wi-Fi hotspots. It can even catch signal from mobile towers. There is no need to insert sim or wireless connection to create hotspots," Tyagi said.

He said that the C-DOT is keeping an eye on the consultation process of the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India which has proposed allowing general retailers to sell data connection.

"In present scenario only internet service providers or virtual network operators can use it for providing data retail service but it can be modified to suit the licence conditions later," Tyagi said.

C-DOT expects to transfer PDO technology to domestic manufacturers within 2-3 months and expect the product to retail below Rs 50,000 a unit. – PTI

Chinese jihadis' rise in Syria raises concerns at home

BEIRUT, April 22: Many don't speak Arabic and their role in Syria is little known to the outside world, but the Chinese fighters of the Turkistan Islamic Party in Syria are organized, battle-hardened and have been instrumental in ground offensives against President Bashar Assad's forces in the country's northern regions.

Thousands of Chinese jihadis have come to Syria since the country's civil war began in March 2011 to fight against government forces and their allies. Some have joined the al-Qaeda's branch in the country previously known as Nusra Front.

Others allegiance to the ISIS group and a smaller number joined factions such



as the ultraconservative Ahrar al-Sham.

But the majority of Chinese jihadis are with the Turkistan Islamic Party in Syria, whose vast majority are Chinese Muslims, particularly those from the Turkic-speaking Uighur majority native to Xinjiang in China. Their growing role in

to be East Turkistan. Like most jihadi groups in Syria, their aim is to remove Assad's secular government from power and replace it with strict Islamic rule. Their participation in the war, which has left nearly 400,000 people dead, comes at a time when the Chinese government is one of Assad's strongest international backers.

Along with Russia, China has used its veto power at the UN Security Council on several occasions to prevent the imposition of international sanctions against its Arab ally.

Beijing has blamed violence back at home and against Chinese targets around the world on Islamic militants with foreign connections seeking an independent state in Xinjiang. —AP

Syria has resulted in increased cooperation between Syrian and Chinese intelligence agencies who fear those same jihadis could one day return home and cause trouble there.

The Turkistan Islamic Party is the other name for the East Turkistan Islamic Movement that considers China's Xinjiang



Pope Francis meets Prince Hans-Adam of Liechtenstein (2nd L) and his wife Princess Marie (L), Crown Prince Alois (2nd R) and his wife Princess Sophie (R) during their private audience at the Vatican, on Saturday. —UNI

Le Pen demands closure of all Islamist mosques in France

PARIS, April 22: The deadly attack on a police bus in the French capital here has dramatically changed the course of the presidential poll campaign with the far-right candidate, Marine Le Pen, demanding the closure of all Islamist mosques, a media report said.

It was unclear whether the Thursday night attack would tip the balance of the vote in favour of Le Pen, who has vowed to take a tough line on "Islamic terrorism", CNN reported.

At a televised news conference on Friday, Le Pen called for the closure of all "Islamist" mosques in France, the expulsion of hate preachers and the reinstatement of French borders.

People on the French security services' watch list for radicalisation should also be expelled from France and have their French citizenship revoked, she said.

The three main candidates – Centre-right candidate Francois Fillon, Le Pen and independent centrist Emmanuel Macron – cancelled campaign events and instead made televised statements as under French election rules. Friday was due to be the final day of campaigning before Sunday's first round of voting.

In the televised statements they competed to talk tough on security and vowed a crackdown on ISIS terror group that took responsibility for the Thursday night attack, CNN reported. One police officer died after a gunman wielding a machine gun leapt out of a car and opened fire on the Champs-Elysees, Paris' most famous boulevard, as partiers were engaging in their final TV debate.

Prime Minister Bernard Cazeneuve, however, has accused Le Pen of trying to capitalise on the attack before the first round of polling on Sunday. He had swiftly claimed the attack was carried out by one of its "fighters".

The assailant – Karim Cheurfi, a 39-year-old French national with a long and violent criminal record. He was shot dead as he tried to make his escape. —IANS

IS claims deadly attack on FSB office in Russia

WASHINGTON, April 22: The ISIS jihadist group has claimed responsibility for a deadly attack on an office of Russia's main domestic intelligence agency, the FSB, in the country's far east, a US-based monitoring group said. Amna News Agency, an ISIS propaganda arm, made the claim in a brief report in Arabic distributed on the social media application Telegram that cited a "security source".

According to the text translated into English by the SITE monitoring group, the source said an ISIS "fighter" attacked FSB office in Khabarovsk yesterday, killing three people and wounding others. Russian officials say two people were killed in the incident – an FSB employee and a civilian. One other person was reportedly wounded. —AFP

WASHINGTON, April 22: Vivek Murthy, the first Indian-American appointed by the Obama regime as the Surgeon General, has been dismissed by the Trump administration to bring new leadership to the vital public health sector.

Murthy, 39, has been replaced by his deputy, Rear Admiral Sylvia Trent-Adams, one of the first nurses to serve as surgeon general.

"Murthy, the leader of the US Public Health Service Commissioned Corps, was asked to resign from his duties as Surgeon General after assisting in a smooth transition into the new Trump administration," the US Department of Health and Human Services

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of India," he said.

During the meeting with US Commerce Secretary yesterday, Jaitley strongly raised India's concerns over the Trump administration's move to tighten the H-1B visa regime,

highlighting the key role played by Indian professionals in boosting the American economy.

President Donald Trump this week signed an executive order for tightening the rules of the H-1B visa programme to stop its "abuse" and ensure that the visas are given to the most-skilled or highest paid petitioners, a decision that would impact India's USD 150 billion IT industry.

Jaitley outlined the significant contributions the skilled

Indian professionals have made to the US economy and expressed the hope that the US administration will take this aspect into consideration while taking any decision.

Jaitley, leading an Indian delegation, arrived here on April 20, to attend the annual Spring meetings of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank. Jaitley is also scheduled to attend meetings of other multilateral forums including that of the G-20 finance ministers.

"There is a little more optimism this year than I have seen in the last three years (at the IMF/World Bank meetings). This seems to be the good news, as far as these meetings are concerned," he said. —PTI

India-US ties stronger, mature: Jaitley

WASHINGTON, April 22:

India-US ties have "matured" and become "stronger" over the last few decades, defying government changes in the two countries, today said Arun Jaitley.

Jaitley, speaking at a reception hosted by India's Ambassador to the US Navtej Sarna, said the Indian government was looking forward to working with the Trump administration on strengthening bilateral ties.

Stressing that the India-US relationship has bipartisan support in the two countries, he said, "In one sense it is a bipartisanship relationship. I am sure it would be a great privilege for us to continue with the new administration to

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said while noting that employees at the Department of Health and Human Services privately expressed surprise at his sudden departure.

Murthy, the 19th Surgeon General and the first Indian American to hold this post in a Facebook Post that it was an honour and privilege to work for this prestigious position.

"For the grandson of a poor farmer from India to be asked by the President to look out for the health of an entire nation was a humbling and uniquely American story. I will always be grateful to our country for welcoming my immigrant family nearly 40 years ago and giving me this opportunity to serve," he said. —PTI

Over 400 ultras surrender in Balochistan

QUETTA, April 22: As many as 434 militants belonging to different banned outfits have surrendered in Pakistan's restive Balochistan province.

The militants, who handed over their arms to authorities here yesterday, belong to the Baloch Republican Army (BRA), Baloch Liberation Army (BLA) and other separatist groups alleged to have carried out attacks on security installations and personnel in the troubled province.

Commander Southern Command Lieutenant General Amir Riaz said on the occasion that those wanting to return to normal life were welcome to do so after surrendering.

"Anyone laying down their arms would be welcomed," he said.

Balochistan Chief Minister Sanaullah Zehri alleged that for long foreign agencies had used innocent people in the province, misleading and instigating them.

Sher Mohammad, a key commander of the proscribed BLA, said they had been deceived by "anti-Pakistan" elements.

A senior provincial official said so far over 1,500 militants have surrendered.

Pakistani says its borders with Afghanistan and Iran in Balochistan are being used to instigate and train people to carry out subversive activities in the country. —PTI

US Surgeon Gen Murthy dismissed by Trump admin



Vivek Murthy

said in a statement yesterday, "Murthy has been relieved of his duties as Surgeon General and will continue to serve as a member of the Commissioned Corps," the statement said. Murthy was confirmed as US Surgeon General in December 2014.

It was not immediately clear why Murthy was relieved from duty, the *New York Times* said while noting that employees at the Department of Health and Human Services

Police officer killed in Paris was on duty at Bataclan

PARIS, April 22: The Paris police officer who was shot to death while at work on the Champs-Elysees, the capital's most famous boulevard had been first sighted the night before that could be carried out in the name of the ISIS group.

Xavier Jugele was one of the officers who raced to the Bataclan

hall the night three armed men in suicide bombs

were to be enormous to go after him. But in Karachi, that would be stunning and very difficult," Riedel said. —PTI

In the latest attack, Jugele

was the only person killed

when an assailant opened fire with an assault rifle on a police van parked on the Champs-Elysees. The Islamic State group quickly claimed responsibility, and authorities say the gunman had a note defending ISIS with him.

Paris police declined to give details about Jugele's career and life, saying his family had asked for privacy. Michael Bucheron, president of a French association of LGBT police officers, told The Associated Press Jugele would have celebrated his 38th birthday in May.

"He was a very simple man, with a big heart. A real nice guy," said Jugele's widow, Laurence Jugele. "And he really loved his job."

Jugele was in the van's driver's seat when he was shot dead.

Two other officers were wounded. The attacker was shot and killed by officers at the scene.

Laurent, a police colleague

and friend of Jugele's who also deployed to the Bataclan attack, said Jugele was in a civil union and that his partner has a child. Laurent asked not to be identified by his last name because he does not represent the Paris police officially.

Both officers returned to the concert venue a year later when it reopened with a concert by Sting. Jugele told People magazine at the time how happy he was to be "here to defend our civic values." —AP



Activists protest against Germany's anti-immigration party Alternative for Germany (AFD) before the AFD's party congress in Cologne, Germany on Saturday. —UNI

China's 1st cargo spacecraft docks with space lab

BEIJING, April 22: China's first unmanned cargo spacecraft today successfully completed automated docking with the orbiting *Tiangong-2* space lab, State media reported.

The *Tianzhou-1* cargo spacecraft successfully completed automated docking with the orbiting space lab at 12:23 PM (local time), according to Beijing Aerospace Control Center.

Tianzhou-1 was successfully launched on Thursday from the Wenchang Space Launch Centre in the southern Hainan province and made contact with the space lab within hours.

The tube-like craft measures 10.6 metres in length and can carry over six tonnes of cargo as well as satellites.

In space, the cargo ship will dock with the orbiting *Tiangong-2* space station, provide fuel and other supplies, and conduct space experiments before falling back to Earth.

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The *Tianzhou-1* cargo ship and *Tiangong-2* space lab will have another two dockings, Xinhua reported.

The second docking will be conducted from a different direction,

which aims to test the ability of the cargo ship to dock with a future space station from different directions.

In the third docking, *Tianzhou-1* will use fast docking technology. It normally takes about two days to dock, while fast docking will take only six hours. Re-docking will also be conducted, along with 29 steps that takes several days.

Tiangong-2, which went into space in September last year, is China's first space lab "in the strict sense" and a key step in building a permanent space station.

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Windies revival frustrates Pak in first Test

KINGSTON, April 22: Half-centuries by Roston Chase and Shane Dowrich engineered a West Indies revival in reaching 244 for seven at stumps against Pakistan on the opening day of the first Test at Sabina Park.

Coming together immediately after lunch when opener Kieran Powell became Mohammad Amir's third wicket with the innings in tatters at 71 for five, Chase batted with confidence and fluency for a top score of 63.

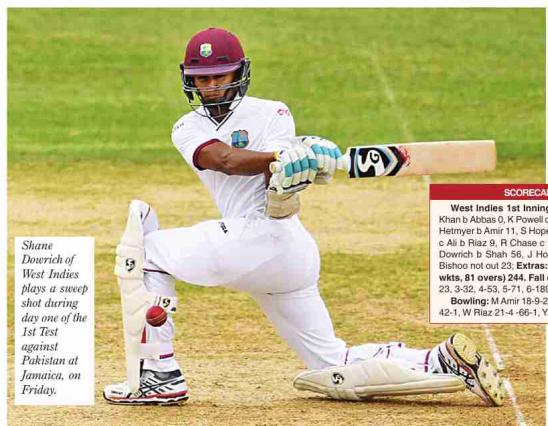
His sixth-wicket partnership with Dowrich was worth 118 runs, the wicketkeeper-hatman enhancing his reputation with a polished 56, the pair making a mockery of the West Indies' earlier struggles after they were put in to bat.

On the same ground where an unbeaten hundred in just his second Test match saved the West Indies from defeat against India a year earlier, Chase looked at ease against all bowlers although his penchant for the uncontrolled hook resulted in a couple of narrow escapes.

Yet it was Yasir Shah who removed both him and Dowrich off successive deliveries in the final session.

Made to look ordinary by the pair's positive play through the afternoon, the leg-spinner had the last laugh when he lured Chase into the helmed stroke and Wahab Riaz held an outstanding catch running back from mid-off almost to the boundary rope.

Dowrich was then completely de-



Shane Dowrich of West Indies plays a sweep shot during day one of the 1st Test against Pakistan at Jamaica on Friday.

cived and bowled by the next delivery. At 180 for seven, Pakistan's hopes of dismissing the West Indies on the opening day were revived, only for captain Jason Holder (30 not out) and specialist spinner Devendra Bishoo (23 not out) to frustrate the visitors with an enterprising unbroken

eight-wicket stand of 55.

Earlier, Mohammad Abbas had a dream start to his Test career, having Kraig Brathwaite caught at second slip by Younis Khan without scoring with his second delivery sharing the new ball with Amir.

It was an important early break-

through as the opener had made history in their last Test match meeting with unbeaten scores of 142 and 60 that earned the Caribbean side a five-wicket win in Sharjah last November at the end of an otherwise miserable tour of the United Arab Emirates.

West Indies played two debutants

in the middle-order in the pair of Guyanese left-handers Shimron Hetmyer and Vishual Singh, and Pakistan pressed the advantage even further with Ammar claiming his first wickets for three Test matches.

Maintaining a nagging accuracy, the left-arm fast bowler bowled both Hetmyer and Shah Hope, scattering the stumps with deliveries that jagged in sharply off a good length.

Pakistan's third seamer's

bowling armoury, Riaz, then removed Singh via a fine diving catch by Azhar Ali at backward square-leg to have the home side tottering at that point at 53 for four.

West Indies opted to omit Jermaine Blackwood from their final eleven to accommodate the debutants in the batting line-up, meaning there was no Jamaican in the home side for a Test match at Sabina Park for the first time since 1997 when, incidentally, the opponents were also Pakistani.

Notwithstanding his impressive entry to senior international cricket during the limited-over leg of the tour, the visitors resisted the temptation to include the uncapped Shadab Khan in their team as a second spinner in support of Shah, choosing instead to introduce 27-year-old Abbas to Test cricket. – AFP

Italian cyclist killed in training crash

ROME, April 22: Veteran Italian Michele Scarponi was killed today after colliding with a van while out training on his bike, his Astana team said, plunging the cycling world into mourning.

"This is a tragedy too big to be written," Astana said in a statement, paying tribute to the 37-year-old, who won the Giro d'Italia in 2011. "Ciao Michele," Astana wrote on Twitter.

The fatal crash happened on a crossroad near his home in central Italy and he leaves behind a wife and two children, Astana said.

Citing police sources, the Italian daily Il Resto del Carlino said that the driver of the vehicle "did not see" Scarponi.

The cycling star, whose professional career began in 2002, was in the twilight of his career but proved his enduring quality on Monday when he took his first victory in four years in the opening stage of the Tour of the Alps.

He outspurts Briton Geraint Thomas and Thibaut Pinot of France to claim the early lead of the race, a key warm-up ahead of next month's Giro d'Italia, the first of the year's Grand Tours.

Scarponi was gearing up for another tilt at the Giro, which starts on May 5 in Sardinia, when the collision occurred in Filottrano, in Ancona province. He was set to lead the Astana team at the showpiece after injury to Fabio Aru.

"Incredible tragedy. There are no words. Rest in peace my friend," Aru tweeted.

Scarponi won the 2011 Giro after Alberto Contador was stripped of the title for doping. The Italian was himself suspended for doping for 18 months between 2007 and 2008.

Contador was among the first to express his shock, tweeting that he was "paralysed and speechless". – AFP



Bopanna-Cuevas enter Monte Carlo semis

ROQUEBRUNE CAP MARTIN (France), April 22:

Indian star Rohan Bopanna and his Uruguayan partner Pablo Cuevas won a tough three-set battle against Henri Kontinen of Finland and Australia's John Peers to enter the men's doubles semi-finals of the Monte-Carlo Masters tennis tournament here.

Bopanna and Cuevas lost the first set and were made to toil hard before clinching a 3-6, 6-3, 13-11 win in their quarter-final clash which lasted for around one hour and 12 minutes on Friday night.

The Indo-Uruguayan combination will now contest Roanne Arneodo of Poland and Hugo Nys of France for a place in the final.

Arneodo and Nys defeated Jamie Murray of Britain and Brazil's Bruno Soares 6-2, 6-7, 10-3 in the quarter-finals. – IANS

Juventus sign Uruguayan midfielder

TURIN, April 22: Juventus have signed Boca Juniors young midfielder Rodrigo Bentancur for 9.5 million euros (\$10.19 million), offering the Under-20 Uruguay footballer a five-year contract starting from July 1.

Juventus Football Club announces that the agreement with Boca Juniors for the definitive acquisition of the registration rights of the player Rodrigo Bentancur Colman has been finalised. The transfer fee of \$9.5 million euros will be payable in two financial years," Juventus said in a statement on Friday.

"The purchase value may increase in the course of the duration of the contract on achieving given conditions based on a certain number of official games played by the player," it added. – IANS

Photo: AP

India's U-16 football team gears up for Egypt friendlies

CAIRO, April 22: The India U-16 football team is gearing up to face the top junior club teams from Egypt in a couple of friendly matches scheduled this weekend.

They will play with Al-Ahly club in Cairo on 22 April and with Smouha club in Alexandria on 23 April. The matches are under The India-Egypt Friendship Cup: Football Match Series as part of the India by Nile cultural festival which runs until 27 April.

The matches will be played in Cairo and Alexandria.

The matches are being organised by the Embassy of India in Egypt, in collaboration with Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Embee Group, all India Football Federation, Al-Ahly Club, Smouha Club.

"This is an opportunity for the young team and a very

useful experience for them because they will have the exposure of a very competitive kind of football," India's Ambassador to Egypt Sanjay Bhattacharya told PTI while attending the training of the young footballers.

Bhattacharya then explained the choice of venues.

"Cairo is a natural choice because we are all here and the Ahly team is here. And we chose Alexandria because we want them to visit another city and play with another team."

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"Also, I think a lot of people in India are familiar with Alexandria and they know about the ancient wonders that are there, the light house and the old library, so when the youngsters go to Alexandria it will be a major point in their lives," he said.

The visit is the first ever

visit of an Indian football team

to Egypt to play matches with their Egyptian counterparts.

The current team is preparing for the under-16 AFC Cup qualifiers, which will be held in Nepal.

"This is a good outing for them to visit Egypt and go back with a new experience. The most important think is that they build friendships," the Ambassador said.

One of the players Ridge Demodio termed this as a wonderful experience.

"It's a very wonderful feeling to come to a new country and play with different people," he said.

Rohit Danu, another player, said that he is pleased to visit Egypt and that everything is good during their stay here.

"All the facilities are good and the country is beautiful," Danu said. – PTI

Mumbai FC take on Lajong in crucial I-League match

MUMBAI, April 22: Mumbai FC plunge into tomorrow's I-League face-off against Shillong Lajong FC here at the Cooperage stadium with the side aiming of some face by avoiding the wooden spoon after a pathetic display resulted in the side being relegated today with two games in hand.

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Thus even victories in their last two games against Shillong and East Bengal will not save Mumbai from being confined to playing in the lower division next season. Mumbai have

not shown they could win a game even at home evidenced by four successive draws.

With their slim hopes dashed to the ground by Churchill, it remains to be seen how competitive Mumbai FC are against the north-easterners.

The Mumbai club has released two of its Brazilian attackers, Anderson Raimundo da Silva and Alex Silva, ahead of their league's season-ending games.

This is the final time Mumbai have been relegated since their entry in the league. They had often ended the season at mid-table position under Khaidi Jamil's reign as coach with their best record being a fifth spot finish in 2015-16.

This season has been nothing short of disastrous with original coach Santosh Kashyap sacked after a string of poor results and replaced by Spaniard Oscar Bruzon. – PTI

Nadal marches into Monte Carlo semis



Spain's Rafael Nadal celebrates after winning his match against Argentina's Diego Schwartzman at the Monte-Carlo Masters in Monaco, on Thursday.

Azlan Shah Cup an important test for India, feels coach

BENGALURU, April 22: Chief coach Roelant Oltmans feels the upcoming Sultan Azlan Shah Cup will give an indication on the things we expect and test ourselves to see if the progress I expect to see is really on," Oltmans said.

India will play against Australia, Great Britain, New Zealand, Japan and hosts Malaysia.

While India is vying to improve their silver medal finish last year, beating Australia will be on the players' minds as the team has been a nemesis for long.

"Yes, in a way Australia has been a tough team to beat. Until last year they had a lot of senior players and were the most experienced team. In pressure situations, their past

performances really helped them cope with that pressure and come up with good results," said captain cum goalkeeper PR Sreejesh.

Sreejesh, who has been a

top team for nearly five-six years of intense training.

While India will play with a mix of young and experienced players in the team, Australia, too, will come with a young squad.

"Australia come in as a new team,

with new coaching staff and a mix of young and experienced players. We play them in the third match so we get to watch two of their matches before we play against them. That way we get to make analyses of their game and make specific plays to play against them," stated Oltmans.

Oltmans has a 40-day long national camp where the team was put through a tough regime involving nearly five-six weeks of intense training.

"We deliberately had a 40-day camp. Physically I wanted them to be at a good starting point so there was a lot of emphasis on that and I believe we have succeeded in achieving that level."

"With new players coming into the squad, the understanding between players had to grow. New style of play needed to be adapted to and the best place to get confirmation is in big tournaments and we go to Malaysia to test ourselves," concluded the 62-year-old Oltmans.

India begin their campaign against Great Britain on April 29. – PTI



Sevilla's Brazilian midfielder Paulo Henrique Ganso celebrates after scoring against Granada during the La Liga match at the Ramon Sanchez-Pizjuan Stadium in Seville, on Friday.

Dhoni seals 6-wkt victory for Pune

PUNE, April 22: Mahendra Singh Dhoni smashed an unbeaten 61 to finally come good and reassert his top-class finisher tag as he guided Rising Pune Supergiant to a six-wicket victory over defending champions Sunrisers Hyderabad in a thrilling IPL match here today.

After a series of flops, Dhoni's reputation as a top-notch finisher was at stake, but today the former India captain was in his elements, smashing a flurry of fours and sixes as Pune overhauled the target of 177 in the final ball of the run chase.

Dhoni needed two runs from the final delivery but he hit Siddharth Kaul for a boundary as Pune reached 179 for 4 to the wild celebration of the home supporters at the MCA Stadium.

Dhoni faced 34 deliveries for his unbeaten 61 that included five fours and three sixes.

This was the third win for Pune from six matches and they now have six points.

Hyderabad, on the other hand, had eight points from seven matches, after four wins and three losses.

Opener Rahul Tripathi had kept Pune in the hunt with a 41-ball 59 before he was out in the 14th over. Captain Steve Smith contributed with a 21-ball 27 but he got out early in the 11th over.

AIZAWL, April 22: Under-armed Mizoram side Aizawl FC beat Indian football giants Mohun Bagan by a solitary goal in a highly anticipated match to be within touching distance of their maiden I-League title here today.

Local player Zohminglana Ralte scored the all-important goal at the 83rd minute in the penultimate round match in front of football crazy Aizawl fans at the packed Rajiv Gandhi Stadium and steered the team to the verge of creating history.

This stunning win put Aizawl

When Dhoni came out at number four at the fall of Smith's wicket in the final delivery of the 11th over at 87 for 2, Pune needed 10 runs an over to win the match.

However, the situation worsened after Tripathi was out.

Ben Stokes (10), this IPL season's costliest buy, once again failed to contribute, falling in the 17th over and by that time the asking rate had shot up to above 14 an over.

Dhoni, who seemed to be struggling as he could not connect his bat with the ball for some time, then swung into action as he hit two fours and a six to take 17 runs from the 18th over bowled by Mohammed Siraj. – PTI

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Sunrisers Hyderabad	innings	David Warner b Unakal 43, Shikhar Dhawan c Tripathi b Tahir 30, Karan Williams lbw b Christian 21, Mayank Agarwal c & b Dutt 55, Deepak Hooda not out 19. Extras: LB-1, W-3 Total: 177. Fall of wickets: 1-10, 2-17, 3-18, 4-19, 5-20, 6-21, 7-22, 8-23.
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Battle of batsmen as upbeat Gujarat Lions take on KXIP

RAJKOT, April 22: Some of the finest exponents of the game will showcase their skills when a confident Gujarat Lions take on a battle-scarred Kings XI Punjab in an Indian Premier League encounter, here tomorrow.

The likes of Suresh Raina, Brendon McCullum, and Aaron Finch will be aiming to match the likes of Glenn Maxwell, Hashim Amla, and Marcus Stoinis strike for stroke on what promises to be another belter of a track.

On paper, there is not much to choose between the two teams even though Punjab, despite being on a losing streak, are placed fifth with four points while Gujarat are seventh with the same number of points.

But the Gujarat Lions will take a lot of heart from their win against the formidable Kolkata Knight Riders at the Eden Gardens with skipper Raina finally showing why he is revered in the shortest format.

The 46-ball-84 against a potent Knight Riders attack will certainly bolster their confidence after a string of defeats.

Similarly, KXIP will take solace from the fact that they

scored a near 200 total (198) against the Mumbai Indians with Hashim Amla scoring a terrific hundred and skipper Maxwell also hitting some lusty blows.

For Gujarat, McCullum with 258 runs and Raina with 243 runs, are among the top five run-getters in the tournament so far.

However, the problem area for both the teams has been bowling which has let them down on most of the occasions.

The Indian bowlers, in both the teams, have not been able to set the stage on fire with noteworthy performances. – PTI

Match starts at 4pm.

KKR bowlers face tough job against RCB batting line-up

KOLKATA, April 22: A demoralising defeat in their own den will certainly serve as a wake-up call for the Kolkata Knight Riders bowlers as they face the resurgent RCB, in a second match in three days.

For a team that has shown super consistency in both batting and bowling, the timing of the loss will be hurting for the Gautam Gambhir's men.

On a batting beauty at the Eden Gardens, KKR will face the onerous task of stopping a back-in form Chris Gayle and the ever dangerous Virat Kohli.

Having started off with four wins in five matches, Kolkata Knight Riders wilted against Suresh Raina's assault to lose

their first match at home last night as they brace for a bigger challenger when they face the resurgent RCB, in a second match in three days.

For a team that has shown super consistency in both batting and bowling, the timing of the loss will be hurting for the Gautam Gambhir's men.

It has come at a time when most of the teams, including the bottom-placed Gujarat Lions, have begun to look up for KKR the slide has begun, having slipped to second place in the crucial mid-phase of the eight-team league.

Struggling to find their rhythm, the star-studded Kohli brigade have finally found their expression right with the familiar mayhem of Chris Gayle.

Reunited with Kohli at the opening spot, Gayle cantered to 77 off 38 balls, his first century in 17 matches and went on to become the only batsman to scale Mt 10,000 in the T20 format.

Gayle and Kohli put together 122 runs in 76 balls, in an ominous sign for the KKR camp as Gambhir has admitted to have been reeling under the effect. – PTI

Match starts 8pm IST.

Batting looks good, but need to work on our bowling: Raina

KOLKATA, April 22: Back to winning ways riding on its power-packed batting unit, Gujarat Lions captain Suresh Raina today said the team needs to work on its inexperienced bowling department to rise the highest and nod home to the roar of the supporters.

Mohun Bagan has come into the match with a psychological advantage as they had won the first-leg match against Aizawl 3-2 but the Mizoram side showed how difficult it is to beat them off their fortress as this was their eighth win in nine matches.

The first half was nothing

much to write about as the wet pitch made the players a bit slippery and the poor visibility made it more difficult for them. The referee even stopped the match for around five minutes in the first session due to poor visibility. – PTI

'Combating Kohli, Gayle is like going into battlefield'

KOLKATA, April 22: Combating the fearsome batting duo of Virat Kohli and Chris Gayle is no less than going into the 'battlefield', Kolkata Knight Riders bowling coach Lakshimpal Balaji said today.

"It's hard to plan. It's like Army men going into the battlefield. You may have a lot of planning but on the day you just try to disorient a little bit. But the important thing is what comes to us and what we can control," he said about the challenge that lies ahead when KKR clash with Royal Challengers Bangalore here tomorrow.

The last year's runners-up posted a season-high 213 for 2 en route to a 21-run win over Gujarat Lions in their previous match, which saw Gayle and Kohli joining hands at the top for a partnership of 122.

"In 'T20, it's all about what you do on that day. The batting decides the outcome in most of the games. We have been playing good cricket. It's about keep doing the things that has given you good results instead of being intimidated by the opposition," Balaji said.

"We just need to do look after our limitations. We cannot control the opposition. We can control many things that we are doing good, that's why we are in top three," he said.

KKR suffered an upset defeat against Lions last night as they failed to defend a challenging total of 187/5 with Suresh Raina's side sealing a four-wicket win.

But Balaji backed his bowlers, saying they were doing a fine job.

"It's about wickets, and not by runs. Your game destination is decided on how many wickets you take. Wickets form an important aspect and we have done exceedingly well in that department.

"But at the same time we will look to improve in the areas that needed to be addressed."

Balaji chose to delve into the positives of their match against Gujarat Lions. – PTI

Aizawl beat Bagan, on verge of clinching I-League title

won 36 points from 17 games, three more than Mohun Bagan, who finished eighth in their debut season last year and were almost kicked out of the I-League.

If they win the I-League title this season, they will become the first club from North-East India to do so.

Mohun Bagan, who won their first I-League title two seasons' back, will still be the champions if they beat Chennai City FC at home in their final match on April 30 and Aizawl lose to Shillong Lajong, the same day.

It was a remarkable turna-

round for Aizawl FC, coached by Khalid Jamil, who finished eighth in their debut season last year and were almost kicked out of the I-League.

If they win the I-League title this season, they will become the first club from North-East India to do so.

TODAY'S match, which saw a big build-up in a state where people are crazy about football, can be described as scrappy at best with the wet pitch following a heavy downpour before the game and a poor visibility due to the thick cloud cover over the stadium.

Association.

Sudhakar Singh, president of Lakshyabhedia said in his welcome address that it is an ISSF standard 10-metre air rifle/pistol shooting range where the budding talents will get opportunity honing their skills.

Young shooting talent Hriday Hazarika, who made a mark in the national and international shooting circuit at the age of 15, was felicitated by the organisers on the occasion.

Inaugurating the range, senior Assam Police officer Pillah Bhattacharya said that this range will be useful for the youngsters of the city as the existing shooting range situated in the 4th APB, Kahlukpara campus is not convenient for everybody.

He also vouches for supplying ammunition to the trainees at subsidised rates as it is not easy for all the beginners to purchase the costly weapons.

Director of Sports and Youth Welfare Pabitra Ram Khouda, State shooting body's secretary Bhaba Kalita, journalist Pronoy Bordoloi were also present on the occasion.

ONGC in final

SIVASAGAR, April 22: ONGC, Assam Asset entered the final of the 14th All Assam Veteran Inter Industry Football Tournament played here at ONGC colony here.

In the well contested second semifinal against Coal India today Krishnay of ONGC scored the all important goal in the 15th minute of the second half.

Earlier ASEB Guwahati beat Oil India 7-4 via sudden death. The final will be played on Monday. – Correspondent



Young international shooter Hriday Hazarika trying his hands during the inaugural function of the shooting range Laksyabhedia at the RG Baruah Sports Complex in Guwahati, on Saturday. – PT Photo

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GUWAHATI, April 22: The newly set up shooting range at the RG Baruah Sports Complex here, bilked Lakhimpur

headed, was inaugurated today.

The 10-metre range is constructed under the aegis of the Board of Sports of Assam, Directorate of Sports and Youth Welfare, and Assam Rifle and Frontier Rifles.

He said that the range was inaugurated today at the 15th minute of the second half.

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FIFA team to visit city on May 3

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GUWAHATI, April 22: A ground inspection team of the FIFA will visit Guwahati on May 3 in order to supervise the maintenance of all the venues in the city for the FIFA U-17 World Cup India 2017 which is to be held in October.

The team will be headed by Dean Gilashey, pitch consultant for the Local Organising Committee (LOC) and will supervise the maintenance of all grounds for the upcoming mega event, informed Javier Ceppi, the tournament director of the LOC.

Speaking exclusively to *The Assam Tribune*, Ceppi spoke on a number of aspects regarding India's first ever FIFA World Cup.

Regarding the visit, Ceppi said: "It will be an inspection of the grass on the ground because we are going to take over the maintenance of the grounds in June."

Guwahati will be hosting nine matches including a semifinal and a quarter-

final. The city will be the home for Group E matches besides hosting one round of 16 match. The U-17 World Cup will be held across six cities in the country from October 6 to 28.

Asked about the expectations from Guwahati as a venue, the Chilean said: "The expectations are very much high as we know the passion for the game in the Northeast. All Assamese people should be extremely proud that Guwahati is hosting nine matches which also includes a semifinal of the first football World Cup in the country."

The other venues are New Delhi, Goa, Kochi, Navi Mumbai and Kolkata. Apart from Guwahati, Navi Mumbai will host the other semifinal. It has also been confirmed that each venue will host at least eight matches. The opening game will be held at Navi Mumbai's DY Patil Stadium while the final will be held at the Yuva Bharati Krirangan in Kolkata.

Regarding the All India Football Federation's request to FIFA to allot India's group matches of the champion-

ship to Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in New Delhi, Ceppi said: "I repeat what was said by Jaiye Yarza, the head of tournaments of FIFA. There has been a request from the AIFF and FIFA is analysing that request."

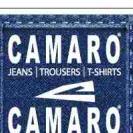
With the Indian Super League losing much of it's following in some of the big cities in the last two editions, the question remains whether India's first football World Cup would be able to draw crowds into the stands. Ceppi is however optimistic regarding a packed house.

"You cannot make a generalisation regarding metros and smaller cities. It's about football hubs and of course in the Northeast football is the biggest game and it's more than a game. Another thing is that the price of the tickets will not be high. There has been a fair amount of coverage as far as the tournament is concerned, so the level of awareness is there. After the draw, once we know which team is going where, the promotional aspect will also

increase. There is a fair bit of responsibility on the host cities too."

Regarding the support from the State government, Ceppi said: "We meet quite regularly with the State government officials, we met the Chief Secretary and we are in direct contact with the Chief Minister's office as well. I think Guwahati is the 34th largest city in the country from the development point of view and despite that the city would be hosting the semifinal of the first football World Cup in the country. It has all been possible because of the very strong commitment and support that has been given by the State government."

"As far as the Assam Football Association is concerned, we talk to Hemendra Nath Brahma who is the president and who is the person whom I should be talking to and I have not heard any complaints from him. They are a part of our every meeting and are active participants in the whole process," said Ceppi.





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Born to write

UPENDRANATH SARMA profiles a remarkable author on her birth centenary.

One of the foremost writers in Assamese, Suprabha Goswami was born in Jorhat, in 1917. She was the second daughter of Sarat Chandra Goswami, great litterateur and educationist and Bhuneswar Devi, social worker and lone woman-member of the Gauhati University Trust. After a brief schooling at Jorhat where her father was posted as Inspector of Schools, she studied at the Pine Mount School in Shillong for three years. She came back to Jorhat with her father and passed the M.E. Examination from Jorhat Govt. Girls' M.E. School. As there was no High School for girls at Jorhat and no provision for co-education, she appeared in the Matriculation Examination of the Calcutta University as a private candidate and passed in the First Division.

Suprabha Goswami started her literary career with the poem *Usha*. In 1934, the then Director of Public Instruction, G.A. Small came to their residence for lunch. Worried to know that Maichana's hope for higher education was nipped in the bud, Small advised her to make use of her father's library and start translating stories into Assamese, which, the great educationist felt was the need of the hour for the good of the State's language and culture. She took his advice and selected 12 stories from *World's Great Stories* lying in her father's library and translated them into homely, idiomatic and lucid prose.



The stories were translated in her late teens and published in book form in her 20th year, in 1937. I read the book *Arthana* in my childhood days and it had a great impact on my imagination. I would like to read Victor Hugo's great story *Jerry* again and again in Suprabha Goswami's translation, for its human qualities and the young translator's masterly rendering which reads like an original work with a local flavour of the regional lan-

guage. The book was highly acclaimed by writers like Dimbewar Neog and also by the reading public, as it was just the sort of work for which they had been waiting. Soon after, she translated three tales of Hans Christian Andersen. They were published in book form under the title *Kanika*.

Suprabha Goswami married Raisahab Golok Chandra Goswami at the age of 12. When her husband left for England for higher studies, she con-

tinued to learn English and Sanskrit at home under the guidance of her father, who was an erudite scholar. Meanwhile, she started writing short stories on her own and got them published in various journals like *Awahan*, *Banhi*, *Jayanti*, *Surabhi*, *Bordoi Chila*, *Uruli* and the Assam Sahitya Sabha's *Patrika*. She also translated two novels by Pearl Buck in abridged form – *The Good Earth* and *East Wind, West Wind*, the titles in Assamese being – *Mati Moh* and *Pochowa Batah*. Some of her remarkable stories have since been published under the title *Litter Moh*. Had Su-

prabha Goswami written the story *Litter Moh* and none other, still, she would have earned a niche as a story writer of remarkable ardour and provenance. The story is marked by great psychological probing and heart-rending conflicts, both inner and outer. It is my belief that such a story could be written only by a daughter of Sarat Chandra Goswami who had nearly established a new school of story writing in Assamese.

Suprabha Goswami's stories are marked by psychological insight as well as social concern. She was aware of women's plight in a society beset with hunger and superstition.

Like her mother, Suprabha Goswami was also involved in various social activities and organisations. She was member of the Shillong Municipality and of the All India Social Welfare Board. She was instrumental in the establishment of the Shillong Mukul Sangha and acted as its secretary for one term. She was twice elected president of the Assam Lekhika Samachar. She was honoured by various organisations like the Assam Sahitya Sabha and The Rotary Club of Guwahati for her invaluable contributions.

We offer our tribute to this illustrious writer of Assam on the occasion of her birth centenary.

acy or how we have advanced in all aspects of our life compared to them.

Many Assamese organisation spin-offs have come up in the last two or three decades in the name of taking Assamese culture overseas by celebrating annual occasions such as Bihu, festivals or conventions. Some may argue that these initiatives help our younger generations to align them with our cultural roots back home and to support this, we have even opened weekly community get-togethers to discuss Assamese values and culture. No, it's not, and if we really make ourselves believe this, then we're probably living in a fool's world. The theory of international immigration by Aleksandra T. says that immigration is driven by the neo-classical economic status where cultural sense consistently loses its essence as the new generation takes over. Taking the advantage of digital media, a few of us even started writing articles, blogs or film appeals, etc., on natural calamities, which is nothing but an intelligent way of making a mockery of the "Home-away-Home" concept. Although noble in thoughts, but a closer look will reveal that these initiatives are nothing but yet another malicious intent of making one's presence felt over others within the little community or society that we live in. It's like an unspoken and unhealthy competition where the only thing that matters is publicity; the success of the intrinsic idea is of little concern.

So, after reaching the lands of opportunities and liberties, what are we doing to the very place where we were born and which we abandoned to reach here? We can't expect our kids to do anything on our behalf because they are not emotionally attached to Assam as we are and it's not their fault either. They may have visited Assam just like any other visitor who has no relation with Assam whatsoever. True, we don't hate Assam and make every effort for an annual visit at least, but a careful observation will reveal that there lies a selfish motive, too. Albeit the purpose of visit is surely to meet-and-greet our families and friends back home, it is also to display our suprem-

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Tea times

H.N. DAS studies the tourism potential of having the world's largest tea industry in Assam.

With 800 odd big tea estates and 3,000 odd small tea gardens distributed all over the State, Assam has the largest tea industry in the world. Assam produces 614,570 tonnes of tea per year. This constitutes nearly 55 per cent of India's total tea production of 1,191,100 tonnes per year. (2015 figures). If introduced properly, tea can, therefore, attract large-scale tourism to Assam.

In 1994, tea tourism was initiated by the Government of Assam. The idea was to attract foreign and Indian tourists to the tea gardens in Assam. Some progress was made in this respect. But, it did not progress in the expected direction. One tea planter – Hemendra Prasad Barooah – dedicated one tea bungalow as a guest house and he organised visits to his gardens. But, his example was not taken up by others. The State Government, through the Tourist Department, organised some *mela*s where cultural shows – music and dances – specially related to the tea tribes were shown. But it did not last beyond two-three years. Today, tea tourism is almost extinct.

In order to revive tea tourism, proper publicity through advertisements in national and international media should be organised. Tourists can be accommodated in the sprawling tea garden bungalows where tea garden managers and assistant managers should be encouraged to welcome tourists on payment basis. They can be shown around tea gardens, factories and surrounding areas in the garden's own vehicles. Tourist agencies and travel guides should be encouraged to include tea tourism as a part of their general tourism programmes. In the beginning, only a few gardens could be selected. Later on, the number can be increased considering the demand.

Small books can be published, giving details of the tea industry and distributed among prospective tourists through travel agencies and tour operators. These books should give details about the way tea is produced along with a description of the history of tea in Assam. These books should be in English and in other languages of states and countries from which tea tourists can be expected to come.

Households accepting tea tourists should have good facilities with



neat and clean rooms and beds, and other essential furniture. They should have properly trained cooks and waiters. Assamese dishes should be served to the guests. In the evenings, cultural shows may be organised showcasing local Bihu, Sattriya, tribal and tea-estate songs and dances. Vehicles allotted to tourists should be in good condition with good drivers. The managers guiding tea tourists should have good knowledge about the industry so that they can answer all questions asked by the tourists. The Tourism Department should arrange for the training of such managers.

In Guwahati, tea tourists should be briefed about the sale of tea. They should be taken to the tea auction centre and warehouses where tea is stored and also to the laboratories where tea is tasted and graded. The Guwahati Tea Auction Centre sells 1,76,311 tonnes of tea per annum, while the Kolkata Tea Auction Centre sells 1,49,288 tonnes of tea (2015 figures). Guwahati is the largest Tea Auction Centre in India. For CTC tea, it is the largest in the world.

Two days in the garden and one day in Guwahati should be the norm for every tea tourist. Dates should be fixed in advance and transport and stay arrangements should be made in a proper manner. If this is done, tea tourism will be successful and gradually the number of tourists will increase.

(The writer was Chief Secretary, Assam, during 1990-95 and Chairman of the Guwahati Tea Auction Centre during 1986-96.)



Giving it back

Bobby Boruah

Assamese culture and traditions were so rich compared to other parts of India that people didn't think of coming out of Assam until recently. While there is absolutely nothing wrong in migration and looking for prosperity and betterment of life, but the question is how much are we doing for Assam and also for those whose hearts we ripped apart to reach where we are today. Irrespective of what we think, this is probably the time for self-introspection and have a pulse check on: Is this enough? Can we do more? How? And if we feel we have done enough, then how can we think ourselves to be culturally, socially and ethnically better and different from our fellow Indians, who started migrating, long before we even realised?

The first Assamese individuals to

come outside of Assam can be traced back to the 19th century when Dhoni Lucy N. Hayden and Sibaram James Tripp reached America, but were converted to Missionaries. This was part of the strategy of American Baptists who were trying to convert Christianity in the verdant part of eastern India that had close affinity to the churches.

Back in the early 19th century, the US Congress made it extremely difficult for Indian subcontinent immigrants which was, however, relaxed in 1946. But it was still quite difficult until after the passing of the Hart-Celler Immigration and Nationality Act in 1965. Some of the Assamese professionals like physicians and engineers migrated to the US. As the young Americans were busy fighting World War II, these professionals were needed in the US. Fast forward to 1990, many technologists started coming to the US and also spread out to other western countries, such as Canada, Australia, the UK, and

New Zealand. Migration is a natural process and it is perfectly fine like other species, such as birds and animals, but making it a linear process by humans is dangerous, unlike the established natural and circular process of animals.

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The long wait is over!

Dr. Santwana Bardoloi talks about her new film.

It is often a good idea to get the negatives out of the way. That done, the discourse that emerges is freed of the bitter stain. So here goes. The search engine comes up with not only a small, but rather tiny group of female filmmakers and the silence regarding their work in the public domain is deafening. When Kathryn Bigelow made *The Hurt Locker*, critics and moviegoers were skeptical as to how she could handle such a male theme as soldiers in combat. But boy, did she pull it off spectacularly! In spite of the challenges of being of thin gender and taking on the mammoth task of lifting a film agrond, we have such stellar names as Jane Campion, Agnieszka Holland, Samira Makhmalbaf, Jean Chen, Lynne Ramsay, Agnes Jaoui and Sofia Coppola.

In India, there are 16 women on record who have cracked the glass ceiling. These range from Fatima Begum who made her debut feature in 1926, titled *Bulbule-Pakistan*. Years after making *36 Chowinghee Lane* in 1981, Aparna Sen continues to make award-winning films like *Mr and Mrs Iyer*. Her *Sonata* on female bonding due for release soon, Kalpana Lajmi's socio-realism was evident in *Rudasali* and *Daman*. Sai Paranjape follows her own trail with critically acclaimed films like *Sparsh*, *Chasma Buddoor* and *Katha*. Young director Tanuja Chandra is known for her off-beat films. Deepa Mehta and Mira Nair have attained cult status with their work. Anusha Rizvi's socio-political film *Peepf Live* made waves.



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Others who have made their presence felt are Reema Kagti, Kiran Rao, Farah Khan, Gauri Shinde and Zoya Akhtar.

In that August company belongs Dr. Santwana Bardoloi. A paediatrician by profession, who has a significant body of work as a theatre, radio artist, Dr. Bardoloi quietly set about making a film that has proved to be a classic. *Adajya* (1996) is based on Mamoni Raisom Goswami's Den-

tal *Haafr Ujye Khuwa Haoda*, set in 1940's Assam. The kernel of the story is that three widows struggle amidst stifling strictures to lead a life of piety. Into their household arrives a young American scholar. This arrival, coupled with a snakebite, the theft of ancestral jewellery drives the young and rebellious Giribala towards a chilling predicament. With no previous experience and a shoe-string budget, *Adajya* went on to win the National award for Best Regional Film and the jury's special award.

It was but natural to expect a slew of other films from this maestro director and yet, what followed was a 20-year hiatus that seemed baffling. So, quite obviously, seated opposite me, she has to manoeuvre through this unavoidable question.

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"Before I go further, I want to clarify that I made two telefilms for Doordarshan before *Adajya*. The first was *Aaryavak*, based on a powerful story by psychiatrist and author Dr. Suresh Chakravarthy. Then I made another telefilm on a story by acclaimed writer Nirupama Borgohain.

"I feel that male directors are aggressive, testosterone driven. They can push away all other concerns in the pursuit of their work. We women cannot do that, and that is perhaps our loss.

"The title of my new film *Maj Rati Keteki* is derived from an Assamese poem. *Keteki* is the hawk-cuckoo whose sorrowful cry can be heard only at night. It is a metaphor for suffering humanity." Bardoloi scripted and directed the film which has won a place in the International competition section of IFFK and a Rajat Kamal.

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ALPHALIFE

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Fish on the dish

Fish, eh?" he asked. "Fish, yeah!" she replied. "With bones, eh?" he asked. "With bones, yeah!" she replied. "Patot diya, eh?" "Patot diya, yeah!" Big leaf, eh?" "Kind of, yeah!" And he moved on to the next conveniently eatable dish that was served at the table during that buffet dinner, without helping himself to some *patot diya maas*.

"You see," he went on to tell her later, "Sit here a moment and let me tell you how to serve fish." And this was what I gathered from what he told her.

Patot Diya Maas goes best at a sit-down dinner where you eat with your fingers and not at a buffet, more so if it's a stand-and-eat dinner, where you hold your plate with one hand and your cutlery with the other. The exotic taste and flavour of the fish nonetheless, it becomes mundane inconvenient to eat fish by unwrapping the leaf in which the fish is wrapped and cooked and served with the wrapping still on, like a bountiful-sized fishy gift. If you yet brave it, be not too brave to stand near one of those large, standing fans that threaten to blow your fishy leaf away from your plate to deposit it on someone else's. *Patot Diya Maas*, for the uninitiated, is a fish dish prepared by cooking it after wrapping it up on a leaf.

Steamed Hilsa is another inconvenient way to serve fish at a stand-and-eat buffet. Nothing absolutely can beat the flavour of *hilsa*, especially the ones coming from the river Padma, so I'm told. But the sheer process of fingerling through the fish to pick the bones sends the guest away to the next dish. More so, because the *hilsa* is notorious for its plentiful bones. But my friend Abel serves *hilsa* boiled to such a delicate tenderness with tomatoes and a little onion that the bones become chewable without having to be picked at with the fingers. Like tinned sardines. You can just spoon through this dish. Try it, you'll love me for sharing this!

Fish Pie is one of the most convenient fish dishes you may serve at a buffet. Deboned, this dish goes down well even with little children. You may also serve **Fish Florentine**, and many similar dishes which are prepared by deboning and baking fish with a garnish of choice.

Fish Fingers make for another convenient morsel. Make sure to serve generous servings of dips and sauces with it though. Fish fingers, however, don't normally

make up the main course. They are, of course, great starters to the main course.

Fish Cutlets too go down great with all ages, at all kinds of dinners. A friend of mine sometimes stirs up the usual kinds of gravy with tomatoes, spinach, or mustard and adds there instead of pieces of fish with bones, the cutlets. This cutlet in normal gravy, however, didn't go down very encouragingly with her own parents!

The **Whole Fish**, cooked whole and smeared with sauce and laid upon a thin sea of lettuce leaves with their curly edges looking like tiny waves, is a mainstay at a buffet table. And yet, since it is cooked whole, the bones remain. Hence, know from which part to deftly slice through and serve whole. Also, never forget to place a sharp fish knife next to the fish. Slicing through the bones for a savoury chunk requires, apart from tact, a great weapon. In this dish, the head normally gets left behind, uneaten.

Another exotic and delectable fish dish is the **Goroi Pitika**. It is a smoked, deboned and mashed preparation of the snakehead fish. More of a chutney, may serve it as a side dish.

If there are kids or guests who cannot take the challenge of red hot chilli pepper, tone down the spice.

Swooga Maas, or fish cooked in the hollow of bamboo pipes, makes a great outdoor feast but never bring the pipes onto the buffet table.

Besides, there are a gleefully wide range of gravies and sauces, both indigenous and borrowed, to drop neatly cut or diced pieces of fish into, after these have been lightly fried, marinated or sometimes even raw. Since these are normally not boneless, consider the age and bone-picking capacity of the intended guests before adding these to the buffet menu.

Catch points:

- Some prefer their fish boned, children prefer theirs deboned. So to bone or debone, check out your guest list.

• The art of buying good, fresh fish contributes to the taste of the final thing on the table.

• Have enough napkins handy while serving fish with bones.

Alpha catch point:

- Go serve that fish dish with elan. May your guests wake up next morning with the smell of fish on their fingers!

RELATIONSHIP

Kiranji Kaul

Kiran and her mother-in-law talk openly about private matters and nothing is off limits – not even sex. They went to each other about their marital problems and they sometimes vacation together without their spouses.

Kiran's closeness with her mother-in-law works for her, but is being that close beneficial to everyone, or does it create problems?

How close is too close?

According to Deanna Brann, PhD., "You're too close if your daughter-in-law is revealing personal information about her marriage, money and job stress, and if two of you spend time together while excluding your husbands. You shouldn't have a peer-type of relationship. By talking about personal things regardless of what they are, you run the risk of blurring boundaries with your daughter-in-law and this leaves you open to her misinterpreting what you've said to her."

"It isn't beneficial for you or your daughter-in-law to open up excessively because your relationship is more fragile than you may realize," continues Dr. Brann.

"Spending too much time together or sharing too much information isn't healthy for anyone. It's important for your marriage that your husband be the primary person with whom you share personal and detailed information," says Terri Orbuch, research professor at the University of Michigan's Institute for Social Research.

A study published in the *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships* reported that people feel like part of the family when parents-in-law share personal information, including family history. However, disclosing too much, such as discussing their own marital problems did not lead to feelings of closeness.

A delicate balance

Here's how to get along without feeling smothered:

Set boundaries with your daughter-in-law especially when asking questions about her marriage and personal or parenting decisions. Off limits: How is your sex life with my son? Are you and my son making enough money to afford that private school you want to

send my grandchild to?, etc. You can talk about money and marriage, in general, but don't pry into their personal affairs.

It's okay if your daughter-in-law says "No," or "I can't talk about that." Don't take it personally. She still feels comfortable with you and likes you – she's just maintaining a boundary.

Tread lightly on giving advice to her about her marriage, working outside the home or parenting. The golden rule: Never give advice unless asked.

Have realistic expectations of your relationship. Don't be offended if she

doesn't call you "Mom" – she has a mother. You can invite her to do things, like do with your own daughter(s), but remember that the closeness between you and her might not be the same.

Keep a positive relationship without going for BFF status.

Remember, always be respectful of your roles – she is your son's wife; you are his mother. As a mother, your words often have more impact than they would with a friend.



Stuffed cheesy tomatoes



- Olive or vegetable oil ... as required

Method:

Cut the tops off each tomato, and using a paring knife or small spoon, remove the seeds to hold the tomato.

Place the tomatoes upside-down on a paper towel to drain for an hour.

In a small bowl, mix together half the cheddar cheese, feta cheese, mayonnaise, parsley and chillies to a smooth paste. Add salt and pepper to taste.

Fill the tomatoes with the cheese mix, using either a pastry bag or a small coffee spoon. Place on a foil-lined baking sheet. Mist each tomato with olive oil.

Sprinkle the tomatoes with the remaining cheddar cheese.

Bake tomatoes at 180°C until the tomatoes just begin to soften and cheese begins to melt, about ten to 12 minutes.

Garnish with parsley and serve hot as an appetizer.



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Orange pudding

- Ingredients:
- Milk 5 cups
 - Condensed milk 1 cup
 - Fresh cottage cheese (*paneer*), crumbled 1 cup
 - Sugar 2 tsps or to taste
 - Oranges 2
 - Cardamom powder ½ tsp
 - Nuts (chopped) 2 tsps

Method:

Wash the cottage cheese under cold, running water. Drain and set aside.

Pour the milk into a heavy-bottomed saucepan and allow it to simmer over a low flame.

Stir the milk with a spoon. Continue till the milk has reduced to half its volume.

Now add in the condensed milk, cottage cheese and cardamom powder and cook over low flame for a few minutes, stirring continuously.

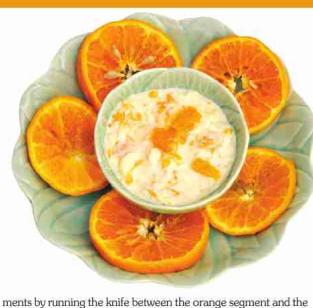
Add sugar, if required, and cook until thick.

Remove from heat and transfer to a serving bowl.

Refrigerate until completely chilled.

Cut off the ends of the oranges. Remove the peels.

Using a paring knife, remove the orange seg-



ments by running the knife between the orange segment and the core/orange membrane.

Transfer the segments into a bowl and store in the refrigerator, until ready to use.

Prior to serving, fold in the oranges and mix well.

Decorate with nuts and serve chilled.

(Note: Oranges may be replaced with chopped mangoes.)

FICTION

Ghana Kanta Kataki

Hey, hey, you two boys! lazy, idle little loafers! What the Dickens are you doing there? I'll kill you when I get my hands on you!" hoots Duryodhan Sah, the monstrous manager of "Bojorong Motor Works", Jorhat, at Takku and Tikku. His voice booms along the washing bay and the old brown tin roof of the garage.

Duryodhan, the manager, is a human only in look, but a beast at heart. His lips hardly bear the moisture of the milk of human kindness. Work is his only concern; money his end. "Get going, you idle, good for nothing fellows. Get cracking, washing the cars on the bay, get me! Or I will crack your bones," the manager growls out to the little ones.

The two tiny hapless creatures cower behind the old, black big toolkit shelf in great fright, for they have already had the all too tormenting taste of being beaten and bullied by the hardhearted manager. Nine-nine times out of a hundred, they have had black eyes and bruises because of that sadist.

The friend sits fuming for a while, gnashing his teeth. Then he darts towards the tool-shelf. In no time, he is seen dragging the two miserable little creatures, frozen with fright, by the necks. With his giant hands he slaps them hard across their pale, soft faces repeatedly, wrenching their ears. There was no one there who had had the guts to intervene and rescue the children screaming with pain. Everyone stands helplessly, witnessing the brutal spectacle.

The poor things! Their pitiable little faces, white with fright, now turn black and bloom in great pain. They wince and scream in great pain. They forehead of one bleeds. The other



ILLUSTRATION DEBASISH SINHA

Lost Spring-I

wounded child gets painfully to his feet, totters towards the drum. He takes a tumbler of water, washes the bleeding wounds and plasters them slowly with pieces of rags torn from his tattered towel. Both keep sobbing and sighing for a long while.

With a heart surging with feelings of pity and empathy for the two little wretches, I repair to Madhab, selling paan, betel, tobacco and cigarette in his modest shop, only a few yards farther along the road. We have been familiar with each other for years, whenever I am in the town, I am at his shop where I chew some pieces of betel and smoke a cigarette. A fairly comfortable relationship!

"The brutal beast in human shape, will not leave unless and until the little ones die," Madhab breathed.

How disgusting! Have they no parents or guardians? They can

report this all to them, can't they?" I asked.

"It is of no avail, even if they do," he mumbled.

"Why?" I asked.

"Of course." He said. "The injured one, Takku he is called, is an orphan. His parents were killed by unknown gunmen when he was a mere sucking. He grew under the loving care of his grandmother. Oh! The irony of fate. Gods grew jealous of this parentless little creature. His grandmother too had been the most pathetic victim of the gross evil of superstition of her people. They killed her most cruelly under suspicion of being a witch."

The pathetic tale of the poor boy shocked me. This poor, lonely child has to be delivered away from this living hell. I made up my mind. He must be shifted to some orphanage of the town. I confided my resolution to Madhab. He gave

a very smile and said that it was no use doing this. I might at best rescue one or two unfortunate waifs like Takku. But, there are thousands and thousands of such waifs and strays in our society, slogging away in garages, factories, fields and mines in the most subhuman conditions. Such inhuman treatments and torture are being meted out to them! So many children are being robbed of the joys of their childhood! Thousands of unfortunate young boys and girls of poor houses are engaged in domestic services in the houses of the rich. They are helpless prey to inhuman exploitation and untold oppression every day. How many young girls are forced to surrender their virginity to lechers in the depraved society! How many of them are murdered so cruelly as to be hushed up!

(To be continued)

MY SPACE

Ochintya Sharma

Dear Mimo and Tuku, It has been a month since we said our final goodbye to *Koka*. For more than six decades, *Koka* had scripted dramas for the finest performers in Assam from which, I have seen characters sneak out from the misty spotlights of the Rabindra Bhawan, spring into life and exalt. I have felt whispy hypnotise audiences into a world of make-believe! I have heard applause drowning the loudest of speakers the hall could manage to set up. But it was all from the third row, a spectator in the hall, nonetheless an observer, clinically distant and dispassionately quiet. He was always new. In *Ahaar*, within a matter of a couple of hours, classical theatrical structure of characters and story are imploded. Sensibilities of moral behaviour and human desire are questioned, answered and re-questioned. He was relevant. *Baronja Paath* was one of the most caustic pieces of literature, written on the Emergency. The reason he chose to write about Napoleon and Desree for *Brahmanyona* Theatre – the über-commercial travelling big-tops which hop across the hinterland – was because he believed that every theatre goer, and not just the Guwahati urbanite, has a right to listen to an interesting story.

From *Koka*'s works, learn to imagine, strive to be relevant and let no constraint come before you, your imagination and that relevance.

In the last few weeks, almost everybody who came to meet *Alimonai*, Mumuni, *Jethai* and me, told us about how *Koka* was a *Bhaal Manuh*, a good man. I have been thinking about this. What made him "good"? What makes others realise that he was "good"? I do not know the answer, but there is something that did strike me as unusual about *Koka*. He had this uncanny involvement in the minutiae as contrasted with his almost reckless detachment from the grandeur. He would be concerned whether *Alimonai* took his 8 a.m. injection on time rather than brood about not moving into a more spacious apartment. He was interested in knowing how you were performing in your class tests than tracking what he had in his bank balance. He would be worried that he is not able to call up and congratulate an actress after her last night show than being thinking why

Now that the curtain has fallen and the swaying and the bowing are done, I have found some time to tell you a bit about *Koka*. Much has been written about him, in multiple fora, in erudition, in critique and in praise. I too had my own journey of discovery and this is what I want to share with you.

he was not nominated for the Padma Bhushan! It is not humility. It is an unnatural human behaviour. Many a times, we have been shocked by its own audacity. How can you be not bothered about this, we would ask, let's say, about some very obviously uncomfortable situation. I bet, if we were to ask to ash him, how come after long years of radio service, he did not build a house of his own, he would have said, "Oh, but we ate good fish, didn't we?" That detachment came natural to him. He was at perfect peace with these choices he made. It was that peace that transcended into what we all saw as "Good".

We do not know where your lives, career and fortune will take you in the coming years. If there is one, only one, aspect of his life that we all need to learn to imbibe from

People Speak

Today's topic

How can we raise the economic potential of the Brahmaputra River?

Once the river 'Huang Ho' was known as 'China's Sorrow'. Today it is a thing of the past. We can also cite the example of the country Holland, many parts of which are still lying below the sea level, but without any devastation. May be we still not thought in those directions to tame our mighty Brahmaputra. Today, in this era of sophisticated technologies, the river Brahmaputra can be controlled through different scientific means like polders (low lying areas) through building dykes and canals, through the system of drainage ditches and pumping stations and above all, through dredging, i.e., the removal of sediments or silt and debris deposited naturally at the bottom of the river. Besides controlling devastating floods, all these measures would make the river a continuous water way towards an economic transport system.

To earn through tourism, initiation of various water sports, including ropeways, construction at various tourist spots near the river bank could also be thought of. Pollution control mechanism should be made strong to stop man-made pollution of the river. For all these, the State needs a dedicated, patriotic government to promote work-culture and a corruption-free society, rather than promoting impractical activities.

– Dr. Pritish Chowdhury,
Former Chief Scientist,
CSIR-NEIST, Jorhat.

There are many ways to strengthen Assam economically through the Brahmaputra River. We can create the best ever transport system, as well as other eco-friendly gaming zones in the river, which would attract tourists from all over the world.

Along with that, we can also produce electricity by making dams without harming the water animals, environment and the people living on the banks. We also cultivate vegetables and other crops on the fertile land of the embankments of the river with the initiation of a well-planned irrigation system, which would definitely raise the economic potential of the river.

– Lakhajit Nath
Tezpur University.

Each one of us should have utmost respect and care for this sacred river as much as we have for our parents and elders. Polluting the river should be treated as a heinous crime. The aquatic life in it should be cared for and preserved by introducing clean and safe technologies and methods. Water tourism should be promoted at eco-tourism spots where tourists can enjoy a peaceful and harmonious co-existence with Nature. Also, this river can be an option for international trade, if the required infrastructure and funds are allotted in safe hands, supported by strong plans by both the State and central governments.

– Animesh Borkotoky,
Guwahati.

With proper effort, the Brahmaputra River can be established as the main source of economy for Assam. To do this, the dredging of the Brahmaputra will be the first and foremost step. After this, the water of the Brahmaputra can be used in various activities. Cities and villages can be easily linked with water transportation through the Brahmaputra. Fishing can be a major industry for Assam. To do this, a proper fishing policy has to be implemented by the government. Water irrigation from rivers can help to cultivate crops for the whole year, which is not seen in Assam.

Beautification of the banks, preservation of Assamese art and culture in Majuli and Umananda can attract tourists in large numbers to visit both the islands. Introducing of ropeway, river rafting, hotel amidst the river, etc., can be some other means of attracting tourists which can aid the economic development of Assam.

– Arup Bezbarrah,
Jawaharlal Nehru University,
New Delhi.

The Brahmaputra Basin presents an important opportunity for regional cooperation and economic development in South Asia. Shared water resource management and related investments would not only help augment basin-wide benefits, but also help inform policy discussions and increase regional cooperation, contributing to reduction in poverty and acceleration of regional economic growth.

The basin presents significant economic development opportunities for the riparian countries. In particular, the agriculture sector has considerable scope for development. Agriculture plays an important role in the economic livelihood of the basin communities. Improving water productivity and water efficiency would significantly contribute to food security, poverty reduction and economic growth in the basin.

Hydropower, flood management, and erosion control are issues of high importance to riparian countries.

– Nilakshi Mahanta,
Guwahati.



Bihu as performance

At this point of time, our beautiful, bountiful, fructuous State of Assam is famous for several things. These are the USPs, the Unique Selling Points by which we are known, across the country, certainly, but also, to some extent, worldwide.

Yes, tea, of course, the famous and strong Assam brew that finds its way into cups and mugs across the globe. "Assam Tea" is a well-known brand and certainly we can be proud that these two leaves and a bud, carefully nurtured in gardens by hardworking men and women, have brought us such renown.

And then there are our famous Assamese weaves, the *eri* and *muga* and *paa* which are indeed fit for a princess. And certainly, we are now well-known for our cuisine. And during the season of Spring, yes, we are famed for our Bihu, and its beautiful songs and dances.

Ah, the Bihu dance and the song. There is something about the sound of the *dhol* and *pepa*, the *gogona* and the clappers, that is irresistible. As the young men and women dance to the rhythm that is thumped out on the *dhol*, we cannot help but tap our feet to its beckoning pulsations. The double beat of the Bihu is infectious. It urges us to get up and join the dancers, and sway and bend as best as we can as the air reverberates with the joy of the season.

Bihu now travels all over the country, and the world. It is as much a product of Assam as is its tea and its textiles. Who can resist the charm of the lissom belles who sway so enticingly? Who can fail to be attracted to the magnetic good looks of the young men who beat the *dhol* with such vigour, with the *gamocha* tied at a rakish angle on their handsome heads? Yes, we are reminded again and again as we watch the dancers, this dance has its origins in rites of fertility. Of course it's all toned down now, nothing very obvious about it, yet the seductiveness of the dance is unabashed. How glorious this is!

Actually, this aspect of Bihu, that is, the songs and dances associated with the festival, is morphing at a very swift rate, in front of our very eyes. This essentially rural festival was rarely seen at one time in urban areas. People had to

travel to the remote parts of the State in order to get a glimpse of this "exotic dance". It was only in the 50s of the last century that a group of people, including R.G. Baruah, the founder of this paper, decided to bring it to the urban stage to save it from extinction.

The sensuality of the dance and the lyrics was such that some conservative people of the time were shocked. (But then, it must be remembered

ALL THINGS CONSIDERED

Mitra Phukan



The Bihu dance has indeed come a long way since then. The parents of girls from families across all social strata are delighted to see their daughters dancing the Bihu.

that we, as a people, are easily shocked.) Even today, when the Bihu dance travels to places outside the State, the audience is always amazed at the sensuality of the poses of the dancers. At that time, the daughters and daughters-in-law of the "respectable" houses, were, it seems, "forbidden" to go and watch this exotic dance.

The Bihu dance has indeed come a long way since then. The parents of girls from families across all social strata are delighted to see their daughters dancing the Bihu. It is a matter of pride if one of the girls of the family becomes a *Bihu Kunwari* at a prestigious *Bihu* in Guwahati. The crown carries a prize, and great honour.

Indeed, today, the Bihu dance has come a long way from its roots. It is, quite often, a stage performance. It is no longer the spontaneous outpouring of song and dance in a sylvan setting that it used to be. Today, the Bihu performances are rehearsed pieces, meticulously choreographed.

Of course it's true that the spontaneous, rural Bihu also exists, parallel to these Bihu "per-

formances" on stage. But the dance that comes to us on urban stages is now undergoing a metamorphosis. The Bihu, therefore, now has two distinct streams. One is the indubitably folk stream, with boys and girls, men and women gathering together and dancing and singing in unrehearsed, spontaneous joy and abandon. There is a great deal of beauty in this, the beauty of simplicity and of the rootedness that comes from carrying on a folk tradition in the very ambience in which it took shape.

The other stream is the stage performance. Everything here is homogenised. From the synchronised smiles of the dancers to their beautiful red and gold *muga* attire, from the meticulously measured lengths of the *dholas* to the size of the *dholas* slung on the young men's shoulders, everything is standardised. The big red birds are the exact size on every dancer's forehead. Each dancer thrusts out her hip at the exact angle, every *dholua* on stage gives the same lowlevel look to them. The *gamocha* wrapped around each *dhol* has the same floral design. The effect is mesmerising, visually. And it is also impressive if one takes into account the sheer effort that has gone into this exercise in homogeneity.

These days, there are Pre Bihu workshops held, where young and aspiring dancers and *dholuas* are taught the "correct" steps. Of course it is a fine thing that songs and dances and *dhol* playing is taught. But in the process, there is definitely a loss spontaneity. For all this is a preparation, let's not forget, for the stage, and not for a sylvan setting.

There are also, these days, Bihu competitions on TV. The judges dissect the performances of each troupe, of each dancer and *dholua*, and then award prizes. This leads to even more conformity. Which, in itself is not a bad thing. It is just that every year, the Bihu songs and dances are establishing themselves ever more strongly as "performances", even as the performers tour the world with their breathtakingly beautiful, and fully rehearsed and choreographed pieces.

All Things Considered, these developments are indeed very interesting to watch. And one can get a measure of how far from the roots the performances have come, if one goes, during the Bihu season, to some remote village, and watch the spontaneous dances there. These, and the stage performances, seem to be two different genres, don't they now?

5 THINGS / Writing tips

"It takes years and years of endeavour"

Eminent author ARUP KUMAR DUTTA offers writing advice.

1 Aspiring writers must be self-aware

They need to know whether they are equipped with the two essential requirements for writing – creative imagination and absolute acquaintance with the language in which they choose to write. Words are the bricks with which writers give tangible shapes to the creations of their imagination. Also, aspiring writers should be steeped in life's experiences and try to comprehend the complexities of human relationships which are the semi-natural "raw materials" for their writings.

2 Aspiring writers must be voracious readers

They must read widely, and diverse kinds of books, both fiction and non-fiction. Reading familiarises one with the nuances of words and how other writers use them to convey facts, emotions, humour etc. Reading other writers also facilitates the understanding of aspects of writing such as giving proper structure to a short-story or a novel. Reading books, moreover, helps writers in enlarging their range of experience.

3 Patience is another important quality

They must appreciate the reality that it takes years and years of endeavour, toil and dedication to become a successful writer. At first, they need to hone their skills by working on smaller pieces of writing, such as short-stories, newspaper articles, essays, blogs, pieces of humour and satire etc., in order to attain proficiency. Also, they should get genuine feedback on their writing from people whose judgement they trust and benefit from constructive criticism.



4 Try to get minor writings published in newspapers/magazines

The web is also available for posting a writer's output. Success in getting fiction or non-fiction pieces published will be confirmation that the writer is producing materials that are "publishable" and will serve to boost confidence. Only when they are certain that they have mastered their craft should they commence a major project like a novel.

5 Today there are numerous publishing houses which publish works by new writers

Having completed a major work, an aspiring writer should approach these for evaluation for possible publication. This might be a long and tortuous process, but authentic writers must not lose hope.

(As told to Indrani Raimedhi)

FORECAST

APRIL 24 – 30, 2017



ARIES
(MAR 21–
APR 19)

Do you really want what you are asking for? Or are you making demands to bring attention to the fact that no one has been making a fuss of you the last few days? I don't think you really know. From Tuesday, you see where your time is best spent.



TAURUS
(APR 20–
MAY 20)

If you don't give your close ones the space they are asking you for, then they are just going to shut you out completely. Revealing what you really want from your career to those who can help you can see you move mountains this week.



GEMINI
(MAY 21–
JUN 20)

This period helps you get back your confidence in relationships and you, no wonder, worry about hurting other's feelings by admitting what you want. But you start to open up now. Now is the time to talk about past relationships.



CANCER
(JUN 21–
JULY 22)

The planets throw you into the limelight. You find yourself having to ask questions; you would rather have ignored. Just be honest and be you for positive results. Those who have been playing their cards close to their chest are at last willing to open up.



LEO
(JUL 23–
AUG 22)

You will no longer have to worry about others lying to you. The stars hand you the gift of clear vision and you will be able to see with ease who has been telling you tall stories. Focus on a new career.



VIRGO
(AUG 23–
SEP 22)

No matter how much you claimed to be, you never were the shy one in the corner, were you, Virgo? Over the coming days, you get the information you need to move forward or away from a certain relationship.



LIBRA
(SEP 23–
OCT 22)

There are several new directions your personal life can take, but just make sure that you are not being too heavily influenced by those who have something to gain should you take their "words of wisdom". This week, take it easy.



SCORPIO
(OCT 23–
NOV 22)

You are not being given all the facts about what is going on in your career. It would be in your best interests to slow your pace and get more information, especially before you sign anything which could prove life changing.



SAGITTARIUS
(NOV 22–
DEC 21)

Don't be angry at a close one for speaking their mind over the last few weeks. You must respect them for trying to make a difference to your life so fearlessly. Some form of compromise is needed in love and work.



CAPRICORN
(DEC 22–
JAN 19)

Self-confidence is the key to you getting the most. Indeed, it is only by believing in what you want that it will become a reality. Going solo in career projects is what is best for some of your signs.



AQUARIUS
(JAN 20–
FEB 18)

Forgiveness can help you find inner peace. If you start to forgive yourself or others, then the peace in your heart will follow. Many of your sign will be finding connections with strangers or those you are introduced to for the first time by friends.



PISCES
(FEB 19–
MAR 20)

You may be reserved in nature and known to take premature decisions hastily. But remember, being stubborn, will get you nowhere. Love life starts to get more than a little interesting.

MOVIE WATCH

Bidisha Singh

The Case for Christ

Cast: Mike Vogel, Erika Christensen, Faye Dunaway.
Director: Jon Gunn.



T is an American drama based on a true story that inspired the 1998 book of the same name by Lee Strobel, who is the protagonist. Way back in 1980, journalist Strobel gets promoted to legal editor at *Chicago Tribune*, but his personal life isn't going as planned, especially when his wife finds a new faith in Christ. A resolute atheist, Strobel applies his journalistic and legal skills to attempt to disprove his wife's faith. But after completing a thorough investigation for almost two years he finds the historical evidence for Jesus, and then finds a new faith in Christ.

Weekly Top Grossers

- 1. *The Fate of the Furious*
- 2. *Gifted*
- 3. *The Case for Christ*
- 4. *Beauty and the Beast*
- 5. *Smurfs: The Lost Village*

Going in Style

Stars: Joey King, Ann-Margret, Morgan Freeman.
Director: Zach Braff.

D irected by Zach Braff (remember the hospital comedy *Scrubs*) this is a remake of the 1979 film of the same name, starring biggies like Morgan Freeman, Michael Caine and Alan Arkin. At the end of their long-drawn work life, three lifelong friends realise that there is a whole lot

more left to do and their pension funds aren't quite adequate. Desperate to pay the bills and come through for their loved ones, they risk it all by embarking on a daring heist to rob the very bank that absconded with their money.

FILM INTERVIEW

Shoma A. Chatterji

R ajkumar Rao is currently in the news for his work in *Vikramaditya Motwane's* sleeper hit *Trapped*. Among his forthcoming films is *Newton* that premiered at the Berlinale to a standing ovation. In *Trapped*, a survival drama, he has only a rat for company in a locked-in flat. Excerpts from an interview with this versatile actor:

■ *You were wonderful at mimicking when you were very young. Did this talent push you to choose acting as a career?*

I was good at impersonations but there are other reasons too. I fell in love with cinema when I was a kid. I was very much like the kid in *Cinema Paradiso*. I thought of it as a parallel universe which I wanted to reach. I did my first major play in class nine and decided that this was what I wanted to do in life.

■ *When you have a smaller role which has negative shades, such as the ones you portrayed in *Queen* and Hamani Adhuri Kanhani, does that make you feel sad?*

I'm very proud of *Queen*. I knew that it was Kangana's film and she was absolutely amazing. The kind of praise I've got for *Queen* has made me happy about my decision. It's important to be a part of films that you can really be proud of. If I had been sad, I would not have taken the project, right?

■ *The role of Shaurya in *Trapped* is one that many big names in Bollywood would have rejected. What made you accept it?*

I don't think any sensible actor

would have rejected Shaurya's part. It's a dream for any actor to feature in a survival drama. The moment Vikramaditya Motwane's idea came to me, I felt I wanted to do it.

■ *Your work has been extremely versatile. Why do you think you have never been typecast?*

This is probably because I am constantly challenging myself to

do something different. Cinema is a director's medium and when you have directors like Hansal Mehta, Vikramaditya Motwane, Anurag Kashyap, Vikas Bahl, Abhishek Kapoor, Dibakar Banerjee, Mira Nair, Ashvin Iyer, Bejoy, Mohit, Amit and other immensely talented ones, you know you are in safe hands and you can blindly trust them.

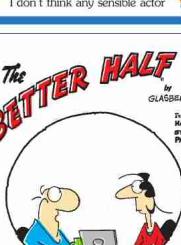
■ *Your characters in *Shahid* and *Omerta* are poles apart. In the former, you play a terrorist-turned committed lawyer defending wrongfully imprisoned people. In *Omerta*, you play a terrorist yourself. How does this work for you as an actor and a social being?*

It's tough to portray two people who have come from the same background but are poles apart in their perceptions and their ideologies. I could connect with Shahid on a personal level, I believed in his principles. But in *Omerta*, where I play a dark character, it gets tougher because you have never experienced such emotions in your life. As an actor, you must live those emotions truthfully. Another funny part of being an actor is that you get to understand human psyche very well.

■ *You have agreed to portray Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose in a web-serial to be produced by Esha Kapoor. How do you plan to do your homework?*

Apart from learning the language and reading a lot of books and watching videos on Bose's life, my main focus would be to try and live him as closely as possible. It will be a very internal process. At this point, I find it quite scary to flesh him out on screen, even though it's a web series.

– Trans World Features (TWF)



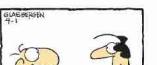
*To have and hold, to text and tweet, in broadband or dial-up, until death do us part. That's how we should renew our vows!



"When I was studying to be a cardiologist, I joined a fraternity for medical students – Omega 3."



"I'm too out of shape to walk with you. I get winded following you on Twitter."



"Relationships are just as complicated as computers. So why doesn't marriage come with free lifetime tech support?"



"I found an app that will love, honour and cherish you when I'm too busy, too angry or too tired."