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Police reshuffle

GUWAHATI, June 16: In a police department reshuffle today Sonitpur SP Pritpal Singh has been transferred and posted as SSP Chirag Singh. Indrani Barua, who has been transferred as the Commandant of the 4th APB replacing Ankur Jain. Jain will be the new SP of Sonitpur - Staff Reporter

Excise evasion

GUWAHATI, June 16: The CID today questioned Excise Deputy Commissioner Pranjal Bora in connection with the multi-crore-rupme tax evasion case involving BG Bonded Warehouse here. "More officials would be summoned to corroborate the facts," sources said. - Staff Reporter

Silapather case

GUWAHATI, June 16: Prosecution sanction in the Silapather case vis-a-vis Section 153A of IPC has not been provided as yet by the State Government leading to delay in the trial. The Section 153A is promoting erosion among different groups on the grounds of religion, language, etc. - Staff Reporter

KAAC polls

DIPHU, June 16: The elections to the KAAC will be held tomorrow, of which 557 626 voters of West Karbi Anglong and East Karbi Anglong districts will decide the fate of candidates in 813 polling stations. - Correspondent

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1993 Mumbai blasts case

Abu Salem, five others convicted



A file photo of Abu Salem in police custody.

MUMBAI, June 16: A special TADA court here today convicted six persons including mastermind Mustafa Dossa and extradited gangster Abu Salem in the 1993 Mumbai serial blasts case, 24 years after the attacks left 257 people dead.

It, however, let off one accused Abdul Quayum, for want of evidence against him. This was the second leg of the trial.

All the seven accused were facing multiple charges which included criminal conspiracy, waging war against the Government of India and murder.

In the first leg of the trial that concluded in 2007, the TADA court had convicted 100

accused in the case, while 23 people were acquitted.

The presiding of the seven accused — Abu Salem, Mustafa Dossa, Kamruzzaman Khan, Firoz Abdur Rashid Khan, Riyaz Siddiqui, Tahir Merchant and Abdul Quayum — was separated from the main case as they were arrested at the time of conclusion of the main trial.

The court, however, allowed all the seven accused in the case from the charge of waging war against the nation.

While Dossa allegedly masterminded the landing of explosives including RDX in India and sent some youth to Pakistan to acquire arms training to execute the strikes, Salem transported weapons from Gujarat to Mumbai ahead of the blasts. - PTI

6 cops killed in J-K ambush

SRINAGAR, June 16: In yet another militant attack within three weeks, terrorists today ambushed a police party in the outskirts of Anantnag district of south Kashmir and killed six policemen, including a station house officer of Achabal area.

In a barbatic act, the terrorists shot at the policemen with their assault rifles after overpowering them. The policemen who retaliated bravely, however, could not break the trap laid by the terrorists. The terrorists first overpowered them, then fatally shot them in their faces from close range and escaped with their weapons.

The incident took place this evening when Feroz Ahmed, a 2010 batch sub-inspector, was on his way to the police station at Achabal after completing his duty in Anantnag.

The militants had laid an ambush on Anantnag-Achabal road near Kulgam village and fired at the police party. The police were not travelling in a bullet-proof vehicle.

All the six policemen, including Ahmed, died on the spot, senior police officials said. Army has been called out to undertake a combing operation in the area. - PTI

The militants had laid an ambush on Anantnag-Achabal road near Kulgam village and fired at the police party. The police were not travelling in a bullet-proof vehicle.

The dastardly attacks had also left 713 seriously injured and destroyed properties worth Rs 27 crore.

Besides accused Riyaz Siddiqui, all the other five convicts were pronounced guilty by Special Judge G A Sanap for criminal conspiracy, murder under various sections of the

New project to check flash floods in city

Govt to sign MoU with IITG

RITURAJ BORTHAKUR

GUWAHATI, June 16: With recurring flash floods taking a heavy toll on the capital city, the soil conservation department has decided to collaborate with the IIT Guwahati in implementing a watershed management project in the Guwahati hills to check erosion and siltation which is leading to clogging of the drainage.

The project would include both vegetative and mechanical measures, depending on the site condition. It is expected to be implemented from this year and the government hopes that its results would be felt from next year itself.

"We will sign an MoU with IITG which will prepare the project report. The measures would be taken without disturbing the settlements," Soil Conservation Director S Choudhury told *The Assam Tribune*.

A team from the civil engineering department of IITG is likely to make a presentation before the Chief Minister, who is understood to have taken keen interest on the project. The team from IITG has studied the problem extensively and has come up with strategies to mitigate it, Choudhury said.

"The project components would include jute netting (laying down jute mesh mat over the hill like a landscape fabric) in steep hill slopes. We will also plant trees in between by making holes in the mats. The mats are compostable and will eventually mix with the soil," Choudhury said.

Another component of the project would be construction of staggered blocks in some hill stretches to slow down the current of the flowing rainwater so that erosion is minimum. Retaining walls will also be another component of the project besides a campaign for promoting ecological management practices among the settlers in the hills.

"Through this project, we are aiming at reducing the erosion by around 50 to 60 per cent," Choudhury said, adding that the estimated cost of the project would be around Rs 3 crore.

There are around 15 hills in the city. (See page 4)

Presidential poll

Rajnath, Naidu meet Sonia Gandhi

NEW DELHI, June 16: The government today reached out to the opposition on the presidential election with Union Ministers Rajnath Singh and M Venkai Naik meeting Congress president Sonia Gandhi, but the discussions were inconclusive with no names being put forward from either side.

"We expected that BJP leaders will come up with some name, one or more, for the post of President of India, so that the Congress party could take a call on that. But nothing of that happened. BJP leaders

did not propose any name and instead asked us the names," Congress leader Ghulam Nabi Azad said after the meeting.

Part of the ruling BJP's outreach to stitch a consensus on the official nominee for India's next President, this was the first meeting between the government and the opposition on either side.

The BJP has formed a three-member committee of senior leaders — Rajnath Singh, Arun Jaitley and Naidu — and will meet other opposition leaders too, Jaitley is in Korea and was

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Switzerland ratifies info sharing

BERNE/NEW DELHI, June 16: Switzerland today ratified automatic exchange of financial account information with India and 40 other jurisdictions to facilitate immediate sharing of details about suspected black money even as it sought strict adherence to confidentiality and data security.

Adopting the dispatch on introduction of the AEOL, a global convention for automatic information exchange on tax matters, the Swiss Federal Council said the implementation is planned for 2018 and the first set of data should be exchanged in 2019.

The council, which is the top governing body of the European nation, will soon notify the Indian government about the exact date from which the automatic exchange would begin.

As per the draft notification

approved by the council in its meeting today, the decision is not subject to any reference

— which means there should be no further procedural delay in its (See page 4)

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Rajasthan govt should take action on cow vigilantes: MHA

NEW DELHI, June 16-Citing an advisory issued a few months ago on cow vigilantism, the Centre today said it expects the Rajasthan government to take action against those who had targeted officials of the Tamil Nadu government for transporting cows from Jaisalmer to their State recently.

The comments came days after about 50 cow vigilantes targeted officials of the Tamil Nadu government for transporting cows and pelleted stones at a truck and blocked a national highway on suspicion of cattle smuggling in Rajasthan's Barmer district.

"We had sent an advisory a few months ago. We expect the Rajasthan government will act against all those who take law in their hands on the basis of that advisory," a home ministry spokesperson said.

In the advisory, the home ministry had asked all States not to tolerate anyone taking

law into their hands in the name of cow protection and take prompt action against such offenders.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi had also denounced cow vigilantes and asked people to beware of such "fake" protectors trying to divide society and the country and asked the states to severely punish them.

The advisory said historically cattle have a very special, respected status in Indian culture and history and even Mahatma Gandhi had stated that "cow protection to me is not mere protection of cow, it means protection of that

(which) lives, is helpless and weak in the world".

However, that does not entitle any individual or group of persons to take action on their own to prevent the alleged slaughter or punish the alleged wrong doers, it said.

The States are, therefore, enjoined upon, and expected to ensure that any person who takes law into his/her own hands is dealt with promptly, and punished as per law.

There should be no tolerance at all for such persons and full majesty of law must come to bear on them, without exception, it said.

The advisory said no person can, under any circumstances, take the law into their hands and any person doing so has to be dealt with strictly under the relevant laws, and brought to justice in the quickest possible fashion, for the strictest punishment. - PTI

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State Govt draws flak over NRC update

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, June 16: Alleging that the NRC update is wilfully delaying the process with an agenda to accommodate the Hindu Bangladeshi coming to Assam post-1971, the Left-Democratic Manch, Assam, today expressed serious doubts over publication of the draft NRC by December 31 this year, as announced by the government.

Alleging that the Union and State governments are buying time for amendments to the Citizenship Act to be passed by the Parliament, the joint forum of 11 principal parties, NCP and CPI(M), Aam Aadmi Party, and SP among others, said the entire process of NRC update was stalled as per the government design.

Earlier, the government had promised to publish the draft NRC by March 31 this year, which was postponed till December 31. "When a delegation of Left-Democratic Manch met the NRC coordinator Pratik Hajela on Thursday on the issue, he could not give a clear account of the progress in the NRC work so far," said CPM State secretary Deben Bhattacharya.

"Also, fund anomalies are suspected with regards of dysfunctional NRC Seva Kendras in various parts of the State mainly due to lack of logistics. That the NRC coordinator could not provide us with details of the exact progress made in the work so far is unfortunate," he said. The Manch asked the government to expedite the work and publish the draft this year and ensure an error-free NRC with 1971 as the base year.

Manjul Mahanta, general secretary of the Assam Sangram Mancha, said that of the Rs 905 crore sanctioned by the Centre for the entire NRC update work, it has released Rs 782 crore so far, but the State government has only released Rs 654 crore to the NRC authorities holding back over Rs 120 crore.

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Actress Zerifa Wahid and others perform in the drama Mricchakatikam staged at Rabindra Bhawan in Guwahati on Friday evening. - UB Photos

Switzerland ratifies ...

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The issue of black money has been a matter of big debate in India and Switzerland has been long perceived as one of the safest havens for the illicit wealth allegedly flushed abroad by Indians.

Today's decision follows hectic parleys between India and Switzerland for introduction of the AEOI (Automatic Exchange of Information) on tax matters under the guidance of G20, OECD and other

global organisations.

The council said the proposal to introduce AEOI with India and others "met with widespread approval from the interested parties who voiced their opinions in the consultations."

"In concrete terms, the AEOI will be activated with each individual state or territory by means of a specific federal decree within the framework of this dispatch," it added.

The exchange of information will be carried out

based on the Multilateral Competent Authority Agreement on the Automatic Exchange of Financial Account Information, which is in turn based on the international standard for the exchange of information developed by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development.

The council said it will prepare a situation report before the first exchange of data, which is planned for autumn 2019. - PTI

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Summons issued on 04 of section 19 of the Act, regarding the application for the payment of the sum of Rs. 1,19,15,240/- (Rupees One lakh nineteen thousand one hundred and fifty two rupees only) as the amount of debt recoverable under section 14(2) of the Act.

Notice of hearing date is 19/06/2017 at 10:30 A.M. till the application shall be heard and decided in your absence.

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In accordance with sub-section (4) of section 19 of the act, the defendants are directed as under:-

(i) to show cause within 15 days of the service of notice as to whether the prayer for should not be granted.

The Congress leader said the BJP was seeking cooperation but his party did not know what is on their mind. - PTI

New project ...
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focus of the project would be on the most vulnerable ones - at Chandmari, near GMCH, Kalapahar, Hengrabari, Sunali, Geetanagar, etc., where heavy silting has been reported.

Soil conservation officials admitted that illegal settlements in the hills have been the primary reason for the heavy erosion and silting in the those areas.

Parliamentary panel reviews IIE scheme

CORRESPONDENT

JALUKBARI, June 16: A Parliamentary Standing Committee on Industry visited the Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship (IIE), Guwahati on Thursday and reviewed the implementation of SFURTI (Scheme of Fund for Registration on Traditional Industries) clusters in Assam and other states of the region.

The IIE is instrumental in executing the SFURTI clusters across the north-eastern states. The committee led by Sharad Yadav, MP, also held a discussion with officials of the IIE for future course of action.

Later, the Chairman of the committee assured the officials that he would recommend setting up of sale counters in New Delhi and other metros in the country so that the artisans of the region can showcase their products. The Chairman also hailed the initiatives of the faculties and staff of IIE in making SFURTI a successful initiative.

IIE Director Manoj Kumar Das later told this correspondent that the IIE has chalked out a long-term plan for development of the handicraft sector of the North East.



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Dusties found

STAFF REPORTER

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Tribute to Anandaram Dhekial Phukan

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, June 16: Tributes were paid to Anandaram Dhekial Phukan, prophet and philosopher of the 19th century Assamese renaissance, at a public meeting held under the auspices of Guwahati Sabha Bhaban here today. Dr Banikanta Sarma presided over the function.

Dipak Sarma chanted *man-gal-chhannam*, while Sahityacharya Dr Pramod Baruah sang a lighted the ceremonial lamp.

Inaugurating the function, Prof Upen Sarma dwelt at length on the literary and social contributions of Dhekial Phukan for restoration of the status and dignity of the Assamese language in the courts and schools of the State after its long banishment following British occupation.

Addressing the function as chief guest, senior journalist DN Chakravarty said few great sons of the world had done so much as was done by Dhekial Phukan for the cause.

Air phone-in prog today

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, June 16: The Regional News Unit of AIR Guwahati will hold a phone-in talk show, 'Drishit', at 8.30 pm tomorrow on the subject of skill development.

Mission Director of Skill Development Mission, Assam, AP Tiwari will take part in the programme as a resource person. Manas Pratim Sarma will host the show. Listeners can ask questions by dialling 0361-2661876 and 2662325.

Unjustified hike in cement prices being pursued: AREIDA

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, June 16: The Assam Real Estate and Infrastructure Developers' Association (AREIDA) stated in a statement here today that the Competition Commission of India (CCI) has been pursuing the issue of unjustified hike in the prices of cement and has now appointed Navin Kamauja as the investigating officer to look into the matter.

The AREIDA had filed a case with the CCI against three cement companies namely Star, Topcem and Dalmia Cements, in September 2016, in the wake of the exorbitant hikes these companies effected in their individual cement brands.

After preliminary inquiry, the CCI had registered a case against the three companies bearing Case No. 77/2016, under Section 19 (1) (a) of the Comptition Act 2002, for violation of Sections 3 and 4 of the Act.

AREIDA president PK Sarma said he was contacted today by the CCI and was informed that Navin Kamauja has been appointed as the investigating officer and that the matter is being pursued in earnest by the CCI. The investigating officer has requested that he should be kept informed of all the new developments taking place in this respect.

The people of the North East have had to face the burden of the highest price of cement in the country, despite the fact that the cement industry is heavily subsidised by the Government of India under the North East Investment and Industrial Policy.

Sarma said that the construction industry is facing an unprecedented crisis at present, also due to non-availability of stone chips and that the AREIDA has approached the government for a solution. "Following the Chief Minister's intervention, we were today invited to a high-level meeting convened by Additional Chief Secretary KV Epen at Dispur to address this crippling crisis," Sarma said.

NH-37 at Dimoria turning into waste dumping ground



Garbage dumped on the roadside, as seen on Friday. — Photo: Correspondent

A CORRESPONDENT

JORABAT, June 16: Due to negligence of the authorities, the scenic National Highway-37 has become a dumping ground for some people. Garbage is dumped along the sides of NH-37 at Dimoria between Jorabat and Sonapur. The ecotourism-friendly area, where people from

Guwahati city love to go for long rides enjoying the greenery and freshness of the area, is gradually becoming filthy and unhygienic.

Cautions on the adverse consequences of continuous dumping of garbage along the highway, a local resident of Dimoria said the activity is degrading the pride of Dimoria and may deter people from visiting the area in future as it is affecting the beauty of Nature.

It has been noticed that even after extensive media coverage on the issue, dumping of toxic and unhygienic waste material from both within and outside of the city has not stopped. Chief adviser to Dimoria AASU unit Dibyajyoti Medhi said the Sonapur Circle Officer should take legal action against those dumping garbage as there could be an outbreak of an epidemic if it continues.

Crumbling civic infrastructure resented

GUWAHATI, June 16: Castigating the State government, district administration and other departments and agencies concerned, the All Guwahati Students' Union (AGSU) today said that lack of coordination among the authorities is responsible for the State capital's crumbling civic infrastructure.

"Tuesday's deluge in which five persons lost their lives is a grim testimony to the inefficiency, insensitivity and lack of committed efforts on the part of the authorities. Guwahati needs

much more than the periodical facelifts done ahead of a VIP visit, and the authorities need to understand this," the AGSU said in a statement.

The AGSU alleged that while all political leaders and bureaucrats want a sprawling bungalow and a plot of land in the city, none has the sincerity and will to address the city's mounting civic concerns. "The people are getting fed up with the working of clueless authorities. It is time they acted on a war footing with a sense of purpose," it said. — Staff Reporter

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STAFF REPORTER

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National Service Scheme festival

GUWAHATI, June 16: A team of 32 members of the National Service Scheme (NSS) of Gauhati University NSS Cell comprising LCB College, B Borooah College, Karmashwar Hiteswar Saikia College, Asian Institute of Nursing College,

Nalbari College and Dhang College participated in the Manipur North East NSS Festival organised by Manipur University NSS and Regional Directorate, NSS, NER, Guwahati, recently.

The team was led by Hiru Bala Das,

NSS Programme Officer, LCB College, a press release stated. Yoga, physical exercise, tracking, literary events, academic sessions and cultural programmes were presented by NSS volunteers from the North East. — Staff Reporter

Electrocution victim's wife offered job

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, June 16: The Gauhati Municipal Corporation has come to the aid of Priyanka Bora, widow of Anwar Hussain, who lost his life while trying to push Pushan Kalita in Tuesday's deluge here.

Both Pushan, a Class VIII student and Anwar Hussain, a painting worker, died due to electrocution near the Assam State Zoo on the RG Baruah Road.

GMC Mayor Mrijen Sarania told *The Assam Tribune* that if she wishes, Rajkhowa would be offered a contractual post in the Corporation as per her qualification.

Anwar Hussain set an example by making an effort to save school student Pushan Kalita, risking his own life. Though unfortunately, both of them lost their lives, Hussain's effort was commendable, he said.

A proposal regarding this would be brought in the general body meeting of the Corporation within this month. Old age home Amar Ghar has also proposed to provide shelter to Priti and her daughter, Maina.

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MESSAGE FOR TODAY

If you really want to do something, you'll find a way. If you don't, you'll find an excuse.

- JIM ROHN

The Assam Tribune**Renewed demand**

There is nothing new about Bimal Gurung's Gorkha Janmukti Morcha (GJM) demand for a separate Gorkhaland state constituting the hilly areas in and around Darjeeling. Such a demand had been raised even when the Leftists were in power in West Bengal, though the latter through dialogue as well as concessions kept it in abeyance. Not surprisingly, the GJM which had been quiescent with the demand for quite some time now has started campaigning vehemently once again for a separate state. When Telangana through a similar campaign had successfully wrested a separate State for itself, there was fear that it might have a snowball effect on other separatist elements and parties like the GJM would renew their demand, but that didn't happen. However, lately West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee is proving to be a thorn in the flesh of the Modi Government at the Centre and one can put two and two together to guess the forces that have come into play to induce Gurung to renew the demand now. It may be noted that the GJM is an ally of the BJP and Gurung has publicly stated that he is in constant touch with members of the NDA Government, and was hopeful that the Centre would look at the issue 'compassionately'. The timing of the agitation too has been opportunistic, with the peak tourist season being hit hard.

The design, clearly, is to put pressure upon the West Bengal Chief Minister who, however, remains adamant against granting concessions of any kind. Knowing her personality, it is unlikely too that she would fall back on the charge the Opposition parties are currently launching against the NDA, or change her stance on beef-eating, cattle-slaughter, demonetization, etc. In resorting to violence, the GJM has given her a handle by which she can come down hard on the agitators; she has sent over a thousand paramilitary personnel to the affected areas to quell the violence. However, she cannot afford to allow the agitation to fester on for too long since prolonged suppression would harden respective positions. The best course for her would be to dilute her rigid stand and open channels for dialogue to explore possibilities of options such as granting further autonomy to the hill districts. The danger too is very real that capitulation to the core GJM demand would open up a veritable Pandora's box of similar demands in neighbouring Assam. Communities such as the Bodos, Koch-Rajbongshis and Karbis have for long been demanding states of their own and any concession on this account on the part of West Bengal would strengthen their case. Creation of tiny states solely on grounds of ethnicity not only goes against the principles on which Indian democracy is founded, but also would create economically unviable entities dependent heavily on the Centre for sustenance.

Handloom policy

Notwithstanding the State's glorious tradition of indigenous hand-woven textiles, the absence of a pragmatic textile policy for protecting the legitimate interests of the weavers and the industry as a whole remains a big concern. It is a sad reality that many of the artisans, whose exquisite craftsmanship on *muga*, *paat* and *eri* has earned the State global acclaim, are not getting the remuneration they deserve due to various impediments at different stages from production to sale. The State Government has now announced that a pragmatic textile policy would be formulated for boosting the indigenous handloom industry and to safeguard the interests of the artisans. Facilitating the required interventions at various stages from production to market linkage is the stated objective of the policy. It may be recalled that the Government had announced similar initiatives a few years back but nothing visible happened on the ground. It is apparent that not all is well with the famed indigenous silk industry of Sualkuchi, and matters stand worsened by government apathy. Sale of cheap imported silk sought to be passed off as indigenous *paat* and *muga* silk of Sualkuchi has been going on for years under the very nose of the authorities. The sinister developments have not just brought disrepute to the indigenous industry but are also hitting at the core of the traditional silk industry.

The new policy, in order to be meaningful, has to protect the purity and good name of handloom products and the interests of the artisans engaged in the venture. It is for the Government to ensure a level playing field for the indigenous industry and a life of dignity for the weavers. The policy will have to address several constraints that have been plaguing the industry. First, rampant sale of cheaper, imported stuff as pure traditional silk of Assam must be prevented. A hallmark for Assam silk should be developed for distinguishing it from imitations, and the sellers should be required to specify the brands they sell. Any unscrupulous practice on the part of the sellers must be dealt with firmly. A sustained crackdown on the clandestine sale of imported silk imitating Sualkuchi's indigenous silk is another need. Supply of subsidized yarn to weavers is another imperative because fuelled by shortage of *muga* yarn, the industry is getting more and more dependent on cheap Chinese tassar as raw material. Then, the handloom industry by and large remains an unorganized sector. This has effectively distanced the artisans from institutional support for raw materials, finance, training and marketing. All this has resulted in the weavers not getting due remuneration for their toil. Even though we have a department in the State and a ministry at the Centre for boosting the handloom sector, the desired interventions have been few and far between. Interventions are urgently needed for upgrading the skills of weavers and for addressing various related concerns of the handloom industry.

What a bridge can bring to Majuli

■ Apurbajyoti Hazarika

Notwithstanding the government-issued official reports assuring construction of the Tezpur-Majuli-Neamati bridge and highway, there is still sufficient amount of doubt in the minds of a sizeable section of Majulians regarding this 'rhetoric' translating into 'reality'. And rightly so. The fluctuating and lopsided versions of some local political leaders reportedly close to the Chief Minister have turned this issue messy enough to keep people in doubt. This suspicion will continue to hold water until unless some real construction work of the bridge takes place in the first island district of the State. It goes without saying that the real stimulant to the journey in ferries, still others have lost and wasted their precious time and money on their way to a diagnostic centre for a minor medical test – the list of their worries finds no end that has become a matter of some celebrated fiction. And those bridge-haters generally choose the safest season during which to come to Majuli when the Brahmaputra remains calm, and pay a ready-made lip service to the rhetoric of keeping Majuli's pristine and serene environment intact, that might be 'threatened' by the bridge.

But the reality speaks something else. Life in Majuli gets totally jeopardized when a person falls seriously ill at night with no sophisticated medical care available; he has to submit to the mercy of the Almighty till dawn when he/she gets transported slumped across the Brahmaputra to a nursing home or hospital for treatment on the mainland. The health sector in Majuli, despite

all rhetoric of successive governments, has remained at its worst with no smoothly and flawlessly functioning laboratory available in any of the government hospitals, let alone the availability of quality doctors. The essential commodities of life that come from across the other side usually get beyond the purview of the poor till they reach Majuli. After all, the islanders are strangers to a dignified life. The bridge will bring an inexplicable

balance which has been by and large decent so far will get disturbed in some form or the other. These are certain concerns that any 'thinking Majuli' cannot help pondering over in a post-bridge utopian Majuli. These losses, however, are not beyond repair. But the repairing process must start in the right earnest by resorting to massive plantation in a methodical way ensuring that the planted trees get proper nourishment to defy a premature death.

The tourism sector in post-bridge Majuli will get an unprecedented boost. Larger numbers of lodges and guest houses are on the cards. It has been noticed that privately-run lodges and guest houses currently available in Majuli offer expensive rates which are often beyond the bearing capacity of the lower middle-class visitors. Every *sattras* must possess a well-equipped and maintained guest house with reasonable rates on offer. The existing ones perhaps will need further renovation to facilitate a smoother and hassle-free stay for the tourists, many of whom prefer a *sattras* guest house to others for their peaceful environment. For all these to happen, the State Government has to be the biggest and the most responsible stakeholder, which, however, has to be assisted by its counterpart at the Centre and other local organizations and citizens of Majuli. For, after all, Majuli is perhaps the only island district of the nation whose inhabitants have been listeners to the very emotional and proudly-spoken pre-election 'rhetoric' of a Union minister – 'Yeh bridge hum aapko banake dikhyenge'. Majulians are awaiting translation of this 'rhetoric' into a post-election 'reality'.

Rupkonwar and socio-cultural integration in Assam

■ Pranjit Agarwala

In the last decade of the 19th century, the trinity of Assamese literature – Hem Chandra Goswami, Chandra Kumar Agarwala and Lakshminath Bezbarua – formed the Assomya Bhasi Umati Sadhini Sabha. The primary objective of the Sabha was to solutions to strengthen an infant language and its literature so that it would develop into one of the rich and progressive languages of the world. Thus began the golden era – Jonaki Yug – of Assamese language and literature.

But at that time except for the princely States of Manipur and Tripura, the rest of the NE region was undivided Assam. A region not only inhabited by various indigenous hill tribes and ethnic communities of the world. Thus began the golden era – Jonaki Yug – of Assamese language and literature.

This culture of socio-cultural integration became the guiding principle of Rupkonwar Jyoti Prasad Agarwala's philosophy of universal brotherhood. According to him, even though a language helped identify a community, it was restrictive and could even be divisive as the lingua franca of a particular community remained a medium of communication only between people who spoke the same language, whereas culture went beyond language and evolved not only from the traditions and customs of a community, but also from the history, folklore, literature and ecology of a region. Culture was therefore more expansive, inclusive and progressive and helped establish and strengthen the identity of a race. When a culture absorbed the best of another culture, it became stronger. Hence cultures should not clash but fuse. And a belief in racial superiority indicated cultural inferiority.

Even though Rupkonwar through his multifaceted genius gave the Assamese culture a distinct identity of its own, he was against linguistic or regional chauvinism. He believed that because of Assam's his-

tory of socio-cultural integration, the Assamese culture was not only a part of the great Indian culture but it was unique because it had also successfully absorbed and preserved within it several different sub-cultures of the region. That's why when in the rest of India caste and religious prejudices guided social conduct, Assam could be proud of having an egalitarian society that lived in harmony.

In his article 'Notunor Puja' (Worshipping the New), Rupkonwar envisioned the creation of a great (north) east Indian culture which would reflect the culture of centuries that had taken place in Assam and given its people a unique multifaceted identity, an identity that was also multi-cultural, featuring not only indigenous traits but also nuances of all those communities who had made Assam their home over the ages – the Bengalis of Bengal, Marwaris of Rajasthan, Sikhs of Punjab, Hindustans of North India, Dravidians from the South, ethnic tribes of Central India and Nepalis of Nepal. He reasoned that even Nagapuru Srimanta Sankaradeva had chosen to follow the path of assimilation while building Assam's cultural heritage. The objective and endeavours of Rupkonwar's philosophy and works was to ensure the continuity of this defining feature of Assam's socio-

cultural life in posterity.

However after Independence, the growing socio-economic compulsions and political awareness led to the division of Assam along ethnic lines. What remains of erstwhile Assam now are the Brahmaputra and Barak valleys and the adjoining hill districts of Dima Hasao and Karbi Anglong.

Presently Assam is once again in the grip of an identity crisis. The presence of a large body of illegal foreigners and their growing socio-political clout has threatened the existence of all genuine citizens of Assam. Existential threats are forcing each community, ethnicity and tribe to assert their own individual identities breaking the age old thread of universal brotherhood that once bound Assam together. Today to save Assam from disintegrating further, it has perhaps become necessary to remember that the great visionaries like Rupkonwar made efforts to build Assam's socio-cultural edifice on the foundation of communal and cultural integration. The need of the hour therefore is for all genuine Indian citizens settled in Assam to make a concerted effort to preserve this unique legacy and safeguard this multifaceted identity from being destroyed by divisive forces.

(Published on the occasion of 114th birth anniversary of Rupkonwar today.)

Letters to the EDITOR

Sir, – Tezpur University this year conducted all its entrance examinations (TUEE 2017) online. While this is a progressive step, there are reasons to believe that the university was not fully prepared to go entirely online. There was a lot of confusion regarding the allotment of centres to candidates; local candidates having been allotted far-off centres outside the State; some were allotted morning and afternoon centres at two different locations; computers and networks did not work properly during the examinations and so on. Many candidates complained of faulty display of the questions on computer screens as well as ambiguous or incorrect questions. An online examination is convenient for the candidates, so the conduct of the examination did not meet our expectations. I myself hoped to take the test at

Tezpur varsity entrance exams

Tezpur, my home town and the place where the university is located. Instead, I was allotted a centre in Guwahati which made me spend time, money and extra energy just to appear in an online examination.

The declaration of the results of TUEE 2017 is almost due, but the university has neither made the marked responses of the candidates nor the answer keys available to the candidates. This is a common practice followed by all other online examination systems like JEE Main, BITSAT, etc. Even the off-line examinations like NEET-UG or PG, JEE Advanced, etc., offer the candidates the opportunity to review and challenge their marked responses and answer keys before declaring the final results. Tezpur University has also not spelt out the methods of breaking ties of the candidates or the minimum qualification marks which is an unavoidable feature of any competitive exam. Any post-examination method for an

required unit of blood.

As my son's university friends made an appeal on the social media for (B-) blood, a number of NGOs and potential donors started contacting me to donate blood. A young girl came with her father on motorcycle from Naga Kora, a town about 50 km from Ludhiana to donate blood to my son. Interestingly all the three daughters of the family are B(-) and they take turns to donate the rare group blood to patients in need. An important point to note was that they never accept anything in return, not even a glass of water from the patient's family. This was really something great. These donors coming from simple middle-class families imbued with the teachings of Guru Nanak and Ram Scavarn were helping their fellow human beings in their times of need. Wish we also had such units in Guwahati and other parts of our State and region. Yours etc., PJ BARUAH, Bamunimaidam, Guwahati.

Countering terrorism

Sir – This refers to Harekrishna Deka's article, 'Countering terrorism' (AT, June 14). The people of this globe face threat, uncertainty, violence and fear of terrorism from the Islamist terror groups. Newspaper headlines of bombing or hijacking have become the order of the day. The world community should stand together against the murder of innocent Muslims, the oppression of women, the persecution of Jews and the slaughter of Christians. The path of terror delivers no glory. We need to talk a tough language. The Soviet secret police KGB reportedly gave the Arab terrorists a taste of brutality to free Russian diplomats. That is the way the Soviets operate. They do things; they don't talk. Yours etc., KAMAL BARUAH, Rukminigunj, Guwahati.

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Int'l school championship

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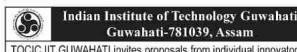
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The competition would be held in two phases - prelims and mains. The prelims would be conducted at over 40 centres all over India and is scheduled for July 16 where the students will be divided into Junior Squad (classes 9-10) and the Haute Squad (classes 11-12). The top 50 teams from each squad will be invited for the final rounds, to be held at IIT Guwahati during Technotion from August 31 to September 3.



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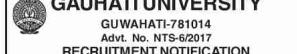
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Ranking system in Matric, HS exams to be examined

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, June 16: State Education Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma today said that the State government has taken up an in-depth study into the relevance of having the system of 'top ranks' in the Matric and Higher Secondary final examinations.

Addressing students at a programme organised by the Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha (BJYM) to felicitate the HSLC, Madrasra and HS toppers at the Srimanta Sankaradeva Kalakshetra Sarma said that the study has been taken up on the overall performance of the HS and Matric rank holders of the past five years.

"So far we have found that only one-third of the toppers were given a one-time financial assistance of Rs 8,000 each by Chief Minister Sarma. State BJP president Ranjeet Kumar Dass, Power Minister Pallab Lochan Das and others attended the programme."

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**Bishnu Rabha
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KALIAJAR, June 16 : Kaliguru Bishnu Prasad Rabha Divas will be celebrated here at Ambagan under the auspices of Kalabor Saka Sahitya Sabha in cooperation with the All Assam Lekhika Samarattee, Kalabor Zila Parishad Kalabor Kendriya Satra Sanstha in collaboration with the public of Ambagan on June 20 next.

The programmes include flag hoisting in the morning by Salil Kr Mitra, president, Kalabor Saka Sahitya Sabha and Puspatala Saikia, president, Sadou Asom Lekhika Samarattee and KJ Bora, president, Kalabor KSS followed by *smriti tarpan* by Badal Chakravarty, retired Principal Ambagan HS. From 10 am, a drawing competition will be held among the students, and a Bishnu Rabha sangeet competition among the women. From 2 pm, an open meeting will be held where Keshab Mahanta, Water Resource Minister will be the chief guest, Mani Madhab Mahanta, vice-president AASU will be the special guest. Dr Sarveswar Bora, distinguished Medical officer will attend as the appointed speaker. In the meeting, Gobindal Podder, Dimabandhu Singh social workers and Pradiip Roy artist will be felicitated publicly. Besides, a newly written drama *Kalokutik Diary of Sarbeswar Kakyoti* will be released.

**Cloth store
raided, 1 held**

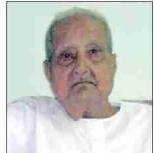
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DHUBRI, June 16: In a joint operation, police and Border Security Force, raided a cloth store at Nalia Bazar under Golaghat Police Station On Thursday and recovered one country-made pistol, 480 grams of white powder labelled as brown sugar and two 2000 rupee notes suspected to be FCIN from the ceiling of the shop.

The raid was led by DC (G) Dhubri Prashant Chauhan of 7/1 Battalion, along with Inspector (G) Sanjeev Sharma. They shop owner Sakot Ali was also nabbed.

**Ex-satradhikar
Prabhat Goswami
passes away**

GUWAHATI, June 16: Former Satradhikar of the historic Syamrai Satra and a prominent social worker of



yesteryears, Prabhat Chandra Goswami died at his own residence at Palashbari in Kamrup (Rural) district on Thursday evening due to old-age ailments. He was 99.

A kind-hearted man, Goswami was closely associated with various socio-religious organisations of Palasbari and its adjoining areas. As a satradhikar of the historic Syamrai Satra, Goswami maintained cordial relations with every section of the society, especially among the down-trodden section. His strive to improve the condition of the flood-affected people of Palasbari area.

Witness of many historic events of the country, be it the Freedom Struggle, India's Independence, Chinese aggression, the Great Earthquake of 1950, Assam Agitation, etc., Goswami vividly remembered many interesting facts relating to these events till his last breath and shared these with others, especially among his grand children.

His funeral procession was attended by a large number of people reflecting his popularity among the masses.

He leaves behind two sons, seven daughters along with a host of grandchildren, great grand children, relatives and well wishers.



In the absence of a bridge, women with bicycles crossing the Pagladia river, in Baksa district on Friday - UB Photos

Rath Yatra at Ramraikuti Satra of Satrasal on June 25

CORRESPONDENT

GAURIPUR, June 16: Brisk preparations are afoot to celebrate the Rath Yatra of Lord Krishna at the historic Ramraikuti Satra of Satrasal situated along the Assam-Bangladesh border in Dhubri sector with a day-long programme on June 25.

In a press release, Jitendra Nath Prodhan, Satradhikar informed that on the auspicious day, the programme will begin with a cleanliness programme in and around the Satra in the morning and will be followed by *naam kirtan*. The brass idols of Lord Krishna and his brother Balabhadra will be taken out from the *manikut* and placed in the *daardighi*. Puja will be performed by observing all the Vaishnavite rules and *naam kirtan* will be held alongside. After puja, the brass idols of Lord Krishna and Balabhadra will be taken out from the *manikut* and placed in the *daardighi*. Puja will be performed by observing all the Vaishnavite rules and *naam kirtan* will be held alongside. After puja, the brass idols of Lord Krishna and Balabhadra will be taken out from the *manikut* and placed in the *daardighi*.

Creation woes: The cremation ground located on the bank of the Ganges river at Golaghat served the purpose of cremation of the people of Golaghat, Gandhi Nagar, North and South Raipur, Uchita Chilarai Nagar etc.

But a few years back, the eastern part of the cremation ground was washed away by the turbulent Gangadar and as a result the people have had to perform the last rites of their close relatives with much difficulty as the cremation ground presently stands like a small island in the middle of the river.

Several representations were made before the Government. During the period of the Congress Government, the then local MLA Abu Taher Babari visited the place and assured to shift the cremation ground to a suitable location but nothing was done. The affected people have lost their patience and resorted to agitational programmes like Golaghat bandh, blockade of the NH-13 and the like. Inspite of such prolonged agitation, the Government has not yet taken any initiative to solve the longstanding problem of the people of the Hindu community.

DOOMDOOMA, June 16: The Deputy Commissioner of Tinsukia district, Oinam Charan Kumar Singh inaugurated the running water supply and hand-wash project at Borjapahan ME School near here on Thursday. The entire project with a cost of over Rs 3 lakh was donated to the school by Gopal Prasad Keshan, a businessman of Tinsukia.

In his inaugural speech, the Deputy Commissioner praised the headmaster, teachers, students and guardians of the school for maintaining a congenial atmosphere and cleanliness of the school.

Earlier, the school authori-

104 tigers at Kaziranga Tiger Reserve

CORRESPONDENT

KAZIRANGA, June 16: After the completion of tiger population estimation programme, the total number of Royal Bengal tigers in Kaziranga Tiger Reserve has been estimated to be 104.

The adult individuals tigers are 97, out of which 95 are available in the Kaziranga National Park area and remain-



Kaziranga Tiger Reserve, Satyendra Singh.

Drama contest held at Kakodonga

CORRESPONDENT

DERGAON, June 16: A one-act drama competition was held at Majukuchi Kakodonga, 15 km off Dergon town recently. The competition organised under the aegis of Majukuchi Village Development Committee in association with the residents of the village was held on the occasion of foundation day of Sankaradevi Gramya Puthibharar and third death anniversary of Monoranjan Saikia.

The competition, participated by 12 drama groups of Gola-ghat district, was inaugurated

by Sunayana Barthakur with a creative dance moderated by Abhijit Saikia. Noted actor and director Manabendra Sarma (Jorhat), drama director Rupak Sarma (Kurukul) and playwright as well as journalist Sanjoy Kr Hazarika (Dergon) took part as the judges.

The drama *Luka bhu bhal nadage* presented by Kupiyori Kalpa Parashar, Dadhara was adjudged the best drama while Joy Acharyya presenting the character Diham in the same drama was declared as the best actor.

The drama *Ajion police bishnubor pisal* presented by Sringhuli, Kurukul bagged the

second best drama prize while Bandita Bordoloi presenting the character Purmina in the same drama was declared the best actress. Anusuya Burahogohain presenting character Joni in the play *Akanir hujue kshobhor agori* bagged the best child artist award while the director of the play *Luka bhu bhal nadage* Panikaj Rajkhowa was declared the best director.

On the other hand, Sukanya Batanya (*Luka bhu bhal nadage*), Bedanta Bora (*Jonka*), Sukanya Haamika (*Sarni charbor* and *Soulbhagyay*) and Suniti Sarma (*Azakharasore*) got the judges' special prizes.

the young generation is one of the major hindrances of blood donation. He called for starting a movement on blood donation.

The meeting was also addressed by the president of Shagnik, Hirakjyoti Chakraborty, president of Rotary Club, Arup Halder, president of Dreams, Gaumati Gupta, Madhuri Sarma, Ranjith Ghosh, Bijoyini Bhattacharjee, Choudhury, Dr Jayneswar Deh, Dhrubajyoti Sengupta, Tarun Paul of Merchants' Association, Govinda Chandra Nath among others. The programme was anchored by Sankar Choudhury.

New Deputy Commissioner: Krishna Govinda Bhuya has taken over the charge of Deputy Commissioner in Hailakandi district on Tuesday. He has succeeded Moloy Bora, who has been posted as Secretary in the Department of Art East Policy and Industry and Commerce in Dispur, Bhuya, a 1986 batch of ACS is the 22nd Deputy Commissioner of Hailakandi. Hailakandi was declared a semi-fledged district in 1989.

Moloy Bora was given farewell separately by the employees of the DC office and Hailakandi Municipal Board. The meeting in the DC office was addressed by the Dis-

Separate holiday list for Barak Valley schools demanded

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NILAMBAZAR, June 16 : The Karimganj district committee of Asom Shikshak Karmachari Samanay Samiti submitted a memorandum to the Chief Minister on Thursday urging him to prepare separate holidays list and work calendar for Barak Valley schools.

The memorandum said that every year a separate work calendar and holiday list is prepared for the schools of Barak Valley by the respective Inspector of Schools and DEBO of Cachar, Karimganj and Hailakandi districts considering the local tradition, culture and festivals while keeping the number of holidays same as rest of the State. The list said is also approved every year by the authority concerned of

the Department of Education, Assam.

Shikshak Karmachari Samanay Samiti also mentioned that Durga Puja is the main festival of the people of Barak Valley and every year the teachers and students from LP to Higher Secondary schools of this Valley enjoy the Puja vacation for at least 20 days. But surprisingly, this year it has been reduced to only four days per notification of the Secretary, Department of Education, which has hurt the sentiments of the people of this Valley.

Besides as per the said notification, the teachers and students of Barak Valley have also been deprived of some other local holidays like Monisha puja, Shivaratri, Biswakarma puja, Chhat puja, Fete-Dua-Dahan, Shahid Diwas, Bir-Tikendri Diwas etc.

It is to be mentioned here that the teachers' association had also submitted a memorandum recently to the Government of Assam through all local MLAs of Barak Valley urging the same, but the Government is yet to provide any positive response.

Earlier, the Shikshak Karmachari Samanay Samiti took out a procession at Karimganj town on Thursday and shouted slogans in support of their demands. They also staged demonstrations before the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Karimganj. Hundreds of teachers and employees from different schools of the district attended the programme. Pabitra Deb, president, Jagadindu Sen, convener, Kalipada Nath, Abdul Sulek, Apurba Dutta were present, among others.

Water supply, hand-wash project inaugurated

CORRESPONDENT

DOOMDOOMA, June 16:

The Deputy Commissioner of Tinsukia district, Oinam Charan Kumar Singh inaugurated the running water supply and hand-wash project at Borjapahan ME School near here on Thursday. The entire project with a cost of over Rs 3 lakh was donated to the school by Gopal Prasad Keshan, a businessman of Tinsukia.

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ty accorded a warm felicitation to the Deputy Commissioner and the donor of the project, Gopal Prasad Keshan. The headmaster of the school, Bhadrakanta Baruah expressed his gratitude to the donor and his family for this benevolent act.

Besides the students and teachers of the school, the inaugurations were also attended by several academicians, distinguished persons, family members of the donor and the guardians.

Women Cell meeting: A special meeting was organised at the meeting hall of Doomedoma Police Station on Thursday by the Women Cell of the PS to commemorate its first anniversary. The Women

Cell of the PS was formed for the first time on June 15, 2016, at the initiative of then OC of the PS Moni Mohan Singh. The cell was formed with Kabit Das as president and Moni Begum as secretary.

The meeting was chaired by VDP Coordinator Lucky Mech, DSP Tinsukia, Debraj Dey, OC, Doomedoma PS, Moni Mohan Konch and senior journalist Arjun Baruah addressed the meeting as guests.

They explained the necessity of women cells in the police stations. Earlier, the secretary of the cell, Molina Begum presented a brief report of the activities of the cell during the last year.

Education awareness programme held

CORRESPONDENT

HAFLONG, June 16:

To create awareness among the school going children of Retzoul about education, the Hmar Students' Association (HSA) upper Retzoul unit in association with HSA N C Hills & Karbi Anglong joint HAFL organised a one-day education awareness programme at the community hall at Retzoul, some 16 km from Haflong on Wednesday.

Fleming Rupsi Shylla, Executive Member, N C Hills Autonomous Council in charge education etc., attended the pro-

gramme as the chief guest while David Keivom, president, NC Hills Indigenous Students' Forum attended as the guest of honour and NK Nancy Dargawm, TV Lalinung Thiek, Dr Solomon Faihrem and Joseph V Tuolor attended as the resource persons.

Fleming Rupsi Shylla speaking on the occasion appreciated the organisers for organising such an educational programme, particularly for the children of rural schools with the aim to enhance the standard of education in rural areas and also assured to give incentives to the students who come out successful in their

HSLC examination from next year. He appealed to the teachers, guardians and also the students to work hard.

David Keivom, president, NC Hills Indigenous Students' Forum appealed to the executive members to extend assistance to the people of Retzoul in enhancing the education standard in the rural areas so that the people of Retzoul could support him from their core of the heart. He said that the people of Retzoul are in need of a better community hall in the village and if the NCHAC helps in this regard they would be thankful to him for ever.



Illegal liquor being seized from a store at Station Road, Morigaon on Friday. - UB Photos

Donors felicitated on World Blood Donors' Day at Hailakandi

CORRESPONDENT

HAILAKANDI, June 16: The Hailakandi unit of the Barak Valley Voluntary Blood Donors' Forum (altogether 25 organisations and 855 blood donors) were felicitated on the occasion of the World Blood

Donors' Day here on Wednesday night.

The meeting held on the occasion in the premises of Rotary Club here was presided over by the president of the unit, Dr Paritosh Chandra Dutta. All of them were felicitated for organising voluntary blood donation camps during the last one year. Speaking on the occasion, the secretary of the forum, Sudarshan Bhattacharjee said that they are organising voluntary blood donation camps regularly and a voluntary blood donation camp was also organised on the occasion by the forum at Manipur in southern Hailakandi in collaboration with Hailakandi Yuva Alaya Mancha. Altogether 27 persons donated blood voluntarily in the camp, he added. He said that their con-

cern for the young generation is one of the major hindrances of blood donation. He called for starting a movement on blood donation.

The meeting was also addressed by the president of Shagnik, Hirakjyoti Chakraborty, president of Rotary Club, Arup Halder, president of Dreams, Gaumati Gupta, Madhuri Sarma, Ranjith Ghosh, Bijoyini Bhattacharjee, Choudhury, Dr Jayneswar Deh, Dhrubajyoti Sengupta, Tarun Paul of Merchants' Association, Govinda Chandra Nath among others. The programme was anchored by Sankar Choudhury.

New Deputy Commissioner: Krishna Govinda Bhuya has taken over the charge of Deputy Commissioner in Hailakandi district on Tuesday. He has succeeded Moloy Bora, who has been posted as Secretary in the Department of Art East Policy and Industry and Commerce in Dispur, Bhuya, a 1986 batch of ACS is the 22nd Deputy Commissioner of Hailakandi. Hailakandi was declared a semi-fledged district in 1989.

ball of the Deputy Commissioner, Goswami said that they are strictly monitoring the messages, pictures and videos used in the social media like Facebook, Twitter, WhatsApp etc. He said that the social media has played a negative role in Silchar to spread the scattered violence in different areas of Cachar district.

He said that there are provisions of punishment for the misuse of the social media. A person may be given life imprisonment for posting objectionable material in the social media which leads to a big controversy among different religions. He said that most of the communal clashes have occurred in recent times after posts in the social media. As per IT Act, 2000 a person may be prosecuted for three years and a fine of Rs one lakh under Section 66(C) for encouraging communal tension and hatred. Even considering the consequence of the situation, a person may be imprisoned for life time under Section 66(F). There is also a provision of five years and upto Rs 10 lakh fine for posting vulgar, obscene pictures and videos. In this regard, cases may be framed under Sections 465 and 469 of IPC.

The peace meeting was presided over by the former Deputy Commissioner of Hailakandi, Moloy Bora and was addressed by the president of district BJP Subrata Nath, Krishn Ranjan Paul, Subrata Sarma Mazumdar, Kamru Islam Baruah of AGP, Hiralal Dutta Purkayastha and Samaddin Barlaskar of Congress, Abul Hussain Majherbaru, Sushil Paul of SUCI, principal of Women's College, Bijoy Kumar Dhar, Principal of Public Higher Secondary School, Sirajul Islam Majherbaru, Ranjit Ghosh, former president of Barak Upatyaka Bonga Sahitya Sanskriti Sammelan, Nitish Bhattacharjee, Islamic religious preacher Sarimul Haque Laskar among others. All of them stressed the need of maintaining peace and harmony among all sections of people in Hailakandi district and said that the Silchar incident should be condemned and this sort of incident should not be repeated in Hailakandi. The former DC Moloy Bora in his address suggested to organise awareness camps on the uses of social media throughout the district by the Nodal Yuva Kendra. Bora also elaborated the sections of punishment for the misuse of social media.

Fresh landslide cuts off Mizoram town

AIZAWL, June 16: A fresh landslide today cut off Champai town in eastern Mizoram from the rest of the country, while nine kachcha houses of a town in south Mizoram's Lunglei district were swept away by flood, officials said.

A massive landslide here blocked a paved road connection with Champai, a town on Indo-Myanmar border in Champai district.

However, National Highway 54, considered the lifeline of Mizoram which was blocked at many places due to earlier landslides, was cleared of debris.

The nine kachcha houses were swept away and 12 other houses damaged by flood in Mizoram-Bangladesh border Tlabung town in south Mizoram's Lunglei district, officials said.

Though the waters of Klawthlangtui river submerged over 350 houses in Tlabung earlier, the situation improved after the heavy rainfall ceased from Wednesday night. -PTI

Special voter enrolment drive in Meghalaya from July 1

SHILLONG, June 16: Election Commission has said it will launch a special enrolment drive for about 1 lakh first time electors in the age group of 18 to 21 years from July 1.

"As per instructions of the EC, a special drive will begin on July 1 and conclude on July 31 and preparatory exercises is being taken with regards to schools and colleges where we have launched programmes for enrolment," Meghalaya Chief Electoral Officer F Kharongor said here recently.

He said the State Election office has projected about 1 lakh plus new voters and majority of them are in East Khasi Hills district. -PTI

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Govt eyeing \$1 trillion digital economy

NEW DELHI, June 16: The Government will come out with three new policies, including electronics manufacturing and data protection, as part of its efforts to make India a \$1 trillion digital economy in a few years.

Speaking after a two-and-a-half hour meeting with Indian tech industry captains, IT Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad today exuded confidence that India is well-positioned to become a USD 1 trillion digital economy in the next few years.

"The industry has assured us that they are committed to support us in this mission... We will be shortly laying down the new electronics policy because between the policy and now, India under Narendra Modi has changed completely," Prasad said.

He added that the Government will also come up with a new software product policy and a framework for data security and protection. The Minister, however, did not disclose the timeline for these new policies.

The meeting was attended by top experts such as Nasscom President R Chandan.



Union Minister for Electronics & Information Technology and Law & Justice Ravi Shankar Prasad chairing a high-level meet with pioneers of industry for developing the roadmap for 'One Trillion Dollar Digital Economy of India', in New Delhi on Friday. - PTI

drashekhar, Google India's Rajan Anandan, Wipro's Rishad Premji, Indian Cellular Association National President Pankaj Mohindroo, Internet and Mobile Association of India President Subbu Ray and Hike Messenger CEO Kavin Bharati Mittal, among others.

"Cybersecurity was also discussed (at the meeting). Low cost cyber security products have great potential... And we are going to have a frame-

work for data security and data protection," Prasad said.

Noteable absences from the event included Flipkart co-founder Sachin Bansal and Paytm founder Vijay Shekhar Sharma.

The Ministry has identified digital payments, Make In India, Start-Up India, Skill India among the key drivers of the digital economy.

MeitY expects IT/TeEs sector to grow to USD 350 billion by 2025 from USD 160 billion, while the electronics sector is poised to touch USD 300 billion at the same time (from USD 100 billion currently).

Telcoes and e-commerce are projected to grow to USD 150 billion each, while sharing economy and digital skilling each presents a USD 30 billion opportunity.

Digital payments, cyber security and Internet of Things - all of which are expanding at a significant pace - are expected to touch USD 50 billion, USD 35 billion and USD 20 billion, respectively.

It was also projected that the digital economy will generate 30 million employment by 2024-25, which is double than the current scenario.

Highlighting the potential of the "new economy" with avenues like digital payments and e-commerce, Prasad said the focus needs to be on creating technology that is affordable, developmental and inclusive.

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Prasad said that deliberations at the meeting had also brought out the need to promote an ecosystem to facilitate more start-ups in areas like education, agriculture and healthcare.

"I have decided that we will have a coordinated action with Health, Agriculture and HRD ministries to promote an ecosystem to facilitate more start-ups in these areas," he said.

Prasad added that the idea of setting up special innovative zones for start-ups will be explored and a framework for start-up cluster policy will be developed.

Besides, digital skilling has a lot of potential as India has a rich talent pool that can be used to meet global demand in emerging technologies like artificial intelligence.

"We need to re-skill and re-purpose ourselves. We have a list of different skills, where we need people... If you skill yourself in blockchain or AI, there is no shortage of jobs globally," Tech Mahindra Managing Director and CEO CP Gurmani said.

Citing a Nasscom report, Prasad said that in the last three years, almost six lakh people have been employed in the IT sector, while in 2016-17, the number of people employed was around 1.7 lakh. About 2.5-3 million new jobs are expected to be created by 2025.

He refuted reports of job losses by Indian IT firms, terming them as "motivated".

"There has been a lot of debate, and by any standards of economy, this talk of job decline in the IT sector is motivated," he said.

In terms of challenges, the participants had pointed out the need for setting up a dispute resolution mechanism and liberal regulatory norms. - PTI

Farm loan waivers may lead to fiscal slippages

NEW DELHI, June 16: Policies like farm loan waivers do not address the fundamental problems of Indian agriculture sector and if major agricultural States resort to such schemes to facilitate more start-ups in these areas," he said.

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Jyotiprasad Agarwala (born on June 17, 1903), the director of the first Assamese cinema *Jyomoti* (1935), is not a person to be remembered only for his contribution to Assamese art and culture, especially in the field of filmmaking. Rather, it is he who paved the way for the Assamese people to understand the importance of the most popular art form, i.e., cinema.

Of course, it is a dark truth for the people of Assam that till now Assamese cinema has not prospered, in comparison to other regional film industries.

Agarwala's vision of filmmaking was not limited to the production of a few films, but he dreamt of a full-fledged film industry in Assam. Apart from entertainment, for him, films can serve as a messenger of culture, marker of identity and source of economy. For that reason, he wanted Indians to build a healthy environment that could resist the flow of western cinema that directly or indirectly affected the Indian economy. Agarwala insisted or requested filmmakers, as well as the audience, to pay attention to the survival of the filmmaking tradition. However, he was well aware of the

fact that it was not possible for Indian cinema to compete with western movies, due to poor technical infrastructure. But, nevertheless, he had hopes for a bright future for the Indian film industry.

In respect of the Assamese filmmaking tradition, Agarwala was very excited and hopeful. He dreamt of a regional film industry that would flourish in the coming years to compete with the other regional film industries. He always felt the necessity of a film industry in this land, though he considered it a big challenge for filmmakers. Assam has always been far behind in respect of infrastructural and financial support. Apart from these, during his time, some other limitations like scarcity of female actors and qualified technicians, absence of well-equipped studios, etc., also hampered the growth of the Assamese film industry. But instead of losing faith, he requested the people of Assam to extend their helping hand to the filmmakers and producers of Assam, so that we could

establish a film industry of our own.

For Agarwala, films have the capacity to change the socio-cultural set-up of a society. It can easily change the minds of the young generation towards a particular

culture. He knew that with the overflow of western movies, one day, Assamese traditional culture will become extinct and people will instead adapt to western culture. And this

will be dangerous for the whole Assamese society. To resist this situation, they will have to aim for the establishment of an Assamese film industry.

Keeping all these in mind, Agarwala made *Jyomoti* with the flavour of Assamese art and culture. He paid utmost attention to showcasing the indigenous Assamese culture. It demonstrates the Assamese lifestyle as well as the materials produced by the local Assamese people.

For example, the royal palaces depicted in *Jyomoti* were created out of bamboo and banana trees and they were decorated with the traditional *japis* and *sarais*. In addition to that, the kings, queens, princes and other noblemen wore hand-woven traditional Assamese attire. In the film, he incorporated a *bhaona* performance

being watched by the king and the noblemen. Moreover, Agarwala was successful in demonstrating and preserving the cultural values of Assam and its people. Apart from these cultural materials, by depicting this folktale by Lakshminath Bezbaroa, Agarwala could also preserve this tale for the future generations with the help of a dynamic art form. Instead of following the style of other Indian films back then, which were mostly based on mythology, Agarwala decided to use this new art form to preserve Assam's history and culture.

Being a filmmaker, Agarwala was very conscious about the maintenance of authenticity while depicting a story. For that reason, before making *Jyomoti*, he made an extensive study about the story of *Jyomoti*. He consulted with historians, road travellers' notes, government documents, religious scripts, myths, legends, etc., to sketch a real picture of the story of *Jyomoti*. His attempt was not just about making a movie for the sake of it. Rather, he intended to use this device called cinema for a much greater purpose, something that went beyond entertainment.



Melodies and more

Horizon – A socio-cultural organisation had organised a musical programme – *Kopou Pahi Ture Khupat*, at the Rabindra Bhawan Auditorium, Guwahati, on June 9. The programme was hosted in collaboration with the Department of Cultural Affairs. The programme was beautifully designed with the superhit melodies of yesterday's acclaimed lyricist, musician and singer Apurba Bezbarua. The main objective of the programme was to honour the artiste for his contribution towards Assamese culture.

Bezbarua became nostalgic while remembering the sweet memories and the golden experiences associated with his time-conquering creations. Several proclaimed artistes presented Bezbarua's beautiful numbers, by participating in the programme. Melodious singers like Queen Das, Anima Choudhury and Sandhya Menon presented *Hridayat ejanite*, *Log diyar kotha asil* and *Silim tuponi*, respectively. While JP Das and Ashimoni Baruah presented a duet – *Jebon mane rongkor khela*. Another proclaimed singer, Bijoy Bhuyan sang *Jebon ekhon*, and the IPS Officer Dr Shyamal Prasad Saikia rocked the stage with the su-



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perhit number *Maian take dekha pa*. All these artistes cherished the beautiful memories related to the working experiences with Apurba Bezbarua.

On the other hand, new generation singers like Amritprakash Manta and Sanjukta Phukan mesmerised the packed audience by presenting *Ture mon paboloi* and *Megh aru bijude*, respectively. Arundhati Bezbarua, the elder daughter of Apurba Bezbarua, also sang two

numbers composed by her father. All these artistes cherished the beautiful memories related to the working experiences with Apurba Bezbarua.

Another senior artiste Manisha Hazarika, IPS Officer Dr Shyamal Prasad Saikia, IAS Officer Pritam Saikia and the vice president of Horizon, Maheeshwar Das lit the ceremonial lamp at the function. Apurba Bezbarua ended the musical programme by presenting his all-time hit song *Kopou pahi ture khupat*.



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New Assamese film *Shesh Angikar* releases

After the release of *Chauka Noi* last week, a new Assamese film *Shesh Angikar*, produced by Madan Doloi, under the banner of Suraj Cine Production, released at theatres yesterday. The film has been directed by Pranoy Phukan, who has directed several video films in the past. The film's assistant directors are Hemanta Ojha and Kanika Das. The film's story, screenplay and dialogue have been written by the director Pranoy Phukan himself. The music has been scored by Bhagawati Pritam.

Shot in panoramic locations of Shillong, Cherapunji, Sivasagar, Charaideo and Guwahati and its outskirts, the various roles in the film have been essayed by Nayan Nilim, Shaswati Bora, Nipon Goswami, Gunja Mahanta, Jayanta Bhagawati, Paul Phukan, Mala Goswami, Reba Bora, Priyanka Dihingia, Hemanta Ojha, Kanika Das, etc.

Tribute to Parbati Prasad Baruah

Lowing musical tributes were paid to legendary lyricist, composer and poet Parbati Prasad Baruah at a function held on June 7 at the Rabindra Bhawan. The function titled *Ek Ananya Sandhya – Jonaki Mel*, was presented by the Parbati Prasad Memorial Trust, in collaboration with the Directorate of Cultural Affairs, on the occasion of Baruah's 54th death anniversary. It was a pleasant experience for the audience to

witness the musical creations of the lyricist-composer. The show opened with a melodious song by well-known singer Malabika Bora. The highlight was a half-an-hour musical feature titled *Surji Paro*, presented by the drama-unit of the Culture Directorate. Other programmes included a chorus song by the children of Sanskrirkita, and the rendition of Parbati Prasad songs by the winners of the competitions held earlier.

Madhuri Gogoi selected for ICCR empanelment

Singer Madhuri Gogoi has been selected by the expert sub-committee of the Indian Council for Cultural Relations for empanelment in the ICCR reference panel of artistes. Madhuri Gogoi's name can be reckoned with in the arena of new-generation singers. She has been concentrating on the collections and study of indigenous music and instruments particularly of the ethnic groups of Assam, for which she was felicitated by the Assam Koch Rajbanshi Students Union (AKRASU) and by the All Assam Students Union (AASU). Her Bihu song – *Hasoti loi long*, is widely appreciated by Bihu song lovers. A *Visharad* in *Borgat* under the Bordowa Satra, Madhuri got a national scholarship in *Borgat*, in 2011.

Madhuri Gogoi was all finalised for some time now. Apparently, producer Sanjay Leela Bhansali had made up his mind to cast

A fair idea

The scene of the buying and selling of works of art has indeed undergone a positive change in this part of the country, if one makes a comparison with the time that had existed in the second half of the previous century. Yet, the improvement is so marginal, and the pace of it so slow, that it would not be wrong to say that while there may have been some hopeful news here and there, the overall picture has not looked up noticeably.

For the pioneering artists of Assam, back in the 1960s and '70s, it was their unflinching love for art that had driven them to take the plunge and learn

art outside Assam, without worrying much about what the future might hold for them. Things have evolved gradually for the better over the decades, but from their time to this day, while artists have found different avenues of livelihood, most of them being academic, it is evidently clear that making a living with any degree of certainty, solely through sale of artworks and with no alternative sources of income, has never tasted stupendous success in Assam, so as to make one sit up and take notice.

The people of Assam love art, appreciate beauty, defy creativity, and hold visual beauty in high esteem. But, when it comes to the act of buying, there may be only a couple of persons in a hundred thousand people who would actually go ahead and buy a work of art. This is the state of affairs in our capital city – the most economically vibrant place of the North-east. So the artists of Assam

guarantee a steady flow of income or it is something that an artist can rely on forever. But, at least, Assam's artistes have found some takers outside – if not from their homeland, and this is encouraging for the art fraternity.

The economic condition of a place has a lot to do with the aspect of art-buying. In the Indian mega cities, art marts are flourishing, while in places where even the art-loving people are more concerned about daily existence, expecting their people to make healthy purchases in art exhibitions is totally pointless. Assam remains a place where art buying is non-existent.



artSCAPE DEBASHISH BEZBARUAH

Technology, however, has opened up doorways for a few artists of Assam. Putting up their paintings on the major art websites has brought them some success. Yet, one would be extremely flabbergasted if one is told that selling works of art via the internet can

In a bid to get to the bottom of this entire problem and explore ways to effect a change, we had one-to-one interactions with some leading artistes of Assam, which did throw up some possibilities. The opinions ranged from being as profound as instilling aesthetic sense in school children from the rudimentary stage, to as farcical as holding art critics squarely responsible for the state of affairs. Yet, what generally emerged from the discussions was that while the State's unofficial art calendar is always packed with solo or group exhibitions, organising art fairs in an open, central and easily accessible place – instead of art galleries, has never been given a serious thought to. I think this should be tried out once, probably in the lines of book fairs, and then see if this can be turned into an annual event, preferably coinciding with the tourist season. We have had enough of up-

starts bursting into the scene, acting like a messiah for the artists and then disappearing, never to be seen again. We have had enough of hollow promises from ministers, drawing huge applause from the audience, and then getting a quiet burial. We are better off without publicity stunts, gimmicks and false pretences. To liven up the scenario in the real sense, the State Directorate of Cultural Affairs can play a proactive role, the Lalit Kala Akademi may be sent a proposal, and the corporate houses, too, may come forward to promote artists on a larger scale.

Sonakshi and Diljit Dosanjh to team up

If rumour mills are to be believed, Sonakshi Sinha and Diljit Dosanjh are pairing up for a Bollywood project. Reliable sources suggest that the duo has been ap-

proached by Yash Bhagnani for a film to be helmed by a South Indian director.

Sona had collaborated with Diljit for a music video in the actress' last release, *Noor*. Titled *Move Your Lakh*, the party number was rendered by the duo, with Badshah rapping in certain portions.

When the media reached out to Sonakshi for a confirmation on pairing up with the Punjabi singer-actor, she remained non-committal.

"There are multiple discussions happening on films, but nothing has been locked as yet," she said.

The *Limelight Film Directory* (2017-18), compiled and edited by noted cine journalist and publicity consultant Arun Lochan Das has hit the stands in an enlarged and attractive format. The Directory, which enters its 22nd year carries a variety of chapters on different aspects of films of Assam. It is noteworthy that the most important and interesting chapter this time is a tribute to the Assamese film – *Dr Bezbarua*, directed by legendary Brajen Barua. The other chapters include tributes to 75 prominent Assamese film artistes, everlasting songs starting from *Jyomoti* to *Ahetuk* and life sketches of some artists and technicians,



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Marine matters



The Assam Government's recent proposal on dredging the Brahmaputra and building expressways along the two banks with the silt collected from dredging has generated a lot of interest. The ambitious proposal needs to be viewed in the strategic framework of underwater domain awareness (UDA) as an integral part of overall marine eco-concern. Dredging will involve intensive and extensive human activities in the river. This will interfere with the underwater noise pattern and, thus, seriously degrade the acoustic environment of the underwater living organisms. This may lead to the destruction of greater cownose and underwater mammals like the *shoh* (river dolphin) and the *gharial* (crocodile). Which is more important? Conservation of environment or development and economic growth? Can UDA incorporate a mutually balanced and compatible strategy? This may call for a will to transcend personal limitations to rise above fear and procrastination.

As I took up the elegant looking book – *Marine Eco-Concern and Its Impact on Indian Maritime Strategy* by Dr (CDR) Arnab Das, with curiosity, I was wondering what could be its relevance to me in real terms. As I leafed through the pages I realised that I was holding a highly researched world-class treatise written by a young man of my own hometown. Let me hasten to tell you that it is going to lead us to some of our home concerns in Assam, like the endangered river dolphin, the *shoh* of the Brahmaputra. Being a vast river system, in some aspects, the Brahmaputra is similar to the maritime surroundings of the Indian Ocean.

Retired Commodore of the Indian Navy and now president of the Indian Maritime Foundation, Rajan

Vir – in the Foreword to the book says it is the first book of its kind. Marine eco-concern in the Indian Ocean Region (IOR) is of interest to policy makers, environmental activists, corporate bodies, security experts, technology providers and many others.

Amazingly wide ranging aspects are covered, including regulatory measures and strategy. It is a mine of information. The book has identified marine eco-concern as related to the acoustic habitat degradation of the marine ecosystem.

The book talks about how sound is an essential component of underwater life. Every marine species adapts itself for navigation, communication, finding mates, foraging for food and detection of prey and predators for their own survival. It explains the nature of sound in water, its propagation and detection by creatures living in water. It analyses man-made noises for ocean and rivers as a means of socio-economic development, and man's lack of awareness about how noise acts as a threat to marine life.

One original contribution of the book is the unique concept of Underwater Domain Awareness (UDA) to deal comprehensively and simultaneously with four features: security, safety, economy and environment. The book is dedicated to the "sustainable blue economy" of India in the Indian Ocean Region. As the author says, it presents a unique side of marine ecosystem that has a rich biodiversity which has not

been fully understood yet. Marine species, particularly marine mammals (e.g. dolphins) use sound signals for all their communication needs. River dolphins or *Silus* also use sound signals. Sound travels efficiently under water. Underwater mammals are, therefore, monitored by using Sonars. However, its performance in tropical shallow waters is limited. The perspectives of mammal habitat degradation by acoustics are examined and as the way ahead, the book proposes UDA.

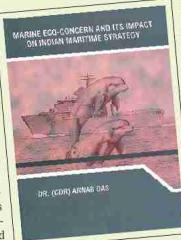
Maritime domain does not recognise national boundaries, whether it is an ocean or river. Therefore, geo-politics and geo-economic considerations become important as in the case of the Brahmaputra that flows through Tibet, India and Bangladesh.

When developmental needs and eco-conservation needs militate against each other, a carefully balanced approach becomes important. These issues need to be considered in the technology driven scenario of today. As countries are coming out of the 'Digital Barrier' (like India's all-out digitisation), national and regional boundaries are becoming increasingly less effective and governments cannot stop this. For example, a manufacturing technology of hardware. All physical hardware is transformed into digital information that moves through cyberspace as completely dissembled entities. Factories or manufacturing plants cannot be sealed any longer! Every human activity can be quickly transformed into digital data and be transmitted on microwaves globally. This means we need to reorient our mindset and re-engineer our activities. Such technologies are described as "Disruptive Technology", because they break traditions, compelling every organisation and institution. They demand re-thinking and re-designing past legacies, which have become less reliable guides. Are these considerations relevant in dealing with our problems like the river dolphin *Shoh*, which is endangered right near our homes in Assam? We need to examine from knowledge if we have any alternative approach.

Hope you will join me in congratulating Dr Arnab Das for making us conscious of this paradigm shift of our time.

(The writer is a former Vice Chancellor of Dibrugarh University)

Dr Devdas Kakati



A world of her own

It is always portrayed in her poems. After Shubhada, the great Assamese writer, she is the only one from this place to pen literature. In most of her writings, the same texture is found with which the literature of Dhubri district demands attention.

Last month, the Bilsapara Sahitya Sabha organised a day-long liter-

ary event on the works of Gitali Baruah, where her new book – *Anthology of Selected Poems*, was released by Abhijit Anurag, a well-known critic. Also, her audio disc of poems was released by Pranjal Pratim Bora, well-known poet of the State, and her novel *Soi Tolor Oprem* by Ashim Chutia, the upcoming poet, critic of Assamese literature.

Her métier in writing incorporates all the elements of literature. Her world is neither urban, nor in-

dustry, nor modern. It is usually a small world in a relatively isolated rural area. Her books are usually populated with two or more families and a few outsiders. The novels are not concerned with terrorism, political or industrial problems faced by other parts of the country. Their concerns are mainly moral or intellectual. Gitali Baruah often tries her hand in depiction of the immoral activities by the so-called elite class. *Soi Tolor Oprem*, her recently published novel, bears the truth of this observation.

In case of her verses, Gitali Baruah has been greatly influenced by the generosity of creative writers.

Boidho ki, Oboidho ki is a story book by this creator which has described the essence of the physical demands of men and women. The book is of a rare kind. Critics say that this is the perfect analysis of the psychological changes in the woman relationship.

In her approach to her writings,

as in her attitude toward society,

politics, her subject matter, her view of man, Gitali Baruah is a conclusion, rather than a beginning. She

tries to close an older way of

writing and thinking, which was

dependent on an older society that

has long since disappeared. Yet, in

saying this, I must quickly add that she is not outmoded or irrelevant to these times. Paradoxically, her novels seem to be more applicable to our lives as well.

In case of her verses, Gitali Baruah

has a keen love for freedom. The

unique feature of her poetry is a

rearrangement of unity and diversity.

The unity arises from her philosophy, from her religious theories which are always the same.

But despite this similarity in views,

there is no monotony in her poetry,

for there is also the immense

variety of subjects she chooses and

the scenery in which she places them.

W ithout intending to make a pronouncement on her literature, we may suggest to others to plunge into the graphic texture of her novels. Be it poetry or short story or even novels, she has shown mastery over depiction, through the power of her imagination. In the domain of Assamese Literature, her place has been created by the varied demeanour of her characters. Most of her characters are from her own world, echoing the songs of **Hillol Kumar Pathak**.

This poet, novelist and story writer is none other than Gitali Baruah, winner of the Bishnu Rabha award given by the Assam Sahitya Sabha. Gitali Baruah hails from the region which has the glory of creating the legend *Hostirkanya* (Pratima Baruah Pandey) – Gouripur, the place whose ancestral beauty and ethni-

cality is always portrayed in her poems. After Shubhada, the great Assamese writer, she is the only one from this place to pen literature. In most of her writings, the same texture is found with which the literature of Dhubri district demands attention.

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Dreaded ISIS chief al-Baghdadi may have been killed: Russia

MOSCOW, June 16: Russia today said it was verifying whether the elusive Islamic State in Iraq and Syria (ISIS) terror group chief Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi had been killed in a targeted Russian airstrike in strife-torn Syria last month.

The airstrike on May 28 was carried out on the outskirts of the dreaded militant group's de facto capital Raqa, on a command post where ISIS leaders were meeting, according to Russian state media reports.

"According to information, which is being verified via different channels, the meeting was also attended by the (ISIS) leader Ibrahim Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi, who was eliminated in the strike," the ministry said, according to the TASS news agency.

The leaders were discussing

their exit from the city through the so-called southern corridor, the ministry said. The airstrike was carried out following drone footage confirmation of the council's meeting location, state news Sputnik reported. Other state media reported that more than 300 "terrorists" were killed in the strike.

There have been a number of previous reports of Baghdadi's death. This is the first time, however, that Russia has said it may have killed the ISIS leader. Other media reports have previously claimed he had been killed or critically injured by US-led coalition air strikes. According to the report, Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov told journalists that there is no one-hundred-per cent confirmation yet that leader of the Islamic State terror group outlawed

in Russia, al-Baghdadi, has been killed. "So far, I have no one-hundred-percent confirmation of this information," Lavrov said.

US defense officials said they were unable to confirm the reports. Col Ryan Dillon, a spokesman for the US-led coalition's operation against ISIS in Syria and Iraq, said the coalition "cannot confirm these reports at this time."

There has been no official comment from Syria's government, the BBC reported. So far, there has been minimal reaction from online supporters of ISIS to news of the reported death of the group's leader; it said. ISIS sympathizers typically ignore reports from unofficial IS sources or ridicule them, especially given that Baghdadi's death has been reported several times in the past. — PTI

Death toll rises to 30; could climb over 100

LONDON, June 16: The death toll in the horrific fire that engulfed a 24-storey tower in west London rose to 30 today amid fears that it could climb to over 100 in one of the worst fire tragedies in the country.

Metropolitan police commander Stuart Cundy said, "We know that at least 30 people who

London fire

have died. The bodies have been taken to a morgue, but more bodies remain in the building."

"We always knew that the death toll would increase," Cundy said, adding that there was nothing to suggest that the fire at the Grenfell Tower was started deliberately.

The investigation into the

cause of the fire that has now been extinguished will take weeks, he added.

"Sadly we do not expect there to be any survivors," Cundy said.

Earlier today, Scotland Yard expressed fears that all the victims of the massive fire that engulfed a 24-storey tower in west London may never be identified.

While 30 people have been confirmed dead, there are fears the death toll could hit hundreds.

Cundy said there was "a risk that sadly we may not be able to identify everybody".

Asked about the number of dead, he said he hoped the death toll would not reach "triple figures" and indicated a criminal investigation into the cause of the fire is underway. — PTI



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 2. Family Income Certificate issued by Competent Authority (Circle Officer)

Sd/- Director of Technical Education
 Assam Kahlipura, Guwahati-19
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Stray incidents of violence in Darjeeling hills; 6 detained

DARJEELING, June 16: Stray incidents of violence were reported from Darjeeling and nearby areas and six suspected Gorakha Janmukti Morcha (GJM) supporters detained on the second day of the shutdown called by the outfit.

The shutdown, which disrupted normal life in the hills was called following raids at the premises connected to GJM supporters, the official said.

A senior official said six suspected GJM supporters were today detained after they set fire to a forest office at Tarakola, Kamchayang yesterday night. A patrol agency office in Mirik, 50 km

from Darjeeling, was today set ablaze by some suspected GJM supporters, the official said.

Normal life in the hills was affected in response to the shutdown with schools, markets and ATMs remaining closed.

An examination could not be held at an IGCNOU centre here in view of the ban on the hills, he said.

The stranded tourists were affected as most of the hotels, restaurants, eateries remained shut, and few buses for coming down to Siliguri in the coming days.

"We are waiting for a bus since 5.30 am but not a single bus is available to take us to Siliguri," Anindita Bhaduri, a tourist, said.

"I have practical exams in Siliguri but there is not a single bus to take me there," another tourist Swati Rai said.

A senior government official, on condition of anonymity, said, "We will not allow anybody to hamper law-and-order situation in the hills and law will take its own course. If

anybody is found trying to break the law, he/she will face action and the administration will handle the situation in a very tough manner." - PTI

Centre holds back forces till Bengal sends report

NEW DELHI, June 16: In an apparent slowdown, the Centre today held additional paramilitary forces to the West Bengal government sends a report on the situation in the violence-hit hill district.

The 400 additional personnel, whom the home ministry had yesterday decided to send to Darjeeling on a request from the State government, will not be dispatched immediately.

"We will take a decision on sending additional paramilitary forces only when we make an assessment of the prevailing situation in Darjeeling. It is possible only when we receive a report from the State government, which has not sent it yet," a home ministry spokesperson said. - PTI

Prepare for final battle: Gurung tells people

DARJEELING, June 16: Gorkha Janmukti Morcha supreme Bimal Gurung today asked the people in the hill station to be prepared for the "final battle" for achieving the separate Gorkhaland State.

"I urge the people to get prepared for the final battle as the time has come for a do-or-die fight if we want to achieve our dream of Gorkhaland," Gurung said in a message on an undisclosed location circulated among the people of the hill town here today.

Gurung's message comes in the backdrop of the police raid at his premises at Singhmari and Pathelias here yesterday, during which arms and ammunition were recovered. - PTI

PRESS NOTICE / IFB

No. BN/62/2015/P/263
EXTENSION NOTICE

The Office Reference No. BN/62/2015/P/22 dated 06/06/2017 for the work Implementation of Schumarun construction of BOP & Development Areas during 2014-15 at various

places of Assam the date of submission of Bid is hereby extended by 15 days i.e. per Tender Schedule which may be seen in the website www.assamtenders.gov.in and also in the offices of the concerned

authorities. All tenders will be received until 11.30 AM on 01/07/2017.

Details can be seen at <http://www.assamtenders.gov.in> as well as in the o/o the Chief

Engineer PWRD (Border Roads & N.H.) and the concerned

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Sd/- Chief Engineer, P.W.D. (B.R.)

Assam, Chandmari, Guwahati-3.

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Rear Admiral Mukul Asthana, Director General, Project Varsha, Integrated Headquarters, Ministry of Defence (Navy) awarded the Governor of Kerala Rolling Trophy to Lieutenant Commander Rahul Verma after reviewing Passing-out Parade at INS Rajah, Arakkonam near Chennai on Friday – UNI

DMK stages walkout for third day over 'pay-off' row

CHENNAI, June 16: The DMK staged a walkout for the third consecutive day today from the State Assembly over the issue of alleged horse-trading of AIADMK MLAs.

Leader of Opposition MK Stalin argued the walkout after he and deputy DMK leader in the House Duraimurgar argued with Speaker P. Dhanapal over the issue in which remarks made by them were expounded by the chair after Finance Minister D Jayakumar made an intervention.

Taxies Minister OS Manian said the opposition party trying to raise the issue was not appropriate.

When some DMK members who were walking out objected to it, Dhanapal said the minister was only reiterating his ruling of June 14.

Yesterday too, DMK made a vain bid to raise the same issue and walked out after Dhanapal disallowed their plea holding that the matter was sub-judge and based on media reports. DMK's allies Congress and IUML too had walked out on the issue.

On June 14, the alleged pay-off kicked up a storm in the Assembly which eventually led to an en masse eviction of DMK members. They later staged a road blockade outside the state secretariat and were briefly detained by police.

The matter related to purported claims by Panneerselvam camp MLA SS Saravanan in a TV 'sting' operation about alleged pay-offs to ruling party MLAs ahead of the February 18 trust vote that was won by incumbent Chief Minister K Palaniswami. - PTI

Arrangements in place for smooth Amarnath Yatra: CRPF DG

SRINAGAR, June 16: All necessary security arrangements have been put in place to ensure a smooth conduct of the annual Amarnath Yatra which commences on June 29, Director General, CRPF, Raj Bhattacharjee said today.

He said whatever additional paramilitary personnel were required have been brought in and "all the arrangements have been done" for the Yatra which concludes on August 7.

"Sixty-five additional companies have come here from our side (CRPF), and nearly

200 additional companies (of all security forces) in total are being deployed," he said.

Bhattacharjee said the helping hand has been started primarily for the citizens of J&K, but it would also cater to the tourists visiting the Valley. "The main purpose is that it is a direct connection between any person, who is in trouble, to the CRPF and through the CRPF as we have our own network, we will contact agencies which may be required to be contacted for whatever help is required and we should be providing it on an-all India basis,"

The CRPF DG was here to attend the launch ceremony of a helpline for the citizens of the Valley - Madagam'. The helpline was inaugurated

NOTICE

The Interview for the post of Assistant Professors for the following subjects of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Adarsha Mahavidyalaya, Amringa, of Goalpara District will be held as per following schedule as mentioned below:

Sl. No.	Subject	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Mathematics	20.06.2017	10-30 am onwards	Addl. Circuit House, Bhalukdubi, Goalpara
2.	Botany	21.06.2017	- Do -	- Do -
3.	Zoology	22.06.2017	- Do -	- Do -
4.	Assamese	23.06.2017	- Do -	- Do -

All the concerned applicants are requested to visit Goalpara District website goalparadis.nic.in for the reasons.

Sd/- Ghanashyam Dass, IAS
 Deputy Commissioner, Goalpara

No. AIDC/407/05/Part-III/17945

SHORT NOTICE INVITING BID

Sealed tender in prescribed format (eventually to be drawn in A.P.W.D. Form) affording non refundable Court fee stamp of Rs. 8.25 (Rupees eight and paise twenty five) only are hereby invited by the undersigned from the eligible registered (up to date) contractor of Industries & Commerce Deptt./APWD (B). I.A.D.C. Assam for the following works.

Sl. No.	Name of the Works	Estimated Cost (Rs.)	Earliest money (Rs.)	Cost of Tender documents (Rs.)	Time allowed
1.	Providing CPVC pipe with CPVC fittings for water supply distribution net work at Chirang Block, Goalpara District.	Rs.4,93,400.00	9900.00	Rs.500.00	30 days
2.	Providing CPVC slab on approach Road no.2 at Industrial Estate Tinsukia.	Rs. 1,05,700.00	2200.00	Rs.100.00	30 days

1. Required experience: The bidders are to submit experience certificate for completion of Similar nature of single works with value not less than 80% of Bid value in last seven financial years.

2. Bidding documents may be purchased from the office of the undersigned or production of an application along with non refundable fee of Rs. 8.25 (Rupees eight and paise twenty five) only in the form of Demand Draft Bankers Cheque of any Nationalized/Schedule Commercial Bank payable to Government of Assam or Manager of Managing Director, AIDC from 20.06.2017 to 28.06.2017. Interested bidders may obtain further information in the same address.

3. Bids must be accompanied by bid security of the amount specified for the work in the table payable at Guwahati and drawn in favour of MO, AIDC. Bid security will be held to be deposited in any one of the forms as specified in the bidding document and shall have to be valid for 45 days beyond the validity of the bid.

4. Bidding documents may be obtained from the office of the undersigned or production of an application along with non refundable fee of Rs. 8.25 (Rupees eight and paise twenty five) only in the form of Demand Draft Bankers Cheque of any Nationalized/Schedule Commercial Bank payable to Government of Assam or Manager of Managing Director, AIDC from 20.06.2017 to 28.06.2017. Interested bidders may obtain further information in the same address.

5. Other details can be seen in the bidding documents. 29.06.2017

Sd/- Managing Director, ADC

No. DME/09/2017/6712

Dated : 16-06-2017

No. DME/09/2017/6713

Dated : 16-06-2017

Re-Tender INVITATION FOR E-BID (FB) NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING

Two (2) nos. of e-Tender are invited online through e-procurement system i.e. through website www.assamtenders.gov.in from the intending Manufacturer/Accredited Dealers for supply & installation of i) Various equipments (Package type) & ii) various equipments (General items) for IVF Centre at Gachhara, Guwahati & Assam Institute of Medical College & Research Foundation (AIMCRF) under the supervision of Dr. S. K. Das, Director of IVF Centre at Gachhara, Assam. The Tender in two Bid System affixed Court Fee Stamp Rs.8.25 (Rupees eight point two five paisa) only (for local Tenderers) or IPO of Rs. 10/- (Rs. 10/- Ton) only (in case of Tenderers from outside of the State of Assam) in favour of Director of Medical Education, Assam, Siromati, Kharapana, Guwahati-781022, at BBP-District

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E-PROCUREMENT NOTICE

No. AIDC/746/09/2014
 Managing Director, AIDC, Bamunimaidam, Guwahati-21, invites bid through e-tendering from eligible registered contractor (up to date) under Industries & Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1951 (IMD) under bidding EM Part-II for the work "Dismantling of existing old PS tank of size 5.00m x 3.75m over steel staging and replace by new PS tank of same size and painting completely at Industrial Estate, Bamunimaidam, Guwahati-21" ON SINGLE BID SYSTEM.

Last date and time for on-line as well as Hard copy submission of bid is 30.06.2017 up to 14.00 hour.

For details kindly visit website: www.assamattribune.gov.in

Sd/- Managing Director
AIDC

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INTERNATIONAL

100,000 civilians held by ISIS in Mosul's Old City as human shields: UN

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UN refugee agency's representative in Iraq Bruno Grede said IS had been capturing civilians in battles outside of Mosul and had been forcing them into the Old City, one of the last parts of the city in its brutal rule on its in-

"More than 100,000 civilians may still be held in the Old City," Grede told reporters in Geneva.

"We know that ISIS moved them with them as they left... locations where the fighting was going on," he said, using another acronym for ISIS,

which is also known as Daesh or ISIL.

"These civilians are basically held as human shields in the Old City."

With virtually no food, water or electricity left in the area, the civilians are "living in an increasingly worsening

situation of penury and 'deeply traumatised' since the battle to retake Mosul began nine months ago, an estimated 862,000 people have been displaced from the city, although 195,000 have since returned, mainly to the liberated east of the city. - AFP

"They are surrounded by fighting on every side."

Snipers meanwhile try to kill anyone trying to leave the area under jihadist control, he said, adding that the few who manage to escape are

Four dead as suicide bombers hit Kabul Shiite mosque

KABUL, June 16: Suicide bombers struck a crowded Shiite mosque in Kabul late on Thursday, killing four people in the latest in a series of militant attacks to rattle the Afghan capital during the holy month of Ramadan.

At least eight others were wounded when the bombers blew themselves up in the kitchen of Al Zahra mosque after police prevented them from entering the prayer hall packed with worshippers. The carnage comes at a time Kabul is already on edge following a wave of deadly bombings, which triggered angry public protests calling for the resignation of President Ashraf Ghani's government over spiralling insecurity.

"Terrorist attack on Al Zahra mosque west of Kabul," ministry spokesman Nasib Danish said. "Three civilians and one policeman was killed and eight others were wounded."

No group has so far claimed responsibility for the assault, but minority Shiite areas in Kabul have been frequently targeted in the past by Islamic State militants.

The rise of the Islamic State group has raised the spectre of sectarian discord in Afghanistan, something that the Sunnism-majority country has largely been spared despite decades of war.

Last year Afghanistan witnessed a wave of attacks on Shites claimed by IS, which considers Shiite Muslims apostates.

The attack occurred as worshippers were preparing for an all-night congregation on a night of Ramadan that holds special significance for Shites. The Taliban, Afghanistan's biggest militant group locked in a fierce rivalry with IS, denied it was behind Thursday's attack, with a spokesman saying they do not attack places of worship. - AFP

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- In case of certain industries such as ice-cream making, the composition scheme may not be available. The list will be announced soon.
- The dealers who opt for composition scheme have to file only one quarterly return with details of total turnover. Invoice with details are not necessary, bill of supply will suffice.
- Small taxpayers are not required to give HSN code in their returns.
- However, in this option, no input tax credit can be taken or passed on.
- With online registration, return, payment, refund & other processes, delays and discretions would be reduced.
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Mind-body interventions, such as yoga, tai chi and meditation can boost our physical and mental well-being by 'reversing' the DNA processes that cause stress and depression.

Researchers reviewed 18 studies – fea-

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The researchers said that the inflammatory effect of the fight-or-flight response – which also serves to temporarily bolster the immune system – would have played an important role in mankind's hunter-gatherer past, history, when there was a higher risk of infection from wounds.

In today's society, however, where stress is increasingly psychological and often long-term, pro-inflammatory gene expression can be persistent and therefore more likely to cause psychiatric and medical problems.

"These activities are leaving a molecular signature in our cells, which reverses the effect that stress or anxiety would have on the body by changing how our genes are expressed," said Buric.

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(Source: PTI)

Mind-body intervention

Meditation, yoga can reverse DNA reactions that cause stress, finds a study

turing 846 people over 11 years – analysing how the behaviour of our genes is affected by different mind-body interventions (MBIs), including mindfulness and yoga.

They found a pattern in the molecular changes which happen to the body as a result of MBIs, and how those changes benefit our mental and physical health.

"Millions of people around the world already enjoy the health benefits of mind-body interventions, like yoga or meditation, but what they perhaps don't realise is that these benefits begin at a molecular level and can change the way our genetic code goes about its business," said Ivana Buric from the Coventry University in the UK.

The researchers focused on how gene expression is affected; in other words the way that genes activate to produce proteins which influence the biological make-up of the body, the brain and the immune system.

When a person is exposed to a stressful event, their sympathetic nervous system (SNS) – the system responsible for the 'fight-or-flight' response – is triggered, in turn increasing production of a molecule called NF-κB which regulates how our genes are expressed.

NF-κB translates stress by activating genes to produce cytokines that cause inflammation at cellular level – a reaction that is useful as a short-lived fight-or-flight reaction, but if persistent leads to a higher risk of cancer, accelerated ageing and psychiatric disorders like de-



Know your DAY

By JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! for Saturday, June 17, 2017.

This year your openness permits a new type of energy to surround you. You might be entering a new phase in your life. You could find this period to be more exciting than you originally thought possible. If you are single, you may be meeting someone who is open and uncommitted until you are sure that you have met Mr. Right. If you are attached, the two of you seem to be in the romantic haze of falling in love all over again. Enjoy this period. PISCES makes a fun friend.

The Star Show That Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Communication flourishes because you are willing to waste through an erosion and make sure all parties are on the same page. You could be looking to make some fun plays. Relax a bit – you are with your friends, not at work. Tonight: If you can dream it, you can make it so.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You can't push a loved one, only he or she can do that to her/himself. This person has been closed down for over a year. Be frugal with spending. You could be overly enthusiastic about a purchase. Wait till you can. Tonight: Respond to a close friend's inquiry.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Pressure might be building. You could have fantasies of running away from the here and now. That idea hardly works as a solution. Use your ingenuity to come up with a viable answer. A key loved one could be extremely closed down. Tonight: Off to a party or fun gathering.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You are right. Tonight: A new experience.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You might feel recharged and ready to be more adventuresome than usual. Whatever you choose as an adventure will encourage you to learn something new. A foreigner or someone at a distance has a big impact on your life. Tonight: Whenever you go, be your good music.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You are always watching gears that often surprises a loved one. Though this person also indulges in unpredictability, you don't want to push him or her too hard. Your individuality and willingness to head in your own direction is well known. Tonight: Dinner for two.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You seem exuberant, whether you are working on a project or cleaning up for guests. Be aware of how much a loved one would appreciate your company. Make time to be with this person, and you will be a lot happier. Tonight: Do not allow stress to build any higher.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You rarely get to spend time with whom you both will be a lot happier as a result. Stay within your budget, and find inexpensive ways to spend time together. Tonight: Be as naughty as you want.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You might want to relax a little more in order to really enjoy your domestic life. You could find that benefit from a rep or from not annoying your partner or a mate. Eliminate what does not work for you. Just be today. Tonight: Follow someone else's lead.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Pressure to accomplish more builds at home and in your professional life. You might be upbeat about a work or community matter, but you won't be as enthusiastic about cleaning the yard or doing any type of house project. Tonight: At a favorite place with favorite people.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Reach out to your friends. You also might want to speak with a sibling or loved one as well. You want a nice, cozy day, catch up on chores and visit with friends. Could have some interesting chatter that causes you to speculate about recent events. Tonight: Join friends.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Reach out to someone you trust before making any major decisions. You might be surprised when you see the big picture, which could change with more insight. Open to discussions. Finances could be involved in the discussion. Tonight: Try something different.

Thought for the day

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— HERBERT SPENCER

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Amir likely to play CT final

LONDON, June 16: Pakistan's pace spearhead Mohammad Amir is likely to be fit for selection for the ICC Champions Trophy clash against India on Sunday.

Speaking to the media after Amir took part in an entire training session today, Pakistan bowling coach Azhar Mahmood confirmed that the speedster, who missed the semi-final against England due to a back spasm, was fit but did not categorically say whether he will play at the Oval on Sunday.

A back spasm had ruled Amir out of the semi-final on June 14, after he failed a fitness test shortly before the toss.



"Amir bowled today (at the nets). Amir is fit. We have not decided about (playing him)," Mahmood said here today.

Despite bowling well, Amir went wicketless in the first two group matches, against India and South Africa.

Against Sri Lanka, he took 2 for 53 and scored a valuable 28 not out in an eighth-wicket partnership, which sealed a semi-final place for Pakistan.

"When you go to a final, you want your experienced player, you want him to be fully fit and participating on that particular day."

"But (we have told him) let us know. At the moment he bowled today. He is fine. Yeah, definitely you would go with Amir, but we don't mind if Amir can't play. If he is not fit, then we have to move on."

In the semi-final, Amir was replaced by Rumman Raees, another left-arm fast bowler who made his ODI debut in the match.

Bowling with the new ball, Raees took 2 for 44 in Pakistan's eight-wicket victory.

Mahmood said they have enough bench strength.

"We have the bench strength. Last match, when

Amir was not there, people

were worried about our main strike bowler not playing. But the way Rumman Raees came in and bowled, it showed we have the bench strength."

"We have guys who have such skill and such an ability that they can perform on any stage. It is just a matter of self belief and confidence. I think anyone can replace anyone." — PTI

Chhetri's strike rate better than CR7, Leo

NEW DELHI, June 16: Tali-

manic Indian football captain Su-

mi Chhetri has become the fourth

highest international goal scorer

among active players worldwide

with his 54th strike for the coun-

try against Kyrgyzstan.

The magnificent goal he scored

against Kyrgyzstan in India's 1-0

win in the 2019 Asian Cup Quali-

fers match in Bengaluru on June

13 has taken past England

striker Wayne Rooney (53 goals

in 119 matches), Chhetri was play-

ing in his 94th match.

Chhetri, who turns 33 on Aug-

ust 3, is currently behind Portu-

gal superstar Cristiano Ronaldo

(73 in 139 matches), Argentine

maestro Lionel Messi (58 in 118

matches) and American Clint

Dempsey (54 in 134 matches).

Chhetri's strike rate is better

than Ronaldo, Messi, Dempsey

and Rooney. He has a goal per

match ratio of 0.57 as against

0.525 of Ronaldo, 0.49 of Messi,

0.42 of Dempsey and 0.45 of

Rooney. Only Brazilian superstar Neymar Junior (0.68), Ali Ash-

FAQ (0.68) of Maldives and Edin

Dzeko (0.63) of Bosnia have a

better strike rate than Chhetri.

Remarkably Chhetri is also

in the top-30 of the all time

goal scorers' chart (taking into

account both retired and active

players) and is certain to be

among the top-20 when he de-

cides to call it a day. — PTI

far from impressive at the start, India conceded an early goal before making a strong comeback after half-time.

"They (Pakistan) are a good side, but we have had a good start to the tournament. The idea will be to bring it to the plans coach draws up before the match against both Canada and Pakistan," said Rohit.

A pep-talk by chief coach Rohit Ottamians during the 10-minute break half-time changed the course of the match and Ramandeep Singh (31st, 34th), Akashdeep Singh (40th) and Harmanpreet Singh (42nd) struck in quick time to turn the game around.

"We knew we didn't start well. But coach gave us a good idea to take our side lightly even if Canada are ranked 11th in the world as against India's sixth position. — PTI

to bring more energy and aggression into our game," Manpreet said.

"He reminded us about the strategic planning we had made ahead of the match against Scotland and asked us to execute it and not think of the misses we had in the first two quarters," the skipper said about the animated dressing room talk.

After the mini scare against Scotland, India cannot afford to take any side lightly even if Canada are ranked 11th in the world as against India's sixth position. — PTI

Meanwhile, tournament di-

rector Ankush Dutta informed

that the qualifying rounds of the AITA Championship Series for boys and girls U-16 years and U-14 years will commence tomorrow at the same venue.

Results: (Boys U-12, SF) Top seed Andy Thakur (4/6, 6-3, 6-2, 6-2) beat Shreya Chakraborty (4/6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2) 2nd seed Ishika Chakraborty (3/6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2) and 3rd seed Ishika Chakraborty (2/6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2) 4th seed Shreya Chakraborty (4/6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2) and 5th seed Shreya Chakraborty (4/6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2) 6th seed Shreya Chakraborty (4/6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2) and 7th seed Shreya Chakraborty (4/6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2) 8th seed Shreya Chakraborty (4/6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2) and 9th seed Shreya Chakraborty (4/6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2) 10th seed Shreya Chakraborty (4/6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2) and 11th seed Shreya Chakraborty (4/6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2) 12th seed Shreya Chakraborty (4/6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2) and 13th seed Shreya Chakraborty (4/6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2) 14th seed Shreya Chakraborty (4/6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2) and 15th seed Shreya Chakraborty (4/6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2) 16th seed Shreya Chakraborty (4/6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2) and 17th seed Shreya Chakraborty (4/6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2) 18th seed Shreya Chakraborty (4/6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2) and 19th seed 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