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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2017

SITUATION VACANT

Sesta Development Services (SDS) is recruiting for following positions- Name of the Post: Cluster coordinator (Fishery)- 2 posts. Location : Sepahijala District, Tripura. Duration : 1 year (Renewable on proven performance). Education Qualification : Graduate in Fishery Science / Life Science. Experience : Minimum 1 year working experience in fishery sector with farmers, knowledge of Bengali. Monthly salary : Negotiable. Interested candidates are requested to mail their complete bio-data to sds@sestaearthlife.in from latest by 2nd October, 2017. SV/P/1732/1

Sesta Development Services (SDS) is recruiting for following position- Name of the Post: Data Collector 5 Post (1 per cluster). Location : Assam (Kushwaha Block of Goalpara dist/Burhani Block of Nalbari dist/ Paka Betban Block of Barpeta dist/ Lumbangong Block of Karbi Anglong dist/ Majuli Block of Majuli dist, West Tripura). Duration : 1 month. Education Qualification : Graduate. Experience : Experience in large scale conducting survey, have smart phone, Language proficiency : Assamese and local language of the concerned block. Monthly salary : 12,000/- Interested candidates are requested to mail their complete bio-data to sdss@sestaearthlife@gmail.com latest by 2nd October, 2017. SV/P/1732/1

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Advt. No.: ASTC/HP/2017/Cp/
IRM/2017/1603/17594.
Dated: 26-09-2017

IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION
As regards Recruitment Test for Management Executive (Contractual) & Assistant Engineers published in the Assam Tribune and Dainik Pratidin on 22.09.2017, Walk-in-interviews for the Posts of Management Executive (Young Engineers) and Assistant Engineers were scheduled between 26/09/2017 and 03.10.2017 respectively. But, unexpectedly huge number of candidates turned out on 26.09.2017. In view of this, it is impossible to make fair selection with interview only. It is therefore decided to conduct an Objective Type Written Test for the purpose on the date, time and venue mentioned below for both the posts. Candidates willing to take the posts are invited to appear in the written Test accordingly.

Date: 08-10-2017
Time: 11 AM onwards
Venue: Assam High School, Panbari, Guwahati-8

The list of candidates for Management Executives (Contractual) who have registered on or before 26.09.2017 are enclosed in our website, www.assamstatetransportcorporation.com Registration for the post of Assistant Engineer will be made on 03-10-2017 at 10 AM onwards at Panbari Branch Office, Panbari, Guwahati-8. The list of eligible candidates for Assistant Engineer will also be uploaded in the said website.

Sd/- Managing Director
A.S.T. Corporation, Panbari, Guwahati

CD/CSV/2978/1

WALK-IN-INTERVIEW

Walk-in-interview with all necessary testimonials etc. For Project Fellow/ Research Fellow Club to be held at Sibsagar College, Jyosagar at 11 a.m. on 10.10.2017. Qualification:- M.Sc.inLife Science/Biotechnology/ Biochemistry.
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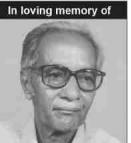
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Death: 30.09.2014

Today on your 3rd "Punny Tithi" we remember you with tearful eyes & pray to Almighty that you rest in eternal peace.

Pratibha Goswami (Wife) & All family members
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Dr. Kamal Khound

"The light that you left remains, but you are so far away" you will remain in our heart and soul and continue to be our guiding spirit by every passing day. In loving and cherished memory of Dr. Kamal Khound who left us for his heavenly abode two years ago on 27.9.2015.

Mandita Sarma
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Five Indian museums among Asia's top 25

MUMBAI, Sept 26: Five Indian museums have made it to the top 25 Asia list of Travellers' Choice by TripAdvisor, displaying artifacts and collections that date back to centuries.

Victoria Memorial Hall in Kolkata (West Bengal) has been ranked nine in the Asia list of Travellers' Choice by TripAdvisor. City Palace of Jaipur (Rajasthan) was at 15th position, while Bagore Ki Haveli, Udaipur (Rajasthan) was at 18th, Yodhasthal, Bhopal (Madhya Pradesh) was ranked 20th and Hall Of Fame, Leh (Jammu and Kashmir) secured 21st position.

"Museums, with their artefacts and collections that date back centuries help tell stories, which provide the opportunity for us to look back at history and culture.

"Sometimes, museums also help us reflect and understand recent events too," TripAdvisor India Country Manager Nikhil Ganju said.

The award winners were determined using an algorithm that took into account the reviews and ratings for museums worldwide, gathered over a 12-month period.

War Remnants Museum in Vietnam was ranked number one in the Asia top 25 list followed by the Museum of Qin Terra-Cotta Warriors and Horses in China, Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum in Phnom Penh in Cambodia, Forbidden City - The City Palace, China and Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum in Japan.

The New York City's Metropolitan Museum of Art named number one in the Travellers' Choice awards for Museums in the World, securing the position for the third year in a row.

The National WWII Museum in the US secured the second place in the list followed by Musée d'Orsay in France, Art Institute of Chicago in the US and the State Hermitage Museum and Winter Palace in Russia. -PTI

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Supporters of the Opposition National Super Alliance coalition running away from riot policemen during a demonstration in Nairobi, Kenya on Tuesday. — UNI

May's bid to restart Brexit talks

LONDON, Sept 26: Prime Minister Theresa May and European Council president Donald Tusk met on Tuesday as Britain seeks to kick-start deadlocked negotiations on leaving the European Union.

Tusk met May at her office at 10 Downing Street as negotiators for the two sides held a fourth round of Brexit talks in Brussels.

The meeting comes days after May proposed a two-year transition period to smooth out Britain's departure from the bloc. May hopes her proposal which would see Britain abide by EU rules and pay into its coffers for two years after Brexit in March 2019 will help persuade EU officials to move talks past terms of the divorce and onto future trade and se-



Theresa May with European Council president Donald Tusk

curity relationships.

The EU says more detail is needed. Chief negotiator Michel Barnier said on Monday he was "keen and eager" to understand how May's speech would be turned into a negotiating strategy. The EU said it would not discuss future

relationships until it had guarantees on Britain's outstanding financial commitments, the rights of EU and British citizens affected by Brexit and the status of the Irish border.

EU leaders are scheduled to assess at an October 19-20 meeting whether Britain has made "sufficient progress" on the divorce arrangements for negotiations to move on.

Meanwhile, British Foreign Secretary Boris Johnson tried to reassure eastern Europeans that they would remain welcome after Brexit. When Britain leaves the bloc, it will end the automatic right of EU

citizens to live and work in the UK, and that has left many worried for their futures.

Johnson told Romania's Agence news agency that some 500,000 Romanians currently in Britain are "hugely valued members of our society."

"We would be crazy to let them go back to Romania, we want to ensure...their rights are protected," said Johnson,

who is on a visit to the Czech Republic, Romania and Slovakia. — AFP

REPAIRING WORKS @ QUARTERS ETC.

E-Tender No. 16 - 18-ENGG-PRIV/2017 - Open for tendering are invited for the following work:

Tender No. 16 - Brief Description of Work: Repairing works of the AUTOMOTIVE workshop wall, roof, pipe line and drain of apprenticeship and training hostel. At Block No. 1, Sector 1, Nalukongseleik-Construction of Sub-Divisional Rest House (ii) At Lalbari (LB), Bagnara(GND), Bordoloi (ED), Dibrugarh(GND), Jorhat (ED), Lakhimpur(NLP) and Mankongseleik (MZS) section under the jurisdiction of ADENNEE. (v) Repair to Cess pool and water tank at Block No. 1, Nalukongseleik-Lakhimpur(NLP)-Mankongseleik (MZS) section under the jurisdiction of ADENNEE. **Tender Value:** ₹ 2,12,21,820/- **Earnest Money:** ₹ 2,10,610/- **Date & time & place of submission of tenders:** At the office of DRR Manager (Works), Rangia office at 15.00 hrs. of 27-10-2017. **Date & time & place of opening of tenders:** At the office of DRR Manager (Works), Rangia office at 15.00 hrs. of 27-10-2017 at 13.00 hrs. For details visit: www.ireps.gov.in.

DRR (Works), Rangia

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SIGNALING WORKS FOR RESTORATION/MAINTENANCE

E-Tender No. 16NT-30-LMGM-2017

-18 Dated : 23-09-2017. Open Tenders are invited for the following work: **Name of work:** Carrying out repairs and restoration of Assets for restoration/ maintenance in Chandrapurathur-Silchar-Agartala section including buildings, structures, roads, tracks, SSE/MigBadarpur for a period of 12 months. **Tender Value :** ₹ 19,95,963/- **Earnest Money :** ₹ 3,99,192/- **Date & Time of opening of tenders:** 01-11-2017 in the office of Divisional Railway Manager (Works), Rangia. **The complete information with regard to the above e-tender will be available in website www.ireps.gov.in.**

Divisional Railway Manager (Works), Rangia

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RAILWAY NOTIFICATION

The validity of the current Time Table (Starting from 1st October, 2016 to 30th September, 2017) being extended up to 31st October, 2017. New edition of Eastern Zone Public Time Table and Trains at a Glance will come in to effect from 1st November, 2017 instead of 15th October, 2017. Accordingly validity of the current working Time Table No- 89 is extended up to 31st October 2017.

Chief Pass. Trans. Manager, Maligaon

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CONTINUATION OF SPECIAL TRAINS

It has been decided to continue the service of presently running Special Trains for a period of another 03 months to clear extra rush during Festivals as per existing timings, stoppages, days of run and composition as under :-

Passenger Special Train No. 05864 from Rangapara North from 01-10-2017 to 31-12-2017 (on Tuesday, Thursday & Sunday)

ARR. DEP. STATIONS ARR. DEP.

... 05.00 ↑ Rangapara North ... 21.20 ...

07.45 ... ↓ Rangapara ... 18.20

COMPOSITION: General Second Class (Nine), Second Class cum Luggage and Brake Van/D (Two) = 11 Coaches

Passenger Special Train No. 05865 from Rangiyā from 01-10-2017 to 31-12-2017 (on Tuesday, Thursday & Sunday)

ARR. DEP. STATIONS ARR. DEP.

... 08.15 ↑ Rangiyā ... 17.40 ...

20.20 ... ↓ Murkongseleik ... 06.00

COMPOSITION: General Second Class (Nine), Second Class cum Luggage and Brake Van/D (Two) = 11 Coaches

Passenger Special Train No. 05813 from New Tinsukia from 01-10-2017 to 31-12-2017

ARR. DEP. STATIONS ARR. DEP.

... 14.30 ↑ New Tinsukia ... 13.20 ...

20.00 ... ↓ Guwahati ... 08.30

COMPOSITION: General Second Class/General Chair Car (Eight) and SLR (Two) = 10 Coaches

Passenger Special Train No. 07525 from Siliguri Jn. from 01-10-2017 to 31-12-2017

ARR. DEP. STATIONS ARR. DEP.

... 12.00 ↑ Siliguri Jn. ... 15.00 ...

21.15 ... ↓ New Tinsukia ... 05.00

COMPOSITION: Driving Power Coach (Two), Driving Trailor Coach / Trailor Coach (Eight) = 10 Coaches

General Manager (Operations)

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RESTORATION OF TRAIN SERVICES

The service of the following trains which was cancelled due to unprecedented flood in Bihar, are hereby restored. Details are as follows:

SN Train No. Train No.

From w.e.f.

1 15464 Siliguri Jn. - Baishnabghat Intercity Express Siliguri Jn. 27-09-2017

15463 Baishnabghat - Siliguri Jn. Intercity Express Baishnabghat 28-09-2017

2 07150 Guwahati - Secunderabad Jn. Special Secunderabad 02-10-2017

3 55708 Kathi - Radhikapur Passenger Kathi 29-09-2017

55707 Radhikapur - Kathi Passenger Radhikapur 27-09-2017

4 55712 New Jalpaiguri - Maita Town Passenger New Jalpaiguri 27-09-2017

55711 Maita Town - New Jalpaiguri Passenger Maita Town 27-09-2017

5 57520 Siliguri Jn. - Malda Court DEMU Siliguri Jn. 27-09-2017

57519 Malda Court - Siliguri Jn. DEMU Malda Court 28-09-2017

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Palestinian gunman kills three Israelis

JERUSALEM, Sept 26: A Palestinian gunman opened fire at the entrance to the West Bank settlement of Har Adar, killing three Israelis and injuring another before being shot dead.

The break in the recent lull in violence comes on a day when US President Donald Trump's Middle East envoy, Jason Greenblatt, arrived in Jerusalem to try to revive the deadlocked Israel-Palestinian peace talks.

Greenblatt's visit comes just days after US President met Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas in New York and reiterated Washington's commitment to work towards a comprehensive peace agreement.

The Palestinian gunman, identified in Israeli media as Nimer Jamal, a 37-year-old man from a nearby village, was shot by Israeli security and died later. Netanyahu blamed the attack on Palestinian incitement and demanded that Abbas condemn the attack unequivocally.

"This is a difficult morning with three Israelis murdered by a miscreant. On behalf of the government and the entire people of Israel, my condolences go out to the families of the deceased, and I also wish a speedy recovery to the survivor who was injured in the attack," the Israeli Prime Minister said. "What we can say now, however, is that the terrorist's home will be demolished, the IDF (Israel Defense Forces) has already encircled his village and the work permits of his extended family will be revoked," he said in line with Israel's policy to deter Palestinians from carrying out such attacks.

"This murderous attack is a result of methodical incitement by the Palestinian authority and other entities, and I expect Mahmoud Abbas to denounce the attacking or rather

Pak spy accuses his agency of protecting terrorists: Report

ISLAMABAD, Sept 26: A Pakistani Intelligence officer has accused his own spy agency of "protecting" terrorists and filed a petition in a court here, requesting for a thorough probe in the case.

The court has agreed to hear the petition on Oct. 12, a spokesman for the Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI) said.

Malik Mukhtar Ahmed Shahzad, a serving assistant sub-inspector of Intelligence Bureau (IB), has accused his senior officers of not taking action against terrorist suspects.

In a petition filed in the Islamabad High Court yesterday, he said that his two colleagues were transferred to the same post after he raised suspicions of security personnel at the rear gate of Har Adar.

No group has taken responsibility for the attack, although Gaza-based Palestinian militant organisations Hamas and Islamic Jihad welcomed the attack.

The "Jerusalem attack is a new chapter in the Al-Quds intifada. It underlines the fact any attempts to Judaeze (the city) have failed on the ground. Jerusalem is Arab-Muslim. Its residents and youth will spare no effort to redeem their spirit and blood," Ynetnews quoted Hamas as saying after the attack.

Some 150 Israelis, five foreign nationals and around 300 Palestinians are said to have been killed in stabbing, shooting and car ramming attacks since late 2015. — PTI

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govt with the terrorist organisations having linkages with hostile enemy intelligence agencies," it reads.

It goes on to say that the matter was even reported to the IB director general, who also did not take any steps.

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"However, to the petitioner's utter dismay, no action was ever taken by the IB in this respect despite concrete evidence provided to it in the form of the Intelligence reports.

"Upon thorough Intelligence gathering process, it transpired that certain high officials of the IB themselves are directly involved with the terrorist organisations during the floods. But the second wave of the flood affected the visits and that is why it remained suspended with the details of the damage will be placed before the Centre. Sources also revealed that the Government would ask the departments to take up repair

works on priority basis as it would not be possible to go for repairing all the damages at once. The government is also planning to release funds for the priority projects as soon as possible so that the works on the ground can be completed during the winter season, sources added.

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MESSAGE FOR TODAY

We all have a responsibility in life to do what we can to help those less fortunate.

— ROGER MOORE

The Assam Tribune

OIL concerns

In a happy augury for the future, Oil India Limited (OIL) – the second largest national 'Navaratna' exploration and production company – has recorded an all-time high production and sale of natural gas. Besides, crude oil production during 2016-17 at 3,277 MMT marked an increase over that of the previous year. Even more significant is the discovery of 10 hydrocarbon reserves in upper Assam. All this makes for refreshing news, coming as it does against the disturbing backdrop of a diminishing production trend. Indeed, in order to sustain in the decades ahead, the oil industry needs to prepare a roadmap for tackling the emerging challenges. Assam being a major oil-producing region boasting of Asia's earliest oil exploration well over a century back, will naturally have a key role in the overall strategy to be adopted for augmenting production. This, in fact, has been long overdue, given that the region's hydrocarbon sector has been passing through a sluggish phase for quite some time. This stagnancy is largely attributable to the failure of the Centre and the public sector oil majors to upgrade and innovate to the desired level. It is, therefore, good to see an indication that the worrying trend could be reversing. Ironically, crude oil and natural gas production in Assam and the North-east declined in recent years not due to depletion of reserves but because of technological and professional constraints. This warrants the authorities to adopt the best practices concerning exploration and production. Safe disposal of effluents, particularly oil-mixed water, is another matter that remains to be properly addressed.

Meanwhile, the proposed merger of India's state-controlled oil companies – ostensibly to reduce inefficiencies across the sector and create a larger entity that is better placed to compete globally for resources – has snowballed into a controversy, with mass organizations protesting the move. The apprehensions concern possible job cuts, and more importantly, undermining of Assam's clout as a major oil-producing State and consequently reduction of benefits to the region and its populace. As of now, Assam is having a dominant presence in OIL in terms of manpower, including officials but it is feared that the scenario would change drastically once the merger takes effect. The sentimental association of the people of Assam with OIL is understandable given that crude oil was first struck in Assam way back in 1889 and its Digboi refinery happens to be among the oldest refineries in the world. Without getting into the nitty-gritty of the deal, it needs reiteration that local interests as it exists today must not be allowed to suffer on this account. A merger would also face significant execution challenges, particularly in terms of managing the integration of employees, addressing overcapacity in the merged entity, and winning the backing for the merger from private shareholders. Considerable difficulties will also arise in merging a number of entities with differing structures, operational systems, and cultures.

Overtly ambitious

The North-east has witnessed too many high-sounding declarations, and promises to implement projects, without those being actually done or done effectively. Thus, though the so called 'Nagaland Declaration' after the 4th North-East Connectivity Summit in Kohima lays out an overtly ambitious vision for this region, the proof of the pudding would only be in the eating. It is good that Kohima was chosen as the venue for such a summit and that many corporate houses, banks and other organization participated in it. Apparently, there was international participation too, with representatives from Myanmar, Japan, Bhutan, Thailand, Russia, etc., attending it. After two days of active engagement, the summit came up with a declaration for connectivity-related development in the North-east. The declaration voiced the need to create a North-east Implementation Agency to ensure timely completion of connectivity projects, including "development of roads and highways, inland water transport, power, airports, etc." It also suggested the setting up of a high-powered North-east Economic Forum for synchronizing planning and efforts for development of the North-east with connectivity. One, of course, needs to acknowledge that having the proposed Act East Policy in mind, strengthening inter region and international connectivity has assumed paramount importance. But the North-east already has too many 'agencies' and 'forums' and the need to create a few others begs the question and appears to be merely adding to the region's bureaucratic baggage.

Take, for instance, the ambitious project announced at the summit to construct a 4,000-km North-east Ring Road which will run parallel to the international border. It would be pertinent to point out that, a decade on, the Centre has failed to complete the equally ambitious four-lane highway project, despite the huge expenditure it entailed. Rather than being a blessing for the Brahmaputra Valley and the Seven Sister States, this project is proving to be a bane, with travel on the national highways at many places having been rendered excruciating. Thus plans to construct a 4,000-km ring road needs to be taken with a pinch of the proverbial salt! One recalls that just some time back rail connectivity with the North-east with the rest of the country was cut off for almost a month. So far ambitious plans to provide air connectivity to the more inaccessible regions have not quite taken off. The Centre of late has not been quite forthcoming on the progress of the road connectivity with South-east Asian nations through Myanmar which is an integral aspect of the Act East Policy. Rather than engage in overtly ambitious plans, the powers that be would do better to focus on basic aspects of connectivity such as proper roads and reasonably functioning rail and air connection. Strengthening inland water transport infrastructure too needs to be taken into account as far as connectivity is concerned.

Where will the Rohingyas go?

■ Sazzad Hussain

The Rohingyas of Myanmar are again facing the heat following the reprisal by Buddhist Banma and the security forces after an armed attack by the Arakan Rohingya Salvation Army in Rakhine. These ethnic minorities are fleeing their homes towards Bangladesh in a desperate bid to get some respite from the crisis which has been on since the early 1980s. But the policy of not accommodating these stateless persecuted people by both neighbouring Bangladesh and India is further aggravating their plight with propaganda for and against the Rohingyas in the social media creating a disturbing trend where healthy debate and management with a humane face is the priority.

The Rohingya problem is the outcome of the colonialism like that of the Kurds, Sri Lankans, Tamils, Ugandans, and Fijian Indians. The term Rohingya is also a construction which lacks credible historical evidences. Rohingya was the Persian name of Arakan given by the Bengal Sultans. Historically the Arakan province (the earlier name of Rakhine) of Myanmar was a powerful kingdom whose borders intermittently changed in the Chittagong areas of Bengal. The eastern frontiers of Bengal saw the embrace of Islam by locals with the arrival of Sufi saint Shah Jalal in the early 14th century. The changing of political borders between Bengal and Arakan since early 15th century contributed towards the distribution of people from various ethnicities in both the sides. The Arakan kings followed the lifestyles of Bengal Sultans and even minted coins in

Persian as well as appointed Bengali Muslims in higher positions in their courts. The fugitive Bengal general Shah Shujah took refuge in Arakan to get rid of the pursuit of Emperor Aurangzeb in 1660. But he later moved to Manipur leaving all his troops behind. Those Mughal soldiers, mostly the archers (called Kamans in Persian), were engaged by the Arakan king for the security of his palace. These Muslims came to be known as Kamans by locals and still exist in Myanmar. The present Rohingya leadership constructs their origin to the descendants of Kamans. This claim however is contested both by the European and Myanmar historians.

When Arakan was annexed to British India after the Treaty of Yandabo (1826), large scale migration from Bengal flowed in. The British brought Bengali peasants for rice cultivation and in timber business. This migration, called by the Myanmarese historians as 'Indian migration', continued till 1920s and was the cause of much hatred for locals. Apart from these Bengali peasants, people from other Indian areas also moved to Burma as 'timber merchants' to 'coolies'. It took a reverse trend when the Japanese forces were advancing towards British India during WWII. But the peasantry from Bengal, both Muslims and Hindus, did not return for their century-old legacy at Arakan. Jinnah's Two-Nation Theory also had attracted some of

their leaders and they wanted to merge some parts of Arakan with East Pakistan. But lack of response from Jinnah made their plan a failure. On the other hand, the retreating British forces armed the Arakan migrant Muslims to check the advances of Japanese forces. But these militias took arms against the Burmese population while facing the Japanese. That was the beginning of an armed insurgency, like many other ethnic

groups entered Burma from East Pakistan as refugees during the 1971 Bangladesh Liberation War.

In 1982, the military junta in Rangoon abolished the citizenship of Rohingyas and in 1990 Burmese nationality was officially constructed with Therawada Buddhism leaving various ethnic minorities like Karen, Kachin, Kokang, Panthay, Rakhine and Rohingyas marginalized. Since then the issue of the Rohingyas gained international attention with sustained campaigns by its diaspora. The 2012 massacre of Rohingyas by Buddhist extremists saw a large number of them entering India and in 2015, many were stranded as boat people in the Bay of Bengal some of whom were later reluctantly sheltered by Malaysia and Indonesia after intense international pressure.

As their citizenship rights are stripped in Myanmar, Rohingyas have no basic rights including that of education, livelihood and health. Their continued persecution by the state has made them to move towards other places including India in the past decade or so. At the same time, rapid entry by Islamist radicalism over the years has transformed the Rohingyas more vulnerable to non-state global jihadis operating online. This further complicated the dealing of the refugee status of Rohingyas in India and Bangladesh.

The politics over the Rohingya crisis in India is getting murkier where some very insensitive remarks and analogies are forwarded with communal undertones. Communalism is the product of colonialism and the Rohingya issue too emanates from that.

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Now the most emergent question is the safe repatriation of the Rohingya refugees back to their homes in Rakhine. The international community must convince Myanmar to take back the Rohingyas as its citizens ensuring them all human values, rights and dignities as enshrined in international conventions. The Rohingya leaders too must realize that their future lies in rain-soaked paddy fields of the Irrawaddy valley rather than among the mirages of Arabian deserts.

An eternal prayer for mother

■ Dr Tapati Baruah Kashyap

On this first dawn of Saraswati we brought you this sorsai of flowers/ Please accept these O Mother! You are the glow of autumn – thus wrote Dharmeswari Devi Baroani in her poem 'Abhaya' way back in 1928. This beautiful poem depicts the arrival of Devi as well as the season autumn in a touching way. Mother has been worshipped in this month of autumn across India since time immemorial.

It is the best season to realize the deep sense of love for the supreme Motherhood with the Devi Durga's arrival. People worship Devi Durga to invoke the spirit of the Mother as well as Shakti in their this dew-clad season of autumn with the clear blue sky, pure air and in pristine Nature. The arrival of Devi also resonates in the air during this season, especially with the chanting of the Chandni mantras that begins from the day of Mahashivaratri.

Devi Durga is often referred to be the embodiment of supreme power. Devi, as a source of energy or Shakti makes us believe the concept of Shakti, which denotes the cult of worshipping a female Goddess as the supreme deity. Devi is a supreme divine force is known under various names, which in turn

signify various aspects of her supreme power. Among her various names, 'Durgashtan' denotes the destruction of all evils, 'Ambarikha' denotes the Mother aspect and 'Shakthi' the fertility aspect. According to the puranas, which is the total number of names by which Devi is known comes to 108.

The worship of god in the form of mother is a unique feature of Hinduism. Through the ages, the doctrine of the motherhood of god has established a firm root in Hinduism. The motherly aspect of god in nature has been considered since time immemorial as full of beauty, gentleness, kindness and tenderness. When we look at the glorious and beautiful things of nature and experience a feeling of tenderness within us, we can easily feel the motherly existence of god. When a devotee worships god as the Divine Mother, he or she appeals to her kind-heartedness and supreme love. Such love unites the devotee with god, like a child with its mother. The concept of Divine Mother is also synonymous with energy, omnipotence, omnipresence, love, intelligence, knowledge and wisdom.

The invocation of mother goddess also reminds us of the need to give

up all negative thoughts, emotions and ideas from the mind and to infuse our spirit with eternal prayer for Mother Goddess. Nalinibala Devi, in her poem 'Nari Tumi Sriti Shakti Prabhati' conveys the very message of Durga puja in her own poetic style: "Mother! As a symbol of creation, ensure the triumph of good over evil on earth..." At the same time, in her 'Prithiviritusa', she sets the same tone of praying to the Mother Goddess for the realization of one's existence with Shakti. She also describes the beauty of the season reflected in nature – "The arrival of Devi accompanied by the fresh sunshine and untainted air brings forth joy to every heart."

While one can pray to the Mother Goddess at any time of the day and any day of the year, autumn is the season in this part of the country when such a prayer evokes in every heart a different kind of spiritual consciousness. Chanting prayer itself is a supreme source of energy, and chanting the name of the Mother Goddess in Her various forms brings a distinctive and eternal realization.

Worshipping Mother Goddess is indeed a universal phenomenon. From very ancient times till modern times, this overpowering reverence for the mother remains the

same. Mother Goddess is a goddess, often portrayed as the mother who serves as a general fertility deity and who is the embodiment of the earth. But the concept of Mother Goddess is a universal concept. Mother Goddess has been revered throughout the world since time immemorial by different names. A large number of diverse images discovered from the Neolithic period which ranges from approximately about 10,000 BC and numerous other archaeological excavations across the globe are enough to drive this point home. Similarly, a large number of archaeological finds in Egypt, Greece and in sites of the great Sumerian and Mesopotamian civilizations also indicates the prevalence of the Mother Goddess concept in those areas. The Olympian Goddesses of Greece had many characters with Mother Goddess attributes, of which the two most prominent are Hera and Demeter. The Anna Perenna Festival of the Greeks and Romans marking the New Year may have been a Mother Goddess festival. For them, the sun is the source of energy and so the festival was also about the Mother Goddess who is the source of all power and energy. Similarly, in Roman mythology, Venus was also revered as Mother Goddess, seen as mother of all Roman people because she was considered as the mother of Rome's ancestor, Aeneas, and of all subsequent Roman rulers. Among the Christians too, there are sections which regard Mary as 'mother of God'. In ancient Greece, a Mother Goddess was worshipped in several forms, of which the most important was Magna Mater, meaning 'Great Mother'. The temple of Cybele or the temple of Magna Mater was Rome's first and most important temple for worshipping Mother Goddess. Worshipping Mother Goddess is thus a universal phenomenon. A prayer to mother indeed helps us connect with the supreme power. Irrespective of all religion, one is bound to accept that the annual invocation of goddess ultimately helps us realize the supreme truth. We need the blessings of goddess that the arrival of each religious festival reminds us. In our day-to-day life, encountering each moment is a struggle, which requires both our mental as well as the physical strength. Devi as a symbol of Shakti provides us absolute strength to deal with life. Gandhi once said, "Religion means an unceasing search for truth and a consistent practice of love. Each annual religious festival reminds us of the significance of sticking to an eternal prayer for the invisible."

Letters to the EDITOR

Sir, – Migration is driven by demographic disparity, discrimination and opportunities. India has received 17 million people, world's largest undocumented migration, through the Indo-Bangladesh corridor. She witnessed 4.7 millions of Hindus and Sikhs moving from West Pakistan after Partition. Communal riots and economic stagnation during the liberation war of Bangladesh had forced the minority Hindus to leave. The East Pakistani Displaced Persons (EDEP) made a colony at Chittaranjan Park, New Delhi. People chose the Barkat Valley after Assam's Syllhet joined East Pakistan. Kolkata saw mass flow of migration due to its industrial development. It is an undeniable fact that large-scale migrations have illegally taken place over many decades involving the Monsoonseas community to Assam which still continue. The indigenous Tripuris have become minority in the princely

Migration, citizenship and indigenous woes

Anti-witch-hunting law

Sir, – Bihar was the first State in India to pass the Prevention of Witch (Dayan) Practices Act of 1999. Jharkhand followed with an Anti-Witchcraft Act in 2001. Unfortunately, there is no such law yet in Assam and there is no legal measure to punish the offenders. Since there is no separate anti-witch-hunting law in Assam, the accused are booked under Sections of the Indian Penal Code (IPC). It is often treated as a routine crime case where the culprit is not brought to justice. At present there is a crucial need to use the legal system to battle crimes related to witch-hunting. Such incidents are happening even today.

The Assam Assembly earlier passed a Bill to tackle witch-hunting. However, the Bill is yet to become a law waiting for its clearance from the Central Government. The Bill hit another roadblock in the Ministry of Home Affairs as published in *The Assam Tribune* (September 22, 2017). Anti-witch-hunting crusader Birbala Rabha met the Governor of Assam on April 15 last and

submitted a memorandum to facilitate the anti-witch-hunting Bill. We cannot remain silent to such diabolical incidents of witch hunting and, therefore, appeal to the Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal to put pressure on the Central Government in this regard. Yours etc., ANKUR BORA, Dallas, Texas, USA.

Insurance companies

Sir, – It has come to the notice of the poor litigants that the insurance companies, mostly private insurance companies, often do not pay the award amount in motor accident cases resulting in sufferings by the poor litigants. Since the head offices of these insurance companies are located at Rajasthan, Maharashtra, etc., the communication gap between the local offices and the respective head offices is becoming a hurdle in this context. There is red-tapeism in the management of the private insurance companies. Yours etc., RINKU KAKOTY, Nagrbarha,

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'Akhil arrest shows Govt's fascist attitude'

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STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, Sept 26: Several leading citizens under the banner of Assamor Nagarik Samaj, have condemned the arrest of Krishak Mukti Sangram Samiti (KMSS) leader Akhil Gogoi under the provisions of the National Security Act (NSA).

The leading citizens, who include Dr Hirun Gohain, Prof Udayadita Bharali, noted litterateurs Nirupama Barghawni, Arupa Patangia Kalita, Debaraha Das, Sameer Tanti and Jyoti Sikdar, Leftist leader Abami Barthakur, advocate Arup Baruah, journalists Haider Hus-

sain and Prasanta Raiguru, educationist and theatre personality Sitaram Lakhar, educationist Chandan Sarma of Dibrugarh University, senior physician Dr Navaneet Baruah among others, have, in a statement mailed to the media houses this evening, described this act of the State government as a reflection of its fascist attitude.

They said that during the 1990s, democratic movements faced such fascist attacks. Sarbananda Sonowal, the present Chief Minister of the State, had then led the democratic agitations against all such onslaughts on democratic movements. But now under his

stewardship, the State government has started attacking the democratic rights of the people, they lamented.

The arrest of Akhil Gogoi on two occasions during the current year for his attempts at building a resistance movement against the communal activities of the State government, is nothing but a serious attack on democratic values, they said and demanded immediate release of the KMSS leader.

Leader of Opposition in the State Assembly Debabrata Saikia, has also condemned this act of the State government as autocratic. The present

BJP-led government in the State has started an unhealthy tradition of suppressing the dissenting voice by using brute force, he said.

The previous State government led by the Congress had also conflicted with Akhil Gogoi. But since the Congress is always for democratic values, it did not take such harsh steps like arresting Akhil Gogoi under provisions of the NSA, said Saikia. He urged the State government to review its stand on Akhil and appealed to the people and other political parties to raise their voice of protest against the arrest of Akhil Gogoi under provisions of the NSA.

SBI steps for cash in ATMs during bank holidays

GUWAHATI, Sept 26: In view of the five-day bank holidays from September 28 to October 2 next, the State Bank of India (SBI) has taken steps to ensure availability of cash in all its ATMs during the period. Individual customers will also be able to avail the facility of Customer Service Points for withdrawal of cash up to Rs 2,000 per day, stated an SBI press release issued here today.

The bank is also going to introduce doorstep cash delivery in Guwahati city shortly for the benefit of pensioner customers of the age group of 85 years and above, the release added.

APPOINTMENT OF CONTROLLER OF EXAMINATION

Applications alongwith bio-data are invited from interested academicians for appointment of Controller of Examinations under The Global Open University, Nagaland on contract basis. Application may be sent by email to ce@nagaland.net.in before 7th of October 2017.

Preference will be given to retired Professor from Colleges and Universities having adequate experience of examination, teaching, training, research, educational planning and Administration. Accomplished individuals will be invited to appear before a selection committee. Date, time and venue will be intimated in due course. Selected individual will be paid a monthly honorarium to be fixed by the University authority.

Sd/- Dr. Imotesu Ao
Director/Registrar
The Global Open University, Nagaland



Railway Protection Force carrying out a signature campaign against drugs at the Guwahati Railway Station on Tuesday. — UB Photos

'Jainism a complete system with all necessary branches'

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, Sept 26: Sri Digumbar Jain Pancharat, Guwahati, organised a religious function at Old Jain Compound, Fancy Bazar on Sunday where two householders Pujaraj Sethi of Guwahati and Rangali Ratnawati of Dibrayaband (Rajasthan) were initiated into asceticism and given Muni Diksha by Pujya Muni Sri 108 Punyasagar Mahara after both the persons renounced all temporal possessions in the presence of Kamal Muni of Sri Jain Swetamber Tera Pant Sahba.

In his address to the large gathering who assembled on the occasion, Pujya Kamal Muni observed that Jainism is an important, fully developed and established religious and cultural system, purely indigenous to India.

"It is a complete system with all the necessary branches, such as dogma or ontology, metaphysics, philosophy, epistemology, mythiology; ethics, ritual and the rest," he said. He also praised both the persons who were initiated into asceticism and laid

utmost importance on the unity of both the Digambar and Svetambar sects of the Jain community.

In his speech, Punyasagar Mahara said the backbone of Jaina philosophy and religion is non-violence or Ahimsa.

"It is the all and end of Jainism and it is most important in establishing peace in the world," he said.

The sealed envelopes should be marked as "Quotation for purchase of Vehicles as mentioned in detail, sealed Quotations will be opened at 4:15 PM on 09.10.2017 in the presence of intending buyers who have submitted their offers. Successful bidders will have to deposit the quoted price in full within ten(10) working days from the date of opening of the quotations or any such time as may be extended by the Authorized officer, failing which the earnest money deposit by them shall be forfeited and the vehicle will be sold forthwith. The vehicles are being sold on 'AS IS WHERE IS BASIS & AS IS WHAT IS BASIS' and will not be sold below the reserve price fixed by the Bank. The undersigned reserves the right to accept or reject all or any of the offers without assigning any reason thereto.

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Sealed quotations on plain paper accompanied by caution money/EMD as applicable for vehicles in shape of refundable crossed demand draft (Banker's Cheque drawn in favor of SBI, KHANAPARA and payable at Khanapara are invited from interested bidders for purchase of the following vehicles seized by the bank, which should reach us on before 09.10.2017 at 4:00 PM.

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Local people demanding the immediate arrest of the accused in the Granakanta Bharali murder case at Dibrugarh, on Monday. — UB Photos

Darrang DC to strongly deal with illegally-constructed buildings

MAYUKH GOSWAMI

MANGALDAI, Sept 26: Deputy Commissioner, Darrang Ashok Kr Barman has indicated of taking a strong stand against high-rise structures erected in areas under elected local bodies of the district which have been causing threats to the lives and properties of the nearby tax-paying citizens.

Being dissatisfied over the alleged dishonest practices by a section of elected representatives and officials of the Mangaldai Municipal Board, the District Magistrate has reiterated his stand in this regard by interference over the matter of granting

building permission by the Municipal authority. In one such incident, the Deputy Commissioner vide his office memo no. DPL/28/2015/287 dated 18th September, 2017 has directed the Mangaldai Municipal authority to urgently submit before him all the relevant documents in connection with permission accorded to Dr Malabika Gogoi Deka, w/o Dr Arbinda Deka and her son Sudipta Deka for construction of G+4, commercial-cum-residential complex at ward no-1 of the town.

Earlier, following complaints regarding gross violation of the Assam Notified Urban Areas (other than Guwahati) Building Rules 2014 in the construction of the said building, the Deputy Commissioner had asked for a report from the Municipal authority. The report from the Chairman, Municipal Board vide its memo no. MMB/2017/5339 Dtd. 12th April, 2017 clearly mentioned about the gross violation of the build-

ing rules by the owner of the building and even unauthorised construction of an additional floor at the building. Acting on this report, the Deputy Commissioner on May 29 last by his office no. DPL/28/2015/256 directed the Municipal authority to take necessary steps as per provisions of the said Building Rules 2014. However, the elected local body mysteriously remained silent over the Deputy Commissioner's direction and even failed to serve a notice to the owner of the building to stop further construction, and on the contrary passed a resolution in a Board meeting in July to regularise the illegal construction with the misinterpretation of the clause VI(B) of VII under Section 180 of the Building Rules.

The alleged malafide intention of the elected body to safeguard illegal construction later came to the notice of the Deputy Commissioner and he took a serious note on it

Book released

CORRESPONDENT

KAZIRANGA, Sept 26: A three-day tourists' guide training programme at Kaziranga was organised by the KNP authority, the Assam Tourism department, NGOs like Bhumi, the Corbett Foundation, and Aaranyak recently.

Training for tourist guides held at KNP

CORRESPONDENT

The inaugural session was declared open by Jitu Sharma Rajkhowa, a senior journalist from Bokakhat by lighting a ceremonial lamp. He outlined about the importance of tourism ethics which were needed to be followed by the tourist guides.

The first technical session started later on the same day with the topic, 'Introduction of guide, role and responsibility and eco-tourism in Kaziranga - why and how tourism helps in Kaziranga.'

The third day started with many interesting topics like 'Ethics of nature guiding' and Photography. Dr Naveen Pankey spoke about the ethically correct approach like following the rules and regulations generally, maintenance of time, keeping the animals undisturbed etc. He also spoke about the good qualities which were needed to be followed by all the tourist guides.

The photography session was conducted by Subhamoy Bhattacharya from WTCI.

Bidur Rahman, an expert guide in the field of bird watching presented an overall view of different species of birds which are available in Kaziranga and other parts of North-East India. Utthan Salkia from Bhutan, requested all the participants to understand the topic clearly so that the same could be applied to better a very skillful tourist guide.

Later a valedictory ceremony was held where the certificates were distributed to successful participants by Dhriraj Das, SDO (Civ) of Bokakhat. The DFO Kaziranga presented the growth of the book from the planning to its publication and expressed his thanks and gratitude to all.

Alumni Day

GUWAHATI, Sept 26: The first Alumni Day of Bezerza HS School Alumni Association will be held on October 2 with a day-long programme, a press release received here stated.

The Association was formed on November 27 last year with multi-fold objectives, while the diamond jubilee of the school will be held in 2022. The school, it may be mentioned, was established in 1947.

IIE adopts Rajamayong village

PRANJAL BHUYAN

GUWAHATI, Sept 26: As part of its social responsibility project, the Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship (IIE) Guwahati has adopted Rajamayong village in Morigaon district as a model village and a number of projects have been undertaken to usher in development at the place, including commissioning of an RO water plant, formation of self-help groups (SHGs) and distribution of solar lamps.

The village is located in the vicinity of the Pobitora Wildlife Sanctuary. "IIE has already installed a 3,000 litre per day RO drinking water plant where villagers are purchas-

ing the water at the rate of Rs 1 per litre, which was commissioned last month and has given employment to one local operator. The surplus amount is kept with the Village Development Group account towards making the project self-sustaining," an official of IIE told *The Assam Tribune*.

Rajamayong village has been adopted with financial assistance of Rs 13 lakh from the National Backward Finance Development Corporation (NBFDC) in the first phase.

"This is going to be a continuous process and IIE is also planning to develop home stay tourism and we also plan to take up a multi-activity cluster where 500 artisans will be

employed," said the official.

The official said that there is report of reduction in water-borne diseases since the commissioning of the RO plant.

IIE is also building a modern toilet block which will be on sustainable basis. "It will also be useful to the tourists that come to Pobitora," said the official.

IIE has already trained 30 women in water hyacinth crafts and trained two unemployed youths in adventure tourism.

"We conducted a few aware-

ness camps and formed SHGs among the villagers so that they can become financially enabled," said the official.

"We are going to be a continuous

process and IIE is also planning to

develop the village on a sustainable

basis and showcase it as a model

for rural development."

401-year-old Durga Puja gets under way at Mahamaya

AMBUNATH SHARMA

GAURIPUR, Sept 26: The 401-year-old Durga Puja of the historic Mahamaya temple of Bagribari under the present BTAD area got under way today with all traditional rituals.

Besides Durga Puja, Chandi Puja, Sandhi Puja, Mari Puja and Palma Puja are being held. Eveyday, Goddess Durga will be worshipped by offering of 1,000 *bitupatras* on her feet. Hundreds of animals and birds, including goats and buffaloes will be sacrificed.

According to legends, Hatibar Choudhury, the zaminder of the Royal Bagribari Estate started the Durga Puja in the temple premises 401 years ago and since then, the management committee of the temple complex has been performing

the Durga Puja without a break. On Navami Puja, a large number of goats and buffaloes are expected to be sacrificed. As per tradition, the idol of the Goddess is not immersed. A number of invited troupes are scheduled to perform songs based on the stories from *Padmapurana*.

Durga Puja at Rakhalpat: Rakhalpat, a small village situated along the Indo-Bangladesh border in Dhubri sector under Golaghat Revenue Circle has been celebrating Akalbodhan Durga Puja since 1934.

Amiya Kumar Prodhani, son of zaminder Kalash Chandra Prodhani started the Akalbodhan Durga Puja without the idols of Mahishasur and the siblings of Durga. This exceptional Durga Puja is connected to the tale of Mahirvan, who kidnapped Ram and Lakshman to the nether-world to kill them but he could not do so.

Ram was the founder worshipper of Durga and he worshipped her during the autumn season and consequently, the puja was called Akalbodhan. Accordingly, the devotees in Rakhalpat worship Durga by offering her 108 lotus flowers. Thousand and thousands of devotees of the border area assemble and offer their prayers for peace and harmony.

It is mentionable that this year more than 90 pujas are being celebrated in and around the border areas including villages like Laksminarai, Ratidaha, Kanuni, Bishwana and Gaikhowa.

42 Puja pandals at Dergaon

CORRESPONDENT

DERGAON, Sept 26: The people of greater Dergaon area are ready for Durga Puja celebrations with gaiety. Durga Puja will be celebrated in 42 Puja pandals under Dergaon Police station. Among them, Sri fall directly under Dergaon police station while the other are under Chomoni police outout.

The puja committees are in an undecided competition to make their pandal more attractive than the other. Among the puja pandals this year, the Puja pandal of Dergaon ASTC Puja Committee is trying its best to attract more puja revellers than others. On being contacted, the president of the puja committee, Dilip Sarmah re-

vealed that they have been trying to make their pandal attractive. Talking to this correspondent, Sarmah said that the estimated budget for the puja is Rs 14 lakh, which is two lakh rupees more than that of last year. The puja pandal has been constructed with a 50- foot high Shiva sitting at Mount Kailash. A souvenir will also be published on the occasion.

The 47-year-old Dergaon Rajmohu Durga Puja Committee (earlier BOB Puja) is also busy in their pandal at Dergaon Chariali with a budget of Rs 7.5 lakh.

Talking to this correspondent, the secretary of the committee Ramavtar Agarwalla revealed that they are giving importance to the puja rituals. The decoration is based on the real environment of puja rituals. On the

other hand, the Negheriting Chariali Puja Committee has kept the pandal simple with a budget of Rs 85,000 only. Talking to this correspondent, the president of the puja committee Bipin Dusad said that they are trying to make the people happy with their pandal. On the other hand, the secretary of Barunabherjan Puja Committee Apurbaranjan Hazarika told this correspondent that they have earmarked a budget of Rs 1.20 lakh only.

The police as well as civil authority have chalked out plans to maintain the law-and-order situation in Dergaon. Talking to this correspondent, the OC of Dergaon PS Rupijoy Dutta said that the police administration is ready to maintain the law-and-order situation during the puja celebrations.

Durga Puja at Lumding

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grand success.

As far as peace and order is concerned, the local administration along with OC, Lumding PS has completed all necessary preparations to ensure a peaceful puja celebration. The Higher Police authority from Hojai district also came to the Lumding PS and met the members of the Puja Committee along with local MLA Siba Misra.

Various *duhki* teams from different parts of the State and North Bengal have been invited to different pandals so as to make the occa-

sion much enjoyable.

The decorations and electricification along with the statues of Devi Durga in some of the Puja pandals are mentionable. The Puja Pandal of Kalihari, Nadipar, Sitala Bari, Belota, Madhya Bazar, Fish market, Jagriti Sangha, Durgaput, DEE Colony, Brick Field, Red Star Club, New-Colony Durga Puja, Last Colony, are mentionable. In general, most of the Puja pandals and the statue of Mother Goddess Durga and her siblings have been beautifully decorated.

Call to monitor kiosks selling foodstuff near TEs during pujas

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

official added that the DC also focused on maintaining hygienic condition in the kiosks.

The directive instructed the tea garden authorities to see whether kiosks selling raw fish and meat were in good condition or not (whether fit for human consumption).

The DC directed the garden managers to inform the local health and veterinary department officials and also the district administration if any doubts or suspicion arose regarding sale of sub-standard items that could be hazardous for health so that necessary action could be taken.

In a directive to the management of all the 86 gardens across the district, Jorhat Deputy Commissioner Virendra Mittal has asked the authorities to instruct their labour welfare officers and other staff to visit the temporary kiosks and keep a watchful eye on the type of foodstuff being sold.

A senior district administration official added that the DC also focused on maintaining hygienic condition in the kiosks.

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Mittal said it is observed that during Durga Puja time, hawkers with a variety of food items like sweets and ice-cream visit the labour lines (residential quarters)



DRDA Project Director Ramendra Nath Sarma inaugurating a drinking water supply scheme at Patacharkuchi Sivadhaam, on Tuesday. — UB Photos

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Barak Valley decked up for Durga Puja



The Durga idol with 100 hands at the Puja pandal of Daylight Club, in Silchar as seen on Maha Sasthi evening. — Photo: Correspondent

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

SILCHAR, Sept 26: Amidst the exasperating hot weather, people across Barak Valley are all set to celebrate the Durga Puja.

This year around 2500 Puja are being held across the three districts of Barak Valley.

The sultry heat together with irritating powercuts have made life difficult for the shoppers. But, the spirit of Durga Puja is above any mundane thing and we hope the festive days will be spent in harmony," said Dikshu Sen, a teenager from Ambikapatty.

Cachar SP Rakesh Raushan

ganisers are confident of drawing a good crowd during the Puja celebrations.

However, according to sources, the forecast during the Puja days is not encouraging. "There is a possibility of rain across Barak Valley on Thursday and Friday," a source at the District Disaster Management Authority informed.

Cachar SP Rakesh Raushan has said that security arrangements have been beefed up across the district and ensured that people here can enjoy a safe and secured Durga Puja.

OBITUARY

Anima Sarma

GUWAHATI, Sept 26: Anima Sarma (Dolly), a resident of Choldhara, Jorhat and a prominent social worker of the locality, passed away at her residence on Monday at the age of 82.

Daughter of Late Jatinanda Nath Sarma, one of the proprietors of Chenjani TE, she was closely associated with Pragati Samaj Mahila Chora, Choldhara Puja Mandir and a number of socio-cultural organisations, besides being a successful entrepreneur in her heyday.

Known for her amiable disposition, her death has cast a pall of gloom in the locality. Her funeral at the Tara Jati crematorium was largely attended.

Widow of Late Jagat Sarma, she leaves behind her daughter, son, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandchildren and a host of relatives and admirers.

Rajat Ch Sarma

GUWAHATI, Sept 26: Rajat Ch Sarma, retired teacher of PB Dharbari HS School, Barkhala, died on September 24 at GMCH following a cardiac arrest. He was 84.

Sarma was born at Kismat village near Bahagartan in Nalbari and at present resided at Bhetapara here. His demise has been widely mourned. Socio-cultural organisations and individuals of Bhetapara area paid their last respects at his residence. He leaves behind his wife, three sons, a daughter and a host of relatives.

Kanaklata Devi

GUWAHATI, Sept 26: Kanaklata Devi, a resident of Beltoha area, died away recently following a brief illness. She was 68.

A pious lady and also a social worker, she was closely associated with leading socio-cultural organisations in and around Beltoha area. She leaves behind her husband, two sons, two daughters and a host of relatives. Her death was widely mourned.

Later lauding the initiative, Suklabaidya said, "Rosekandy tea garden is one of the oldest TE's of Barak Valley and has been responding to the community services, which is inspiring. This effort will encourage others to join hands and maintain a healthy environment inside the hospital." Iswar Bhadra Ubhadiya, general manager of the TE said this initiative is a part of an exercise to provide five water coolers at other important places.

Tezpur wears festive look as Durga Puja celebrations begin

CORRESPONDENT

TEZPUR, Sept 26: Tezpur town was a festive look as after 190 Durga Puja committees started Puja celebrations from today with eye-catching decoration of their pandals attracting hundreds of devotees from every walk of life.

Maintaining the tradition, a good number of Puja committees including oldest family Puja of Mukherjee family near Tezpur Police station here.

Puja of Gangacharan Bhattacharya of Kolbari, Gangaram Das of Tol Gereka area, Mahadev Sharma (who started the Puja inside Tezpur),

Pragati Samaj Mahila Chora, Choldhara Puja Mandir and a number of socio-cultural organisations, besides being a successful entrepreneur in her heyday.

Known for her amiable disposition, her death has cast a pall of gloom in the locality. Her funeral at the Tara Jati crematorium was largely attended.

Widow of Late Jagat Sarma, she leaves behind her daughter, son, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandchildren and a host of relatives and admirers.

Besides these, the Rudrapati Samittee Durga Puja, the community puja performed jointly by the Bengali and Assamese people which has been going on since 1895 at the Bengal Theatre Hall, the Ban Theatre Durga Puja that started in 1909, the Kamrupi Sanatan Dharma Mandir Puja that has been celebrated since 1928, the old Ban Theatre Durga Puja at Kolbari, Marwan Pancharatna Dharma Durga Puja, Ram Krishna Seva Samrak Durga Puja, Mahabali Haribhulan Durga Puja, Rubber Bagam Chandramanda Durga Puja, Madhya Parikrama Durga Puja, Dharma Durga Puja, Kali Mandir Durga Puja, Bhalbari Durga Puja, Lumbador Boru Road community Durga Puja, Barahilana Ajanta Club Durga Puja, Am-

ullapatti Durga Puja by Friends Club, Tinsaili Urianti Durga Puja, Jahagohi Durgi Puja, Kochardi Durga Puja, Kanchanbari Durga Puja, Chamori Durga Puja, Dabur Durga Puja, Kumarnagar Durga Puja, Murihatore Durga Puja, Cotton Road Durga Puja, Luitpar Durga Puja, Balipukhuri Timali Durga Puja, 102-year-old Diponta Kediyu Durga Puja, Donya Mandir Durga Puja and Milonpur Durga Puja committees have completed all the preparations for the celebrations.

The district administration has urged all concerned, including the Bengal and Assamese communities, to extend their cooperation so that during the festival no untoward incident takes place.

Since there are a total of 380 Puja mandaps in Sonitpur including 190 Puja in Tezpur town, the District administration here has taken some special measures. In a press meet held here this afternoon, Deputy Commissioner Manu Kumar Datta said that for maintaining cleanliness in the town he has directed all the Puja committees to put up dustbins and provide safe drinking water for the Puja revellers.

Moreover as the Bijoya Dasami is Muhamarr in Dibrugarh, the administration has directed all Puja committees to finish the immersion ceremony by 8 pm.

"Since the day after the Bijoya Dasami is Muhamarr in Dibrugarh, the puja of Dashami sound system is strictly prohibited," he added and greeted all on the occasion of Durga Puja with an appeal to celebrate the Puja peacefully.

Water cooler donated

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

SILCHAR, Sept 26: In a bid to provide safe drinking water to the patients, the Rosekandy Tea Estate of Cachar district donated a water cooler to Silchar Medical College and Hospital on Tuesday.

State PWD Minister Parimal Suklabaidya formally inaugurated the services of the water cooler at the Mother and Child Care unit of the hospital.

Later lauding the initiative, Suklabaidya said, "Rosekandy tea garden is one of the oldest TE's of Barak Valley and has been responding to the community services, which is inspiring. This effort will encourage others to join hands and maintain a healthy environment inside the hospital." Iswar Bhadra Ubhadiya, general manager of the TE said this initiative is a part of an exercise to provide five water coolers at other important places.

Anunderam Borooh Award distributed
HATSINGIMARI, Sept 26:

The Anunderam Borooh Award, comprising a laptop, a dictionary, bag and certificate, has been distributed among the meritorious students of South Salma-Mankachar district who achieved star marks and above in the HSLC examination, 2017. — ANN Service

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North East Transmission Company Limited (NETC) held its 9th Annual General Meeting (AGM) on 25th September, 2017 in Agartala, Tripura. NETC is a Joint Venture Company between Power Grid Corp. of India Limited, ONGC and NEMCOP. It is a Government of India Entity. During the Financial Year 2016-17, NETC maintained the transmission system availability at 99.92%. NETC has total asset base of Rs. 2041.38 Crore with a turnover of Rs. 394.52 Crore and a net profit of Rs. 31.44 Cr. for the Financial Year

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Forecast for NE: Moderate rain/thunderstorms is very likely to occur at many places over Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram and Assam. Light to moderate rain/thunderstorms is very likely to occur at a few places over Assam and Meghalaya. A light rain/thunderstorm is also likely to occur at isolated places over Arunachal Pradesh.

Warning: Thunderstorm accompanied by strong wind with wind speeds reaching (30-40) kmph is likely to occur at isolated places over Assam, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram and Tripura on September 28, 29 and 30.

Temperatures

	Max ('C)	Min ('C)
Dibrugarh	35.4	24.2
Tinsukia	35.0	24.2
Silchar	33.7	26.8
Dhubri	33.3	27.4
Jorhat	34.4	26.6
N L Jamshedpur	36.0	22.6
Silvassa	24.3	19.5
Imphal	29.8	21.2
Itanagar	35.3	23.5
Aizawl	30.2	14.2
Agartala	33.9	27.4
Guwahati	25.5	19.0
Passighat	32.9	25.0
Cherrapunjee	24.6	19.0

**Two GNLA
ultars surrender**

TURA, Sept 26: Two close aides of the Garo National Liberation Army (GNLA) chief Sohan D Shira, surrendered with arms at the Williamson in East Garo Hills district.

The duo from the 6th batch of the outfit have been identified as Chanchan G Momin (22) of Rapdikong and Challang C Marak (21) of Aduge surrendered front in front of the acting Superintendent of Police, Ringrang, PTI.

"They stated that it was getting very difficult in the jungle to survive due to continued operations, they laid down arms. They also said that none of the cadres of the outfit wanted to remain with him (Sohan) anymore and were only looking for an opportunity to flee from the outfit," said Ringrang. -PTI

Manipur bandh

CHANDEL, Sept 26: Normal life was severely hit along the Imphal-Moreh road as Naga Chief Association and Kuki Chief Association of Chandel district called a 48-hour bandh which began since Monday midnight.

The bandhs was given against the alleged misappropriation of MGNREGS wages of 2016-17. The organisations demanded the clearance of 'wages' to the jobholders.

The activists and MGNREGS card-holders blocked the roads at various places, including Chakpikarong, Machi, Tengnoupal and Moreh. The bandhs supporters piled up logs and boulders at various places on the roads while making it hard for the vehicles to pass through. Shops and other establishments remained closed since this morning due to the bandhs. - Newmai News



Minister of State for Development of North Eastern Region Jitendra Singh during a discussion regarding investment opportunities in the North-east with the members of ASSOCHAM, in New Delhi on Monday. - PIB

Arunachal CM, NITI Aayog discuss mega power project

CORRESPONDENT

ITANAGAR, Sept 26: Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister Pema Khandu along with his Cabinet colleagues today attended a presentation by NITI Aayog in the national capital on the proposed Multipurpose River Valley Project for Siang river.

Giving a brief overview of the project, NITI Aayog CEO Amitabh Kant stressed on the need to make the project feasible for the people of Arunachal Pradesh.

The proposed project is estimated to be 300-metre high dam with a capacity of generating 10,000-MW of power. The project will provide relief in downstream river reaches of Arunachal and Assam, according to an official communiqué here.

It said, the project is proposed at Siang Stage-II location, which will be built as a single storage project instead of earlier proposed two separate projects Stage-I and Stage-II on Siang river, thereby reducing the cost of around 25% and increasing the storage capacity of the dam.

The State will benefit through its 12% free power share that comes to about Rs 2,400 crore per annum as revenue. Another Rs 200 crore per annum will be added through its 1% free power share, which will be used exclusively for local area development.

Besides, Rs 450 crore proposed for relief and rehabilitation packages, the project will include a navigation system and people being guillible fall prey to misinformation.

Deputy Chief Minister Chowdhury said, "We have had

employment generation and creation of several economic opportunities.

Chief Minister Khandu informed that the people in the State carry lots of negative notions regarding large dams and stressed on spreading adequate awareness to dispel the fears.

He suggested the NITI Aayog to visit Arunachal, meet people and to understand the nature of their opposition. He also suggested them to make aware people regarding the technical benefits of dams.

He further pointed out that sometimes opposition to dam is fuelled by narrow vested political interests and people being guillible fall prey to misinformation.

Deputy Chief Minister Chowdhury said, "We have had enough meetings on dams and stressed that it was time to work on the ground urging that public awareness is the only mean to take people into confidence".

Power Minister Tamio Taga said the people in Arunachal are emotionally tied to their traditional land and loss of livelihood and land could often spiral into emotive issues.

NITI Aayog Vice Chairman Dr Rajiv Kumar, who chaired the meeting agreed with the suggestions of the CM and his Cabinet colleagues about on the spot study and to discuss and convince the people about the proposed project.

Tripura Cabinet okays SIT probe

CORRESPONDENT

AGARTALA, Sept 26: Setting aside all speculations, the Council of Ministers has decided to appoint a Special Investigation Team (SIT) to investigate the brutal murder of a TV journalist- Santanu Bhownik.

Santana, a journalist of a local cable TV channel - 'Din Raat', was murdered by suspected IPFT supporters at Mandai on September 20. The composition of the SIT is still

unknown but highly placed sources in the administration said that DIG (northern range) Arindam Nath was likely to be nominated as head of the SIT.

"The Council

of Ministers on Tuesday ordered SIT probe into the murder of Santanu Bhownik who was killed on September 20", ICIA Minister Bhami Lal Saha said after the Cabinet meeting.

Besides, the State Government also decided to provide

financial assistance of Rs 10 lakh to the victim's family as compensation because his mother is not in a position to bear the expenses of his younger sister's higher education outside the State.

When his attention was drawn to the demand for CBI probe or judicial probe by a sitting HC judge raised by journalists, Saha said the Government ordered SIT probe after reviewing the progress of the case.

"The Cabinet was happy over the progress in investigation of the murder case", he said. Saha requested the people to keep faith in the State police ability in handling such cases.

"Despite CBI probe, the High Court of Tripura had ordered SIT investigation into the chit fund cases. I hope the State police will be able to provide justice to the victim's family", he added.

Defence Ministry sanctions Rs 158 crore for Arunachal

CORRESPONDENT

ITANAGAR, Sept 26: The Union Defence Ministry has sanctioned the 'long overdue' land compensations amounting to more than Rs 158 crore against the private land acquired for Defence purposes in the frontier State, according to a communiqué from CMO here.

It may be recalled that Chief Minister during his visit to

national capital earlier this month had called on Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman and apprised her about the long pending land cases and the need for its early disposal.

The Defence Minister had very promptly responded to Khandu's request and assured that she would visit the State in last part of October and sort out all the pending issues pertaining to land acquisition.

According to the notification, an amount of Rs 48,63,55,191 has been sanctioned as land compensation for acquiring 177.03 acres acquired by Army at Tenga Garrison in West Kameng district for key location plan of formation/unit.

The Defence Ministry also accorded sanction to the tune of Rs 42,42,30,400 for housing key location plan units of Tawang Garrison for an ac-

quired land of 200.056 acres of private land at Bomla village under Mukto circle of Tawang district.

Khandu said that this move will further the cordial relations between Army and civilians and strengthen the bond and trust enjoyed by each other. He further hoped that the Defence Ministry would clear all other pending issues in a timely bound manner.

Zeliang appointed 'Chief Ambassador'

DIMAPUR, Sept 26: Nagaland Chief Minister TR Zeliang has officially been made the 'Chief Ambassador' of the 'Ambassador for Girl Child' - an initiative of the Nagaland Government - at a meeting with the State Resource Centre for Women (SRCW) Nagaland at the Chief Minister's Office.

SRCW is the Project Management Unit (PMU) of the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBPB). The 'ambassador for girl child' is an initiative of the Nagaland Government under the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao pro-

gramme, a mass campaign launched by the Government of India in 2015 to spread awareness about ensuring the survival, protection and education of the girl child.

Zeliang was also felicitated by mission director of the State Resource Centre for Women Nagaland Daisy Mezher.

The Chief Minister lauded the State Resource Centre for Women Nagaland for their enthusiastic efforts and assured all assistance towards the noble mission, the CMO release stated. - Correspondent



People gather at the Moreh check gate in Manipur on Tuesday, even as police intensified security along the border to prevent influx of Rohingya refugees. - Newmai News

Security tightened in Tripura during Durga Puja

AGARTALA, Sept 26: Security has been tightened in Tripura to maintain peace during the five-day long Durga Puja.

"Adequate security forces, including CRPF State Police and Tripura State Rifles (TSR), have been deployed all over the State to keep the five-day long Durga Puja peaceful," SP (Police Control), Har Kumar Debbarma said.

He said that many watch towers were built mainly in the urban areas to keep a close vigil on the crowd besides setting up of several police assistance booths in towns including the State capital, Debarma said that patrolling by paramilitary forces was started in different parts of the state.

"This year 2,206 pujas are being held in the entire state compared to

2,500 pujas last year," he said.

Debarma said that 747 pujas were being held in urban areas and the rest in the rural areas. Altogether 332 pujas would be held at the Agartala Municipal Corporation area, he added.

Meanwhile, the Tripura Road Transport Corporation (TRTC) would operate a helicopter service for the puja viewers and tourists in Agartala dur-

ing day time from today.

"For a twenty minute ride one adult will have to pay Rs 1,400 and a minor Rs 1200 and there would be only six sorties a day," TRTC Managing Director Keshab Kar told reporters.

He said that the service would be available for five days from today and an eight seater double engine chopper of Pawan Hans would operate. - PTI

Smuggled timber seized

TURA, Sept 26: A naka check set up by police this morning led to the apprehension of a vehicle carrying illegal timber suspected to be from the Rongrong forest reserve and en route to Assam near Samanda in East Garo Hills.

According to one ve-

hicle was noticed coming from Samanda side.

"However on seeing the police naka party on the road, the vehicle stopped at a distance of about 300 metres from the checking point. When the naka team rushed towards the vehicle the occupants of the vehicle fled away to the jungle under the cover of darkness" said SP of EGH, Ringrang TG Momin.

Later, police team recovered the timber. Accordingly a TATA vehicle bearing registration number AS-18C-1578, loaded with 15 pieces of logs, was detained. - Correspondent

Cleanliness drives in Meghalaya

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

SHILLONG, Sept 26: Various organisations have undertaken cleanliness drives in different parts of the State capital under the nationwide campaign Swachha Hi Seva.

The Northeastern Sector (NES) CRPF organised the campaign and cleaned the Polo Market and its surrounding area adjacent to 67 battalion CRPF headquarters here. The campaign was held on Monday.

On the occasion, local MLA Al Hela and Prakash D Inspector General, NES CRPF took part in the cleanliness drive. Prakash D said during the oc-

casion that Mahatma Gandhi had vision of a "clean India" and so it's everyone's duty to keep their homes and surroundings clean.

The Border Security Force (BSF) Meghalaya Frontier too got involved in the campaign and said that a 15-day long Swachha Bharat Abhiyan- Swachha Hi Seva along the international border and at its headquarters at Umpling campus here has begun.

The border guards also organised other activities such as community awareness for cleanliness and safe disposal of e-Waste and waste disposal plan.

Meanwhile, the District Water and Sanitation Mission in collaboration with the PHE Department organized the campaign at Mattingh Park, Laitymnsaw East Khasi Hills.

MILITARY ENGINEER SERVICES

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Application along with a bank draft of Rs.1000/- (One Thousand Only) (non refundable) in favour of Principal, Dibrugarh College, Dibrugarh payable at U.B.I., Chowkidirge Branch must reach the college within 20 days from the publication of this advertisement.

1. The age of the candidate should not be more than 43 years as on 01/01/2017. It is relax -able upto 5 years for SC/ST candidates.
2. Candidate must have minimum 55% marks (or an equivalent grade in a point scale) at the master's Degree level in the relevant subjects from an Indian University or an equivalent an Accredited Foreign University. A relaxation of 5% marks may be provided to the Ph.D. holders, who obtain their Masters Degree prior to 19/09/1991.

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4. Candidates who clear the NET/SLET/SET. However, the candidates who are or have been awarded a Ph.D. Degree in accordance with the UGC (minimum standards and procedure for award of Ph.D. Degree) regulation 2009 shall be exempted from the requirement of the minimum eligibility condition NET/SLET/SET.

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6. Candidates who are in service must apply through proper channel with an NOC from the concerned authority.

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New ONGC Chairman

NEW DELHI, Sept 26: Shashi Shanker has been appointed Chairman and Managing Director of India's biggest oil and gas producer ONGC, till March 2021. The Cabinet Council of Ministers (ACM) named Shanker, who is currently Director (Technical and Field Services) at ONGC, as CMD till its superannuation, as against an initial one-year term proposed by the Oil Ministry. - PTI

WagonR sales mark

NEW DELHI, Sept 26: Maruti Suzuki India's (MSI) compact hatchback WagonR has crossed the 2 million cumulative sales mark, 18 years after the model was launched in the country. WagonR is the company's third model to achieve the feat after Maruti 800 and Swift. MSI had crossed its first million sales in 2011, nearly 13 months after its launch. However, it managed to scale the next million in just 79 months. - PTI

New redi-Go variant

GUWAHATI, Sept 26: Nissan Motor India today launched Datsun redi-Go Gold with a one-litre engine, a limited edition variant of hatchback redi-Go priced at Rs 3.69 lakh (ex-showroom New Delhi). "Datsun will make the festive season even more special for our customers by bringing more power, style and convenience in the redi-Go Gold 1.0L Limited Edition," said V P, Marketing and Datsun Business Unit, Jerome Saigol said. - PTI

Tata Nano production

HYDERABAD, Sept 26: Tata Motors has said it would continue the production of Nano cars for some more time as the vehicle has an "emotional connect" with the company. "Nano plays an important role in our PVI (passenger vehicle) strategy because it is our only product in the entry-level segment, which is a very important segment from a first time buyer point of view," a Tata Motors spokesperson told PTI in an email reply. - PTI

TVS Jupiter milestone

GUWAHATI, Sept 26: TVS Motor Company, India's leading two- and three-wheeler manufacturer, today announced that their popular scooter brand, TVS Jupiter, has clocked sales of 2 million units within 4 years of its launch, according to a press statement. Commenting on this achievement, Anirudh Hukkar, Vice-President (Market-Ind, Scooter Motorcycles, Scooters and Corporation Brand), TVS Motor Company said, "It brings us immense delight to see that TVS Jupiter is surpassing milestone after milestone... This milestone is special as we now have 20 lakh happy customers in the TVS Jupiter family."

Godrej Agrovet IPO

NEW DELHI, Sept 26: Godrej Agrovet today said it has fixed a price band of Rs 450-460 per share for the initial public offering opening next week. The IPO of the company, part of Godrej Industries, would open subscription from October 4 to 6. In a release, the company said the price band for the IPO has been fixed at Rs 450-460 per share. At the upper end of the price band, the issue would fetch around Rs 1,157 crore. - PTI

Flipkart acquisition

BENGALURU, Sept 26: Homegrown e-commerce major Flipkart today said it has acquired F1 Info Solutions, a mobile and car service vehicles company with a pan-India presence of owned and franchised centres. F1 Info Solutions will be a part of Jeeves, a Flipkart third-party service provider company for large & small home appliances and furniture, the company said in a release. - PTI

Credit card use on rise, so is demand for them: Survey

MUMBAI, Sept 26: The credit card usage is growing on a faster clip, with 57 per cent of the cardholders doing transactions more than once a day, and many people want to join the plastic credit bandwagon, says a survey.

The findings are based on a survey conducted by TransUnion-CIBIL, which surveyed 1,088 urban adults online between July 13 and 18.

"The results demonstrate a clear increase in credit card use

Govt eyes 5G rollout by 2020

NEW DELHI, Sept 26: The government has formed a high-level forum to guide India to start 5G service by 2020, a technology that will deliver wireless broadband speed of about 10,000 mbps in urban areas and 1,000 mbps in rural belts, Telecom Minister Manoj Sinha said today.

In a bid to facilitate research and development activities for 5G service rollout, the government is looking at setting up a Rs 500-crore support fund.

"We have created a high-level 5G forum that will work on vision mission and goals of 5G service in the country. When the world will roll out 5G in 2020, I believe India will be at par with them," Sinha said.

The Telecom Minister announced setting up of a high-level group '5G India 2020 forum' which will be steered by Telecom Secretary Aruna Sundarajan, IT Secretary Ajay Kumar Sawhney and IT Secretary

Science and Technology Secretary Ashutosh Sharma, along with experts in the tech fields.

Sinha said the country missed an opportunity to have its say in 3G and 4G technologies, but now the government wants India to contribute actively in developing 5G standards and products.

"We will make efforts to develop globally competitive products and manufacture them here with a target of getting 50 per cent of India market and 10 per cent of global market over the next 5-7 years," Sinha said.

Under the 5G technology the government aims to deliver about 10,000 megabit per second (10 gbps) in urban areas and 1,000 mbps (1 gbps) in rural areas, he said.

Rs 500-crore support fund on the cards

The data transfer in 5G technology has latency or gap of 1 millisecond (ms) compared to 30 ms in case of 4G technology. It can be used for controlling and operating critical devices in the field of medical science, self-driving cars, etc.

"It is a ripe time when India should come forward and take a leap in new technologies. My ministry has initiated it to move ahead with a collaborative approach. Earlier, efforts were being made in silos," Sinha said.

The government is working on creating a corpus of Rs 500 crore to fund 5G activity, mainly on research and product development, officials said.

As per the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) data, Reliance

Jio is providing average 4G speed of around 18 mbps on its network.

The minister said Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development believes that 5G deployment will help increase the GDP of the country and generate employment opportunities.

"The development of 5G technology ecosystem and creation of standards in India will help save costs. Indian companies make at present for using patents of foreign companies," a ministry official said.

The government, academia and industry will jointly work to create enabling environment for manufacturing of 5G chips in the country and help Indian firms generate patents in the field and have some essential patents approved in the 5G standard.

The 5G standards are expected to be finalised by the International Telecommunication Union by the mid of the next year. - PTI

Technology major future thrust area:

Thomas Cook

NEW DELHI, Sept 26: Travel services firm Thomas Cook India today said it is betting big on technology to provide customers a seamless experience across all its channels going forward.

The company, which announced yesterday that it will acquire Tata Capital wholly-owned subsidiaries Tata Capital Force and TCT Travel and Services, said it remains open to more acquisitions if they offer good opportunity.

"For us technology is the major thrust going forward because that is the only way to provide a seamless customer experience," Thomas Cook India Chairman & MD Madhavan Menon told PTI.

That helps a customer right from the point of seeing the idea of a holiday, to research, bookings and finally, experiencing it, he added.

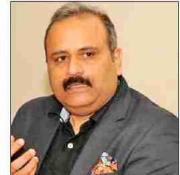
"My objective for the travel business is to pump more and more automation in our businesses so that we can adapt to the changing trends in the travel industry as the industry is changing very fast," Menon said.

He said digitalisation is going to be very important for transforming the industry and that is where the company intends to be.

"Our objective is to provide same experience to all the customers across all our channels and that is where the technology plays an important role."

"At present 22 per cent of the company's package holiday business is sold online... People are also looking at the selling process to go to them. So we are addressing this by creating an omnichannel experience for them," he added. - PTI

As part of such important things "we built a big plant in Chennai. We were also able to build an R&D and technology centre in Chennai... We are the first multinational brand to have a design centre in India in Mumbai. Now we have opened a second design centre in Chennai. We also have an international parts business in Pune," Sawhney added.



Ajey Mehta, Vice-President, HMD Global India (L) and Larry Paulson, Vice-President, Qualcomm India (R) launching Nokia 8 smartphone, during a press conference in New Delhi on Tuesday. - UNI

Renault growing in a big way in 'progressive' NE: CEO

DEVAJIT CHAYENGIA



SOUTH GOA, Sept 26: Beaming over the market potential for its innovative and stylish models in the North-East, French global car-maker Renault has revealed that the region has emerged as one of the biggest examples of successful expansion for the company due to the "progressive" outlook of the people".

During a media interaction held in connection with unveiling of the premium SUV Renault Capture and launch of its bookings at the Park Hyatt Goa Resort and Spa on Saturday, Sumit Sawhney, Country CEO and Managing Director, Renault India Operations, said, "First of all I would say that we are growing very, very strongly, very strongly for two reasons... because earlier, two three years back, we had only around eight dealerships in the North-East. Now we are everywhere in the North-East. The kind of response we are getting we think is tremendous because in the North-East we were not present, then all of a sudden we expanded in the North-East (in a big way)." Talking above the company's strategy in the country, the Chief Executive said India is a very important market... it's a pillar market for Renault.

He said, "When we wanted to come to India on our own, one thing was very clear that we build a very strong foundation because India is a very important and critical market for us; it's a pillar market. When you go to such an important market, you give importance to the market, you do things which are important."

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case is our biggest example of expansion because earlier we were not there in the North-East and now we are moving into smaller towns... not only to sell cars but also to provide service support... Our Workshop on 'Wheel' is also going into the North-East. Our dealer in Guwahati already has a 'Workshop on Wheel' and more are in the pipe."

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Honda eyeing rural areas for expansion

MUMBAI, Sept 26: Honda, on a neck-and-neck race to become No 1 player in the over-17-million-units-a-year domestic two-wheeler market, is increasing its focus to the hinterland for network expansion, which has crossed 5,500 now.

In the current financial year alone Honda Motorcycle & Scooters India (HMSI) has added 300 dealerships and will be opening 200 more through the rest of the year.

"Increasing our penetration in the hinterlands in line with our product strategy is a critical part of our strategy," Kato said, adding,

"we have now shifted gears to rural and semi-urban areas. In fact, 70 per cent of the new touch points have come up in rural areas followed by semi-urban areas."

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FM sees CSR spending potential of Rs 14,000 cr

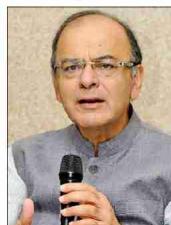
NEW DELHI, Sept 26: Finance Minister Arun Jaitley today said CSR spending by large corporates could go up to Rs 14,000 crore, thus supporting significantly the government's social sector initiatives.

When Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) clause was put in the Companies Bill, there was opposition from the corporates, the minister said.

So, some provisions were diluted and a few dispensations were given. But in his days as the leader of Opposition in the Rajya Sabha when the Companies Bill was before the Lok Sabha, he exhorted companies to take up challenging areas for spending their CSR fund. Citing some of the examples, Jaitley said corporates can take up jobs in difficult terrain.

"Now, over the last three to four years, we have seen it function... If you look at India's large corporates with a profitability of Rs 500 crore and above, you have a potential of about Rs 14,000 crore of CSR activities," he said at a CSR event of Axis Bank.

This makes a significant amount if added to the government's initiative towards the social sector, he said, adding that this is the amount which is going to increase annually.



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Appreciating the efforts of Axis Bank, he said, upgradation of 100 schools in Leh, Kargil region by the bank will help promote education in this area.

"Education is one area you can see feedback coming in the medium term itself. You don't have to wait for generations before the advantages come back," he said. - PTI

SEBI chief named among world's top 10 regulators

NEW DELHI, Sept 26: SEBI Chairman Ajay Tyagi has been named among the top ten regulators in the world, according to a report.

Tyagi, who took over the reins of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) in March this year, has been ranked at the seventh position among the top 10 regulators worldwide.

The rankings are part of the World's Most Influential People Market Structure, also known as the Exchange Invest 1000 (EI1000), which was launched by Patrick Young & Exchange Invest.

"Using a sophisticated methodology, the EI1000 index ranks individuals according to the level of influence these figures have on the sector," US-based *Traders Magazine* Online said in a report quoting the rankings in the list.

The list of ten regulators is topped by European Union's Competition Commissioner Margrethe Vestager and is followed by ESMA (European Securities and Markets Authority) Chairman Steven Maior, SEC (US Securities and Exchange Commission) Chairman Jay Clayton (3rd), CFTC Commodity Futures Trading Commission Chairman J Christopher Giancarlo (4th), China Securities Regulatory Commission Chairman Shiu Liu (5th) and Financial Conduct Authority UK CEO Andrew Bailey (6th).

After Tyagi, on the eighth spot is France's Autorité des Marchés Financiers (AMF) President Gerard Rameix, followed by Securities and Futures Commission Hong Kong CEO Ashley Ian Alder (9th) and Financial Services Agency Japan, Vice Minister for International Affairs Ryozo Hinomoto (10th).

The index lists 1,000 most influential professionals in order of significance as measured by a series of algorithms and encompasses some 145 jurisdictions, as per the report.

Various criteria, including an individual's incumbency, project execution and involvement with industry associations as well as their thought power and leadership were taken into account, it added.

The full EI1000 index includes 34 sub-categories covering everything from the 'top 10 overall', the most influential CEOs, entrepreneurs, women, regulators, politicians, industry associations, fintech and blockchain enthusiasts, dealmakers and overall visionaries, among others.

"It has taken over two years to create this index and involved reducing a long list of over 7,500 people to a shortlist of circa 1,500, before finalising the definite 1,000 most influential individuals in the world of exchanges and market structure," author of EI1000 Patrick Young was quoted as saying in the report of *Traders Magazine*. - PTI

Renovated Sony Center opened



Yuichi Hasegawa, Marketing Head of Sony India and others cutting a cake to mark the opening of the renovated Sony Center at GS Road in Guwahati on Tuesday. - UB Photos

GUWAHATI, Sept 26: The Sony Center on GS Road here, which was renovated for a state-of-the-art 'premium look' under a special Sony India plan, was inaugurated today by Yuichi Hasegawa, Marketing Head of Sony India, in the presence of an august audience, a press release said.

Sony has recently launched its flagships model the A1 Series (OLED) in 55 and 65 inches ranges. In view of the festive season, the Sony Center is offering live experience of all the Sony products with attractive gifts on the entire range of audio and video equipment. The renovated set-up also allows the customers to experience the world-class VR experience of PlayStation with exciting games, the release added.

Those who were present on the occasion included the entire team of the local franchise NRS Mercantile and the Sony India Guwahati branch, apart from a number of se-

lect invitees.

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PTI adds: The consumer electronics market in the country is growing steadily despite adverse speculation of a decline in growth after the implementation of GST, a senior Sony India official said.

"We had expected a dip in sales after implementation of the goods and services tax (GST) regime. But it was not seen. In fact, the market has been growing steadily," Sony India Country Marketing Head Yuichi Hasegawa said here today.

"There is no depression in the Indian market and it has been growing. The demand for premium category high-end products of Sony is high," he said.

Stating that India is the fourth largest market for Sony products worldwide, he said the company is keen to develop it further.

Achievements less perfect sans gender parity: Kovind

NEW DELHI, Sept 26: President Ram Nath Kovind today said the "distressingly small" participation of women in science in the country and said achievements would be less than perfect without gender parity.

He appealed to the scientific community to take accelerated steps to promote participation of girls and women in science and technology.

"None of our developmental goals has any meaning without gender parity. The Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) as a body and India has a society has made enormous progress and yet the participation of women in science in our country is distressingly small," Kovind said.

The President said less than two out of every 10 scientific researchers in India were women and of those who joined an Indian Institute of Technology, just about 10 per cent were women. "These numbers are simply not acceptable," he said at a function to mark the platinum jubilee of the CSIR.

Kovind said that if this disparity was not addressed, then the country's "scientific achievements will always be less than perfect and less than desirable".

The President also gave away awards to scientists in the CSIR for their achievements.

Kovind the scientific community not to lose the sight of basic scientific research



President Ram Nath Kovind at an exhibition held during the conclusion of the platinum jubilee year celebration of the Council of Scientific & Industrial Research at Vigyan Bhawan in New Delhi on Tuesday. — UNI

amidst newer and advanced technology.

Underlining that the CSIR and other science bodies in the country should help India navigate to adapt new technology and strengthen scientific research, he asked scientists to make

basic research relevant to our poor and deprived citizens.

Lauding the work done by the CSIR, Kovind said that while it constituted about three-four per cent of India's scientific manpower, it

contributed to nearly 10 per cent of the country's scientific output.

"This is extremely creditable and emphasises how important the CSIR is to the nation-building process. When a scientist works in a lab with integrity and sincerity and with the larger goal of helping the society, the person plays a role in nation building," the President said.

Kovind said that India's ambitious national programmes such as Startup India, Make in India, Digital India, Swachh Bharat, Namami Gange and Smart Cities Mission could not be successful without scientists and technology incubators like the CSIR.

He said that the true test of scientific research lay in its ability to help the society to leapfrog the social sector gaps in health and hygiene, sanitation, education, agriculture and "make us a middle-income country in one human life".

The President emphasised the need for socially inclusive yet cost-effective applications and products of science and technology.

He dedicated to the nation two technologies developed by the CSIR—the first being a handheld milk tester that will allow identification of adulterants and the second a waterless chrome tannery that eliminates the use of water in processes before and after tanning for use in the leather industry. — PTI

NOTIFICATION
The Governor of Assam is pleased to declare 28th September, 2017 as Public Holiday under Section 25 of N.I. Act, 1881 (XXIV of 1881) read with the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs Notification No. 20/25/Pub-I dated 01 July 1981 on occasion of Durga Puja.
All the Financial Institution/Cooperative Banks etc. within the State of Assam will remain closed on account of this Public Holiday under N.I. Act.

Sd/- (Ahmed Hussain, IAS)
Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
General Administration Department,
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ASSAM TOURISM DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LTD.

(A Government of Assam undertaking) Date: 26.09.2017

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FOR DEVELOPMENT/UPGRADEMENT, OPERATION AND MANAGEMENT OF TOURISM PROPERTIES IN ASSAM

ATDC Ltd invites Bids from the interested firm/organization having experience in running tourism projects and with sound financial conditions for "Development/Upgradation, Operation and Management of following clusters of Tourism Properties in Assam":

- 1) Pobitora Cluster
- 2) Nagaon Cluster
- 3) Majuli Cluster

Details about the projects, eligibility criteria and terms of references can be downloaded from <http://www.assamtourismonline.com/tender.html>.

The last date of submission of proposal is 25.10.2017.

Managing Director, ATDC reserves the right to reject any or all offers without assigning any reasons thereof.

Sd/- Managing Director
Janasanayog/C/1646/17 Assam Tourism Dev. Corp. Ltd.

Top Hizbul Mujahideen commander killed in J-K

SIRINAGAR, Sep 26: Top Hizbul Mujahideen terrorist Abdul Qayoom Najar was today killed in a gunbattle with security forces near the Line of Control (LoC) in Uri sector as he was trying to sneak into the valley to take charge of the outfit, a senior police officer said.

It was a major success for the security forces as Najar was wanted for his alleged involvement in more than 50 killings, including that of policemen in Hygam area of Sopore, in the past 17 years.

Baramulla Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) Imtiaz Hussain said, "Najar was killed as security forces initiated an infiltration bid in Lachipa area near the LoC this morning. He was returning to Kashmir to take over the command of Hizbul Mujahideen in the wake of elimination of top commanders of the outfit by security forces."

"Najar started his career as a terrorist with the killing of Hizb commander Abdul Majid Dar in 2003," he said.

Hussain said Najar was

called to the base camp in

Pakistan-occupied Kashmir by his handlers in 2015 after he fell out with the Hizb leadership. — PTI

No. DME/UG/29/2017/11949

EDUCATIONAL NOTICE

COUNSELLING FOR SELECTION AND SPOT ADMISSION IN TO THE 1ST YEAR MBBS/BDS COURSES IN THE MEDICAL COLLEGES & REGIONAL DENTAL COLLEGE OF ASSAM FOR THE SESSION 2017.

In pursuance of the Interim order dated 22/09/2017 passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in SLP (C) No. 2122/17, a counselling and spot admission against 17 numbers of MBBS/BDS seats in the following Medical Colleges and Regional Dental College of Assam for the session 2017-18 on October 01-2017 in the office of the Director of Medical Education, Assam, Silmole, Kharapara, Guwahati-22 at 11.00 A.M. onwards.

The following category-wise candidates showing their respective State Rank of NEET (UG) 2017 are only called for the said counselling:

1. Unreserved candidates - Rank upto 379 (excluding the candidates who are already admitted and pursuing in MBBS or BDS course in Assam, session 2017.)

2. OBC/SC/BC (N.C.L.) - Rank upto 832 ->

3. Schedule Caste - Rank upto 894 ->

4. ST/ST - Rank upto 950 ->

5. Majuli Cluster - Rank upto 488 ->

6. Sports Quota - Rank 1001, 1645 (Roll. No. 90060155, 900700750)

Candidates who are already admitted and pursuing their MBBS or BDS course shall not be allowed to participate in the said counselling and their seats in already admitted course and college shall remain unchanged.

Candidates should appear personally for counselling and spot admission on the scheduled date and time along with original testimonials, necessary admission fee etc. failing which no seat shall be allotted in this counselling.

Janasanayog/D/1652/17 Sd/- Director of Medical Education, Assam

Rajnath appeals to GJM to end stir; MHA to call meet

NEW DELHI, Sept 26: Home Minister Rajnath Singh today appealed to the Gorakha Janmukti Morcha (GJM) to withdraw the ongoing strike in Darjeeling Hills for a separate Gorkhaland State and asked the Union Home Secretary to convene an official-level meeting to discuss all related issues.

In a statement, Singh said that in a democracy, dialogue is the only way out to resolve any problem and solutions can be found through restraint and mutual dialogue within the legal ambit.

"Eleven precious lives have been lost so far, seven have been injured and the entire people of Darjeeling Hills have

suffered a lot since the strike. I am pained immensely by what has happened in Darjeeling Hills," he said.

The indefinite strike called by GJM has continued since June 12 through its rebel leader Binay Tamang had announced suspension of the strike.

On September 20, the West Bengal government announced the constitution of a nine-member board of administrators as Gorkhaland Territorial Administration (GTA) which is headed by GJM chief Binay Tamang.

Singh said he has asked Union Home Secretary Rajiv Gauba to convene an official-level meeting within a fortnight to discuss all related issues.

"I appeal to the GJM and its

leader Bimal Gurung to withdraw the ongoing bandh and to help create a conducive atmosphere for allowing normalcy to return to the area, particularly in view of the festive season," he said as the indefinite slowdown to press for a separate State of Gorkhaland continued for 104th day.

Singh said he has asked Union Home Secretary Rajiv Gauba to convene an official-level meeting within a fortnight to discuss all related issues.

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Malegaon blast case Bombay HC grants bail to retd Army Major

MUMBAI, Sept 26: The Bombay High Court today granted bail to retired Army Major Ramesh Upadhyay, an accused in the 2008 Malegaon blast case, on the ground of parity.

Since the other prime accused in the case have been granted bail by the high court and the apex court, a bench of justices Ranjeet More and Sadhuja Jadav granted Upadhyay bail against a personal bond of Rs 1 lakh and two sureties each of the same amount.

While the National Investigating Agency's (NIA) counsel Sandesh Patil opposed the bail plea, the bench said that its hands were tied in view of the apex court's directions on the grounds of parity.

The court also asked if Upadhyay's role in the blast was larger than that of prime accused Lt Col Shrikant Purohit, who was granted bail by the apex court in August.

Upadhyay's counsel denied it and told the court of Purohit

having been granted bail.

He also told the court that on September 19, a trial court had granted bail to two other accused persons in the case - Sudhakar Chaturvedi and Sudhakar Dhir Dwivedi - on grounds of parity.

"Upadhyay played a role in hatching the conspiracy for the blasts. He attended several meetings of the Abinav Bharat group and we have video recordings to prove his presence in some of such meetings," Patil said.

"However, while the high court recorded our opposition to the bail plea, it took cognizance of the fact that several other accused persons were already out on bail," he said.

Last November, the trial court had denied bail to the trial court, which was looking into the issue of electoral reforms.

The Opposition party is heading five committees while the BJP's tally has gone up to 10.

The BJP and its allies are now heading as many as 14 parliamentary standing committees while the Opposition is left with 10.

According to a Rajya Sabha bulletin, out of the total 24 department-related standing committees of both Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha, the BJP is now heading 10, the Congress 5, two by the TMC and one each by Shiv Sena, SAD, SP, JD(U), AI-ADMK, BJD and TDP.

However, crucial panels on home, external affairs and finance will continue to be chaired by the Congress. BJP MP BC Khanduri has got another term as chairman of the committee on defence.

Congress MPs P Chidambaram, Shashi

Tharoor and M Veerappa Moily have been given another term as head of the panels on home affairs, external affairs and finance respectively.

BJP MP Bhupender Yadav is now the new Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice, in place of Congress MP Anand Sharma.

Sharma will now head the committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests in place of his party leader Renuka Chowdhury.

The panel headed by Yadav on commerce, will now be chaired by his party's SAD MP Narendra Gujral.

TMC MP Derek O'Brien has replaced Mukul Roy as Chairman of the committee on transport, tourism and culture.

Heads of other panels have been given extension. - PTI

Sharad removed as head of House panel on industry

NEW DELHI, Sept 26: JD(U) rebel MP Sharad Yadav has been dropped as the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee on Industry following his party's communication to the Rajya Sabha Chairman.

Ram Chandra Prasad Singh, who was elected as the JD(U) parliamentary party leader in the Rajya Sabha in place of Yadav, replaces the former party chief as the head of the parliamentary committee, according to an official communication.

Following Yadav's stand against JD(U) chief Nitish Kumar's decision to ally with the BJP, his party has also urged Rajya Sabha Chairman M Venkaiyah Naidu to qualify him from the House due to his alleged anti-party activities. Naidu is yet to take a decision on the plea.

The latest rejig of parliamentary panels has also seen the Congress losing the chairmanship of the key committee on

development of Tezpur-Majuli-Sivasagar as Heritage Circuit in Assam under Swadeshi Darshan Scheme. (Sivasagar & Charadevi). Group-A 'B' published vide Time Extension Notice No. ATDC/CS/583/2017/5135 dt. 18.09.2017 is hereby cancelled and Fresh Press Notice (CPBS) being published. The bidder who have submitted the Bid as per Notice No. ATDC/CS/583/2017/5135 dt. 18.09.2017 on 25.09.2017 are requested take back their Bid in original.

Sd/- Managing Director
Assam Tourism Dev. Corp. Ltd.

No. ATDC/CS/583/2017/ Date: 25/09/2017
CANCELLATION NOTICE
Due to some unavoidable circumstances the work "Development of Tezpur-Majuli-Sivasagar as Heritage Circuit in Assam under Swadeshi Darshan Scheme, (Sivasagar & Charadevi)- Group-A 'B'" published vide Time Extension Notice No. ATDC/CS/583/2017/5135 dt. 18.09.2017 is hereby cancelled and Fresh Press Notice (CPBS) being published. The bidder who have submitted the Bid as per Notice No. ATDC/CS/583/2017/5135 dt. 18.09.2017 on 25.09.2017 are requested take back their Bid in original.

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No. CE/REC/C3/2017/4
PRESS NOTICE
The Chief Engineer, PWD (Building), Assam, on behalf of the Governor of Assam, invites bids with Bid Price Rs 2,36,18,643.00 for the work "Construction of two storied building at Nohora, Nohora Gram Panchayat, Nohora, Assam" (750 tonne hundred eighty) from the date of opening of the tender from registered PWD Contractor/Firm, Pvt. Limited Co. Class-II(A). Details of the bid and Detail Notice Inviting Bid may be seen in the PWD portal assamtenders.gov.in.
The bidders must be registered with the e-tendering system (ETSI) of the Govt. of Assam. All terms and conditions will be as per the Bidding Documents. The Press Notice will be a part of the Bidding Documents.
Sd/- Chief Engineer, PWD (Bldg.)
Assam, Guwahati-3

**GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH
DIRECTORATE OF CIVIL AVIATION
NAHARLAGUN**

NO.DCA/HCM/UNIT/2017-18 Date: Naharlagun, the 25th Sept, 2017.

NOTICE INVITING BIDS

Sealed bid offers under TWO BID SYSTEM are hereby invited by the Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh from eligible commercial permit holders under DGCA, India (Non-scheduled category) having tendered type of helicopter, for WET LEASE of one twin engine large MI-172 helicopter of latest technology / latest version, not older than 15 (fifteen) years of age as on the date of opening of tender for passenger flight service in Arunachal Pradesh and adjoining areas under 75% subsidy scheme of Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, for a period of 30 months from the date of signing of contract of compensation/leasing of helicopter whichever is earlier with provision for renewal/extension for another 20 (two) years at the same rates and terms & conditions only subject to continuation of Helicopter subsidy scheme by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, in prescribed bid form and proforma:-

2. Detailed terms and conditions, approximate utilization of flying hours and technical parameters required for the helicopter/Bidder are specified in the detailed Tender Documents for which interested Operators can visit Government of Arunachal Pradesh website www.arunachalpradesh.gov.in.

3. Bidder is to deposit Bid Bond (Earnest Money) of Rs.100,000/- along with the bid documents and Bid Security in the form of Guarantees as specified in the Detailed Tender Documents.

4. Detailed Tender Documents may be obtained from the Office of the Director (Civil Aviation), Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Naharlagun from 26.09.2017 to 23.10.2017 during office hours from 1000 hours (IST), to 1600 hours (IST) against a request/authority letter on payment of Tender Fee of Rs.15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Thousand/-non-refundable) only by Demand Draft in favour of "the Director of Civil Aviation, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Naharlagun", payable at Naharlagun, Arunachal Pradesh.

5. Detailed Tender Documents may also be collected by post by sending a self addressed stamped envelope along with remittance Tender Fee as mentioned above. The Government of Arunachal Pradesh will however not be responsible for non-reaching of the Tender Documents due to postal delay or misplacement etc.

6. Tender Documents can also be downloaded from the website: www.arunachalpradesh.gov.in. The Downloaded Tender Form must be accompanied by the Demand Draft of requisite Tender Fee as mentioned above without submitting Technical Bid failing which the bid shall be rejected forthwith.

7. Last date and time of receipt of Sealed Bids by post or by hand and opening in the office of the Director (Civil Aviation), Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Naharlagun, Naharlagun will be 149 Indian prisoners in Sharjah to be released on 24.10.2017.

8. If intervened by a holiday, Tenders will be received / opened at the same time on next working day.

9. If Technical Bid of any bidder is found incomplete, not supported by requisite Bid Bond and/or required documents or deficient of any technical parameters as specified in the Detailed Tender Documents, their Financial Bid shall not be opened and shall be returned to the bidder in sealed condition as submitted by the bidder.

10. The Government of Arunachal Pradesh reserves the right to reject any or the entire bid offers without assigning any reasons thereof.

(R. Ronya)
Director (Civil Aviation)

Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh

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Pakistani BAT attack foiled on LoC

SRINAGAR, Sept 26: The Army today thwarted an attack by a Pakistani Border Action Team (BAT) on the Line of Control (LoC) in Kashmir.

Six to eight members of the BAT, which generally comprises terrorists and Pakistani soldiers, came close to an Indian Army post in Keran Sector, with aid of shelling and firing by the Pakistani troops from their posts, Army sources said.

He said the BAT intruders were supported by nearby Pakistani posts with mortar shell-

ing and small arms firing. "The BAT action was aimed at causing damage to our post but it was effectively thwarted and the armed intruders were forced to retreat," the source said.

"Fire assault towards enemy positions was underway," the source added.

Earlier, an Army official here said the Pakistani troops supporting Indian posts by firing light weapons in Keran sector.

There have been BAT attacks on Indian posts along the LoC earlier.

In June, a BAT attack was carried out 600 metres inside the Indian territory in Poosch sector of Jammu and Kashmir in which two jawans were killed along with one of the attackers. - PTI

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Sharjah has also accepted in principle the State's proposal for giving international driving licence to those who seeking job in India, the release said.

A joint committee consisting of officials of Sharjah and Kerala would be set up to work out an action plan to implement projects agreed to by both sides. - PTI

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Sd/-
Mission Director NHM, Assam

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Superintending Engineer, PWD,
Kokrajhar Building Circle, Kokrajhar.

No. UWS (T)-1072/2000/Pr/V

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST NO-01 OF 2017-18

Expression of interest is hereby invited for empanelment as a consultant from individual having requisite experiences in project planning, structural designing, drawing, estimation for works structural design, drawing, estimation including sub soil investigation for construction of Elevated Service Reservoir for different water supply schemes to be implemented by Assam Urban Water Supply & Sewerage Board with their offer letter dated 10.20.2017 to 3.00 PM in the office of the undersigned along with credentials. The details may be collected from the office of the undersigned on application and payment of Rs 500.00 (Rupees five hundred only) in cash during office hours from 04.10.2017 to 13.10.2017.

The EOI will be opened on the 30.10.2017 at 3.30 p.m. in presence of representative of interested Firm/Consultants or their authorized representative.

If last date for issue of bid document/ last date for receipt and opening of bid happen to be a holiday or any types of bunch the next working day will be considered as the last date of issue of bid/ date of receipt and opening of bids as applicable with all other term and condition remaining unchanged.

Sd/- Managing Director,
Assam Urban Water Supply & Sewerage Board, Guwahati-6

Notice Inviting Re e-Tender

Assam Police Headquarters invites open tender through e-Tendering process from Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) or their genuine authorized dealers / distributors for supply of Vehicle Mounted X-Ray Baggage Scanner to Assam Police.

To participate in the tender process through the e-procurement portal, the bidder should have a valid Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) of Class-II (minimum) and will have to register in the portal <https://assamtenders.gov.in> themselves.

The bidder who have downloaded the tender schedules containing the tender details, terms and conditions from the portal shall submit their tender online on the portal <https://assamtenders.gov.in> within the period of the non-mandatory tender of Rs. 500/- (Rupees Five Hundred only) in the form of a Bank Draft drawn in favour of Addl. Director General of Police (M&L), Assam from any nationalized / scheduled bank, payable at Guwahati. The tender should be submitted on-line, as per the date and time of submission prescribed in the schedule.

Sd/- Addl. Director General of Police (M&L)
Janasanayog/C/3771/17
Assam, Ulubari, Guwahati

NATIONAL HEALTH MISSION ASSAM

No. NRHM/Misc/Bill/368/P-2/2007-08/18380 Date: 26-09-2017

Short Quotation Notice

Sealed quotation affixing court fee stamp of Rs. 8.25 (Rupees eight and paise twenty five only) is hereby invited for the work as mentioned below. The interested parties are to submit their quotations in a sealed cover in the office of the Mission Director, NHM, Assam, Christianbasti, Guwahati-5 to 2.00 PM on 29-09-2017 and the quotations will be opened on the same day at 3.00 PM. The rates should be quoted against each item in the annexure-I and shall be inclusive of GST (5%) other taxes levied by Government.

Name of works: Installation, fitting and fixing of steel tubular Structure (Hanger) including fitting and fixing. Fitting and fixing PVC fire resistant tape over the steel, roof truss frame, Carpeting, entry Gate, Branding including fitting & fixing dismantling, Banquet Chairs with cover, Hi-Tea, etc. in connection with "Inauguration Programme of District Laboratory Service and Launching of CT scan services in 5 (five) Districts" by Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma Hon'ble Minister Deptt. of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of Assam at MMC Hospital premises to be held on 2nd Oct 2017.

Items of Work at Annexure-I

(i) Time of completion 2 (two) days
(ii) Bidder should be registered with PWD (B), Assam who are reputed firm/organization with Head Quarter at Guwahati

(iii) The bidder must have completed similar nature of works valued not less than 10.00 lakh in any Government Department during last 3 years to the full satisfaction of the department

(iv) The bidder should have achieved average annual turnover of Rs. 20,00L/- during last three years

(v) The bidder must submit copy of formal work order/completion certificate in confirmation to the above experience

(vi) The bidder must submit copy of PWD (B) registration certificate, GST registration certificate Pan card etc.

Sd/-
Mission Director NHM, Assam

NATIONAL HEALTH MISSION ASSAM

Date: 26-09-2017

This is for information of all the candidates who had applied in response to the advertisements:- (i) No NHM/HD/Advt/2512/2015-16/6346 dt 17/09/2016, (ii) No NHM/HD/Advt/2512/2015-16/4748 dt 30/09/2016 for the following contractual positions under NHM, Assam, that the date of interview of the provisionally shortlisted candidates is fixed as per schedule below

Sd/-
Office of the Mission Director, National Health Mission, Assam, Sainik Commercial Complex, Christianbasti, Guwahati-5

The lists of provisionally shortlisted candidates are published on the NHM Assam Website: www.nhm-assam.in.

The provisionally shortlisted candidates shall have to bring all original testimonials with a set of self-attested photocopies of the testimonials to appear the interview. No separate call letter will be issued and no TA/DA will be paid for attending the interview. Please visit the website www.nhm-assam.in for details.

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People distributing goods to fellow residents after the earthquake in Xochimilco, on the outskirts of Mexico City, on Monday. – UNI

Sharif slams Pak judiciary for disqualifying him

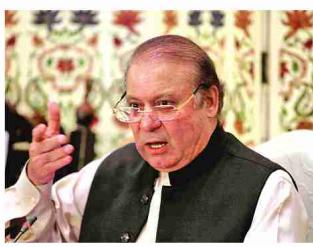
ISLAMABAD, Sept 26: A defiant Nawaz Sharif today criticised the judiciary for disqualifying him as Prime Minister, claiming that the prosecution has failed to prove any charges against him or his family in the Panama Papers graft scandal.

The 67-year-old Sharif's comments came as an anti-corruption court decided to indict him on October 2 after the ousted Prime Minister for the first time appeared before it to face corruption charges.

Addressing a crowded press conference in Islamabad after appearing before the accountability court, Sharif said he was targeted in the Panama Papers case and ousted despite the failure of the prosecution to prove wrongdoing by him or his family.

"When nothing was proved and they were not able to prove any corruption, they still disqualified me and used the iqama issue (his work permit with the UAE-based company)," he said. Sharif was disqualified by the Supreme Court on July 28 for possessing a work permit in his son's company in the UAE.

He said at least the court should have told the people that no allegation of cor-



Former Pakistan Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif speaking at a news conference in Islamabad on Tuesday. – UNI

a joint investigation team (JIT), monitored it, announced the decision and told the National Accountability Bureau (NAB) to file corruption cases.

"The same court took control of NAB...If necessary, this same court will listen to my last appeal as well after the decision by the NAB court," he said.

"Is this how justice works? Is this what we call the rule of law?" he asked.

"This is the first case that the weight of the law was placed with the petitioner, and the rights of the defence were not implemented," he alleged. He said he would stay in Pakistan to face courts despite strong reservations. Sharif also announced that he would wage a struggle for democracy and sanctity of vote.

"I have been fighting false cases and being punished but I have decided to fight the case of rights of the people to rule...sanctity of vote. I believe people would win in the long run," he said.

Sharif said he believed that God and the people of Pakistan are with him and expressed the hope that justice would prevail.

"The whole country is being punished – the people and the generations to come. They have made a mockery of a progressive Pakistan on the track of democracy.

"I appeal that this country be allowed to progress in line with the Constitution. If the Constitution gives the people the right to govern, let them realise that right," he said. – PTI

2 million people leave Kathmandu for Vijaya Dashami

KATHMANDU, Sept 26: Around half the population of Nepal's capital has left the city of four million to return home for the upcoming Vijaya Dashami festival.

With the 10-day countdown to Vijaya Dashami, also known here as Dashain, starting today, nearly two million people have left for their homes in different districts of the Himalayan nation to celebrate the occasion.

In Kathmandu Metropolitan City, where around four million people reside, 50 per cent of the population are migrants from different districts, who came to the capital for jobs, education and medical treatment.

As the Dashain period has already begun, migrants from outside and Nepalese living home from overseas destinations are exiting the Kathmandu valley via Thankot, Sanga, Dakshinkali and Balaju. This year the main day of Dashain or Dashami falls on September 30.

On that day, President Bidhya Devi Bhandari will apply red vermilion powder mixed with curd and rice on the foreheads of government staff as well as general public at the Rashtrapati Bhawan to mark the occasion as per tradition.

People also sacrifice animals at the temple of Goddess Durga on Dashain and worship seeking her blessings. In Nepal, Vijaya Dashami is observed to commemorate the victory of Durga over the demon Mahishasur.

The festival ends on Kojaghar Purnima, the full moon day in the month of Ashwin as per the Hindu calendar, which falls on October 5 this year. – PTI

China disrupts WhatsApp ahead of Communist Party meet

BEIJING, Sept 26: Chinese authorities appear to have severely disrupted the WhatsApp messaging app in the latest step to tighten censorship as they prepare for a major Communist Party congress next month.

Users in China have reported widespread disruptions in recent days to the Facebook-owned service, which previously malfunctioned across the country over the summer. Experts said the problems began on Sunday, but text messaging, voice calls and video calls appeared to be working again today, though voice messages and photos were not going through.

WhatsApp provides message encryption technology that likely does not please Chinese authorities, which closely monitor and restrict cyberspace through their 'Great Firewall.'

Many Chinese activists favour WhatsApp over local messaging apps because of its end-to-end encryption function. China has tightened online policing this year, enacting new rules that require tech companies to store user data inside the country as well as imposing restrictions on what is permissible content.

Chinese cyberspace regulators said yesterday they slapped "maximum" fines on major Chinese tech firms, Baidu and Tencent, for al-

lowing the publication of pornographic, violent and other sorts of banned material on their social media platforms. The amount of the fines was not disclosed.

Websites such as Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest and a slew of foreign media have been blocked for years. The WhatsApp troubles emerged ahead of the Communist Party congress on October 18, when President Xi Jinping is expected to be given a second five-year term as the party's general secretary.

While the WeChat messaging app owned by China's Tencent company is more widely used in the country, many WhatsApp users complained about the disruptions. Earlier this month, WeChat informed its users in a new privacy policy that it would "retain, preserve or disclose" users' data to "comply with applicable laws or regulations"— confirming long-held public assumptions about the company's practices.

The Open Observatory of Network Interference, a global censorship detection group, said China started blocking WhatsApp on Sunday. To operate in China, some foreign tech companies have complied with local regulations. But others such as Google have chosen to pull out completely from mainland China. – AFP

Russia threatens to ban Facebook in 2018

MOSCOW, Sept 26: Russia's Internet watchdog today warned Facebook it would be banned in 2018 unless it complies with a law on storing loca-

tions industry, is an apparent move to pressure sites such as Facebook and Twitter into handing over user information.

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"There are no exceptions here," he added.

Russian Internet providers last year blocked the LinkedIn professional networking site after Roskomnadzor said it broke the law on personal data storage. Sharov's comments came after Facebook revealed that Russia-linked fake accounts paid for ads that may have influenced last year's US election.

"We will work on getting Facebook to observe the law," Sharov said. "This will all happen in 2018 definitely."

A controversial law passed

in 2014 requires foreign messaging services, search engines and social networking sites to

store the personal data of Russian users inside Russia.

The law, which was fiercely

opposed by the telecommuni-

cations industry, is an apparent move to pressure sites such as Facebook and Twitter into handing over user information.

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"We understand very well that Facebook has a significant number of users in Russia, but on the other hand, we understand that it is not a unique service, there are other social media sites," said Sharov. – AFP

**“পৰিক্ৰাৰ-পৰিচ্ছন্নতাই
ঈশ্বৰ পৰায়ণতা”**

য'তে ত'তে জাৰি-জোঁথৰ পেলাই
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US captive in
N Korea was
tortured beyond
belief: Trump

WASHINGTON, Sept 26: US President Donald Trump said today that an American student who was held captive in North Korea had been "tortured beyond belief."

Otto Warmbier (22) died in June a few days after he was sent home in a mysterious coma following more than a year in prison in North Korea. He had been convicted of offences against the state for trying to steal a propaganda poster from a Pyongyang hotel and posted from a Pyongyong hotel and posted to 15 years' hard labour.

No US official had previously publicly accused North Korea of torture in the case. Trump's comment today on Twitter followed the airing of a Fox News interview with Warmbier's parents. "Otto was tortured beyond belief by North Korea," Trump posted. — AFP



An Afghan man prepares to burn a pile of illegal narcotics on the outskirts of Jalalabad, Afghanistan, on Tuesday. — UNI

SALE NOTICE NO. 4 OF 2017-18 FOR SALE OF TIMBER LOTS

Sealed tenders affixing court fee stamp of worth Rs. 8.25 (Rupees Eight and paise twenty five) only on each tender are invited for sale of some timber Lots kept in different Locations within Nagaon South Division, Hojai. Details of lots etc, other terms and conditions shall be available in the Sale Notice which can be procured from the office of the undersigned during office hours of any working day on payment of Rs. 50.00 (Rupees Fifty) only per copy of Sale Notice.

Moreover, intending tenderers shall have to pay Rs.5.00 (Rupees Five) only per copy of Tender Form to submit their tenders.

The date of receiving tenders has been fixed on 30.10.2017 up to 3.00 P.M.(I.S.T) in the office of the undersigned. If the office remains closed on that day the tender will be received next working day.

Sd/- Divisional Forest Officer,
Nagaon South Division, Hojai

No. MOP/PMAY/HFA/16/144

NOTICE INVITING TENDERS (NIT) FOR MANAGEMENT CONSULTANCY SERVICES (TENDER NO. 9, OF 2017-18)

Mission Director, PMAY-HFA (U), Assam invites 'Sealed Bids' for management consultancy services from reputed agencies, having capacity to provide management consultancy work with the suitable and informed transfer of experience for the benefit of the project.

Interested parties are requested to submit Tender by handpost along with specified documents on or before 20-10-2017 up to 3.00 P.M. to the office of the undersigned, after which no tender will be accepted. Tender documents may be downloaded from the website www.assamtenders.gov.in on 27-09-2017 to 20-10-2017.

In case of any delay in sending the tender, the tenders will be opened on the most working day at the same time but the tender box will be sealed on same day and time, as scheduled above. No tender by FAX will be entertained.

The contract period will initially be for a period of two years extendable on satisfaction of the service provider's consent on same terms and conditions on yearly basis by another year.

The bids are to be sent in single part - one sealed envelope mentioned on the top of the envelope as BID FOR MANAGEMENT CONSULTANCY SERVICES. The bids shall be signed by a person duly authorized on behalf of the bidder firm and shall be sent to:

Office of Mission Director,
PMAY-HFA (U), Assam
Genesagar, Dispur, Guwahati-06

Name of Work: Hiring of MANAGEMENT CONSULTANCY SERVICES for PMAY-HFA(U) Assam

Availability of quotation Form: Interested Bidders can visit the website www.assamtenders.gov.in to collect the bid documents.

ENR : Demand Draft/Bankers Cheque of Rs.5,000/- drawn in favour of Mission Director, PMAY-HFA (U), Assam, payable at Guwahati.

Last date & time of submission of Bids: 20-10-2017 up to 3.00 P.M.

Bids Opening: 20-10-2017 at 4:00 P.M.

Sd/- Mission Director,
PMAY-HFA(U)
Dispur, Guwahati-06

E-Procurement Notice

The Directorate of Agriculture, Assam invites bids in electronic tendering system from eligible bidders to supply of Plant Protection Chemicals & Materials as mentioned in the bidding document. The bidding document is available online on website <http://assamtenders.gov.in>.

Date of release of invitation for bids through e-procurement: 26.9.2017.

Availability of Bid Documents and mode of Submission: The bid document is available for download on 26.9.2017 to 20.10.2017 on the website <http://assamtenders.gov.in>. The bidder needs to register in the website which is free of cost. For submission of bids, the bidder is required to have Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) from the authorized Certification Authority (CA) as indicated in the website: <https://assamtenders.gov.in>.

The bidder is required to submit (a) original copy of Challan sheet of bid document and (b) original copy of the Power of Attorney (POA) letter issued by the organization for bidding along with (c) original copy of the original Power of Attorney certificate from the Principal of the organization for bidding along with (d) original Authorization letter from Principal along with printed copy of seal or stamp to the Director of Agriculture from Principal source of supply and the authorization should not be more than 2 (two) no of bidders, otherwise the bidder authority from Principal source will cancel his/her bid. The bidder is required to submit (e) original copy of the POA issued by the organization for bidding within 20 (Twenty) days after the opening of the technical bid through the e-tendering system, either by registered post or by hand, failing which the bid shall be treated non-responsive. (e) Authorization letter from the Principal of the organization for bidding along with the authority letter from the Principal to the Director of Agriculture from his/her own e-mail address of the Principal indicated in the bid along with the authorization letter. The Principal shall also send a copy of the bid to the Director of Agriculture.

All the above documents are required to submit not later than 02 (Two) working days after the opening of the technical bid through the e-tendering system, either by registered post or by hand, failing which the bid shall be treated non-responsive.

Last Date & Time for receipt of bids through e-procurement: 20.10.2017 up to 3.00 pm for further details please log on to <https://assamtenders.gov.in>.

Sd/- Director of Agriculture, Assam
Khanapara, Guwahati-22

E-Procurement Notice (to be published in newspapers/website)

The Directorate of Agriculture, Assam invites bids in electronic tendering system from eligible bidders to supply of Fertilizer as mentioned in the bidding document. The bidding document is available online and the bid should be submitted online on website <http://assamtenders.gov.in>.

Date of release of invitation for bids through e-procurement: 26.9.2017.

Availability of Bid Documents and mode of Submission: The bid document is available online on 26.9.2017 to 20.10.2017 and the bid should be submitted online in <http://assamtenders.gov.in>. In the bidding document the bidder would be required to register in the website which is free of cost. For submission of bids, the bidder is required to have Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) from the authorized Certification Authority (CA) as indicated in the website: <https://assamtenders.gov.in>.

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Sd/- Director of Agriculture, Assam
Khanapara, Guwahati-22

China urges N Korea, US to stop escalating war of words

BEIJING, Sept 26: Warning there would be "no winner" in the event of a conflict on the Korean Peninsula, China today urged North Korea and the United States to stop their escalating war of words and sit down for talks on cooling the recent spike in tensions.

The comments from Foreign Ministry spokesman Lu Kang reinforce China's position that all sides should avoid provoking each other following biting new United Nations economic sanctions on North Korea and a new exchange of threats between President Donald Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un.

"A war on the Korean Peninsula will have no winner, which will also be a tragedy for regional countries," Lu told reporters at a daily briefing. "Given our consistent opposition to the war and chaos on the peninsula, we totally disapprove of an escalation of the war of words between the US and North Korea."

Lu's remarks came after North Korea's top diplomat yesterday characterised Trump's tweet that Kim "won't be around much longer" as a declaration of war against his country by the US.

However, Lu noted that the Trump administration demanded that it had declared war on North Korea and said the US remained committed to eliminating nuclear weapons on the Korean Peninsula through peaceful means.

China trade accounts for about 90 per cent of North Korea's foreign trade and is under constant pressure from the US and others to tighten the screws on its neighbour and former close Communist ally.

Beijing has responded by voting in favour of increasingly harsh UN resolutions over North Korea's nuclear and missile development programmes and announced on Saturday that it would limit energy supplies to North Korea and stop buying its textiles as dictated by the latest sanctions. — AP

Separate shelters for Rohingya children in B'desh

DHAKA, Sept 26: Bangladesh says it is planning to build separate shelters for 6,000 Rohingya Muslim children who entered the country without parents to escape violence in neighbouring Myanmar.

Junior minister Nuruzzaman Ahmed said the Social Welfare Ministry has asked local authorities for 200 acres (80 hectares) of land to build facilities for the children, and about 1,580 children have already been registered.

The UN children's agency, UNICEF, has identified about 1,800 children who fled Myanmar without parents after violence broke out in August 25, but Ahmed said the total number of such children is about 6,000.

Children make up about 60 per cent of the more than 420,000 Rohingya Muslims who have poured into Bangladesh over the last four weeks to flee persecution in Buddhist-majority Myanmar. — AP

UN puts latest Rohingya exodus to B'desh at 480,000

COX'S BAZAR (Bangladesh), Sept 26: Some 480,000 Rohingya Muslims have fled to Bangladesh since violence broke out in Myanmar on August 25, the United Nations said today, increasing its estimate by 45,000 in two days.

A report by UN agencies and international charities said the change was due "a large part" to an estimated 35,000 Rohingya moving into two refugee camps who had not been accounted for before. It also said numbers crossing the border had started to rise again. The UN gave a figure of 435,000 Rohingya arrivals on Saturday. — AFP

Child abuse may alter victim's brain wiring: study

TORONTO, Sept 26: Children who suffer severe abuse experience changes in the neural structures in specific areas of the brains, scientists have found for the first time.

Difficulties linked with severe childhood abuse include increased risks of psychiatric disorders such as depression, as well as high levels of impulsivity, aggressiveness, anxiety, more frequent substance abuse and suicide.

For the optimal function and organisation of the brain, electrical signals used by neurons may need to travel over long distances to communicate with cells in other regions.

The longer axons of this kind are generally covered by a fatty coating called myelin. Myelin sheaths protect the axons and help them to conduct electrical signals more efficiently. Myelin builds up progressively in a process known as myelination — mainly during childhood, and then continue to mature until early adulthood. — PTI

Pak court to indict Sharif

ISLAMABAD, Sept 26: A Pakistani anti-corruption court today decided to indict Nawaz Sharif on October 2 after the embattled ousted Prime Minister for the first time appeared before it to face graft charges against him in the Panama Papers scandal.

The Accountability Court also issued bailable arrest warrants for Sharif's children and son-in-law Captain Saifur.

No. ASDM-83/2017/32 NOTICE INVITING EOIs Assam Skill Development Mission is implementing the Assam Skill Development Program in mission mode with the objective of skill development of the youth of Assam in the Financial Year 2017-18 for various Model Sector and Course. The EOIs for employing start-ups as Training Partners for Skilling the youth of Assam will be invited from eligible Organizations interested in partnering with Assam Skill Development Mission (ASDM) for the said purpose. The last date for receipt of proposals is 15.10.2017 at 11:00 AM. The bid document ASDM-83/2017/31 document is available at our website: http://www.asdm.assam.gov.in
Filer proposals in all aspects are to be sent to the undersigned at the below mentioned address: Mission Director Assam Skill Development Mission Nayanta Building 5th Floor, Six Mile, Guwahati - 781022 Email : missiondirector.asdm@gmail.com Janasanyog/C/1648/17

No. ATDC/CS/583/2017/ Date: 25.09.2017
FRESH PRESS NOTICE (QCBS)

Managing Director, Assam Tourism Development Corporation Ltd., Paltanbazar, Guwahati-6 invite Fresh Bids for the following work from the contractor registered under ATDC Ltd., APWB, CPWD and other State and Central organization, Public sector undertaking in appropriate category having experience in similar nature of works.

Stat/ package	Group	Name of work	Approx. value of work (in Rs.)	Time of completion	Bid Security (in Rs.)	Cost of Bid Document (in Rs.)	Class of Bidder
Development of Tezpur-Majuli-Sivasagar as Heritage circuit in Assam under Swades Darshan Scheme.							

Sivasagar & Charaidew

Assam ATDC E00.21	A	Infrastructure Development of Talatal Ghar Main Complex of Rang Ghar at Sivasagar.	9,01,93,782.00	24 (twenty four) months	18,03,876.00	10,000.00	I(A)
	B	Infrastructure development of Joysagar, Sivasagar & Charaidew Maidam at Charaidew	9,09,58,031.00	24 (twenty four) months	18,19,161.00	10,000.00	I(A)

Details of the Fresh Bid may be seen at e-procurement portal: www.assamtenders.gov.in, ATDC portal: www.assamtoursmonline.com and also in the office of the undersigned during office hours from 11:00 am on 09.10.2017 to 2.00 pm on 17.10.2017

The bidders must be enrolled in www.assamtenders.gov.in.
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Sd/- Managing Director,
Assam Tourism Dev. Corp. Ltd,

অসম মাধ্যমিক শিক্ষা পরিষদ

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ASSAM PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Jahawarnagar, Khanapara, Guwahati- 781022

No. 28PSC/CON/Exam-152/2015-2016

NOTIFICATION

The Assam Public Service Commission do hereby declare the result today (26th September, 2017) of the Screening Test for the Post of Junior Engineer (Civil) under Fishery Department which was conducted by the Commission on 04/06/2017. Candidates bearing the following Roll Numbers are declared to have qualified for the interview (Viva-Voce). The date of interview (Viva-Voce) will be notified separately.

Serially, in order of Roll Number only (horizontally):

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000064	000065	0000077	0000090	0000098	0000102	0000114	0000118	0000120	0000125
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000360	000369	000376	000377	000380	000381	000383	000385	000388	000389
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বন্যপ্ৰাণী সঞ্চাহ,

১ অক্টোবৰৰ পৰা ৭ অক্টোবৰলৈ ২০১৭



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নৈ, জান, জুৰি, জলাশয় আদিও বিভিন্ন প্ৰজাতিৰ বন্যপ্ৰাণীৰে সমৃদ্ধ আৰু ইয়াৰ সুৰক্ষা
আৰু সংৰক্ষণ, আমাৰ সকলোৱে উমেহতীয়া দায়িত্ব আৰু কৰ্তব্য।

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১ অক্টোবৰ, ২০১৭ হস্তী দিৱস

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On a musical mission

Singer Sona Mohapatra feels as an artiste she needs to play a role in shaping minds

Singer Sona Mohapatra says it is her responsibility as an artiste to change the mindset in a society with her music and music by Sanket Saini.

The singer, who has collaborated with composer Sanket Sane for the album *The Anakha Project*, added that she feels lucky that "the younger generation is open to the concept of equality".

"As an artist, I believe I too need to play a role in shaping minds with what I put out in the form of music, art and expression, including my open letters that excite the 'viral' world of the internet and media," Mohapatra said in a statement.

"Conversations and debates change mindsets of societies as does music and art... This is how I see myself engaging with the evolution of human kind," she added.

Mohapatra has brought forward a modern love story with a classical charm through *The Anakha Project*. Produced in association with

One Digital Entertainment, the album's tracks are penned by Akshay Sinde and music by Sanket Sane.

Talking about the idea of love, she said: "For me love is... All kinds of love between two consenting adults is valid. The chemistry between two individuals does not see caste, creed, age or even gender and while it is perfectly acceptable in our society for men to have much younger partners, the opposite raises many eyebrows."

"It is in fact quite the taboo... They are nothing but rules of an overtly patriarchal society where the woman holds the power at the end of every stick. Luckily we live in times where I find the younger generation much more open to such concepts of fairness and equality."

The Anakha Project is about the journey of two soulmates as they go through various emotions like laughter, sorrow, excitement and loss. - IANS

Know your DAY

By JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2017.

This year you will sort through many different ideas until you are sure of yourself. No matter how trivial the issue might be, you will go through this process. Your ability to look past the obvious helps you succeed. You are so good at solving little puzzles that could startle you. You also might meet someone through work. If you are attached, you and your sweetie will combine with excellence, and you love swapping news and jokes. The two of you might move to remodel your home. CAPRICORN gives you sound financial advice.

1 Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Possitive; 3-Average; 2-Slow; 1-Difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

*** Be realistic, and don't view a dream or promotion as being inevitable. Bypass confusion, and deal directly with a parent or higher-up. Use your spontaneity and creativity to brainstorm, and you'll find a very effective way to deal with someone who has clout. Tonight: Good.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

**** You could be in a position where you will want to change a partner's mind about a key issue. Try to make you likely will only create more problems in their mind. Cruise past a problem. You'll gain insight as you process a fresh response. Tonight: Accept an offer.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)

***** You might want to think more carefully about what you are doing. Exchange your interests with a loved one. Know that the person you care about the most. The unexpected continues to keep life exciting, especially in the evenings. Tonight: In the limelight.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)

**** You could be dealing with issues that need to be cleared up ASAP. You are building greater security and understanding between you and your family members. You will act in an unpredictable manner. Don't block this person's energy. Tonight: On top of your game.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

**** You might want to understand what is happening with a loved one. You are the best person to help them to grow up. Focus on your efforts, a need or whatever is on your to-do list. Your stress level will lessen once you dive into your routine. Tonight: Expect the unexpected.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

**** You know this to be true, but you'll really put this concept into practice today. As a result, others will be more responsive than you had thought possible. Try to be open. Tonight: Join friends, but pay your bills first.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

**** You will want to rethink a decision with greater care. After seeing a family member's or close associate's reaction, you'll recognize that a new solution needs to be found. A loved one might suggest an off-the-wall idea that could have some validity. Tonight: Sort through offers.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

**** Reach out to someone you really care about. You might be surprised by how enthusiastically this person greets your idea. Your instincts are right-on. Return calls and stay in touch with key people. Take a walk to clear your head. Meet friends for drinks.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

**** Your finances take high priority in the afternoon. You might have difficulty getting others to agree with you about a project that involves extra spending. Keep brainstorming, and an unexpected idea could help make this project possible. Tonight: Take a midweek break.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

**** You could be out of sorts in the morning, but you will bounce back in the afternoon. A surprise or an unexpected development piques your interest. You have a lot of questions, so start asking. You'll need more info in order to get a better grasp on the situation. Tonight: All smiles.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

**** Use the morning to further your cause or to get others to agree with you. Your perspective is likely to make sense to those around you. Slow down in the afternoon, as you might need a change of pace. You will accomplish a lot if you stay focused. Tonight: Not to be found.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

**** You might need to give a full explanation of what is going on within a certain situation. You also will need to accept responsibility for what has happened. In the afternoon, a conversation with a friend will help you to be more upbeat. Tonight: Meet your friends are.

Thought for the day

I travel not to go anywhere, but to go. I travel for travel's sake. The great affair is to move.

- ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON

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Colors	14:30: Colors Rockcoach
Ek Shringar	15:00: Ben 10 Universe
Naamkaran	15:30: Roll No. 21
Devanesha	16:00: Ben 10
Naamkaran	16:30: Ben 10 Universe
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Naamkaran	18:00: Oggy and the Cockroaches
Naamkaran	18:30: Larva
Naamkaran	19:00: Ben 10
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Naamkaran	20:30: Ustarn
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Naamkaran	21:30: Ek Shringar
Naamkaran	22:00: Tu Aashiq
Naamkaran	22:30: Ishq Mein Madhwan
Naamkaran	23:00: Dara
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Star Plus	14:00: Chota Bheem
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Star Plus	23:30: Dara
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Movies

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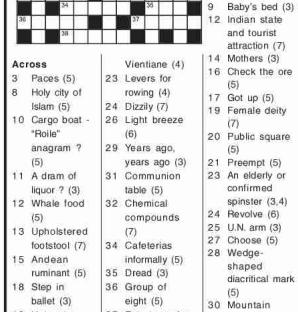
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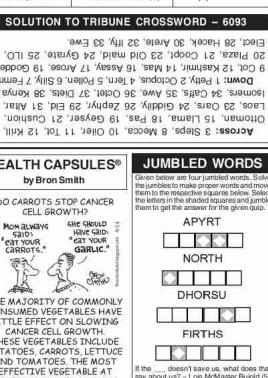
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Peng Shuai (left) of China shakes hands with Petra Kvitova after their singles first round match at the 2017 WTA Wuhan Open in Wuhan, capital of central China's Hubei Province. Peng Shuai won 2-1.

No Misbah, Younis as Pak look to new Test era

ABU DHABI, Sept 26: Pakistan will step into a new Test era without retired batting greats Younis Khan and Misbah-ul-Haq when they take on Sri Lanka in the first Test in Abu Dhabi from Thursday.

Playing without Younis and Misbah is unaccustomed territory for Pakistan, who haven't had a Test featuring neither of the talismanic, prolific pair in seven years.

It comes as they prepare to welcome the return of full international cricket to their home country next year, when Sri Lanka visit for a Twenty20 game in Lahore.

Together, Younis and Misbah have appeared in 193 Tests, accumulating 15,331 runs, 44 centuries and 15 standy stands between them, briefly lifting the team to the top of the Test rankings in August last year.

They have dominated the batting at Pakistan's venues in United Arab Emirates (UAE), where they have been forced to play home games since a deadly terrorist attack on the Sri Lankan team bus in Lahore in 2009.

The pair made Pakistan so invincible that they have not lost any of the nine series they have played in UAE, with new cap-

tain Sarfraz Ahmed admitting it will be tough to replace them. "Obviously, it's not easy to fill the void they left as they were the backbone of our batting," said Ahmed.

"Their contributions were immense but now we have to move on."

Younis is not only Pakistan's highest Test runs scorer with 10,099, but the slips fielding specialist also holds the national record of 139 catches in 118 Tests.

Misbah's calm influence as a batsman, as well as skipper, will also be tough to replace.

Fast-rising batsman Babar Azam at four and Haris Sohail, who is yet to play a Test, will attempt to fill the void, while Azhar Ali and Asad Shafiq will also be expected to play a leading role.

Squad (from) – Pakistan: Sarfraz Ahmed (capt), Asif Ali, Shan Masood, Saeed Ajmal, Azam Asad Shafiq, Haris Sohail, Usman Salihuddin, Yasir Shah, Mohammad Asghar, Bilal Asif, Mir Hamza, Mohammad Hafeez, Ali, Mohammad Abid, Waheed Riaz.

Sri Lanka: Dinesh Chandimal (capt), Lahiru Thirimanne (vice-capt), Dimuth Karunaratne, Kusal Perera, Kusal Mendis, Nirosh Fernando, Saman Roshen Silva, Niroshan Dickwella, Rangana Herath, Lakshan Sandakan, Dilwan Perera, Suranga Lakmal, Nuwan Pradeep, Vishwa Fernando, Lahiru Gunaratne. – AFP

Brazil eyeing to reclaim U-17 WC

KOLKATA, Sept 26: Brazil Under-17 football team coach Carlos Amadeu wants to reclaim the FIFA U-17 World Cup title after a hiatus of 14 years at the majestic Saltlake Stadium here on October 28.

Having visited India and the revamped Saltlake Stadium during the World Cup draw, Amadeu said he dreams of lifting the glittering silverware here.

"I've heard about the football madness in Kolkata and I've been there. It is a huge stadium with a beautiful history. Since I was there I'm dreaming about the final. I wish we could get the trophy there," Amadeu told PTI in an exclusive interview after arriving in Mumbai this morning.

The U-17 World Cup title has eluded Brazil since 2003. Having won the title thrice in the past, the South American country is just behind title holders and four-time champions Nigeria, who have failed to qualify for the upcoming edition.

Having done a solid job in the youth ranks at Vitoria, Amadeu took charge of the U-17 side in May 2015 in the lead-up to the U-17 World Cup in Chile that year, where he steered the team to the last-eight before being eliminated by eventual champions Nigeria.

"I think that if you get the statistics of the

U-17 World Cup, Africa are in front of South America and Europe. One of their countries always reach semifinals," he said.

But Amadeu feels the competition will be tough this time around.

"The European teams, USA and Mexico are really strong this year. There are too many teams fighting for the title," he said.

Talking about Indian football, Amadeu has some words of advice for the host nation and said they can benefit from a football powerhouse like Brazil by way of exchange programmes.

"Players from India have the bio-type to play football, they are fast and have a good technique. In a country of such a huge population, I'm sure India could build a beautiful history in football," he said.

"My advice is to watch closely countries like Brazil, who can bring professionals with know-how."

"Also, the Indian professionals should travel around the world and participate in exchange programmes," he added.

The 52-year-old has put in well-designed hard work into practice for last two years, the result of which was evident in their dominant performance in the U-17 South American Championship in March.

Latest Brazilian teenage sensation Viní-

cius Junior was the leading goal scorer (7) and the player of the tournament as they won seven of their matches and drew the other two en route to the title.

Brazil kept a clean slate in seven of their nine matches and pumped in more goals than any other side (24), while conceding fewer (three).

With its club Flamengo playing the final of the Copa do Brasil on September 27, Vinícius Jr will join the team later this month.

"It's the result of hard work, two years of preparation and a well-designed philosophy," Amadeu said.

"This has been our goal since we started to work for the national team. I hope we can continue playing this type of football and being competitive as well, though it's not easy as other teams are studying us," he said.

Brazil will spend a week in Mumbai before landing in Kochi where they open their campaign against Spain in a month-winning group D contest on October 7.

Brazil also face Niger and Korea in group D and will play one group league against Niger in Goa.

"I've been in Goa for the BRICS Cup in 2016 and I went to Kochi after the World Cup draw," he signed off. – PTI

Indian football set to get nat'l centre of excellence

NEW DELHI, Sept 26: Indian football will soon have a world-class national centre of excellence, All India Football Federation (AIFF) president Praful Patel announced here today.

Patel was speaking at a press conference ahead of the FIFA U-17 World Cup, which will kick off on October 6.

"We have not shortlisted the location but it is in advanced stage. We are setting up a national training centre of excellence which will be the home of the Indian national team, junior and women's team," said Patel.

He said there is a possibility of FIFA lending its support for the project.

"We should have a permanent facility for everything – from physical training to swimming room to classrooms to mental conditioning. We are in talks and I don't want to go beyond that at this point.

"It may cost us upwards of 100 crore (INR). Hopefully, we will get FIFA supporting us in this initiative as much as we will reach out to private sponsors. It would have at least a couple of fields so that there is enough space. We want to host it in a place where there is more competitive sport available because you can't be putting it in the backwaters. You won't get teams to play competitive games," he stated.

"A lot of talks are at an advanced stage and it is not yet finalised. As soon as the World Cup is over, we will announce the location. We hope to commence the work as early as 2018 so that it is ready in a year and a half," he added. – PTI

No entry fee for U-17 practice games

MUMBAI, Sept 26: The

gates will be open for the two practice matches involving the Under-17 national teams of Brazil, England and New Zealand at the Mumbai Football Arena in Andheri.

Dinesh Nair, Trustee, Mumbai Football Arena said, "We will not be charging any entry fee to the football enthusiasts from the city as we want to give them an opportunity to watch the future stars live in action."

"This will also help in the build-up to the mega event and we, at the Mumbai Football Arena, are proud to play host to these practice games. The Brazilian and England teams are some of the strong contenders and football fans can come and enjoy watching the games free of cost," Nair added. – PTI

Hardik has turned his career around: Dravid



Rahul Dravid

has been coaching India's U-19 and A teams for over two years now.

Dravid feels Pandya is a perfect example of how to bat differently in different conditions.

"You have to learn to bat differently in different conditions, and if you can do that like Hardik is showing at the moment, those would be signs of a developing cricketer, someone who can make consistent contributions and not someone who is a one-off, who can produce brilliance once in a while."

"The aspiration and challenges set for a lot of India A players is to be all-weather players, all-situation players."

Rishabh Pant is another big hitter who made his international debut earlier this year against England after graduating from the Under-19s in 2016.

But his aggression has cut short a few of his promising innings and Dravid, who has worked with Pant for over two years now, stressed on the importance of providing the players with a learning environment.

"It's recognition of the fact that someone like Rishabh will always be an attacking player. You don't want to take away his attacking instincts, but you want to inculcate a certain sense of smartness to be able to read situations and recognise situations where the time is hot for you to make it what you want to see."

"This concept of 'play your natural game', which I hear all the time, frustrates me because there's no such thing in my belief as 'natural game.' It's only about how you play different situations," Dravid, who

mentum by scoring 78.

"If he bats at four, he bats in a particular way. If he bats at six, he bats in a particular way. Tomorrow, he may bat at 80 for 4, like he did in the first ODI with Dhoni. That shows maturity and that's what you want to see."

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ICC's new playing rules to come into effect on Thursday

DUBAI, Sept 26: Players being sent off for misconduct is all set to become a reality in cricket with the ICC's revamped playing rules, which will be effective in all series starting September 28 or later.

The significant changes also include a restriction on the dimensions of the bat, and changes to the Decision Review System. However, the ongoing India-Australia limited-overs series will continue to play as per the old rules.

All of these rules will come into effect from the two upcoming Test series - when South Africa host Bangladesh and Pakistan take on Sri Lanka in the United Arab Emirates.

The ICC playing conditions will now incorporate the relevant clauses from the MCC Laws of Cricket (2017 Code), meaning that all the playing regulations will be captured in one document for each format.

"Most of the changes to the ICC playing conditions are being made as a result of changes to the Laws of Cricket that have been announced by the MCC. We have just completed a workshop with the umpires to ensure they understand all of the changes and we are now ready to introduce the new playing conditions to international matches," ICC General Manager (Cricket) Geoff Allardice said.

To maintain the balance between bat and ball, the size of the edges of the bats as well as their thickness will now be restricted.

"The restriction on the length and width of

bats remain unchanged but the thickness of the edges can't be more than 40mm and the overall depth can be 67 mm at the most. Umpires will be

issued with a new bat gauge, which they can use to check a bat's legality," the ICC stated.

In a new playing condition pertaining to players'

conduct, a player can now be sent off the field for the rest of the match for any serious misconduct. "Meaning it will apply to Level 4 offences while

the Level 1 to 3 offences will continue to be dealt with under the ICC Code of Conduct," it said.

"Threatening to assault an umpire, making inappropriate and deliberate physical contact with an umpire, physically assaulting a player or any other person and committing any other act of violence all constitute Level 4 offences," it added.

Also, in the new DRS rules a review will now not be lost in case of a decision that remains unchanged, solely as the result of an 'umpire's call.'

"As for DRS in Test matches, there will be no more top-up reviews after 80 overs of an innings, meaning that there can only be two unsuccessful reviews in each innings, while the DRS will now also be allowed to be used in T20Is."

"An important change with respect to runouts is that if a batsman is running or diving towards the crease with forward momentum, and has grounded his/her bat behind the popping crease but subsequently lost contact with the ground at the time of the wickets being put down, the batsman will not be run out."

The same interpretation will also apply for a batsman trying to regain his/her ground to avoid being stumped.

For boundary catches, airborne fielders making their first contact with the ball will need to have taken off from within the boundary, otherwise a boundary will be scored.

Besides, a batsman can now be out caught, stumped or run out even if the ball bounces off the helmet worn by a fielder or wicket-keeper. -PTI



A file photo of the Indian team as the players look eagerly at the screen for a DRS decision during a Test match.

Mithali Raj's story to be told through biopic

MUMBAI, Sept 26: The life story of Mithali Raj, captain of the Indian women's cricket team, will now be told through a Bollywood biopic. Viacom18 Motion Pictures announced on Tuesday that she is the first player to score 7 consecutive 50s in ODIs, apart from be-



Mithali

ing the first Indian to have led the national team to an ICC ODI World Cup final twice - 2005 and 2017. An Arjuna awardee, Mithali was also honoured with the Padma Shri in 2015, India's fourth highest civilian award for her contribution to cricket.

The rights for the biopic of the cricket star have been acquired by the studio which has backed content-driven films like 'Queen', Manji: 'The Mountain Man', 'Drishtyan', 'Mary Kom', 'Bhaag Milkha Bhaag' and 'Toilet: Ek Prem Katha' in the past.

"I am extremely happy on this association with Viacom18 Motion Pictures. Hoping that this movie inspires more people especially young girls to take up sports as a career," Mithali said in a statement.

Mithali Raj is the highest run-

scoerer in women's international cricket and the only woman cricketer to surpass the 6,000 run mark in ODIs. She is also the first player to score 7 consecutive 50s in ODIs, apart from be-

ing the first Indian to have led

Mithali Raj has been inspired by Varun Chopra - Director, Medallion Sports.

Chopra said: "Mithali remains to be an inspiration for multitudes for many years now and her story on the silver screen will keep motivating generations." - IANS

Bolivia squad named for World Cup qualifiers

LA PAZ, Sept 26: Bolivia has announced its 26-man football squad for the final 2018 FIFA World Cup qualifiers against Brazil and Uruguay next month.

As expected, coach Mauricio Soria on Monday included veteran winger Juan Carlos Arevalo and former Macabu Tel Aviv central defender Ronald Radles.

Bolivia are out of contention for a berth in next year's World Cup, with just 13 points from 16 qualifiers in the South American zone. Soria's team will host group leaders Brazil in La Paz on October 5 before an away clash against Uruguay in Montevideo five days later.

Bolivia squad - Goalkeepers:

Carlos Lampe (Huachipato), Ruben Cordon (Blooming), Ronald Quiñonez (Oriente Petrolero).

Defenders: Diego Bejarano (The Strongest), Marvin

Bejano (The Strongest), Jose Sagredo (Blooming), Mario Cuellar (Sport Boys), Ronald Raldes (Bolivar), Edward Zenito (Wilstermann), Gabriel Valverde (The Strongest), Jordy Cano (Sport Boys) and Luis Haquin (Oriente Petrolero).

Midfielders: Pedro Azogui (Bolivar), Diego Wayar (The Strongest), Christian Machado (Wilstermann), Leone Justiniano (Bolivar), Moises Villarroel (Oriente Petrolero), Raul Castro (The Strongest), Jhasmani Campos (Bangkok Glass-Tallan) and Alejando Chumacero (The Strongest). **Forwards:**

Juan Carlos Arce (Bolivar), Bruno Miranda (DC United), Marcelo Martins (Wulian Zall), Gilbert Alvarez (Wilstermann), Juan Eduardo Fierro (Bolivar) and Rodrigo Vargas Castillo (Petrolero). - IANS

We're not afraid of facing tough opponents: India U-17 captain

MARGAO, Sept 26: India's captain for the FIFA U-17 World Cup Amarjit Singh has said that his players have worked extremely hard in the last couple of years and are not afraid of facing tough opponents in the upcoming mega event, starting October 6.

"Under the new Portuguese coach Luís Norton de Matos we have learnt a lot of new things. The foreign tour has also helped us to mentally tough against tough opponents. And now we are not afraid to play against the tough opponents," said Amarjit.

India have been placed in Group A in the FIFA U-17 World Cup alongside USA, Colombia and Ghana.

The hosts will face USA on October 6, followed by Colombia and Ghana on October 9 and October 12 respectively at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in New Delhi.

"Our plan is to put the best foot forward for the upcoming tournament and play good matches. We have worked really hard and are capable of playing well. We can build good image of our team in



Amarjit Singh

the next few weeks during the tournament," said the skipper.

The Indian team will leave for New Delhi tomorrow afternoon. - PTI

Jorhat bag JK Barooah Trophy

SPORTS REPORTER

GUWAHATI, Sept 26: Jorhat emerged champions in the JK Barooah Trophy U-19

Inter District Cricket Tournament, organised by the Barpeta District Sports Association.

In the final played at the Barpeta DSA Stadium, Barpeta today, Jorhat got the better of Silchar by 71 runs.



The jubilant Jorhat players pose for photograph with ACA secretary Pradip Buragohain and other officials after receiving the JK Barooah Trophy at Barpeta, on Tuesday.

FC Goa signs MoU with three North East clubs

PANAJI, Sept 26: FC Goa has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with three clubs from the north-east region in Shillong.

FC Goa will have a partnership with Mawkhlar Sports Club, Mawhlu Sports Club and Royal Wahingdoh Sports Club, wherein the Goan club will offer technical expertise to the teams from the north-east and in return will have the option to sign players from these clubs for a fixed fee.

The MoU was signed after a brief presentation by each of the three north-eastern clubs. Goa was represented by Jay Sharma, Head of Player Recruitment and Analysis.

The Royal Wahingdoh Sports Club was established in 1964 and is best known for its

superb run of form in the 2014-2015 I-league season.

They had put up an impressive show in their first season in the top division, finishing third behind Mohun Bagan and Bengaluru FC, and in the process finished above traditional big guns - East Bengal, Sporting Club de Goa, Salgaocar SC and Dempo SC.

The north-east region has produced top talents over the years and FC Goa will look to further help them develop the sport in the region through this venture. Additionally, the club will look to give youngsters an opportunity to play the sport at the highest level.

Akash Tandon, President of FC Goa, is happy with his team's tie up with the north-east clubs. - PTI

and encroachments during construction of the road.

Dr Angumuthu directed that some electric poles which are obstructing the movement along the road to the stadium are to be replaced by October 3.

With a view to ensure electrical safety, audit of all the roads from National Highway 37 to the stadium and any other road approaching the stadium is to be undertaken.

Parking lots will be designated by the ACA and City police and submitted to the district administration and requisition of parking places will be done by the district administration.

GMC has been asked to ensure that all street lights in the area near the stadium are in proper shape. Besides, temporary illumination of the areas all around the stadium will be done.

The meeting also emphasized on proper disposal of garbage and cleaning of all approach roads to the stadium well in advance of the date of the match.

A total of 500 additional labourers will be deployed from October 1 for cleaning the roads.

GMC also tasked with the desilting and cleaning of the stretch of the Mora Bharalu river near the stadium and to prepare a garbage disposal management plan.

Street vendors are to be removed temporarily from October 1 and till the match day from the areas located near the stadium.

The meeting also decided that the District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), ACA, Fire and Emergency Services and NDRF will formulate a disaster management plan, medical plan and security plan.

The Joint Director of Health Services has been tasked to keep 300 beds as reserve in the GMCH and the MMCH and nearby hospitals for any kind of emergency. Sufficient quantity of blood, medicines and 108 ambulances are to be kept ready, today's meeting decided.

Approach roads to ACA Stadium to be completed by October 1

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, Sept 26: A meeting was held at the Guwahati Circuit House today under the chairmanship of Kamrup (Metropol) Deputy Commissioner Dr M Angumuthu to take stock of preparations for the forthcoming India-Australia T20 cricket match in the city.

The meeting decided that all approach roads to the Assam Cricket Association (ACA) Stadium, Barsapara, where the match to be played on October 10, will be completely restored and refurbished with proper road signals by October 1.

Proper barricading from the Bhupen Hazarika Peth to Mora Bharalu near the stadium will be done and orders have been issued to PWD (Roads) to take necessary measures in this regard.

The work on the main road to the stadium is to be completed by October 1.

It also decided that a joint inspection will be carried out by the district administration, GMC and Police with regard to clear-

priorities. I have followed this group of girls for a while now and they have a strong base, they are focused and understand each other's strengths and weaknesses after having

played together for three four years," he said.

"I would like to see them go into every tournament as tough contenders for a medal," added the Dronacharya awardee, coach who guided India to the Junior World Cup last year.

The Asia Cup will be the Indian eves first big tournament under Harendra, and High Performance Director David John has high hopes from the team.

Women Campers - Goalkeepers: Savita, Rajani Elampappa, Swapna. Defenders: Deepa Grace Eka, P. Sushila Chetia, Sunila Lakra, Gurj Kaur, Rekha Kaur, Neeta, Neetu, Neetu, Rekha Kaur, Rasminni Mirza, Nisha, Disha. Midfielders: Namita, Toppu, Nikita Pradhan, Deepika, Karishma Yadav, Rekha Yadav, Navjot Kaur, Monika Lingham, Meena, Neha Goyal, Uddita, M. Lify Mehta, Deepika, Farah, Farah, Vandana Katreya, Preeti Dulay, Reena Khokhar, Anupriya Berti, Sonika, Laireshami, Poonam Rani, Navneet Kaur, Navpreet Kaur. - PTI

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3	2	7	9
5	8	3	2

Solution of last problem

Originating from Japan, 'su do ku' is a mind game and a puzzle that can be solved with proper reasoning and logic. It is a grid problem that is solved in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3x3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9 without repeating any.



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