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# Chhota Rajan gets 7-year-jail in fake passport case



NEW DELHI, April 25: Gangster Chhota Rajan was today given a seven-year jail term by a special court here for cheating the government by obtaining a forged Indian passport, even as he claimed he had been helping the State to fight terrorism since he broke away from mobster Dawood Ibrahim.

Beside Rajan, the court also awarded seven-year jail term to other three convicts, who are retired public servants — Jayashree Dattatray Rahate, Deepak Natvarlal Shah and Lalita Lakshmanan.

Special Judge Virender Ku-

mar Goyal announced the verdict after hearing arguments on the quantum of sentence, during which Rajan claimed he was given the passport by someone on behalf of the State as he was fighting terrorism and helping the State. The CBI opposed his plea for leniency, stating that Rajan should be given the maximum sentence to set a deterrent for others.

"Rajan was moved by the Mumbai blasts and since then I started working to help the intelligence agencies of this country after my split from Dawood in 1993," the counsel representing the gangster claimed

and added that Rajan had committed a forged document, forgery for the purpose of cheating, forgery of valuable security or will, cheating by impersonation and criminal conspiracy under the IPC and violating relevant provisions of the Passport Act.

All the four were convicted of the same offences for which the punishment ranges from seven years to life term.

While Rajan is lodged in Tihar Jail here, the other three persons, who were out on bail, were taken into custody yesterday after the verdict was announced. Rajan is involved in over 85 cases, ranging from murder to extortion, smug-

g and drug trafficking. The court had yesterday held all four guilty in the case.

35-year-old Rajan alias Rajendra Sadashiv Nitale, who is currently in judicial custody and lodged in Tihar Jail here, appeared before the court through video-conference due to security reasons.

After being on the run for 27 years, Rajan, once a close aide of fugitive terrorist Dawood Ibrahim, was deported to India to face trial in over 70 cases of murder, extortion and drug smuggling. He was deported from Bali in October 2015. — PTI

## Gaikwad row

### AI plans to offer premium economy class

NEW DELHI, April 25: Air India plans to introduce premium economy class seats on some of its flights in the aftermath of Shiv Sena MP Ravinder Gaikwad assaulting its staffer because he had to travel economy despite being entitled to a business class seat.

Gaikwad had insisted on travelling business class on an all-economy flight, and later hit an airline staffer "25 times" with his slippers, triggering a row between him and Air India.

The MP was upset as he had to travel economy from Pune to Delhi to attend the Budget session of Parliament last month even though he had a business class ticket.

The proposal apparently aims to accommodate MPs who are entitled to travel business class but fly on planes where the airline operates only all-economy flights.

The national carrier is mulling reconfiguring as many as eight of its aircraft operating on various domestic routes in order to introduce very limited number of premium economy seats. Generally premium economy seats are positioned between economy and business class seats, with a different fare and services structure. — PTI

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124	BT/BS/B.Sc (MLT)/BASLP	1st May, 2017 Monday	27th May, 2017 Saturday	198	M.Sc Nursing (CVN)	1st May, 2017 Monday	20th May, 2017 Saturday
145	IMSc (Natural Product Management)	1st May, 2017 Monday	27th May, 2017 Saturday	189	B.Ed (Special Education)	1st May, 2017 Monday	20th May, 2017 Saturday
161	M.Phil (English)	1st May, 2017 Monday	27th May, 2017 Saturday	130	B.Tech (Bio-Tech)	1st May, 2017 Monday	21th May, 2017 Sunday
170	MTech (Robotics)	1st May, 2017 Monday	27th May, 2017 Saturday	172	Bachelor of Hotel Management	1st May, 2017 Monday	21th May, 2017 Sunday
188	MP.Sy (Psychiatric Social Work)	1st May, 2017 Monday	27th May, 2017 Saturday	198	MOMS (Ayurveda)	No CET	Admission on the basis of National PG Entrance Test, 2017 conducted by AYUSH
102	MCMA/MCA/SE	1st May, 2017 Monday	20th May, 2017 Saturday	103	MAMSc	1st May, 2017 Monday	20th May, 2017 Saturday
139	MTech (Civil Engineering)	1st May, 2017 Monday	20th May, 2017 Saturday	117	B.Sc(Yoga)	1st May, 2017 Monday	21th May, 2017 Sunday
146	MTech (Ed Engineering)	1st May, 2017 Monday	13th, May, 2017 Saturday	154	BAMS	1st May, 2017 Monday	21th May, 2017 Sunday
148	M.Tech Nano Technology (Micro & Nano Technology)	1st May, 2017 Monday	13th, May, 2017 Saturday	182	DM (Cardiology)	1st May, 2017 Monday	21th May, 2017 Sunday
150	M.Tech (Engineering Physics)	1st May, 2017 Monday	13th, May, 2017 Saturday	132	DM (Neurology)	1st May, 2017 Monday	21th May, 2017 Sunday
200	Bachelor of Vocational Programmes	26th June, 2017 Monday	8th, July 2017 Saturday	134	M.Ch(Neuro Surgery)	1st May, 2017 Monday	21th May, 2017 Sunday
111	BCA	1st May, 2017 Monday	14th, May, 2017 Sunday	135	DM (Neurology)	1st May, 2017 Monday	21th May, 2017 Sunday
140	M.Tech(GECS/SP /VLSI Design /Regular and Weekend)	1st May, 2017 Monday	14th, May, 2017 Sunday	136	DM (Neurology & Critical Care Medicine)	1st May, 2017 Monday	21th May, 2017 Sunday
152	M.Tech(Civil Engineering)	1st May, 2017 Monday	14th, May, 2017 Sunday	181	M.Ch(Paediatrics)	1st May, 2017 Monday	21th May, 2017 Sunday
122	B.Ed	1st May, 2017 Monday	16th, May, 2017 Sunday	144	M.Ch(Urology)	1st May, 2017 Monday	21th May, 2017 Sunday
133	MTech (ISE/ CSF- Regular and CSE- Weekend)	1st May, 2017 Monday	14th, May, 2017 Sunday	145	M.Tech	16th May, 2017 Tuesday	No CET but kindly see the Chapter 3rd of the Part A of the Admission Brochure 2017-18 uploaded on the University Website.
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180	M.Tech(GECS/SP /VLSI Design /Regular and Weekend)	1st May, 2017 Monday	14th, May, 2017 Sunday	146	M.Ch(Paediatrics)	16th May, 2017 Tuesday	No CET but kindly see the Chapter 3rd of the Part A of the Admission Brochure 2017-18 uploaded on the University Website.
124	M.Tech(Civil Engineering)	1st May, 2017 Monday	14th, May, 2017 Sunday	147	M.Ch(Urology)	16th May, 2017 Tuesday	No CET but kindly see the Chapter 3rd of the Part A of the Admission Brochure 2017-18 uploaded on the University Website.
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133	MTech (ISE/ CSF- Regular and CSE- Weekend)	1st May, 2017 Monday	14th, May, 2017 Sunday	164	PG Diploma in Women's Empowerment	16th May, 2017 Tuesday	No CET but kindly see the Chapter 3rd of the Part A of the Admission Brochure 2017-18 uploaded on the University Website.

Note—Admission Brochure along with online Application Form for these programmes and other relevant information in this regard are available on the University website [www.ipu.ac.in](http://www.ipu.ac.in)

Registrar

**Delhi govt ads shouldn't promote interests of ruling party'**

NEW DELHI, April 25: Advertisements issued by the Delhi government should not promote "political interests" of the ruling party, a new State directive has said, days after Lt Governor Anil Baijal ordered recovery of Rs 97 crore spent on publicity from the AAP.

A circular, issued on April 13 by the Directorate of Information and Publicity of the Delhi government, has directed all department heads to ensure that advertisements are presented in an "objective and fair" manner.

"Advertisements should be presented in an objective and fair manner and be designed to meet the objectives of the campaign. Besides, advertisements should be objective and not directed at promoting political interests of the ruling party," Sandeep Mishra, Special Director (I&P), said in the circular.

It has also asked the department heads to give up cost of an advertisement campaign while seeking the final approval of the design or script from the competent authority.

The circular stated that in case of large volume of advertisement campaigns, the assessment of such campaigns will be "necessary" at a later stage.

Last month, Baijal had ordered the recovery of Rs 97 crore from the AAP which was allegedly "splurged" by the city government on advertisements in violation of the Supreme Court's guidelines. The LG had also ordered an inquiry into the spending of advertisements promoting Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal and his party and asked the Chief Secretary to fix responsibility. — PTI

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**No plans to deploy Army in anti-Naxal ops: MHA official**

NEW DELHI, April 25: The government has no plans to deploy the Army to tackle the Naxals, notwithstanding reverses by paramilitary and police forces, a Home Ministry official said today.

"It is an internal security issue. There is no question of deploying the Army in the anti-Naxal operations," the official said.

Since the Naxal violence is considered as a law-and-order problem, paramilitary and police forces will continue to deal with the Maoists, even though there have been casualties of the part of the security forces, the official said.

The comments of the senior Home Ministry official came in the wake of speculation in sections of the media

that the government was considering the option of deploying the Army.

However, the Indian Air Force provides logistical support to the anti-Naxal forces by offering clopper sorties for the evacuation of injured, sick, air dropping of food, medicine and other essentials.

As many as 25 CRPF personnel were yesterday killed in an attack by the Naxals in Chhattisgarh's Sula district.

On March 11, 12 paramilitary personnel were killed by the Naxals in the same district of Chhattisgarh.

On April 6, 2010, altogether 75 CRPF personnel and a constable of the state police were massacred by the Naxals in Dantewada of Chhattisgarh. — PTI

fundamental in meeting aspirations of the talented Youth of the region," the spokesman said.

Dia Mirza interacted with the participants on 'Women Empowerment' issues while Mohammad Azharuddin was on 'Youth Empowerment'.

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## Significance of Rongali Bihu explained

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, April 25: The glory and grandeur, and the universal appeal of the Rongali or Bohag Bihu was explained with historical and literary references by senior journalist DN Chakravarty at a few Bihu celebrations at Panjbari, Kalapahar, and the Games Village.

The celebrations at Panjbari took place on April 22, while the golden jubilee of Kalapahar Rongali Bihu celebrations concluded on Sunday.

Over 300 families of the Games Village celebrated the Bohag Bihu for the ninth year with a three-day programme, which concluded on Sunday.

Sankar Kakati Bora, president of the Games Village Bihu Committee, in his speech, dwelt on the close relationship of the Bihu with the agricultural community of the past and the entire Assamese community of the present.

Dr Anjanjuli Choudhury, Dr Harendranath Sarma, music director Ramen Choudhury, and former minister Gautam Bora also addressed the function.

Madhurima Choudhury and Rupam Bhuyan presented a musical programme.

## Steps to control noise pollution in city

PRANJAL BIHUYAN

GUWAHATI, April 25: With a view to controlling and curbing noise pollution in the city, the Kamrup Metro district administration has decided to undertake a series of steps including notification of 'silence zones' near educational institutions, courts and some other places, as well as regulating high-decibel horns.

"The district administration will notify silence zones in and around not less than 100 metre radius of all educational institutions, both government and private hospitals, all court areas and all religious places, important installations and all important offices," Dr M



Angamuthu, Deputy Commissioner of Kamrup Metro, told *The Assam Tribune* today.

The DC informed that the concept of silence zones had existed earlier also, but there was laxity in implementation of rules. "Henceforth, the

rule will be implemented strictly," he said.

Dr Angamuthu said that the Commissioner of Guwahati Municipal Corporation (GMC) has been requested to impose restrictions while issuing NOCs for construction

## Workshop on countrywide survey on higher education

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, April 25: In a major

initiative towards achieving the target of harnessing the huge potential of the bamboo industry in Assam, the Sarbananda Sonowal-led State Government will be organising the first ever Green Gold Bamboo Summit in Guwahati on April 28 and 29.

The Summit, to be held under the aegis of the Assam Industrial Development Corporation, will see participation of international and national level industry leaders, policy makers and stakeholders, in addition to local entrepreneurs and artisans.

Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal and Industry Minister Chandra Mohan Patowary will delineate the State Government's plans vis-a-vis the bamboo industry during the Summit.

The Northeast India in general and Assam in particular has immense untapped potential in the bamboo sector. Bamboo is known to be that is intricately linked to our social and cultural practices, but its global business potential is immense in the current context and we need to tap it. This Summit, with the participation of leaders from the bamboo technology sector, will be our

experts explained the details of the data entry process into the web portal and their operational difficulties were also discussed. The workshop forwarded a set of recommendations to the higher education department and the HRD Ministry, which include making the data entry more user-friendly and elaborate.

The participants also ex-

plained that if entries are done properly by all the insti-

tutions of the country, the sur-

vey will show the correct pic-

ture of allocation of educational re-

sources for various pro-

grammes of higher education.

The speaker of the work-

shop was Dr S Nissi Paul of

the Assam Don Bosco Univer-

sity. The participants were

from various colleges and

institutions affiliated to

the Assam Science and Tech-

nology University.

The theme of the workshop

was 'Maintenance of institu-

tional data through AISHE.'

The Registrar (i/c) of the Uni-

versity, Dr Niranjan Das, wel-

comed the participants and ex-

plained the importance of the

all-India survey conducted by

the Union HRD Ministry. He

explained that the goal of the

survey is to upload the basic

infrastructure data, including

details of institution, faculty,

staff, programmes, enrolment,

examination results, financial

status, scholarship, loans and

accreditation, etc. This data, if

uploaded to the official portal,

will help in planning and execu-

tion of future academic pro-

grammes and allotment of re-

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## Upcoming summit likely to give bamboo sector a fillip

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government's first step towards realis-

ing this potential. This will also be an

important aspect of the Make in Assam

thrust of our government," an offi-

cial statement quoted the Chief Min-

ister as saying.

Industry Minister Patowary said the

Summit will bring on one platform top

technologists and industry leaders from

the sector. "The idea is to create link-

ages between them and our own bam-

boo cultivators and local industrialists

so that we can leverage that to bring

innovative bamboo product industries

to Assam in the near future," he says.

Non-governmental organisation Care Luit, in association with

GreenGoldBamboo, is the event

executives of the summit, which

will be a platform that will bring togeth-

er relevant stakeholders to deliberate

and discuss new ideas, new opportuni-

ties, new collaborations to enable Assam's bamboo industry take the big leap.

"As an organisation, our objective is

to reach out to all sections of society

for betterment of lives. Bamboo is a

very important sector of our State, and

we hope initiatives like this will help

drive socio-economic development,"

says Kishor Jayanta Madhab, man-

aging trustee of Care Luit.

## World Malaria Day observed

A CORRESPONDENT

B Das was the guest of honour.

Beginning with a short intro-

duction on the organisation

and observance of World Ma-

laria Day as a whole, Sri Gang-

mei gave an insight into the

programme. About 200 stu-

dents of the school participat-

ed in the event.

In accordance with the National Framework for Malaria Elimination (NFME), Caritas India is committed to eliminating malaria by 2030. Their operations include distributing long lasting insecticidal nets (LLIN) in rural areas and holding health camps. A drama troupe Kristipather under the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting Song and Drama Division, staged a play to drive home the message of awareness and prevention of malaria.

The DC said that the

Guwahati Metropolitan

Development Authority

(GMDC) and GMC will take

steps to include industrial,

residential as well as

commercial areas with

regard to steps for checking

noise pollution while

preparing the master plan of

the greater Guwahati area.

The events of the day unfolded

with the welcome address by the

school Vice Principal, af-

ter which the dignitaries were

welcomed by the Regional

Project Manager of Caritas In-

dia Regional Office Stephen

Gangmei, Dr PJ Gogoi from

the State health and family

welfare department was the

chief guest, while the SPO Dr

of the mind in terms of its use, relevance

and influence," says Rakshit Das,

founder of GreenGoldBamboo.com,

India's first bamboo promotion digital

media platform.

"Bamboo is one of the fastest growing renewable natural resource and the super material of the 21st century, given its diverse use. Leveraging this can spur gainful employment and income generation. It has huge potential in transforming job seekers into job creators," he says.

Bamboo has immense economic

potential. Bamboo flooring is a hot

trend. It is uniquely attractive, strong,

resistant, moisture and stain resis-

tant and environmentally friendly. Bamboo is also increasingly used for making

panels and cabinets, decorative hand-

craft and furniture. Bamboo charcoal

has found extensive use in personal and

healthcare products. Many nutritious

and active minerals can be extracted

from bamboo – these have antioxida-

tion, anti-ageing, anti-bacterial and anti-

viral functions.

Use of bamboo as a source of energy

offers another huge opportunity. Bam-

boo shoots have nutritional properties.

It has huge prospects for utilisation as

a health food, the statement added.

India has the second largest reserves

of bamboo in the world, and much of

this is in Northeastern India. Leveraging

this can spur gainful employment and income generation in Assam and the rest of the region where bamboo is an intrinsic part of the local culture.

"The Summit is designed to witness

the Assam government leadership articula-

te in policy intent while industry

representatives get to share their expe-

rience and gain from the emerging con-

versation. It will bring live innovative and

interactive formats to make bamboo top

of the game," he said.

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city, but the drainage problems here have now crossed their limits. The State Government, with a budget of Rs 750 crore, has tried to revamp the drainage system to some extent, but still, there is a lot more to be done.

The condition of Anil Na-

gar and Nabin Nagar is always in the news whenever a heavy rain occurs. Plastic and solid waste are just thrown into the drains instead of dumping them at proper places, which the traffic police, the problem persists. The problem is mainly caused by city buses, taxis and autorickshaws which ply in the area flowing all traffic rules. The authority concerned should relocate the bus stop to ease the problem.

— Pinu Choudhury,  
Gauhati University

### Traffic chaos

I would like to request the Minister and the officials of the government department con-

cerned to visit our locality at Lachit Nagar and see the horrific condition of roads, which has made our life miserable. Recently, construction work of drains, which should have been carried out in the winter, was started and it is certain that we will have to suffer a lot in this rainy season. The progress of the said construction work is remarkably slow and it seems it would take years to get completed.

Now, on behalf of the residents of Lachit Nagar, I request the Minister and the department officials concerned to expedite the work and finish it immediately so that we can live a normal life.

— Sabysachi Deb,  
Lachit Nagar, Guwahati

### Traffic chaos

Traffic chaos near Nepali Mandir of Paltan Bazar has

## MESSAGE FOR TODAY

*People who take time to be alone usually have depth, originality, and quiet reserve.*

— JOHN MILLER

**The Assam Tribune****On the boil**

For months now violent protests, initially triggered by the killing of Hizbul commander Burhan Wani but later fuelled by other issues, continue to paralyse normal life in Kashmir. Too many lives have already been lost as the Mehbooba Mufti-led People's Democratic Front-Bharatiya Janata Party alliance in power tried to forcefully tackle the demonstrators. But, rather than douse the flames, the strong measures have served to stoke them, as testified to by the violence and killings unleashed during the attempt to hold by-elections in the very seat Mehbooba had vacated! In the latest incidents two people, a National Conference adherent and a PDP leader, have been shot dead. The Centre, the State Government as well as the security forces appear to be at their wit's end as to how to end the protests, the mindless attack on innocent Kashmiris in certain parts of the country not serving to quell heated passions. Though there is realization that on no account must anti-Indian protesters be allowed to get the upper hand, yet tackling them with restraint has not been easy, especially since young girl students have taken to stone-throwing after colleges were reopened, an indication of the lengths the agitators would go. In such a situation Mehbooba Mufti has suggested to the Centre that it should take a leaf out of Atal Behari Vajpayee's book and initiate dialogue with all stakeholders, including the separatists.

However, it must be borne in mind that when an all-party delegation comprising Members of Parliament had gone to Srinagar last year in an attempt to engage in dialogue with all stakeholders, separatist organizations like the Hurriyat refused to talk with it. Yet it is difficult to judge what alternative to dialogue there can be, for if protests break out at every perceived provocation, there would never be a cessation of violence and the disaffection which accompanies it. Mehbooba, in asking the Prime Minister to take up from where Vajpayee had left off, reminded him that the latter had succeeded in breaking the ice with the Hurriyat and engaged in discussion with its leaders. But, with Kashmir currently on the boil, it is doubtful the separatists would engage in talks with the Centre. Perhaps the wiser course would be to initiate steps which might serve to cool passions, such as taking less harsh steps in controlling protesters, though it needs to be left to the security forces as to how this can best be achieved. One aspect in favour of the Government is that the prolonged disruption to normal life has economically hurt ordinary Kashmiris, and not all residents of the Valley continued protests. Hopefully through a publicity campaign, saner voices might be prompted to shed their role as the silent majority and show to the young generation the insanity of continued disruptions.

**Skill development**

Even as we bemoan the State's worsening unemployment scenario, we do not seem to be much perturbed over the unpalatable fact that a vast segment of our youths lacks employability. This becomes more pronounced when it comes to the use of vocational skills – something testified to by the traditional dominance of 'outsiders' in these spheres. The unwillingness on the part of our youths to develop vocational skills as also the failure of the State Government to promote vocational education in the desired manner are largely responsible for the scenario. As few locals are engaged in different vocational and high- and semi-skilled engagements, it is only natural that in the absence of a skilled local workforce, people from outside should be filling up the huge void. This lack of employability of our youths is retarding the State's human resource development, and needs to be viewed as an area of serious concern by the Government. We certainly need urgent interventions in the form of a long-term mechanism involving vocational training and skill upgrade so that a pool of skilled manpower is developed. Unfortunately, the ITIs and the polytechnics that are responsible for imparting such skilled training have not quite been able to deliver due to infrastructural constraints and lack of support from the Government. The growing demand for skilled workforce warrants every development block of the State to have a training centre for skill upgrade in vocational education besides entrepreneurship development. These training centres should be run professionally and should also tie-ups with trade and commerce bodies besides engaging professional service providers.

With the Centre stressing a lot on skill development, the State Government should actively engage with the Centre for implementing a holistic skill development policy. The demand for vocational and technical jobs is growing by the day, and with training and exposure for our youths, the burgeoning unemployment problem can be tackled to a great extent. The reach of both vocational and technical education in the State has remained rather restricted, with only a few such institutes catering to the needs of the students. Along with more polytechnics and engineering colleges, another imperative need is to increase the number of seats in the existing technical institutes. Apart from having an adverse impact on the growth of technical education in the State, the situation has also been triggering mass exodus of students to outside the State every year. The Government should consider phase-wise induction of more seats at degree and diploma levels besides setting up more institutes so as to achieve the desired student intake in the engineering colleges and institutes. The ratio of seats against institutes in Assam is well below that of many other States of the country, and augmenting the absorption capacity of our institutes would definitely help curtail the yearly brain drain.

**Protecting police from political pressure**

By the Brahmaputra  
SANJOY HAZARIKA

**N**early four decades, whether it is in Assam, Arunachal Pradesh or Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra or Madhya Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir or Tamil Nadu, the police, especially its leadership, have been buffeted without any buffers from the harm that politicians or the administration (read the state secretary) can inflict. They may well lament their fate but there are few other institutions in India or elsewhere which strike as much fear into the hearts of the public.

I mean many of us, even if we are well-read and have access to networks, etc., would like to walk into a police station to file a complaint? There is always a concern that a visit to the police or by the police or to a police station will be an unpleasant experience involving many tensions and extra-legal pressures which an ordinary citizen could do well without.

The police may see it as the upholder of the law but many citizens, and this perception is widespread, see it as a custodian of the Sarkar which is to do the bidding of the government in power. How many are aware that this is not the case? In 2008, the Supreme Court intervened in the case of Prakash Singh, a former DGP of Assam and then of Uttar Pradesh, who called on the court to define guidelines on the need to protect the police leadership from

political arbitrariness. It laid down a set of directives for the selection, tenure and 'rights' of police chiefs. I doubt if many police officers are themselves aware of the details of this ruling.

Here, in layman's language, are the directives:

□ (State governments to) Constitute a State Security Commission (SSC) to:

(i) ensure that the State government does not exercise un-

warranted influence or pressure on the police,

(ii) lay down broad policy guideline and

(iii) evaluate the performance of the state police;

□ Ensure that the DGP is appointed through merit-based transparent process and secure a minimum tenure of two years;

□ Ensure that other police officers on operational duties (including Superintendents of Police in charge of a district and Station House Officers in charge of a police station) are also provided a minimum tenure of two years;

□ Separate the investigation and law and order functions of the police;

□ Set up a Police Establishment Board (PEB) to decide transfers, postings, promotions and other service-related matters of police officers of and below the rank of Deputy Superintendent of Police and make recommendations on postings and transfers above the rank of Deputy Superintendent of Police;

□ Set up a Police Complaints Authority (PCA) at state level to inquire into public complaints against police officers of and above the rank of Deputy Superintendent of Police in cases of serious misconduct, including custodial death, grievous hurt, or rape in police custody and at district levels to inquire into public complaints against the police per-

sonnel below the rank of Deputy Superintendent of Police in cases of serious misconduct;

(Special Powers) Act (AFSPA) last year had the Centre, especially the Defence and Home ministries scuttling for cover, and Justice Deepak Gupta, talks of the highest court's commitment to enabling police to be free of political interference.

The judgement in the Kerala case notes that the police must be permitted to function without any regard to the status and position of any person while investigating a crime or taking preventive measures. In other words, the rule of law should not become a casualty to the whims and fancies of the political executive."

Police Research and Development, and was quoted by the Supreme Court in a recent landmark judgment where it reinstated the Kerala Director General of Police who was sacked by the Chief Minister of that State. The charges against the DGP were dismissed by the court, which referred to the report, saying that "excessive control by the political executive and its principal advisers over the police had the inherent danger of making the police a tool for subverting the process of law, promoting the growth of authoritarianism and shaking the very foundations of democracy." The judgement by Justice Madan Lokur, whose stunning ruling on the Armed Forces

this is the 'prerogative' of the government and judicial review is not available merely because the post concerned is a sensitive one. If such a view were to hold the field, Article 14 of the Constitution, the citizen's struggle against executive arbitrariness would become irrelevant and this court would be surrendering its constitutional obligation."

The court asks a very forthright question of the entire political and bureaucratic process – the removal of the DGP was over the alleged "loss of public confidence" in his authority, following a tragedy at a major temple celebration where fireworks by the temple administration without official clearance had trig-

gered fire and explosions leading to over 100 deaths. There was another incident relating to the rape and murder of a young woman, which caused a public outcry in Kerala. The court noted that the file had been pending with the incumbent and his predecessor for weeks: "In our view therefore, if the appellant failed to take any action against the errant police officers, the entire official machinery starting from the Chief Minister down to the Chief Secretary and the Additional Chief Secretary are equally to blame."

This is a good reminder of the fact that the original ruling to protect police officials has been deserved more in the breach by the State governments on virtually all the seven points. We also need to remember that often the police itself have been complicit in not upholding the need to be independent and civilian, bowing and scraping to the political powers of the day.

Mourning what she called a regimen for reform, Major Daruwala, now senior adviser to the Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative, wrote last year that "the Model Bill of 2006 drafted under Soli Sorabjee's chairmanship has been adopted in breach by 17 States and entirely ignored by the Centre. Then, as if to signal some sign of wakefulness, another Police Act drafting committee was formed in 2013 to make revisions to the 2006 model. Dutifully, it has given its recommendations, which now lie moulder in bureaucratic caverns measureless to man. In any other country, such brazen disobedience to its Supreme Court's orders would be a crisis of constitutionalism. In India, this is routine disobedience and the courts have barely stirred."

The Supreme Court through the latest order of Justice Lokur and Gupta, has spoken again, with majesty and authority, of the power of resurrection.

**Intellectual property and its significance**

■ Dr Ranjit Kumar Barman

**T**he importance of Intellectual Property (IP) is growing day by day. Intellectual property is forming the base of intellectuals, researches, industry and the economy of a country, the reason being the globalization of the world and the enormous competition in generation of new knowledge and applications.

Intellectual property is the property which has been created by exercises of intellectual faculty. It is intangible in nature. Thus, intellectual property refers to the creation of mind (brain) such as invention, design for industrial articles, literary, artistic works and symbols, which are ultimately used in commerce and other fields. As the human society grew with time, it realized the untold miseries associated with creative works and thereby began to bestow some kind of special privilege to the creative minds to help them benefit out of their creative works and to continue the advancement of humanity. This special kind of privilege given to a creative mind for a period of time, with certain conditions by the government, is known as the Intel-

lectual Property Rights (IPR).

The IPR are to satisfy human in-

tellectual urge; for business reasons;

make research more need driven;

easy technology transfer; attract col-

laboration; attract funding agency; for

strategic reasons; to capture new

knowledge area; image building and improvement of educational system.

In the context of India, when a poet composes a new poem, he may enjoy IPR in the form of copyright; an engineer designs a car, it may lead to IPR called industrial design; a farmer grows a new kind of plant, it will lead to plant varieties protection and farmers' right; an electronic engineer makes a new circuit layout, it falls under IC layout design; a businessman makes a logo to identify his business; it is protected under trademark; a reputed product of a community, it is called Geographical Indication (GI); a scientist develops a new molecule of a drug for curing a disease, the Indian Patent Act, 1970 allows him in the form of patent. In India, we have seven classes of IPR and each class is governed by an individual Act, enacted by Parliament with rules and regulation and with the provi-

sion of amendment of the Act from time to time to be in tune with the international obligations framed by World Intellectual Property Organiza-

tion (WIPO) based in Geneva.

All IPRs apply to new and original knowledge and not to what is already known. Public domain knowledge cannot be protected unless modified or improved.

It is important to mention that the Muga silk of Assam, the culture of which was prevalent in the State since 321 BC, earned the distinction of being the first GI of the State and the region. The Patent Information Centre of the Assam Science Technology and Environment Council (ASTEC) registered it in 2006, for the benefit of the people of the State. The present number of registered users is 115 and another 149 are in the process of registration. Registering the Muga silk of Assam as a GI now legally restricts the unauthorized use of the Muga silk of Assam. It is expected that the State Muga silk industry would grow on the benefits of GI registration.

Among all classes of IPRs, the patent is the most hard-earned IPR. A patent is an exclusive ownership right for a period of 20 years, granted by the government to the owner

of an invention which may be a process (say a process for creation of a microorganism for cleaning garbage) or a product (say a naturally non-existing microorganism). However, for receiving the grant of patent, the invention has to satisfy certain conditions stipulated in law such as novelty, non-obviousness and industrial applicability. A patent is a property right and hence it can be gifted, inherited, assigned, sold or licensed. As the right is conferred by the government under very special circumstances for the benefit of the public even if the patent has been sold or licensed or manufactured or marketed in the meantime. The patent right is territorial in nature, which means that a patent granted in India can only be enforced in India. In case the inventor wishes to obtain patent right in other countries, the inventor will have to file patent application under provision like Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT).

The evolution of Intellectual Property rights (patent) began in the city of Sybaris in ancient Greece during the 12th century AD. In Sybaris, there was a system that existed to grant exclusive rights to any person for making improvement in luxury

items for a limited period of one year. A similar system of rewarding the inventors existed in the Republic of Venice during the same period. The first statute on patents was brought out in the Republic of Venice in 1474 AD. According to this statute, the invention for which the patent was to be issued had to be new and useful. Galileo Galilei received a patent under this statute in 1594 AD. In India, the law for the protection of inventions was introduced in 1856 AD. After independence in 1947, the Government of India enacted the Indian Patent Act, 1970 which came into effect from April 20, 1972. The Indian Patent Act, 1970 has since been amended several times to bring it in line with Trade Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) agreement. The Act has been playing a vital role in preserving the interest of inventors and particularly of knowledge based industry. It guards the consumer's interest in enjoying the result of inventions at a reasonable cost. Patent has played an important role in the growth of industry, especially the chemical, drug and pharmaceuticals sector in the country.

(Published on the occasion of World Intellectual Property Day today)

**Letters to the Editor**

Sir, – Through your esteemed daily, I would like to draw the attention of the authorities concerned about the shortcomings of the proposed population policy to be adopted in Assam as was expressed by Cabinet Minister Dr Himanta Biswa Sarma in a television talk show some days back. According to him, couples having more than two children will be disincentivized from some benefits meant for the government employees. Similarly, persons having more than two kids will be debarred from contesting panchayat or municipal election. Whether framing of laws on birth control is a state subject or not is another matter. But framing of laws pertaining to its employees and managing panchayat, municipal or local bodies election is no doubt within the ambit of state subjects wherein the State Government is legally empowered to manage

its own affairs. Birth control is the need of the hour and the State Government's endeavour in this direction is appreciable. But why is it only for a particular class of people? What is the percentage of those people who serve as State Government employees or fight elections to local bodies? Will it serve the purpose of the proposed two-child policy law by implementing it only among a section of people?

Is it feasible? Moreover, if the proposed legislation comes into force, it will be a discriminatory one and shall have to pass the test of constitutional validity.

On the other hand, instead of the two-child policy, it will be more beneficial if some guidelines relating to minimum educational qualification, moral standard, age limit, etc., are set for persons desiring to fight the local bodies election as has been done in some other States like Rajasthan, Haryana, etc. A two-judge Bench of the Supreme Court comprising Justice AM Sapre and Justice J Chelameswar also upheld the

validity of such a legislation by a verdict delivered on December 10, 2015 in connection with a case relating to the Niyama Panchayat Raj (Amendment) Act, 2015.

However, to check the population growth, the State Government may opt for an incentive/disincentive policy for the entire populace within the framework of the Constitution of India. Yours etc., ASRAFUL ISLAM, South Salma

**General medicine**

Sir – After the PM's appeal, the Medical Council of India (MCI) has issued a circular for doctors across the country to prescribe medicines on generic names only, preferably in capital letters. It will surely help patients to obtain inexpensive drugs instead of the branded ones. However, it seems the doctors are reluctant to do so for unknown reasons. The industry would fear shifting of choice of brand to the retail chemists instead of doctors. The patient rights advocate implementation of cost-based pricing after

taking into account the manufacturing costs and margins that will bring transparency in the process. But the Indian Medical Association, the country's largest private body of doctors, highlighted the inequality of all brands in the market. Yours etc., KAMAL BARUAH, Rukmingon, Guwahati.

**Revenue collection**

Sir – The present Government's continuous efforts in collecting revenue and incurring expenditure resulting in record revenue collection deserve praise. The State Finance Minister in spite of criticisms from different quarters in this respect has perhaps left no stone unturned to achieve the goal. The achievement as well as the growth in real terms however will be reflected and recognized by the people at large when the physical progress or the achievement against the expenditure already incurred would be distinctly explained. No doubt the Government has tried its best to achieve the physical targets fixed

against the expenditure made. Still, people might not take it for granted unless these are made public. The only basis of such intuition is the rampant corruption during the earlier government. Hope our Finance Minister would make the actual physical achievement public in due time.

It is not that all the physical

targets are possible to achieve in a year or two. But looking at the expenditure incurred so far, the targets must have been achieved.

Once the schemes are formulated and financial provisions are

made against the actual need-based physical targets, there

should not be any question of not achieving those unless corruption is allowed to play its role. We

hopefully wait and sincerely

expect that the present Government will in no way allow this to happen. Yours etc., BIMAN SARMAH, Khanapara, Guwahati.

Articles (within 1000-1100 words) and Letters to the Editor for publication in the editorial page may be sent to the email ID: editor@assamtribune.com.

## S Asia poverty report '16 to be released at GU

GUWAHATI, April 25: The 5th Triennial South Asia Poverty Report (2016) of South Asia Alliance for Poverty Eradication (SAAPE) will be released on April 29 at 10.30 am at the Gauhati University's New Academic Building. The programme has been organised by the Brahmaputra Institute of Research and Development (BIRD), Guwahati, in collaboration with the Department of Political Science, GU. The report will be released by Dr Vice Chancellor Dr Mridul Hazarika.

The programme will also be attended by Dr Netra Timisina (from Kathmandu, Nepal), regional coordinator of SAAPE, and its core

committee member Sushovan Dhar.

Dr Joydeep Baruah, Associate Professor of OKD Institute of Social Change and Development and lead author of Assam Human Development Report, 2014, will present an analysis on SAAPE Poverty Report 2016.

This will be followed by a public lecture on 'Agrarian crisis and food insecurity in India'. The lecture will be delivered by reputed journalist and agricultural economist Devinder Sharma from Chandigarh.

At 2 pm the same day at the same venue, a panel discussion on 'Development, environment and democracy in South Asia' will be held.

## Zebra crossing – a useful means of road safety thrown to the winds

### A CORRESPONDENT

GUWAHATI, April 25: The city with its teeming population has seemingly no regard for traffic rules or road safety.

Zebra crossing is a simple and efficient way of enabling people to cross the road. However, it has lost its purpose. Pedestrians are often seen scrabbling on the road to save themselves from speeding vehicles by any means possible. This often leads to titter claus, which finally culminates in a traffic jam or a road accident.

The zebra crossings on the city roads have more or less become redundant either by fading away due to the forces of nature, or due to the lack of importance given to road safety. People at large seem to have forgotten about the existence of these crossings.

Walking across the road along a stretch other than the zebra crossing, jumping over the iron railings erected at the



centre of the road or zigzagging vehicles have become a way of life. "We live in a society where everyone is in a rush and people choose short-cuts, which finally culminates in a traffic jam or a road accident."

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Road Tiniali, Ganeshguri and Chandmari, among others – the presence of zebra crossings seemingly unknown to pedestrians. Vehicles on the streets are another menace as they do not stop at their designated points, rather covering zebra crossings at certain places, which adds to the burden of the people.

Sensitisation on the use of

the zebra crossing should be started at the primary level, a pedestrian said, adding that some people do not know the use of these black and white stripes.

"Measures ought to be taken so that people become aware of using zebra crossings," a traffic policeman said. At the city's busiest intersections – Zoo

## Governor releases cover page of She Can Smile

### STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, April 25: Governor Banwarilal Purohit released the cover page of *She Can Smile*, a multi-lingual anthology – a collection of short stories and poems – in 200 regional, national and international languages, at a function held at the Raj Bhawan here today.

ture through smiles' which, according to him, would strengthen the bond of friendship and camaraderie among the people living across different geographical entities. He also said that a nation can tread the path of progress only when its womenfolk smile and be the reason for others to smile. Lauding Apuraj Barooah for

his efforts in bringing together interested bidders with in 25 days of Tender Publishing date i.e., maximum time of 15 days.

C) After the Pre-bid meeting within fifteen days (i.e. forty days of tender publishing date i.e., upto 25th May, 2017) technology committee shall receive tenders in a bid format. The technology committee should consult a technical feasibility report based on pre-bid meeting, site visit and discussions with the concerned officials.

Download period of Tender (both dates inclusive): 21.04.17 (5:00PM) to 30.05.17 (5:00PM).

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No. NM/HRDI/Adv/2512/2015-16/1323 Date: 24/04/2017

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Mission Director, NHM, Assam



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No. NM/C-CW/AC Machine/3488/2017/2831 Dated: 24.04.2017

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Solely authorized by the concerned authority, a sum of Rs. 8,25/- hereby invited from the intending firm contractor for Supplying & installation of 10(One) Nos 4.5 Ton Capacity Tower AC at the Conference Hall in the office the Mission Director, NHM, Assam, Saliha Commercial Complex, Christian Basti under NHA, Assam as per following specification and terms and conditions.

**A) Description of the location of the Hospitals Scope of Work:**  
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**B) The following documents are to be duly enclosed with the quotation.**

1. The bidder should be having experience in Supply & Installation, Testing and commissioning of Air Conditioners. Annual turn over not less than 5 Lacs in one year during last 3 years.

2. The bidder should be having VAT, PAN, Service Tax & Electrical Contractor License Registration Certificate.

3. Experience certificate of similar nature works taken up during last 5(five) years.

4. The rate quoted shall include all statutory taxes as per current Govt. rules in the state.

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1. The interested bidder/firm contractor is requested to submit quotation on 27th April 2017 before 2:00 p.m. in the office undersigned.

2. The undersigned reserved the right to accept or reject any or all of the quotation without assigning any reason.

3. The undersigned does not bind him to accept the lowest or any other rates.

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Mission Director, NHM, Assam



Governor Banwarilal Purohit and DC Kamrup (M) Dr M Angamuthu at the cover page release function. - AT photo

The book, which will have stories and poems in almost all the languages of the country and the globe, is being compiled by Apuraj Barooah. The cover page of the book has also been conceived and designed by him.

Speaking at the event, Purohit said, "She Can Smile is a testimony to the power of women in our country and across the globe where the woman writers contributed to give shape to the book." He also added the efforts of Apuraj Barooah for taking the initiative of bringing all the woman writers and poets to the fore and weaving together their creativity through *She Can Smile*.

It may also be mentioned that almost 100 female writers from Assam and the North East have contributed in various regional languages to the book.

Lorelea Hayden from USA, Salio Palio from Spain, Indika Rambage from Sri Lanka, Archana Datta from Maharashtra, India Basumatary in Bor, Biruli Wachet in Singpho, Maya Rani in Nagaland, Bonali Sarma, Dr Nukash Borgohain and many more from Assam have contributed for the proposed anthology.

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Deputy Commissioner Kamrup (M) Dr M Angamuthu and other dignitaries were also present at the event.



Weaver birds making nests on a tree on the outskirts of Guwahati on Tuesday. - UB Photos

## New State BJP executive

### STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, April 25: State BJP president Ranjeet Kumar Das today announced a 90-member executive committee of the State unit. Dilip Saikia, Mriganka Barman and Pulak Gohain will be general secretaries, while Roy Kumar Sarma has been named treasurer. The list has eight vice presidents – Biswarup Bhattacharjee, Manoj Ram Phukan, Bimal Oswal, Taufiq Rahaman, Diganta Ghatwar, Surabhi Rajkumar, Lonki Phangshu and Shubha Hazarika.

Dr Rajdeep Roy, Jayanta Kumar Das, Hemanta Kalita, Mehdi Alam Barua and Aparajita Bhuyan will be party spokespersons. Phanindra Nath Sarma will be the new general secretary (organisation). The members of the State unit wings will be announced at a later date, party sources said.

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For & on behalf of Director, LGBRMH - Tezpur

## QUESTIONNAIRE OF PAY COMMITTEE (APDCL, AEGCL & APGCL)

### 1. INTRODUCTORY

(A) In case of individual employees, workers etc. please state

Name:

Designation:

Address:

Contact No:

i) State your relation/connection with the Company

ii) Would you like to appear personally before the Committee for clarification/introduction/ presentation?

(B) In case of Association/Unions etc. please state:

i) Name of Association or Union:

ii) Other holder by you:

iii) Name & Address:

iv) Whether affiliated to any all India Association/Union, if so, name of that Association/Union.

v) How do you attribute to the performance of the Company.

vi) Whether any grievance or demand regarding pay and allowances pending before the competent authority. If so, state the grievance/demand.

ix) Name the category of employees represented by you and state their qualification at entry level, qualifying service for promotion and reservation, if any, and age of superannuation etc.

x) Would your union like to appear before the Committee for clarification, interaction and to demand evidence?

### 2. QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Whether you feel that the principles adopted by the VII Central Pay Commission as well as the 7th Assam Pay Commission are relevant for restructuring the pay scale of the companies? If not suggest alternative principles with reasons thereof.

2. Whether revision of pay of the employees should have parity with the existing financial position of the company?

3. Please give your suggestions for increasing additional resource generation by the Company.

4. Whether there should be any party in the pay scale of Company's employees in comparable posts with the pay scales of State Govt. employees as recommended by the 7th Assam Pay Commission - if not, give reasons.

5. In your opinion, what should be the disparity ratio between the lowest and the highest pay scale - give reasons.

6. Whether you advocate uniform pay scale, if so, give reasons.

7. Whether there should be any reduction in the total number of pay scale. Suggest rationalization.

8. In case, you desire any change in the nomenclature of the posts, give suggestion.

9. Whether classification of services needs any change? If so, suggest.

10. In your opinion, what should be the criteria, guideline and other relevant factors/ considerations for determination of pay scales?

If there is any anomaly in the existing pay scales - specify the same and suggest as to how those can be reconciled.

12. Whether the employees are getting any concession, such as allowance of electricity for consumption, subsidized transportation etc. - What is the money value on these concessions - How much?

13. Please state your views in respect of existing allowances. Do you like to suggest for any other allowance, if so reasons thereof.

14. Whether the present Dearness Allowance Formula is adequate? You may suggest revision of the system to neutralize the effects of rise in price.

15. Are you satisfied with the existing retirement benefits? If not, please suggest in respect of:

(a) Pension, (b) Gratuity, (c) Leave Encashment Benefit, (d) Provident Fund Benefit, (e) Medical Benefit. If any other relevant matter.

16. Whether any educational & recreational facilities are provided to employees? Please make suggestions if any.

17. In case of existing pensioners, what other benefits are required to be provided - justify.

18. Do you think that the pay-scales etc. enjoyed by the Board/ Successor Companies in power sector situated in other parts of the Country should be made available to you or for other classification.

19. Suggested pay scales for existing posts along with time span.

20. What should be the principle for annual increment - Whether it is to be guided by efficiency/ performance?

21. In the matter of working environment, welfare measures like Canteen, Sports etc. are you satisfied with the existing facilities, if not, please suggest ways for improvement.

22. Whether existing transport facilities are satisfactory? If not, suggest measures for improvement.

23. Please suggest measures to improve the quality power supply 24x7 and employees' performance therewith in relation to services to the Consumers.

24. Identify the areas of wasteful expenditure and suggest remedial measures.

25. In case you have any other suggestions, relevant to the terms of reference, you may state.

The Unions/Associations of Employees/Pensioners and others are requested to submit the replies to the Questionnaire on or before 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2017 in 5 (Five) legible copies to the Secretary of the Pay Committee. The replies should be authenticated by the Unions/ Associations/person concerned

**Sd/-**  
**(Justice D.Biswas)**  
**Chairman**

**Sd/-**  
**(Mrinal Kr.Barooah)**  
**Member**

**Sd/-**  
**(Md. Alauddin)**  
**Member**

**Sd/-**  
**(Prokash Dutta)**  
**Secretary, Pay Committee,**  
**APDCL/AEGCL/APGCL**

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Risking life and limb, a commuter crosses a dilapidated wooden bridge at Balichang in Biswanath, on Monday. – UB Photos

**Unabated tree-felling on in Dima Hasao dist**

## Anundoram Barooah awards presented at Hailakandi

CORRESPONDENT

HAILAKANDI, April 25: Altogether, 836 students were presented Anundoram Barooah Award yesterday for securing first division in the HSCL examination.

They were given a laptop and a certificate each. Among them, 88 students accepted cash in lieu of a laptop. A meeting was held on the occasion at Nazrul Sadan here under the presidentship of Additional Deputy Commissioner Faizur Rahman Laskar.

Speaking on the occasion as guest, educationist Maulana Sarimul Haque Laskar stressed the need of moulding the character of children, and for this he urged the teachers

to dedicate themselves for the cause of the students. He pointed out that the students are the backbone of the society and they should be nurtured properly. The future of the nation depends upon today's students, he added.

All the other speakers urged the students to opt for good career opportunities, and for this they asked the latter to complete their studies with utmost concentration. The meeting was also addressed by the MLAs of Katiyorha and Alapgar, Sujam Uddin Laskar and Nijam Uddin Choudhury respectively, besides the former district president of Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Krishn Ranjan Paul, Deputy Inspector of Schools

Iqbal Hussain Barbuhiya, Deputy Superintendent of Police Faiz Ahmed Laskar, secretary of Asom Gana Parishad Karuval Island Barbuhiya, Hiral Uddin Laskar, president of AGP Jalanta Sengupta, Circle Officer Tridib Roy, Abul Hussain Majharbarhiya, vice president of district BJP, Subrata Sarma Chakraborty, Supratim Mazumdar, Mohammad Ali Majharbarhiya of the teachers' association, along with two awardees, namely Ubaidullah Hussain Barbuhiya and Mehbul Laskar.

The programme was anchored by Pinak Pan Bhattacherjee. The laptops were ceremonially distributed among the students, including cash by the guests.



An artisan carrying Sepa, a locally-fabricated fishing equipment made from bamboo slivers, to the market at Mariani in Jorhat district, on Monday. – UB Photos

## Soma Chakraborty is new DMB chief

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

DIBRUGARH, April 25: Soma Chakraborty, Ward Commissioner from Ward No. 8 here was elevated to the post of Chairman of the Dibrugarh Municipal Board (DMB) on Monday after incumbent Anuradha Dey was removed from

the post on April 18 following no-trust motion against her by 15 ward commissioners.

Soma Chakraborty was the choice of the BJP party for the post, Ujjal Kashyap, general secretary, district BJP, some 15 BJP ward commissioners endorsed her candidature after which she took over the reigns

of the civic body. She took charge at a brief function in the presence of Additional Deputy Commissioner Anuradha Dey, Executive Magistrate Dipu Deka, besides local MP Rameswar Teli, Vice Chairperson Jognanda Sensena, the officiating chairperson, administered the oath of office to Chakraborty.

It may be pertinent to mention here that Soma is made of full-length bamboo, which is attractively decorated with small pieces of coloured cloth and handkerchief by the villagers of neighbouring villages of Patacharuchi and brought to the Siva Dham premises in a religious procession by playing borkha, sankha etc. and put atop a specific tree on the concluding day i.e., on the 7th day of Rongali Bihu celebration, popularly known as Sati Bihu.

This year, a large number of Paras were erected by the villagers under the firm belief that they would be able to reap a bountiful harvest, besides ushering in peace and harmony among the people, and being able to live a disease and calamity-free existence.

## Barpeta meet underlines need to cultivate reading habit

CORRESPONDENT

BARPETA, April 25: World Book Day was observed here on Sunday Sahitya Manch Asam.

A programme held on the occasion at the Pensioners' Bhawan was presided over by Birinchi Kumar Das, Associate Professor of the Madhab Choudhury College here.

Narrating the purpose of the celebration, Kamal Kumar Medhi, general secretary of Sahitya Manch Asam stated that creation of best literacy practice and fostering an environment of study are the main reasons behind the birth of this organisation. Medhi lamented that a section of writers and artists were perennially seen hankering after cheap popularity, while on the contrary, their counterparts elsewhere are silently engaged in creativity. He stressed on creating an ambience where people's

genius can sprout in a healthy environment.

Addressing the gathering as distinguished speaker, veteran academician, writer, thinker and former president of Barpeta District Sahitya Sabha said that no man can enjoy life without cultivating the reading habit. He insisted that children should be inspired to read books like Burhi Aair Sadhu and Tolstoyar Sadhu.

Stating that citizens today have entered the magical world of technology, he said that we have lost the real amusement of life amidst lifeless machines. Mishra concluded by highlighting the importance of studying books.

Addressing the meeting as the appointed speaker, Dr Pranjali Sarma Basista said that every person in this world is in fact a secluded island, and loneliness has deepened day by day.

He suggested that books, and only books alone, can accompany us and set us free from the bondage of loneliness. Though we pretend to be close with people through the media like Facebook, we are actually going apart from one another.

A special programme on recitation of poetry was also conducted on the occasion by Manoj Sarma, working president of Sahitya Manch Asam.

Nilim Kumar, Saurabh Saikia and Dhruba Kumar Talukdar attended the meet as invited poets. Kamal Kumar Medhi, Manohari Bayan, Amiya Kumar Das, Mrinal P Jyoti, Dip A Jyoti, Liakat Ali, Arunudhati Das, Pranjali Kumar Das and Koshik Kishalay, besides Dipannita Das and Mamani Das read out self-composed poems.

Soumitra Jogi, one of the organisers of Sahitya Manch Asam, also attended the meeting.

## Practice what you preach, AASAA tells Tata Tea

CORRESPONDENT

DIBRUGARH, April 25: The *Alarm Bayne Se Pehle Jaago Re* advertisement campaign of the Tata Tea has invited sharp criticism from organisations of the tea garden working communities, describing it to be insulting, incongruous and double standard on the part of the campaigning company.

The video campaign asks people to act before any disaster occurs and not wait to react after unfortunate incidents. The campaign in a video format promotes pre-activism instead of activism. The All Adivasi Students' Association of Assam (AASAA) has said that the Tata group must practice what they preach. "The campaign may have initiated conversation around the cherry-picked social issues, but it has completely ignored the company's failure in upholding the Fundamental Rights of workers and their families in their own gardens. The advertisement has also undermined years of sustained protests and advocacy led by Adivasi activists of the State," Rustam Kujur, vice president of AASAA, told *newsmen* here.

The AASAA leaders staged a demonstration in front of the office of the Deputy Commissioner here as part of their Statewide protest against the Tata Tea's failure in upholding the Fundamental Rights of workers and their families in their own gardens. The advertisement has also undermined years of sustained protests and advocacy led by Adivasi activists of the State," Rustam Kujur, vice president of AASAA, told *newsmen* here.

alleged facade for image-building campaign. Acknowledging that the condition of the plantation workers are appalling in Assam and West Bengal, the AASAA protesters said that APPL (Amalgamated Plantations Private Limited of Tata Tea) being owner of 24 gardens, and the second-largest producer of tea in India, should show the way towards positive change. Kujur said that APPL's actions or inaction directly affects around 1,55,000 people, including 30,000 workers and their dependents. "The Company must first *jaago* (wake up) to pay workers living wage and improve living conditions on the plantations and workers' susceptibility to disease. It referred to several studies which found a high incidence of anaemia and infectious disease among Assam tea workers, often attributed to poor sanitation, drinking water and housing facilities.

Yet, the investigation found that the company had failed 'to respond systematically to issues regarding housing and living conditions' or 'to correct serious lapses in the use of pesticides, with the result that workers have been exposed to extremely hazardous chemicals,' Kujur pointed out. Richa Munda, president of AASAA, Dibrugarh district, said: "We are calling on them (Tata Tea), to wake up. Wake up to the appalling living and working conditions of workers at APPL tea plantations. Wake up to the poor sanitation, dilapidated housing and dysfunctional schools. They must also wake up to the fact that they pay their workers a wage of Rs 137, which does not meet the legal minimum wage set by the State".

The Tata Tea's advertisement titled *Alarm Bayne Se Pehle Jaago Re* was released in February as a part of the company's ongoing campaign with central theme of pre-activism. The advertisement is also available in YouTube and is also being circulated in social media.

## Mangaldai AASU stages blockade over deplorable road condition

CORRESPONDENT

MANGALDAI, April 25: Expressing strong resentment against alleged negligence by the authorities concerned on periodic repair of a deer-like stretch of NH-15 which crosses Darrang district, the local unit of AASU on Monday staged a protest national highway blockade here at Bheghat.

A sizeable section of AASU activists under the leadership of Darrang AASU office-bear-

ers, including its president Khinshandra Rajbongshi, vice-president Nirajan Saikia and general secretary Parag Sabaria, while taking part in the hour-long demonstration, shouted slogans against the State PWD and PWD (NH) Ranigya Divison, who are responsible for maintenance and repair of the road under reference.

It has been alleged that due to non-repair of the road portion for long, the stretch is today dotted with crater-sized potholes, thereby compelling

the commuters to endure bone-jarring journeys day in and day out.

Further, road mishaps too have become frequent over the stretch, as regular commuters have to risk life and limb on their way to attend their daily grind. It has been observed that if the road portions, especially near Mangaldai Industry Chariali, Block Chowka, Bongolgarh, Kerimeri, Dhruva etc are not repaired at an early date, then the situation may turn from bad to worse with the coming of the monsoon season.

After the hour-long road blockade, the protesters subsequently dashed off memoranda to the Union Minister of Surface Transport and Chief Minister separately in support of their charter of demands, including urgent repair of the deplorable National Highway-15 within the district, upgrading of the NH portion to four-lane, creation of a bypass parallel to the NH, i.e., outside Mangaldai township, among others.

## Erosion takes serious turn at Lahorighat and Bhuragaon

CORRESPONDENT

PATACHARKUCHI, April 25: As a part of age-old tradition, *Paras* were ceremonially erected at Patacharkuchi Siva Dham premises on April 20 with traditional pomp and gaiety.

It may be pertinent to mention here that *Paras* is made of full-length bamboo, which is attractively decorated with small pieces of coloured cloth and handkerchief by the villagers of neighbouring villages of Patacharkuchi and brought to the Siva Dham premises in a religious procession by playing borkha, sankha etc. and put atop a specific tree on the concluding day i.e., on the 7th day of Rongali Bihu celebration, popularly known as Sati Bihu.

This year, a large number of *Paras* were erected by the villagers under the firm belief that they would be able to reap a bountiful harvest, besides ushering in peace and harmony among the people, and being able to live a disease and calamity-free existence.

flood and erosion may create catastrophe in the areas this year. Apart from destruction of human habitation, flood and erosion has damaged several thousand hectares of cropland last year. Several LP school buildings, *naangbars* and primary health centres were sub-

merged by the Brahmaputra since last three years during the annual deluge.

If permanent flood and erosion protection measures are not taken, the entire Bhuragaon circle will be wiped out from the map of Morigaon district in the near future.

## Fake Indian currency worth Rs 1 lakh seized

CORRESPONDENT

MORIGAON, April 25: Erosion by the Brahmaputra took a serious turn at Lahorighat and Bhuragaon revenue circles in Morigaon district during the last two days, thereby threatening the very existence of two villages, namely Kathoni and Digitali.

Unabated erosion by the Brahmaputra forced the concerned villagers to shift their homes and hearth to safer places. As many as 59 families were rendered homeless due to river bank erosion in the aforementioned areas.

It may be mentioned here that the protection dyke of the Water Resource Department along the bank of the Brahmaputra at Kathoni point has been threatened by erosion.

On the other hand, under Bhuragaon Revenue Circle, as many as 100 families were adversely affected at Digitali due to erosion. As the 15-km dyke from Bhuragaon to Baralmari has remained open,

these notes may be payment for smuggled cattle."

Meanwhile, the miscreants associated with the case have managed to give the security personnel along the Indo-Bangla border the slip.



A cultural procession being taken out to mark the 52nd Goreswar Central Rongali Bihu celebration, on Monday. – UB Photos

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# Brahma Committee interacts with public in Dibrugarh

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DIBRUGARH, April 25: The Harishankar Brahma Committee on protection of land rights of the indigenous people today heard members of the public of Dibrugarh district at an interactive session held at the District Library auditorium here today.

The committee has been constituted by the State government to recommend inputs for land reforms. Brahma, a former Chief Election Commissioner of India, said that the Committee is likely to ready its report by June this year.

At the function held here today, written and verbal submissions were offered by members from the Dibrugarh Naga Sangha, Dibrugarh Bar Asso, the local committees of AASU, Sonowal Kachari Students' Union and ATTA, gnon buras, meou-

dars and others. They offered various suggestions for the safeguard of land rights of the native population, eviction of encroachers, land transfers and land record keeping.

Apart from Brahma, the other members of the Committee who were present today included Revenue and Disaster Management joint secre-

indigenous population with proper laws and reforms.

A point resented by many at both the Dibrugarh and Tinsukia venues, were the unnecessary lectures given by AGP and BPP MLAs and the local Lok Sabha MP. The public were of the opinion that these people should speak at the Assembly and in Parliament, and they should not

obligated. He also emphasised on time-bound implementation of public welfare measures which are meaningful to the society. He cited the example of the long overdue commissioning of the Bogibeel bridge. "That bridge was to be completed in 2007, but ten years later, there is a very slim chance of a year-end readiness even now," he lamented. He revealed that the Bogibeel bridge was marked as a vital national defence infrastructure way back in 2003, when he was serving the Central government as a joint secretary in the Ministry of Home Affairs.

"I have retired from the service, but the bridge is yet to be ready for the people," he remarked. He, therefore, wants to stress on timeliness in all aspects of State programmes. He gave tips on being people-friendly to officers of the civil administration here.

## Protection of land rights

tary Bubul Lekhara, advocates Anil Bhattacharjee, Ramesh Barpatra Gohain and social workers Ajay Kumar Dutta of Guwahati and Skrumar Dohukia of Kakapothar.

On Monday, the team had a similar interaction with the public in Tinsukia. Brahma said the Tinsukia function was actively participated by youth and student leaders and he appreciated their alertness over the need for safeguarding the

take away the precious time that should have been for members of the public. As the politicians spoke, several people were seen walking out of the premises, as if protest.

During his opening address here today, Brahma spoke on the need for a strong set of laws and on strict implementation of these, and warned that unless this was achieved, encroachments and other social problems can never be

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## Conditions of BOPs pathetic: House panel

CORRESPONDENT

JORHAT, April 25: Absence of basic infrastructure and amenities at the border outposts (BOPs) along the Assam-Nagaland border of Jorhat and Sivasagar districts were spotted by a high level team, belonging to the departmental Standing Committee of State Legislative Assembly today.

The team visited four BOPs, border roads and tea gardens in the bordering areas of both the districts.

"How can those BOPs protect our land? They are located several kilometres inside the Jorhat and Sivasagar districts at the sensitive bordering areas that witnessed several incidents of crimes and the underdevelopment of the BOPs," said Dr. Ramanendra Narayan Kalita, the team's leader.

The vaccination drive would be launched in Nalbari, Morang and Cachar districts besides Bongaigaon, the health officers informed.

Also children below two years would be given rotavirus vaccine soon in the district to reduce their mortality rate. This highly contagious virus causes diarrhoea among children which may lead to hospitalisation and death, said health officer, Dr PK Das.

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According to sources, due to unauthorised absence of officials of the Excise department of Morigaon all the departmental works in Morigaon district have come to halt. As such, the DC, Morigaon has taken the decision. - Correspondent

## Morigaon Excise Suptd office sealed

MORIGAON, April 25: As per direction of Deputy Commissioner, Morigaon, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Morigaon Ananta Gogoi today sealed the Morigaon Excise Superintendent office on charge of unauthorised absence of officers and employees of the office for many days.

According to sources, due to unauthorised absence of officials of the Excise department of Morigaon all the departmental works in Morigaon district have come to halt. As such, the DC, Morigaon has taken the decision. - Correspondent

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

DIBRUGARH, April 25: PVSNL Murty, the Chief General Manager of State Bank of India (SBI), North East Circle, today urged upon the Bank officials to move out to the open markets and rural areas to motivate people to adopt digital banking through Apps, POS machines and online methods.

CGM Murty was addressing the Bank officials during the inauguration of the new office venue of SBI's Personal Banking branch and simultaneous opening of e-cover at Goshala campus in Chirang

Chapori here today.

"Form teams and then move out to areas to create awareness of cashless transaction systems. Identify locations that have access to internet and then go for the digital literacy. You can also select a village to make them digital village. You can cover this village with CRS activities to encourage them to be a model village," he said.

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## ADVERTISEMENT

A walk-in interview will be held on 28-04-2017 in the Office of Deputy Commissioner, Dhemaji for engagement of 01 post for consultant for Integrated Land Record Management. (On contractual basis) in Dhemaji District.

1. Name of Post : Consultant for Integrated Land Record Management. (On Contractual Basis)

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Forecast for NE: Moderate rain and shower will very likely to occur at most places over Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram and Tripura.

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Passighat	21.7 20.4
Cherrapunji	20.5 15.2

**Mizo Govt urged to oppose Citizen Amendment bill**

AIZAWL, April 25: Aizawl-based anti corruption watchdog People's Right to Information and Development Society of Mizoram (PRISM) on Monday urged the Mizoram Government and the opposition parties in the State to strongly oppose the proposed Indian Citizenship (Amendment) Bill 2016.

PRISM president Vanlalruata said that the Bill, as introduced in Parliament by Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh, if passed, would be "dangerous" for small States like Mizoram and could "tilt the demographic balance".

"The proposed amendment provides that Hindus, Sikhs, Christians, Jains, Parsis and Buddhists, who entered India from Afghanistan, Bangladesh and Pakistan, and who stayed in the country for six years could become citizens of India," Vanlalruata said.

He alleged that the amendment Bill, if passed would enable illegal migrants from Bangladesh living in Mizoram and other Northeastern States to become citizens... PTI

## 'Not much progress in Tripura during Cong, CPM regimes'

**CORRESPONDENT**

AGARTALA, April 25: Union Minister of State for Electronics and IT, PPI Choudhary today said that Tripura has not made much progress on the developmental path during the past few decades.

Even Agartala city has experienced very little development during the long regimes of both Congress and CPI(M), he told the media at BJP(Headquarters here on Tuesday.

"But Prime Minister Narendra Modi has sanctioned five National Highways projects. Works are in progress in four sanctioned projects", he said.

Choudhary, who is on a visit to the State to inaugurate the newly-built Software Technology Park here, said the Prime Minister had set a target to bring Agartala into the country's BG railway map in two years. Two months before the target date, Agartala

has got BG train facility. It shows Modi's commitment and dedication toward the all-round development of Tripura", he said.

Choudhary added, "There is a strong undercurrent in favour of BJP in the Marxist bastion. We are hopeful of a sweeping victory in the 2018 Assembly elections to remove the Marxist regime in Tripura".

Scuttling the deprivation



Activists of Mere Vichar Andolan Committee and Menchuka Sub-Division Youth Association taking out a protest rally against non-fulfillment of their demands in Itanagar on Tuesday. - UB Photos

## Witch hunting victims' daughter kidnapped, rescued by police

**CORRESPONDENT**

TURA, April 25: The Mripte witch-hunting case took a turn on Monday after three accused in the murder of five persons in the alleged witch hunting incident last year, kidnapped the family to file a case against social activist Jaynie Sangma who had assisted the family to seek justice.

Upon reaching the Gangte bridge, they were apprehended by the West Garo Hills police.

The kidnappers had gone to Waribok village after receiving information of the whereabouts of the victim's daughter Ringgat T Sangma taking shelter there. They barged into the house and forcefully

abouts of the victim's daughter Ringgat T Sangma were caught by the police.

Five people of a family were killed by villagers in the Mripte witch-hunting case, which turned out to be a cold-blooded murder.

The five victims who were allegedly killed in front of other family members included school teacher David MT Sangma, his father Hesdon B Marak, Hallen T Sangma and their

wife Ronjon T Sangma who was caught by the police.

Ringgat had earlier sought a re-investigation into the case stating that the earlier police investigation had loopholes. She was just three days back been forced by villagers to speak to Nokma of Mripte, Lind B Marak to sort matters out.

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"Earlier, people used to name the said flower wrongly as Iris Birkut wall. But London-based Royal Botanical Gardens (RBG), Kew confirmed the new species only on April 19 publishing my report," said Dr Birkut.

"The plant grows in Japan and it was also reported in Russia and South East Asian region," he added.

Dr Birkut, who had been studying the flower since 2000, sent a report to RBG, Kew, on April 13, following a media report that the flower is vanishing from the original habitat. RBG is an international authority on botanical research and education and has a collection of over 40,000 species of plants.

"Four species of Iris were reported in Manipur out of the country's 17 species as per Botanical Survey of India reports," said the scientist who had written a book on economic botany besides publishing 35 research papers. "Unfortunately this beautiful flower, which has very close connections with the traditions of Manipur since time immemorial, is facing a great threat due to lack of attention."

Whistit colour and height are the major distinct differences between Iris Laevigata Fisch (3.5 ft) and Iris Singuina (2 ft) besides their leaves. Singuina has no straight leaves unlike Laevigata.

Even though other species such as Iris Wattii, Iris Singuina, Iris Kuwana

grow wild in the State, this flower grows only in the hills of Lamphelpat and Loktak lake. Interestingly Iris Singuina which is said to be real Kombe (Iris Laevigata Fisch) during annual Cheirao festival in April, is being cultivated in private nurseries in view of the huge public demand.

## Aizawl city: Living on the edge

**ZODIN SANGA**

day, after a house collapsed due to heavy rainfall.

Hunthar Veng is one of half a dozen sinking localities of Aizawl, at an elevation of 130 metres. A Baptist church and 65 houses, including the 10 on Sunday, have been vacated in this locality since Spring last year.

The local council of Hunthar had dismantled six vulnerable buildings while the three-storied building owned by Lalrinmawia collapsed on Sunday following incessant downpour.

The past few months also saw about 60 vulnerable houses being vacated in the Ramthum area. Also situated in this vulnerable area is a sports complex.

The other localities perchched dangerously include Shupai and Laipuitlang, where landslip killed 17 people in March 2013.

Officials said the land sinks in certain areas began accelerating five years ago.

"We mapped the most vulnerable localities and asked the people to evacuate their houses. At the same time, the department has been providing funds for construction of proper drainage and retaining walls," C Lalpeksanga, Director of Disaster Management and Rehabilitation department, said.

Geologists say that most of the buildings in Aizawl can meet the same fate as the buildings lie in landslide-prone areas.

According to Dr H Lallenmawia, a retired joint director of Geology & Mineral Resources department, the soil in most parts of Aizawl is soft and the topography has an average of more than 35 degree slope. "Due to heavy rainfall and improper drainage and sewerage system, large amount of water penetrate into the soil. This makes the city highly vulnerable to disastrous landslides," he said.

To make matters worse, most of the buildings in Aizawl were constructed without following safety norms and sub-standard materials, particularly iron rods and cement, were used. The city can face major disasters due to landslides triggered by monsoon rains or earthquake as the entire Mizoram falls under earthquake prone zone.

Built in 1890, Aizawl turns 127 years this year. But liter-

ally speaking, the youthful city looks like an old aged man waiting for the end to come.

The rapid and unplanned urbanisation has made the city more vulnerable to landslides, according to an official in the Disaster & Rehabilitation department. "Landslides in Aizawl are mainly man-made disasters. It can be prevented by taking certain precautionary measures," he said.

Lalmachhuama, a senior geologist at the Geology and Mining department, said that the structure of the soil also has something to do with landslides. Many landslide prone areas in Aizawl are covered with sulphur sheets to prevent rain seepage. However, they remain even in the dry season.

The geologist advised the cover be lifted during non-rainy season to let the sun harden the soil.

Improper sewage system, dumping of garbage in the drains and littering the environment with polythene bags are other factors behind landslides. Environmentalists have strongly advocated banning the use of polythene bags.

## State level Kayakalp awards presented in Arunachal

ITANAGAR, April 25: The State level Kayakalp Awards (2016-17) were today presented by Arunachal Health & Family Welfare Minister Jimde Kena in a ceremony held at Civil Secretariat here.

The Kayakalp award is to felicitate the public health facilities – district hospitals and community health centres in the State – for their efforts in maintaining high standards of sanitation and hygiene.

In the district hospital (DH) category, District Hospital

Tawang bagged the 'best district hospital award' along with a cash incentive of Rs 50 lakh and a citation, while DH Yingkiong got the commendation award with a cash incentive of Rs 3 lakh.

Under the CHC category, Ruksin CHC received the best CHC award and a cash incentive of Rs 15 lakh and a citation, while commendation award went to CHC Jang (Tawang) along with a cash incentive of Rs 1 lakh.

Earlier, while welcoming the gathering, Minister (District Health Mission), PN

Thungon mentioned that the award of cash incentives and citations are being given annually since May 2015 through the Union Ministry of Health & Family Welfare.

The award is given under the following parameters:

• hospital upkeep, sanitation & hygiene, waste management, infection control, support services and hygiene promotion.

The Minister mentioned that the State Government also has a plan to encourage further strengthening the healthcare delivery system. – Correspondent

## Landslides cut off Mizoram from rest of country

AIZAWL, April 25: Mizoram has been cut off from the rest of the country as heavy and continuous rainfall triggered landslides, triggered by heavy and incessant pre-monsoon rains, blocked the National Highway 54, official sources said today.

The highway has been blocked since yesterday due to the landslides caused by continuous rainfall since last week, Mizoram Disaster Management and Rehabilitation Director C Lalpeksanga said.

Landslides occurred at several places in the southern part of the Northeastern State and capital Aizawl, he said.

Telecommunication systems were disrupted in many places as several telephone lines snapped due to the rainfall, Lalpeksanga said. As many as 22 families have been evacuated from Hunthar in Aizawl since Sunday. A three-storyed building also collapsed on the same day in the capital, he said. – PTI

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"The plant grows in Japan and it was also reported in Russia and South East Asian region," he added.

Dr Birkut, who had been studying the flower since 2000, sent a report to RBG, Kew, on April 13, following a media report that the flower is vanishing from the original habitat. RBG is an international authority on botanical research and education and has a collection of over 40,000 species of plants.

"Four species of Iris were reported in Manipur out of the country's 17 species as per Botanical Survey of India reports," said the scientist who had written a book on economic botany besides publishing 35 research papers. "Unfortunately this beautiful flower, which has very close connections with the traditions of Manipur since time immemorial, is facing a great threat due to lack of attention."

Whistit colour and height are the major distinct differences between Iris Laevigata Fisch (3.5 ft) and Iris Singuina (2 ft) besides their leaves. Singuina has no straight leaves unlike Laevigata.

Even though other species such as Iris Wattii, Iris Singuina, Iris Kuwana

grow only in the State, this flower grows only in the hills of Lamphelpat and Loktak lake. Interestingly Iris Singuina which is said to be real Kombe (Iris Laevigata Fisch) during annual Cheirao festival in April, is being cultivated in private nurseries in view of the huge public demand.

The Sunday's event is the fifth plantation programme since its maiden plantation drive at Tumyun Khullen (Sepai) on June 4 last year.

**Silent sit-in:** A group of concerned citizens of Manipur, mostly young women on Sunday staged a silent protest demonstration against the 14 gangrene of three schoolchildren

in Thoubal, Manipur on Saturday. – PTI

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**Maram women body celebrates anniversary**

SENPATI, April 25: Maram women in large numbers celebrated the 25 years of founding of Maram Khullen Circle Women's Association (MKCWA) at Maram Khullen in Senpati district with a three-day programme which culminated on Sunday.

The celebrations witnessed the presence of Maran leaders, women leaders, village elders and young girls attending in impressive traditional dresses. – Newmat News

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**1 lakh madrasas to be upgraded with technology: Naqvi**

GAZIABAD, April 25: The Centre will upgrade one lakh madrasas in the country with state-of-art technology to provide better schooling to Muslim community. Union Minister Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi said.

Speaking at Taleem-O-Tarbiyat (education and training) programme in Hindi Bhawan here yesterday, the Union Minister of State for Minority Affairs noted that the financial aid by the Centre in this regard has been made public by revealing the same online, so that "no mediators can gulf it".

"One lakh madrasas (traditional learning centres) will be upgraded with new technology. A total of 25,000 madrasas have been identified, including 12,000 in Uttar Pradesh, to introduce the 3T formula - Teachers,iffin and Toilets," he said.

The BJP leader said 100 Navodaya Vidyalaya will be opened in Uttar Pradesh in 2018. "The State government will provide land for these schools," he added. - PTI

**Prez observes 2-min silence**

PANAJI (Goa), April 25: President Pranab Mukherjee today observed two-minute silence to pay respect to the 25 CRPF personnel who lost their lives in the Naxal attack in Chhattisgarh.

Mukherjee was here to inaugurate the 29th convocation of Goa University.

When the function began, organisers requested the President and other dignitaries, including Goa Governor Mridula Sinha, Chief Minister Manohar Parrikar and a large number of students present during the function to pay respects to the martyrs.

At least 25 personnel of Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) were killed yesterday by Naxals' in Chhattisgarh's Sukma district.

Mukherjee had earlier strongly condemned the Naxal attack and prayed for the speedy recovery of the injured. - PTI

**Anandiben best President candidate'**

AHMEDABAD, April 25: BJP leader Subramanian Swamy today pitched for former Gujarat Chief Minister Anandiben Patel as the party's candidate for the election to the State unit of the BJP.

Swamy's tweet proposing Anandiben as the party's candidate for the presidential election has created a flutter in the State unit of the BJP.

"One of the best candidate for the President is former Gujarat CM Anandiben Patel. So what, if she is a Gujarat? I am too a Gujarat's son-in-law," Swamy tweeted today.

Speculations are on as to who the BJP will select as its presidential candidate, the elections for which are likely to be held before July end.

Swamy's tweet at such a time has created a flutter in the State unit of the BJP with the party workers left discussing if Patel would be in the race for the post of President. Nobody from the party, however, was willing to comment on the issue.

When contacted, Patel herself refused to give her view on the tweet. - PTI

## HC grants bail to Sadhvi Pragya, rejects Purohit's plea

MUMBAI, April 25: The Bombay High Court today granted bail to Sadhvi Pragya Singh Thakur, accused of plotting the September 2008 Malegaon blast, but rejected the bail plea of co-accused former Lt Col Prasad Purohit saying the charges against him were of grave nature.

The court said prima facie no case was made out against 44-year-old Sadhvi Pragya, who was arrested nine years ago, and asked her to furnish a cash surety of Rs 5 lakh and surrender her passport to the National Investigation Agency (NIA).

"Prima facie there is no case made out against Sadhvi. But there are reasonable grounds for believing that the accusations made against Purohit

are prima facie true," a division bench of Justices Ranjit More and Shailini Phansalkar-Joshi said.

It also directed her not to tamper with the evidence and to report to the NIA Court as and when required.

Six persons were killed and nearly 100 others injured when a bomb strapped to a motorcycle had exploded in Malegaon town of Nashik district on September 2008. Sadhvi Pragya and 44-year-old Purohit were arrested in 2008. While Sadhvi Pragya, who is suffering from cancer, is undergoing treatment at Mahinda Pradesh hospital, Purohit is lodged in Taloja jail in Maharashtra.

The NIA, which was handed over

the probe from ATS, had given a clean chit to Sadhvi Pragya and told the high court that it had no objection if she was released on bail.

The agency had, however, opposed

Purohit's bail plea.

"In our considered opinion, if both the reports of ATS and NIA are considered conjointly, so far as Sadhvi is concerned, it cannot be said that there are reasonable grounds for believing that accusations made against her are prima facie true," the judges observed.

"Once it is held so, then the bene-

fit of bail cannot be withheld to the appellant, even if the offences alleged against her by ATS are grave and serious ones," they said.

The court, in their 78-page order on Sadhvi's plea, said the accused is a woman who is languishing in jail since 2008 and is suffering from cancer.

While rejecting Purohit's plea, the court said, "In our considered opinion, there is prima facie, more than sufficient material on record against Purohit so as to hold that there are reasonable grounds for believing that accusations made against him are prima facie true."

The bench noted that the charges levelled against Purohit are of seri-

ous and grave nature.

"It is of waging war against the integrity and unity of the state and, that too, by violent means, like exploding the bomb, so as to create terror in the minds of the people," the judges said.

Referring to the report (charge sheet) filed by the NIA, they said, "Purohit was the one who prepared a separate 'Constitution' for Hindu Rashtra with a separate saffron colour flag. He also discussed about taking revenge for the atrocities committed by the Muslims on Hindus."

The HC refused to accept Purohit's contention that he had attended the meetings as part of a "covert military intelligence operation." - PTI



Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath meet Governor Ram Naik (2nd L) at Governor House in Lucknow on Tuesday, as Assembly Speaker HN Dsitsit and Cabinet minister Surendra Khanna took on. - UNT

## Good ambience evolving for AIADMK merger talks

CHENNAI, April 25: A "good ambience" is evolving for holding merger talks between the two factions of the AIADMK, O Panneerselvam, who heads one of the camps, said today.

Panneerselvam's remark came a day after the two factions were squabbling and blaming each other for the delay in the talks getting off the ground.

"A good ambience is evolving in both the factions for talks," Panneerselvam, whose camp has put stiff conditions for the talks to begin, including expulsion of AIADMK (Anna) general secretary VK Sasikala and her nephew and deputy TV Dinakaran from the party, and a CBI probe into the late Chief Minister J Jayalalithaa's death, said. The thrice former Chief Minister, however, did not elaborate.

Coming hours after his side aide E Madusudan demand removal of Sasikala's portraits from the party headquarters

and her nephew and deputy

and removed it from the tri-

council, Panneerselvam indicated a softening of stand, pos-

sibly after back channel talks between the two factions. Formal negotiations for merger have not started yet. The portraits of Sasikala should be immediately removed from the party headquarters to uphold its sanctity," said Madusudan, the chairman of the presidium of the AIADMK (Paratchi Thalai Anna) faction led by Panneerselvam.

Panneerselvam, who held parleys with his supporters, however, did not give any timeline for the commencement of talks which hit a roadblock with his side refusing to abandon its two key demands.

Playing down the demands, Forest Minister Dindigul C Sreenivasan of the camp led by Chief Minister E Palaniswami said, "We cannot respond to what Madusudan says."

There has been a buzz about the merger ever since senior ministers led by Palaniswami revolted against Sasikala and Dinakaran. However, despite formation of committees by the two factions on April 21, the talks have been a non-starter.

The Panneerselvam faction had claimed that the rival camp was in a state of "confusion", a charge rejected by the latter.

The Palaniswami faction has

already been filed in court for a

CBI probe into the circum-

stances leading to Jayalalithaa's

death, said the Panneerselvam camp.

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**HC junks plea for deferring MCD poll result in one ward**

NEW DELHI, April 25: The Delhi High Court today dismissed a plea seeking deferring of the MCD poll results, slated tomorrow, in one out of the 270 wards where polling took place on Sunday.

Justice RK Gauba declined to stop the counting in one of the wards, saying it would disturb the process in other wards as well.

The petitioner had sought direction to the government to stop counting of votes in ward No. 69S, under North Delhi Municipal Corporation, for two days.

The petitioner, who had contested from this ward, said the CBI should conduct an enquiry into his allegation that the Congress candidate from there had cheated and bought votes by distributing liquor and money.

The court, however, said that instead of directly coming here, the petitioner should approach the appropriate authority and termed the petition "misconceived".

Petitioner DK Chopra, who fought as an independent candidate, said he had written to the returning officer to stop the counting until date.

He had also alleged that a senior police officer of the area joined hands with the Congress candidate in permitting the corrupt activity of buying votes with liquor and money.

Delhiites had voted in 270 out of the 272 wards of the three municipal corporations here on April 23 and the results are scheduled to be announced tomorrow. - PTI

### Sabarmati Express blast

## Supreme Court grants bail to former AMU scholar

NEW DELHI, April 25: The Supreme Court today granted bail to a former Aligarh Muslim University scholar Gulzar Ahmed Wani, an alleged Hizbul Mujahideen operative lodged in jail since 2001 for orchestrating a blast in the Sabarmati Express train in 2000.

The trial court is directed to complete the exercise of examining the material witnesses by October 31, 2017. Whether the exercise is completed or not, the petitioner (Wani) shall be released on bail from November 1, 2017, on set terms and conditions of the tri-

al court," the bench said.

The apex court noted that the co-accused of petitioner Wani have been released on bail.

The bench, noted that out of 96 prosecution witnesses, only 20 witnesses have been examined so far and directed the trial court to examine all material witnesses by October 31.

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al court," the bench said.

He was pursuing PhD in Arabic from AMU when he was arrested from the national capital on July 30, 2001. The arrest was made in connection with explosives recovered in Delhi. - PTI

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al court," the bench said.

He was arrested from the Ahsayana area here on March 1, 2001 and sent to jail for allegedly raping a woman.

The court observed that since she did not complain to the police or the competent

## POCSO court grants bail to ex-UP minister in rape case

LUCKNOW, April 25: Former Uttar Pradesh minister Gayatri Prajapati and two of her alleged accomplices were today granted bail in a special court here in connection with a rape case.

A bench of Chief Justice JS Khehar and Justice DV Chandrachud observed that Wani

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## Fire drill marks N Korea military anniversaries

SEOUL, April 25: Nuclear-armed North Korea today marked a military anniversary with a massive conventional firing drill, Seoul said, as a US guided-missile submarine docked in South Korea amid tensions over Pyongyang's weapons ambitions.

Speculation had mounted that the North could carry out a sixth nuclear test or another missile launch to mark 85 years since the founding of its army.

But no such event – which usually happens in the morning – had taken place by mid-afternoon, and instead Seoul's Defense Ministry said Pyongyang was conducting a "massive fire drill" in the eastern port city of Wonsan.

The South's Yonhap news agency

cited a government source as saying the exercise was the North's "largest ever" and presumed to have been overseen by leader Kim Jong-Un.

Washington has sent the aircraft carrier, USS *Carl Vinson*, to the Korean peninsula, where it is expected to arrive after a deployment-provoking delay – later this week.

Confusion had clouded the carrier's whereabouts earlier this month after US officials indicated it was sailing towards North Korea when in fact it was heading towards south.

The vessel will take part in joint naval drills with the South's forces to "demonstrate Seoul and Washington's strong determination to punish North Korean provocations," the South Korean Navy said

in a statement.

They will take place in the East Sea, the South's name for the Sea of Japan, it said, and the two allies will also begin joint naval exercises in the West Sea – what it calls the Yellow Sea – today "in relation to the current security situation."

The nuclear-powered US submarine, USS *Michigan*, also made a port call at Busan in the South today in another show of force, while US navy destroyers carried out separate joint exercises with Japanese and South Korean vessels.

President Donald Trump has said the US was sending an "armada" to the Korean peninsula, including submarines. According to the US Navy's Submarine Force Pacific web-

site, the USS *Michigan* carries more than 150 Tomahawk cruise missiles.

They are capable of precision strikes against the North's nuclear facilities, but the South Korean Navy called the visit "routine" and said the submarine would not take part in any joint exercises.

North Korea has ambitions to build a nuclear-tipped missile capable of reaching the US mainland. Tensions have soared in recent months as it carried out a string of missile tests that sparked tit-for-tat sabre-rattling between it and Washington.

PyonYang's rhetoric always intensifies in the spring, when Seoul and Washington hold joint military drills which it sees as rehearsals for an invasion. – AFP

## Taliban militants kill 14 in Pakistan

PESHAWAR, April 25: Taliban militants today targeted a mini bus with a remote-controlled bomb in Pakistan's restive northwest tribal region, killing at least 14 people including four women and two children.

The improvised explosive device (IED) blast targeted the van in Kontara village in central Kurram Agency.

Jamaatul Ahlaf, a splinter group of the outlawed Tehrik-e-Taliban Pakistan, claimed responsibility for the attack. Fourteen people, including

four women and two children, were killed in the blast, officials said.

Thirteen people were injured in the explosion. The injured were shifted to a nearby hospital. The military's media wing, Inter Services Public Relations, said a special Mi-17 helicopter has been sent to Kurram Agency headquarters Parachinar to bring the injured to Peshawar for treatment.

Security personnel rushed to the blast site and cordoned off the entire area. A search

operation was also conducted.

Last month, at least 28 people were killed and 100 others wounded when a suicide bomber detonated a car rigged with explosives" outside a Shiite imambargah in a busy market in Parachinar, the main town of the Kurram tribal region.

The grisly violence had sparked angry protests by residents in Parachinar, the administrative headquarters of the agency, which is prone to sectarian violence. – PTI

## EU toughens Brexit stance ahead of summit

BRUSSELS, April 25: The EU has hardened its position on Brexit talks ahead of a key summit, making new demands on financial services, immigration and Britain's exit bill, a document showed today.

The leaders of the other 27 countries will stress that Britain will be liable for costs for at least a year after it leaves in 2019, according to the draft negotiating guide-lines seen by AFP.

They insist that Britain's huge finance industry must also stick to EU rules if it wants easy access to European Union markets. And Britain should give EU citizens permanent residency after living there for five years, say a challenge for the British government which has vowed to limit immigration.

European diplomats agreed the changes yesterday at a meeting with the bloc's chief Brexit negotiator Michel Barnier, ahead of Saturday's Brussels summit where they will approve of "red lines" for two years of tough negotiations.

The leaders are also expected to have a "wider debate on Brexit and the upcoming talks" at the summit, a European source told AFP.

The EU's language has notably toughened from EU President Donald Tusk's first draft, issued two days after British Prime Minister Theresa May triggered the divorce process on March 29. The new harder stance comes as May prepares to hold talks with European Commission chief Jean-Claude Juncker and Barnier in London on Wednesday.

The section on Britain's divorce bill – estimated by EU sources at 60 billion euros – now adds a mention of "issues resulting from" the bloc's seven-year budget from 2014 to the end of 2020.

Previously it only mentioned costs up to Britain's withdrawal in 2019, but the new version spells out the EU belief that Britain is liable for all costs it signed up to while a member.

Britain's prized financial services industry is also targeted, with changes to the draft making it clear that arrangements for it will not necessarily be tied to any future trade deal with the EU. – AFP

## 'Bodies of 2 Indians lying in Saudi morgue for weeks'

DUBAI, April 25: The bodies of two Indian workers have been lying in a morgue in Saudi Arabia for weeks as their former employers refused to bear the cost of their repatriation, according to a media report.

Jaswinder Singh, 56, native of Kapurthala district of Punjab, died on February 21 in Riyadh and Purnam Satyanayana, 48, a native of Jagdal district of Telangana, died on March 11, according to *Gadgets Gazette* report. Since then the mortal remains of these two workers, who worked at the same construction company which is now defunct, have been lying in a morgue in Riyadh, the report said. It is not clear how they died.

Repatriation of a dead body by making exit papers and bearing the cost is the responsibility of the employer. The deceased workers were in the Kingdom for over 20 years, but had no job for some time until their death as their employer abandoned them along with scores of other workers, the paper said. They were waiting to receive their end of service benefits and planning to leave the country.

"Without salary for over a year-and-a-half, we are passing through difficult times and the tragic death of our colleagues has saddened us," colleagues of the deceased workers said. – PTI

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Russian hackers targeted Macron campaign: reports

PARIS, April 25: French Presidential candidate Emmanuel Macron's political campaign was targeted by a group of Russian hackers last month, according to a report by a cybersecurity research group today.

The Pawn Storm group,

which has been linked to several high-profile attacks in the West, used "phishing" techniques to try to steal personal data from Macron and members of his En Marche! campaign, Japan-based Trend Micro said.

Pawn Storm, also known as APT28, is also believed to be behind the attacks last summer on the US Democratic National Committee, thought to be aimed at undermining Hillary Clinton's Presidential bid.

It is widely suspected of having links to Russia's security services, and Moscow has been seen as a keen backer of Macron's rival in the Presidential race, Marine Le Pen, who met President Vladimir Putin in a surprise visit to Moscow ahead of the vote. But yesterday, Russia denied any involvement in the French election.

"Which groups? Where do they come from? Why do they come from?" Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov said. – AFP

## Territorial dispute likely to figure in Abe-Putin talks

MOSCOW, April 25: Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe will visit Russia this week for a meeting with President Vladimir Putin. Kremlin and Tokyo said today, as the two sides look to make a headway on a decades-old territorial dispute.

Kremlin said talks set for Thursday would focus on "the state and prospects for development of Russo-Japanese cooperation in the political, trade and economic, and humanitarian spheres."

The meeting follows from Putin's first visit to Japan in 11 years last December, when the two leaders failed to resolve a disagreement over an island chain that has prevented their nations signing a peace treaty to formally end World War II.

The Soviet Union seized islands off Japan's northern coast in 1945 in the closing days of the war. Known as the Southern Kurils in Russia and the Northern Territories in Japan, they have been a thorn in relations ever since.

In Tokyo, Japan's top government spokesman Yoshihide Suga confirmed Abe's visit to Russia. North Korea will also likely be on the agenda of the talks "given the current situation," he said, referring to soaring tensions surrounding the hermit state's nuclear and missile programmes.

Both Russia and Japan have been part of a more-than-a-decade long multilateral effort to persuade North Korea to abandon its nuclear programme.

Suga said that Abe would also go on to Britain after his talks in Russia. He did not provide exact dates for the London leg of the trip, saying only that the entire overseas visit would last until Sunday.

"Prime Minister Abe will make his first visit to Britain since Prime Minister (Theresa) May took office," Suga said.

"He plans to exchange views over Britain's exit from the EU as well as confirm close cooperation with Britain ahead of the G7 summit in late May," Suga added. – AFP

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1. The Director, Defence Research Laboratory on Behalf of President of India invites e-Tender under Two Bids (Tech-no-Commercial and Price Bid).
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For & on behalf of The President of India

Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance author dead

NEW YORK, April 25: Robert M Pirsig, whose philosophical novel *Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance* became a million-selling classic and cultural touchstone after more than 100 publishers turned it down, has died at the age of 88.

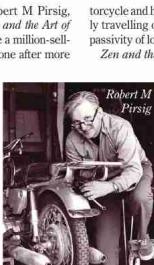
Pirsig's publishing house, William Morrow, announced that he died at his home in South Berwick, Maine. He had been in failing health.

*Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance* was published in 1974 and was based on a motorcycle trip Pirsig took in the late 1960s with his 12-year-old son, Chris.

Like a cult favourite from the 1960s, Jack Kerouac's *On the Road*, the book's path to the best-seller list was long and unlikely. It began as an essay he wrote after he and Chris rode from Minnesota to the Dakotas and grew to a manuscript of hundreds of thousands of words.

After the entire industry seemed to shun it, William Morrow took on the book, with editor James Landis writing at the time that he found it "brilliant beyond belief." – AP

Pirsig's novel was in part an ode to the mo-



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# I'm happy with my batting, says Rahane

MUMBAI, April 25: He might not be scoring big runs in the ongoing IPL, but Rising Pune Super-giant opener Ajinkya Rahane is a contented man as long as his contributions are bringing out positive results for his side.

Rahane so far has just one fifty (60 or 48 balls) in the ongoing IPL and that too came in the lung opener against Sunrisers Hyderabad on April 5.

Thereafter, Rahane's bat went silent but the right-hander said he satisfied with his personal form.

"I am happy the way I am batting at the moment. It is important to spend time in the middle. Right now the way I am middling and timing the ball, I am really happy. As long as

we are winning matches I am happy because that is important," Rahane said at the post-match press conference last night.

"Switching from Test to T20 format is about mental adjustment and I did that completely well," he said.

Rising Pune Super-giant last night halted Mumbai Indians' winning streak by clinching a three-run win in a thriller of a contest at the Wankhede stadium here.

Mumbai needed 17 runs in the last over for a win but Rising Pune Super-giant left-arm pacer Jaydev Unadkat did just to clinch the encounter in his side's favour.

Asked Rahane about the rationale behind the final over to Unadkat over Shardul Thakur, he said, "After the

19th over, when (Steve) Smith, I and Mahi bhai (Mahendra Singh Dhoni) were discussing who should bowl between Shardul and Jaydev (Unadkat), we picked up Jaydev. Shardul has good pace and we didn't want to give batsman the pace in the last over."

Jaydev's pace is comparatively lesser than Shardul and his slower ball is effective. The wicket was also little slow and Rohit (Sharma) was a set batsman, so our point was not to give them pace.

"One side of the ground is small and one or two shots in the last over (could have made the difference). That was the planning in the last over."

The final over also witnessed a heated conversation between Mum-

bai Indians skipper Rohit Sharma and on-field umpire S Ravali.

Having seen Rohit shuffle across the stumps, Unadkat pushed the third delivery of the over wide and Rohit, realising that the ball was veering away from the guideline for wide deliveries, left it alone.

But umpire Ravali didn't call it a wide that infuriated Rohit and he started arguing with Rawal forcing the square-leg umpire A Nand Kishore to intervene.

Asked about the issue, Rahane said, "That was a call by the umpire. As a batsman when you move and if the bowler bowls outside that area goes to the bowler. Rohit's behaviour at that point was natural. Somewhere as a captain, as

a player you feel when the match is so close, I don't think there was any fault in Rohit's behaviour."

"That happens on the field and remains on the field, it is part and parcel of the game. It will also happen in future, but you should respect the umpire's decision."

Terming yesterday's win and the one against Royal Challengers Bangalore as big, Rahane said that each bowler has different stock balls.

"It is not easy to bowl yokers, everyone has different bowling style. Ben Stokes' stock ball is the yorker, which you saw in the 19th over. That over was important for us. Jaydev's (Unadkat) strength is slower ball. Every bowler has different plan," he signed off. - PTI

## Not many are totally committed to the game as Stokes is

**T**wo teams that have bucked the trend of only teams that chase winning the matches take on each other to try and climb the points ladder. The Kolkata Knight Riders' magnificent win over the Royal Challengers Bangalore showed that if a team believes in itself can overcome the stiffest of conditions and the strongest of opposition. A day later in Mumbai the Rising Pune Super-giant defended a slightly bigger total against another mighty fine batting line-up and in doing so have resurrected their quest to get into the play-offs.

The pitch at the Eden Gardens has had a tinge of green ever since Sourav Ganguly has become the President of CAB. What that does is that it gives

the bowler who is prepared to let it rip, the chance to get the ball thudding into the wicket-keeper's gloves. With the dzile having freshened up the pitch, the ball was not only moving in the air but also off the pitch and bouncing quite nicely too. We thus had the rare sight of bowlers who are usually calm-faced


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der for the batsmen, now dictating terms to the wily bowlers. Sadly none of the much vaunted wily bowlers showed much of an idea of how to cope with the pitch and deservedly a wicket to the wily bowlers. There are not many cricketers as totally committed to the game as Stokes is and his energy levels are infectious. - PMG

## Bale ruled out of Champions League

**M**ADRID, April 25: Real Madrid will have to reach his year's Cardiff Champions League final without Gareth Bale after the club confirmed he has a 'grade-two' lower calf-strain in his left leg.

Bale was desperate to play his part in the double-header against Atletico Madrid knowing his home Cup final awaits if Real Madrid are victorious. But now it appears he will be watching from the sidelines after the club confirmed the latest in a long line of injury setbacks. There is no official diagnosis but it is understood he will need between two and three weeks to get back to fitness.

Bale dislocated his right ankle last November and missed three months following surgery and his comeback has been hampered by a new injury in the left leg.

The Fresh blow comes just as he was nearing the return of Real Madrid's post-Classico fall-out with most of Spain's media suggesting he should never have played the first match because he was not properly fit.

Dario AS' editorial on Tuesday read: "Why did Bale start the game on Sunday? Zidane's explanations were woeful. He said he really wanted to play the game. Does that mean Lucas Vazquez, Marco Asensio, Isco and James did not?

Part of Bale's problem, as he is meant to carry the can for a decision that will have been taken with him, is that he is precisely that multitude of alternatives that Zidane had available.

"When Asensio came on he did a lot more," AS said. The 21-year-old has been outstanding of late and looks like someone who will justify a starting berth next season.

Iago scored twice to save Madrid's skin away at Sporting Gijon recently and Morata's front page on Tuesday suggested he will be given a new €6 million euros-a-season (£5m) contract until 2022. There is not such love for James Rodriguez but he still came on and scored in the Clasico. And Lucas Vazquez is another option who has deputised well in the past.

The chief guest of the closing ceremony was Lt General DS Ahuja, GOI, 101 Area, who gave away the prizes to the winners and runners up team. Lt General DS Ahuja congratulated the winners and also complimented Assam Regimental Centre for organising the event flawlessly.

## Eastern India golf c'ship at Jorhat

CORRESPONDENT

**J**ORHAT, April 25: The four-day IGU-Yes Bank Eastern India Junior Boys Golf Championship started today at the picturesque Kaziranga Golf Resort where 49 golfers of various cities of the country.

Six golfers of Delhi, West Bengal and Punjab took a lead in today's events, said the organisers. Kartik Sharma of Delhi, Sundeep Yadav of West Bengal and Yuvraj Singh of Punjab of group-A and Rajguru Chuh, Suhshan Jagdhan and Yashvardhan Singh of Delhi were leading in today's games.

The championship will conclude on April 28. In February this year Indian Golf Union's national qualifier 2 tournament was also held at the Kaziranga Golf Resort of Jorhat.

## Subrata suspended for dope taint

**N**EW DELHI, April 25: Acclaimed Indian goalkeeper Subrata Paul was today provisionally suspended after failing a dope test but has vowed to prove himself innocent by going for the confirmatory 'B' sample test.

All India Football Federation (AIFF) general secretary Kushal Das said Paul, 32, Arjuna Awardee, flunked an out-of-competition test last month. Paul was faced with the prospect of a four-year ban.

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ical condition such as asthma.

It is also present in commonly used expectorants administered for cough and cold. But, athletes must apply for a TUE (Therapeutic Use Exemptions) certificate if they want to use asthma-related drugs.

According to WADA, terbutaline is placed in the category of 'beta-2 agonists', which is prohibited at all times in competition and out-of-competition.

Asked if Paul can still play for his club DSK Shivajians in their last I-League fixture at home against Minerva Punjab on April 30, Das said, "He can apply for a B sample test as well as simultaneously appeal for the lifting of this provisional suspension." - PTI

**Neymar is 'untransferable', insist Barcelona**

**B**ARCELONA, April 25: The Barcelona chief was also questioned about a move for Dybala, who shone during Juve's recent Champions League quarter-final tie against Luis Enrique's side.

Last month Neymar revealed his desire to play in the Premier League, while French giants Paris Saint-Germain have also been heavily linked with the Brazilian. However, Fernandez insists the former Santos forward is going nowhere despite interest from some of Europe's biggest clubs.

"He (Dybala) is a magnificent player, but we already have the best three (forwards) in the world," he said. - Agencies



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## Naharkatia team outwit Bosconians

SPORTS REPORTER

**G**UWAHATI, April 25: Cricket Academy Naharkatia outwitted Don Bosco School, Guwahati by eight wickets in the Bud Cricket Club organised 7th Sitaram Agarwala Memorial U17 Inter School/Organisation Cricket Tournament.

At the Assam Cricket Association's Barsapara stadium here today, bundling out the opponent for 107 in 30.4 overs, the Naharkatia boys put up 108 for 26.5 overs. All rounder Sarmath Sarmah of the winning team received the man-of-the-match award.

**Brief scores:** Don Bosco School 107 (Nabed Ahmed 18, Reshab Barman 16; Sarmath Sarmah 224, Ahmed Raja Warshi 222), CA Naharkatia 108/2 (Akhil Kalita not out 32, Sarmath Sarmah 21; Reshab Barman 2/23).

## Volleyball tourney at Thitu

**T**HITU, April 25: An invitation day-night prize-money volleyball tourney will be held at the Tatipara Primary School premises at Niz-Pakowa, near here on April 27.

The tournament will be organised by the Niz Pakowa Suniti Sangha. Krishna Barua, chief executive officer of the Nalbari Zila Parishad will formally inaugurate the tourney at 10 am while Monoh Choudhury, secretary Nalbari Sports Association will inaugurate the final match at 8 pm.

The participating teams are - Thitu Sports Association, Chambata, Volleyball Coaching Centre, Nalbari, Pab Nalbari Coaching Centre, Niz Pakowa Suniti Sangha and Nalbari Veterans.

## ARC soccer tourney

**S**HILLONG, April 25: The 101 Area defeated 17 Mtn Division 2-0 in a thrilling final of the Inter Formation Eastern Command Football Championship at the Garrison Ground, 101 Area here yesterday, stated a Defence press release.

The tournament was conducted at the Assam Regimental Centre (ARC) under the aegis of the Headquarters 101 Area from April 17 to 24.

Altogether 16 teams from various Army Formations took part in the meet.

The chief guest of the closing ceremony was Lt General DS Ahuja, GOI, 101 Area, who gave away the prizes to the winners and runners up team. Lt General DS Ahuja congratulated the winners and also complimented Assam Regimental Centre for organising the event flawlessly.

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