

Grenade attack on SF camp in south Kashmir. no **injured reported** SRINAGAR, FEB 6 ilitants attacked a secu y force camp with nd grenade in soutl ishmir district o Ilwama on Monday ght, official source staged iøht. said. They said militants hurled a hand grenade towards the camp of 50 Rashitriya Rifles (RR) at Kakpora in Pulwama last night. However, the grenade hit the outer-wall of the camp and exploded without camising any. from police custody. out CONTD ON P-2 attack. Both the police

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## Srinagar hospital firing: 2 policemen killed: Pak militant escanes

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Mushtaq Ahmad and Babar Ahmad, suc-cumbed to b papar Ahmad, suc-cumbed to his injuries," the prisoners, identified as Naveed Jat - a

Pakistani militant - man-aged to flee. One weapon of a policeman was also missing. "Security forces have been rushed to the area and a search operation has been launched to nab has been launched to nab the prisoner and the attacker," they added. Meanwhile, National Conference President Dr Farooq Abdullah and Working President Omar Abdullah while strongly. Abdullah while h while strongly CONTD ON P-2

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police personnel and civil-

ians were killed while 308

were injured in militancy-related incidents across

the state in the past two

120 cop, civilians killed in militancyrelated incidents: Mehbooba civilians and 32 police per-sonnel were killed while 192 comprising 108 civil-ians and 84 police person-JAMMU, FEB 6: Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Mehbooba Mufti on Tuesday said that 120

nel injured in violencerelated incidents across the state, replied the government. On compensation pro-vided to the affected fami-lies and victims, the gov-ernment said that in terms

the state in the past two years. The Chief Minister, who is in-charge of Home department, said that in 2016, 20 civilians and 17 of order number 723-GR (GAD) of 1990 dated 10-7-1990, read with amend-ment time to time, ex-grapolice personnel were killed while 66 civilians tia is being given respect of the affected pe sons, the reply said. and 50 police personnel

However, for death, Rs One Lakh, for permanent disability, Rs 75,000 and for partial disability, Rs 10,000 is provided, the

Minister replied. The Chief Minister, however, further replied that in the last three years, 63 police personnel of Jammu and Kashmir Police were martyred in the state. In 2015, 11 police per-

sonnel, in 2016, 18 police personnel and in 2017, 32 in police personnel were martyred. .. CONTD ON P-2

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SRINAGAR, FEB 6: Chief Minister Mehbooba Mufti Mehbooba Mufti and working president of main oppo-sition National Conference (NC) Omar Abdullah have sition National Conterence (NC) Omar Abdullah have expressed pain and heartfelt condolence over the killing of two Jammu and Kashmir policemen by militants in a broad daylight at a hospital on Tuesday. Militants laso helped a top Lashkere-Toiba (LcI) mil-itant Naveed Jat alias Hanzullah, arrested in 2014, to

escape from the detention who was being taken to hospital for medical check up.

Taking to micro-blogging site Twitter Mehbooba said " Pained to hear that two more brave policemen lost their lives in an attack in Srinagar today. CONTD ON P-2

Two killed in Kashmir highway **accident** Srinagar, feb SNINAGAR, FEB of Iwo persons were killed when a vehicle in which they were travelling skid-ded off the road and fell into deep gorge on Srinagar-Jammu national highway on Monday vening a police ening, polic okesman said here o He said a car on way to

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idded off the road and CONTD ON P-2

## Writ against CC bank is not maintable: HC

is not maintable: HC JAMUL, FEB. 06: Justice Alok Aradhe of J&K High Court Jammu Wing in a petition filed by Harvinder Singh seeking quash-ment of notice dated 15.01.2018 for hold-ing the 5th Annual General Meeting of the Members of the Citizens' Cooperative Jank Ltd, scheduled to be held on 31.01.2018, observed that it is axiomatic that nowhere in the writ petition the peti-tioner has not made any factual assertions in support of his submission that Citizen Cooperative Bank which is admittedly a Cooperative Bank which as admittedly a Cooperative Society registered under the provisions of J&K Cooperative Societies Act, 1960 is an instrumentality of the State constitution. There is no averment in the writ petition to show that the State Government has either any sharcholding or has any overall pervasive control over the affairs of the Citizen Cooperative Bank-Society. The Citizen Cooperative Bank Society. The Citizen Cooperative Bank to the Jurisdi-tion of this Court, in the considered opin-ion of this Court, the writ petition fild bank Citizen Cooperative Bank to the jurisdi-tion this Court, the writ petition fild Bank Society. The Society Bank to the societ meriton to the toriton C ion of this Court, in the considered opin-ion of this Court, the writ petition filed qua Citizen Cooperative Bank is not main-tainable. With these observations High Court dismissed the petition in limine.

state. The question raised by the MLC Naresh Kumar Gupta in the Upper House. As per the break up, in 2015, 222 ceasefire viola-

#### Traffic on Kashmir highway disrupted due to landslides

SRINACAR, FEB 6: Traffic on national highway, con-necting Kashmir valley with the rest of the country, was disrupted following fresh landslides on Tuesday, offi-cial sources said. We have suspended traffic on the highway following landslides at Magarkote area, where a portion of hill has caved in, they told UNI. The Borders Road Constitution (BRO), responsible for

the maintainance of the highway, has already put into service sophisticated machines and men to work to put through traffic

they said adding. Hundreds of vehicles, including those carrying pas-

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The Border Roads Organisation (BRO), responsible for

It will take few hours to resume traffic on the highway,

Hundreds of vehicles, including those carrying pro-sengers, have been stopped at different places on both CONTD ON P-2

# rity personnel attained martyrdom across the

## *No proposal to grant state subject status* to West Pak Refugees: J&K Govt

JAMMU, FEB 6: Jammu (WPRs), the Minister Innd Kashmir Government charge on Tuesday said that so far Management, there is no proposal to grant state subject status to the West Pakistani

Refugees. In a written reply to the question raised by the BJP-ing details of compensa-tion paid to PoJK Refugees, familes yet to be disbursed compensation and intent to settle West Pakistani Refugees "However, there is no specific proposal as of now under the consideration of the Government," replied the Minister In-charge.

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He further said that the Government of India has Disaster Javed sanctioned Rs 2,000 crore Mustafa Mir said,"Unlike as central assistance for one time settlement of 36,384 displaced families of PoJK and Chhamb the PoJK displaced per-sons of 1947 and Chhamb sons of 1947 and Chnamb displaced persons of 1965 and 1971, West Pakistani Refugees have not been granted State Subject Status."

of POJK and Chhamb under PMDP-2015 for Jammu and Kashnir. "Against 36,384 families, the assistance cases of 10,098 have been approved and submitted to the MHA for DBT as on December 31, 2017," he replied.

JAMMU, FEB. 06: In a Public Interest Litigation filed by Summit Nayyar seeking security of Court complex and cleaning and sanitation work for the entire High Court Complex as well as the District Court Complex. Court Complex. A Division Bench of State High Court Comprising Chief Justice Badar Durrez Ahmed

Security & ors of Court

Comprising Chief Justice Badar Durrez Ahmed and Justice Dhiraj Singh Thakur after hearing both the sides directed Registrar General to fur-nish a report with regard to the Budgetary provision and also directed SSP Security, Jammu, the SSP Traffic, Jammu, the Chief Engineer R&B Department and the Commissioner, Jammu Municipal Corporation to be present on next date of hearing.

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- Up to 3 years of imprisonment and up to Rs 50.000/- fine for husband/family member or any rson abetting sex selection Up to 3 years of imprisonment with fine up to Rs. 10,0007- for any advertisement regarding
- sex selection



#### in past 3 vrs in J&K: Mehbooba tions reported in which 16 civilians were killed and 71 injured while nine security JAMMU, FEB 6: Jammu and Kashmir Government on Tuesday said that Pakistan in past three years had violated ceasefire agreement for 829 times personnel got martyred and 14 sustained injuries.

In 2016, ceasefire agree-ment was violated by the Pakistan for 233 times in and during this period 41 civilians died and 55 secu-Pakistan for 233 times in which 13 civilians were killed and 83 got injured whereas 16 security per-sonnel died and 74 got injured, replied the Minister In-charge Mehboobba Mufti. She further replied that

Refugees

in 2017 till December 28 374 incidents of ceasefire violations were reported and 12 civilians killed while 79 got injured and 30

In another reply, the Minister said that 38 civil-ian deaths were reported in five districts including Jammu, Samba, Kathua, Rajouri and Poonch during this period while 145 per-sons got intured and 142.

Pak violated ceasefire 829 times **CASO** after susnicious movement in south Kashmir

sons got injured and 153 CONTD ON P-2

SRINAGAR, FEB 6: Security forces on Tuesday night launched a Cordon and Search Operation (CASO) in south Kashmir after security forces opened fire when they noticed some suspicious security personnel killed and 62 got injured. In another reply, the

opened fire when they noticed some suspicious movement, official sources said. They said an alert sentry of police station Rajpora opened fire when he saw some suspicious movement near the police station tonight. However, a CASC operation was immediately launched in the area, they said adding so far nothing was found. Panic gripped in the area after the people heard the firing shots. Last night militants hurled a hand grenade towards a security force camp at Kakpora in Pulwama. However, no one was injured.

# **DB** directives in PIL regarding

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#### Grenade attack...

damage. Security forces immediately retaliated but the militants managed to escape under the cover of dark-ness. A police spokesman confirming the attack said in a tweet " Grenade lobbed by terrorists at #Kakapora. Area militants tweet " inder cordon"

Later, a massive search operation was launched in the Later, a massive search operation was launched in the nearby areas. However, no one was arrested, they said. The attack on the camp came hours after police busted a Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM) module involved in grenade attacks on security forces in south Kashmir.

#### Srinagar hospital...

condemning the attack on a police party at SMHS Hospital in Srinagar, have expressed profound grief and sorrow over the killing of the policemen.

sorrow over the kulling of the policemen, he had down their Paying tributes to the policemen who laid down their lives in the attack, Dr Farooq and Mr Abdullah have extended their heartfelt condolences to their families and colleagues and said their sacrifice won't go in vain.

#### 120 cop...

The government also said that special welfare relief of Rs 6.47 crores was paid to Next of kin of 53 martyred police personnel and Rs 12 lakh to NoKs of six SPOs out

K8 6.4/ Crores Was plan to Next of San advised police personnel and Rs 12 lakh to Noks of six SPOs out of Contributory Welfare Fund. Meanwhile ex-gratia relief of Rs 3.66 crore paid to Noks of 55 martyred police personnel and Rs Six lakh to Noks of three SPOs out of State Budget and additional ex-gratia relief of Rs 60 lakh paid to Noks of 20 martyred

#### French company to set up high vielding apple plant nursery in Kashmir

SRINAGAR, FEBUARY 06: A French based company is set to establish high yielding elite Apple plant nurs-ery based on high value genetic stock suitable to climate of Kashmir through a tie up with a local entrepreneur. In this regard representative of FIATS, a French com pany, Mare-Andre gave a detailed presentation on the proposed programme to Director Horticulture Kashmir

and officers of the Department here. The representative of M/S FIATS, an Indo-French Collaboration assured the Department that the company is robustly following the business proposal and will put all out efforts with their expertise in establishment of fruit plant nurseries together with research and development facilities to pass on the benefits of high standard fruit plant production to the growers commu nity in Kashmir

The Director Horticulture Kashmir assured the French delegation that all necessary assistance will be provided police personnel by MHA, Government of India was have been sanctioned in respect of the partially damaged properties, said the Minister In-charge.

#### Mehbooba...

My heart goes out to their families and loved ones". Former Chief minister Omar Abdullah in a tweet said "two J&K policemen killed by terrorists inside Srinagar's premier hospital. Heartfelt condolences to the families of Constables Mushtaq & Babar". The deceased policemen were identified as Mushtaq Ahmad and Babar. Naveed, a resident of Sahiwala, Multan Punjab, Pakistan was arrested in 2014 in south Kashmir district of Kultarm Huwar foring charges of killions a police offi-

of Kulgam. He was facing charges of killing a police offi-cer and a CRPF man in 2013 besides other militancy inci-dents, including rifle snatching.

#### Pak violated...

Cases of house or property damages were reported. As per break-up, eight deaths were reported in Jammu, seven in Samba, one in Kathua, five in Rajouri and 17 in Poonch in this period. She also said, "further, an amount of Rs 70 lakh has been disbursed by the Divisional Commissioner Jammu to Deputy Commissioner Poonch and Samba for making parament to the abalishle boreoficiarise are trifting at the Fire

payment to the eligible beneficiance of viscous and Lakh each under the scheme while the cases of other diswment to the eligible beneficiaries or victims at Rs Five

And teach that is starting while the cases of our las-tricts are under process.<sup>2</sup> As regards Kashmir Division, the Deputy Commissioner Baramulla, paid Rs one Lakh in favour of the Next of Kin of a deceased person and Rs 0.531 lakh

for establishment of an elite plant nursery in Kashmir

#### Brick kiln owners asked to adhere to environmental norms

PULWAMA, FEBRUARY 06: District Development Commissioner Pulwama Ghulam Mohammad Dar today convened a meeting with brick kiln owners oper-ating in the district and impressed upon them to strictly adhere to environmental norms.

General Manager DIC, ADC Pulwama, ADC Awantipora, ADC Tral, ACR Pulwama, Tehsildars, offi-cers from Geology & Mining Department, Irrigation & ADC Pulwama, ADC Flood, Pollution Control, Municipality and other officers from concerned quarters were present in the meeting.

He asked to run this industry on the lines as envis aged in Sustainable Development Goals as enshrined in J&K Industrial Policy guidelines 2016 which includes application of latest pollution controlling and monitorng devices, use of efficient fuel with high calorific valOver 27.725...

measuring 27,725 and 17 marlas is under the occupa-ion of Army in Chhamb Constituency near Line of tion of Army in Chhamb Constituency near Line of Control." The Minister further replied, "Compensation to the tune of Rs 16,14,798 has been disbursed among the right-ful land owners." "Land measuring 9,016 kanals and six marlas has been barded metaring 50,016 kanals and six marlas has been

handed over to farmers for agriculture use," replied the Minister In-charge Home.

#### Two killed...

fell into 200 to 250 feet deep gorge at Nachlana on the highway. He said immediately a relief and rescue oper-ation was launched in the area despite darkness. Two persons identified as Mohammad Shafi Sofi and Gowhar Persons identified as Monanimad Shan Son and Gowhar Hussain Khan, residents of Keribal, Anantnag in south Kashmir, died on the spot. Bodies of both the deceased have been recovered, he said.

#### Traffic on...

sides of the highway, they said. Similarly, large num-ber of heavy vehicles, including those carrying essentials for Kashmir, have also been stopped. Vehicles will be allowed to proceed towards their respective destinations as soon as the landslides will be removed, they added.

ues and low sulphur content, risk allowances, linking of labourers with health insurance schemes and a de able environmental cess to be imposed on red and orange category industries.

He emphasized that no fresh licenses or registrations shall be issued to set up any new brick kiln in the dis-trict. He also reiterated that any unauthorized existing brick kiln unit shall be dismantled and strict action under rules shall be initiated against the violators

#### SHRC holds sittings in Kupwara

SRINAGAR, FEBRUARY 06: State Human Rights Commission, Chairperson, Justice (retd) Bilal Nazki, today held sittings of the Commission at Dak Bungalow Kupwara and took cognizance of various cases pertaining to the district. During the hearings, he gave on spot directions/ rec-

ommendations in a number of cases. Later, the Chairperson also took stock of various cases of human rights with police and the district administration.

## Saffron Party's Pseudo-nationalism exposed: Manohar

Manohar Lal Sharma, Former Minister conducted a three days tour to attend various social and religious functions at dif-ferent villages of Billawar constituency in Kathua dist namely Mela, Sunkhal, Katli, Arnoha, Dodesy, Jasrota, Dhaloti, Baggan-Lahari, Parsharu, Sukral ed a three days tour to Lodano Sukral Kishanpur, Dharamkote, Kishanpur, Dharamkote, Dungara, Durang, Rampur-Rasool, Barota, Thanthu, Harnota, Dhan, Lakhri and Mandli and interact with people from different walk of life including sarpanchs and parchae there and while panches there and while regretting he said that the cowardly surrenders of BJP on varied issues before its coalition partner for the sake of power, he observed

BILLAWAR, FEB. 06: Dr that the saffron party was PDP to demoralize the a clan of pseudo-nationalism which vigorously trumpeted the jingoistic slogans for its vested politslogans for its vested polit-ical interests. Former Minister regret that it is utterly shocking to note the BJP leadership making the armed forces defensive and applogetic

PDP to demoralize the brave solider serving the motherland. He said that brave jawan of Indian Army and other paramili-tary forces had always vol-unteered himself to sacri-fice his valuable today for our tomorrow while fight-ing the nemy. ing the enemy. Former Minister condefensive and apologetic merely to remain alliance demned that the incumintact and keep its coalibent government had been intact and keep its coali-tion partner in good humor. He pointed out that if there is another party government either in state or in centre, you will see what is the reaction of BJP and its leadership, but bent government had been resorting to appeasement policy towards the anti-nationals, frenzied seces-sionists and stone palters which had emboldened them enough to manhan-alla and accoult the counting them enough to mannan-dle and assault the security personnel on duty. He said that the BJP had done in past when they released jas-e-mohd Azar Maqsood now they are quite com-fortable and completely mum like nothing has hap

high the nothing has hap-pened there. He accused that the Saffron party for being hand in glove with the as-e-mond Azar Maqsood and his associates. Dr Sharma said that we are astonished to hear

FIR on Major Aditya and his unit with the charges of murder, attempt to mur murder, attempt to mur-der and endangering life of civilians. He regretted that instead of standing beside the Army which retailated in self defense, the BJP partnered govt. despicably slapped FIR on them. He also wordered over the also wondered over the criminal silence of the

criminal silence of the Saffron party when the state police filed the FIR against Army official. Former Minister criti-cized that the BJP and PDP metter for mention in dire parties for moving in dia-metrically opposite direc-tions with defensive action of Army which had to fire upon the insane stone pal-ters who were hell bent to lynch the army officer and snatch his service weapon beside damaging army

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#### Sitting CE tears apart nexus of looting state exchequer in I&FC Deptt. NSF supports campaign of officer to expose deep rooted corruption

system of swindling pub-lic money under the garb of cleaning canals/khuls. Dr Vikas said that these are very serious charges of corruption against the sitcorruption against the sil-ting top officers which is not possible without the involvement of concerned minister in the Department. He urged that Governor and the Chief Minister should hand over the case to CBI for inde pendent probe for smash-ing the nexus of corrupt officers being slur on the functioning of state government so that culprits in Department of ion and Flood Irrigation and Flood Control are booked under Control are booked under law of the land and to put a big deterrent for any further loot in the department, Dr. Vikas demanded

Legislature on PSC Issue **PSC Selection Process Should be Credible and Transparent: Vibodh** 

Vibodh Walks Out of The State

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JAMMU, FEB. 06: BJP senior leader and MLC Vibodh Gupta today walked out of the upper house of state assembly as a mark of protest on various issues related to Public Service Commission. He very strongly raised the issues and said that the answers providand the issues and said that the missies provide ed to him on his various questions on PSC were not satisfactory. He said that today common masses of the state specially the educated youth of our state must have full faith in the selection procedure being followed by PSC. On this issue, Vibodh wanted a discussion in the upper house of the state legislature. He also requested the chair to constitute a house commit-tee which should look into this matter. Vibodh also said that late Mufti Mahomad Saveed always wanted to bridge the gap between Jammu region and Kashmir region. For this, he said that trust must be restored among our younger generation. Speaking about the institutions like PSC he said that the selection process of PSC must be open and transparent so that our educated and meritorious youth must not feel cheated by such institution of high repute.

Latter after the walkout while addressing the media Vibodh stressed upon the fact that there should be complete transparency in the selection process by PSC and no one should lose faith on the credibility of such institutions. He said that for the posts of PSC whatever selections are made the data of the selected candidates must be provided district was All the youth who apply for a particular post and appear for vari-ous interviews must know clear facts about their noninclusion in any selection list. This he said will build a strong trust among our youth and they will never feel betrayed or cheated. Since these matters were not discussed in the house today, Vibodh said that he will keep raising these issues in the house whenever he will get time for these in the near future as well. Tran arency in the selection process will build the morale of our youth, whose energies need to be chan-nelized for the development of our state and nation

#### Budget Session 2018-19 - LC Proceedings LC passes Bill for Protection.

**Conservation, Development of Fisheries** JAMMU, FEBRUARY 06: The Upper House today passed "A Bill to provide for the protection, conserva-tion and development of fisheries in the state and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto

(L.A. Bill No.4 of 2018)". The Bill was moved by the Minister for Animal, Sheep Husbandry and Fisheries, Abdul Gani Kohli and passed with a voice vote.

#### Budget Session 2018-19 - LC Proceedings LC passes Bill to Amend IK Land Revenue Act-1996

JAMMU, FEBRUARY 06: The Upper House today passed "A Bill to Amend the Jammu and Kashmir Land Revenue Act-Samvat 1996 (L. A Bill No: 8 of

2018)." Minister for Agriculture Ghulam Nabi Hanjura moved the bill on behalf of Minister for Revenue, Hajj & Auqaf, Parliamentary Affairs, Abdul Rehman Veeri. The Bill was passed with a voice vote

#### Budget Session 2018-19 - LC Proceedings LA passes Bill to amend Salaries, Allowances of Members of JK Legislature Act-1960

JAMMU, FEBRUARY 06: The House today passed "A Bill to amend the Salaries and Allowances of Members of the Jammu and Kashmir State Legislature Act, 1960 (LA Bill No.3 of 2018)."

The Bill was moved by the Minister for Agriculture Ghulam Nabi Hanjura on behalf of Minister for Revenue, Hajj & Auqaf, and Parliamentary Affairs, Abdul Rehman Veeri in the House. Later, the Bill was passed with a voice vote

#### Budget Session 2018-19 - LC Proceedings Zulfkar tables Annual, Audit Reports of SFC in LC

JAMMU, FEBRUARY 06: Minister for Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs Choudhary Zulfkar Ali, on behalf of the Minister for Finance Dr Haseeb A Drabu, today, tabled copies of the Annual Report and Audit Report of the State Financial Corporation for the years 2015-16 and 2016-17 in the Legislative Council

#### Budget Session 2018-19 - LC Proceedings Zulfkar tables SHRC Report in LC JAMMU, FEBRUARY 06: Minister for Food Civil

Supplies and Consumer Affairs Choudhary Zulfkar Ali, on behalf of the Minister for Law and Justice, Abdul Haq Khan, today, tabled a copy of the Annual Report of the State Human Rights Commissions for the year 2016-17 along with copy of Action Taken Report in Legislative Council.

#### Budget Session 2018-19 - LC Proceedings **Chairman presents IInd** report of BAC in LC

JAMMU, FEBRUARY 06: Chairman, Legislative Council today presented second report of the Business Advisory Committee for the 117th session of the Jammu and Kashmir Legislative Council. Earlier Muhammad Khursheed Aalam informed the

House about the same

JAMMU, FEB. 06: statement to the press Lauding the undaunted against the top officers approach of sitting Chief serving at the helms of Engineer of Irrigation and affairs in the department Flood Control Department to muster have deflated the tall claims of PDP BJP governthe tall Department to muster courage and expose nexus operating amongst con-tractors-Babus-minister to swindle public money in crores on the pretext of dealbing mends experts ment for giving clean gov-ernance which is boosting day in and day out to eliminate corruption from the government departdesilting canals annually, ments thus pointedly raising fin-gers on the functioning of PDP BJP government in

Referring to only 20 per-Reterring to only 20 per-cent utilization of funds out of 15 to 20 crores allo-cated for desilting of canals/khuls and their maintenance, Dr. Vikas

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open loot of money ear-marked for the said pur-Vikas expressed deep shock on the I&FC state Slamming the centre BJP government which is votary of providing corruption free administraior

ministry headed by none other than a BJP Mantri who has obliquely been targetted by a sitting senofficer of his department be leveling such alle-

gations after he (CE) was shifted from the chair of CE 1&FC within four months of his posting, because he flatly declined to succumb to the unfair demand of the officers to demand of top officers to be a party of the age old

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Thakur K D Singh Inaugurated New Complex of NILM NGO JAMMU, FEB. 06: Th K

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and accountability in the entire fertilizer sector. He impressed upon the rep-resentatives of concerned agencies to expedite the

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JAMMU, FEB. 06: 1h K D Singh chairman National Incredible Literacy Mission Jammu & Kashmir inaugurated new complex at central head quarter RoonNagar in Jammu head quarter ,RoopNagar in Jammu .Here large numbers of volunteers ,workers and NILM officials has taken NILM officials has taken part .Function started with cutting of ribbon by chairman NILM along with Rakeshwar Singh Project Director NILM, Vieter Deriv eries erect Vidya Devi vice presi-dent, Raman Gupta Secretary NILM & Kavita

the state. This was stated by Dr.

Sharma,

National Secular Forum (NSF) today while addressing a press confer-ence and said that the startling revelations and serious allegations lev-elled by the Chief Engineer in a unittee

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NILM. Speaking with media personals Th KD Singh chairman NILM high-lighted the achievements of NILM (NGO) during personals he congratulat-ed general public for



team is committed for providing remark service to the society remarkable that new complex On the occasion Rakeshwar Singh Project Director NILM also interacted with media

that new complex will help in providing better opportunities to needy people. He also present-ed vote of thanks to all guest present during comping composition of opening ceremony of new complex

## Samba records highest CD ratio in Jammu Division

SAMBA FEBRUARY 06: District Development Commissioner, Sheetal Nanda today chaired the District Level Nanda today chaired the District Level Review and Consultative committee meeting to review the progress and per-formance of banks in key areas relating to Deposits, Advances and Priority sec-tor lending for the quarter ending December 2017. During the meeting DC calcul for

During the meeting, DC asked for deliberation on reasons for low credit utilization by Kissan Credit Card holders and said that cases of farmers not falling within purview of KCC loans should be submitted under 'Agricultural Term Loans' by sponsoring depart-

She further asked Bankers to publicize their schemes in schools/colleges and organize awareness programmes specif-ically targeting 'Educational Loans'. She added that immense boom in Housing sector in district must be tapped and any clarification regarding revenue matter must be taken up by Banks on priority.

The DLRCC asked Banks to pay more focus on Joint Liability and Self Help groups as studies have proved that they are more secure and less prone to be 'Non performing Asset'.

Non performing Asset. Earlier Lead Bank Manager, Satish Sharma apprised participants that CD ratio of district was 57.55% which is highest in Jammu province and assured that it will touch 60 % in next quarter. The District Agriculture officer also informed that Samba has highest also informed that Samba has highest non-loanee farmers enrollment under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bina Yojana in Jammu Division.DDM NABARD, Surinder Singh asked departments and Banks to take up more cases under 'Dairy Entrepreneur Development Scheme' and 'National Livestock Mission' as their continuation has been evtended up 28th Eab 2018 extended up to 28th Feb, 2018.

LDO RBI Abhilasha Diwakar.GM DIC Varinder Manyal and District Heads of Banks and Govt Departments were also present in the meeting.

## DDC inspects progress of developmental works

SHOPIAN, FEBRU- been spent so far. DDC ARY 6: District was accompanied by was accompanied by Executive Engineer R&B, Assistant 6: District elopment Commissioner Shopian. Assistant Executive Engineer R&B, Tehsildar Confinitistoner Shopfall, Mohammad Aijaz today conducted an extensive tour of the district and Shopian and other senior officers of concerned departments.

reviewed the progress of various ongoing develop-mental works/projects being executed in the dis-During the tour, DDC visited Batapora Bridge and directed the executing agencies, to accelerate the pace of work and ensure timely completion of the project. It was given out that the estimated cost of Batapora Bridge is 6.50 Crore and 5.00 crore has

sites, DDC gave special emphasis on the use of

quality material. He also directed the executing agencies to expedite the pace of work and ensure that the project gets completed within a stipulated period of time. He said that hostel will prove ben-

Dir Agriculture reviews preparation of

Gujjar and Bakerwal. He further said that the hostel will come up with state of art infrastructure with all modern facilities like of art infrastr Reading rooms, recreation room, indoor games facility, computer lab library and internet facility. Later on, DDC inspected the Mega Fruit Mandi Aglar Shopian and took review of the work of levelling and directed the concerned to complete the work with the stipulated time and also complete the macadamization so that the old fruit Mandi will be shifted without

## Govts exempts toll on export of fruit, gypsum

Wheat bran included in exempted list JAMMU, FEBRUARY 06: Giving relief to the Fruit and Gypsum Industry in the state, the government has exempted the toll on their export which was announced by the Finance Minister in Budget 2018-19. "In exercise of the powers conferred by section 5 of the Levy of Toll Act, Samvat 1995 (Act No: VIII of 1995), the Government hereby directs that export of the fresh fruit and gypsum produced within the State of Jammu and Kashmir shall be exempt from payment of toll leviable under the said Act, "said SRO-66 issued by the Finance Department. This notification shall come in force w.ef

Department. This notification shall come in force w.e.f bruary 6, 2018.

Meanwhile, through a separate SRO issued Vide No: 65, the State Government has included Wheat bran in the list of exempted import items.

#### Non-commercial LMVs exempted from Toll

JAMMU, FEBRUARY 06: The Government has exempted the Non-Commercial Light Motor Vehicles exempted the Non-Commercial Light Motor Vehicles entering and leaving the State from payment of Basic Toll. The Finance Department has issued SRO 67 in this regard. As per the notification, the government in exer-cise of the powers conferred by section 5 of the Levy of Toll Act, Samvat 1995 (Act No. VIII of 1995), directs that all Non-Commercial Light Motor Vehicles entering and leaving the State shall be exempted from payment of Basic Toll leviable under the said act The podification Basic Toll leviable under the said act. The notification shall come in force w.e.f February 6, 2018.

#### **Commercial vehicles exempted from** paving arrears of passenger tax: Govt

JAMMU, FEBRUARY 06: In exercise of the powers conferred by section 10 of the Jammu and Kashmir Passengers Taxation Act, 1963, the Government has exempted from payment of Passenger tax leviable under the said Act.

the said Act. As per the SRO 69 issued by the Finance Department, all the past arrears of the passenger tax of the commer-cial vehicles in the state upto 31st December, 2017 are exempted.

#### Govt approves remission of stamp duty for SHGs, JLGs as loans advanced by NABARAD JAMMU, FEBRUARY 06: The Government has can

celled the stamp duty for an amount upto Rs 3.00 lakh in case of the loans advanced by the NABARD to Self Help

case of the loars advanced by the NABÅRD to Self Help Groups (SHCs) and Joint Liability Groups (ILGs). "In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (a) of section 9 of the Stamps Act, Samut 1977 (XL of 1977), the Government hereby directs that there shall be remis-sion of stamp duty under the said Act for an amount uptoRs 3:00 lakhs (upto Three Lakhs only) in case of the loans advanced by the NABARD to Self Help Groups (SHGs) and Joint Liability Groups (ILGs), reads SRO 71 issued by the Finance Department in this regard.

'Direct Benefit Transfer' in fertiliser sector SRINAGAR, FEBRU- process of installation of of demand and supply of officers to organise a Director Point of Sale Machin ARY UD: Discensive Agriculture Kashmir Syed Altaf Aijaz Andrabi conveyed a meeting to Point of Sale Machines (POS) in all the retailer and sales outlets of Kashmir division. He impressed upon the representatives of fertilizreview the preparedness for the introduction of direct benefit transfer (DBT) of fertiliser subsicompanies that department is committed dies in Kashmir Division to uphold the interests of dies in Kashmir Division While speaking on the occasion, Director Agriculture said that Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) in fertilizer sector is a positive shift from old and orthodox system to a new. Multi dimensional

directed the representa-tives of different fertilizto uphold the interests of the farming community, therefore, no compromise on the quality of fertiliz-ers and no laxity in this regard can be tolerated and the distributors or dealers if found violating cet norme would be lead. tives of different fertiliz-ers companies to ensure the timely supply of dif-ferent kind of fertilizers in all the districts of Kashmir division. The fertilizer wholesalers were asked to create a facility set norms would be legally dealt with. He said all for storing at least 200 metric tons of fertilizers at the procedures being adopted during this adopted during this entire exercise should be in consonance with the pan India procedures. While taking the review celled.

a time failing which their licence would be can-Director Agriculture instructed the concerned

officers to organise training programme for officers at block level as well as to fertilizer deal-ers on Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) and sensi-tize them about the Direct tize them about the importance of Direct Benefit Transfer and conconcerned districts. He

different schemes. The meeting was attend-ed by Joint Director Agriculture Extension Abdul Rahim Samoon, Regional Subject Matter Specialist Mohd Yaseen Masoodi, Chief Agriculture Officient of concerned direct

different kinds of chemi different kinds of chemi-cal fertilizer, in Kashmir Division, Andrabi direct-ed the Chief Agriculture Officers to monitor and regulate the supply of fer-tilizers to the farmers of concerned district. He

sequent benefit of DBT in different schemes.

Officers of concerned districts, officers of Law Enforcement agencies, rep-resentatives of different fer-tilizer companies, fertilizer distributors and dealers of the valley.

DDC also visited Sindoo Shirmal where Additional block for Government High School Shirmal and 100 bedded capacity Gujjar & Bakerwal Hostel is being constructed. It was given out that the estimated cost for the construction of Additional Block for GHSS is 52.00 lacs and an amount of 15.00 lacs has been spent

of Guijar & Bakerwal hoseficial to the students of tel. He took a detailed inspection of the buildings and directed the concerned to make every pos-sible efforts to complete both projects in a time-bound manner so that people are benefited at the earliest. While inspecting the ongoing works at the

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#### NATONAL

Agni-I. short-range nuclear capable ballistic missile, test-fired off Odisha coast

was launched as part of a regular training exercise by the armed forces. The trial reconfirms the Army's readiness to fire it at short notice. The Armid

at short notice. The Agni-I

missile has a specialised

## Saudi Arabia bans foreign workers in 12 sectors, many Indians to be affected

NEW DELHI: In a bid to ressure companies into hir-g more Saudi citizens and reduce unemployment in the country, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia has imposed a restriction on the expatriate from working in 12 sectors. The tighter policy has been approved by Labor Minister Ali bin Nasser al-Ghafis, a report in Prabhat Khaba

The new rule could potentially affect large numbers of people since about 12 mil-lion foreigners work in lion foreigners work in Saudi Arabia, doing many of the strenuous, dangerous and and lower-paid jobs shunned by 20 million Saudi citizens.

The restriction is also likely to affect over 30 lakh Indians who live and work in Saudi Minister of Labour and Jocial Development will



ng in these 12 hased manner. Home and office furni ine following sectors will be restricted for hiring of expatriates from September 11, 2018: re stores - Home appliances and itchen utensils stores The following sectors will e restricted for hiring of Car and motorbike showhe stricted for hiring of riates from November

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5-year-old Delhi boy rescued

from kidnappers after 12 days

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borne men in Dilshad Garden area of Delhi. The driver of the bus was also

reportedly shot by the kid

nappers. Three days later on

January 28, the kidnappers

made a ransom call to the

family members of the child

Electronics stores Watches and clocks - Optics stores The following

he following sectors will restricted for hiring of patriates from January 7, h 2019 Medical equipment and

and demanded Rs 60 lakh

With the help of the call details, the police managed to nab the kidnappers and rescue the child after mak-

rescue the child after mak-ing efforts for 12 days. The boy was rescued from a flat in an apartment in Sahibabad area. They Sahibabad area. They reportedly reached the spot at 1 am on Monday. Police

said that the kidnappers opened fire to attack them

opened fire to attack them when they reached the spot. During the gunbattle, one of the accused, Ravi, got killed while another, Pankaj, suf-fered injuries. One of the policemen was also hit by a bullet, but suf-fered injuries as the unce

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- Building material stores - Auto spare parts stores - Carpet selling stores -Sweet shops The jobless rate among

Saudis aged 15 to 24 stood at 32.6 percent last year, according to the International Labour Organisation. Saudi Arabia posted an economic contrac-tion in 2017 for the first time in eight years due to severe austerity measures. The new rule is a part of

the ongoing economic reforms launched last year to ease joblessness among Saudis by 2020. Saudi Arabia is India's fourth largest trade partner after China, the US and the UAE. The country is a major source of India's energy

ed into service in 2004. requirement as it accounts for almost one-fifth of India's The surface-to-surface, single-stage missile, pow-ered by solid propellants, crude oil requirement

## BALASORE: India suc BALASORE: India suc-cessfully test fired indige-nously developed nuclear capable Agni-I (A) ballistic missile from Abdul Kalam Island off Odisha coast on Turarder & 20.0 AU. The Tuesday at 8.30 AM. The test was conducted by the Strategic Force Command Strategic Force Command of Indian Army. It was 18th version of the 700 km range missile from launch pad-4 of the Integrated Test Range (ITR) at Abdul Kalam Island in Balasore. The 15 metre-long Armi-The 15-metre-long Agni-भा The 15-metre-long Agni-l weighing 12 tonne can carry payloads up to 1,000 kg. The last trial was suc-cessfully conducted on November 22, 2016, from the same base. The missile was induct-ed into service in 2004

navigation system which ensures it reaches the tar-get with a high degree of accuracy and precision. It has proved its excellent performance in terms of range and accuracy.

Bloodbath on Dalal Street: Sensex tanks 1,200 points, Nifty falls 300 points

NEW DELHI: The BSE Sensex dipped below the 34,000-level by plunging around 1200 points in open-ing trade on Tuesday on heavy losses in metal, realty, heavy losses in metal, realty, capital goods, banking and oil & gas stocks amid a glob-al rout in equity markets. Extending its falling streak for the sixth straight session, the 30-share index fell by 1,274.35 points, or 3.66 per-cent to 3.340 s1 with all esc.

cent, to 33,482.81 with all sectoral indices led by realty, consumer durables, metal and banking tradings in the negative zone

The index had lost 1.526 The index had lost 1,526 points in the previous five sessions after its remarkable over 2,200-point gain in January month. Also, the broader NSE Nifty cracked below 10,300-mark by falling 390.25 points, or 3.65 percent to 10.276-20 rate might be incre to 10,276.30

In yesterday's closing propo

Sensex plunged nearly 310 points to close at a three-week low of 34,757.16 and the NSE Nifty fell over 94 points to 10,667, dragged down concerns over certain optimism.

Investors also seemed cau-tious ahead of the RBI policy meet as they feel that repo sed amid inflation concerns, brokers

The last week's budget al of 10 percent lor

bull run in markets began to crumble MSCI's broadest index of

Asia-Pacific shares outside Asia-Pacific shares outside Japan dropped 2.8 percent to one-month low, which would be its biggest fall in more than a year and a half, day after it had fallen 1.6 per-cent. Japan's Nikkei dropped 4.6 percent. Australian shares dropped 3.0 percent to their lowest level since October while South Knean shares dropped 2.0 percent. All three broke below their 100-day moving average, a 100-day moving average, a

100-day moving average, a major support. US stocks plunged in high-ly volatile trading on Monday, with the Dow industrials falling nearly L600 points during the ses-sion, its biggest intraday decline in history, as investors grappled with ris-ing bond yields and poten-tially higher inflation.

## On death row already, Kulbhushan Jadhav now faces another case in Pakistan

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There seems to be no International Court of end to the woes of former Justice had last year Navy commander restrained Pakistan from Navy commander Kulbhushan Jadhav, who is on death row in Pakistan. Jadhav, who was in 2017 convicted and sentenced to death by military tribunal in kistan on spying akistan on spying charges, is now facing trial for terrorism and sabotage. from a press release. Meanwhile, the ICJ had in January mandated the time-limits for India and Pakistan to file the writ-ten pleadings in Kulbhushan Jadhav case. While India has been asked to submit the pleadings on April 17, 2018, Pakistan will have to submit the same on

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Police has been successful in

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On January 25, when the

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school bus, he was kid-

executing Jadhav till adjudication of the case. In its application, India had informed the ICJ that

it learnt about the death

sentence against Jadhav from a press release.

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abotage. Pakistan-based news organisation Dawn quot-ed a Pakistani official as saying that Jadhav has multiple cases against him wherein he has been indicted on charges on terror and sabotage

This comes even as the July 17, 2018.

#### India says don't travel to Maldives in advisory as political crisis in island nation deepens

NEW DELHI: Amid a political crisis brewing in the Maldives, the Indian government on Monday asked all nationals to defer any non-essential travel to the Indian Ocean nation. Cautioning citizens, the Ministry of External Afrairs (MEA) issued an advisory asking Indians in Maldives to stay alert and avoid public gatherings. "The prevailing political developments in Maldives and the resultant law and order situation is a matter of concern for the Government of India. Indian matter of concern for the Government of India. Indian nationals are, therefore, advised to defer all non-essen-tial travels to Male and other atolls until further notice," the External Affairs Ministry said in a statement. "Indian expatriates in Maldives are also alerted to the need for heightened security awareness, and urged to exercise due caution in public and avoid public gather-ienes" is advised.

Visitors will also be able to visit the Spiritual Garden, Herbal Garden, Bonsai Garden and Musical ings," it added.

The advisory came hours after Maldivian President Abdulla Yameen declared a 15-day state of emergency, amid a tense standoff between the Supreme Court and

the government. "All basic rights have been suspended. Security forces have sweeping powers to arrest and search," Member of Parliament, Eva Abdulla said.

The move gave sweeping powers to security forces to arrest and detain suspects.



Kulbhushan Jadhav, 47, who was arrested in who year, was sc. death by a "litary court March last year, was sente Pakistani for alleged spying, an accusation that India has smissed as concocted. Pakistan had claimed

where he had business interests after retiring from the Indian Navy.

Earlier in January, Pakistan had released a video of the jailed Indian, wherein Jadhav thanked the country for its gesture of letting him meet his wife and mother.

healthy condition, Reacting to it, India ment

slammed Islamabad saying that 'propagandistic exercises simply carry no credibility.' "This does not come as a surprise. Pakistan is simply continuing its practice of put-ting out coerced state-ments on video. It is time for them to realise that

for them to realise that such propagandistic exer-cises simply carry no credibility," the Ministry of External Affairs had said in a statement. It added, "Absurdity of a captive under duress certifying bic own welcertifying his own wel-fare while mouthing allegations of his captors clearly merits no com-



However, the government budget proposals and sell-offs in global markets. has tried to downplay the impact of budgetary propos-

als on domestic equities and attributed the current downtrend to global market cues. Asian shares fell sharply on Tuesday after Wall Street

suffered its biggest decline since 2011 as investors' faith tors underpinning a

#### **UP: Quack uses single syringe to** treat everyone, 40 HIV+ cases reported in Bangarmau

LUCKNOW: At least 40 people were detected with HIV positive virus at Bangarmau city in Uttar Pradesh's Unnao district. Locals reportedly visited a quack who Unnao district. Locals reportedly visited a quack who used a single syringe for treatment on everybody, said authorities. The incident came to light after a health camp was organised in the city in November 2017. Authorities claim more than 500 cases will crop up if proper tests are conducted in the area. "Forty positive cases have been found. If proper tests are done, at least 500 cases would come up. It is being told that the people here used to go to a quack for treat-ment of diseases. He used a single syringe on all of them "Baregramm, city: Conceller Spuil." We had set

ment of diseases. He used a single syringe on all of them," Bangarmau city Councillor Sunil. "We had set up a health camps where these cases were found to be confirmed. We have received orders and are deciding our further course of action," said Medical Superintendent Pramod Kumar. An investigation has been launched into the entire episode. "It's being inves-tigated. Action will be taken against culprits and those who practice without license. Since it's a transit point, HU carriers are likely to come there. So, we're mapping HIV carriers are likely to come there. So we're mapping truck drivers who come there and offer treatment to them," state Health Minister Sidharth Nath Singh

#### Mughal Gardens of Rashtrapati Bhavan open for public from Tuesday. Here is why it is special this year Water bottles, briefcases NEW DELHI: The gates f the iconic Mughal planted in phased manner

NEW DELHE: The gates of the iconic Mughal Gardens of the Rashtrapati Bhavan have been thrown open for public from Tuesday. The gardens will remain open for public from February 6 to March 9 between 9:30 AM and 4.00 PM. The gardens will be closed on Mondays for planted in phased manner and are expected to blossom till the final week of February 2018. About 10,000 programmed Tulip bulbs in 8 varieties of differ-ent colours - red, white, and yellow mixed with red, pink and nurnle, a which were and purple - which were imported from the Netherlands and have been closed on Mondays for maintenance and on March planted in the Mughal on account of Holi. Gardens

The several beds of roses, margined with dwarf trimmed hedge and numer-ous exotic flowers, includ-ing Tulips and other bul-bous flowering plants, are the main attraction of the Long Garden - the middle terrace of Mughal Gardens. Flower Carbets in maenif-The several beds of roses Garden and Musican Garden. What is special this year? The special feature of the 'Udyanotsav' this year will be the bulbs flowering plants. Ranunculus and Tulips which are in bloom Flower Carpets in magnif-icent designs will be on dissince the first week of January 2018, have been play at the Central Lawn. The dominant colour



scheme of this year's orna-mental flowers is various shades of yellow, red, orange and white. As in pre-vious years, a small cactus corner forms part of the Mughal Gardens display. Visitors and plant lovers

will also be able to see a Lotus pond - with a cascad-ing waterfall - in the Spiritual Garden. Flowering and other house plants have been placed along a vertical wall in the Long Garden so that they are able to sustain soil. How to enter the gardens? The entry and exit for the general public will be from Gate No. 35 of the President's Estate. Dos and Don'ts Water bottles, briefcases, handbags/ladies purses, cameras, radios/transistors, boxes, umbrellas, eatables etc are not allowed inside the gardens. Those carrying such articles will have to submit them at the entry point Driving water toi. point. Drinking water, toi-lets, first aid / medical facility, rest rooms for senior citizens, women and children are available at various places along the public route.

ecial visit on March 9 Special visit on March 9 The gardens will be open on March 9 exclusively for special category visitors -farmers, differently abled persons, defence/paramili-tary forces and Delhi Police personnel On the same day Spe The personnel. On the same day, the Tactile Garden will be open exclusively for visual-ly impaired people.

for that its security arrested Jadhav alia Hussein Mubarak Patel Hussein Mubarak Patel from restive Balochistan province on March 3, 2017, after he reportedly entered from Iran. India, however, said that Jadhav was kidnapped from Iran

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wife and mother. In the video, Jadhav said that he felt that his mother and wife were scared during the meet-ing as an Indian diplomat was shouting at them. He also said that he was in good health. "My mother was very happy to see me

Jadhav said in the video

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## Budget Session 2018-19 - LC Proceedings -Calling Attention Notice Police investigating SPO Dev Raj's case of drowning: Hanjura

IAMMU. FEBRUARY AU, FEL-Minister to Ilture, Ghulam iniura today Agriculture, Nabi informed the Legislative Council that the police are investigating into the circumstance that led to the death by drowning of SPO Dev Raj on July 24, 2017

The matter is being investigated by the Police, and once the final

report is received, further The Minister informed course of action shall be initiated in the case" he the House that the cause of the death of Dev Raj, while he was crossing said

The Minister was replying to a calling attention notice of MLC Sajjad Ahmad Kichloo moved Cradle Box, which is no in the House in this regard. The member also wanted to know the rea-sons for not granting the on merits

The Minister further ex-gratia to next of kin of the deceased. informed the house that the inquiry

Chenab River through facts of drowning report. "The dead body of the deceased has not been traced so far in spite of covered under SDRF norms and the concerned SDPO/SHO has been vigorous However, the death cerdirected to probe the case tificate in respect of the subject could not be furnished to his NOKs as the officer Section 108 of Evidence

recorded the statement of Act, provides for the parents as well as the rel-atives of the said SPO who corroborated the issuance of the death cer-tificate of any missing person by the District Magistrate only after the efforts. Meanwhile, Minister said that recom-

mendation would be sent to the government for compensation to next of kin of the deceased.

completion of a period of 07 years of missing," Minister added. the other

Veeri informs House regarding burglary cases in Uri JAMMU, FEBRUARY Minister was 07/2018. He further said The that under the Case FIR NO. 5 & 6/2018, Rs 1.10

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JAMMU, FEBRUARY 06: Minister for Revenue, Hajj & Auqaf and Parliamentary Affairs, Abdul Rehman Veeri said that there have been 5 cases of burglary in Uri area, out of which 3 cases solved and 6 accused persons arrested, all of the stolen property in these cases has been recovered. He said Police has got also clues in 2 Police Station at Lagalita, Salambad and Thajal Uri on 05-06-2017, 19-01-2018 and 27-01-2018 respeccases and efforts tively against FIR Case No 28/2017, 04/2018 and are on to nab the culprits.

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The Minister was replying to a point of information raised by the MLA Uri Mohammad Shafi Bhat in the Legislative Assembly today NO. 5 & 6/2018, Rs 1.10 stolen property on 19-01-2018 and 22-01-2018 at Uri and Garkot Uri respectively were not recovered so far by the today. The Minister said that 4.45 lakh stolen property recovered by the Uri Police Station at Lagama, Police Station Uri.

Police Station Uri. Veeri also informed the House said that the night patrolling has been intensified and Police machinery has been alerted to avoid such incidente incidents.

#### Lower Munda **Borehallan Heerpur** toll posts abolished IAMMU, FEBRUARY 06

As a follow up to the budget announcement, the govern-ment has notified that Toll Posts established in Kashmir division at Lower Munda in District Anantnag and Borehallan Heerpur in District Shopian have been District Shopian have been abolished February 06, 2018. "In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (4) of the Jammu & Kashmir Levy of Tolls Act Samvat of the Jammu & Kashmur Levy of Tolls Act Sanwar 1995 (Act No: VIII of 1995), the Government of Jammu and Kashmir hereby directs that the Toll Posts estab-lished at Lower Munda in district Ananhag and Korballan Heerpur in dis-trict Shopian under the pro-visions of the said Act, shall cease to operate from of February ofty, 2018," said SRO issued by the Principal Sceretary Finance, Mr Navin Kumar Choudhary.

Devsar constituency this year: Asiea Nagash JAMMU, FEBRAURY b6: Minister of State for Power Asiea Naqash and are expected to be reinstalled back into the system within a week's time. She said owing to the increase in rate of transformer damages dur-ing winters, it take more time for restoration of

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171 Distribution Transformers repaired in

She was responding to a calling attention notice by legislator Mohammad Amin Bhat.

06: Minister of State for Power Asiea Naqash

today said that the depart-ment has repaired and re-

installed 171 distribution transformers in Devsar constituency during the

current financial year

Power

Ainister said that about 178 distribution transformers were damaged in Tormers were damaged in Devsar constituency dur-ing the current financial year out of which 178 transformers were repaired and re-installed. She said the balance 7 transformers ransformers were presently under repairs in

speedy repairs of dam-aged transformers, the department employs the service of registered private repairing agencies as well during the winters but the private firms have stopped repairing transformers which has further these transformers. burdened the Divisional The Minister further stated that the repairing time of the transformers and

the central and the central Workshops. She said now the matter has been solved with the private firms and they have again started to depends on upon the extent of damage and the backlog in the departmenbacklog in the departmen-tal workshops. She said repairs of the damaged transformers are being carried out in the Divisional Workshops and nave again started to repair the damaged trans-formers and hence has given a breather to the department and that the damaged distribution transformers are now central workshops at being replaced in a lesser time than earlier. Pampore. She said to facilitate

Replying to a question of S Charanjeet Singh Khalsa, the Minister said the J&K Traffic Police have also taken various measures for effective traffic management in

Ghulam Nabi

in Jammu, Srinagar: Hanjura Jammu and Srinagar concerned RTOs/ARTOs. Minister for Agriculture Lone including effective Hanjura, replying on behalf of Minister for Home, today informed enforcement of Traffic Laws, effective action against wrong parking the House that the govwith special attention towards congested areas; installation of delineators, ernment has taken various steps to reduce traffic congestion in twin capital traffic cones to enforce lane driving; conducting awareness campaigns to educate the motorists; imposition of restrictions cities of Jammu and Srinagar including cre-ation of parking space and proposed construction of two ring road projects worth Rs. 4000 crore. the movement of on HMVs, lifting the vehicles parked unauthorizedly on road sides, pasting of stickers on wrongly parked vehicles and recommending suspension of driving licences of traffic law violators to the

He further informed hat the Transport that Department has initiated fication PWD(R&B)

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Steps afoot to ease traffic congestion

a joint exercise for identiof stands/stops with the participation of the RTO, SMC, SDA and R&B in Srinagar and Jammu. He informed that sixty-two passenger sheds have been constructed under the jurisdiction of PIUmmu from Lakhanpur Ramban and forty-six such sheds are being constructed on National Highway from Srinagar to Ramban. The Minister

said

ers by organizing regu-

awareness

department has also con structed 2,300 parapets in Jammu to prevent fatal accidents in hilly areas, he added. He said that Motor Vehicles Department has notified 45 mini bus stops and 67 three-wheeler stops in Jammu city and 56 bus stops in Srinagar. Legislators Ajatshatru Singh, Surinder Kumar Choudhary and Khursheed Alam raised supplementary questions on the main question.

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of road length under cities

and towns programme since 2015-16 in the state

and blacktopped 2,473.76

km PMGSY roads. The

Govt to reimburse State Taxes paid by Industrial Units under **JKGST Act** 

JAMMU, FEBRUARY 06: To provide budgetary sup-port to the eligible manufacturing units operating in Jammu and Kashmir, the State Government has notified the scheme for reimbursement of State Taxes paid under Jammu and Kashmir Goods and Services Tax Act 2017. As per SRO-63 issued by the Principal Secretary Finance, Mr Navin Kumar Choudhary, the scheme shall be limited to the tax which accrues to the State govern-ment under the Jammu and Kashmir Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 after adjustment of the input tax credit has Key 2017 and adjustment of the input tax Freem paid by the manufacturing units. The scheme shall be called the Jammu and Kashmir Reimbursement of Taxes for Promotion of Small/Medium/Large Scale Industries in the State of Jammu and Kashmir and shall come into operation from 08.07.2017 for an eligible unit and shall remain in force till the last date of Industrial Policy, 2016 "In recognition of the hardships arising due to withdraw-al of remission from payment of Value Added Tax the Government would provide budgetary support to the eligible units by way of part reimbursement of the Goods and Services Tax, paid by the unit after adjustment of Input Tax Credit on supply of finished goods manufac-tured by the Industrial Units located in the State of Jammu and Kashmir," the SRO states.

### Govt exempts toll on various export items

JAMMU, FEBRUARY 06: As announced by the Finance Minister Dr Haseeb A Drabu in the Budget 2018-19, the Government has exempted toll on various items which are being imported to the state.

"In exercise of the powers conferred by section 5 of the Jammu & Kashmir Levy of Toll Act, Samvat 1995 (Act No VIII of 1995), the Government hereby directs that import of following items including Sanitary items (Toilets seats-Indian, Western & Urinals, Washbasin, Pedestal, Bidet, Bathtub, Sink and accessories like soap holder, tower of and toilet paper holder, Taps, show-ers, Faucets shall not include pipes to be used for bath-room fittings) shall be exempt from payment of Toil leviable under the said Act,\* said SRO-68 issued by the Finance Department.

Besides, Jaggery (Gur), Sugar, Medicines for human and animal consumption, Vegetables (leafy, Non-leafy including Onion, Potato, Garlic and Ginger etc.), Newsprint paper, Tea, Tree Spray Oil, Wheat seed, Salt (Iodized), Soaps (Soaps used by humans for bathing, washing of clothes and utensils and Detergents (liquid, cakes and powder), Narial (Coconut with water) and Pulses have also been exempted from paying toll while their import to the state. This notification shall come in force w.e.f February 6, 2018.

## Haniura asks for producing quality seeds in departmental farms to enhance agri production

Terms awareness key to better implementation of government schemes JAMMU, FEBRUARY Muhmmad Afzal Bhat, MU, 1. Minister Io. ~ Ghulam Secretary Agriculture production department, Showkat Ahmad Beg, Director Agriculture Jammu, H.K. Razdan Agriculture, Agriculture, Ghulam Nabi Lone Hanjura has stressed upon the Agriculture Department to produce quality seeds and other senior officers

in the departmental farms to meet the needs of the farmers. The Minister issued of the department. Hanjura said that best quality seeds should be made available to the the directions during a farmers at low rates so meeting held to discuss various issues related to that more and more farmers would get bene-fited out of the schemes initiated by the agriculfunctioning of Chakrohi seed farm in Jammu. The meeting was also attended Vice chancelture department. He said that state governlor SKUAST (J) PK S h a r m a , Commissioner/Secretar ment is making every effort to improve the living standards of the Agriculture farming community Production Department, through farmer friendly

initiatives. said Hanjura State Government has already announced sev-eral innovative schemes for farmers with the intention to uplift their income. He said the approach recommended by agriculture experts to double the income of farmers in a given time-frame should be adopted in true spirit. He said that awareness and sen-sitization of farmers He holds key to better implementation of the welfare schemes and called upon the

reness pro-He stressed grammes. He stressed that with the changing times the focus should times the focus should be on integrated and organic farming to fetch good economic returns. He said that implemen-tation of the schemes like Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (MM/CV) Page theorem (PMKSY). Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bhima Yojana (PMFBY), National Adaptation Fund for Climate Fund for Climate Change (NAFCC), Kissan Credit Cards (KCC) Scheme and focus on integrated farming will make the farming Agriculture department and concerned agencies to reach out to the farmsector more lucrative

#### BUDGET SESSION 2018-19 - LA PROCEEDINGS - ZERO HOUR Tackle intrusion of wild animals in residential areas: Speaker to Govt LEGISLATORS RAISE ISSUES OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

IAMMU, FEBRUARY 06: The JAMMU, FEBRUARY 06: The Speaker, Jammu and Kashmir Legislative Assembly, Kavinder Gupta asked the government to take appropriate action for minimizing the intrusion of wild animals in residential areas in both the divisions of the state.

The directions were passed after MLA Usman Majid raised the issue in the House during Zero Hour. Majid asked the government to

take steps for tackling monkey men-ace in Ayat Mullah and Aham Sharief villages in district

Shariel villages in district Bandipora. He was later joined by other legis-lators who expressed concern over the rising attacks by monkeys and other animals on the local popula-tion and word animals on the local population and urged government to take appropriate measures to check the nuisances.

Meanwhile several members today raised various public impor-tance issues in Legislative Assembly during Zero Hour.

Hakeem Mohammad Yasin asked the government to fill the vacancies in the Doodhpathri Development Authority and also urged the gov-ernment to expedite the pace of

Gallandar Pampore in 2002 and put in a shed for preservation and later the fossil was shifted to Jammu University in 2007 were it is report-ed that the same is missing. Neelam Kumar Langeh demanded

up-gradation of infrastructure of education institutions including Higher Secondary School in his

Higher Secondary School in his Constituency. Mohammad Shafi Uri asked the government for taking measures to stop theft cases in Uri Markets and also demanded for fulfilling of genuine demands including promotions and other issues of the employees of the Police Department. Mumtaz Ahmad Khan urged the

Munitaz Anma Khan urged the government for constitution of com-mittee for settlement of Niabat in Gulabgarh constituency. Mohammad Khalil Band while

taking part in Zero Hour said that due to construction of National Highway and Railway Track in Pulwama district it affected the land

work on all ongoing developmental works in his constituency. Mohammad Yousuf Tarigani expressed concerned over the mis-in field. He demanded compensa-management of centuries old ele-in to such land womers for the loss phant fossil which was discovered in due to continuous water logging in Collarded Pamers in 2000 or elevent these areas

Pawan Kumar Gupta urged the government to withdraw the cases of Jammu division on the pattern amnesty in Kashmir Valley. Bashir Ahmad Dar demanded for filling vacant posts of higher rank officient in Universe dictivity.

officers in Kupwara district R S Pathania demanded for sanc-

R S Pathania demanded for sanc-tioning of SRO 43 to the kins of vic-tims of his Constituency killed out-side the state and also asked for stern action against the culprits. Syed Aga Ruhullah advocated for big for Construction in the stern action in DCC surface in the second s

increasing in PG courses in the Colleges of the State. Aijaz Ahmad Mir urged for pro-

viding sufficient medical and para-medical staff for District Hospital Shopian. Gagan Bhagat asked the govern

ment for improvement in power and road infra in his Constituency.

Ali Mohammad Sagar urged the overnment to start dialogue overnment to start dialogue rocess with all the stakeholders to

ensure peace in the state and the orion Haji Abdul Rashid Dar raised the Haji Abdul Rashid Dar raised the issue of dog bite incident of a girl of Wadroo Sopore and demanded for immediate compensation to the family of the deceased.

Mohammad Abbas Wani demanded construction of additional accom-modation at JK House Chandigarh for which land is available there. Daleep Parihar asked the government to expedite pace of work on

various ongoing development works in his Constituency. Mohammad Akhar Lone urged the Monammad Akbar Lone urged the government to ensure adequate drinking water facilities in Nowgam, Hajin, Madwan and other

areas of Sonawari Constituency. Gulzar Ahmad Wani demanded for expediting pace of work on con-struction of all ongoing health build-ings and other developmental works

ings and other developmental works in his Constituency. Shah Mohammad Tantray and Jeevan Lal also participated in Zero Hour and raised various public importance issues of their respective as and sought immediate redres-

Shaki Raj Parihar demanded for

early vacation of court stay and asked the government for early starting of construction work on the developmental projects in his Constituency. Devender Sing Rana asked the government for constitution of

government for constituting of House Committee to look into the plight of the people of border areas who are suffering because of recur-rent cross-border firing. He also demanded for allowing 429 students already directed by the High Court to appear into KAS exams

to appear into KAS exams. Choudhary Mohammad Akram and Davinder Manyal also partici-pated in Zero Hour and raised the public importance issues of their respective areas and demanded the government for immediate redres-eal sal.

Noor Mohammad Sheikh asked the government for improvement in drainage system in Shalteng area and also urged for speeding up of construction work on the drains in

the area. Javad Ahmad Rana pleaded for framing of comprehensive plan for tapping the water resources. Mohammad Amin Bhat advocat-

ed for providing of adequ te drinking water facilities to the people of Mir Bazarr, Keller, Maskote and other villages in Devesar other villages in Devesar Constituency. Syed Mohammad Farooq Andrabi

also participated in Zero Hour and demanded for rehabilitation of the families affected due to construct families affected due to construc-tion of National Highway and Railway track. He asked the gov-ernment to construct shops at gate-way of Kashmir and also urged for accommodating of affected people with the allotment of shops

with the allotment of shops. Mubarak Gul urged the govern-ment for promotion of Kashmiri languages and also demanded for Kashmir poets. Vikar Rasool Wani said that due to the construction of National Highway and Railway Trake in Banihal area the drinking water resources affected and demanded for providing of adequate drinking water to the people of the area. Raja Manzoor Ahmad demanded for four and four vehicle for Keran. Altaf Ahmad Wani also partici-pated during the Zero Hour and

pated during the Zero Hour and asked the government for early tendering of construction of develop-mental works in his Constituency. Maharishi used catapults to

let Beatles meditate

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#### Take measures for border people's safety

their migration to safer places. While the Pak firing is almost a routine affair now,

the government is yet to take steps for

providing border residents either 5

marla plots or make some other arrange-

ments for them so that they shift there

temporarily whenever there is Pak fir-

ing. Firing before the onset of winters is

done by Islamabad with the specific pur-

pose of infiltrating terrorists into the

Indian territory. To keep the Kashmir

pot boiling, Islamabad tries to infiltrate

as much terrorists as possible before the

mountain passes in Kashmir, Rajouri

and Poonch get covered with snow.

However, to foil any intrusion bid, bor-

der troops remain on high alert 24x7.

The border residents too are asked to

remain vigilant on the days of firing and

tip forces about any suspicious move-

ment. A few months back, some locals

had alerted troops after picking up the

movement of about three to four sus-

pects in Samba Industrial Estate area

doing the duty of responsible citizens. Two days back also, a youth in Rajbagh area had alerted cops on seeing three

suspected youth who carried bags on

their shoulders. Taking the Basantar

route in the area, militants used to enter Ramnagar woods of Udhampur via nullahs and other river bodies. Since

Pakistan has been making all out efforts to infiltrate terrorists into J&K, it

becomes all the more important for the

border forces to maintain extra vigil all along the borders with Pakistan. Scores of terrorists are said to be waiting on the launch pads across the borders for an

opportune moment to sneak into the

Indian territory. To neutralise them on

the borders itself, forces must activate all

their resources and kill them as soon as

they come to this side. Once the infiltrat-

ing terrorists skip the first killer bullet, it

takes many bullets to eliminate them

later. Hence a fool-proof system ought

to evolved on the borders so that no

infiltrator is able to enter India. As a first

step towards it, the field officers must

further strengthen the anti-infiltration

and anti-militancy grids along the bor-

ders. The focus must remain on plug-

ging all the infiltration routes and acti-

vate local sources, most of whom live in

the border villages. It is these sources

who play a formidable role in detecting

infiltration attempts. Their role has all

along remained commendable. So, it is

the moral duty of the state and the cen-

tral governments to not cause any fur-

ther delay in ensuring their security. It is

the lawful duty of the government to

protect them.

This February is the 50th This February is the 50th anniversary of the Beatles' sojourn with Maharishi Mahesh Yogi at his ashram in Rishikesh. I may be forgiven a touch of nostalgia. I partici-pated in that idyllic, transfor-mational twist the Beatles gave to their image. "Hoby singers from the Hermitage." t is surprising to note that India is yet to take measures for the safety of its people living along the IB and the LoC which continue to be the target of Pakistan since Independence. All know that Pakistan resorts to unpro-In recent decades I have been nuzzled puzzled by first-hand accounts of that visitation voked shelling and firing every year written by folks who either claim or at least create an illu-sion of having been there. The before Republic Day and other such important occasions to infiltrate terrorists but, in the process, border residents ouzzle is that as far as I know, I was the only "journalist" who had the Maharishi's nod suffer a lot. Some of them get killed, some get injured while the entire poputo stay in the ashram during that hallowed period. lation becomes homeless in the wake of

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1960s

that hallowed period. The Beatles were not the only ones who sat cross-legged around the Maharishi as around an altar. There were others – the Beach Boys, Paul Hom the flutist, Denotrop utriting a corea of with catapults. The ammuni-tion would be nothing more lethal than paper balls which would scare the crows but not hurt them. White-robed sad-Donovan, writing a song a hus with catapults on the day, one of which I have kept as my exclusive possession: "When the sun is tucked if the trick to deter cro away in bed,/You worry about the life you led./There's only one thing to do,/Let the Maharishi lead ally worked, but establishing noiseless serenity around Prudence Farrow's hut became a high priority with the guru. It was this height-ened concern which caused you." The non-singing stars, who

caught the limelight, were him to visit her hut frequent-Mia Farrow and her sister Prudence. The galaxy of stars at the ashram may have Maharishi had made a pass at Prudence. In reality, of course at the ashram may have placed Prudence in the cate-gory of less noticed medita-tors. But she grabbed every-one's attention when a sadhu looking after her hut rushed to Maharishi's cell with an urbeligenet the rumour was a function of Prudence's fevered imagina-tion. Mia Farrow was a prob-lem for another reason — she "Cigarettes only", Suresh Babu would wink. There unbelievable report – Prudence had slipped into a meditative trance which had appeared to be a tacit under-standing among the ashramites that if lasted from dawn to dusk and

was still continuing. This gave Maharishi the sales pitch he was looking for after the setback at the hands was suspected of smoking marijuana, there would be no whistle-blowing. But Mia had created a particular problem of Beatles drummer Ringo for Suresh Babu, a meek man Starr, who described the in all circumstances. She regu-

larly sat on a chair outside his cottage, wreathed in circles of ashram with supreme irrever-ence as a "Butlin's holiday camp", and left. Butlin was an smoke, causing raised evesive holidav camr brows among the sadhus and chain in the England of the the more earnest meditators. the more earnest meditators. Matters came to a head one day when Raghu Singh, my photographer, summoned up enough courage to photo-graph Mia Farrow either lichting a circurate or myling To encourage meditative marathons of the kind Prudence was in the thrall of, Maharishi would have to find some deterrence for the crows lighting a cigarette or making which had multiplied in the rings with the smoke. The ashram foraging on the frugal fare the meditators had care-

frame would be perfect if Suresh Babu were also in it. lessly dropped. The challenge for the Maharishi was to keep Chaurasi Kutiya out of bounds for the noisy avians, Raghu did manage that pho-tograph, but only at a price – Mia gave him chase, scream-ing "b\*\*\*\*\*d", past the sleepy but without resorting to viosadhu manning the gate. Raghu would not be allowed lence. The trick, suggested by in the ashram any more ashram manager Suresh Babu, a close relative of the Suresh Babu announced afterwards

was to arm the sadhus This was easier said than This was easier said than done. The military alertness that the battalion of sadhus had displayed during the first week or so of the Beatles arrival had given way to a meditative serenity - except ready became a comical sight for the crowing of crows, as I mention elsewhere. The initial the next day. I am not certain hurly burly was over once th actu hurly burly was over once the reporters and photographers who had laid siege to the ashram had been successfully turned away. This opened the way for one or two parked which the acherem certifica ally worked, but establishing noiseless serenity around outside the ashram, wailing and beating their breast that ly, giving rise to a rumour that their wrecked lives could only their wrecked lives could only be repaired by Maharishi. They did get in, armed with cameras, and their 'wrecked' lives were placed on the fast lane of enormous financial success. They made a killing hawking their Beatles experi-ence in pictures and words. Razhu Siroh, on the other

Raghu Singh, on the other hand, never placed any value on the Beatles story. He didn't know who they were. He precipitated the Mia Farrow incident because he had decided, inside himself, that the story was over after the first burst of excitement.

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Sec. 1000 Raghu Rai, who later evolv as the country's greatest pho tographer, never went back to the ashram after the first da when he took a historic shot when he took a historic shot of the Beatles clustered around the Maharishi in the shadow of a large tree. It was a world scoop, Raghu Rai never returned to the ashram because he exist he "hed no. because, he said, he "had no interest in the Beatles'

The reluctance of the aus tere news editor, RN tere news editor, R.N. Sharma, to let me have office transport to drive to Rishikesh indicated the same mindset. It was only the encouragement I received from Desmond Doig who, along with his bevy of boys, edited a cult youth magazine Junior Statesman, that the Junior Statesman, that the Beatles assignment was sus-tained for weeks. It is, of course, a pity that files of the JS with priceless pictorial cov-erage of happenings at the ashram appear to have been mysteriously lost. These include a picture of John Lennon virtually sitting on

the Maharishi's lap in a the Maharishi's lap in a cramped helicopter comman-deered from Khambatta Airways for a joyride over the Himalayas. This trip led to some security issues that were raised with the Maharishi. It is a drowen that the ideas It is elementary that ideas

and trends initiated in the West take time reaching the East. But the Beatles were the East. But the Beatles were the most prominent counter cul-ture group seeking solace in Indian spiritualism, away from the soullessness of Western materialism. They were a continuation of

trend inaugurated by the Beat generation in the 1950s. Remember Allen Ginsberg's extended sojourn in Varana expressing despair: "America, I've given you all and now I'm nothing./ Your

machinery is too much for me./ You made me want to Indeed, Raghu Singh's boss, be a saint.

#### **Mystic Mantra: Observe and** awaken vour intelligence

#### SWAMI CHAITANYA KEERTI

The journey of our life seems to be a very strange ourney, which begins in deep unconsciousness as new born child who does not know why the birth ha appened. For his existence and his survival, the implement for ins construct that has survival, the child is utterly dependent on the people who look after him and teach him to live their own particular way. The child himself does not know what is the right way. What is being taught to him in, becomes the right way of living. Society around him does not allow his own intelligence to unfold or grow and he becomes fully burdened with a certain conditioning imposed by the people surrounding him. Thi becomes a long journey of social conditioning, an imi-tation and a borrowed life. It is the role of an enlightened master, a Sadguru, if

we are fortunate to come across in our life, to guide us o awaken our inner intelligence and remind us of ou rue self. With him it becomes a new journey of awak ening, realising our potential on the path of medita tion. Ordinarily, within us we have two currents ne is of thoughts, which is very dominant. The othe current, which we rarely feel, is the current of watch fulness. The enlightened master Osho tells us the dis tinction. An ordinary man has one current of though within him, the watcher is asleep; the meditator ha wo parallel currents within him, thought and watch ng. Within an enlightened person only one curren remains, that is watching. Thinking has died. But because you have to learn watching from a state of thinking, you will have to meditate on thought and watching side by side. If we have to move from thought to watching, we will have to meditate or thought and watching, we will have to incutate on thought and watching simultaneously. Osho calls it right-observation or right-remembrance. Mahavira has called it 'wakeful intelligence'; mindfulness and wakeful intelligence. The one who is watching the thoughts is your wakeful intelligence. It is very easy to find thinkers, but it is difficult to find someone whose intelligence is awake. Awaken your intelli ence. I have told you how to awaken it - by watch ng your thoughts with awareness. If you watch the actions of the body, the body will disappear; if you watch your racing thoughts, the thought process then the thoughts will disappear; and if you observe your emotions closely, then the emotions will disap pear. I have said that for the purification of emotions allow love to come in place of hatred and friendship in place of enmity. Now I tell you to also be aware of this truth: there is a dimension behind the one who i loving and the one who is hating, which is just aware which neither loves nor hates. It is simply a ness – vitness. It sometimes watches ha tred and s vatches love happening, but it is simply watching.

# Where are the poor in the Budget?

ASHWINI DESHPANDE

The most optimistic estimates set the propor-tion of the Indian popula-tion below the poverty line at 22 per cent. And serious researchers poverty argue that the official poverty line is among the lowest in the among the lowest in the world; by any reasonable definition of poverty, the proportion of the poor would be far higher. But even the 22 per cent translates into roughly 300 million individuals. What does the 2018 What does the 2018 Budget offer to this massive population of the poorest Indians?

The basic and universal fe needs -food, employ-ment, housing and ment, housing and healthcare - are even more critical for those who sit just above and below the poverty line, as any negative shock on any negative shock on these fronts could push the former into poverty, and make the climb out of poverty harder for the latter. And for those in chronic and desperate poverty, a negative shock could mean a difference between life and death

between life and death. With a problem of this magnitude, one would expect the Budget, which is a crucial policy docu-ment, to provide for appropriate cushions for the chronically poor, and ladders for the marginally poor to help them their absence. Let's take employment

first, as poverty can be eliminated by generating jobs, and not through redistribution. The Budget 4-Budget does not address this at all! There is now

1.69/ Jo mark and . increasing evidence to show how the ill-conshow how the ill-con-ceived demonetisation hit those using cash, and working in the informal economy, the hardest. This is the sector that the poor inhabit. In the back-drop of this massive neg-ative hit cone would have ative hit, one would have expected the Budget to provide for ameliorating neasures, but there are hardly an

search on the causes Ro of poverty reveals that among the recurring trig-gers pushing people into poverty are negative health shocks. A highlight of this Budget is the National Health Scheme Protection (NHPS), which promises a cover of up to Rs 5 lakh for 10 crore families per year. This sounds impressive until one realises that the Budget does not indicate how this scheme is to be financed. The outlay is just about Rs 2,000 crore, whereas this scheme would need at

Was ? least 30 times as much, if not more. The absence of to strengthen ist 50 of more. Inc anding is the least c problems with this orne. For a country orthe poverty and oralthcare, orad talise primary healthcare funding is the least of the and also resources for the revention of dis problems with this scheme. For a country beset with poverty and poor access to healthcare, we need institutionalised universal healthcare like prevention of disease: clean water, efficient garbage and solid waste management, and sanita-tion. The Swacch Bharat universal healthcare like Mission needed a clearseveral European counheaded and hard rethink: tries, not an insurance-based model, which to what extent has it moved beyond photo-ops might put money in the and advertisements, and might put money in the pockets of some hospitals and doctors, but may not admit every person deserving of treatment. The evidence from the earlier Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Voiana translated into cleane translated into cleaner neighbourhoods? What lessons can we learn from its failure? A large section of the poor is rural and engaged Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY) reveals urgent problems in the institu-tional in small agriculture. The Budget talks about the rural sector, but the focus

rural sector, but the focus is on infrastructure -rural haats, with elec-tronic linkages - not as much on the causes of agrarian distress caused by high in debtodness and Additionally, in any insurance-based system, the issue of whether "preexisting conditions" would be covered for by high indebtedness and treatment is contentious sudden loss of income what happens to the dis-abled and chronically due to crop failures. The "in principle" commit-ment, again not matched by any budgetary provi-sion, to give minimum sick population? What the Budget needed to provide for was resources

support prices (MSP)te ensure 50 per cent returns over the cost of produc-tion addresses only one aspect of the mix of fac-tors underlying rural dis-

ress. To be fair, there schemes in the Budget that might benefit the rural poor, which are actually backed by finanactually backed by finan-cial outlays, such as LPG connections to replace conventional chullahs; roads; electrification with a focus on bringing elec-tricity to every home tricity to every home (and not just the village) and housing -i.e. pucca houses with toilets. Only time will tell if the gov-ernment will actually seize the bull by the seize the buil by the horns: would the mone-tary outlays on these schemes be adequate, whether these deliver on their promises, and how effective these prove to be in terms of making a

dent in the spread and depth of rural poverty. Groups that dispropor-

tionately bear the brunt of poverty, such as Dalits, Adivasis and Muslims, and a large of poverty, such as Dalits, Adivasis and Muslims, and a large proportion of women, have little to cheer either. The outlays on owiging, schomes have

the Aadhaar card to vari-ous service providers. Then come immense problems in accessing services. Connectivity issues, erosion of lines on the hands of those engaged in hard manual labour, the bureaucratic contempt for the proor contempt for the poor has meant that those most in need are unable ernment provisions, even if we forget the new ones that have been promised. ABBA is not a part of the Budget, but it defines the delivery architecture for all government services.

ernment services. For the poor, overall, things look bleak. The Budget does not promise any imaginative and bold new measures, and access to existing schemes is sinking deep-er and deeper in the ABBA guicksand.

existing schemes have existing schemes have not been significantly enhanced; more disap-pointing is the lack of review of how the exist-ing schemes have fared, and there are no new ini-tiatives to ensure decent livelihoods to groups that are discriminated against and margin-alised. alised. The government's The government's insistence on ABBA (Aadhaar-based biomet-ric authentication) to access any government scheme is already prov-ing to be disastrous for the mear. First is, the the poor. First is the issue of seeding - linking the Aadhaar card to vari

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Change in wedding date - 'Veerey Ki Wedding' gets a new date!



'Veerey Ki Wedding' can now rejoice as the film now ń will be ising a early. The Pulkit Samrat-star-ar which was scheduled

now hit the theatres on March 2. cast of Kareena Kapoor Jimmy Shergill and Kriti Kharbanda will also be seen in the pivotal roles. The 'Fukrey' actor will Khan, Sonam Kapoor, and Swara Bhaskar among others. It is expected to hit the theatres on June 1.

NEW DELHI: Akshay Kumar is proud of his com-ing film Pad Man – a film highlighting awareness on menstrual hygiene. The actor says he always wanted to surport occilly relavant to support socially relevant cinema, but couldn't due to lack of funds The actor also added that

The actor also added that there isn't a single commer-cial film on sanitary pads, not even in Hollywood, as people shy away from dis-cussing the topic in public. "I always wanted to work and make such films but I was not a producer during was not a producer during that time. I didn't have enough money, but now I can. My wife told me about Arun achalam Muruganantham and then we met R. Balki. So we thought about making this movie," Akshay said while promoting Pad Man here on

# film on menstrual hygiene, says Akshay Kumar the story of a real-life super-hero who invented a low-

sented.

Monday. "Even Hollywood does "Even" Hollywood dees not have a single film on sanitary pads or menstrual hygiene. People always make documentaries but they don't want to make commercial films because they want to shy away from the issue. We have tried to do that," he added. Akshay's Pad Man – which marks his wife Twinkle Khanna's maiden production venture – tells

cost sanitary pad manufac-turing machine to bring a menstrual hygiene revolu-tion for women. tion for women. The film is based on a short story from Twinkle's book The Legend Of Lakshmi Prasad. The story is inspired from the life of Munucorethem a Tamil

Pad Man: Even Hollywood does not have a single

are hailing the film, there are some who are criticising Muruganantham, a Tamil Nadu-based social activist Akshay for talking about the who revolutionised the con-cept of menstrual hygiene in issue in the open. "When I see social media. I

rural India by creating the low-cost sanitary napkins machine. Its unique story, inspiring

see two-three people saying 'Akshay, bhai kya kar rahe ho aap? (what are you doing brother?)', or 'You are hold-ing a sanitary pad. It is a sin'. Imagine some people think bolding a sanitary pad is a message and Akshay's por-trayal – once again – as a common man's hero, has holding a sanitary pad is a kept the anticipation level high for the R. Balki directo-rial, which also features sin. "But at least now they are discussing, and there will be a day when it will rial, which also features Sonam Kapoor and Radhika Apte. Talking about the film, Akshay said. "People are talking about the issue. The other day I was sitting in my vanity van and I heard two-three guys dis-cuss the film. Have you seen men discuss menstrual hvoiene?"

hygiene?" While many

While many people, including Bollywood stars,

will be a day when it will change and its high time it should change. I would request everyone to write about it as a lot of things can change if you write about it. India needs this change.<sup>2</sup> Were there any disagree-ments on the sets while working with Twinkle? "No, there were no dis-agreements. She didn't get upset on anything." upset on anything."

who Muruganantham, who was also a part of the press meet, expressed his views on the film made on his



convincing her father. The mother-daughter this number. Noted film critic and trade relationship has also analyst Taran Adarsh been beautifully pretook to Twitter and shared the latest fig-'Secret Superstar' conures

'Secret Superstar' con-tinues to set the Chinese Box Office on fire. Although, Aamir is not playing the lead role in the film yet it ures. Following its release in the Chinese market, the film has become 2017's second highest-grossing Indian film worldwide. It is the has managed to amass

highest-grossing Hindi film overseas, as well as one of the highest-grossing Indian films of all times and the third highest-grossing Hindi film ever overseas. "Secret Superstar' got ten nominations at the 63d Ellimfore Awards 63rd Filmfare Awards, including Best Film, including Best Best Director Best Director for Chandan, Best Actress for Wasim, and Best Supporting Actor for

Khan. It won three Filmfare Awards, including Best Actress (Critics) for Zaira Wasim, Best Zaira Wasim, best Supporting Actress for Meher Vij, and Best Playback Singer (Female) for Meghna Mishra.

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## Markle's bridesmaid? do think Meghan being a vervone knows 'Desi

Herrich and the second serve as a bridesmaid in Markle and Prince Harry's upcoming wedding? In a new interview given

to Harper's Bazaar Arabia she addressed the question of whether she would be or whether she would be the bridesmaid at the royal wedding or not and said, "If you see me there, you'll becau"

Whether she's going to be there or not, the 'Bajirao Mastani' star still excited for Markle to tie the knots. "I don't think anybody else would be able to do it

the way she will. She's just



to, that women can look up was even before any of this to. She's normal, she's happened," noted met through friends sweet, she's nice, she Priyanka. She added, "So I 2016.

do think Meghan being a part of the royal family is a big step in the direction of so many things; of women, of feminism, of diversity, of race, of the monarchy versus everyone else. It's a beautiful step in the right beautiful step in the right direction." The 33-year-old prince and his bride-to-be announced their engage ment on November 27 last ment on November 27 last year. They are set to marry at St George's Chapel, Windsor, on May 19. Recently it was announced that Lifetime has announced plans for a TV movie titled 'Harry & Maghan: The Poyel Love

Meghan: The Royal Love Story', a film which will chronicle the couple's rela-tionship from when they met through friends in

A new glimpse of Raazi', starring Alia Bhatt and Vicky Kaushal has been released. The duo look enraptured Vicky is sporting a white with each other in the poster which states that there are just 100 days to go

ter handle of Dharma Productions. Alia and Vicky will be seen opposite each other for the first time. The film is helmed by Meghna Gulzar. 'Razzi' is a period film where Alia will portray a Kashmiri girl who gets

married to a Pakistani army officer, essayed by Vicky. It will be a spy-romantic flick, based on the 'Calling Sehmat', a best-selling book by Harinder Sikka. The film is cet to hit therefore an May to hit theatre

## Kamal Haasan keynote speaker Shalini Thackeray and Pooja Pant at Harvard University!

Superstar and now a politician, Kamal Haasan has been invited by Harvard University to give a keynote on February 10th, 2018. This is the second time the legendary actor will be seen speaking at the prestigious B-School.He had earlier spoken at Harvard in 2016 on the topic of freedom of speech. This time Haasan speech. This time Haasan will be speaking about Tamil Nadu and what are the issues plaguing the state at the annual Indian Conference of the University. "The topic is Tamil Nadu Lchose to speak on it out of sheer necessity. Ourstate has sunk to the lowest depth. It affecting my dienity as a man even

my dignity as a man, ever



as a Tamilian." Few more as a Tamilian." Few weeks away from announcing the name of his political party. Haasan is taking the issue to a bigge level so that people become aware of what is happening. "I yearn to see my state rise to the height it deserves. The rise of my state will translate into the state will translate into the rise of my nation. Harvard is a seat of learning like our Nalanda University. If our Nalanda University. If only we had continued that tradition without any break, we would have been holding such seminars at least 200 years back. These platforms are important and can't be neg-lected. This is going to be an engagement with more fortunate minds who availed an opportunity to seek knowledge.

Dance Company presents 'Rivaayat' Rivaayat' showcases the mesmerizing beautiful tradition of

Kathak Classical music & dance have always been among the strongest expressions of our culture, and they hold a lot of importance and in the field of art. On January 30th, 2018, the Founder of Kalki Founder of Kalki Foundation Shalini Foundation Shalim Thackeray and Pooja Pant Dance Company decided to delve into this expression of

our culture and co-presented the 'Rivaayat' event at Nehru Centre, Worli. The event celebrated the completion of 10 years of Pooja Pant school of Kathak and was



form. The performers at 'Rivaayat' were Kathak leg-ends like Aditi Mangaldas and Pooja Pant. The leg-ends-in-making aka students AvrRam Dr. Vithal Kamat AvrRam, Dr. Vithai Kamat and Kiran Shantaram, as well as classical maestros from various arts like Aditya

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performances to encourag-ing the performers, the guests were seen indulging actively at the event. "Achieving a full house and presenting Kathak on a big scale like this is commend-able", added Vaibhav Arekar, owner of Sankhya Dance Creations. Dance Creations Dance Creations. Commenting on the same, Shalini Thackeray stated "Rivaayat is our initiative to inspire and promote the cul-ture of classical art among the youth. Somehow, w feel the future generation does not resonate with the classical forms of art in today's time. Hence, this initiative is to showcase the diversity that classical dance and music has to offer. We, at Kalki Found glad to have presented such a wonderful event"

married to a Pakistani army 11 2018

Will Priyanka be Meghan Here's a new glimpse of 'Raazi'!

#### From Water Therapy To Adequate Sleep: **Ibuprofen In Early Pregnancy** May Harm Daughter's Fertility 6 Tips To Lead A Healthy Life Naturally NEW DELHI, FEB 2: reduced the germ cell Women who consume stockpile in human foetal NEW DELHI, FEB 2:

There is never a single tip or pill for achieving opti-

mum health. It is important to drink lots of water and

get adequate sleep to main-tain your fitness and overall

well-being, suggest experts. Celebrity nutri-

Women who consume commonly used Ibuprofen even for just two days dureven for just two days dur-ing the first 24 weeks of their pregnancy may reduce their daughter's number of eggs, potential-ly affecting their fertility in the future, new research has warned. The research carried out on human cells in the laboratory revealed that exposure to Ibuprofen during the crucial first three months of foetal three development results in a "dramatic loss" of the "dramatic loss" of the germ cells that go into making the follicles from which female eggs devel-op. The germ cells would either die or fail to grow and multiply at the usual trol Ibuprofen crosses the pla-cental barrier, with the foetus exposed to the same concentration of the drug

rate. "We found that two to seven days of exposure to Ibuprofen dramatically

exposed to the drug for a week had approximately half the number of ovarian ovaries during the first trimester of pregnancy and the ovaries did not recover germ cells. The researchers fully from this damage," said Severine Mazaud-Guittot, a researcher at the observed significant effects after seven days of exposure to the drug, with cell death seen as early as National Institute for Health and Medical Research in France.

cell death seen as early as two days after treatment. "This is the first study to look at the effects of Ibuprofen on the ovarian tissue of baby girls, and the first to show that it can Research in France. For the study, published in the journal Human Reproduction, the team exposed a part of the tissue from each of the 185 the first to snow mat a can cross the placental barrier during the first trimester of pregnancy, exposing the foetus to the drug," human foetuses between 7-12 weeks of development to Ibuprofen and kept Mazaud-Guittot said. the second part as the confound that

well-being, suggest experts. Gelebrily nutri-tionist Pooja Makhija and Govindrajan R, Head, Research and Development, Sugar Free, list down some tips: Ways for a healthy life 1. It is imperative to open your eyes to fads. Dieting does not mean deprivation, you need to eat right to be in shape. Weight loss is a journey, you must adopt a Just as with any drug, Ibuprofen use should be restricted to the shortest duration and at the lowest journey, you must adopt a lifestyle approach towards dose necessary to achieve pain or fever relief, espe-cially during pregnancy, the researchers suggested. it and that's the only way to achieve permanent fat loss. 2. In an attempt to keep up with the fast-paced life



we tend to neglect our sleep cycle. Don't cut back on sleep in your zest to win each day. Your body is magical but needs rest to work its magic. Every indi-vidual needs a minimum of 7-8 hours of sleep each night to recharge your body, failing which you will 'burn out'. A healthy

sleeping pattern is neces-sary not only for the benefit of your physical health, but also to maintain your men-tal well-being. 3. Water is one of the most important elements required by our body. Hydration is the key to vitality, stamina, glowing skin and lesser health prob-

lems. And drinking water is the cheapest, simplest way to unlock these beautiful health benefits. So drink, drink and drink more water. 4. Excess of any food at one time whether it's pro-tein-rich, fat-rich or carb-rich is stored in your body in only one form which is fat. Therefore, the best way

to avoid an increase in body fat is to eat small meals frequently and give due importance to a bal-anced plate. 5. Using plant extract vucateore such as clauic to

eeteners such as stevia to add guilt-free and natural sweetness to your day is another practice that will another practice that will reap great benefits. Stevia is a natural sweetener and almost 200 to 300 times sweeter than sugar. The consumption of stevia cannot only assist you in maintaining a healthy lifestyle but can also help in but can also help in addressing lifestyle related diseases like obesity and cardio vascular diseases. 6. Drink a glass of raw vegetable juice (3 different vegetable juice (3 different colours of vegetables) to

stay forever young

Ibuprofen in early pregnancy may harm daughter's fertility Reproduction, the team LONDON. FEB 2: the drug, with cell death

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Association (AHA) has warned that breast cancer treatment which involves chemotherapy and radia-tion can increase the risk of developing cardiovas-

cular diseases. While the advances in treatment have witnessed a growth in survival rate among breast cancer patients, survivors crossing the age of 65, were more likely to die from heart disease than breast cancer, the new study showed HER-2 and other breast

cancers use targeted therapies which could weaken treatments on their heart," the heart muscle - a condi-said Indian-origin Laxmi

NEW DELHI, FEB 2: tion known as heart fail-The American Heart ure, it said. Professor at The Ohio Other therapies could State University in the US. State University in the US. However, it should not deter or scare patients from undergoing the can-cer treatment, instead, allow them to make informed decisione with also affect the heart arteralso affect the heart after-ies and cause the develop-ment of coronary artery disease or blockages, the study added. Prompting attention to the fact that

**Chemotherapy treatment for breast** 

cancer may increase heart failure risk

informed decisions with during treatment not only their doctor on the best option available, Mehta added, in the statement published in the journal Circulation. one's breast health but also general health, including that of the heart, should be considered, the researchers suggested. "Any patient who is going to undergo breast cancer treatment, whether they have heart disease at the beginning or not, should be aware of the potential effects of the treatments on their heart," said Indian-origin Laxmi one's breast health but also In some cases, post cessation of the treatment and/or the addition of heart

heart function.

medicines can improve Administering Doxorubicin – a chemotherapy drug – used

in breast cancer therapy

can also lead to the dam-age of heart cells, but, giving the drug slowly, rather than all at once, may lower the risk of heart failure Doctors were also devel-oping more-targeted radia-tion to reduce risks, the statement said.

Adherence to a number Adherence to a number of ideal heart health behaviours including being physically active, achieving and maintaining a healthy body weight could help.

Besides, eating a healthy diet, avoiding tobacco, maintaining healthy levels of blood pressure, choles-terol and blood sugar may help prevent or minimise the damage.

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# Air India to get new owner by June, says aviation minister

NEW DELHI, FEB 6: Air India's new owner could be decided by June-end and the government aims to complete the "legal clos ing" of the transaction by December when the December when the Maharaja's assets are trans-ferred to the winning bid-der. AI will be split into five parts, with four of them — AI-AI Express-AI SATS; ground handling unit; engineering units and Alliance Air — being Alliance Air being Alliance Air — being offered for sale while the fifth will be a SPV that will remain with the govern-

The SPV will have AI's Ine SPV will have AIs unsustainable debt, Centaur hotels, land and the price-less art collection that the airline has built over decades. AI's debt of Rs 50,000 crore, which may be as high as Rs 70,000 crore, will be spread over these five entities. will be a three-step process. "We will soon issue infor-

"We will soon issue infor-mation memorandum for all the four entities being offered for divestment that will contain all their details. Then interested parties will bid for whichever unit or units they wish to, with the high-est bidder estime the same. five entities. A day after the Budget, aviation minister Jayant Sinha gave the fine print of AI's disinvestment, which he termed as the "biggest ever" exercise of its kind in India terms of value and revenue A per the time. est bidder getting the same. Thi s is the biggest reform being initiated by the Modi revenue. As per the time-frame set by department of investment and public asset management (DIPAM), the government," Sinha said. management (DIPAM), the government expects to have the winning bidder by June-end. The process is expected to be complete by the year-end, soon after which the process for next AI's valuation is currently Al's valuation is currently underway by the transac-tion advisor (TA). "There are some ways of valuing an entity. It can be done on 'ongoing entity basis' where

general election will begin it will be a some multiple if the same is not preponed. of cash flow. Or on the He said AI's divestment basis of all the assets. For Al valuation, the ongoing entity basis may be fol-lowed. The TA will have a reserve price, "Sinha said. The third method is "liqui-dation basis" where the val-uation is done by consider-ing that thye unit is being shut down and down. This will not be applied for Al's valuation. EM Arun Jaittey-headed alternative mecha-nism (group of ministers) basis of all the assets. For inforheaded alternative mecha-nism (group of ministers) will decide how much stake, if any, should the government retain in AI. The decision of strategic divestment means mini-mum 51% will be sold off to the private bidders.

The all-new 2018 Maruti Suzuki Swift, which is

is likely to be priced Rs 60,000 more than the existing range. Which means that the third gener-ation version of one of Maruti Suzuki's best selling cars is pegged to be priced in the Rs 5.8 lakh to Rs 7.5 lakh range (base to

## New 2018 Maruti Suzuki Swift price: Details here NEW DELHI, FEB 6

perhaps the most awaited car of the year, has already been unveiled and book ings opened last month. The new Swift's official launch is scheduled for the Auto Expo in Delhi next week, where they will reveal the prices. TOI has learnt from sources that the new Swift



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All-new Suzuki Swift review: Old Reincarnated07:19Allnew 2018 Maruti Suzuki

nodel). Swift review: Old Soul 2018 Maruti Reincarnated The car is available in both petrol and diesel variants along with automatic transmission options. The

unchanged, the 1.2-litre Kseries petrol and the 1.3litre DDiS diesel are still at the heart of the new Swift. ( Read about the full specs here )

The Swift first arrived in India in 2005 and has till date managed to sell a whopping 17 lakh units of the car. In terms of positioning within Maruti Suzuki's own product line, the latest Swift will be placed below the Baleno. As far as competition is

concerned, the car will take on the likes of the Ford Figo and the Hyundai Grand i10.

# I-T will tax bitcoin trade; has issued few lakh notices: CBDT

NEW DELHI, FEB 6: December last year. The Income Tax Department has issued "few lakh" notices to those who have put their funds in bitcoins and it is working to obtain taxes that are due on these investments, the CBDT chief said.

CBDT chief said. CBDT Chairman Sushil Chandra told PTI that it has come to the notice of the taxman that while many such investors "did not pay advance tax" on the benefits, which they the benefits which they have accrued, some others have not explained these investments in their tax

returns in the past. The department had con-ducted pan-India surveys at these exchanges in

to eliminate their use. We have issued notices (to investors) and they (many of them) have agreed to pay taxes. We will definitely take taxes as far as the money is con-cerned which is invested (in biteging taxe), and is In reply to a separate question, Chandra said he was confident that the department will not only meet but will surpass the direct taxes collection tar-gat for the current financial get for the current financial

cerned which is invested (in bitcoins trade) and is unexplained," he said. When asked about the number of such notices, the CBDT boss said that "they are in few lakhs." Watch: Budget Natyam A noll dance in nine rage. A poll dance in nine rasas Finance Minister Arun

GDP is going up in the last Jaitley, in his Budget Jaitley, in his Budget speech yesterday, had said that all types of crypto cur-rencies, including bitcoins, are illegal and the govern-ment will take all measures

growth should continue at said.

crore revenue from direct taxes by the end of this fisyear. "I think the economy is cal on March 31.

"I think the economy is very buoyant. The last quarter of advance tax pay-ment will be much better than the third. With this particular trend when the economy is going un the cal on March 31. The survey operations conducted by the taxman on bitcoin exchanges, under section 133 A of the Income Tax Act, were undertaken to "gather evi-dence for establishing the identity of investors and economy is going up, the GDP is going up in the last quarter and the economy is doing better and there are no negatives, we will defi-nitely get much better advance tax. "Therefore, I think the identity of investors and identity of investors and traders, the transaction undertaken by them, iden-tity of counter-parties, related bank accounts used, among others," sources had

growth should continue at said. A survey action under the initely beat the target (of LT law pertains to tax offi-direct tax collections)," the CBDT boss said. The L-T Department has a ties of the affected party target to collect Rs 9.8 lakh but not their residential ones.

Last year. Jaitley had informed Parliament that there are no regulations governing virtual curren-cies in India and the RBI has not given any licence to any entity/company to operate such currencies. The government in December cautioned

December cautioned investors to be wary of vir-tual currencies like bitcoin, saying they are like Ponzi schemes with no legal ten-der and protection.

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NEW DELHI, FEB 6: otherwise been on a bull target of 3.2 per cent On Friday, the markets saw sharpest fall since run ahead of the budget. "Near term volatilities could be possible as mar-August 2017 as it gave a ket readjusts itself to budget announcements and LTCG as well", said cold shoulder to Budget 2018 with benchmark indices plummeting.

30-share BSE Sensex closed 839.91 points below previous closing point on 35,066.75 while the broader 50-share NSE Nifty tanked 256.30 points to finish on 10,760.60. Both the indices tanked

2.30 per cent. Analysts say the slump is a result of the introduction fiscal deficit of 3.5 per of LTCG tax causing a stir in the market which had cent of GDP for current fiscal against the earlier

which also accelerated pace of selling by participants.

When trading started, the BSE index lost 199 points and Nifty lost 79 points to start trading 10,938.20 as they slipped below respec-

index more than 6 per cent. Bank, financial service and auto sub-indices lost more than 3 per cent IT scrips held forte with Nifty IT finishing in the green.

Lakshmi Iyer ,CIO - Debt & Head - Products, Kotak debt burden of the government constrains India's rating upgrade. The government in budget projected a

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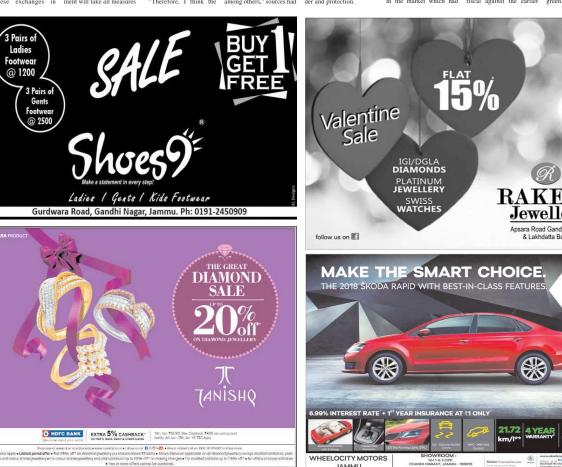
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#### Maldives police arrest chief justice, another judge under state of emergency

MALE: The Maldives opposition leader and two Supreme Court judges+ were arrested early Juesday hours after the government declared a state of emergency in the Indian Ocean nation increasingly in turmoil in the days since the court ordered several jailed politicians to be freed.+ The charges against opposition Leader Maumoon Abdul Gayoom

The charges against opposition leader Maumoon Abdul Gayoom include bribery and attempting to overthrow the government, his the government, his lawyer, Maumoon Hameed, said on Twitter. Traineed, said on Twitter. Gayoom was president from 1978 to 2008, when Maldives became a multi-party democracy, and is the half brother of the cur-rent president, under whose rule the archipela-go, has lost many of its go has lost many of its democratic gains.

brief statement.

Maldives chief justice

arrested: Police

MALÉ: Maldives Chief Justice Abdulla Saeed and nother Supreme Court judge were arrested at dawn uesday, hours after President Abdulla Yameen

another supreme count pro-Tuesday, hours after President Abdulla Yameen declared a state of emergency, police said. Justices Saeed and Ali Hameed were arrested along with the court's top administrator Hassan Saeed after

security forces stormed the court complex in Male, with

police citing complaints of corruption against them in a

The high profile arrests followed the arrest Monday of

The high profile arrests followed the arrest Monday of ex-president Maumoon Abdul Gayoom, the estranged half brother of Yameen. The declaration of a state of emergency for 15 days fol-lowed a tense stand off between Yameen and the Supreme Court which had ordered the release of nine estimated returns in the state of the state of

political prisoners. The top court had also ordered the reinstatement of 12

The top court had also ordered the reinstatement of 12 legislators who had been sacked for defecting to the opposition. The move had effectively given the opposi-tion a majority in the 85-member parliament clearing the way for a possible impeachment of Yameen. Gayoom had sided with the main opposition and was campaigning for the toppling of his half brother. Gayoom was taken into custody along with his son in but, the familu scaid. They users been avery by police

law, the family said. They were taken away by police who broke down the main door to their home in the cap-

Maldives declares state of emergency as Yameen tightens grip on power The 15-day emergency decree issued late Monday gives the government weeping powers to make arrests, search and seize property and restricts free-dom of assembly. officials said. Soon after the declara-tion, security forces

Soon after the declara-tion, security forces formed into the Supreme Court building, where Chief Justice Abdulla Saeed and judge Ali Hamid were arrested. The charges against them have not been specified. The whereabouts of the courts other two iudoes were not will be restricted, general movements, services and businesses will not be affected." In a letter to the court released by the president's office, Yameen said the court's order to release prisoners had encroached on the powers of the state and was an 'infringement of national security and public interest." He urged the court to "review the concerns" of the govern-ment. whereabouts of the court's other two judges were not known Tuesday morning. Since the surprise, unan-imous ruling last week ordering the release of imprisoned opposition leaders, President Yameen Abdul Gayoom has lashed The government has also

ut at the court, opposi-tion protests have spilled into the streets of the capi-tal, Male, and soldiers in riot gear have stopped lawmakers from meeting in the parliament building. In a statement issued after the state of emer-gency was announced on state television, Yameen said "though certain rights will be restricted, general movements, services and said the court has not properly responded to let-ters citing problems with implementing its order, including that the cases against the political pris-oners are at different legal stages. A Supreme Court statement on Sunday said "there are no obstacles in implementing the ruling ... and that this has been informed to the Prosecutor General's office."

General's office." The government did not comment on soldiers entering the Supreme Court building or on Gayoom's arrest, but the president's main rival, who lives in exile, urged people not to obey what be called an "unlawful people not to obey what he called an "unlawful order." "This declaration is unconstitutional and ille-

gal," former President Mohamed Nasheed, the country's first democrati-

cally elected leader, said in cally elected leader, said an a statement. Nasheed was one of the opposition leaders the Supreme Court had ordered freed, ruling that the guilty verdicts had been politically influ-enced. The United Nations, United States and other forcing noverments have urged the Maldives to respect the court order.

urged the Maldives to respect the court order. The U.S. also strongly criticized the emergency decree, which State Department pokes-woman Heather Nauert said also imposes travel restrictions. Yameen has "systemati-cally alienated his coali-tion, jailed or exiled every major opposition political figure" since his election in 2013, Nauert said.

2013, Nauert said. She called on Yameen, the army, and police to

presidency

comply with the rule of aw, and for the constitu-tional rights of Maldivians to be restored. In addition to ordering the release of the political prisoners, the court also reinstated 12 lawmakers whiching allegiance to the opposition. When those lawmakers return, Yameen's Progressive Party of the Maldives will lose its majority in the 85-member parliament.

lose its majority in the 85-member parliament, which could result in the legislative body function-ing as a rival power to the president. Known for its luxury tourist

Aldives became a multi-party democracy 10 years ago after Maumoon Abdul Gayoom's rule, during which he was repeatedly the only candidate for the

### No secret detention. torture camps in Lanka: President to Tamils

COLOMBO: Sri Lankan President Maithripala Sirisena on Monday assured the minority Tamil community that his government was not running any secret detention and torture camps in the country.

Sirisena said he was concerned about the people who are still missing years after the end of nearly three-decade-long brutal civil war.

"I have several times met the relatives of the disappeared persons. I am concerned about the problem of their missing relatives," Sirisena said while campaigning in the Tamil-dominated Jaffna city for the February 10 local council election.

"They have told me that the missing people are being held by the government in secret detention camps. I made inquiries and I tell them on behalf of the govern-ment that there are no such camps run by the government," he said.

Sirisena said his government had addressed the concerns of the Tamils by returning to them their land that had been held for military purposes since the mid 1980s The Tamil and international rights groups had blamed the former Mahinda Rajapaksa government of running secret detention and torture camps.

The relatives of the missing persons have regularly held public demonstrations, demanding urgent government attention to their concerns.

The government has set up an Office of Missing Persons (OMP) which is yet to become operational. The UN panel called for the establishment of independent international court to probe alleged war crimes committed by both the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam

(LTTE) and the government troops during the last stages of the civil war which ended in 2009. According to the government estimates, around 20,000

people are still missing due to various conflicts including the 30-year-long separatist war with Lankan Tamils in the north and east which claimed the lives of at least 100,000 people. The LTTE, which led the separatist war for a separate Tamil homeland, was finally crushed by the Lankan military in 2009 with the death of its supremo Velupillai Prabhakaran.

#### Pakistan actress Sumbul Khan shot dead for refusing to perform at private party

Popular Pakistani actress and singer Sumbul Khan was on Monday shot dead by some assailants for allegedly refusing to perform at a high-profile party According to Dawn, she was shot dead by three armed men inside her house in Sheikh Maltoon town.

The report said that the assailants asked Sumbul Khan to accompany them and perform at a private high-profile party, but she refused to go for the same. Angered by this, they opened fire and fled her home after killing her. The search is on for the assailants.

A former policeman, Naeem Khattak, is one of the accused in the case. He was arrested soon after the investigations were launched into the killing.

The 25-year-old actress-singer was reportedly quite popular in Pakistan because of her roles in many televi-sion shows in the country. She was allegedly shot several times before she succumbed to her injuries

This is not the first time that someone from the enter-tainment industry has been attacked in this manner in Pakistan. Almost a year ago, a popular actress and dancer, Kismat Baig, was shot dead in a similar manner in Lahore.

She was reportedly shot as many as 11 times in different parts of her body – legs, stomach and hands. While returning from an event in November 2016, she was shot dead by some motorcycle-borne assailants

Sumbul Khan was born on August 30, 1992 in Karachi She was a popular name in films in Pashto language. Some of her popular television shows are 'Mere Khwab Raiza Raiza', 'Buri Aurat', 'Dil-e-Abad' and 'Raju

leaves Pakistan after receiving threats Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf chief Imran Khan's former wife Reham Khan has left Pakistan reportedly after receiving threats. She left the country on Sunday night SUV after her staff received several threat calls, and later con-firmed the same to a televiion channel in Pakistan. The British Pakistani jour-- 22 The British Pakistani jour-nalist expressed her anguish over the development citing that she was forced to discon-tinue her daughter's school-ing. She further said that none of the prelifical pretice in the

Imran Khan's ex-wife Reham Khan

of my association with political parties are false. Fact is that no party wants me to speak. Across the board, I have no backing or carry all aspects of her life and hence, mention of her relationship with Imran Khan is a part of the same. She, howev-er, added that she has made support of any political party in Pakistan."

## their decision to split amid reports that Imran objected to her meddling in politics. Imran's marriage to Reham ital, his daughter Yumna Maumoon said on Twitter US begins reducing troops in Iraq after victory over ISIS

of the political parties in the country backed her over the issue. The 44-year-old TV journalist and Pakistani crick-

et legend-turned-politician Imran Khan had announced

AL-ASAD AIRBASE: The US has started to reduce the number of its troops in Iraq following Baghdad's declaration of Baghdad's declaration of victory over the Islamic State group last year, an Iraqi government spokesman and Western contractors said Monday. The move marks a shift in priorities for the US fol-uwing the collarse of the

lowing the collapse of the extremists' so-called caliphate late last year. It also comes about three months ahead of Iraqi national elections in which paramilitary groups with close ties to Iran are set to play a decisive role. for IS

play a decisive role. Dozens of US soldiers have been transported from Iraq to Afghanistan on daily flights in the past week, along with weapons red. with weapons and equipment, the con-tractors said.

An Associated Press reporter at the Al-Asad base in western Iraq saw presence in Iraq will be conditions-based, proportroop movements reflect-ing the account by contractional to the need and in coordination with the go coordination with the gov-ernment of Iraq," Army Col. Ryan Dillon, a coali-tion spokesman, told the AP. One senior Iraqi official ing the account by contrac-tors. The contractors spoke on condition of anonymity in line with regulations and declined to reveal the exact size of the draw-down. "The battle against Daesh base and act and so the lowal

close to Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi said 60 has ended, and so the level percent of all US troops still in Iraq will be with-drawn, according to the of the American presence will be reduced," said govdrawn, according to the initial agreement reached with Washington. The plan would leave about 4,000 US troops to contin-ue training the Iraqi mili-tary. The official spoke on condition of anonymity ernment spokesman Saad al-Hadithi, who used the Arabic language acronym Al-Hadithi stressed that

Al-Hadithi stressed that the drawdown – the first since the war against IS began more than three years ago – was still in its early stages and doesn't mark the beginning of a complete pullout of US ue tary. 1.. ronditie tary. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not author-ized to talk to the media. As of late September, there were 8,892 US troops complete pullout of US in Iraq, according to a Pentagon report released

"Continued coalition in November.

June, 2004.

The US first launched airstrikes against the Islamic State group in Iraq in August 2014. The interin August 2014. The inter-vention was described at the time as "limited," but as Iraq's military struggled to roll back the extremists, the coalition's footprint in the country grew steadily. "We've had a recent change of mission, and soon we'll be supporting a different theater of opera-

different theater of operations in the coming month," US Army 1st Lt. William John Raymond told the AP at the Al-Asad vase. He spoke as he and a

He spoke as he and a handful of soldiers from his unit conducted equip-ment inventory checks required before leaving Iraq. Raymond declined to specify where his unit was going because the informacome.

tion has not yet been made public In the lead up to the Iraqi In the lead up to the Iraqi elections slated for May, the indefinite presence of US troops in the country continues to be a divisive issue.

Al-Abadi, who is seeking another term, has strug-gled to balance the often competing interests of Iran and the United States, both have

key allies who h backed him against IS. While the US has closely supported key Iraqi mili-tary victories over IS in places like the city of places like the city of Mosul, some of the Shite-led paramilitary forces with close ties to Iran have called for the withdrawal of US forces. The prime minister has stated that Iraq's military will need US training for years to come to reconsider

those who doubt the gov-ernment's decisions regarding the presence of American (forces in Iraq): American (torces in Iraq): There are rules and the promise of a withdrawal," al-Hadithi said. Some in Iraq's Sunni minority community view the US presence in Iraq as a buffer against the coun-try's Shilta dominated cam-

"This is a message to

try's Shiite-dominated cen-tral government. "The (drawdown) is an abdication of responsibili-ty by the coalition," said Fahad al-Rashed, a member of the provincial coun-cil in Anbar province, which has a Sunni majoriwhich has a Sunni majori-ty. He said he recognized that the decision fell with-in the jurisdiction of the central government, but that local officials in Anbar would have asked the US to reconsider

As stocks plunge, White House says Trump focused on 'economic fundamentals' WASHINGTON/NEW recent months when Trump has often talked you should always focus unnecessary regulations continuing." He had sent been climbing since March 2009, when Obama departing sharply from 2016, when Trump won YORK: After US stocks plummeted on Monday, the White House sought your policies and your past practice. In his State of the Union the presidency, and its historic peak a week ago above 26,400. about stocks, taking credit similar tweets for months inherited a serious finan-

to play down concerns saving President Donald Trump was focused on "exceptionally strong" year It was a sign that Trump may be absorbing a tough message, underscored by former White House advisers, that American presidents traditionally have avoided comment-ing directly on Wall Street's fickle trends. Gene Sperling, a top underlying fundamentals

in the economy. White House spokes-woman Sarah Sanders said the economy was experiencing "strengthen-ing US economic growth, bit beit be historically low unem-ployment, and increasing wages for American workers."

But Trump himself did not comment on the market, even as share prices sold off dramatically while he was touting th economy and last year's tax cuts in a speech in ket

Ohio. That was a contrast to market tripled under Bill Clinton, his view was that

public messages on bread-and-butter kitchen for the rally the market enjoyed during 2017 and the first few weeks of this table issues ... and that focusing on the stock market would take your eye off the real economy," It was a sign that Trump

Sperling said. White House White House spokesman Raj Shah, in an adjustment to the administration's message on stocks, told reporters aboard Air Force One en route to Trump's speak-ing event in Ohio, "Look, Gene Sperling, a top economic adviser to Democratic former presito markets do fluctuate in the short term. We all dents Bill Clinton and Barack Obama, said know that ... But the fun-damentals of this econo-Trump erred in recent months by focusing so heavily on the stock marmy are very strong and they're headed in the

they're headed in the right direction." Throughout a speech at a factory in Blue Ash, Ohio, Trump made no mention of stock markets, "Even though the stock

address last week, Trump said, "The stock market has smashed one record after another, gaining \$8 trillion and more in value in just this short period of TREMENDOUS BENE.

FITS' On Jan. 7, he wrote on Twitter, "The Stock Market has been creating

tremendous benefits for our country in the form of not only Record Setting Stock Prices, but present and future Jobs, Jobs, Jobs. Seven TRILLION dollars of value created since our big election

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Three days before that, he tweeted, "Dow just crashes through 25,000. Congrats! Big cuts in

The Republican presi-On Monday, the Dow fell to below 24,000 but dent told Reuters in a Jan 17 interview he has been getting kudos from peo ple grateful for increased

fell to below 24,000 but regained some of its mid-day losses to close at 24,345. In the past five trading days, the index has erased all its gains since late November. The benchmark S&P 500 has pulled back more than 6 percent from a Jan. 26 record high ple grateful for increased 401(k) retirement plan values and he believed the rise would not have happened if his Democratic opponent Hillary Clinton had won the 2016 presidential elec-26 record high. The "Trump rally," as

tion. "If the Democrats won the election, the stock market would have gone some traders have dubbed it, has coincided market would have gone down 50 percent from where it was, and now look at the percentage increase. It's a record increase," Trump said. The benchmark Dow Jones industrial average soared 42 percent between Election Day with a sweeping tax code overhaul approved in December, which slashed

December, which slashed corporate taxes, and a deregulation push. The S&P 500 rose 34 percent from Trump's election to its recent high. But stock prices have

cial crisis and the worst economic recession since the Great Depression of the 1930s from the previ-ous Republican administration of George W. Bush. At that time, the

Dow was trading at around 6,500. around 6,500. Trump has also criti-cized his predecessor Obama's effect on markets. In November 2012, Trump tweeted, "The stock market and US dollar are both plunging today. Welcome to @BarackObama's second term." The S&P 500 rose 126 percent from Obama's 2008 election to his final day in office in 2017. Former Obama press secretary Jay Carney on Monday tweet-ed, "Good time to recall that

in the previ tion, we NEVER boasted about the stock market --even though the Dow more than doubled on Obama's watch -- because we knew two things: 1) the stock market is not the economy; and 2) if you claim the rise you own the fall."

you own the fall." Doug Holtz-Eakin, presi-dent of the American Action Forum and a former economic adviser to 2008 Republican presidential nominee John McCain, said, "The president should-pt", compart, about the n't comment about the stock market. Indeed if anyone is going to make major nents about eco pronounce nomic data, it should be the nomuc data, it should be the Treasury secretary or the agency releasing the data, so if they get it wrong you can get rid of them. You don't want the president owning those things."



Speaking to Geo TV, she said that her book would years ended in divorce in

The development comes ahead of the launch of Reham Khan's autobiography, which is slated to be released soon. It is widely speculated that the

## We didn't play our number one game in U19 World Cup final: Rahul Dravid showed was commendable

MUMBAI: Coach Rahul Dravid on Monday said his players did not play their "number one game" in the final of the ICC U-19 World Cup, notwithstanding the eight-wicket drubbing of Australia en route to winning the title.

Dravid, though, prompt-Dravid, though, prompt-ly added that his team fully deserved the title triumph. "We did not play our number one game in the final, that we played in the quarterfinal (versus Bangladesh) and semifinal (against Pakistan). Just the fact that they played the final was an experience,"

added that the most satis-fying part, other than win-ning the World Cup, was the process the team fol-lowed to reach the top. "The real satisfaction, in my opinion, is the process Dravid said The former India captain was speaking after the team's arrival here from

New Zealand where the New Zealand where the tournament was held. "I'm really happy that the 15 boys got to wear World Cup medal. They deserve it. It's been a lot of sacri-ficer, the user they aburd that was followed over the last 14-16 months, the whole planning and prepa-ration that has gone into, not necessarily for this World Cup, but for devel-oping the U19 players. fices, the way they played in the World Cup.

in the World Cup. "The way they gelled, the quality of cricket they played - all these give you a lot of satisfaction. We were under pressure in a few games, but there were people who stood up and delivered." The batting legend "It was great team work, guys behind the scenes, the selectors, NCA, the BCCI setting up games and series. Winning a tournament like this is a good reflection of the team

Dravid cautioned that batting legend the real test awaits his added that the most satisyoung players. "The challenge and the

The challenge and the hard work really starts from here, we had a chat about it. When we were there they showed a rerun of the 2012 final and I startthings "It is interesting... The result of the final is India beat Australia but six years



those boys has played for India while 5-6 of them on to play for went

Australia. He felt a lot will depend down the line only one of on how the young players

are managed. "Talent is there, ability is there, it's about managing themselves, how to deal

with pressure and the expectations that will come

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"The boys knew that many people watch it. We played two Asia Cups but we did not play Pakistan, I play

am happy that they got to know what an Indiaknow what an India-Pakistan game is about, at the U-19 level. "The way our boys han-dled that game, the quality of cricket that we played, the intensity that we

"It's not easy to get into the Indian side. At least if they become good first-class cricketers, from then

on it becomes a stepping

Dravid said the players

mifinal against arch-foes

treated the high-pressure

Pakistan like any other

stone to play for India

## 'Virat Kohli needs help before he can become a great captain'

CENTURION: Former South Africa coach Ray Jennings feels that India captain Virut Kohli can be "intimidating in the dress-ing room' and it would be great if he gets a good guide, who can maximise his potential as leader. Jennings has witnessed Kohli progress from his days as an U-19 cricketer as he was associated as a he was associated as a coach with Royal Challengers Bangalore.

"As captain, I think, he is still not at his best. The Indian cricket system has to Indian cricket system has to feed off Virat Kohli. Going, from MS Dhoni to Kohli has been a drastic change. Dhoni is so calm and Kohli is the complete opposite. He can be intimidating in the dressing room and sometimes his teanmates can wonder who Kohli really is," Jennings told PTI

CENTURION: Former during an interaction Kohli can instill "fear" in youngsters, is Jennings observation and that's why calm mentor is need of the hour. "There can be a fear factor

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There can be a fear factor in the dressing room and you don't want that with so many youngsters coming into the side. Indian cricket, thus, has to find people who can help and influence Kohli into ways of improv ing and becoming an even better leader," Jennings himself

But Jennings insisted that Kohli will get better with

Kohli will get better with age. "With age, Kohli will get better and calm down a lot naturally. He will not be so aggressive and in your face all the time. But in certain situations, when things are not so calm or even just to take that fear factor away skills to be the best player in the world, yet he needs some assistance." he added Kohli scored his 33rd ODI hundred in the first match at Durban and followed it up with 46 not out in the second match at

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Centurion. He has scored 3 hun-dreds in his last 5 ODIs as well as finished the top run-getter in the three-Test coring environment South A frica the dressing room, vill teach Kohli to e a better version of 'He is smart enough and sionate enough to want to change. He wants to be the best, and he does have

series against South Africa. "At this age, he already has 33 ODI hundreds and he is in touching distance of the best-ever seen in ODI cricket (Sachin Tendulkar) He has another 10 years left in him, at least, so there's no reason why in 3-4 years he cannot get better and

yet to get there, so you can add a few more hundreds add a few more húndreds to that 33 mark/ said Jennings, who has seen Kohli from the opposition coach during the 2008 U-19 World Cup. "I was the coach of South Africa Under-19s when he led India to the Under-19 World Cup win (2008). From that time itself, 1 thought he was someone who stood out in his age

who stood out in his age group in terms of batting." "In all my experience, he is the best player against spin that I have ever seen. Is he better than Sir Don Bradman? I don't know, but he is definitely amongst the top-two basmen in the world at the moment," declared the veteran coach. "People talk about his overseas record, but in the who stood out in his age

as record, but in the

"I think 32 is the best age for any batsman and he is Test series, he outscored Hashim Amla Villiers and Faf Du Ples in their home conditions," he added

Talking about the current ODI series, Jennings said that South Africa do not have a way back into the ODI

series. He also believed that the Proteas' team management has got its strategy wrong, both in terms of team selection as well as picking Aiden Markram as captain "Kohli is so aggressive that he will not let the 2-0 that he will not let the 2-0 advantage slip away. South Africa are missing AB and Faf, and their middle order is o inexperienced. Maybe one game will get washed away, though 1 am not sure. Maybe South Africa will win one game. But to my mind, the series is already lost," said Jennings. "Five boys from last year's World Cup quali-fied to play this time. But we made a conscious

decision not to pick them as I felt it will be better for them to play U-23 cricket and senior men's

showed was commendable and we did not give them a chance to come back." Dravid felt these boys should now quit playing age-level cricket, although he said it was

his personal view. "My view is quite well known. I feel that once

known. I teel that once the boys are good enough they should go on to play men's cricket, especially those who had played first-class cricket.

#### Liverpool's Virgil Van Diik accuses Harry Kane of diving

Liverpool defender Virgil Van Dijk accused Tottenham Hotspur striker Harry Kane of diving and Eric Lamela of exaggerating to get a penalty in Sounday's pulsating 2-2 Premier League draw at Anfield. The visitors were awarded two penalties, one of which Kane scored with virtually the final kick of the game to earn his side a point. Kane missed the other spot-kick after Loris Karius was adjudged to have brought him down. But Dutchman Van Dijk, who was penalised for the second penalty, said neither should have been given. "I think the first penalty was offside and I think it is a

the second penalty, said neither should have been given. "I think the first penalty was offside and I think it is a dive," Van Dijk said. "You see him (Kane) diving clear-ly and no-one is talking about that. "There is a lot of discussion about whether it is offside, yes or no, but I think it was offside as well. The referee made his decision together with the linesman. It was good for us that it was saved." Television sound record-ing of referen lon Mose and the sesistent revealed confuing of referee Jon Moss and his assistant revealed confusion about whether the ball had been accidentally

sion about whether the ball had been accidentally played on to Kane by Liverpool's Dejan Lovren. Moss decided to award the kick even though he said he had "no idea" if the defender had touched the ball. Van Dijk was equally critical of the second decision after Lamela collapsed theatrically under his challenge. "For the second penalty, I see him coming and I try and hold my leg in, he just pulled his body in front of the ball and he goes down," Van Dijk said.

#### Shane Warne confirms IPL return, to reveal details soon

said

Leg-spin legend Shane Warne was the force behind Rajasthan Royals winning the Indian Premier League (IPL) in its inaugural season back in 2008, and the Australian has confirmed his return to the cash-rich league in the 11th season that commences from April 7; however, Warne is yet to reveal the details. "Looking forward to making an announcement

to you guys this week which I'm very excited about & yes it involves the #IPL2018 !" Warne tweeted a couple of days back

Warne last played the IPL in 2011 and has since been involved with assignments behind the mic

as a commentator. Looking forward to making an announcement to you guys this week which I'm very excited about & yes it involves the #IPL2018 ! Punjab (KXIP).

Meanwhile, the Rajasthan franchise is making a return to the IPL after serving a two-year suspension related to the corruption and spot-fixing scandal that erupted and tarnished the league back in 2013

pack in 2013. Along with Rajasthan, the Chennai Super Kings were also suspended for a two-year period and will return to the IPL this year. The 11th edition of the league will run from April 7 to May 27, 2018. lines of Tamil Nadu's match against Gujarat in the Vijay Hazare

Trophy. Ashwin said feedback DELHI: Ravichandran Ashwin is working to revive his from coaches helped. limited-overs career and

Balaji has been of the traditional offspinthe traditional offspin-ner is working on adding a leg-spin deliv-ery to his repertoire that could be witnessed in the coming Indian Premier League (IPL) season, in which Ashwin will play for his new franchise Kings XI Punish (KVIP) great help. First time I great help. First time I was bowling leg-spin, we were working on some actions on how to gain momentum, how I can make a repeatable action work for me. For example, my arm doseexample, my arm does-n't go 45 degrees, which is perfect for a legspin-Punjab (KXIP). "This is part of my plan going into the IPL. I am just trying to build my armoury. I used to bowl good leg-breaks with my off-spin action when I was playing league ner. I am more upright. I have to adjust my action. "It has been a painful ride. One day it will come out well in the nets and the next day it won't was playing league cricket in Chennai, league come out all right. It will be frustrating. I have cricket in Chennai," Ashwin said on the sidegone through the entire



ant to," Ashw was bought by KXIP fo Rs 7.6 crore at the IPI IPI last month, Auction

s in his bowling but had to cut down on those to get his offbreak

## English Premier League: Watford late show sinks 10-man Chelsea

And one ahead of Tottenham Hotspur in fifth. "Intel do warn everyone about the difficulty of our path in the league and Champions League," said Chelsea coach Antonio Conte. "We performed very bad but maybe I made the mistakes with the starting XI today. My choice was very poor I think." Mid-table Warter <sup>1</sup>

were down to 10 men afte were down to 10 men after their France midfielder Bakayoko was booked twice for challenges in the space of a few minutes before the half-hour mark.

space of a few minutes before the half-hour mark. Watford reacted quickly to Hazard's equaliser as defender Janmaat exchanged passes with Pereyra before shooting low past Courtois. Deulofeu sealed the win in the 88th with his first goal for the club before Pereyra got the fourth in added time. Monday's loss has added to the pressure on Conte, who faces more questions about his future after a poor start to 2018 which has seen Chelsea knocked out of the League Cup by Arsenal before they lost 3-0 at home to Bournemouth last week in the league.

finally I got it," Ricardo said For years, Brazilian jockey Jorge Ricardo battled for one through tears. Although of the least heard-of, yet toughest titles in sport - most horse races won - and on Monday he got there with a The win in the rain at Rio

the win in the rain at Kio de Janeiro's Hipodromo race track equalled the extraordi-nary world record held by Ricardo's career-long Ricardo's career-long Canadian rival Russell Baze. But with the Californiabased Baze already retired. Ricardo now needs only one more win - practically a for-mality - to own the record. machine

12.844th victory

mality - to own the record. The hard work is done. A grizzled 56-year-old who has been racing since he was 15, Ricardo cried and raised his fist aloft. Well aised nis nist alort. Weil-vishers, family and journal-uilikely to be matched, as mobbed the rider and nistraked and rain-streaked oson. Apart from the now "I waited long for this and wishers, family and journalists mobbed the rider and the sweat- and rain-streaked

ms. "I never in my life imag-Argentina, Ricardo came to his native Rio on Sunday, ined I'd win so many races," Ricardo told AFP. "If you needing only three wins to equal Baze's record. Riding seven races he won twice, seven races ne won twice, and on Monday evening he rode six more before hitting the magic number. Now he will return to seek

that extra record-making is sheer time spent on the 12,845th win in front of his horse. Argentinian fans. Non-stop winning

Ricardo has been racing for 41 years, which is just under 15,000 days, meaning on average he has won

almost one race every day about horse racing." Relentless duel The feat is staggering and The duel between Ricardo and Baze for that top spot was a relentless, slow-motion contest with few, if any equivalents in the sport.

For about 15 years they who has even reached 10,000 shadowed each other, one reaching the 10,000 mark first, then the other 11,000 and so on. "I think we have some

journey and have reached a place where I

can land the ball where I

Kcardo told AFP. "If you were going to think some-thing up, you'd never imag-ine winning nearly 13,000." Fans praise Ricardo's pro-fessionalism, intelligence and guts. But another reason for his spectacular numbers is shear time scent on the thing of a connection," Ricardo said. "He must have known about the races I was winning here and I always checked out what he won there. There was a symbio-

Hazare

Strangely, they only met a horse. He estimates having rid-den 70,000 races and has never taken a long holiday. "I never had much time for vacations. I took a week, occasionally two," he said. "My life has always been obset horse serien " few tim including at a spe cial 2014 head-to-head in Brazil, which Ricardo won. But really the rivalry became more a war of attri-tion, not just against each other, but against age and the inevitable injuries facing people who hurtle around thoroughbred horses. Asked what bones he has broken over his career, Ricardo needed to pause and think, before calling

Brazilian jockey Jorge Ricardo bags world record 12.844th win himself "half-bionic" and coming up with this list: col-larbone, humerus, maxilla shoulder blade, elbow, finger, rib.

ger, mb. "It's a very risky profes-sion," he said. "You fight with your body and some-times you're lucky, some-times not." Emotional drain As well as the sheer batter.

As well as the sheer batter-ing, Ricardo has been sick with lymphoma, and even he admits that 56 "is not a

he admits that 56 "is not a normal age for a jockey." But beyond those physical travails is the emotional drain of an extreme life. Ricardo's wife Renata Teixeira, 42, said he was a loving hut often "absent"

loving but often "absent father and that their children "although feeling proud, miss him." She rarely watches his races live, because "I get quite nervous," and longs for him to retire. Ten-man

London<sup>.</sup>

London: Ten-man Chelsea suffered another setsack in their stumbling season as they lost 4-1 at Watford on Monday after conceding three late goals to go down to their second straight English Premier League (EPL) defeat. Daryl Janmaat, Gerard Peulofeu and Roberto Prereyra all scored late on Parety and Scored late on hazard dragging Chelsea tok thio the game with a curler in the 82nd minute after Tiemoue Bakayoko was sent off for a second booking on the half-hour. Chelsea cruised to the tifle in coach Antonio Conté's first campaign in England lats tessoon but they are 19 points behind runaway leaders Manchester City and are focused on finishing in the

four Champions top four Champions League qualification spots. Chelsea sit in fourth spot, a point behind third-placed Liverpool and one ahead of Tottenham

Mid-table Watford had

Mid-table Watford had taken the lead in the 43rd with a Troy Deeney penal-ty after Chelsea goalkeep-er Thibaut Courtois brought down on-loan Barcelona winger Gerard Deulofeu. By that stage, Chelsea

ing tour of South Africa where they have combined to take 13 of the 20 South African wickets in the first two ODIs that India have



#### WEDNESDAY | FEBRUARY 07, 2018

## Panchayat, local Bodies polls being deferred for political reasons: Harsh

over the Expressing concern over the repeated postponement of Panchayat and local Bodies elections in the state, Harsh Singh JKNPP an and Former Dev Chairman Minister today lambasted Minister today lambasted the BJP-PDP alliance for destroying the institutions of local self governance in the state for petty political motives. He said that the political expediencies of the ruling alliance being tha ruling alliance being the main reason for avoiding the elections, the state govt was desperately looking for excuses and alibis including excuses and alibis including convening of All parties meets (APM) to evade the said polls. He said that plea of non-conducive atmos-phere was totally unaccept-able and untenable as the

state as well as central govt had been repeatedly claim-ing improvement in securi-ty scenario in the state. He regretted that while the uncertainty prevailed over Panchayat elections for the last around 20 months, the last around 20 months, the elections to Municipal bod-ies had been denied for the last eight years in view of their becoming due in the year 2010. He was address-ing public meetings in Palnu, Jakhenu and Jagwal villages of Majalta in Rampaare constituency. Ramnagar constituency.

Accusing the BJP of trying Accusing the BJP of trying to sabotage the process of democratic decentraliza-tion, Harsh Dev Singh claimed that its representa-tives had made highly per-verse and anti people sug-gestions in the All Party

meet with regard to the con-stitution of Panchayati Raj institutions in the state. He revealed that the BJP state Chief had proposed the grant of Block Chairman Posts to respective MLAs instead of the Panchayat instead of the Panchayat representatives in circum-vention of the provisions envisaged under the pres-ent Panchayati Raj system all over the country. He expressed his dismay that the BJP leader in his desper-tion "he openuer the locic. ation "to empower the legis-lature" failed to appreciate that such kind of doles on

that such kind of doles on the MLAs would only amount to a dacoity upon the rights and interests of the Panchayats and Gram Sabhas. He said that JKNPP had upoiforwurku emponed had vociferously opposed in APM meet such an



obnoxious idea of empow-ering the MLAs by disem-powering the Panchayats and would fight it out in the ther questioned the motive behind holding indirect elections for Sarpanchs election posts and said that the party had strongly opposed the change of criteria for the said elections during the streets and courts if any such proposition was enter-tained by the govt. He fur-

rpanchs

course of APM meet. Alleging a deep rooted conspiracy by the ruling alliance to thwart the sysgovt was to be blamed for poor delivery of basic civic services including electrici-ty, water supply, sanitation, sewage and solid waste management, maintenances tem of local self governance

in the state, Singh said that Ministers and MLAs were of community assets,

with the powers which they had usurped and enjoyed in the absence of local bodies. Plans of Panchayats and Blocks were being formulated by these legislators on their own to suit their political interests without addressing the local aspira-tions which had also created esentment amongst th ural masses, said Harsh. Flaying the dilly dally ta the tics of the state govt to hold elections to Rural and Urban Local Bodies, Harsh Dev Singh said the coalition govt was to be blamed for

Monkey menace issue rocks J&K Assembly

drains, footpaths, street lighting besides other facili-ties which were adversely affected due to blockage of funds by the centre in the absence of such institutions of local self governance. He regretted that since the BJP-PDP combine had failed on governance and delivery fronts, the non constitution of ULB's had enabled the govt to rule and administer Panchayats and the Panchayats and Municipalities by proxy in the absence of grass root democratic institutions. He

democratic institutions. He called upon the Governor to intervene in his capacity as the constitutional head of the state and ensure early elections in the interest of rural and urban local devel-

## Barring Gurez, all roads to far flung villages, Kashmir highway through

Barring Razdan top, con-necting dozens of far flung and and remote villages, including those near the Line of Control (LoC) with district headquarter, district headquarter, Bandipora, all passes, including Sadhna, besides national highway, linking Kashmir valley with the rest of the country, are

rest of the country, are through for traffic. However, despite less snowfall this winter, the national highway, the only road liking Ladakh region with Kashmir and historic Mughal road remained closed due to slippery road conditions The border town of

Gurez, surrounded by Pakistan Pakistan Occupied Kashmir (POK) from three

Night chill to

continue, day

sunny in Kashmir

SRINAGAR, FEB 6: Weather woos will contin-

ued during the night as the minimum tempera-ture remained several degree below freezing point though the mercury during the day fur-ther improved due to sunshine in Kashmir val-

However, Kargil was the coldest place in the

However, Kargil was the coldest place in the region at minus 15 degree while the maximum temperature in the bordering town also remained below freezing point. A Met department spokesperson told UNI that the weather will remain dry during the next 48 hours. However, he said a fresh Western Disturbance (WD), which originated from the problem for the problem of the problem.

where the mercury settled at minus 15 degree. The maximum temperature recorded in the bor-der town was minus 1 degree on Monday, Against minus 8.7 degree recorded on Monday, the night temperature at neighbouring town of Leh was minus 8.5 degree. After witnessing below 3 degree night temper-ature, people woke up to a sunny Tuesday morning in the summer capital, Srinagar. Against minus 3.3 degree recorded on Monday, the night temperature at the summer capital

Against minus 3.3 degree recorded on Monday, the night temperature at the summer capital was minus 3.5 degree. However, people are enjoying summer-like weather from last couple of days in Srinagar, where the maximum tem-perature was 5 degree above normal on Monday. The mercure at world famous set second of

Monday. The mercury at world famous ski resort of Gulmarg, about 55 km from here in north Kashmir, dipped and settled at minus 7.6 degree, against minus 7.5 degree recorded on Monday. The night temperature at the ski resort was about a degree below normal. The night temperature at Qazigund, gateway to the valley and Kupwara in north Kashmir improved marginally and settled minus 3 degree and minus 4.2 degree, respectively. World famous health resort of Pahalgam, about 100 km from here in south Kashmir, also wit-nessed an improvement of about a degree from

nessed an improvement of about a degree from Monday and settled above normal. Against minus 6.1 degree recorded on Monday, the night temperature at Pahalgam was minus 4.7 degree.

 
SRINAGAR, FEB 6: states and dozens of other far flung and remote vil-ages, including Neeru and not remote vilages, moluding Neeru and moluting subtraction the adquarter and goars of a flung, and remote vil-ages, including Neeru and moluting those near the ine of Control (LoC) with Strict headquarter, not allowing any vehicle to notallowing any vehicle to notallowing any vehicle to thor molution subtractions are not allowing any vehicle to subtrafic subtractions and subtraction subtractions and subtracti not allowing any vehicle to ply on the road due to very slippery road conditions, a adding with the improve-Police Control Room (PCR) official told UNI (PCR) official told UNI over phone from Bandipora on Tuesday. However, this winter the road remained open for majority period due to less snowfall, he said adding traffic on the road will be removed either forematic.

tion, we allowed vehicles to ply, they said. However, every precaution is taken at Sadhna pass, where eleven persons, including a Border Roads Organisation (BRO), offi-cer urea billed after there cer, were killed after they resumed only after receiv were swept away by a snow avalanche in January ing green signal from the authorities, he added. first week. Meanwhile, the Sadhna pass, Phirkiyan and Z-Gali, connecting Machil,

Two way Light Motor Vehicle (LMV) has been allowed on Srinagar-Fresh avalanche

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SuthAcAAY, PDG A' Hissi weather wanning has been issued in avalanche prone areas in Kashmir valley and Ladakh region during the next 24 hours. The Divisional Commissioner Kashmirsaid that there is a danger of avalanches during the next 24 hours in ambaho onen one one

accident and traffic jam. Road widening and road week, officials said repair works were going ment in the weather condi-tion, we allowed vehicles on at several places on the highway, where only one vehicle can pass freely, he

added. Today LMV will ply from both sides while HMV traffic to ply from Jammu to Srinagar, he said adding no HMV, including security force convoy, will be allowed from posite direction He said Jammu bound LMV will have to pass Qazigund between 0700

hrs 1400 hrs while Srinagar bound vehicles will have cross Nagrota between 0600 hrs to 1000 hrs.

hrs to 1000 hrs only. No vehicle will be allowed after the deadline from both sides, he said. The national highway

The national highway, connecting Ladakh region with Kashmir, remained closed due to slippery road condition and accumula-tion of snow, particularly between Sonamarg-Zojila pass-Meenmarg.

The historic 86-km-long historic Mughal road, link ing Shopian in south Kashmir with Rajouri and Poonch in Jammu region also remained closed.

Similarly Srinagar bound HMVs will have to cross Udhampur between 0500

Zero Hour raised the issue of monkey troubles in his constituency. "Monkeys are creating problems in my Constituency. They are damaging prop-erty, biting children and have created havoc;" said the MLA. He however, was also supported by NC The nowever, was also supported by NC MLA Devendra Singh Rana, BJP MLA Ranbir Pathania, Congress MLA Aijaz Khan and other members of the House, who requested the Speaker Kavinder Gupta to allow the resolution on this issue of concern. The members chouted in the House and

issue of concern. The members shouted in the House and asked the concerned department of wildlife to take immediate measures in this issue. However, the Speaker directed the

Government that it is everybody's con-cern and the Government should take the matter into consideration for early

Meanwhile MLA Jeewan Lal has also sought reply from the government on

JAMMU, FEB 6: The monkey menace issue on Tuesday rocked the Jammu and Kashmir Assembly here. tehsil-wise the area of agriculture land as have remained uncultivated due to monkey nuisance since few years in Kathua MLA Bandipora Usman Majid during Zero Hour raised the issue of monkey district.

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district. The government however, in a written reply said that in the year 2014-15, 2094 hectares of land remained uncultivated, in 2015-16, 3036 hectares of land and in 2016-17, 2826 hectares of land remained uncultivated due to monkey menace in Kathua district.

The government further replied that The government further replied that there is no provision for any kind of com-pensation to the farmers under any scheme on account of loss to crops due to monkey nuisance. "It has been observed that the wild anti-red tile repliers or definition to its helt

mals like monkeys are shifting to inhabit-ed areas and cultivated lands due to human intervention in the forest areas," human intervention in the forest areas," the Minister In-charge said, adding that to deal with the nuisance, Agriculture Department is educating the farmers to grow the crops which are not liked by monkeys such as fodder, okra, ginger, turmeric and chilies so that maximum poscible culturable areas is source and possible cultivable area is sown and farmers do not suffer any losses.

#### J&K police pays tribute to 2 policemen killed in hospital attack

SRINAGAR, FEB 6: Jammu and Kashmir Police on

SRINAGAR, FEB 6: Jammu and Kashmir Police on Tuesday paid floral tribute to two policemen, including a Head Constable, who were killed after a militant staged an attack outside a hospital in Srinagar to free a Pakistani mil-itant from police custody. A police spokesperson said that a wreath laying ceremo-ny of Head Constable Babar Ahmad Khan resident of Dildar Karnah and Constable Babar Ahmad Khan resident of Shangus Achabal was held at District Police Lines Srinagar. "Additional Director General of Police (ADGP) Munir Abmed Khan led the police officers in Jaine the floral

"Additional Director General of Police (ADGP) Munir Ahmed Khan led the police officers in laying the floral wreaths on the mortal remains of the martyrs," he said. He said Deputy Inspector General (DIG) Central Kashmir Range (CKR) Ghulam Hassan Bhat, Deputy Commissioner (DC) Srinagar Syed Abid Hussain, Senior Superintendent of Police (SP) Srinagar Imitaz Ismail Parray and other offi-cers of police; CRPF and SSB were present during the cere-norm

#### **Oppn members**, **BJP legislator stage** walkout from LC on recruitment issue Commission has been adopt-ing discriminatory attitude

The Minister further said that 132 selections have been JAMMU, FEB 6: The members from the opposition National Conference and made in various autonomou Congress on Tuesday staged a bodies under administrative Congress on Luesday staged a walkout from the Legislative Council on the issue of the recruitment in various state government departments. Replying to the question raised by the NC MLC Qaisar lameback Long. Minister of control of the departments. Besides, the interventions and subsequent clarifications by Minister Ghulam Nabi

Lone Hanjura, the opposition members while expressing dissatisfaction over the reply, Jamsheed Lone, Minister of State, Priya Sethi informed to alleged that no proper proce-dure has been adopted by the government in the recruitthe House that during last two years around 21.5 thousand selections have been made by

Jammu region in selection to various posts. However, BJP MLC Vibodh Gupta also protested and staged walkout from the Upper House after he did not get satisfactory reply from the government on recruitment in overnment on recruitment in a separate question as the

They further alleged that the tate Public Service St

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or avalanches during the next 24 hours in avalanche prone areas of Bandipora, Baramulla, Kupwara in north, Anantrag, Kulgam in south, Budgam, Ganderbalincen-tral Kashmir, Leh and Kargil dis-tricts of Kashmir Division. the recruiting agencies to vari-ous government departments.

Disturbance (WD), which originated from the Arabian Sea and is approaching the region through Afghanistan and Pakistan, is expected to hit the state on Friday. "Under the influence of this WD, rain and snow could occur in the valley," he added. Even though there was an improvement of about a degree from Monday in the night tem-perature, people continued to shiver at Kargil, where the mercury settled at minus 15 degree.

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