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*No shortage
of supplies
in East and
West clarifies
District
Administration*

**SUMMIT REPORT
GANGTOK, 05 JUL:**

According to West and East District Administration, there is adequate stock of essential commodities and fuel in both the districts.

In a press release, East District Administration has said that as per the Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs Department, the stock position of all essential commodities is normal and the rates of vegetables and food grains have been regulated. The Sub Divisional Magistrates and Block Development Officers have been continuously inspecting bazaars and monitoring the situation in their respective jurisdictions.

Meanwhile, vehicular movement along NH-10 has also returned to normalcy and there is free movement of private carriers and trucks into the district, informs the release.

The West District Administration has also communicated through a press release that the stock position of ration shops has been found to be sufficient. No malpractices and illegal hoarding have been reported since the District Administration alerted the Station Head Officers to conduct frequent inspection of bazaars in the district.

"The fuel stock and supply in the district has also seen significance improvement," informs the release further adding that the fuel stock available in the district should be enough for the next 10 days.

However, rationing of fuel and gas will continue for now till the situation fully normalizes. The DC has thanked the departments of West district, police personnel, Sub Divisional Magistrates, Block Development Officers, and the public for their efforts.

Nine injured in clashes between Police and Morcha supporters in Kalimpong

**SUMMIT REPORT
KALIMPONG, 05 JUL:**

Violence broke out in Kalimpong today when a procession called by the Gorkha Janmukti Morcha youth wing allegedly set fire to a building at 10th Mile that housed the Trinamool Congress party office.

In the confusion which followed, three Morcha supporters and six police personnel were reportedly injured in the ensuing clashes between the crowd and the police.

At around 11 30 a.m. today, protesters attempted to set ablaze the TMC party office at 10th Mile.

While the TMC office is on the fourth floor of the



building, the ground floor houses a famous wine shop

which ended up suffering major damages. The store-

room of the wine shop was also severely damaged.

Initially, the crowd did not allow the fire brigade

to access the spot to bring the fire under control, but later, the police with the help of some locals managed to reach the spot.

Then at around 2 p.m., sounds of firing echoed across the town after another crowd torched the NBSTC office located at the Motor Stand.

The crowd pelted stones at the police which reciprocated with tear gas and rubber bullets, it is informed.

According to SP Ajit Singh Yadav, "GJM took out a procession today and once they reached 10th mile, they pelted stones at the police who were already there protecting the TMC office

since the past many days. After that they torched the wine shop. Six police personnel are injured."

When asked about the FIRs and arrests, he said that the cases are being registered and there were many incidents of stone pelting and arson. The GJM rally stopped the fire brigade from reaching the spot and also broke the windshield of the fire tender, he added.

This is the first major law & order breakdown during a procession in Kalimpong in the latest round of agitation. Although rallies have been loud and passionate, they had not ended in violence thus far.



CM breaks silence on impact of Darjeeling unrest in Sikkim

**SUMMIT REPORT
NAMCHI, 05 JUL:**

Chief Minister Pawan Chamling today said that Sikkim did not become a part of India to be sandwiched between China and West Bengal and suffer like it is suffering right now. In the midst of Indo-China conflict at the Nathu La border and unrest in West Bengal, Sikkim has become the scapegoat, he stated.

The CM was addressing the foundation stone laying function of the State's first government engineering college, Sikkim Institute of Science and Technology (SIST) coming up at Chisopani, South Sikkim.

He further informed that he is in constant touch with the Centre to ensure that NH10 re-

mains open and will also approach the Supreme Court, if need be. He referred to the attacks on Sikkim vehicles in Siliguri and supply of essential commodities to the State being hampered.

"The peace and security in Sikkim is our contribution to the Nation. Water from our rivers goes to Bengal, Bihar but in return they are blocking our path," said the CM. The CM also spoke about the adverse impact on tourism in Sikkim due to the unrest in West Bengal. However, he assured the public that the state government will ensure the safety of its people and property.

The CM further called upon the public to stand united in such times of turbulence.

CM lays foundation stone of Sikkim's first government engineering college

**SUMMIT REPORT
NAMCHI, 05 JUL:**

Chief Minister Pawan Chamling laid the foundation stone of the State's first government engineering college, Sikkim Institute of Science and Technology (SIST), at Chisopani, South Sikkim today.

During his address, the CM urged the youth to take keen interest in diverse and thriving sectors of tourism namely peace, environment, pilgrimage, adventure, culture, village and homestay tourism. He also proposed varied ways and means for the Sikkimese youth to generate income through organic farming thereby ensuring self-sustainability.

Extending his best wishes to the public, staff and students of Chisopani, Human Resources Development Department Minister, R. B Subba mentioned that the inception of Sikkim's first engineering college is a milestone in the field of technical education. He also presented data



on the recently concluded board examinations wherein approximately 6,400 students of Sikkim appeared out of which 78% students successfully cleared the CBSE examinations.

In addition, Mr Subba also highlighted the achievements attained in the primary and secondary level of education in the state and motivated the students towards a career based on technical know-how besides con-

ventional courses.

Area MLA cum Sikkim Legislative Assembly speaker, K.N Rai also addressed the event where he spoke about how the newly developed institute will aid the students in acquiring quality education and added that the institution will also increase livelihood opportunities for the public of the constituency.

Principal Secretary HRDD, G. P. Upadhyaya presented a technical

report of the Institute of Science and Technology (SIST). He mentioned that the institute being constructed at a cost of Rs 18.2 crore, is affiliated to Sikkim State University and supported by Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA).

Similarly, he informed that the institute will offer two courses namely Civil Engineering and Computer Science and will take 60 students

each year.

During the course of the program, Mr Chamling was felicitated by CCCT and the Panchayats of Tinik Chisopani for his outstanding leadership and tireless efforts which has resulted in the establishment of Sikkim's first engineering college to be setup within the campus of CCCT, Chisopani. Likewise, Speaker K.N Rai and HRDD Minister R.B Subba were also felicitated on the occasion.

Hills swinging between hope and anguish

**SUDIPTA CHANDA
SILIGURI, 05 JUL:**

Will they, won't they? A day before Thursday's crucial all-party meeting of the pro-Gorkhaland parties, the question paramount in every common person of the Darjeeling hills is would the bandh be withdrawn.

Yes, Gorkhaland is close to their heart, but life must also go on. And so, the general feeling emanating out of the hills is let the movement continue, but withdraw the bandh. Swaying between hope and despair, all eyes are therefore riveted at Thursday's meeting.

Wednesday's indications, how-

ever, are ominous. Intermittent incidents of violence broke out in Kalimpong and Kurseong as part of the ongoing movement. Such actions are antithetic to a rollback of the clampdown enforced since June 8.

A lot has been happening in between. Despite being on the same side of the Gorkhaland cause, attrition is at work between the Gorkha Janmukti Morcha (GJM) and the Gorkha National Liberation Front (GNLF).

With interests clashing between the two principal political parties of the hills, their individual agenda is at times casting shadows on the future of a collective push and the all-party

platform by extension. A collective think tank is the need of the hour to give sane heads a chance to prevail.

No bandh, whatever the cause may be, can continue eternally. It has to end sometime giving alternative methods a chance to succeed. The only alternative in the given situation is talks and very importantly without pre-conditions. With all sides rigidly towing their respective stands, talks, however, are nowhere in sight.

That is a faulty policy and will have to be looked into. A headstrong approach can only increase the misery of the people with frustration as the end result. A section

of the all-party platform is realizing it and probably advising it too, but their voices are too feeble to be heeded.

Meanwhile, the hill bandh and pro-statehood stir are having counter effects in the plains areas of Darjeeling and Jalpaiguri districts. Opposing the statehood demand, several groups have mushroomed in the interim holding rallies against "division of Bengal". Worse still, transportation of provisions is being obstructed affecting adjacent Sikkim too in the process.

Not that such acts are causing any extra problem for the Darjeeling hills, as the hills are already under a

lockdown with the bandh sponsors preventing movement of vehicles in the hills prohibiting replenishments thereby.

But, the mood reflected through such acts both in the hills and the plains is unhealthy for co-existence. All such acts do is increase acrimony, which needs to be avoided at all costs.

Thursday's all-party meeting in the hills is therefore loaded with significance and responsibility. An outcome with the larger interest in view can go a long way in applying some salve to the festering situation.

And, what can be of larger interest than the interest of the people?

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SKM central working committee meeting held

SUMMIT REPORT
GANGTOK, 05 JUL:

Sikkim Krantikari Morcha party convened a special meeting of its central working committee members here at Deorali on Wednesday. The meeting, which was led by its working presidents, MP Subba and Navin Karki, was attended by MLAs, Kunga Nima Lepcha and Sonam Lama, members of constituency, district and central working committees and party workers.

The interactive meeting discussed various issues and took decisions, informs an SKM press release issued by its publicity secretary, Arun Upreti.

The release informs that the meeting decided to continue the party programmes like Ghar Dailo Abhiyan and Jan Jagaran Padhyatra in all the constituencies. It is informed that the meeting also decided to immediately start the party's mouthpiece Jan Adhikaar to take the message and programme of the party to the people and to take up issues of the people at the grassroot level.

The meeting also decided to further strengthen the central office and various cells of the party.

BJP demands President's rule in West Bengal

KOLKATA, JUL 5 (PTI): The BJP today demanded that the Centre immediately impose President's rule in West Bengal and send central observers to assess "worsening law and order" in the state.

The BJP's demand came in the aftermath of communal clashes in North 24-Parganas district on Monday following an 'objectionable' Facebook post, prompting the government to dispatch 400 BSF troopers to assist the local administration in controlling the situation.

"We demand that the Centre immediately intervene and impose President's rule in the state. The Centre should send a team of central observers to assess the worsening law and order situation in the state," President of BJP's Bengal unit Dilip Ghosh told reporters.

Ghosh also said that he would write to the Union Home Ministry and to the Prime Minister's Office regarding its demand to bring Bengal under President's rule. He accused the West Bengal government of pursuing "politics of appeasement" with an eye on the minority votes in the state.

"The incident at Baduria in North 24-Parganas district is a clear example of appeasement politics. The houses and other property of Hindus were burnt and looted but the police was standing as a mute spectator. It was when the Governor intervened that central forces were summoned. Just for the sake of vote bank politics, the riots were allowed to take place," Ghosh alleged.



Awareness on Human Rights and Right to Food at Nandok

GANGTOK, 05 JUL (IPR): An awareness programme on Human Rights and Right to Food of a Citizen was held at Block Administration Center in Nandok, East Sikkim, today. The programme was organized by Sikkim Human Rights Commission and was attended by Chairperson Justice N.K. Jain, State Human Rights Commission Secretary, Jagat B.Rai, Joint Director (Food and Civil Supplies Department), P.N.Bhutia and advocate Sonam Palden Bhutia who was the key resource person of the programme.

SHRC Chairperson, Mr Jain in his address highlighted the aims and objectives of the SHRC. He mentioned that the programme's main purpose is to make people aware regarding Right to Food which is a

Fundamental Right of every citizen. He informed that such awareness programmes are being organized once in every two months and till date 14 awareness programmes have been conducted in different parts of Sikkim. Mr Jain also said that they are planning to organize such camps in every sub-division of the State.

Elaborating further he said that eligible person of every household should be benefited with the schemes which have been provided under National Food Security Act (NFSA).

Secretary, SHRC during his introductory address expressed his gratitude and talked about the various provisions under Human Rights and the Right to Food of a citizen.

Joint Director (F&CS&A

Dept) talked at length about the newly implemented National Food Security Act 2013 and also mentioned to the gathering that the data under this Act is published in the website of the department for authentication.

He added that the process of seeding of Aadhaar card with the ration card has started and 86% of the work is completed while the remaining 14% work is pending due to delay on the part of consumers in submitting the Aadhaar card details.

He informed that Sikkim and Tripura are the only states in the North East which are working rapidly in completing the policy of the Central Government. Further he also enlightened that the department has decided to connect all 1414 Fair Price Shops

with the department but due to poor internet connectivity, this remains a huge challenge.

Resource person, Sonam Palden Bhutia talked about the Human Rights Violation and various Acts/ Articles related to Human Rights and Right to Food of a citizen. He explained how the individual should fight for their rights in case of violation or abetment, or negligence in the prevention of such violation by a public servant and they may approach the Commission by filing a complaint.

He also enlightened about various programmes like public distribution system, extending Antyodaya Anna Yojana to all the destitutes, nutrition programmes, Integrated Child Development Schemes, etc.

Bhanu Jayanti organizing committee for Pakyong formed



REBYNA RANA
GANGTOK, 05 JUL:

In a coordination meeting held at Pakyong, East Sikkim under the chairmanship of Area MLA and Transport Minister, DT Lepcha today, the organizing committee of the upcoming Bhanu Jayanti celebrations was formed headed by retired Special Secretary, Kamal Kafley.

It was informed that the Bhanu Jayanti celebrations will be held under the banner of Sik-

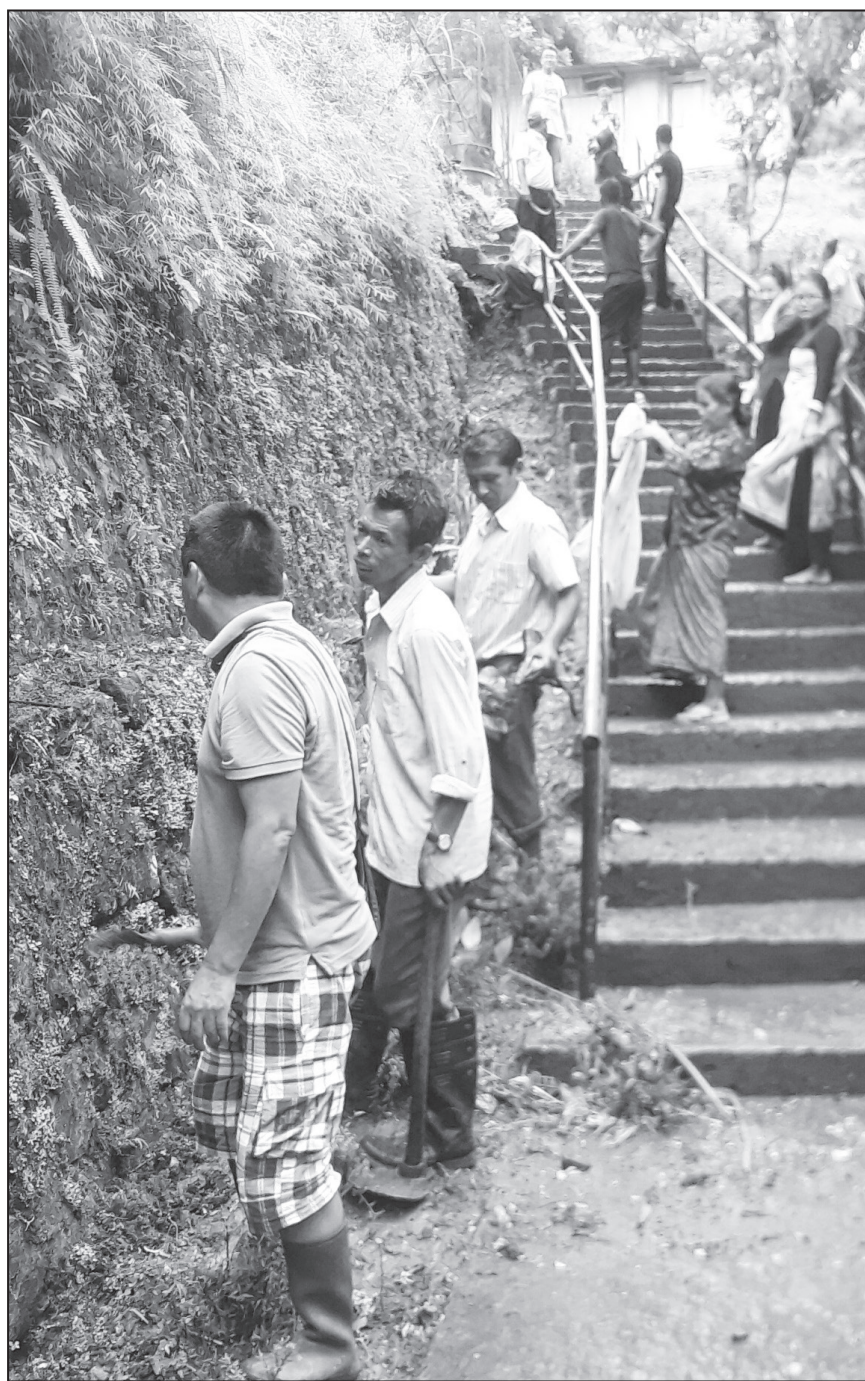
kim Pratibha Pratisthan, Pakyong headed by its president, B.B Subba. It was decided that various cultural programmes like inter-school cultural tableau competition, traditional dress competition, poetry competition, Ramayan paath competition, inter-school dance competition, inter-school debate competition and folk song competition will be held at the auditorium hall of Saint Xavier's School, Pakyong.



Neighbourhood Youth Parliament held at Namthang

SUMMIT REPORT
NAMTHANG, 05 JUL: Neighbourhood Youth Parliament was held at Green Field Junior

High School, Namthang, South Sikkim which was organized by Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan Nam-
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SILOH CHURCH MEMBERS CONDUCT CLEANLINESS DRIVE

MANGAN, 05 JUL: Members of Siloh Church, Dikchu took out a massive cleanliness drive today from Kazitar to Dikchu bazaar and also spruced up Dikchu school premises. Litter strewn along the footpath was cleaned.

After the cleanliness drive, an awareness session was held where health and hygiene tips were given by the members of the church. The members also installed dustbins made of bamboo along the footpath. It has also been informed that a similar cleanliness drive will be conducted again wherever needed. [Wangchuk Bhutia]



HIGH COURT OF SIKKIM GANGTOK

No. 21/Estt./HCS

Dated: 05/07/2017

EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

Applications are invited from eligible candidates for filling up 1(one) post of Court Manager on temporary basis as per the guidelines of 13th Finance Commission in the Establishment of the High Court of Sikkim on monthly remuneration of Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty thousand) only.

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(b) not less than 18 years of age and not more than 30 years of age as on 12.08.2017. However, in the case of candidates belonging to Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe and other Backward Classes, the upper age-limit relaxation shall be the same as prescribed by the State Government for entry into similar services for such candidates.

3. Candidates applying for the above post should possess a Degree or Advance Diploma in General Management and should also have an experience of 5 years in IT System Management.

4. Candidates fulfilling the above conditions may apply for the post along with supporting documents, duly attested by a Gazetted Officer and 3(three) recent passport size photographs, to the undersigned. Applications received without supporting documents and photographs will be summarily rejected. Candidates are also required to mention their proper address and mobile/contact numbers in their applications.

5. The last date for receipt of applications is 12.08.2017.

6. Applications received after the last date shall not be entertained on any ground.

7. Candidates found eligible on preliminary scrutiny of the applications shall be issued admit cards for appearing in the written examination/ interview. The list of names of candidates found eligible will be displayed on the Notice Board of the High Court of Sikkim and /or the eligible candidates will be intimated through sms in their mobile numbers mentioned in their applications along with the details of the interview/ selection test.

8. Admit cards to the candidates found eligible on preliminary scrutiny will be issued from the office of Deputy Registrar (Estt.) from 11.09.2017 to 16.09.2017 between 10:30 a.m and 4:00 p.m.

9. The Registry of the High Court of Sikkim reserves the right to accept or reject any application, with or without assigning any reason.

10. No separate calling letters will be issued to the eligible candidates for the interview/ test.

11. No T.A./ D.A. shall be paid for appearing in the interview/ selection test.

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Delhi govt to raise allowance of anganwadi workers

NEW DELHI, JUL 5 (PTI):

The Delhi government will raise the allowances of anganwadi workers and helpers in the city and set it in accordance with the prevailing minimum wages.

Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia made the announcement after a meeting with a delegation of the Delhi Anganwadi Worker-Helper Association here.

A Cabinet note will be brought to effect the hike, said Atishi Marlena, advisor to the deputy chief minister. There are around 11,000 anganwadi centres in Delhi. Currently, anganwadi workers are paid Rs 5,000 per month while helpers take home around Rs 2,500.

"The revised allowances will be set according to the minimum wages. It will be calculated based on the hours they put in. Usually, their duty hours fall between 9 am and 2 pm," a government official said.

ANTHYESTHI KRIYA



Anthyesthi Kriya of Late J N Sharma

who left for heavenly abode on 02 July falls on **14th July 2017**. Friends, well-wishers and family members are requested to attend the praying ceremony to be held at our residence at **Melli Bazar, near Hospital Melli, South Sikkim**.

Tanka Pd Sharma, Ishwar Pd. Sharma (sons)

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& Prabha Sharma (Daughters)

Lata Sharma & Indira Sharma (Daughter in law) &

All Dhital's Family

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SUMMIT REPORT

GANGTOK, 05 JUL:

The series of consultative meetings organized by the Panchayat Cell of SDF party reached Melli Constituency today, which was chaired by MLA Melli, Tulshi Devi Rai. The programme was attended by former MLA, Mohan Sharma, general secretaries of the Cell, L.P. Kafley and Himlal Tamang, member Bishnu Chamling, CLC president, R.P. Gurung, CEC members, Zilla and Ward Panchayats of Melli Constituency.

As per a press release, R.P. Gurung started the programme with his welcome address wherein he urged the gathering to properly understand the objective of the consultative meeting. Himlal Tamang spoke about the objective of the consultative meeting and stressed that SDF



party under Pawan Chamling champions the cause of people's empowerment through the empowerment of the Panchayats. He added that the

SDF party will sweep the upcoming Panchayat elections.

Bishnu Chamling addressed the gathering and informed them about the initia-

tives taken by the SDF government towards power devolution and decentralization. Addressing the gathering, L.P. Kafley shared his experi-

ence of working as Panchayat both in Gram and Zilla level and said that more educated youth must come forward and render assistance to building

better Gram Panchayats for which they need to be part of various statutory committees, the release mentions.

Tulshi Devi Rai thanked the party workers of Melli Constituency for their relentless and unflinching support to the party. She said that as an MLA of the constituency, she accords her total support to the direction of the Party President and the stand of the Panchayat Cell for the upcoming Panchayat elections.

She said that Melli Constituency shall endeavour to ensure uncontested victories in the Panchayat elections and urged all the committees, Cheli and Youth wings to work in close tandem with the people at the grassroots. The programme concluded with the vote of thanks by Youth convenor of Melli Constituency, Gajendra Gurung.

'Karnan case calls for reviewing judges' selection process'

NEW DELHI, JUL 5 (PTI): Justice C S Karnan's case calls for revisiting the process of selection of judges to the constitutional courts, Justices J Chelameswar and Justice Ranjan Gogoi of the Supreme Court have said.

The two judges, who concurred with the main judgement passed by a seven-judge bench headed by Chief Justice J S Khehar, said this case highlighted the need to set up an appropriate legal regime to deal with situations where the conduct of a judge of a constitutional court requires to take corrective measures, other than impeachment.

"Surely there must be other ways of dealing with such cases. The text of the Constitution is silent in this regard.

May be it is time for the nation to debate this issue," they said.

Justices Chelameswar and Gogoi said the conduct of Justice Karnan during pendency of the proceedings constitutes criminal contempt falling both under the heads of scandalising the court as well as interference with the proceedings of the apex court.

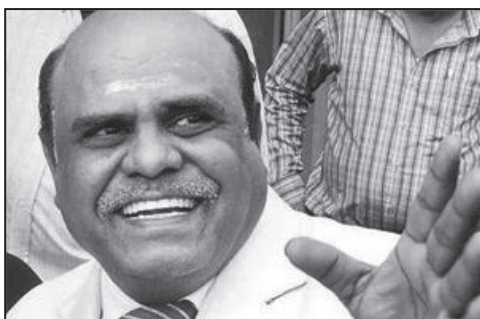
"In our view, the contemnor is therefore liable to be punished for the contempt of this court," the bench said.

"This case, in our opinion, has importance extending beyond the immediate problem. This case highlights two things, (1) the need to revisit the process of selection and appointment of judges to the constitutional courts, for that matter, any member of the judiciary at all levels; "And (2) the need to set up appropriate legal regime to deal with situations where the conduct of a Judge of a constitutional court requires corrective measures - other than impeachment to be taken," it said.

Ironically, Justice Chelameswar was a part of five-judge constitution bench in which he was the lone dissenting judge who has held as valid the appointment of judges through the National Judicial Appointment Commission (NJAC) Act. The Act was struck down by the apex court.

In the minority judgement delivered by him, he had found fault with the existing mode of appointment of judges for higher judiciary through collegium system.

In the recent past, when there was a tussle between the judiciary and the executive over the appointment of judges, he had reportedly skipped the meeting of the collegium and has been insisting that there should be reasoning given by the judges in the collegium on selection and rejection of judges.



While writing the judgement for himself and Justice Gogoi, Justice Chelameswar said there is no doubt that such conduct on the part of Justice Karnan has brought "disrepute to the judicial system and has the potential of shaking the confidence of the average citizen in the system".

The two judges said Justice Karnan has not shown the slightest remorse which could be a mitigating factor and such conduct and action, if tolerated, would certainly reflect an element of weakness in the system and no such weakness can be allowed to enter the system.

They said since his elevation to the bench, Justice Karnan's conduct has been "controversial" and "obviously, there is a failure to make an assessment of the personality of the contemnor at the time of recommending his name for elevation".

"Our purpose is not to point fingers at individuals who were responsible for recommendation but only to highlight the system's failure of not providing an appropriate procedure for making such an assessment.

"What appropriate mechanism would be suitable for assessing the personality of the candidate who is being considered for appointment to be a member of a constitutional court is a matter which is to be identified after an appropriate debate by all the concerned the Bar, the Bench, the State and Civil Society. But the need appears to be unquestionable," the bench said.

It further said it was "only sad" to point out that apart from the embarrassment that this entire episode has caused to the Indian Judiciary, "there are various other instances (mercifully which are less known to the public) of conduct of some of the members of the judiciary which certainly would cause some embarrassment to the system".

It said the framers of the Constitution were people of a great sense of patriotism and maturity, men and women who maintained high standards of civic morality.

"Obviously, they expected those who are to be chosen for the higher constitutional offices or to be appointed to public service would be chosen by assessing their suitability (efficiency and integrity) by employing appropriate standards," it said.

The bench said that the makers of the Constitution were conscious of the fact that ascendance to higher offices need not necessarily always guarantee rectitude and the incumbent of any constitutional office could resort to behaviour inconsistent with the nature of the office and standards of conduct expected.

"Thereafter, provisions were made in the Constitution for impeachment of holders of various constitutional offices, starting from the President of India," it said, adding that when it came to the members of the constitutional courts, it was visualised that there can be such occasions.

But the standards and procedure for impeachment of judges are much more rigorous for reasons obvious, it said.

"There can be deviations in the conduct of the holders of the offices of constitutional courts which do not strictly call for impeachment of the individual or such impeachment is not feasible. Surely there must be other ways of dealing with such cases. The text of the Constitution is silent in this regard. May be it is time for the nation to debate this issue," the bench said.

Justice Karnan's name was recommended for elevation by the Collegium of the Madras High Court comprising the then Chief Justice and two senior most judges. He was appointed on March 30, 2009.

Referring to the laws in foreign lands, the court said that Great Britain, from where India has adopted the present legal system, abolished the offence of criminal contempt on the ground of scandalising the court pursuant to the recommendation of their Law Commission.

It said that in this regard, the American law appears to be more liberal with greater emphasis on freedom of speech but the apex court does not wish to undertake any elaborate analysis of it.

"However, in India scandalising the court is still recognised to be an act constituting contempt of court. Though what is the activity which constitutes scandalisation of the court is not defined or very precisely explained in the... cases, individuals were held guilty of contempt of court on the ground that their deeds scandalised the court," it said.

Neighbourhood Youth Parliament held...

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chi, South Sikkim.

During the programme South District Zilla Panchayat Upadhyaksha, Devi Maya Baraily was present as the chief guest while Bharat Jyoti Awardee, Bikash Pradhan and Principal of Green Field Junior High School, M.B Subba (Stephen) was present as the resource persons of the programme.

During the programme, Bikash Pradhan talked about the flagship programme of the government of India and highlighted about the role of youth and youth

club in the success of government programmes.

M.B Subba talked about the role and responsibility of youth for the development of the nation and society.

Participants and resource persons discussed burning issues and problems of the society. Chief guest Devi Maya Baraily also addressed the programme.

The programme was participated by the youth of Namthang and its surroundings. Youth Volunteer Anita Rai was the representative of Nehru Yuva Kendra Namchi in the programme.



MISSING

In c/w Mangan PS case no.09(05)17 dated 23-05-2017 u/s MC.

Details of the Missing Child

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DONATE A BOOK! GET THE YOUNG READING!!

Government Secondary School in Gangyap, West Sikkim is setting up a library for students, an initiative of the school Headmaster, Tashi Ongyal. The SMC and the guardians have constructed and contributed wooden almirahs, out of the fund collected in the village to store the books. The school is currently engaged in a drive to collect books.

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A Birthday Worth Celebrating, Examples Worth Emulating

His Holiness leads by example; we should follow

The Dalai Lama turns 82 today. He has been around for longer than any other Dalai Lama, save the First who lived till he was 83. While His Holiness' advanced years and good health in themselves are reasons enough for his followers to celebrate his birthday, even the nonbelievers should join the celebrations because the Dalai Lama's contributions to the secular world are as profound as his hierarchical position in Tibetan affairs is supreme.

The Dalai Lama is the spiritual anchor of a displaced people. He keeps their hopes alive and priorities in line with his logical and clear thinking. Few leaders can claim to bring such succor to their people. Although he dismisses any reference to him as a 'God King', and for long has preferred to introduce himself as a 'Simple Buddhist Monk', the Dalai Lama stands heads and shoulders above most heads of states for his contributions to how the world conducts itself. The Tibetan issue could have snowballed into a cold-war incinerator and imploded like Afghanistan had it not been for the Dalai Lama's commitment to peace and rational approach to a historical wrong. The Dalai Lama was barely 24 when he was thrown into the outside world, of which, not only he, but most Tibetans who joined him in exile, knew very little. While this culture shock would have been too much for lesser minds to handle, the Dalai Lama conducted himself exceptionally. Not only did he learn and adapt well, he also kept his flock together and even managed something that had eluded Tibetans even in Tibet - unity. Religion was influential in Tibet. The next were clans and their attendant hierarchies. The various sects of Tibetan Buddhism had quarreled often while in Tibet and the clans remained parochial and insular. It was with such a baggage that the Dalai Lama found himself in India; a way of life and a culture under threat. There must have been many who tried to influence the young leader, but the only influences that the Dalai Lama allowed were ones which furthered his understanding of the modern world and benefited his people. He is now respected as a great unifier, a savior, and a man of peace. Few can deny him this recognition and China still fears the influence he commands not only over Tibetans in exile, but also those at home.

Where other leaders would have retreated, the Dalai Lama has adapted, improvised and grown. The people who have gained most from this attitude have been the Tibetans, but the world at large too has learnt much from him. The near hysteria that greets his arrival everywhere he goes does not come from blind faith alone, it is triggered because he inspires hope, instills belief and most of all, delivers.

In a world grappling with the rise of extreme right-wing posturing, the Dalai Lama also makes it possible for organized religions to adopt less regressive positions. Even as most religious leaders promote more and more parochial interpretations of their respective scriptures, the Dalai Lama keeps an open mind. In his book, Beyond Dogma, he does not shirk from sharing his opinion on homosexuality, which no organized religion provides a humane answer to. "If the two people have taken no vows [of chastity], and neither is harmed, why should it not be acceptable?" he posits. Few religious leaders will come on record with such open minds, but now that the Dalai Lama has done so, others might follow. While the Dalai Lama records that homosexual behaviour is considered sexual misconduct for Buddhists, he admits to a "willingness to consider the possibility that some of the teachings may be specific to a particular cultural and historic context." Also, for a man who has seen his people suffer in the hands of Communist ideology, he displays no prejudice and has in the past endorsed that of all the modern economic theories, for him, the economic system of Marxism is founded on moral principles. "I think of myself as half-Marxist, half-Buddhist," he says.

The Dalai Lama opens many windows to the world, keeps reminding those who will listen that there are many ways to approach tricky situations. There is much that the world can learn from him, and should, and hence should celebrate his birthday as a first step towards emulating the path he has chosen.

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SIKKIM-DARJEELING MERGER: A TRAGEDY IN THE MAKING

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The ongoing upheaval due to the demand for Gorkhaland has given birth to various theories. It includes the merger of Sikkim and Darjeeling to form a separate Gorkha state. Although, historically Darjeeling was part of Sikkim, much water has flowed down the Teesta since Darjeeling was taken by the British. Darjeeling merged with West Bengal with India's independence.

The socio-economic status of both Sikkim and Darjeeling have undergone immense changes especially the socio economic conditions of its people. Merger of Darjeeling and Sikkim will have tremendous effect on both the regions. Sikkim will lose more while Darjeeling will gain as the biggest impact will be on the political scenario with Sikkim being relegated to a minor political player in the new state.

The Delimitation Committee formed by the government of India takes population as the basis of delimiting a new constituency. If a new state is to be formed by merging Darjeeling and Sikkim the total population will come to 24,57,400. Considering similar state size the number of assembly seats will be 60 as per the constitution. Taking the total population the average size of each constituency will have to be around a population of 40957. In such a case West District of Sikkim with a population of 93,432 will have 2 seats, South Districts with a population of 1,46,850 will get 3 seats, East District with a population of 2,83,583 will qualify for 7 seats and North District with 30,450 population might get 1 seat. The

	Sikkim	Darjeeling
Population	6,10,577(2011)	18,46,823(2011)
Decadal growth	12.36(2011)	14.77(2011)
Households	1,28,115(2011)	3,89,003(2011)
Area	7096 (2011)	3149 sq km(2011)
Scheduled Tribe	2,06360 (2011)	3,17,275 (2011)
Scheduled Caste	28,275 (2011)	3,97,389 (2011)
Density	86 (2011)	586 (2011)
Voters	3,92,866 (2017)	(GTA) 5,99,404 (2012)
Average voter per constituency	12,277	13,320
Number of constituencies	32 (2017)	(GTA) 45 (2012)

remaining 47 seats will go to Darjeeling on the basis of their population. Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes seat which are reserved according to their population proportion will come around to 12 seats for Scheduled Tribes and 10 seats for Scheduled Castes. Phansidewa area in Darjeeling has a tribal population of 62,595 and 3 areas of GTA viz. Darjeeling Pulbazar, Sukhiapokari and Naxalbari have tribal population over 30,000. Areas like Kalimpong-1, Kalimpong-2, Kurseong, Rongali-Rangliot, Matighara have tribal population over 25000. In comparison North District of Sikkim has 28715, West District has 57817, South District has 41392 and East District of Sikkim has 78436 tribal population. Except North District the tribal population is scattered in Sikkim. As per the delimitation rule a constituency must be a continuous area, therefore most of the tribal seats will go to Darjeeling where tribal population is con-

centrated in fixed areas. In case of Scheduled Caste dominated areas Phansidewa area in Darjeeling has SC population of 60,704, Kharibari has 58,570, Matigara 70,527 and Naxalbari has 44328. There are numerous other areas having SC population over 5000. In comparison to this North District of Sikkim has 982, West District has 5935, South District has 6053 and East District has 15305 population. In such a situation all Scheduled Caste

seats too will go to Darjeeling.

The merger of Sikkim and Darjeeling will shift the political power hub from Sikkim to Darjeeling since majority of the MLAs will be from Darjeeling which will ensure that the Chief Minister is selected by Darjeeling MLAs. Sikkim will have only a minor role to play in the government. In such a scenario development activities will shift from Sikkim to Darjeeling which will have a great negative effect on the socio economic condition of Sikkim. It remains to be seen if the present overwhelming support from Sikkim for Gorkhaland will continue if it is to be formed by merging Sikkim and Darjeeling.

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Why African fans love European football- a Senegalese perspective

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Casillas throws the ball to Thuram, Zidane, who turns and dribbles past two opponents before playing a precise through-ball for Iniesta, who lays it on for Alves on the right wing. Alves curls in an accurate cross, Tevez rises at the far post to meet it with a powerful header - goal!

This may sound like the commentary for a testimonial or charity match, at which an all-star team of football legends past and present line up for a good cause. But at this match there are no supporters cheering the players on. There are no TV cameras recording the play, and not even a single blade of grass on the pitch.

And Frenchmen Zinedine Zidane and Lilian Thuram, Brazilian Dani Alves, Argentinian Carlos Tevez, and Spaniards Iker Casillas and Andrés Iniesta - famed names from the upper echelons of European football - are nowhere to be seen.

Instead it's Ameth "Zidane", Mbaye "Thuram", Mamadou "Alves", Saliou "Tevez", Mohamed "Casillas" and Abdou "Iniesta", all nicknamed after those footballing icons. We are in the Senegalese capital of Dakar, on a dusty pitch, watching a cup game between two local under-19 teams.

In Senegal European football is hugely popular. While local league teams play in almost deserted stadia, audiences crowd around televisions to follow the latest matches of the English Premier League, the Spanish La Liga, or the pan-European UEFA Champions League.

The latest goals, controversies and transfers in Europe are the subject of passionate debate and discussion on the streets of Dakar. By contrast, the local leagues attract hardly any interest. This is true in very many African countries. But I explore what lies behind this discrepancy in Senegal. As well as why a nation so in thrall to the beautiful game seemingly ignores the major competitions taking place on their own doorstep?

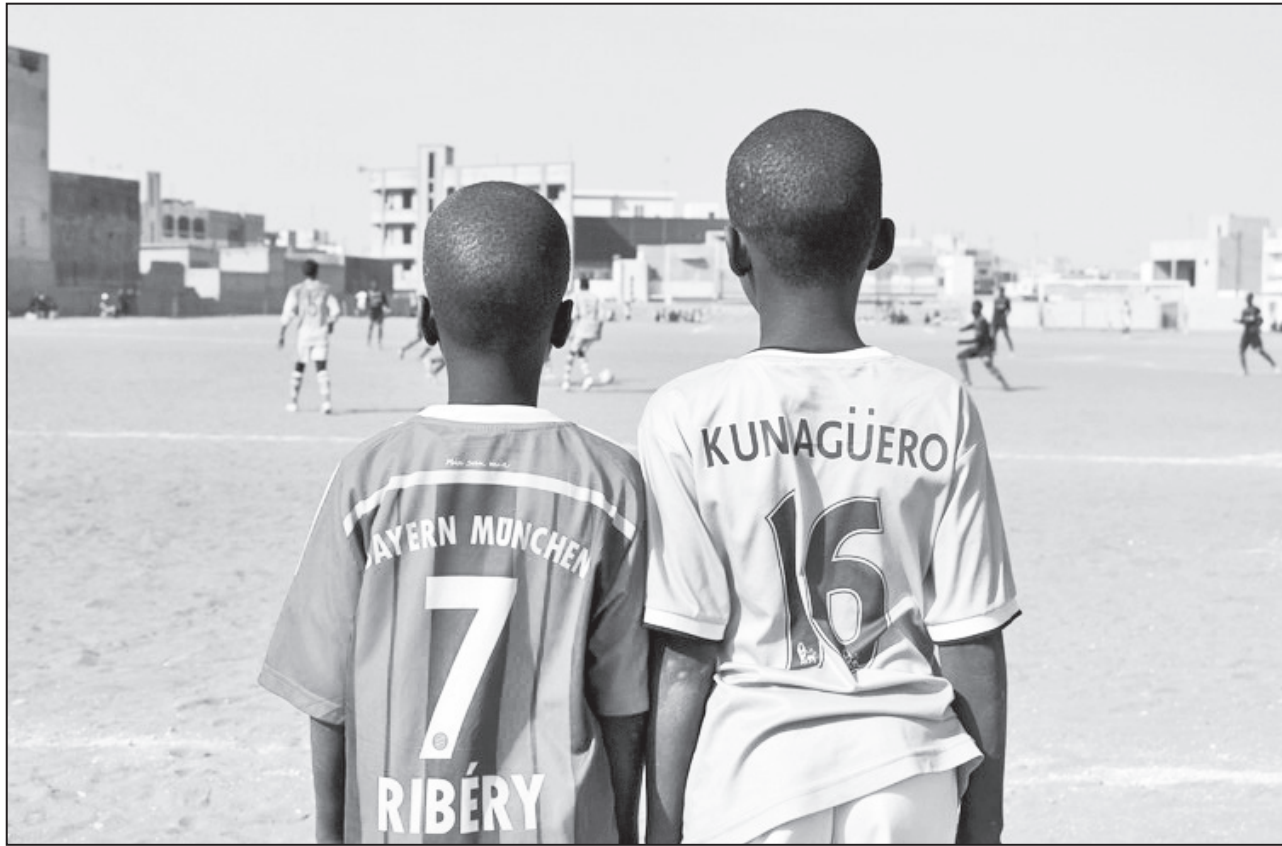
WHY THE BIG ATTRACTION

There are a number of reasons.

Jean Bertin Uwarugaba, a telecoms engineer of Rwandan origin who has lived in Senegal for over two decades, provided me with one obvious answer:

"The local game is underdeveloped. It's not attractive, because there are no historical rivalries between the teams."

With the deregulation of football broadcasting since the 1990s, the European game has become accessible and affordable to many Africans, especially those living in urban areas. Why should people consume a sub-



par product when they can watch the elite level of the game in the comfort of their own homes?

Dakar-based Uwarugaba is a fanatical fan of top English club Chelsea.

"I first started watching European football around 1999, in particular Olympique Marseille. Didier Drogba emerged as the leader of that team. After Drogba's transfer to Chelsea in 2004, I started following the Premier League. I've been a fan of Chelsea ever since."

Another reason is the growing presence of African football stars in the top European leagues. This is certainly a big attraction. The Ivorian superstars Drogba and Yaya Touré, or the Cameroonian striker Samuel Eto'o are icons to fans in Senegal. There's particular pride at the emergence of exciting young Senegalese players such as Liverpool's Sadio Mané, Lazio's Keita Baldé Dialo or Kalidou Koulibaly who's playing for Napoli.

However, the two most popular clubs in Senegal at the moment are the Spanish giants, FC Barcelona and Real Madrid, neither of whom currently has an African player in their first team squad - other than the Cameroonian born French international Samuel Umtiti.

SPECIFIC LOCAL CONTEXT OF FOOTBALL

In Senegal, perhaps, the reason for this European obsession can be found by exploring the specific context of football - and sport - in the country. It's worth looking at one local exception that attracts as much passion and fervour as the European giants - the navétanes inter-district championship, which includes

the aforementioned team containing the illustrious names of Casillas, Zidane and Tevez. Saliou "Tevez" is the team's centre forward, a fast and athletic young man who dreams of a career in Europe.

"I played in the local navétanes team. Everyone started calling me Tevez, because I played like [Argentine player] Carlos Tevez. I worked hard, I scored goals, I was technical. We won the cup that year. Everyone in the neighbourhood knows me as Tevez."

Saliou's exploits in the inter-district team are a reminder that there is a local football competition which ignites the passions and loyalties of Senegalese fans. It just isn't the official league championship.

The navétanes championships take their name from the Wolof "nawet", referring to the rainy season, and it's primarily during these summer months that they take place. Since the 1950s, local teams have competed against one another to defend the honour and pride of the neighbourhood or village, and the navétanes matches often attract huge crowds.

Much is at stake: violent altercations and accusations of occult activity among fans are often reported, making the competition resemble Senegal's other hugely popular sport of wrestling known for being saturated in magico-religious practices. The popularity of the navétanes championships and the national wrestling arena demonstrate that there's a large appetite for local sports competitions.

The high demand for European football comes in addition to, not instead of, sport at the local level.

Ultimately, they represent two very different things. The navétanes championships, like wrestling, offer a visceral experience of sporting competition which is rooted in complex local meanings, regional loyalties and historical rivalries. In contrast, the viewing of European football matches on TV allows African fans to partake in the aspirational dreams exported worldwide by the Premier League or the Champions League.

Whether as a consumer, like Uwarugaba, or as a player, in the case of Saliou "Tevez", there is a strong desire to participate in the football economy at the highest level. In this context, the local league championships are neither here nor there. They lack the passionate support of the navétanes teams, but are also unable to pay competitive salaries necessary to attract the best players.

In a sense, the popularity of European football in Africa is a direct consequence of neoliberal economic transformations, the liberalisation of media and the influx of satellite broadcasting into the African market. The commodification and marketing of European football to an African audience generates profits for telecommunications companies based in the global North, thus exacerbating inequalities and restricting the growth potential of the local game.

But, as pervasive as the globalisation of football may be, there is no denying the genuine passion it inspires among its African fans, and the creative ways in which the global game is incorporated into local narratives.

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Sikkim standoff: China says India ‘trampled’ on Panchsheel pact

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BEIJING, JUL 5 (PTI): Upping the ante on the Sikkim stand-off, China today accused India of “trampling” on the Panchsheel principles and asked New Delhi to “correct its mistakes” as soon as possible by pulling back troops.

China also claimed that India was “misleading the public” by saying that Chinese troops are building a road close to the Chicken’s Neck in the Sikkim sector which could endanger India’s access to its north-eastern states.

“I want to point that the relevant actions by the Indian side violated the purposes and principles of the UN Charter in defiance of the international law and international norms. As we all know in 1950s China, India and Myanmar proposed the five principles (Panchsheel) of co-existence,” Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Gen Shuang told reporters here.

“However to the surprise of everyone, the Indian side trampled on the basic norms

governing the international relations proposed by itself by illegally crossing into other country’s territory,” he said.

The Five Principles of Peaceful Coexistence, known as the Panchsheel, are a series of principles which have formed the bedrock of the relationship between India and China. Their first formal codification in treaty form was in an agreement between China and India in 1954. Geng said this time the Indian troops crossed the delineated boundary into the Chinese side and nature of the incident was “very serious”.

“China and India have been in contact through the special representatives mechanism to solve the boundary question but this incident, I believe, violates the spirit upheld by the Special Representatives mechanism and goes in contrast to the efforts made by the two countries,” he said.

China has already lodged a protest with India on this, Geng said.

“Indian border troops are still staying on the Chinese territory,” he said.

The situation is yet to be resolved and “India should pull back the troops that is precondition to avoid worsening of the situation”, Geng said.

“Troops should be pulled back as soon as possible to demonstrate the sincerity to improve bilateral ties so as create conditions for the normal development of bilateral relations,” he said.

“If the Indian side refuses to correct its mistakes in a timely fashion, how it proposes to win the trust of its neighbours and how it is supposed to play a bigger role in the international affairs,” he said.

“We once again urge the Indian side to abide by the boundary convention and respect the Chinese sovereignty and immediately withdraw the border troops and properly deal with the incident in a timely fashion,” Geng said.

The Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson claimed that the incident has nothing to do

with the tri-junction between China, India and Bhutan.

“In disregard of the 1890 Sino-Britain convention, the Indian side said that Doklam is located within the tri-junction of the three countries, that is misleading the public,” he said.

“The 1890 convention said that the Sikkim section of the boundary commences from East mountain and the incident (of road building) took place about 2,000 meters away from Mount Gipmochi,” Geng asserted.

The Indian side is actually misleading the public by saying that the incident took place at the tri-junction point, Geng said, defending China’s road building which India and Bhutan have objected to. India has expressed concern over the road building, apprehending that it may allow Chinese troops to cut India’s access to its north-eastern states.

Geng also said that besides former Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru endorsing

the 1890 Sino-British convention on Sikkim in a letter to his Chinese counterpart Zhou Enlai in 1959, the Indian Embassy in a note to the Chinese government in February, 1960, also endorsed it.

“The note said that the boundary between Sikkim and China’s Tibet has already been delineated and there is no dispute about that in the map and in practice,” he said.

Quoting the note, Geng said, “The Indian government would like to add one more thing that the boundary has already been demarcated as well on the ground.”

“The above mentioned was written in black and white in the note from India,” Geng said.

Asked about Nehru, in his letter to Zhou, pointing out that Chinese maps showed Bhutanese territory as part of Chin, Geng said, “there is no such consent as you mentioned”.

The former prime minister had pointed out to China that it was claiming sizable part of Bhutan’s territory. “It is not clear to us what exact-

ly is the implication of your statement that the boundaries of Sikkim and Bhutan do not fall within the scope of the present discussion,” Nehru wrote in the letter to Zhou.

“In fact, Chinese maps show sizable areas of Bhutan as part of Tibet,” Nehru had said.

Geng said, “Since the illegal trespass of the border troops, both sides have expressed stern position. The fact is that the Sikkim section of the China India boundary has already been delineated.”

Since India’s independence, the Indian government has repeatedly affirmed the fact that the Sikkim section has been delineated by this convention, he said.

Geng’s remarks come a day after, in unusually blunt remarks, China’s Ambassador to India Luo Zhaohui said “the ball is in India’s court” and it was for the Indian government to decide what options could be on the table to resolve the standoff.

Asked about remarks by official Chinese media and

think-tanks that the conflict can lead to a “war” if not handled properly, the ambassador had said ,”There has been talk about this option, that option. It is up to your government policy (whether to exercise military option).”

Asked about Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s comments that not a bullet has been fired at the India-China boundary for two decades, Geng said, “I want to point settlement of the boundary serves the fundamental interests of the two sides.”

“It is also a strategic target, two sides are working to achieve. We have been trying to explore ways to resolve the boundary question with in the Special Representatives mechanism and we have jointly taken measure to maintain peace and tranquillity in the border areas,” Geng said.

“What is shocking is that the India border troops entered into the Chinese side of the delineated border in the Sikkim section which is serious in nature,” he said.

GST debacle in J&K: People pile up food as industries halt

JAMMU, JUL 5 (PTI): Stocks of essential commodities in the region will last for a day or two as industrial units have stopped production in view of bills and supply problems due to non-implementation of GST in Jammu and Kashmir, traders said today.

“The essential supplies and stocks can last for one or two days. Some essential products like cold drinks have already exhausted with stockists in Jammu,” Chambers of Traders Federation (CTF) President Neeraj Anand told PTI here.

People have started stocking up on essential commodities in view of the crises caused by non-implementation of GST, which is being discussed in the State Assembly for implementation.

“We are suffering huge losses everyday. Government has to implement GST soon to avoid crises and hue and cry,” he said.

As per some officials of Lakanpur Inter-state Toll Plaza in Kathua district, there has been a great fall in trucks carrying supplies and goods to Jammu and Kashmir.

The number of trucks crossing the toll plaza has come down to 200-300 from 2000 before July 1, they said.

In industrial areas like Jammu, Gangyal, Bari Brahama, Samba and Kathua, hundreds of industrial units have stopped production in view of bills and supply problems caused by non-implementation of GST in the state.

“Almost entire industry in Jammu region is on halt. There is no production due to failure to implement GST in J&K,” prominent industrialist and member of Bari Brahmana Industries Association (BBIA) Annil Suri said.

He said it has hit 6,000 industrial units in Jammu region.

GJM supporters hurl petrol bombs at TMC party office



DARJEELING (WB), JULY 5 (PTI): GJM supporters hurled petrol bombs at a Trinamool Congress party office in Kalimpong as the indefinite shutdown sponsored by the outfit continued today.

Though no one was injured, a shop on the ground floor was completely damaged, police said. Kalimpong is about

55 km from Darjeeling.

In Darjeeling, Gorkha Janmukti Yuva Morcha supporters took out a rally in Chowkbazar area with traditional ‘khukri’ shouting slogans in support of a separate state of Gorkhaland. While Internet service remained suspended for the 18th consecutive day, police and security forces pa-

trolled the streets of the hills and kept a tight vigil at the entry and exit routes.

Except pharmacy, all the other shops, restaurants, hotels, schools and colleges remained closed. Boarding schools had extended their vacation due to the ongoing unrest in the hills.

The GJM has plans to

take out rallies in various parts of the hills today. GJM supremo Bimal Gurung had yesterday said the indefinite shutdown in the hills will continue as the final battle for Gorkhaland has begun. Ruling out any compromise formula, Gurung had said, talks can only be held if the agenda is Gorkhaland.



Unrest in Darjeeling to hit tea exports: ICRA

KOLKATA, JULY 5 (PTI): Ratings firm ICRA today said that the ongoing political unrest in Darjeeling is likely to have an adverse impact on tea exports from the region.

“Darjeeling is currently witnessing a political unrest, which has led to suspension of operations at tea estates in the region, at a time for production of the second flush tea”, ICRA said in its report.

This particular variety of Darjeeling tea has historically been of very

high quality and are almost entirely exported.

ICRA believes that the impact of the current situation on revenue is estimated to be in the region of Rs 100 crore to Rs 150 crore at present. However, a prolonged political unrest might result in a greater impact. Darjeeling typically has five flushes throughout the year. The second flush, from late May/early June to early July, produces a very premium quality of tea and fetches high re-

alisations in the export markets, according to the report.

Such tea typically contributes to around 20-25% of the total tea produced in Darjeeling, but the revenue contribution is much higher, given its premium nature, it said. However, the impact of the loss of export volumes for Darjeeling tea on the domestic supply-demand situation is expected to be limited as domestic demand is low, the report said.

Search on for missing IAF chopper in Arunachal Pradesh

ITANAGAR, JUL 5 (PTI): The Army, the ITBP and the Arunachal Pradesh police today launched a search operation to locate the IAF chopper which went missing with three crew members on board near Sagalee in Papum Pare district here yesterday.

“The search parties since morning are trekking through a hill near Kheel between Sagalee and Doimukh to locate the missing chopper.

“However, inclement weather is hampering the search and rescue operation,” IGP (Law & Order) Nabin Payeng said.

The Advanced Light Helicopter (ALH) of the IAF engaged in flood rescue mission in the state went missing yesterday at 3.50 PM after it took off from Pilputu helipad near Sagalee. The helicopter was evacuating



people stranded in Sagalee and Dambuk due to massive landslides caused by heavy rains.

Tezpur-based Defence spokesperson Lt. Col. Sombit Ghosh said the chopper had gone out for flood rescue operations from its base in Jorhat on Tuesday morning. Sagalee additional deputy commissioner J Pertin said the IAF helicopter, which was pressed into evacuation of people

stranded due to floods in the area, had made five sorties since it arrived there at around 10.30 AM on Tuesday.

“In the sixth sortie to Naharlagun, the crew for unknown reasons did not take the last batch of nine civilians and took off from Sagalee,” he added.

Chief Minister Pema Khandu had yesterday tweeted- “Successfully evacuated 169 strand-

ed people that include women, children from flood affected areas of Sagalee and Dambuk through IAF.”

Sagalee is north of Itanagar, while Dambuk in lower Dibang Valley district is about 350 km east from here. In May last, a Sukhoi-30 fighter jet with two pilots of Indian Air Force had crashed near the Assam-Arunachal Pradesh border.

MISSING CHILDREN FROM SIKKIM

<p>MISS UMIILA AGE: 14 YRS MISSING FROM GANGTOK SINCE: 08/10/2015</p>	<p>MISS PROTIMA AGE: 16 YRS MISSING FROM SICHY SINCE: 08/10/2015</p>	<p>MASTER INDER AGE: 12 YRS MISSING FROM GANGTOK SINCE: 23/12/2015</p>	<p>PINKY URAW AGE: 17 YRS MISSING SINCE: 24/11/2013</p>
<p>BIKASH URAD AGE: 15 YRS MISSING FROM ARITHANG,OTK SINCE: 15/01/2016</p>	<p>NITESH DARJEE AGE: 16 YRS MISSING FROM SICHY,OTK SINCE: 21/03/2016</p>	<p>ALKA SUREBI AGE: 14 YRS MISSING SINCE: 30/06/2013</p>	<p>NITESH SUBBA AGE: 13 YRS MISSING SINCE: 15/12/2014</p>
<p>RITU SUTRADHAR AGE: 16 YRS MISSING SINCE: 21/06/2013</p>	<p>RADHIKA RANI AGE: 15 YRS MISSING SINCE: 20/09/2016</p>	<p>POGNAM @ GATA AGE: 31 YRS MISSING SINCE: 31/03/2015</p>	<p>SUK MAYA RAI AGE: 13 YRS MISSING SINCE: 15/12/2013</p>
<p>SHAMIR RAI AGE: 18 YRS MISSING SINCE: 04/06/2016</p>	<p>DARSHI TOPU AGE: 16 YRS MISSING FROM BYE PASS, OTK SINCE: 18/02/2016</p>	<p>BITTUPAN MAHAPATRA AGE: 15/16 YRS MISSING FROM CHILDREN PARK GANGTOK SINCE: 18/02/2017</p>	<p>ASHISH TIRWA AGE: 13 YRS MISSING SINCE: 7/11/2014</p>

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SFA C Division S-League

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GANGTOK, 06 JUL:

It was raining goals in the ongoing Sikkim Football Association C Division Sikkim-League here at Paljor Stadium on Wednesday. 14 goals were scored in two matches in the league today.

In the first match, Daddy's Dzongri Football Club thrashed Khamdong Sports Academy 7-2. Vivek Agarwal and Bikram Biswakarma scored a hattrick each for Daddy's Dzongri while one more goal was added by their teammate, Pranay Biswakarma in the 28th minute. Avay Pradhan [54th] and Hemraj [65th] scored one goal each for Khamdong Sports Academy.

The second match between Mustang Football Club and Aftamath Football Club ended in 2-2 draw. Ongden Bhutia [32nd] and Eliza Bhutia [47th] scored a goal each for Mustang FC, while Pema Gyaltsen [18th] and Ganesh Thapa [67th] scored for Aftamath FC.

On Thursday, Tathangchen Football Club will take on Kumar Sporting Club, while in the second match Gangtok Sporting Club will face Tadong Yargay Football Club.

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Stage set for Asian Athletics C'ship, India eye top 3 finish

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BHUBANESWAR, JUL 05 (PTI): A late pull-out by Ranchi, notwithstanding, India have managed to put in place top-class facility in short time and is set to roll out the 22nd edition of Asian Athletics Championships here tomorrow, with the hosts aiming for a top three finish in the medal standings.

More than 800 athletes from 45 countries will descend at this Odisha capital to compete in 42 events in the championships, which is coming to India for the third time after New Delhi and Pune hosted it in 1989 and 2013. As has been the case with every edition, some of the continent's top stars will skip the championships, robbing some sheen out of the biennial continental flagship event.

With the World Championships also happening in the same year, many top athletes have decided to skip the event.

China, which is fielding more than 50 athletes, has come without their top triple jumper Dong Bin, an Olympic bronze medalist and hammer thrower Zhang Wenxiu, who also won a silver in Rio Games, besides some other stars. Another Asian athletics powerhouse Qatar, which has finished second in the last edition, has not sent long jumper Mutaz Essa Barshim, who recently won a gold in the Doha leg of the prestigious Diamond League in its small 10-member team.

Other important absentee include Bahrain's Rio Olympics gold medalist Ruth Jebet (3000m steeplechase), Kazakhstan's woman triple jumper Olga Rypakova (bronze in Rio) and Japan's teen sprint sensation Abdul Hakim Sani Brown. The Asian Championships will still see 14 athletes defending their titles, including Rio Olympics gold medalist hammer thrower Dilshod Nazarov of Tajikistan.

The event also has an added significance as the gold medal winners will get automatic berth for the World Championships to be held in London in August. Despite some of their top stars not



taking part, China is expected to continue their domination. Japan, which has fielded over 50 athletes and the 23-member Korean team would also vie for top five spots.

High jumper Zhang Guowei, the silver medallist from Beijing World Championships two years ago, will lead the Chinese challenge. Asian record-holder Li Ling will also aim to achieve a 'hat-trick' of titles in women's pole vault.

Qatar's 10-men team is led by Femi Ogunode, the fastest man in Asia. 400m hurdles sensation Abdulrahman Samba, who won the gold in the Doha leg of Diamond League in May with a timing of 48.44 seconds, is also in the team. Though minnows at the world stage, India is still a heavyweight in Asian athletics as it is the third most number of medal winner of all time behind China and Japan in the Asian Championships and has fielded its best available team of 95, including 46 women, the biggest contingent of all nations.

India finished third in Wuhan in the last edition with 13 medals (4 gold, 5 silver, 4 bronze) but this time they are expected to increase the count with more gold in its kitty.

The federation is expecting anything between 15 to 20 medals with gold count at least five. India's best ever performance

was in the sixth edition in Jakarta in 1985 with 22 (10 gold, 5 silver, 7 silver) medals.

Important gold medal prospects include Neeraj Chopra (men's javelin throw), Manpreet Kaur (women's shot put, Muhammad Anas (men's 400m) and women's 4x400m relay race.

Lalita Babbar, who won a gold in women's 3000m steeplechase in the last edition, was not named in the Indian team as she got married recently. Ranchi was to host the biennial continental flagship event but in March they expressed the inability to do so due to financial reasons and Athletics Federation of India had to run around before Bhubaneswar agreed to stage the event.

Odisha government took up the challenge and from the scratch erected a venue at the Kalinga Stadium with a brand new track and other facilities. Meanwhile, Pakistan's participation was earlier in doubt but a six-member team made it to the championships after getting their visas just in time.

The opening day of competitions tomorrow may see India opening the gold account as Manpreet has the potential to grab the yellow metal in the women's shot put after she threw 18.86m in China recently to better her own national record. Veteran discus thrower Vikas Gow-

da, who turned 34 today, will also be seen in action tomorrow but it will have to be seen whether the reigning champion can grab his hat-trick of titles in the Asian Championships.

Gowda, who had won gold in the earlier two editions, will have tough competition from Iran's Ehsan Hadadi and Mustafa Alsaamah Khadim of Iraq. In the women's long jump final, rising Nayana James is a medal contender. The same is in women's javelin throw with Anu Rani expected to win a medal at least.

In men's javelin, world junior record holder Neeraj will be a strong contender for the gold but he will face tough competition from defending champion Huang Shih-Feng and Chao-Tsun Cheng of Chinese Taipei. Another Indian in the fray in javelin throw is Davinder Singh Kang, who tested positive for recreational drug marijuana. He was not handed a provisional suspension as marijuana was a specified substance under the WADA Code. In men's shot put, Tejinder Pal Singh Toor will lead India's challenge in the absence of last edition gold winnerINDERJEET Singh, who is now embroiled in a doping saga.

The home state of Odisha will be represented by sprinters Dutee Chand, Srabani Nanda, Amiya Kumar Mallick and heptathlete Purnima Hembram.



Sushmita Rai to be conferred with Hamro Gaurav Award

SUMMIT REPORT

GANGTOK, 05 JUL:

Sushmita Rai from Majhitar, East Sikkim who won a Silver and Bronze medal at Asian Kickboxing Championship 2017 has been selected to be one of the recipients of 'Hamro Gaurav Award' for her contribution to sports. The award will be presented during the three-day Yoga Shivir and 04th International Conference of Hamro Swabhiman to be held at Haridwar, Uttarakhand from 07-09 Jul.

Ms Rai along with Khel Ranta recipient and the 11 Gurkha Regiment shooter, Jitu Rai will be presented with the award by Swami Ramdev Ji Maharaj and Acharya Balkrishna Ji Maharaj.

Jitu Rai was the only shooter to clinch gold at the 2014 Asian Games at Incheon and has several World Cup medals to his credit while Ms Rai is a three time Senior National Gold medalist and a frequent medalist at the Asian Kickboxing Championship.

Hamro Swabhiman is an umbrella trust having branches all over India which has been registered inspired by Swami Ramdev Ji Maharaj and under the guidance of Acharya Balkrishna Ji Maharaj. The trust aims to unite the entire Nepali community and to uplift the community by conducting educational camps, scholarship programmes, awareness programmes and many more.

FIFA reopens Rs 48 World Cup tickets

KOLKATA, JUL 05 (PTI): Overwhelmed by the huge interest in three cities of Kolkata, Kochi and Guwahati, FIFA today reopened the phase I sales of Under-17 World Cup tickets that start at Rs 48 per match when bought in a package of the entire matches at a venue.

The Saltlake Stadium here will host 10 matches including the final of the October 6-28 tournament as the football-crazy city showed maximum interest with tickets in phase one sold out in less than 12 hours.

Keeping that in mind, the Organising Committee has decided to ensure that fans, who have not yet got a chance to buy the venue package in the three cities, can access the discounted tickets for another three days.

"We've been really impressed with the interest in the tournament, especially in Kolkata, Guwahati and Kochi, and we'd like to give the fans there one more opportunity before the draw to book their place for this historic event in India.

I back myself to finish games for India: Pandya



KINGSTON, JUL 05 (PTI): Promising "fearless" cricket in the series-deciding fifth ODI against the West Indies tomorrow, Hardik Pandya says he backs himself to be a finisher for India after failing to do the job in the previous game.

India needed 29 off 31 balls when Pandya (20 off 21) got out in the fourth ODI which the visitors eventually lost by 11 runs. Former captain Mahendra Singh Dhoni was at the other end but his 114-ball 54 too did not prove

to be good enough.

While Dhoni's finishing powers are on the wane, Pandya has shown promise on his way to becoming a world-class finisher. Talking about his partnership with Dhoni, Pandya said they were confident about chasing down the modest 190-run target.

"The conversation with MS was pretty simple to be honest.

The power which we both have we thought to take the innings deep and then chase

it down. Most times we would chase 31 off 29 balls but then we were not able to finish. I back myself to finish the game for the team and all these instances are part of the learnings," said Pandya at Sabina Park.

"We will be fearless in the final game. Last game was one of those games where it did not click. But we will go ahead and express ourselves, that is when we play our best cricket," he said further.

Pandya looked good be-

fore a terrible mix up with Ravindra Jadeja ended his knock. The all-rounder said he was angry but it did not take him long to get over the dismissal.

"It took a lot of time. Only three minutes to be honest," he quipped. "It was just an outburst. I get hyper quickly and after few minutes I was laughing in the dressing room. Looking at me, some of the players were laughing too."

Pandya added that he was aware of the conditions in

the West Indies even before he landed in the Caribbean, thanks to his Mumbai Indians teammates in the IPL.

"I am pretty close to the names you took (Kieron Pollard and Lendl Simmons, who are not part of the ODI team). The first call was to Pollard. I asked him about the pitches and conditions. They are my brothers from another mother. It would have been nice to play against them and enjoy some healthy banter," he added.

India eye redemption, series win after embarrassing defeat

KINGSTON (JAMAICA), JUL 05 (PTI): Underfire Indian batsmen would look to make amends for their startling collapse in the previous match and complete the series win when they take on West Indies in the fifth and final One-day, here tomorrow.

The series appeared done and dusted when India began a modest 190-run chase but their intimidating batting line-up fell short by 11 runs in a stunning turnaround on a slow pitch. Of all the batsmen, former skipper Mahendra Singh Dhoni drew the maximum flak for his slow batting as he played 70 dot balls in his 54-run knock off 114 balls.

He failed to clear the boundary ropes in his first attempt at a big shot, yet again raising questions if he is the same old force as a finisher. Ravindra Jadeja too played an atrocious shot, resulting in his dis-



missal, which exposed India's tail to a crunch situation.

The top order, led by Shikhar

Dhawan and Ajinkya Rahane, who has hit four half centuries in a row, has done the bulk of scoring and

India would need the two batsmen to continue in the same vein. It won't be a surprise if captain

Virat Kohli, who minced no words in criticising his team's shot selection, brings about changes in the middle-order.

Dinesh Karthik, who played his first international match for India in more than three years in the fourth ODI, could not make any impact on his comeback but the team management is unlikely to drop him after just one failure. It remains to be seen of veteran Yuvraj Singh is available after suffering a hamstring injury.

Kedar Jadhav has got a number of chances to prove his utility in the side but lacks consistency. It will be interesting to see if he keeps his place in the side since he is struggling for runs of late. The surprise win would have certainly boosted the confidence of the West Indies and they will strive even harder for a series-levelling win.

However, it will be easier said than done since Indian players would be like wounded tigers after enduring an embarrassing defeat against a second string side and are expected to come hard at the hosts.

The home openers -- Evin Lewis and Kyle Hopes -- had got starts in the previous match as they succeeded to keep the Indian bowlers at bay for close to 20 overs in a decent beginning. In fact, the following batsmen too managed double digit scores which would give them the belief that they can handle the Indian attack better. The bowling attack of home team, led by captain Jason Holder, is not something which can intimidate the Indian batsmen but they will take heart from their performance in the last match and strive for another magic win.

Could issue travel alert for citizens visiting India: China

BEIJING, JUL 05 (PTI): China said today that it was weighing its options on issuing a travel alert for citizens visiting India depending on the security situation following the border standoff in the Sikkim section.

“The Chinese government attaches great importance to safety and lawful rights and interests of overseas Chinese citizens in accordance with the security condition of the relevant countries,” Foreign Ministry spokesman Geng Shuang told reporters here.

“We will decide whether or not to issue a travel alert,” Geng said as he was responding to a question about write-ups in Chinese media cau-

tioning Chinese investors in India.

Yesterday, a leading official newspaper in Beijing warned Chinese companies operating in India to be alert and take steps to avoid being hit by anti-China sentiment.

An article in the Global Times called on Chinese firms to reduce their investments in India in view of the tension. Since the standoff on June 6, when the People’s Liberation Army destroyed bunkers of the India Army claiming the area belonged to China, Chinese media have carried several pieces blaming India for escalating border tension and “reminding” the Indian Army about the 1962 war.

No dispute with Bhutan in Doklam: China

K J M VARMA

BEIJING, JULY 05 (PTI): China today claimed that it has a “basic consensus” with Bhutan on the boundary and there is no dispute between two countries in the Doklam area, the centre of the current Sino-India military standoff.

The standoff between troops of India and China at Doklam area started after Bhutan, which has close diplomatic and military ties with India, protested to Beijing about the People’s Liberation Army troops building a road in the strategic location close to the ‘Chicken’s Neck’ tri-junction.

“I can say that we have been stressing that Doklam belongs to China since ancient times. It was under the effective jurisdiction of China without any dispute. China and Bhutan had about 24 rounds of boundary talks,” Chinese Foreign



Ministry spokesman Geng Shuang told a media briefing answering a question about Bhutan’s protest.

“Although the boundary between the two countries is yet to be settled but we have basic consensus on the boundary and there is no dispute between both of us that Doklam belongs to China,” he said.

Geng said China had been acting according to the agreements between the two countries and

Doklam had been under the effective jurisdiction of China.

“Chinese activities (road building) in the relevant area does not violate relevant agreements and does not alter the status quo. The Bhutan side also knows it clearly. We will work together with Bhutan through friendly negotiations and jointly maintain peace and tranquility in the border areas,” he said.

India registers protest against Burhan Wani rally in UK

LONDON, JUL 05 (PTI): India has protested to the UK over a planned rally to mark “Burhan Wani Day” in Birmingham on Saturday, questioning how the British government can allow the “glorification of terrorists” on its soil.

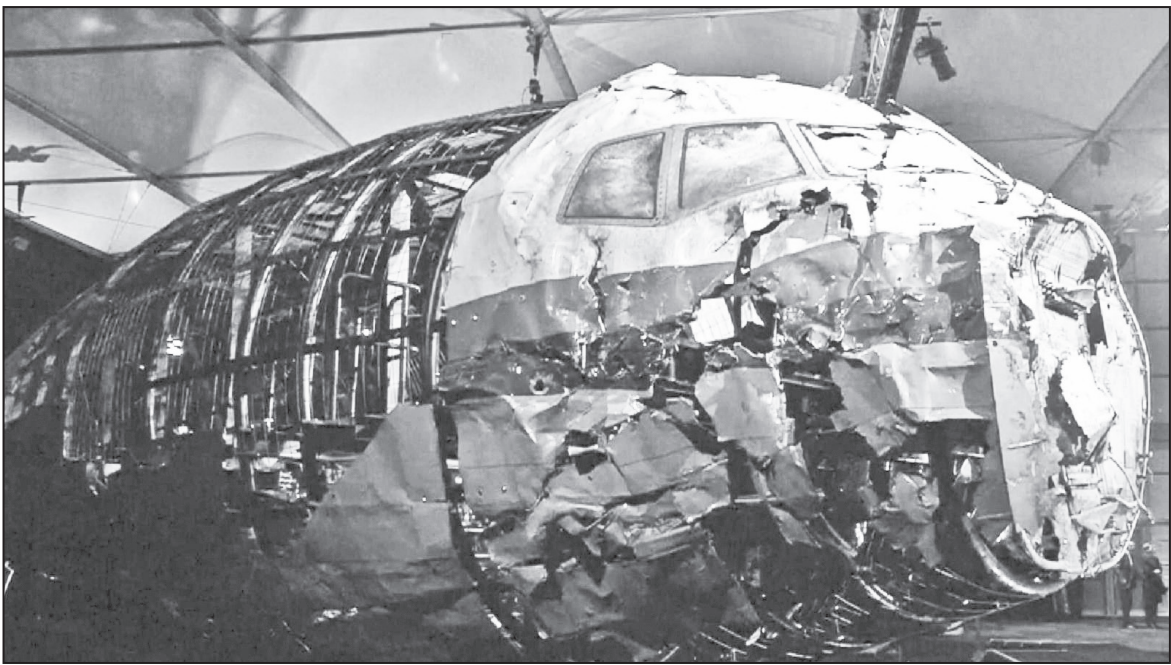
The Indian High Commission in London wrote to the UK Foreign Office to register its protest. The rally is planned by UK-based Kashmiri groups to mark the first death anniversary of the commander of the Hizbul Mujahideen militant outfit killed in a gun battle with Indian armed forces in the Kashmir Valley on July 8 last year.

India’s deputy high commissioner, Dinesh Patnaik, sent a “note ver- bale” on Monday to the Foreign Office including details of Wani’s crimes and propagation of violence in the Valley.

“A rally on Kashmir is a different matter but to glorify and eulogise a terrorist is unacceptable. The UK itself has suffered at the hands of terrorism in the last few months and lives have been overturned as a result. How can law and order allow such a glorification of terrorists and propaga- tion of violence,” wrote Patnaik.

The senior diplomat also questioned if the UK government would allow the same UK-based protest groups, which have their origins in Pakistan, to organise a rally in favour of Pakistani-origin Khuram Butt and other terrorists involved in the attack on London Bridge last month which claimed eight lives.

“If the same people celebrating Wani were to plan a similar glorification of Khuram Butt and the other London Bridge terrorists, would this country’s law and order allow that to go ahead as well,” he questioned, adding that the joint statement issued following British Prime Minister Theresa May’s visit to India in November 2016 had categorically stated joint action against all forms of terrorism.



Those suspected of shooting down the Malaysia Airlines flight MH17 over Ukraine in 2014 will be prosecuted in a Dutch court. The Dutch foreign ministry has confirmed it will pursue the prosecutions but also said it plans to continue with international co-operation over the case. The decision follows attempts, which were blocked by Russia in 2015, to set up an international court over the incident. The Netherlands’ foreign ministry said the suspects, who have not yet been named, will be tried under Dutch law. All 298 people on board were killed when the plane was downed in eastern Ukraine. The tally included people from 17 countries - 196 of the victims were Dutch.

Modi calls on Israeli President, discusses ways to boost ties

HARINDER MISHRA

JERUSALEM, JUL 5 (PTI): Prime Minister Narendra Modi today called on Israeli President Reuven Rivlin and discussed ways to strengthen bilateral ties and how Israel’s cutting-edge technology could help the ‘Make in India’ initiative. Describing Israel as a real friend, Modi recalled Rivlin’s visit to India in November last year.

Hailing the ties between the two nations, Modi said: “...today it is ‘I to I and I for I’. When ‘I say I for I, I don’t mean the popular saying but what I mean is India with Israel, India for Israel’. Modi, who arrived in Tel Aviv yesterday for a three-day visit, met Rivlin at his residence here.

“The President of Israel welcomed me so warmly, he broke protocol. This is a mark of respect for the people of India,” Modi tweeted.

“It is a privilege to meet President Rivlin again today.

I fondly recall his visit to India last November when he charmed us with his affable manner and desire to do more with India,” Modi wrote in the guest book at the President’s residence.

“President Rivlin is admired



in India for his unstinting belief and common good of mankind, I thank him for his friendship and his warm hospitality,” wrote Modi, who is the first India prime minister to visit Israel. Modi said during his visit to India, Rivlin started a phrase ‘Make with India’ and ‘I feel since my arrival yesterday that has been echoed by many people and I think what you started has now percolated to all levels’. Rivlin on his part described Modi as one of the greatest leaders in the world.

“We have a lot in common and doing a lot in common. We understood very well about your thought about the need to help

partners who will ‘Make in India’, Rivlin said.

“...we are doing a lot in order to fulfill your ideas about ‘Make in India,’” the Israeli President said.

“We only suggested some projects that may be we can do with India and I know that you have accepted that and appreciated that very much,” he said.

Rivlin said there was a scope for cooperation between universities and industries of India and Israel.

“The...people in Israel are trying to find ways to invest in India and to make mutual projects together,” he said.

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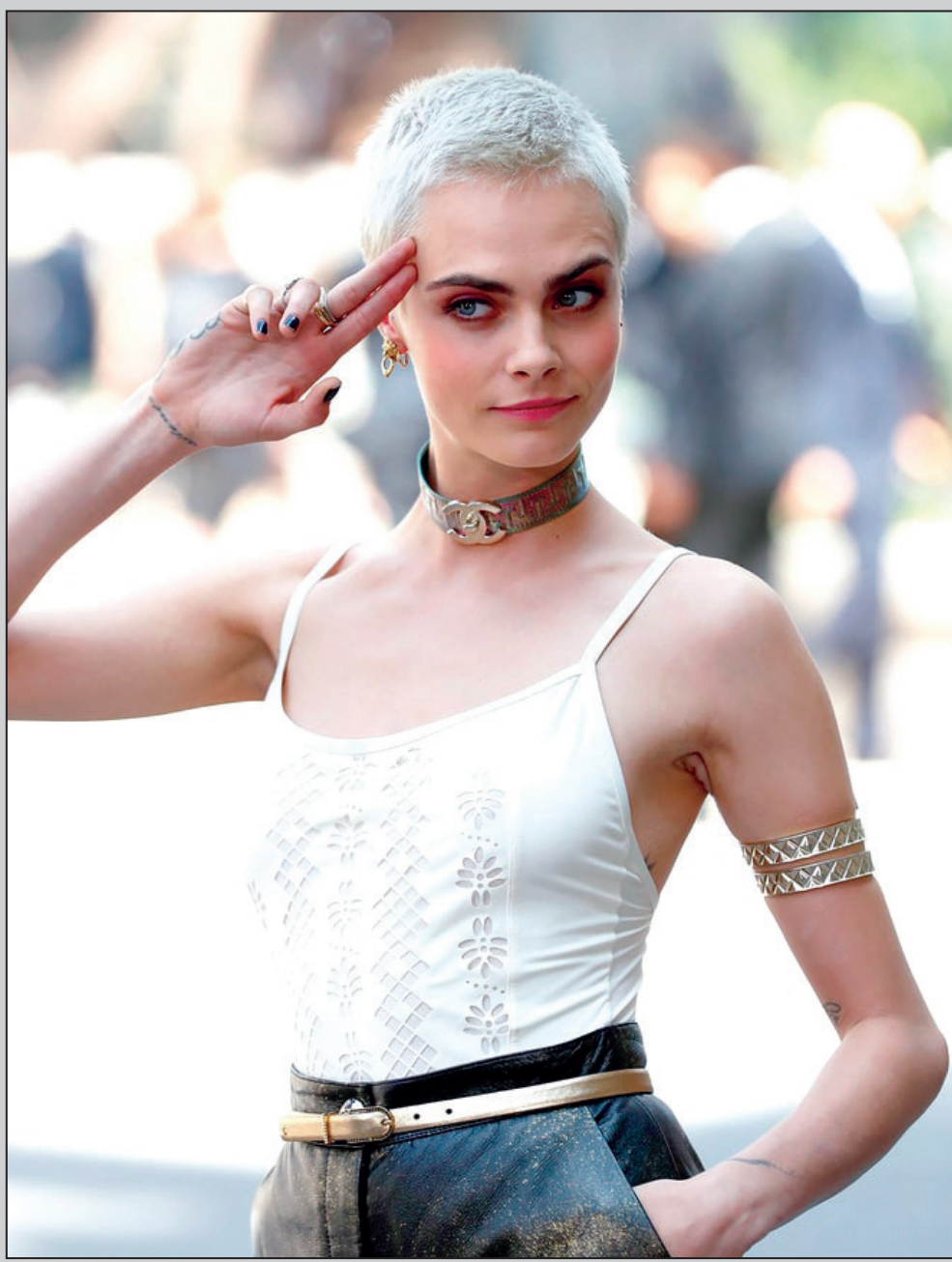
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KATRINA KAIF TO PLAY THE ROLE OF AN INDIAN PRINCESS IN THUGS OF HINDOSTAN

The team of Thugs Of Hindostan is currently shooting for the film in Malta. Katrina Kaif who was back in town for the promotions of her upcoming film Jagga Jasoos has flown down to Malta and joined the cast and crew to shoot for her next scenes.

According to a leading daily there were reports stating that Katrina will be playing a British character in the film. However, a source denied it saying "There are rumours doing the rounds of Katrina Kaif playing a British character in Thugs of Hindostan. However, the reports are completely baseless. Katrina is playing an out and out Indian role and is an integral part of the film. Since this is a period film, it will be her first Indian classical role."

Moreover a source asso-



ciated with the production revealed the details about Kaif's character saying "Katrina plays this very interesting Indian princess character. The entire look has a warrior princess feel to it, with a sexy nose ring in the middle of the nose partition. Wild loose waves,

smokey eyes and indo-western outfits in earthy colour tones (mostly greyish and brown) was inspired from 'ghagra - choli' but only in a quirkier way! She is seen flashing her dashboard abs too."

Well we are excited to see Katrina's princess avatar in TOH!

SHAH RUKH KHAN AND SALMAN KHAN CLICKED TOGETHER ON THE SETS OF AANAND L RAI'S FILM

The paparazzi just snapped B-town's mega-stars, Shah Rukh Khan and Salman Khan together yet again. But this time on the sets of Aanand L Rai's 'dwarf' film.

As we know, Shah Rukh had recently done a cameo in Salman's Tubelight and now it's the other way round. The duo has come together to shoot for a special song in SRK's much awaited dwarf film. Just a day or two back the internet was stormed by news that



Salman will be doing a cameo in SRK's next, but this picture says it all, it's confirmed!

Salman who will soon get busy with his next schedule of Tiger Zinda Hai in Morocco with ex flame Katrina Kaif made it a point to shoot for SRK's film first.

SPIDER-MAN: HOMECOMING STAR TOM HOLLAND IS AWED BY TIGER SHROFF!

TIGER SHROFF HAS DUBBED TOM HOLLAND'S PETER PARKER PART IN SPIDER-MAN: HOMECOMING HINDI

Spider-Man is back and this time, Tom Holland will be taking on the mighty while impressing us with his antics in Spider-Man: Homecoming! In this one, the 21-year-old will be seen portraying a high school kid Peter Parker, trying to balance his hectic school life with being the super hero Spider-Man.

Tom has been thrilled about being part of the popular series by Marvel Comics. After all, who wouldn't want to play a character as endearing as Peter Parker? Tom, who joined the second reboot of the Spider-Man film franchise, revealed in a recent interview about what about the superhero character appealed to him.

In an interaction with Rajeev Masand, Tom Holland said, "Spider-man is a superhero with everyday problems. What makes him so loved is the fact that you can relate to him. Everyone has to go through high school at some point in their lives; we all have relationship complications we need to handle—talking to a guy/girl, dealing with parents. It all makes this superhero so real."

The actor confessed that he is a fan of the movie and the character of Spider-Man and was amazed by the sea of fans the franchise has created. It is true that this is one of those



Hollywood movies whose popularity has transcended boundaries. Spider-Man: Homecoming, which releases in India on July 7, has a loyal fan base, excited for the release.

No wonder then, the makers have even dubbed the film in Hindi to reach a wider Indian audience. And none other than teen hero and our very own superhero (Flying Jatt) Tiger Shroff has voiced the character of Peter Parker in the Hindi version. Masand showed Tom a few clips of Tiger to get his reaction. Tom looked impressed with Tiger's flawless dance moves in the song Whistle Bajaa from Heropanti and asked if he was a dancer? Masand said that he was an actor who dances amazingly well.

Tom said that he always found Bollywood dancing really cool. But once he looked at Tiger grooving, he was awed! He said, "He is a proper dancer." On being pointed out that he himself is a great dancer, Tom said, "No, he (Tiger) is a real dancer. Like WOW!"

CELEBRITIES AND POLITICIANS UNITE FOR HBO'S 4TH OF JULY DOCUMENTARY 'THE WORDS THAT BUILT AMERICA'

United we stand! In honor of the 4th of July, HBO is premiering a new documentary titled The Words That Built America. Watch the trailer above! The film, which is narrated by Pulitzer Prize winner David McCullough, has a simple premise: More than 100 familiar faces come together to read aloud the Declaration of Independence, the United States Constitution and the Bill of Rights, completely unabridged. To recite the Founding Fathers' words in the Declaration of Independence, director-producer Alexandra Pelosi, who is the daughter of House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, brought together several celebrities and media personalities, including Morgan Freeman, Kerry Washington, Anderson Cooper, Meryl Streep, Rosie O'Donnell and Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson. For the Constitution segment, all of the living presidents (including Donald Trump), vice presidents, Supreme Court justices, Cabinet secretaries, Senate leaders and House of Representatives leaders come together. The 50-minute special concludes with middle school

students from New York City's United Nations International School reading the Bill of Rights. According to HBO's website, the film will be donated to the National Constitution Center for educational purposes.

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06TH JULY

WORLD HISTORY

1519: Charles of Spain was elected Holy Roman emperor in Barcelona. The Catholic heir to the Hapsburg dynasty, Charles V, was elected Holy Roman Emperor, combining the crowns of Spain, Burgundy (with the Netherlands), Austria and Germany.

1935: 14th Dalai Lama, spiritual leader of Tibet's Lamaistic Buddhists, was born as Lhamo Thondup in Hong Ya, a mountain hamlet on the Tibetan Plateau. He was formally recognized as the reincarnated Dalai Lama at age 2 and was renamed Jetsun Jamphel Ngawang Lobsang Yeshe Tenzin Gyatso (Holy Lord, Gentle Glory, Compassionate, Defender of the Faith, Ocean of Wisdom). He became a Nobel Peace Prize winner (1989) for his efforts to end China's domination of Tibet.

1957: Althea Gibson (1927-2003) became the first black tennis play-

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Dr. RAJEN UPADHYAY

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er to win a Wimbledon singles title, defeating fellow American Darlene Hard 6-3, 6-2.

INDIAN HISTORY

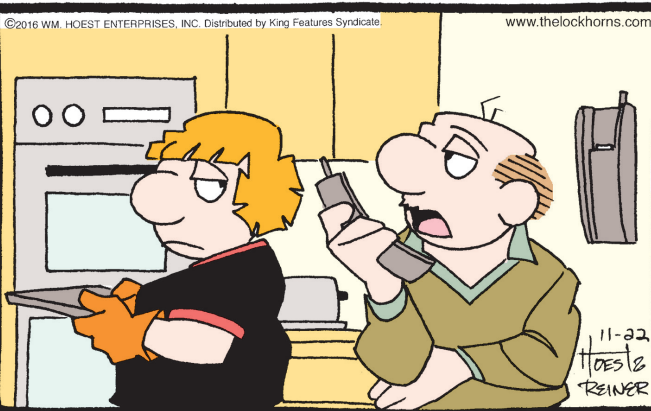
1892: Dadabhai Naoroji, popularly known as the Grand Old Man of India, was elected as the first Indian Member of Parliament in Britain from Finsbury Central Constituency of the House of Commons, England.

1901: Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee, the founder of the Bharatiya Jana Sangha was born in Kolkata (then Calcutta).

1987: The first of three massacres by Sikh extremists over two days took place in India as gunmen attacked a bus with Hindu passengers. Seventy-two people were killed in the attacks in Punjab and Haryana.

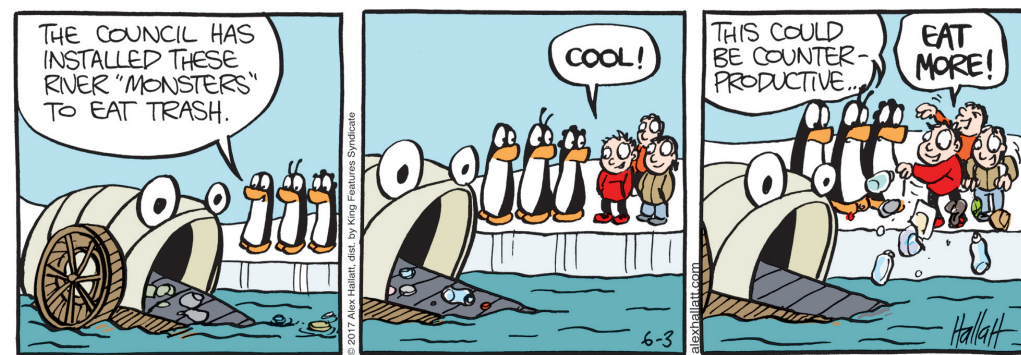
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project to the next level.

SCORPIO: Don't say anything about someone behind his or her back that you wouldn't want to say if the person were standing right next to you, Scorpio. Feelings are easily hurt on a day like this. People will instinctively know that you've been saying negative things about them. Come clean with any confessions that you might need to make toward someone you love.

SAGITTARIUS: When it comes to decisions, Sagittarius, do what's best for you today. Don't feel like you need to perform certain tasks just because of guilt over a past situation. Do things because you want

to, not because you feel obligated to someone else. The only obligation you have is to you. If it's truly your desire to help someone out, then go for it, but don't sacrifice too much of yourself in the process. **CAPRICORN:** It's time to settle down from the rapid-fire activities of the past few days and retreat to a quieter state of mind, Capricorn. Take care of the details you failed to attend to while you were out having fun. Now is the time to turn inward and reflect. Rely on your inner reserves as opposed to your outwardly directed actions.

AQUARIUS: This is an excellent day in which your thinking is clear

and your emotions stable, Aquarius. Use this powerful combination of a solid frame of mind and compassionate feelings to express yourself in a sincere, positive fashion. There's a great deal of power on your side helping you track down your goals and get exactly what you want.

PISCES: Turn your energy inward today, Pisces. Make a detailed list of what you need to get done in order of priority. It's time to take inventory and get organized. Detail-oriented projects are favored, and you have much more patience and concentration than usual. Slow down the pace and remember to smell the roses as you pass by.

ARIES: Your head and heart are working in concert today, Aries. Things are coming together just as you expected them to. Have confidence in yourself. More than likely, you have the perfect solution to every situation. Maybe your incredible perception of the circumstances will catch someone off guard. Be prepared for some surprised reactions.

TAURUS: Get in touch with your vulnerable side today, Taurus. Don't pretend to be someone you're not. Realize that you can be yourself and still have a good time without needing to hog all the attention. Stabilize your mind and create space to grow. Take some of

the advice that you give to others and apply it to yourself.

GEMINI: This is your day, Gemini, so don't let anyone take it away from you. The key will be to get a head start on whatever goals you wish to accomplish. Don't waste time thinking about exactly how you're going to accomplish them. Just get started. The first step is the most important. You're grounded right now, helping you get a better handle on what it is you need to do.

CANCER: Open up and reveal more of your sensitive side, Cancer. The more willing you are to share with others, the more they will feel comfortable sharing things

with you. Your head and heart are in agreement, so use this to your advantage. Ground your mind and use it to take a rational approach to your feelings. The truth of the situation will become clear.

LEO: Things should go well for you today as long as you can keep the drama to a minimum. You can jump over any hurdle in your way, so don't worry about a thing. You have a sharp, intuitive wit about you that's grounded in the real world. Take care of the details and plan your next big move.

VIRGO: You may have to bring yourself down to ground level in a rather sobering fashion, Virgo. Maybe

you're forgetting an important piece of a goal that you've been shooting for. This is a good day to review your progress and deal with any details that require attention. Keep your adventurous spirit alive, but have at least one foot on solid ground.

LIBRA: You have a tremendous ability to understand the inner workings of any situation, Libra. You may need to give someone a reality check to make sure they're on the same page as you. Use your criticism constructively so you don't alienate yourself from the people. Help to fill in the blanks in a situation that isn't fully understood by all parties, and move the