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SIKKIM POLICE KEPT IN DARK BY WEST BENGAL COUNTERPART, SOUTH SP REITERATES

Bhanjyang residents also file complaint against West Bengal police excesses in Sikkim



SUMMIT REPORT
NAMCHI, 02 SEPT: Namchi police has maintained that they did not have any information regarding the operation conducted by West Bengal Police inside Sikkim to round up Gorkha Janmukti Morcha leaders on Friday here at Namchi.

As informed by Superintendent of Police (South), Pratap Pradhan, investigations have already begun regarding the shooting and the alleged GJM meeting which

was held at Namchi without any knowledge of the police.

The SP also informed that the post mortem examination of Dawa Bhutia, who was allegedly shot by the WB police personnel on Friday along Bhanjyang-Sadam road, was conducted today at Namchi District Hospital in the presence of his family members.

In the meantime, the residents of Bhanjyang village have filed a complaint against the West Bengal police for threat-

Locals gather outside Namchi Police Station on Saturday

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Deb accuses Sikkim govt of helping Gurung 'flee', ignores Bengal posse's extrajudicial misadventure here

SUMMIT REPORT
GANGTOK, 02 SEPT: West Bengal Tourism Minister Gautam Deb today accused the Sikkim government and police administration of protecting GJM supremo Bimal Gurung, who has cases under UAPA against him, and helping him "flee". He, however, completely ignored the extrajudicial actions of the Bengal police which ventured into Sikkim without jurisdiction or sanction or even valid arrest warrants yesterday.

Senior police officials in Sikkim, meanwhile, highlight that the Bengal police acted way beyond all established protocols and interstate policing rules when they entered Sikkim yesterday armed to the teeth in three groups and ran riot.

The Bengal Minister preferred to leave the criminality of Bengal police's actions in Sikkim unaddressed and further vented, "They have been helping GJM. The Sikkim government and the police administration had helped Bimal Gurung and his associates to flee. They are giving protection to Gurung."

"How can they provide protection to a person like Gurung who had cases against him under UAPA? A lookout notice has been issued against Gurung and instead of helping the West Bengal police to nab him, they are helping him to flee. I think the Sikkim government has some motive behind it," Deb alleged.

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Two under trials escape Namchi prison through tunnel

SUMMIT REPORT
NAMCHI, 02 SEPT: Two under trial inmates who were under judicial custody at Namchi District Prison, South Sikkim staged a daring escape from this morning. The two escaped through a tunnel dug under the jail's walls.

Yogesh Bardewa (21) of Jarong, South Sikkim, was under judicial custody at Namchi prison since 11 Feb 2017 and Kishan Gurung (26) of Jaldhaka, Darjeeling district was in the prison since 29 Nov 2016. Both were booked under POSCO Act and the case is under trial at the District Session Court Namchi.

SP Jail, SK Shresta informed that the jail personnel found the two inmates missing at 6:40 a.m. this morning when they were carrying out their usual counting of inmates. On enquiry it was learnt that the two had been sent to dispose of garbage and had not returned thereafter.

Jail authorities immediately started a search operation and found a tunnel dug under the jail's wall through which the duo had escaped. A complaint has been filed at Namchi PS and search is on to trace the duo.

As per the SP, all check posts in the border towns of Sikkim have been alerted and search operation is underway. He also said that due to continuous rainfall the soil under the walls had become pliable and the two prisoners took advantage of this managing to dig a tunnel under the wall.

Interim bail granted to GJM sabhasad 'arrested' by Bengal police in Sikkim

Sikkim Police FIR against Kpg SP records details of fatal firing

SUMMIT REPORT
GANGTOK, 02 SEPT: Namchi District Session Court has granted three days interim bail to Gorkha Janmukti Morcha party sabhasad, Sabitri Chamling, today as West Bengal police failed to produce relevant evidence to support the arrest made by them on 01 Sept at Meli, South Sikkim.

It may be recalled that Sikkim Police had, on Friday, prevented West Bengal police from taking arrested GJM leaders and also filed a murder charge against the Kalimpong Superintendent of Police for shooting Dawa Bhutia, a GJM party worker from Kalimpong who along with several other party workers is said to have attended a GJM party meeting in Namchi.

Meanwhile, GJM Organisation Secretary Central Commit-

tee, Francise Dewan, and MLA Kalimpong, Shanti Savita Rai today met with media persons here at Namchi and condemned the act of WB police and WB government initiating such operation in another state and killing an innocent and unarmed supporter of Gorkhaland agitation.

Mr Dewan informed that GJM was conducting a high level confidential meeting here at Namchi in Seven Hills Resort.

While the meeting was in progress, they received information that WB police was carrying out raids and arresting supporters in the area, following which they concluded their meeting. However, some of the supporters got arrested and one youth was shot dead by WB police. He alleged that the Kalimpong SP had shot the youth himself.

Mr Dewan further said that theirs is a peaceful protest demanding their constitutional right but the Bengal government

has always tried to suppress their protest by killing innocent people of the hills. The shooting of GJM youth on Friday proves that the West Bengal government can go to any length to suppress the Gorkhaland movement, even break interstate rules, he added.

This is truly an act of police terrorism against hills people of Darjeeling, said Mr Dewan. He has urged the state government of Sikkim to intervene and arrest the SP Kalimpong and help them to give justice to the deceased youth, Dawa Bhutia.

Similarly, Kalimpong MLA, Savita Rai said that the lives of those fighting for Gorkhaland are in danger. The West Bengal government has directed its police force to act like terrorists in uniform, she alleged.

She thanked the Sikkim government for their immense support to the cause and the people of Namchi for providing safe passage on Friday. She has ap-

pealed to the state government of Sikkim to launch a state level investigation into this murder.

According to the First Information Report (FIR) filed by Sub Inspector (Namchi), Kunchok N Wangdi at Namchi Police Station, one of the party workers, Lalit Poudyal had brought the deceased with a gunshot wound to Namchi District Hospital for emergency medical attention. The Medical Officer on duty however declared the patient 'brought dead'.

Interrogation of Mr Poudyal revealed that the deceased had boarded an SUV vehicle along with him and three other GJM workers after the meeting wrapped up. The deceased was reportedly heading towards Pedong.

According to Mr Poudyal they came across two SUVs with WB number plates and Bengal police logo at Long Kholcha near Bhanjyang Bazaar. While cross-

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Organic Farming becomes part of school curriculum in 34 govt schools

GYALSHING, 02 SEPT [IPR]: The Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan [RMSA], Human Resource Development Department [Government of Sikkim] has launched Organic Farming as a subject in 34 Secondary and Senior Secondary Schools as a pilot project. To mark the launch an orientation programme of School Heads and students was held at Buriakhop Senior Secondary School in West Sikkim today.

Minister of HRDD, RB Subba, attended the occasion as chief guest along with Advisor-HRDD, OT Lepcha and Additional Chief Secretary-HRDD, GP Upadhyaya, as guests of honour.

The main objective of the programme was



to enlighten the students about organic farming while providing practical

hands-on experience on the subject and encourage them towards taking

it up to become self employed.

It may be mentioned

here that the current pilot project is being

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Gorkhaland agitation continues; massive hunt underway for Gurung

DARJEELING (WB), SEP 2 (PTI): A massive search operation was launched by the West Bengal Police today in the Darjeeling hills and adjoining areas for the absconding GJM supremo Bimal Gurung, even as the indefinite shutdown for a separate Gorkhaland entered its 80th day.

West Bengal Minister Gautam Deb has accused the Sikkim government and police administration of helping Gurung and his associates to flee.

"They (Sikkim government) have been helping the GJM. The Sikkim government and the police administration have helped Bimal Gurung and his associates to flee. They are giving protection to Gurung," he told a Bengali TV channel today.

The Sikkim government might have a "hidden agenda" behind its alleged move to help Gurung flee during a raid by the West Bengal police in that state yesterday, he said.

"Whatever the Sikkim government and their police department are doing is totally unconstitutional. When the unrest

in the Darjeeling hills started they supported the GJM's demand of separate state of Gorkhaland," he said.

A lookout notice had been issued against Gurung, who has cases under the UAPA against him, on Friday for his alleged involvement in various cases, including a bomb blast in Kalimpong police station in which a civic volunteer was killed.

Gurung had described the issuance of the lookout notice against him as a "conspiracy" by the West Bengal government.

"I had condemned the bomb blasts. We are holding the agitation in a democratic manner," he said in an audio message from an unknown location which was broadcast by a TV channel.

The shutdown in the hills is on after Gurung revoked party convenor Tamang's decision of suspending it till September 12, when the next round of dialogue with the state government is scheduled.

The GJM chief had also expelled Tamang yesterday on the charge

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Rakdong-Tintek runs for Swachh Bharat Mission



**WANGCHUK BHUTIA
MANGAN, 02 SEPT:**

Block Administrative Centre of Rakdong-Tintek organised 'Run for Swachh Bharat Mission' on 01 Sept from Makha Bazaar to Rakdong-Tintek BAC in East Sikkim. The 20 KM run was participated by all the Senior Secondary Schools of Rakdong-Tintek including Sanskrit Mahavidhyalaya, Samdong. The first position was secured by Samdong SSS followed by Makha SSS, Dikchu SSS and Sanskrit Mahavidhyalaya taking the second, third and fourth positions, respectively. The marathon was flagged off by Zilla Mem-

ber-Samdong Kambal GPU, Saraswati Regmi, in the presence of Block Development Officer-Tintek, Uttam Chettri, Assistant Director-Sports, YN Sapkota, along with other dignitaries. Also attending the programme were Panchayat Vice President-Rakdong Tintek GPU, Ganden Lepcha, as chief guest along with Panchayat Vice President-Samdong Kambal GPU, Kessang Bhutia, and Gram Panchayat members from Rakdong-Tintek and Samdong Kambal GPUs. The winners of the marathon were awarded with prizes and certificates. The best essay write-up on open defecation and its impacts was also

awarded during the event. The role and responsibility of National Service Scheme volunteers in social upliftment was highlighted by Coordinator-NSS Dikchu, Arjun Pradhan. The NSS volunteers of Dikchu SSS presented a song composed on Swachh Bharat followed by a dance presentation on Swachhata by a Self Help Group of Tintek. Further, the pledge on 'Sankalp Se Siddhi' was administered by BDO, Uttam Chettri. The function also featured the felicitation of Panchayat Development Assistant of Rakdong-Tintek for his contribution towards Swachh Bharat Mission.

Welfare Minister inaugurates new building of EMRS Suntaley

SADAM, 02 SEPT (IPR): Social Justice, Empowerment and Welfare Department Minister, Tulshi Devi Rai laid the foundation stone for two additional rooms to be constructed at Suntaley Junior High School today.

The Minister cum Area MLA also inaugurated the boy's dormitory and classrooms of the newly constructed building of Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS)

The inauguration ceremony was also attended by Special Secretary (SJE&WD), Dhanjyoti Mukhia, District Collector (South), Raj Yadav, Head of Departments, along with the teachers, students and local residents.

Addressing the gathering Ms Rai spoke in brief about the EMRS institution and how it provides quality education to the young generation. She said that the establishment of EMRS in Suntaley 'will benefit the locals immensely as it will create job opportunities and will assist locals to be self-sufficient and self-reliant'.



Ms. Rai underlined that the development of EMRS in Suntaley is an asset and encouraged the public and the department to work in coordination. Emphasizing on the importance of education Ms Rai said that education is extremely vital as it enables the students

to become self dependent and confident. She also urged the students present to utilize the opportunity of getting free education from the state government to its fullest and to effectively and efficiently build a bright future. Special Secretary

(SJE&WD), Dhanjyoti Mukhia in her address assured that girls will also be able to get admission in the school from the next academic session along with a 'good girl's hostel in Suntaley'. Speaking during the occasion, DC (South), Raj Yadav

updated the gathering about the various developmental plans sanctioned by the South District Administration for the constructive growth of the area. He further motivated the students to strive for excellence in educational and co-curricular activities.

During the course of the program SJE&WD Minister, Tulshi Rai alongside EMRS Managing Committee distributed appointment orders to the newly appointed staff of EMRS and gave out track suits and shoes to EMRS students.

Ms Rai also distributed sponsorship cheques under Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) initiated by SJE&W Department to two students. Additionally, in a bid to promote e-learning the South District Administration presented a color TV and a pen-drive to Suntaley JHS. The inaugural ceremony also saw the felicitation to land donors and Minister Tulshi Rai for her relentless service in uplifting the lives of the general public of the area.

Gramin Protsahan Karyakram held at Dalapchand

**SUMMIT REPORT
GANGTOK, 02 SEPT:**

Dalapchand Gram Panchayat Unit, East Sikkim, in collaboration with State Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Rural Management & Development Department organized 'Gramin Protsahan Karyakram' on 01 Sept, a press release informs.

Adhyaksha-East, Bimal Dawari, attended the programme as chief guest accompanied by Vice Convener-SDF Cheli Morcha [East], Bishnu Maya Barali, as guest of honor.

Also attending the event were Additional District Collector-Development [Pakyong], Roshni Rai, Block Development



Officer-Regu, Sabindra Rai, Agriculture Inspector, Ashok Gurung, Headmaster of Dalap-

chand Secondary School, ST Bhutia, Horticulture Development Officer, Chopel Bhutia, Village

Level Worker, Ishue K Rai, Standing Committees, NGO members, Self Help Group members

and the local public.

The programme started with the welcome address by Dalapchand Panchayat member, Shachin Rai, which was followed by a debriefing session by Panchayat Secretary, Mani Kumar Rai, wherein he shared the Gram Panchayat's experience during the tenure of five years as a Panchayat.

Dalapchand GPU also felicitated six persons for their contributions namely Shanti Maya Rai [land donor], Doman Das Rai [Floriculture], Jhagar Mani Rai [Horticulture], Uttar K Gurung [Agriculture], Umesh Dawari [Chairperson-Chandanay Milk Cooperative Centre] and Udhay Sam-

pang [Khambu Valley Homestay].

Chief guest Mr Dawari, in his keynote address, encouraged the SHG members to concentrate on innovative and sustainable livelihood sector. He also appreciated the efforts put in by State Institute for Rural Development & Panchayati Raj to strengthen the PRIs in Sikkim.

He congratulated the GPU for organizing the programme and extended best wishes to the felicitated individuals. Further, Mr Dawari gifted a utility vehicle worth Rs 14 lakh to Dalapchand GPU for transportation of organic vegetables and milk to Gangtok, the release adds.

Namchi incident proves lack of security in Sikkim: BJP

**SUMMIT REPORT
GANGTOK, 02 SEPT:**

Baratiya Janta Party Sikkim Pradesh has stated that West Bengal police action on Friday in Namchi, South Sikkim without the knowledge of Sikkim government and administration and the death of a youth in police firing is a big crisis and proves that there is no security in Sikkim.

A BJP press release issued by its state-unit president, DB Chauhan,

states that Sikkim being a border State, the State and Central government should not take such incidents lightly and should guarantee security to the Sikkimese people.

While strongly condemning the incident, the state BJP has demanded a judicial enquiry into the whole incident.

The party has also expressed its deep condolence to the family of the deceased, Dawa Tshering Bhutia.



Organic management of pests and diseases training at Aarigaon

**SUMMIT REPORT
GANGTOK, 02 SEPT:**

Training cum demonstration programme on organic management of diseases and pests in different vegetables was organized by Block Technology Manager-Agriculture Technology Management Agency [West Sikkim], Safal Pandey, at Aarigaon in West Sikkim on 29 Aug.

A press release informs that the training was organized at the farm school and had the participation of 34 farmers including the farm school teacher, Karah Nanda Sharma.

The training programme was divided into theory and demonstration parts. The theory portion was covered by

Subject Matter Specialist-Plant Protection, Rohini Silwal, wherein she explained about the various diseases and insect pests of both Kharif and Rabi vegetable crops and their organic management in detail.

The demonstration portion was covered by District Manager-Centre for Sustainable Agriculture [West Sikkim], Laxmi Prasad Khatriwada. He demonstrated practically the method of preparation of various in-situ organic biopesticides which can be prepared with raw materials available at home which enables farmers to be self-reliant and not be dependent on the commercial organic formulations to cater to their needs.

SSC condemns West Bengal police's foray into Sikkim

**SUMMIT REPORT
GANGTOK, 02 SEPT:**

Sikkim Subject Committee [SSC] has condemned the act of West Bengal Police entering Sikkim without fulfilling legal obligations on 01 Sept.

In a press release issued by vice convener-SSC, Navin Kiran, the committee has appealed to the state government and the Sikkimese people to come forward to oppose such illegal act by the West Bengal authorities.

The committee has further suggested to the West Bengal Government to keep their house in order further adding that India is governed by the Constitution and one should not forget about territorial jurisdiction.

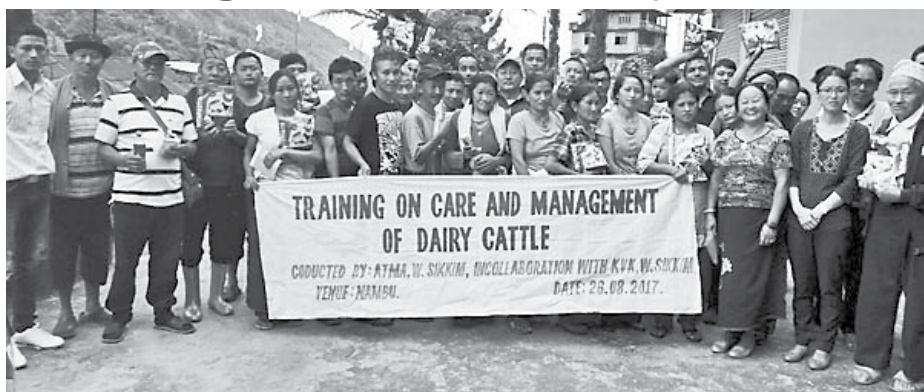
"If at all the West Bengal Government finds out that there are any fugitives wanted by the

law in Bengal, the Bengal Government should follow the process of law. Crossing the jurisdiction and killing [allegedly] people in Sikkim is not at all acceptable to us," Mr Kiran has expressed in the release.

The committee has urged Sikkimese people to stay united on this issue without politicizing the matter and has appealed for precise investigation by the Central Bureau of Investigation on the death on Dawa Bhutia who was allegedly shot dead by WB police on Friday.

Mr Kiran has further cautioned the masses of both Sikkim and Darjeeling/Kalimpong that there are some agents who have been going around talking about Sikkim-Darjeeling merger and has appealed to keep away from such rumors.

Training on care of dairy livestock at Nambu



**SUMMIT REPORT
GANGTOK, 02 SEPT:**

A daylong training programme on care and management of dairy cattle was organized by Agriculture Technology Management Agency [ATMA] in collaboration with Krishi Vigyan Kendra, West Sikkim, at Nambu in Gyalshing on 26 Aug, a press release informs.

The programme was attended by the Panchayat of Nambu as chief guest with Subject Matter Specialist-Animal Science, Dr Lakhi Doma Bhutia as resource person.

Dr Bhutia highlighted on deworming, vaccination, importance of hygiene and sanitation of farm, and common diseases like mastitis and milk fever.

Forty five progressive farmers participated in the event, the release adds.

**Gangtok on
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Preparations for Biswakarma Puja begin at Singtam

**YOGEN THATAL
SINGTAM, 02 AUG:**

Preparations for the celebration of the upcoming Biswakarma Puja which falls on 17 Sept has started here at Singtam.

"Biswakarma Puja is an important occasion for us. On this auspicious day of celebration, we would like to invite all to offer their prayers," said Tinku Adhikari, president of Singtam Motors Transport Workers Association which is organizing the event.

Ministers and officials from various departments along with police personnel will be attending the programme, Mr Adhikari informed.

Bhanjyang residents also file complaint against West Bengal police...

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The residents of Bhanjyang have appealed to the state government to look into the matter and take immediate action regarding the incident.

Similarly, the public of Namchi have condemned the West Bengal Government and WB police for killing a man in Sikkim without any authorization and knowledge of the local police.

"Sikkim is a peaceful State but it is not acceptable for the West Bengal police to step into our region and conduct a secretive operation putting everyone in danger. Anyone could have been hurt in the incident. The state government should immediately act and condemn the actions of West Bengal authorities to allow such operation in Sikkim," said social worker Tenzing Bhutia.

Meanwhile, Sikkim Police has intensified checking at all inter-state border check-posts in view of the tense situation in areas bordering West Bengal. Intensified patrolling is also being carried out by all Police Stations in their respective jurisdictions, informs Sikkim Police on its Facebook page.

NALSA legal services for drug abuse victims launched

GANGTOK, 02 SEPT [IPR]: NALSA [Legal Services to the victims of Drug abuse and Eradication of Drug Menace] Scheme 2015 was launched today in a function organised by Sikkim State Legal Services Authority [SLSA] at Chintan Bhawan here in the capital today.

Judge-High Court of Sikkim, Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai, who is also the Executive Chairperson of SLSA, attended the function as chief guest along with Judge-High Court of Sikkim, Justice Bhaskar Raj Pradhan.

Also part of the programme was awareness on HIV, NALSA [Legal Services to Mentally ill person and person with mental disabilities] Scheme 2015 and NALSA [Legal services to victims of acid attacks] Scheme 2016.

The first half of the working session was presided over by Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai wherein the resource person, Uday Chandra Rai [founder, Serenity Home,



Burtuk] talked about NALSA [Legal Services to the victims of Drug abuse and Eradication of Drug Menace] Scheme 2015. Resource person, TR Barfungpa [Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA] enlightened the audience, comprising predominantly of school, college, university students, lawyers and police officers on Sikkim Anti Drugs Act 2016 and NALSA [Legal services to victims of acid attacks] Scheme 2016.

During an interaction session, various questions and queries were raised by the audience which were answered by Justice Rai.

Similarly, the second half of the working session was presided over by Justice Bhaskar Raj Pradhan wherein resource person, Sonam Palden Bhutia [Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA], assisted by Zola Megi [Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA] and resource person

the audience and shared their views and ideas on the topics.

The third half of the working session which was presided over by Justice Rai and co-chaired by Justice Pradhan featured interaction with judicial officers and police officers of East District, counselors of all the Rehabilitation Centres of Sikkim and members of Press and Media for apprising the participants on drug abuse and its eradication.

Earlier during her brief speech, Justice Rai apprised the students present in the gathering to get educated and informed about the topics as they were the target audience for the programme. She also talked about the menace of drug abuse in India and how it has affected women and children in the country.

She further urged the students not to fall in the trap of peer pressure and indulge in such vices like drug abuse as the side effects of these drugs are fatal.

Two SRM Univ students participate in Rotary Club youth exchange prog

**SUMMIT REPORT
GANGTOK, 02 SEPT:**

Two Rotarians from Rotaract Club of Sri Ramaswami Memorial (SRM) University, Puja Gupta and Salina Chettri recently participated in a youth exchange programme organized by Rotary International District, Mumbai from 24-28 Aug, a press release informs.

The representatives from SRM University were hosted by Rotaract club of Kalyan Riverside, Rotaract club of Thane East, Rotaract club of Ambernath East and Rotaract club of Green City during the four-day programme.

"The exchange programme furnished our members with unique opportunities to learn new things which will surely be an asset for them and beneficial both



personally and professionally," reads the release issued by Rotary Club of SRM University.

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though, West Bengal now has a Superintendent of Police in Kalimpong facing murder charges in Sikkim, charges drawn up against him by his Sikkimese counterparts. This, following the death of a GJM supporter at Sadam in South Sikkim when a posse of Bengal cops opened unprovoked fire on the vehicle he was travelling in.

It is informed that when the Kalimpong SP and his posse were stopped at Melli check-post while trying to leave Sikkim yesterday after their fatal shooting, they slipped away into West Bengal on foot after abandoning their vehicles at Melli CP itself. Sikkim Police had demanded that the Kalimpong SP and his

team surrender their weapons at the check-post in connection with the murder charges filed against them.

West Bengal police, in three groups, had yesterday entered Sikkim posing as tourists and shot dead a GJM supporter and arrested four leaders of the outfit.

Gurung was booked under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) in connection with two blasts in Darjeeling hills on August 19.

Apart from UAPA, charges under the Explosive Substances Act, the West Bengal Maintenance of Public Order Act and IPC Section 302 (murder) were also slapped against him.

[with inputs from PTI]

Organic Farming becomes part of school curriculum in 34 govt schools

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implemented in association with the Food Security and Agriculture Department [FS& AD], Government of Sikkim. The project will be implemented in all the remaining schools in the near future.

Mr Subba, in his address, said that it was a milestone event in Sikkim which has been started by the RMSA in Buriakhop SSS. The mission and dream of the

Chief Minister of making Sikkim an organic state was full of struggle and hardships but the dream has come true. Hence, now it is the duty of the citizens to carry forward this reality and make Sikkim better than ever, he added.

The HRDD Minister stated that Organic Farming as a subject in the school curriculum will be started from the 2018 academic session along with courses like

Bachelor of Science in Organic Farming which will be made available in Chakung Science College, West Sikkim.

During the programme, the chief guest also gave financial assistance and seeds to the 34 pilot schools which was followed by plantation by the chief guest and other guests along with a demonstration of compost pit by the FS&AD Department officials.



Awareness on govt schemes held at Tasa Tengay School

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GANGTOK, 02 SEPT:

An awareness programme on Beti Bachao Beti Padhao [BBBP] and other governmental schemes for girl child and women, Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act [POCSO Act], child trafficking, drug addiction, domestic violence, Tuberculosis/Multi Drug Resistant TB, adolescent health & hygiene and teenage pregnancy was held today at Tasa Tengay Senior Secondary School in Chungthang, informs a press release issued by Child Development Project Officer-Chungthang.

Sub Divisional Police Officer, Medical Officer and Health Educator of Chungthang were the resource persons of the programme.

The CDPO covered the topic on nutrition since the National Nutrition Week is commemorated from 01-07 Sept.

She highlighted on the theme 'Optimal Infant Young Child Feeding Practices: Better Child Health' and importance of nutrition for health which has an impact on development, productivity, economic growth and ultimately National development.

Awareness generation on weight management and its importance through Body Mass Index for adolescent boys and girls was also conducted. An Anganwadi worker of Chungthang demonstrated the six steps of hand washing technique.

Besides activities like quiz competition on nutrition, competition on sharing of recipe and methods of preparation of low cost locally available nutritious food and 'Balika Manchh' forum were also held. Prizes were also handed over to the winners and participants of the competitions, the release adds.

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National Nutrition Week observed at Bakcha ICDS

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MANGAN, 02 SEPT:

National Nutrition Week was observed at Bakcha ICDS centre in Kabi Block, North Sikkim on 01 Sept, under Beti Bachao Beti Padhao programme.

Quiz and recipe competitions were organized

during the event with the winners being handed over prizes for the same.

Director-Nutrition highlighted on iodized salt, complementary food, etc. while Child Development Project Officer highlighted on BBBP and schemes under Women and Child development.

Swachhata Pakhwada begins in Phalaichadara JHS



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GANGTOK, 02 SEPT:

Swachhata Pakhwada began in Phalaichadara Junior High School from 01 Sept with taking of the pledge on Swachhata and on making India clean by 2022, a press release informs.

As part of the programme, the school conducted quiz on various aspects of Swachha Abhiyaan today which was

followed by screening of the Bollywood movie 'Toilet:Ek Prem Katha' to make the students understand the importance of Swachhata.

Meanwhile, the school family has congratulated Pemphuti Lepcha on being conferred with Nation Builder Award given by Rotary Club of Gangtok. The award will be presented on 05 Sept, the release adds.

Interim bail granted to GJM sabhasad 'arrested' by Bengal police in Sikkim

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ing each other, the police personnel inside the police vehicle reportedly yelled at them to stop the vehicle after which four armed police personnel got out of the vehicle and one of them opened fire at them.

After the WB police opened fire at them, the driver reportedly rushed and drove in panic to avoid being shot.

Mr Poudyal further revealed that after about five minutes the deceased who was sitting on the right side of the second seat, 'suddenly fell on his shoulder with a pool of blood on the seat'. Mr Poudyal then asked the driver to drive to the nearest hospital which he refused to do saying that he did not know the way.

Mr Poudyal then stopped a Sikkim vehicle and took the deceased to Namchi District Hospital where he was declared 'brought dead' by the MO on duty.

The FIR further states that as per the statement of the eye witness and

information about the movement of the West Bengal police convoy given by Bhanjyang police and Namchi police, it is confirmed that 'the gunshot was fired from the convoy of Police personnel headed by Superintendent of Police, Kalimpong'.

Accordingly, the murder charge was drawn up against the Kalimpong SP and his team who were in Sikkim, much outside their jurisdiction, without any authority or sanction of Courts or permission/ coordination with Sikkim Police as is required by law.

The Kalimpong SP and his team were reportedly stopped by Sikkim Police at Melli check-post after news of the fatal shooting had reached the cops here and the FIR drawn up. They were asked to surrender their weapons but appear to have managed to cross over to the Bengal side abandoning their three vehicles at Melli itself. The case is under investigation.

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Still Blind on Suicides

But time has come to wake up, engage, and understand

When the suicide rate spikes in the Vidarbha region of Maharashtra or in southern Andhra Pradesh, the reasons are known – crop failure and mounting debt. When teen suicides climb in June-July across the country every year, experts know the reason – the board exam results and academic pressure. Across the country and the world, the reasons prompting suicides are understood in reasonable detail and it naturally follows that efforts are mounted to suppress the triggers. The massive crores released to waive farmer loans, the grading system introduced for board exam results and the no failures in schools policies (now being unfortunately reconsidered) emerged as corrective measures undertaken to curb suicides in the country.

Suicides, meanwhile, remain a worry in Sikkim but informed corrective measures cannot even be speculated upon because no enquiry has been invested into understanding why so many in Sikkim take their own lives. It does not take an expert to inform us that suicides are born from depression; that much is obvious. Everyone knows that untreated depression festers to manic levels triggering suicidal tendencies. We know that, and if we don't, a simple Google search will tell us so. What we do not know is what triggers are pushing people from teenagers to octogenarians to such levels of depression that they commit suicide when the family thinks they are away at tuition classes or out collecting fodder?

A suicide always makes disturbing news and the psychological health of a State dreggs low when a State as small as Sikkim sometimes reports up to 5 suicides on the same day. If official records can be taken seriously, the suicide pattern is already changing in Sikkim. The number of suicides by senior citizens has noticeably fallen even as suicides by the very young [teens and even pre-teens], as also victims in their thirties, are registering disturbingly high numbers. It is no longer enough to be told that psychiatric counselling needs to be reached to more people at more places. That should already have happened by now. Awareness camps will no longer suffice, the concerned agency should start investing more of its training in trying to understand and explain why depression is so pervasive in Sikkim and where Sikkim is failing, as a State and as a society, in trying to contain depression from turning morbid and fatal.

There have been some surveys and some data computation to understand suicides in Sikkim, but nothing comprehensive has been undertaken thus far. It is important for the State Government to commission a team of experts to carry out exhaustive research into suicides in Sikkim to pin down the reasons. Only after such a professional exercise is undertaken, can anything of consequence be explored to arrest the suicide rate in Sikkim and save lives. More agencies, from the social to the religious to sports associations, need to be involved in the remedial measures as and when they are undertaken, and these should be undertaken at a more earnest level than the tokenism which central missions and state events like Beti-Bachao, Beti Padhao initiatives receive. The government should play the role of the facilitator and extend logistical support to civil society organizations which should be invited in to address the issue, understand it and then engage in the task of saving lives.

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The images from Charlottesville, Va., of white supremacists marching with Nazi banners reminded us, as if we needed it, that the swastika remains a potent symbol of racist hate.

In Germany, where neo-Nazis also march, it's illegal to display the swastika, and citizens there initiate private or neighbourhood efforts to remove it from graffiti and other street art.

But attempts to eradicate the swastika can sometimes misfire, as happened recently in Quebec. Corey Fleischer, known by the Instagram handle erasinghate, was stopped by police when he tried to blot out swastikas embossed on salvaged anchors on public display in the small St. Lawrence River community of Pointes-des-Cascades.

Plaques suggested that the anchors were from the Third Reich, but a Radio Canada correspondent reported that they were made by the English company W.L. Byers before the Nazis came to power. The company used the swastika as a symbol of good luck, a common practice in the early 20th century.

Fleischer remained unmoved by this historical explanation. As he told CityNews: "The swastika is no longer a sign of peace. It's a sign attached to a party that literally almost wiped out an entire culture."

I come across this obsession with swastikas time and time again. In my university courses on German cultural history, students are repelled yet fascinated by the horror it symbolizes. When I ask whether the swastika should be banned in North America the way it is in Germany, some say yes, whereas others point to its innocent use in other cultures.

The debate is similar to the dispute between Pointes-des-Cascades and Corey Fleischer. Should the 25 years it was a symbol of Nazi racism outweigh its millennia-long use as a talisman of good fortune?

A DIVERSE AND ANCIENT HISTORY

The swastika wasn't always an odious symbol of hate. Far from it. The word svastika is Sanskrit in origin and means "conducive to well-being."

As a symbol, the swastika's power resides in its simplicity and balance. Graphic designer Steven Heller notes that "the swastika's geometric purity allows for legibility at any size or distance, and when on its axis, the whirling square gives the illusion of movement."

Its form, according to Heller, is "sublime," so it's no wonder that it has found a place in so many cultures.

In Buddhism, the swastika is thought to represent the footprints of the Buddha. It takes on a liturgical function in Jainism, and in Hinduism the clockwise symbol (the swastika as we know it, with the arms pointing right) and the counterclockwise symbol, the sauvastika, pair up to portray opposites such as light and darkness.

In Mesopotamia it was used on coins, and the Navajo nation wove it into blankets. It has been found on ancient pottery in Africa and Asia. It was sometimes used as a single element, but often it was repeated as a series of interlocking swastikas to form a border on a garment or in architecture, as was common in Roman times.

It made an appearance in Germanic and Viking cultures, and you can find it in medieval churches and religious vestments across Europe.

In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, the swastika became well-established in western culture as a good luck symbol, similar to a four-leaf clover or a horseshoe.

How Nazis Twisted the Swastika into a Symbol of Hate



Companies used it as logo; it adorned birth announcements and greeting cards. American Boy Scouts could get a swastika badge, and the Girls' Club published a magazine called The Swastika. Finland, Latvia and the United States have all used it as a military insignia.

In Canada, a mining community in northern Ontario was named Swastika, just as you might name a town New Hope or Bounty. Windsor, N.S., and Fernie, B.C., both had hockey teams called the Swastikas. In 1931, Newfoundland issued a \$1 stamp commemorating important moments in transatlantic aviation; each corner had a swastika.

The late 19th century saw the newly formed German empire caught up in an era of unrestrained nationalism. Some nationalists sought to prove German racial superiority, subscribing to a now discredited idea that an ancient Aryan race — the original Indo-Europeans — were their ancestors. Evidence was needed to connect the Germans with the Aryans.

NAZIS APPROPRIATED THE SYMBOL

The swastika provided the necessary link.

In the early 1870s, when German businessman and archaeologist Heinrich Schliemann thought he had discovered the ancient Greek city of Troy, more than 1,800 instances of the swastika were unearthed. Since the swastika was also present among the archaeological remains of the Germanic tribes, it didn't take long for nationalists to jump to the conclusion that the Germans and the Greeks were both descendants of the Aryans.

And if you believe that Germans form a separate "race" superior to other ethnic groups around it, it becomes easier to claim that you need to keep that "race" pure. In that context, anti-Semitism followed.

The Thule Society, an anti-Semitic organization promoting the superiority of German Volk (folk in English), was founded at the end of the First World War. It used a stylized swastika as its logo. The society sponsored the fledgling Nazi party, and in a bid for greater public profile, the party created a banner that incorporated the swastika as we know it today.

Hitler was convinced that a potent symbol would rally the masses to his xenophobic cause. With a black swastika (called the Hakenkreuz in

German, or hooked cross) rotated 45 degrees on a white circle set against a red background, the Nazi banner modernized the ancient symbol while evoking the colours of the recently defeated German empire.

In Mein Kampf, Hitler took sole credit for the design and attempted to give it meaning: "In red we see the social idea of the movement, in white the nationalistic idea, in the swastika the mission of the struggle for the victory of the Aryan man." Tortured symbolism aside, the swastika banner did what it was supposed to do — it gave visual identity to the Nazi movement.

When the Nazis assumed power in 1933, they sought to unite the country behind their racist Aryan ideology, and the use of their symbol infiltrated all aspects of German life.

You can still see it sometimes, including in mosaic ceiling tiles at Hitler's Haus der Kunst in Munich. The banner became the official flag of the country in 1935, and although it wasn't everywhere as Hollywood might have you believe, it was very much present.

THE WAY FORWARD

Steven Heller subtitles his book, The Swastika, with a simple but pertinent question: Symbol Beyond Redemption? In those cultures where it's been used for centuries in religious practices or in the decorative arts, this question is unnecessary. The symbol doesn't carry any negative connotations there.

But objects like the swastika do not have any inherent meaning; the symbolism is constructed by the people who use them. In our western society, the swastika is tainted. The Nazi movement's violent crimes against humanity gave the Hakenkreuz a meaning that can't be concealed or erased.

In places like Pointes-des-Cascades, where pre-Nazi swastikas exist, extra care must be taken to contextualize their presence. But in all other instances the symbol really must be shunned.

Its hate-filled racist intentions are clear. It wasn't an innocent symbol for the Nazis, nor is it for latter-day neo-Nazis and white supremacists.

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Mumbai Floods: What Happens When Cities Sacrifice Ecology for Development

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As the storm that was hurricane Harvey deluged the areas around Houston, Texas, large parts of northern India, Nepal and Bangladesh also experienced heavy rains.

And the city of Mumbai was hit by another major flooding episode. Several people have died in the city, many in the collapse of a four-storey building that is believed to have been weakened by the rains.

OVERCROWDED CITIES

Such loss of life in urban areas is often blamed on India's overcrowding. Cities are growing at unprecedented rates. From a population of 2.86 million in 1950, Mumbai is now home to more than 21 million people, and is expected to have almost 28 million by 2030.

Built along the coastline on a series of islands, the city is surrounded by water: in mudflats, lakes, creeks, rivers, and the ever-present coastline.

Given the astronomical land prices in many parts of Mumbai, and the extreme scarcity of land, it is no surprise that Mumbai has sacrificed its ecology for development. Real estate projects, industry, and state infrastructure (railways, roads and the city's airport) have built over, and



choked, the city's water networks at various strategic points. Every monsoon, the city floods.

Mudflats, wetlands, floodplains, mangroves and wooded vegetation once slowed down the flow of storm water. The mangrove's complex root systems and the branching architecture of trees acted as a natural barrier to reduce the force of water flow. But now, they are built over. Garbage spread everywhere clogs the waterways. Most channels and waterways that connect water bodies have been built

over too, resulting preventing streams from easily reaching the sea – forcing it to spread out into the low lying areas of the city, adding to the severe flooding.

Mumbai's extensive wetlands and mudflats, which had connected parts of the city since the early 19th century, have disappeared. Their presence would retain the rain water and soak it into the ground, recharging the wells and ground water table.

Today, with nothing but concrete all around, the city's land surface does not allow water to flow through it. In especial-

ly intense periods of rain, the devastation is extreme – at least 5000 people are believed to have perished in the infamous floods of 2005, and the economic damage was estimated at 30 billion rupees (US\$690m).

THE NEED FOR INTROSPECTION

After the 2005 floods, a committee constituted by the government investigated the reasons for the devastation, concluding that there was an urgent need to restore Mumbai's wetlands and water systems. In 2007, the municipality formulated the Greater Mumbai Action Plan, which among other efforts had a major focus on the restoration of the city's main river, the Mithi, which had become little more than a sewage channel in parts.

Yet around the same time, the chair of the committee overseeing the plan, water expert Madhav Chitale spoke publicly about the lack of progress in implementing its recommendations. He said that the city lacked basic topographic data which were essential to build pathways for rainwater flow – which could have prevented flooding in subsequent rains.

In recent years, climate scientists, urban specialists and civic society groups warned repeatedly that Mumbai was

heading for another heavy flood. A combination of the greater likelihood of high rainfall events because of climate change, and an even more inadequately prepared city, created a situation ripe for a disaster in the making. These warnings came true this monsoon season.

Mumbai's planners know that climate change is leading to increased likelihood of extreme rainfall, and that restoration of the city's wetland, river and floodplain networks is central to flood control. Yet the rush to develop construction projections in the city has often disregarded these factors. Money cannot replace nature in cities. A careful reading of Indian urban history shows that cities have historically grown with nature providing a support system. When this system is eroded – as is seen in so many Indian cities today, including in Delhi, Bangalore and Chennai – the very survival of the city is placed in question.

The story of Mumbai today is a reflection of the ills that plague many Indian cities – and those in other parts of the world as well, such as Miami and Houston. In a wetter future, it is clearer than ever that cities need ecology to grow.

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Met forecasts heavy rains in sub-Himalayan West Bengal

KOLKATA, SEP 2 (PTI): The Met department today forecast heavy rains in sub-Himalayan West Bengal districts in the next 48 hours.

A spokesman of the Alipore Meteorological office said, Darjeeling, Kalimpong, Coochbehar, Alipurduar will experience heavy rains in the next 48 hours.

East/West Midnapore, Burdwan, Birbhum, Kolkata, North/South 24 Parganas districts in south Bengal will also experience showers with isolated heavy rains in some parts during the time, he said.

The rains were caused by a monsoon trough passing through the state, he said adding the relative humidity ranged from 98 per cent to 82 per cent, he said.

The maximum temperature recorded today was 32.2 Celsius.

Muslims offer namaz in gurudwara on Eid-ul-Adha

GOPESHWAR, SEPT 2 (PTI): In a show of communal amity, a Gurudwara in Joshimath today offered its space to Muslims to offer namaz on the occasion of Eid-ul-Adha.

"It was raining heavily and to spare our Muslim brethren the inconvenience of offering namaz in the open we offered to them the precincts of our Gurudwara in Joshimath for the purpose," Hemkund Gurudwara Prabandhak Committee chief Sardar Seva Singh said.

Between 9 am to 10 am, around one thousand Muslim brethren offered namaz at the gurudwara to mark the festival.

The Gurudwara Prabandhak Committee also plied them with snacks, he said.

The local administration also lent a helping hand in making the arrangements.

The HGPC chief said they have offered their space for offering namaz to the Muslim brethren under similar circumstances in the past as well.

Joshimath is located on way to Badrinath and the famous Sikh shrine of Hemkund Sahib.

Modi in China for BRICS Summit post Doklam standoff

XIAMEN (CHINA), SEP 2 (PTI): Prime Minister Narendra Modi will arrive here tomorrow for the BRICS Summit, where he is likely to meet Chinese President Xi Jinping, days after the two countries ended their 73-day standoff in the Doklam area.

The three-day summit in Xiamen, a southeastern Chinese city in Fujian province, will begin tomorrow even as authorities declared a high alert with Typhoon Mawar expected to hit the coastal region.

The summit will be the first gathering when the leaders of Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa will meet after New Delhi and Beijing decided on "expedient disengagement" of their border troops in the disputed Doklam area on August 28.

It is likely to provide Modi and Xi their first face-to-face opportunity to discuss the standoff, which had started on June 16 after the Chinese military tried to build a road India feared would allow Beijing to cut off its access to



northeastern states.

India and China have not ruled out a Modi-Xi meeting during the summit. India's External Affairs Ministry has said it was a common practice to arrange bilateral meetings on the margins of such multilaterals, while the Chinese Foreign Ministry has said it will make arrangements "if time allows".

Ahead of the summit, China has also said BRICS was not an appropriate forum for India to raise the counter-terrorism record of Pakistan, its "all weather" ally.

While External Affairs Ministry Spokesman Raveesh Kumar yesterday refused to "preempt" as to what Modi will speak during his intervention at the Summit on Monday, sources said India is expected to flag concerns over terrorism strongly.

At the BRICS Summit hosted by India last year, Modi had described Pakistan as a "mothership" of terrorism world-wide and sought decisive global action against terror outfits.

The summit was also expected to discuss the course of the BRICS grouping of emerging economies for the next 10 years as it has completed its first decade in existence.

The Xiamen city, which is geographically close to Taiwan and separated by a narrow strip of Taiwan Straits, has been decked up for the high-profile summit.

China has projected high expectations from the Xiamen summit, which will be attended by Russian President Vladimir Putin, South Africa's Jacob Zuma and Brazil's Michel Temer.

The BRICS nations are key players in the world economy and in global governance. Together, the five accounted for 23 per cent of the 2016 global economy, almost double their share in 2006. They contributed more than half of world economic growth in the past 10 years, becoming the strongest engines of the global economy.

BRICS countries account for 44 per cent of world population and have abundant natural and human resources.

In a commentary, China's state-run Xinhua news agency said these BRICS countries have shown no fear of the lacklustre world economy but demonstrated to the world

what they can achieve more by staying united.

Established in 2006, the economic bloc has been making steady progress since as its five members have been cementing cooperation, building trust and seeking mutual benefits.

"Although the mechanism has seen ups and downs over the past years and each member faces its own set of challenges, they are like five fingers: short and long when extended, but a powerful fist when clenched together," the commentary said.

China has invited leaders from five other emerging markets - Egypt, Guinea, Mexico, Tajikistan and Thailand - to the summit under its "BRICS Plus" concept.

Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi said the five countries were not permanent invitees but they will participate only this year. He compared their presence to India's invitation to BIMSTEC (Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic) leaders for last year's Goa summit.

Capacity building training on bamboo crafts concludes at Yuksam

SUMMIT REPORT YUKSAM, 02 SEPT:

Two-month long capacity building training programme on bamboo crafts held under Border Area Development Programme [BAPD] 2015-16, concluded today at Yuksam in West Sikkim. The programme was sponsored by Border Area Development Programme, Ministry of Home Affairs [Government of India] and implemented by Sikkim Handlooms & Handicrafts Development Corporation Ltd.

The concluding day was attended by area MLA, Sonam Dadul Bhutia, as chief guest accompanied by Sub Divisional Magistrate-Yuksam, Dr Sonam Rinchen Lepcha, Panchayat President, Budha Hang Subba, Panchayat Vice President, Rinchen Lepcha, Panchayat Secretary, Dichen Wangchuk Bhutia, officials from Directorate of Handicrafts & Handloom and local villagers.

Stressing upon the importance of the training programme, the area MLA urged the trainees to use the skills learnt for individual development as well as that of society, earn livelihood, become self-reliant and preserve traditional culture.

Assistant Director-DHH, Jigme Bhutia, assured to support rural artisans in marketing their products and informed that another



similar training programme will be starting in North Sikkim for rural handicrafts artisans of the district.

While addressing the rural artisans, the Panchayat Secretary urged the trainees to work hard and thanked DHH for organizing such training in their area. She also assured rural artisans support for marketing the products.

It is to be mentioned here that 06 men and 05 women from villages under Yuksam GPU participated in the training programme wherein they were given training for 60 days starting from 20 June 2017 in Yuksam.

The trainees were presented with certificates on completion of the programme.

Gorkhaland agitation continues; massive hunt for Gurung

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of "violating the party line and indulging in anti-party activities".

Protests by pro-Gorkhaland supporters demanding continuation of the shutdown rocked various parts of the hills and the situation remained tense.

Rallies in support of the ongoing shutdown and Gorkhaland were taken out in Darjeeling, Kurseong, Mirik, Sonada and Kalimpong.

Picketing by GJM supporters has been strengthened in several parts of the hills and posters and leaflets were distributed in support of the shutdown.

The South Sikkim district police had yesterday alleged that the West Bengal police entered its jurisdiction posing as tourists

and shot dead a GJM supporter and arrested four leaders of the outfit.

South Sikkim Superintendent of Police (SP) Pratap Pradhan had said, "We do not have any official communication regarding such operations being conducted inside Sikkim by the West Bengal police."

Meanwhile, Tamang today questioned Gurung's decision to expel him lashed out at him and party general secretary Roshan Giri.

"I do not need to take lessons from them. I am a son of the soil and am fighting for the interests of my Gorkha brothers. I want to ask Gurung and Giri that if they are so concerned about fighting for Gorkhaland why did they send their families

abroad so that they can be safe?" he asked.

Tamang also justified the decision to his joining the August 29 meeting convened by the state government to discuss the situation in the hills.

"They (Gurung and Giri) said that the GJM will take part in the next round of meeting scheduled on September 12. This proves that our decision was correct. Otherwise why are they attending the next round of dialogue?" he said.

The chairman of Kurseong municipality Krishna Limbu was arrested during the day for his alleged involvement in cases of arson and violence in the hills in June, when the Gorkhaland agitation began.

Underground dark matter laboratory inaugurated in uranium mine

JAMSHEDPUR, SEPT 2 (PTI): An underground dark matter laboratory for conducting experiments in fundamental physics involving rare event searches was today inaugurated in the oldest uranium mine at Jaduguda in Jharkhand.

Dr Sekhar Basu, Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission and Secretary, Department of Atomic Energy (DAE), inaugurated the facility at a depth of 555 metre in the Uranium Corporation of India Limited (UCIL) mine at Jadugoda, 30 km from here.

Speaking to reporters later at Jadugora mine premises, Basu said, "We knew of an estimated five per cent of the possible 30 per cent matters existing in the universe and this new facility will help us to research about the unknown matters."

"We have started working on it but it does not mean we will be successful," he said.

"However, we will progress step by step to achieve the desired result," he said

The laboratory has been

set up by the UCIL and Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics (SINP), Kolkata by utilizing the available infrastructure and underground facilities of the Jaduguda mine.

This new physics laboratory at UCIL will be the first of its kind in the country after closure of a similar facility at Bharat Gold Mine in Kolar (Karnataka) in early 1992.

The present depth of Jaduguda mine is 905 metre. It is the second deepest operating underground mine of the country after Huttu Gold mine which is more than 1000 metre deep.

Asked about the projects the DAE was working on, Basu said, the department has plans to develop four cancer hospitals on the line of Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai, which he described as one of the best institutes of the world and the cheapest.

The hospitals are proposed at Vishakhapatnam, Mohali, Sangrur and at the BHU campus in Varanasi, he said adding that

the investment proposal has to be cleared by the government, he said.

Emphasizing the need for participation of state governments, he said a small hospital with the co-operation of the Punjab government has been established at Sangrur.

Punjab government has provided the infrastructure including building, land and electricity to set up the hospital equipped with three modern operation theatres and six speciality wards.

The DAE has provided manpower, equipment and is bearing the regular expenses, he said.

The DAE has also been asked to develop a hospital in the campus of Banaras Hindu University (BHU) and a Railway hospital, which were not in a good shape, he said.

Basu also offered technology support to the Tatas, for their proposed ten hospitals across the country.

On the nuclear energy front,

the DAE Chairman said, the department has plans to generate an additional 14,000 Mw electricity by 2030.

"We have an installed capacity of 6780 MW from 22 reactors in operation and additional 21 reactors are in various stages of installations," he said expressing hope that the department could produce 14,000 Mw of electricity from these reactors in 10/12 years.

About the uranium production in the country, C K Asnani, chairman-cum-managing director of UCIL said, the UCIL has plans to enhance the production capacity of uranium by ten fold by 2030.

Apart from its proposed mine in Rahil, Rajasthan and Gogi in Karnataka, he said the production capacity would be increased by two/three fold at Turampalle mine in Andhra Pradesh and expansion of operations would be carried out at Narwa Pahar mine in East Singhbhum district.



**GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM
ENERGY AND POWER DEPARTMENT
No. 63/P/stores/receipt/2005-06/387 Dated: 29/08/2017
AUCTION NOTICE**

The Energy and Power Department, Govt. of Sikkim, Gangtok proposed to dispose unserviceable electrical items lying at the Department Stores situated at Sichey, LLHP, Topakhani and Rothak. Percentage, sealed tenders in prescribed form is invited from the interested parties, individuals, Co-operatives societies etc.

1. Tender form can be obtained from the office of the Addl. Chief Engineer (East), Energy and Power Department, Gangtok, w.e.f 15th September 2017 between 11am to 3 pm on production of a bank receipt of Rs.200/- as tender form cost.
2. The interested parties can inspect the materials at the respective stores on any working days.
3. The tender may be submitted to the office of the undersigned on or before 19th September 2017.
4. The Tenderers may deposit a sum of Rs.5,450.00/- as earnest money in the form of T.D.R. in favour of Sr. Accounts Officer, Energy and Power Department, Government of Sikkim, Gangtok and submit along with the tender.
5. The tender shall be opened on the same day at 2 pm in presence of the Tenderers or their representatives.
6. The materials will have to be lifted on where and as it is basis within seven days from the date of issue of lifting order.

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Dominant India eye series clean sweep

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COLOMBO, SEP 2 (PTI):

A rampaging India will fancy their chances of completing a 5-0 whitewash of Sri Lanka when they face the beleaguered hosts in the fifth and final One-day International match here Sunday.

The visitors already swept the Test series 3-0, and given their dominant run on this trip, would like to sweep the ODI series as well.

Sri Lanka are in danger of losing a second successive ODI series to India by a 5-0 margin. The last time these two sides played a bilateral series in November 2014, a depleted Lankan side lost 5-0 in India.

Their fortunes haven't changed much since and another loss would be a serious body blow for the hosts in what has been a traumatic summer of cricket. They have already foregone the opportunity to automatically qualify for the 2019 ODI World Cup by failing to win two matches in this series.

That 5-0 win in 2014-15 was India's last ODI series whitewash. Since they have beaten Zimbabwe 3-0 twice, as also beating them 5-0 in 2013.

Considering sterner opposition, India previously beat New Zealand and England 5-0 in 2010-11 and 2012-13 respectively, both series' wins coming at home.

In fact, England are the only side to lose 5-0 twice to India (in 2008-09 as well) in the last decade, so the Men in Blue will be eager to add another entry to this short list.

Given the heat and humidity here, and the exertions of what has been a long if not arduous tour, the Indian team enjoyed an additional day off ahead of the fifth ODI.

There are no injury concerns and



the same playing combination can expect to be retained tomorrow, with the likes of Manish Pandey, Kuldeep Yadav and Shardul Thakur given a further opportunity to impress.

Additionally, coach Ravi Shastri has spoken yesterday about the need to carefully manage workloads of bowlers across formats. It remains to be seen if Hardik Pandya will be given a break in this light, and Kedar Jadhav afforded another chance to impress, ahead of a long limited-overs' schedule at home.

In light of the team's experimentation and rotation policy, Ajinkya Rahane is the only batsman not to get game time in this series. With Rohit Sharma coming back and scoring runs, and Shikhar Dhawan in good form, the team management has so far not toyed with the opening combination.

Rahane, on the other hand, had won the man-of-the-series in the last ODI engagement in West Indies with 336 runs from five matches including a hundred and three half-centuries.

There is a chance that he could be given a game ahead of Dhawan in this final ODI, even if only to cement his spot as the designated third-choice opener.

This also puts the spotlight on KL Rahul who was given a middle-order role in the current ODI series, specifically keeping the preparation for the next World Cup in mind. So far that experiment hasn't worked with Rahul returning scores of 4, 17 and 7 in his three outings.

Oddly enough, Rahul has fallen to Akila Dananjay in all three matches. While it will be a matter of concern for the team management, they will also want to afford him further opportuni-

ties to strengthen the case for a middle-order berth.

Manish Pandey's half-century in the fourth ODI gives the team additional leeway in this regard.

Meanwhile, Sri Lanka are expected to make at least one chance to their playing XI. Skipper Upul Tharanga will be back in charge of affairs after sitting out the last two games owing to his suspension for slow-over rate. He is expected to slot into the middle order once again and Lahiru Thirimanne might be asked to open the innings instead.

It remains to be seen if the Lankan captain can inspire a serious challenge in this fifth ODI after a lacklustre summer.

Most of all though, after two suspensions in three months, Tharanga will be looking to complete the 50 overs within the stipulated time.



Hockey India sacks chief coach Oltmans

NEW DELHI, SEP 2 (PTI): Hockey India on Saturday sacked national coach Roelant Oltmans after a string of unimpressive outings at the international level.

High Performance Director David John will be in charge till a suitable replacement is found for a smooth transition of the men's team.

The decision was taken during the three-day meeting of the Hockey India High Performance and Development Committee, which concluded today.

Though the federation did not say it in as many words, it is apparent that the HI bosses are not impressed with the Dutchman.

"Key decisions taken included Chief Coach Roelant Oltmans to step down," Hockey India said in a release.

"While Roelant Oltmans role as Chief Coach in improving the teams' overall fitness and cohesiveness has been appreciated, the results are what matter and the performance of the team has not been consistent or up to the desired levels."

The power-packed meeting to assess the way forward for Indian hockey was attended by

over 24 members over the last three days.

Harbinder Singh, chairman of the Hockey India Selection Committee said, "The Committee was convened since we are collectively not satisfied with the Indian Men's Hockey team's performance in 2016 and 2017 and feels that wins in Asia can't be a benchmark for success any more."

"We need to show results beyond intent in key international tournaments where the sporadic success over the last two years is more incidental than deliberate. To make results a reality, we need to make hard decisions for the greater good of the future of Hockey in India."

"The current format of coaching was not showing results beyond a certain level. The Committee unanimously agreed that immediate action was required to be taken and while change may not always be comfortable it is essential if we want to position ourselves as a serious global contender for the upcoming critical tournaments in 2018 including the Asian Games & World Cup and 2020 Olympic Games."

Cuba continues domination at World Championships

HAMBURG, SEP 2 (PTI):

Traditional powerhouse Cuba continued to dominate the 19th World Boxing Championships with four of their boxers advancing to the summit clashes on the second day of semifinals, taking the total number of their finalists to seven here.

The semifinals concluded with Cuba being the dominant force yet again and looked well on course to repeating the feat of the 2015 edition, in which the country won seven medals.

However, Cuba is in line to take all seven gold this time, while it had claimed four gold, two silver and a bronze last

time.

Julio Cesar La Cruz (81kg), Roniel Iglesias (69kg), Lazaro Alvarez (60kg) and Yosbany Veitia (52kg) entered the semifinals today. Joahnys Argilagos (49kg), Andy Gomez Cruz (64kg) and Erislandy Savon (91kg) had made the finals on the first day of the semifinals on Friday.

Uzbekistan followed Cuba with four finalists, while Kazakhstan had three in the summit clash.

India's campaign had ended on Friday with the loss of Gaurav Bidhuri (56kg) in the semifinals. India thus signed off with one bronze medal.

Late payment fees waived for delayed July GST returns filing

NEW DELHI, SEP 2 (PTI): The government has waived late payment fees for delayed filing of GST returns and allowed businesses to correct errors in the initial form while submitting final returns by September 5.

Businesses were required to file the maiden Goods and Services Tax (GST) returns for July and pay taxes by August 25 by filing GSTR 3B. The final returns for sales for July are to be filed by September 5 and returns for purchases by September 10.

In a circular, the finance ministry said late fee for all taxpayers who could not file GSTR 3B for July has been

waived, but not the interest on late payment of dues.

As per the CGST and SGST Acts, an interest at the rate of 18 per cent will be levied for delayed payment of tax.

"Since the payment was not made on or before the due date, the registered person shall be liable for payment of interest on delayed payment of tax starting from August 26, till the date of debit in the electronic cash and/or credit ledger, but will not be liable to pay any late fee," the CBEC said.

The GST law provided for a nominal fee of Rs 100 per day on Central GST and an equiv-

alent amount on State GST in case of late filing of returns and payment of taxes.

The Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC) also provided for correction of erroneous details furnished in form GSTR-3B.

Now, businesses who intend to make changes or amend the initial return (GSTR 3B) can do so at the time of filing final returns in forms GSTR-1 or GSTR-2, as the case may be.

"This will get reflected in the revised output tax liability or eligible ITC (input tax credit), as the case may be, of the

registered person. The details furnished in form GSTR-1 and GSTR-2 will be auto-populated and reflected in the returns in form GSTR-3 for that particular month," the CBEC said.

In cases where the taxes paid as per the initial return filed in GSTR-3B is less than the amount due post reconciliation as per GSTR-1, the additional amount of tax can be paid by debiting the electronic cash or credit ledger.

However, interest on delayed payment of return will be levied on the amount of tax that was due.

Besides, the government

has exempted businesses which have not filed GSTR-3B but will file final GST returns in GSTR-1, GSTR-2 and GSTR-3 from payment of late fees.

Interest would, however, be levied for delayed payment of tax.

Of the 59.57 lakh businesses that should file return for July, as many as 38.38 lakh taxpayers accounting for 64.42 per cent of the total businesses registered in July had filed their GST returns.

Taxes worth Rs 92,283 crore were collected in July from just 64.42 per cent of the total taxpayer base.

Typhoon Mawar's shadow hanging over BRICS Summit

XIAMEN, SEP 2 (PTI): Ahead of the BRICS Summit in Xiamen city, China today issued a high alert in the southeast for Typhoon Mawar, which is expected to hit the region Sunday.

Authorities activated a national disaster alert and response mechanism for Mawar to help provincial civil affairs departments prepare for relief



work, state-run Xinhua news agency reported.

The typhoon, the 16th storm to hit China this

year, could hit the three-day BRICS Summit in the coastal city from tomorrow. Xiamen lies in Fujian province, geographically close to Taiwan and separated by a narrow strip of Taiwan Straits.

The storm is expected to whip up wind gusts of 80-115 kmh along the Chinese coast as it moves onshore. Near and east of where the

storm makes landfall will also be subject to storm surge flooding.

Yesterday, China's Meteorological Centre issued a blue alert, which is two grades lower than the highest alert level.

China National Commission for Disaster Reduction and Ministry of Civil Affairs has asked civil affairs department officials in southern

provinces - including Fujian and Guangdong - to remain on duty round the clock.

Residents have been advised to stock up on their daily necessities.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi is scheduled to arrive in Xiamen tomorrow. The BRICS summit brings together the leaders of Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa.

Nepal signs UN development assistance plan

**SHIRISH B PRADHAN
KATHMANDU, SEP 2 (PTI):**

Nepal has signed a USD 635 million UN assistance package for 2018-2022 to lay out the country's development strategy for the next five years, officials said today.

The package involving 26 individual UN agencies, spans interventions aimed at assisting in four broad areas: inclusive economic growth; social development; resilience, climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction; and governance, rule of law and human rights, according to a statement issued by the Unit-

ed Nations.

The National Planning Commission, apex advisory body of the Government of Nepal, and the United Nations Country Team (UNCT) in Nepal signed the United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) yesterday.

The UNDAF lays out the development strategy for the UN Country Team for the next five years.

"We are pleased to be signing this framework with the United Nations in Nepal, it is broadly aligned without national priorities as envisioned by the Government of Nepal.

And it is our hope it

will contribute to our ambition to achieve the Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development," Chairman of the National Planning Commission Swarnim Wagle said.

"The strong alignment of the UNDAF with the national plans, international conventions, and the Constitution of Nepal provides the foundation to support the Government of Nepal's efforts in ensuring that 'no one is left behind' as laid out in the Sustainable Development Goals," remarked United Nations Resident Coordinator Valerie Julliard.

13 more children die in BRD medical college

GORAKHPUR (UP), SEP 2 (PTI): The spate of deaths continued in the state-run Baba Raghav Das Medical College hospital here with 13 more children dying in the past 24 hours, taking the toll to 1,317 so far this year.

As many as 13 children, 10 in NICU and three

in general paediatric ward died in the past 24 hours, the newly-appointed principal of the college Dr PK Singh said today.

No death was reported in the encephalitis ward during this period, Dr Singh said, adding that 53 new cases were admitted in the hospital.

This year there have been a total of 1,317 deaths in the hospital so far.

According to hospital records, in January 152 children died, in February 122, March 159, April 123, May 139, June 137, July 128 and August 325, besides in September 32 children have died so far.

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Suicide bombers kill 7 in attack on Iraq power plant
SAMARRA, SEP 2 (AFP): Suicide bombers killed seven people and wounded 12 in an attack on a power plant north of Baghdad today, an Iraqi security official said.

Armed with grenades and wearing explosives belts, three attackers entered the facility in Samarra, about 100 kilometres (62 miles) north of the capital, at 2:00 am, the official told AFP.

“They attacked the plant’s workers, killing seven and wounding 12, according to an initial assessment,” said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Security reinforcements then arrived on the scene, killing two of the bombers and evacuating the employees. The attack comes as Iraqi Shiites mark the first day of the Eid al-Adha feast.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the attack, but the Islamic State jihadist group frequently carries out suicide bombings in Iraq. In 2014, IS captured almost a third of Iraqi territory in a lightning offensive. It now only holds two pockets of territory in the country.

Kenneth Juster to be nominated US ambassador to India

WASHINGTON, SEP 2 (PTI): President Donald Trump today announced his intent to nominate Kenneth I Juster, a top economic aide and an expert on India, as the US ambassador to India.

In June, the White House said that Juster, 62, will be America’s new ambassador to India.

Juster, who is the Deputy Assistant to the US president for International Economic Affairs and Deputy Director of his National Economic Council, would replace Richard Verma if nominated and confirmed by the Senate.

The position has been lying vacant since January 20 when Trump was sworn in as the 45th President of the United States.

Juster has previously served as Under Secretary of Commerce from 2001-2005, Counselor (acting) of the State Department from 1992-1993, and deputy and senior adviser to the Deputy Secretary of State from 1989-1992.

In the private sector, he has been a partner at the investment firm Warburg Pincus LLC, Executive Vice President at Salesforce.com, and senior partner at the law firm Arnold & Porter.

He has also served as Chairman of Harvard University’s Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, and as Vice Chairman of The Asia Foundation.

Juster holds a law degree from the Harvard Law School, a master’s degree in Public Policy from the John F Kennedy School of Government at Harvard, and a bachelor’s degree in Government from Harvard College.

Hawking’s mission to find alien life detects mystery signals

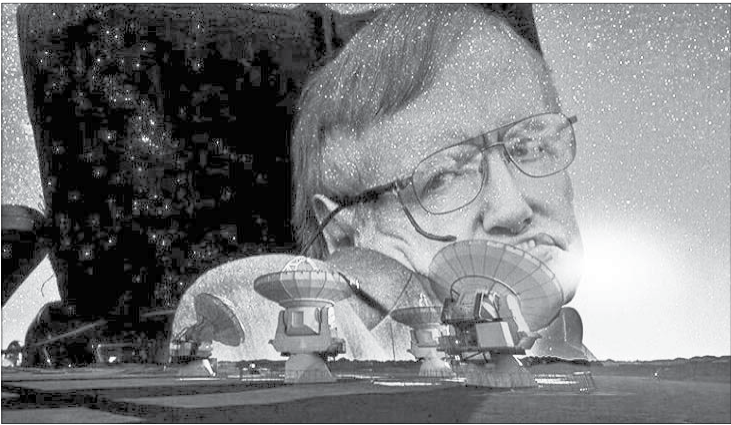
ADITI KHANNA LONDON, SEP 2 (PTI):

A mission to explore intelligent alien life in the universe has recorded some mysterious signals coming from a galaxy three billion light years away, according to an Indian-origin scientist working on the ambitious project co-founded by Stephen Hawking.

Vishal Gajjar is part of the team working under the Breakthrough Listen project - set up by Hawking, one of the world’s best-known scientists, and Russian billionaire Yuri Milner to discover the truth about the universe.

The latest fast radio bursts (FRBs) prove their equipment is working well and ready to pick up signs of life if they exist.

“We really have no idea about where they come from,” Gajjar, one of the scientists



from the University of California Berkeley Research Centre, told The Daily Telegraph.

He noted: “If some form of life would like to produce a signal that is detectable to an-

other civilisation this could be a way to do it, but I don’t think they are coming from intelligent civilisations.

“There are more theories than the number of sources.

We have opened more questions than answers. As we do more study we find more weird things,” he said.

Breakthrough Listen is a USD 100-million global astro-

nomical initiative launched in 2015 by Hawking and Miller and has teams around the world using their telescopes to look for evidence of life.

The initial 10-year programme will survey the 1,000,000 closest stars to Earth, scanning the entire galactic plane of the Milky Way.

Beyond our galaxy it will listen for messages from the 100 closest galaxies at 10 billion different frequencies.

Announcing the project at the time at a press conference in London, Hawking said it was time to commit to finding the answer to life beyond Earth.

“Somewhere in the universe intelligent life may be watching the lights of ours aware of what they mean,” he said.

Explanations for the latest signals detected range from rotating neutron stars with

extremely magnetic fields, to energy sources used by extraterrestrial civilisations to power spacecraft.

Whatever they are they left their galaxy when our Solar System was just two billion years old and life was just getting going on Earth.

At first scientists thought the signals were the fallout from a catastrophic event in space, like a supernova, but then they repeated again in 2015 and 2016 suggesting the whatever object produced them was still there.

In the fresh experiment, which will be elaborated upon in scientific journals in future, University of California, Berkeley, experts scanned the same galaxy at a higher frequency than which had been used to see the original bursts, and found 15 more.



Donald Trump has asked Congress for an initial \$7.85bn (£6.1bn) in disaster relief in the wake of Hurricane Harvey. The request comes ahead of the US President’s second visit to the storm-ravaged region later, when he will visit Houston, Texas, and Lake Charles, Louisiana. White House budget director Mick Mulvaney told Congress: “This request is a down-payment on the President’s commitment to help affected states recover from the storm, and future requests will address longer-term rebuilding needs.”

Indian-origin consultant sentenced to 15 months in jail in US

YOSHITA SINGH NEW YORK, SEP 1 (PTI):

An Indian-origin political consultant was today sentenced to 15 months in prison and ordered to pay a USD 10,000 fine for his role in funnelling over USD 600,000 in illegal foreign campaign contributions in a San Diego mayoral election.

Ravneet Singh of Illinois and former CEO of ElectionMall Technology was ordered by US District Court Judge Michael Anello to report to prison in October to begin serving his sentence.

Singh, 45, was sentenced for his role in funnelling more than USD

600,000 in illegal foreign campaign contributions from Mexican citizen Jose Susumo Azano Matsura to candidates in the 2012 San Diego mayoral election.

In September 2016, after six weeks of trial, a federal jury in San Diego returned guilty verdicts against Singh, Azano and Azano’s son Edward Susumo, who were convicted of felony counts associated with a series of illegal campaign contributions by Azano to the campaigns of Bonnie Dumanis and Bob Filner.

“American elections are not for sale,” said Executive US Attorney Blair Perez.

“We will not allow our sacred electoral process to be compromised. This prison sentence underscores an important message: Anyone who tries to manipulate the American electorate will pay a high price,” Perez said.

According to evidence presented at trial, Azano, Singh, and others conspired to inject hundreds of thousands of dollars in cash and in-kind consulting services to the Bonnie Dumanis and Bob Filner campaigns, despite the fact that Azano’s foreign national status made such contributions illegal.

To conceal his connection to these contributions, Azano arranged

with his son Edward Hester and others to funnel this illegal foreign money through corporate and third person “straw donor” contributions.

The conspirators also arranged for at least USD 267,000 worth of Singh’s in-kind consulting services to be secretly funnelled to the campaigns.

Ultimately, with Azano’s help, Filner won the election, though he was forced to resign shortly thereafter. For his part, Singh used his specialised skills and knowledge to facilitate the crimes.

Evidence at trial demonstrated that Singh used code names for the Dumanis and Filner

work that Azano paid for but never for any other domestic candidate for office; harshly reprimanded employees for using those code names in emails; and on one particularly candid occasion referenced the “legal ramifications” of discussing these topics.

Singh further concealed the payments from Azano by structuring the wires from a Mexican company Broadlink controlled by Azano, which had nothing to do with electoral politics, to company Singh controlled, not Election Mall, but eSolutions, which primarily developed software from India.

US, S. Korea discuss coordinated response against NKorea

LALIT K JHA WASHINGTON, SEP 2 (PTI):

The US and South Korea today vowed to strengthen their alliance through defence cooperation to fight the threats posed by North Korea with President Donald Trump giving a “conceptual approval” to sell Seoul American military equipment worth billions of dollars.

On Tuesday, North Korea fired a missile over Japan, prompting Trump to insist that “all options were on the table” in an implied threat of pre-emptive military action.

Trump in a phone call with his South Korean counterpart Moon Jae-in discussed a coordinated response to deal with the “destabilising and escalatory behaviour” of North Korea, the White House said.

“Trump and Moon pledged to continue to apply strong diplomat-



ic and economic pressure on North Korea and to make all necessary preparations to deter and defend against the growing threat posed by North Korea,” it said.

The two leaders agreed to strengthen the alliance through defence cooperation and to strengthen South Korea’s defence capabilities.

“Trump provided his conceptual approval of planned purchases by South Korea of billions of dollars in American military equipment,” the White House said.

In a separate call, Trump spoke with President Nursultan Nazarbayev of Kazakhstan to discuss the two countries’

25-year relationship and his recently announced South Asia strategy.

“Trump expressed appreciation for Kazakhstan’s regional and global leadership, including its upcoming tenure as Chair of the United Nations Security Council in January, and congratulated President Nazarbayev on hosting the Astana Expo 2017,” the White House said.

Trump also spoke with President Juan Manuel Santos of Colombia.

“President Trump stressed the importance of Colombia doing its utmost to eliminate the production and trafficking of illegal drugs,” it said.

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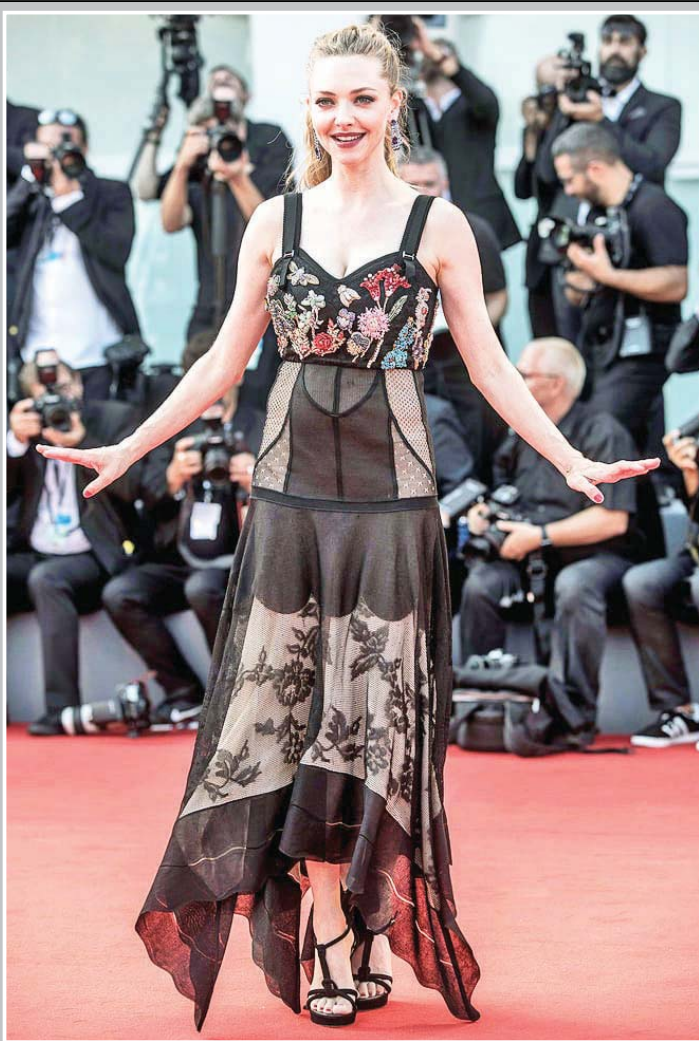
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HOT MOM: Mean Girls star Amanda Seyfried showed off her post-baby style at the First Reformed screening during the 2017 Venice Film Festival.

CONGRATULATIONS IN ORDER

Beyonce congratulates Serena Williams on birth of her baby girl

Who runs the world? Girls! Beyoncé congratulated her friend Serena Williams after news broke that she had given birth to her first child—a beautiful baby girl—on Friday, September 1. The multi-Grammy winner is no stranger to pregnancy posts since she recently welcomed her baby twins, Sir Carter and Rumi, breaking the internet with the announcement on February 1, which is now the most-liked photo on Instagram with more than 11 million. This isn't the first time the two superstars have publicly shown support for each other. Beyoncé shared a photo of a young Williams holding a trophy when she won her second French Open in 2013, and most recently, Williams appeared in the "Sorry" video for the singer's album Lemonade. The world first found out about Williams' pregnan-



cy through a Snapchat photo she accidentally shared on April 19, writing "20 weeks." Throughout her pregnancy, the Grand Slam champion became more comfortable showing off her baby bump with the world and constantly shared updates with her followers about her growing child.

KANGANA RANAUT REVEALS ADITYA PANCHOLI USED TO ABUSE HER WHILE THEY WERE DATING

While some people say that she is just doing it to promote her upcoming film Simran that all of a sudden she has brought alive all the controversies about her former relationships, Kangana Ranaut feels she has always spoken about them without mincing words. In the past as well, Kangana has opened up about her alleged relationship with Aditya Pancholi and how she was scandalised during the time.

While earlier the actress had opened up how she was abused in a past relationship, she never took Aditya Pancholi's name. However, recently she confirmed that it was Sooraj Pancholi's father.

"It was a very difficult and very harsh time. I was physi-

cally abused. I don't have to go to details. I felt trapped. You feel people might help you. But there are no free lunches. But when you are going you fall for it. This man who was my father's age hit me hard on my head when I was 17. I started bleeding. I took out my sandal and hit him on the head hard and he started to bleed too. I lodged an FIR against the man," she had earlier said at a press conference.

At a talk-show recently, the actress affirmed that she was talking about Aditya Pancholi. She even said she was under house arrest during that time, and that he used to abuse her physically. She took his wife Zarina Wahab's help to be saved from his beatings.

A few years ago, Aditya Pancholi too had opened up about his relationship with Kangana Ranaut and said, "We were as good as husband and wife. I was actually building a house for both of us on Yari Road. We lived together for three years at a friends' place. I used to show her a lot of movies. I was building a home for the two of us. Even the phone she was using was mine." He also had revealed how he got back to his wife after the split and how accepting she was of his past relationships.

"Zarina has been my support and strength. In spite of all the pain that I've caused her, she says she wants to be my wife for seven more lives. All Kangana had to do was tell me she was seeing this boy."

ZAYN MALIK ANNOUNCES NEW SIA-FEATURED SINGLE 'DUSK TILL DAWN'

Zayn Malik is preparing for his second album and has officially announced the release date of his new song, "Dusk Till Dawn," featuring Sia. The hitmaker revealed on Friday, September 1, that the collaboration will drop Thursday, September 7. The "Like I Would" singer teased the music video for the new track with a photo that looks somewhat like a movie poster, featuring himself, a woman in a fur coat, a cop and bodyguards. The poster reveals that Malik and Girls actress Jemima Kirke will star in the video, which will be directed by Marc Webb. The former One Direction member kept it simple with his caption, writing, "#DuskTillDawn ft @Sia • 7th Sept" "The 'Cheap Thrills' singer reshared the post on her page, writing: "@ZaynMalik x Sia - #DuskTillDawn - coming September 7th" - Team Sia."

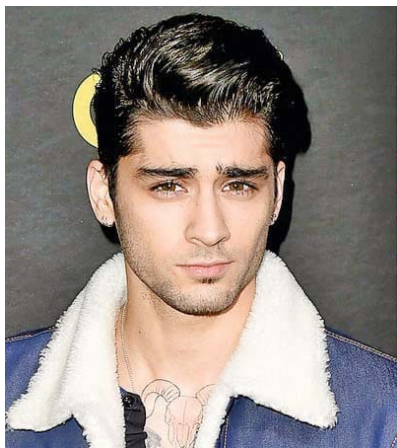
This will be the British star's first music release since his collaboration, "Still Got Time," with Canadian singer PartyNextDoor that debuted on March 24. Aside from the occasional outing with model girlfriend Gigi Hadid, the ex boy-bander has mostly stayed out of the public eye in the past year. That was

likely intentional given that Malik, 24, has been open about his struggles with anxiety.

"I'm not a very outgoing social person, like in terms of big groups of people. When we're getting ready to start putting [my] second album out, people are going to start seeing me a bit more," he told Vogue in July 2017. The "I Don't Wanna Live Forever" singer's new music will likely be in the same genre as his

lyrics now. I feel like my lyrics have grown. I feel like it's more adult. I feel like I've got some cool puns in there and some weird things that I'm proud of that my mind has been able to come up with."

The R&B crooner found success with his first solo album, Mind of Mine, on March 25, 2016, after leaving the popular boy band the year before on the same date. The album debuted at No. 1 on the Billboard 200 and "Pillowtalk,"



previous record, telling the mag,

"I listen to a lot of hip-hop, a lot of rap music," Malik continued, "I always feel like there's something I can improve on, or there's something I can tweak and make it more me, or a little bit more different here. I feel like that comes across with my

his first single after going solo, also hit No. 1, charting higher than any of his songs with 1D. ("Best Song Ever" hit No. 2 in 2013.)

Zayn Malik's "Dusk Till Dawn" featuring Sia will be available Thursday, September 7, 2017.

ARIES: Your thoughts may be scattered and confused, Aries, especially regarding responsibilities that are important to you. You need to be disciplined and focused, but frivolous chatter may fill your brain. This kind of mental mud limits you in many situations, making it difficult to express what you feel. Ask someone who knows you well to help you make sense.

TAURUS: There's a chance that incredible luck will befall you, Taurus, but nothing will come without hard work on your part. Don't expect someone else to hand you the treasure chest. You have the map in your hand, so follow it. Once you start, you may realize that you're

much closer than you think. It's up to you to make the journey.

GEMINI: You may feel like someone's trying to pin you down before you start, Gemini. Perhaps these obstacles are self-imposed. Maybe you're restricting yourself from doing the things you want to do because you're afraid they won't work out. This fear of failure is the pain you feel. Overcoming it is the first step. If you try and fail, you'll be no worse off than if you never try at all.

CANCER: Things should be running smoothly for you, Cancer, and you'll accomplish a lot with surprisingly little effort. Although there may not be any Earth-shattering

developments, you should find that things go well. Maybe you won't win the lottery today, but the few dollars you invest now will turn into megabucks later. Be patient.

LEO: You may feel like you're being tested in some way, Leo, like you're on trial and must defend yourself, including what you believe and how you operate. This feeling is unsettling, but soon you'll realize that it's strengthening in many ways. Questioning your behavior patterns is healthy, so open up in a way that you may not have considered before.

VIRGO: Your vitality is low. It may be difficult to fight adversity. Try not to get discouraged. In-

stead, realize that this is part of the natural cycle. Awareness of your energy patterns is half the battle. Don't force yourself into feeling something you don't. It's important that you not take on more responsibilities than you can handle.

LIBRA: You may find it hard to admit that you can't do everything. Libra. There are some jobs that you aren't cut out to do. Why pretend when a better option would be to delegate the task to someone else? If you don't feel a strong connection with something or someone, don't force it. Pretending that you're capable of something will only cause frustration for you and everyone else.

SCORPIO: Your hard work is pay-

ing off in ways that may not be noticeable to you now, Scorpio. Things are flowing naturally, and you seem to have all your responsibilities under control. You may not be aware that this is so since it's easier to see when something's wrong than when something's going well. Take time to appreciate the incredible things you've created for yourself thanks to all your effort.

SAGITTARIUS: You may feel like it's your responsibility to take care of everyone, Sagittarius. If you love someone, your brain translates this into thinking that you need to be the caretaker. If you don't take someone under your wing, maybe you see your-

self as selfish or unkind. Dismiss this notion. Other people's feelings aren't your responsibility. Don't let another's well-being become your project.

CAPRICORN: There are opportunities for achievement, so stay open to new energy coming your way, Capricorn. If you don't turn at these fortuitous junctions, you may never find this spot in the road again. What comes your way may not be a pot of gold, but it will certainly be the rainbow that leads you to it. If nothing else, you'll find opportunities that strengthen your spirit, preparing you for adversity later.

AQUARIUS: You may find it hard to relate to others verbally,

Aquarius. You may have everything figured out in your head, but the words get in the way as soon as you share your ideas. Talking with someone else may add confusion instead of clarity to the situation.

PISCES: You may be coming to a point of reckoning in something you set into motion years ago, Pisces. This is a time of hard work when you may need to either salvage the mess you've created or start reaping the wonderful rewards of the success you've become. Your ego is wrapped up in this scenario. You may be frustrated by people wasting your time with problems that seem insignificant.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

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03rd SEPTEMBER WORLD HISTORY

1752: The Gregorian Adjustment to the calendar was put into effect in Great Britain and the American colonies followed.

1759: Pope Clement XIII officially placed the French Encyclopedie on the Vatican's Index of Prohibited Books.

1792: In France, Princess de Lamballe, the best friend of Queen Marie Antoinette, was killed and her body mutilated by an angry mob. Her head was displayed under the window of Marie Antoinette.

1895: The first professional American football game was played in Latrobe, Pennsylvania between the Latrobe Young Men's Christian Association and the Jeannette Athletic Club.

1935: Sir Malcolm Campbell became the first person to drive an automobile over 300 MPH. Campbell drove the Blue-

bird Special on the Bonneville Salt Flats in Utah at a speed of 304.331 MPH.

1976: The unmanned U.S. spacecraft Viking 2 landed on Mars to take the first close-up, color photographs of the planet's surface.

INDIAN HISTORY

1905: Kamalapati Tripathi, leader of Indian National Congress, was born.

1939: Lord Linlithgow, the then Viceroy announced that India was also at war against Germany. This declaration was made without the consent of Indian National Congress which was then in partnership with the Government.

1995: Ram Jethmalani (lawyer and MP) launches a new party, Bharatiya Lok Panchayat, to rid the country of its evils.

LOCKHORNS

- HOEST & REINER



ARCTIC CIRCLE

- HALLATT



BABY BLUES

- KIRKMAN & SCOTT

