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Aadhaar must for ITR filing, new PAN from July 1: CBDT

NEW DELHI, JUN 10 (PTI): The CBDT today made it clear that Aadhaar will be a "must" for filing of Income Tax Returns or for obtaining a new PAN from July 1.

The policy-making body of the Income Tax Department issued a statement stating that the Supreme Court yesterday had only given a "partial relief" to those who do not have an Aadhaar or an Aadhaar enrolment ID, and the taxman, hence, will not "cancel" their Permanent Account Number (PAN).

The Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) issued a three-point "effect of the judgement" of the apex court statement saying:

From July 1, 2017 onwards every person eligible to obtain Aadhaar must quote their Aadhaar number or their Aadhaar enrolment ID number for filing of income tax returns as well as for appli-

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PMO orders closure of mine- fire affected Dhanbad- Chandrapura rail line

DHANBAD, JUN 10 (PTI) The Prime Minister's Office (PMO) has ordered the closure of Dhanbad-Chandrapura railway line, which is affected by underground coal mine fire, and rail traffic will be suspended completely from June 15.

Dhanbad Deputy Commissioner A Dodde said, he had received a letter from the PMO in this regard and a meeting with the Dhanbad divisional rail manager and other officials would be held soon to chalk out the further course of action.

The executive director (civil engineer) of the railway board, Anil Kumar Lahoti, also wrote to General Manager of the East Central Railway, D K Gayen, today for the closure of the railway line due to coal mines fire and subsidence in Jharia coalfield.

Lahoti, in his letter, said the Directorate General of Mines Safety (DGMS) had submitted a report on the railway line, saying a 14-km

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Major fire breaks out at leather factory in Adampool

**SAGAR CHHETRI
GANGTOK, 10 JUNE:**

A major fire broke out at the factory of Hide-sign India Private Limited here at Adampool in East Sikkim this morning. It is suspected that a short circuit in the store containing combustible materials caused the fire. The factory, it is informed, was currently ill-equipped to handle a major fire incident like the one that took place today.

When the fire broke out at 10 a.m. the factory staff tried to control the fire using the six fire extinguishers that were kept at the unit. Their efforts proved largely inadequate in the face of the blaze and left one of the employees with minor burn injuries.

Eventually, it took three fire tenders and 18 fire personnel to bring the fire under control.

As soon as the Gangtok Fire Station received information about the fire, one fire tender rushed to the spot and immediately started the fire fighting operation.



When the fire refused to give up, one more fire tender from Gangtok Fire Station and another from Singtam Fire Station were called in to join the operation which lasted another 30 minutes.

The fire is reported to have broken out in the top floor of the factory and fire fighters managed to prevent it from spreading to other floors.

According to the Deputy Chief Fire Offi-

cer, Prakash Rai, six fire extinguishers are not enough for such a big structure with combustible materials.

He informs that the Department had recommended that a fire hydrant be installed at the facility for such an eventuality. It is informed that the factory was in the process of installing a hydrant and water tanks, but a fire struck them before such fire-fighting

measures could be put in place.

The Gangtok Fire Station team was led by its Station Officer, Matthew Rai under the supervision of Gangtok FS Deputy Chief Fire Officer. The team from Singtam Fire Station was led by Sub Fire Officer, Sonam Lepcha. A team of Ranipool Police Station led by its SHO, Sabitri Pradhan, also assisted in the operation.

GJM announces indefinite bandh at hill offices from Monday onwards

SUMMIT REPORT

DARJEELING, 10 JUNE: The Gorkha Janmukti Morcha has called an indefinite bandh at all Government, Gorkhaland Territorial Administration and Municipality offices and Banks in the Darjeeling Hills from Monday onwards.

Addressing media persons after the central committee meeting of the GJM here today, Roshan Giri, the GJM general secretary, announced, "From Monday, offices, including State, Central, GTA, Municipality and banks will shut down indefinitely. Banks will however operate on Mondays and Thursdays of every week."

Relaxation will also arrive in the last week of

the month when all offices will remain open from 27 to 30 June, the GJM has decided.

All emergency services including fire brigade office, health, water supply, conservancy department of the Municipalities have been exempted from the bandh call.

"It is for Gorkhaland. The separate state demand is the aspiration of the people. They should be ready to sacrifice their salaries for Gorkhaland," stated Mr Giri.

He also stated that all signage in the Hills will now have to be in Nepali and English.

On the Gorkhaland agitation front, torch rallies will be brought out on Mondays. On

Thursdays and Sundays, the GJM will take out Gorkhaland rallies.

"We will hold an all-party meeting for Gorkhaland on 13 June. All political parties will be invited," he said.

Simultaneously, signature campaigns for Gorkhaland will take place throughout the Hills.

Meanwhile, the GJM chief, Bimal Gurung, has written to the Home Minister to initiate the process of delivering Gorkhaland state.

A GJM team will soon meet the Prime Minister and Union Home Minister with this demand.

"Only Gorkhaland can free us from the oppressive rule of West Bengal," declared Mr Giri.

Lachen boy called up for India U-23 preparatory camp

SAURABH RAI

SILIGURI, 10 JUN:

Goalkeeper of Shillong Lajong FC, Phurba Tempa Lachenpa, who hails from Sikkim, has been called for the India Under-23 preparatory camp. The selected players from this Camp will play in 2018 AFC Under-23 Championship qualifiers which will be held in Qatar next month.

"It a proud moment for me. I've put my hard work for days like these. It's a result of constant hard work and support from many wonderful people around me. My family, my coaches and teachers who have always been beside



me guiding and giving knowledge to do well in life," said Phurba.

He further added that most of the credit for this India Under-23 Camp call goes to his coaches right from the Academy days to his current club, Shillong Lajong FC.

19-year-old Phurba was born in Lachen and did his schooling from North Sikkim Academy after which he was selected to attend the Sports Academy of Sikkim in Gangtok. He also spent a few months in the famed Tata Football Academy [TFA]. The youngster then signed his first professional contract with Shillong Lajong FC in 2015.

According to the All India Football Federation website, 34 players have been called for the preparatory camp to be held in New Delhi from 17 June under the watchful eyes of the Head Coach, Stephen Constantine.

Bengal producers, actors express reservation against GST

KOLKATA, JUN 10 (PTI): Prominent producers' and technicians' bodies and leading actors of Bengali film industry today expressed reservation over the proposed 28 per cent GST from July 1 stating it would deal a big blow to the industry.

The meeting, in which members of

Eastern India Motion Pictures' Association (EIMPA) and Federation of Cine Technicians and Workers of Eastern India took part, resolved to oppose the issue tooth and nail.

"We decided to observe one day's to-

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Darjeeling limps back to normalcy, for now



DARJEELING (WB), JUN 10 (PTI): A day after a 12-hour bandh called by the influential Gorkha Janmukti Morcha (GJM) for revival of Gorkhaland agitation, life limped back to normalcy here as people resumed their daily work with hotels, shops, eateries and markets opening for regular business today.

Following Thursday's violence between GJM supporters and the police, the GJM Yuva Morcha had called a bandh yesterday protesting against alleged imposition of Bengali language in the schools in the hills as well as for a separate Gorkhaland, among other issues.

Tourists gradually started arriving in Darjeeling after transportation facilities were put back in order.

Several hotel owners, however, said they have been receiving calls to cancel the bookings of many

tourists.

"This is a peak season and we have seen a surge in tourism here. If this continues, our business will take a dip as we depend on this season for our living. We are trying to convince the tourists that everything is fine but many of them are insisting on cancellation of bookings," Shibshankar Majumdar, manager of a hotel near Mall area, said.

Several tourists reached Kolkata availing the free bus service provided by the state government in the wake of the unrest in the hills.

West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee, who was already in Darjeeling on Thursday, had stayed back after trouble broke out and supervised the entire operations.

State government sources said

the chief minister, who had descended to the plains of Darjeeling district late last night, will take stock of the situation in the hills from there itself.

Banerjee, who spent last night at Uttarakhand, the mini-secretariat in north Bengal, is likely to hold a meeting there with Chief Secretary Basudeb Banerjee, Home Secretary Malay De, Director General of Police Surajit Kar Purkayastha and other senior officials in the afternoon regarding the next step to tackle the situation in the hills.

With the state government announcing a special audit of the Gorkhaland Territorial Administration's (GTA) handling of finances in another two weeks, GJM chief Bimal Gurung is also likely to meet his party colleagues to decide their next strategy.

ASHA worker killed in road mishap at Ambithang



SUMMIT REPORT
MANGAN, 10 JUN:

One 43-year-old woman was killed in a road mishap on Saturday afternoon around 1.30 p.m. here at Ambithang near Mangan in North Sikkim. The deceased, identified as Buddhamoto Limboo, hailing from Mangshila, worked as an

Accredited Social Health Activist [ASHA] under Thingchim Primary Health Sub Center.

The ill-fated Mahindra Savari vehicle was plying to Mangshila from Mangan when the vehicle, failing to make the climb at Ambithang tumbled down the road.

The body of the deceased has been handed

over to family members after autopsy at District Hospital Mangan. The driver of the vehicle, Buddhiman Limboo, has been arrested by Mangan Police.

There have been many accidents on the Ambithang stretch in the past and the public have pleaded with the BRO several times for maintenance of the said spot.



Saga Dawa at Tashiding Monastery

SUMMIT REPORT
GYALSHING, 10 JUN:

Saga Dawa was celebrated at Tashiding Monastery in West Sikkim on 09 June.

The ceremony, led by Khen Rinpoche Lha Tshering, fea-

tured a ceremonial procession of a statue of Buddha, Kangyur scriptures within the monastery complex followed by a spiritual talk on the significance of the day among hundreds of devotees gathered from in and

around Tashiding.

It is to be mentioned here that ever since the enthronement of Khen Rinpoche as the chief abbot of the monastery, such spiritual programs are held at regular intervals.

Besides, the ongoing beautification and renovation of the Monastery which had sustained damages in the September 2011 earthquake too is taking place under his guidance and supervision.

Shipgyer gets a new Rs 52.59 lakh Primary School building

WANGCHUK BHUTIA
MANGAN, 10 JUN:

Deputy Speaker SLA cum area MLA, Sonam Gyatso Lepcha, inaugurated the newly constructed Shipgyer Primary School in Dzongu, North Sikkim, today in the presence of Upadhyaksha [North], NT Lepcha, District Collector-North, Karma R Bonpo, Joint Director-Human Resource Development Department [North], Sonam Lepcha, Sub Divisional Magistrate-Chungthang, Sonam Tashi Topgay, SDM-Dzongu, TD Bhutia, and HRDD officials.

After unveiling of the new building, the Deputy Speaker stressed that the infrastructure will go to waste if the rate of enrolment in the school does not increase since a number of schools in North Sikkim have been known to have low enrolment rates.

He urged everyone to maintain the infrastructure and further informed that the Janta Mela of North Sikkim has been postponed to 24 June from 16 June.

"I have requested the



government to return the unused land of the Horticulture Department to the owners since there is no cultivable land for the people of Shipgyer. Further they are holding a meagre amount of land," said Mr Lepcha.

He also directed the SDM of Chungthang to maintain the quality of work at Toong-Shipgyer road and added that the turning at several points needs to be upgraded and widened.

The function was also addressed by Joint Director-HRDD who urged for public participation in the development of the area in terms of education.

Likewise, DC-North, Mr Bonpo, informed that the maintenance

of the school should be done by the Panchayats and the local public. He stressed on joint efforts in providing quality education to the children and also urged parents to routinely monitor their children's progress since quality education cannot be achieved only by the school.

Upadhyaksha [North], Mr Lepcha, congratulated the people for the new infrastructure.

Headmistress of the school, Pema Lhamu Tongden, underlined about the school activities and the progress made so far.

The engineering cell of HRDD presented a technical report of the school building and informed that the building



was constructed at a cost of Rs 52.59 lakh funded under the Prime Minister's Relief Fund.

Earlier, the guests were welcomed by Panchayat President-cum-SMC presi-

dent, Lakden Lepcha. The programme ended with the vote of thanks delivered by ex-teacher,

Andhee Lepcha. Also present for the event were former Zilla Adhyakshya-North,

Khamsoong Lepcha, Panchayat members, teachers, students and the local gentries.

SSLSA organizes sensitization programme on Registration of Marriages

GYALSHING, 10 JUN

[IPR]: Sensitization programme on registration of marriages for different religious communities in Sikkim organized by Sikkim State Legal Services Authority in co-ordination with District Legal Services Authority, West Sikkim was held at Kyongsa Girls Senior Secondary school today.

The programme was chaired by Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLA, Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai and Judge, High Court of Sikkim, Justice Bhasker Raj Pradhan.

Addressing the gathering, Justice Rai highlighted on Notification dated 03.01.1963, Solemnization of all forms of marriages in Sikkim. It was pointed out that most married couples



have not registered their marriages before the competent authority which is mandatory as per law. She urged the gathering to place queries and take full advantage of the programme.

Justice Pradhan briefly spoke on the customary laws which are protected by Article 371F of

the Constitution of India. He also highlighted that most of our rituals and traditions with regard to marriages are not yet codified, however, that does not make them invalid.

Resource person, Sr. Advocate, N. Rai elaborated on Registration of Marriages under the Hindu Marriage Act,

1955 and other relevant legislations. Panel Advocate, SLA, Umesh Ranpal spoke on Indian Christian Marriage Act, 1872 and Rules to provide for Registration and Solemnization of a Form of Marriage in Sikkim notified vide Notification No.1520/H dated 03.01.1963

Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLA, T.R. Barfungpa informed the gathering about solemnization of all forms of marriages in Sikkim.

The programme also had an interactive session where the religious heads put forth their queries on marriage.

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Aadhaar must for ITR filing, new PAN from July 1: CBDT

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cations for PAN.

"Everyone who has been allotted permanent account number as on the 1st day of July, 2017, and who has aadhaar number or is eligible to obtain Aadhaar number, shall intimate his Aadhaar number to income tax authorities for the purpose of linking PAN with Aadhaar," it said.

It explained what will happen in a case of "non-compliance" or where a person does not possess Aadhaar.

"Only a partial relief by the Court (SC) has been given to those who do not have Aadhaar and who do not wish to obtain Aadhaar for the time being, that their PAN will not be cancelled so that other consequences under the Income Tax Act for failing to quote PAN may not arise," the CBDT said.

If the PAN is cancelled, then a person cannot do his normal banking and financial operations and hence this relief is given. But, it has been made clear that for filing of ITR or to obtain a new PAN, Aadhaar will be mandatory from July 1, a senior I-T official explained.

Senior officials said the apex court's order given yesterday was "studied" by a high-level team of authorities from the Law Ministry, Finance Ministry, CBDT and the Income Tax Department after which this clarification has been issued.

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ken strike in the industry and the modalities will be announced after assessing the situation," an EIM-PA spokesman said.

Dadasaheb Phalke winning actor Soumitra Chatterjee said, "Introducing GST without any discussions is unfair."

Affirming that he supported actor Kamal Hasan's stand on the issue, senior actor Prosenjit Chatterjee said after the meeting, "If GST comes into effect from July 1, we have to sit idle at home."

Urging all regional film industries to be united on the issue, Dev, also a Trinamool Congress MP, said "I will raise the matter in Parliament."

Producer Srikant Mohta of SVF Films said, "I will take up the issue formally with West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee."

Actors Saswata Chatterjee, Jishnu Sengupta, Ankush, directors Kaushik Ganguly, Shiboprosad Mukhopadhyay and Arindam Sil were also present at the meeting.

Modification and improvement of Syari road underway

**ARPAN PRADHAN
GANGTOK, 10 JUN:**

Carpeting work on the Syari road has started and half of the work has been completed from Deorali to Syari.

The Chief Minister Pawan Chhangling had recently announced that the government will focus on the development, repair and maintenance of roads across the state.

Recently the roads of Arithang and other areas in Gangtok saw modification and repair work.

The Chief Minister had announced that the government will spend more than Rs 5000 crore for the maintenance and repair of roads all over the state. Following the announcement many departments have initiated work in different places in Sikkim.

The Urban Development and

Housing Department has also initiated work on repair and maintenance of roads under its jurisdiction.

The UD&HD has started work under the Urban Road Modification and Improvement Scheme in and around Gangtok. Under this project the department is working on proper drainage system along the roads as well as carpeting work.

Construction of drainage systems along the Deorali-Syari road has been completed and carpeting work is currently underway. This particular work is being undertaken at a cost of Rs 234.56 lakh.

Neeta Bhutia, a resident of Syari said, "We are happy that our road has been modified and carpeted. We are thankful to the Government and the Department for the work. We are satisfied with the quality of work as well."



Free ENT check-up camp underway at Thakurbari

**SUMMIT REPORT
GANGTOK, 10 JUN:**

A free ENT check-up camp started here at Thakurbari premises on Saturday. The two-day camp is being organised by Marwari Yuva Manch, Gangtok's Prerna Branch [women's wing] in association with Hearing & Vertigo Clinic, Siliguri.

The first day of the camp registered 80 patients. The camp has Dr Vijay Pd Bania, ENT & vertigo specialist, and Navarun Deb, audiologist & trainer. The camp will continue from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday.



The Flower Man from Dikiling

GANGTOK, 10 JUN: For over 25 years, Rohit Dahal has been hauling buckets of flowers and selling them door-to-door. The 53-year-old from Dikiling has educated his children and runs his household from his earnings from selling flowers. Mr Dahal travels across Gangtok selling flowers at offices, homes, schools and on the streets. [REBYNA RANA]

Kidnapped child rescued in Meghalaya

Shillong, June 10 (PTI): A two-year-old child, kidnapped from her house in Silchar in Assam for nearly a week, was rescued from Khliehriat in East Jaintia Hills district in Meghalaya today, police said.

The girl was abandoned by kidnappers at a barber's shop and local people informed the police who took her into their safe custody, SP Spill Thamar said. "Having gone through the descrip-

tion of the kidnapped girl, we found it matched and all formalities were followed," the SP said.

Trisha, daughter of Subhadeep Roy Choudhury and Satabisha Roy Choudhury who are teachers of the Assam University, was abducted from the residential campus of the varsity on June 5.

Police suspected their absconding maid for the abduction.

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stretch of the total 38 km track was the "most dangerous" due to the underground mines fire.

"So, having considered DGMS reports based on inspection and study, the (Railway) board has decided to stop operation of passengers and goods traffic with effect from June 15. So take immediate and necessary action accordingly," the letter said.

The board also directed the ECR general manager to submit a proposal for sanction of an alternative railway line to cater to the traffic.

Senior commercial manager of the Dhanbad rail division, Ashish Kumar Jha, said the division

has received information regarding the closure of the track from June 15.

The closure would impact a total of 24 trains, including Dhanbad-Kerala Alappuzha Express, Ranchi Howrah Shatabdi Express, Ranchi-Gorakhpur Mourya Express, Dhanbad-Bhubaneswar Garib Rath Express, Ranchi-Jayanagar (Bihar) Express, Hathiya-Patna Patliputra Express, Ranchi-Bhagalpur Varnanchal Express and Ranchi-Dumka Express, ECR officials said.

The Dhanbad Chandrapura rail track is a major route of freight trains too.

An expert committee

had been set up by the Dhanbad deputy commissioner after ECL's Lalmatia mines mishap, in which nine miners were killed on December 29 last year, for assessment of the railway line in January.

The committee had recommended suspension of train movements owing to mines fire spreading towards the track.

The railways ministry and the PMO were apprised of it and the NITI Aayog permanent member, B K Saraswat, visited the area.

Jharkhand Chief Secretary Raj Bala Verma inspected the area in the last week of May.

IMI Dr R.S. Tolia Award 2017: Call for Nominations Open

The Integrated Mountain Initiative (IMI), a pan Himalayan civil society initiative working for sustainable development of the Indian Himalayan Region (IHR) and ensuring prosperity of the people in the region, has announced the Dr R.S. Tolia Award for 2017 in memory of its founding President Dr R.S. Tolia who passed away on 6th December 2016.

Dr R.S. Tolia, IAS (Retd.) was the former Chief Secretary of Uttarakhand. He also served as the first Information Commissioner of Uttarakhand. In addition to being the top administrator in the state, he was a staunch advocate for holistic mountain development that must be rooted in the mountains. Throughout his lifetime, Dr Tolia was committed to the cause of development of the Indian mountain systems and communities. His vision and commitment for the formation of a pan-Indian mountain movement not only unified diverse mountain states of India but also inspired others. In the spirit of unifying committed individuals and institutions for integrated action for the mountains of India, Dr Tolia conceptualised the idea of IMI, got like-minded people on board and led it from the front as its founding President. His deep understanding of the links among people, cultures, livelihoods and mountain environment influenced a generation of researchers, organizations and policymakers. He was a true mountain person and believed that there must be safe, sustainable and equitable mountain development.

IMI has instituted the Award for encouraging passionate individuals to carry forward the cause of integrated mountain development. The purpose of the award is to recognize and reward the exemplary work of individuals whose work has created an impact / has the potential to impact sustainable prosperity and well-being of the people of the Mountain states in India. In exceptional cases organizations will also be considered for the Award. The value of the Award is Rs. 1 lakh cash, citation and a medallion.

A jury with eminent persons working for social development in the country has been appointed to carry the selection process for the award.

The call for nomination is now open and applications will be accepted till 30 June 2017. The details and the nomination form can be viewed on the organisation's website: <http://inmi.in/get-involved/dr-r-s-tolia-award-2017/> Interested individuals/organisations can download the nomination form and send in their application along with a recent CV by 30th June 2017 to pd.imi@inmi.in.

KUSTE SHEGU



The Kuste Shegu of our beloved mother Late SANGAY DOMA BHUTIA (Dokham Anyola) of Central Park, Namchi South Sikkim who Left for heavenly abode on 30th April 2017 falls on 16th June 2017. All the relatives, friends and well wishes are requested to join us for offering prayers at our residence at Central Park, Namchi, South Sikkim. We would also take this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude to all those who supported the family at the time of bereavement.

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Road Rage

To make roads safer, prioritise policing against rash driving

A colleague driving to Gangtok recently was nearly run off the road by a speeding taxi raging to overtake. The road was broad and there was no incoming traffic, hence the reason why the taxi missed brushing against the colleague's car by a whisker made no sense. But pause with the episode a while, and it all makes sense. It is born from the power of engines which have too many more horsepower than the hands on the wheels can control. Combine this with the less than adequate training most people receive before they become drivers, and safe driving is no longer about just your driving skills and depend as much on the proficiency controlling vehicles all around you. When it comes to passenger vehicles, the stress of traffic jams and the opportunity to squeeze in an extra trip further contribute to the rashness that is becoming too common on the roads here.

It is obvious that the National Highway is in desperate need for an extra helping of tar, but our drivers, especially those of taxi vehicles, seem to be in even more urgent need of an extra class on driving etiquette and an introduction to road safety. The spate of accidents, most minor and some fatal, point to a total lack of concern for driving rules, traffic rules and most importantly, pedestrian and passenger safety. Available technology ensures that engine failure, the favourite excuse, can no longer be blamed for mishaps, every single one of them occurs due to rash driving. And then there are the many close shaves that every commuter experiences on a regular basis. Every single one of them could have ended much worse, and many of the involved drivers will eventually become part of a pile up. And this applies to the recklessness which rides on two wheels as well.

One cannot ignore the fact that all recent accidents have involved either taxis or two wheelers. It is thus advisable that we tighten our seat belts and snap on the helmets more snugly and they tease out the reasons for such frequent road mishaps. Accidents are the culmination of "bad habits", and we are not speaking drugs here although that is also a factor in many cases. That drivers do not observe basic traffic rules unless there is a cop around is common knowledge. Overtaking from the wrong side of the road, failing to signal when stopping or stopping abruptly, stopping at 'unauthorised' points... By themselves, these do not lead to major mishaps, but once the keenness to avoid traffic and safety rules becomes instinctive, larger risks are run once the city limits are crossed. The above mentioned reasons would suggest that our drivers tend to manifest a casual approach to their task and/ or are oblivious to the rules of the road - which are hard to digest. The motor vehicles department, after all, issues licenses to the drivers after some tests and checks which are now mandatory. How come drivers still emerge from their training wet behind the ears?

If we are to feel safe on the roads we must all make a conscious effort at righting our wrongs. Drunken or rash driving should be heavily penalised and not just those vehicles parked on the wrong side of the road. The issuing of driving licenses should be made stricter and cracking down on rash driving prioritized because once this becomes a habit everyone around is put in harm's way.

MICHAEL MILFORD
theconversation.com

It's been 18 years since the cheesy but fun 1999 incarnation of The Mummy, and we were long due for another reboot. To meet that need, along came Tom Cruise accompanied by Russell Crowe and relative newcomers Sofia Boutella and Annabelle Wallis, in The Mummy.

Sofia plays Ahmanet, a cursed Egyptian princess who was cast aside by her family and sought revenge in the worst way possible. For her crimes, she was entombed for eternity and erased from history.

Enter soldier of fortune Nick Morton (Tom Cruise), who unwittingly awakens Ahmanet from a 5,000-year slumber. It's up to Morton, archaeologist Jenna Halsey (Annabelle Wallis), and Henry Jekyll (Russell Crowe) to stop her from reclaiming her stolen kingdom.

The film is clearly setting up Universal's "Dark Universe" alternative to the Marvel universe, with a host of famous monsters to be rebooted including Frankenstein, Dracula and the Invisible Man. The film also introduces the secret organisation Prodigium, led by Dr Jekyll, who find, examine and destroy evil manifestations in the world.

So let's take a light-hearted cross-examination of the science behind some of the action scenes in the film. But beware, we'll be letting some mild spoilery secrets out of the sarcophagus.

SHOOTING DOWN AN AIRCRAFT WITH BIRDS

While still inside her sarcophagus on board a military transport plane, Ahmanet summons an immense flock of ravens, who smash through the engines and front windshield, and take out the pilots for good measure.

But could the Mummy have taken down an aircraft with birds?

Bird strikes are a regular problem for aircraft of all varieties, with more than 65,000 incidents reported from 2011-2014. High-profile recent incidents include US Airways Flight 1549, which hit a flock of geese shortly after takeoff, prompting an emergency water landing nicknamed the "Miracle on the Hudson".

In that incident, birds took out both engines but they can also hit the windshield.

The aircraft in the film is a Lockheed C-130 Hercules, with a cruise speed of 540km/h. Let's say a raven can speed for short periods at 80km/h. This gives us a net closing speed of 620km/h between plane and bird, because it is aiming for the plane head-on.

For example, in this learjet collision from 1981, the plane was at low altitude and likely travelling at a relatively low speed of perhaps 400km/h.

Let's assume that bird wasn't malicious and hence wasn't flying head on at the aircraft - so the net closing speed would just be the 400km/h.

Impact energy scales with the square of the speed, so an increase in impact speed from 400km/h to 620km/h results in an increase in impact energy of 2.4 times, meaning a single bird impact in the film is much more damaging.

Some airframe standards mandate being able to withstand a single hit from a 1.8kg bird. Indeed the windshield does seem to handle the first few impacts. But given a few thousand birds flying into the plane all at the same point, it seems highly realistic

that the windshield would give way and the plane would be doomed.

This same principle applies to repeated bullet impacts with bulletproof glass.

Verdict: It's highly plausible that so many bird strikes would break the windshield, if you allow for magical undead-mummy bird-corralling capabilities.

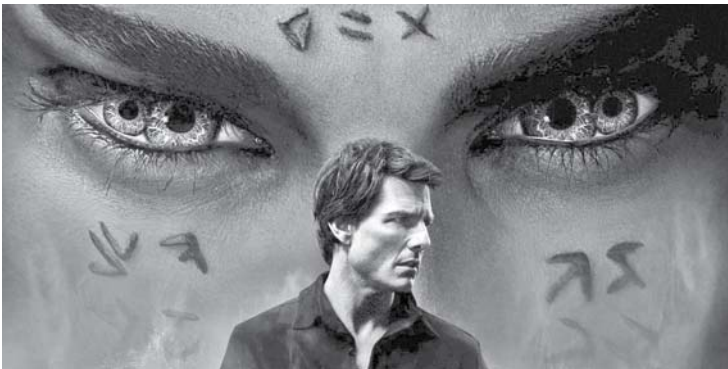
WORKING WITH MERCURY

Superman has his Kryptonite: for The Mummy, the element mercury does the job. Ahmanet is both entombed in a massive bath of mercury and injected directly with it later to disable her, making use of its property of being the only metal that is liquid at room temperature.

The film's production notes suggest this may have some origin in Egyptian beliefs: perhaps it was just used as a pigment.

The plan is to inject Ahmanet with liquid mercury, then cool it down to -38 (which is the correct temperature at which mercury transitions from solid to liquid) to "solidify" Ahmanet, then dissect her for study. One of the potential issues with this plan is that solid mercury is relatively soft (like lead or tin) and can be easily manipulated.

So instead of a stiff Wolverine-like corpse, the



The Mummy is currently screening in Gangtok at Denzong Cinema Hall

Prodigium crew may just enrage her even more, which is exactly what happens.

Verdict: Nice chemistry, but a little soft.

EATING YOUR WAY TO A BETTER BODY

Princess Ahmanet starts the film as a weak skeleton, but rapidly regains her original physique by consuming multiple human victims.

Her consumed victims become skeletal servants themselves. If we assume her normal weight is 60kg, approximately 15% of that weight is her skeleton, so around 9kg. She needs to gain about 51kg of mass.

I lost count during the film but I think she "consumed" about six people to regain her original physique. That's about 8.5kg of flesh-eating transfer per victim.

But her (mostly larger male) victims are clearly mostly defleshed, suggesting they may have lost up to half their bodyweight, say 40kg per victim, or a total of 240kg.

That means either her consumption process is inefficient - with only a 21% mass transfer rate - or the directors thought it would be nice to have her suck the flesh off more than one victim for effect.

Verdict: Something doesn't add up.

SARCOPHAGUS SUFFOCATION

As punishment, Ahmanet is entombed alive in her sarcophagus (a common theme in Mummy films), and then dipped into a well filled with mercury. This is a nightmare scenario, but how long might a normal human survive before suffocating?

A big sarcophagus might measure about 2 metres

by 1 metre by 0.5 metres - for a total volume of approximately 1m³, or 1,000 litres of air if we ignore the walls. Subtract a small female body - about 60 litres - and you're left with 940 litres of air, which is initially 21% oxygen - 197.4 litres.

You breathe in air containing oxygen, but the air you exhale isn't completely devoid of oxygen either. We can use an approximate net oxygen consumption rate of 0.4 litres per minute to work out how long you'd survive:

Time to suffocate = oxygen content / consumption rate

= 197.4 litres / 0.4 litres/minute

= 493.5 minutes

= 8 hrs 13 minutes 30 seconds

This assumes you can completely use all the oxygen available, which is the optimal case. In reality, you'd probably pass out and die before you'd completely sucked all the last bits of oxygen out of the air.

Luckily Ahmanet is cursed, presumably to live forever, so she likely has other concerns, like trying not to go insane being stuck for 5,000 years in her pitch-black sarcophagus.

Verdict: Painfully plausible: she either suffocates 5 million times over or the curse "protects" her from dying.

BEHIND THE SCENES: FILMING IN ZERO GRAVITY

If you don't have access to a film studio in orbit, your only other filming options are faking it underwater or using robot arms like in Gravity, a drop tower, or what they did for The Mummy: zero-gravity parabolic plane flights, a technique previously used in classic films like Apollo 13.

Zero Gravity Corporation provided the flights wherein a modified Boeing 727 flies repeated parabolic arcs that alternate between zero gravity for about 20 to 30 seconds (at the top of the parabola)

and about 1.8 normal gravity at the bottom of the trajectory - where an 80kg adult will feel like they weigh 144kg.

NASA also uses a KC-135 aircraft to do essentially the same thing, also known as the "Vomit Comet".

The crew did 16 parabolic flights within a two-hour period, twice a day, for two days - for a total of 64 weightlessness sessions. Talk about dedication. The actors performed inside a C-130 interior reconstruction encased within the larger plane.

Cruise talks about how hard it is to fake weightless action scenes, so the fact that they actually filmed in genuine zero gravity means the film gets an A+ there for scientific realism!

Verdict: You can't fake real science.

THE OVERALL VERDICT

The Mummy is a welcome revisit to the classic monster film of old, paying the right amount of homage to the classics, while introducing the modern world of 2017 and setting up a new universe within which to entertain film goers.

In terms of the science, we get a heap of physics and a side of chemistry, some okay, some a bit dodgy.

That's all more than redeemed for by the fact that the plane crash physics involve the real thing: more than half a billion dollars worth of actors and crew doing it for real, over 64 weightless, vomit-inducing loops through the sky.

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We know too much sugar is bad for us, but do different sugars have different health effects?

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Our recent article published in the Medical Journal of Australia found that Australian and European soft drinks contained higher concentrations of glucose, and less fructose, than soft drinks in the United States. The total glucose concentration of Australian soft drinks was on average 22% higher than in US formulations.

We compared the composition of sugars in four popular, globally marketed brands - Coca-Cola, Fanta, Sprite and Pepsi - using samples from Australia, Europe and the US. While the total sugar concentration did not differ significantly between brands or geographical location, there were differences between countries in the concentrations of particular sugars, even when drinks were marketed under the same trade name.

Whether these differences have distinct effects on long-term health is currently unclear. Certainly, over-consumption of either glucose or fructose will contribute to weight gain, which is associated with a host of health conditions such as type 2

diabetes and heart disease. And because the body metabolises glucose and fructose in different ways, their effects may differ.

SUCROSE, GLUCOSE AND FRUCTOSE

Soft drinks, as they are referred to in Australia, or "sodas" in the US and "fizzy drinks" in the UK, are non-alcoholic, carbonated, sugar-sweetened beverages. Australia ranks seventh out of the top ten countries for soft drink sales per capita.

Sugars are the chief ingredient in soft drinks and include glucose, fructose and sucrose. The source of sugars in popular soft drinks varies between global regions. This is because sugars are sourced from different crops in different areas of the world.

Soft drinks in Australia are primarily sweetened with sucrose from sugar cane. Sucrose, often referred to as "table sugar", is composed of one glucose molecule and one fructose molecule joined by chemical bonds. This means

equal amounts of glucose and fructose are released into the bloodstream when sucrose is digested.

Overseas, soft drinks are sweetened with sucrose-rich sugar beet (Europe) or high-fructose corn syrup (US). High-fructose corn syrup is also made up of glucose and fructose, but contains a higher fructose-to-glucose ratio than sucrose.

DO THEY HAVE DIFFERENT HEALTH IMPACTS?

Fructose over-consumption is known to contribute to fatty liver disease. Fatty liver disease affects about one in ten people in the West. Non-alcoholic fatty liver disease is

the leading cause of liver disease.

Some researchers have suggested too much fructose in the diet can harm the liver in a similar fashion to alcohol. However, this concern is related to added fructose in the diet, not natural sources. Natural sources of fructose, such as fruit, honey and some vegetables, are not generally over-consumed and provide other important nutrients, such as dietary fibre and vitamins. So, fruit does not generally pose a risk for fatty liver disease.

High glucose consumption rapidly elevates blood glucose and insulin. This may affect brain func-

tion, including mood and fatigue. Because high blood glucose is linked to diabetes, consumption of high-glucose drinks may also raise the risk of diabetes and cardiovascular (heart) disease.

All soft drinks are considered energy-dense, nutrient-poor and bad for health. However, one of the inherent challenges in the field has been an inability to determine the actual dose of glucose or fructose in these drinks.

Studies that follow people over time, and link soft drink consumption to adverse health effects, are complicated by not knowing whether individuals in these studies are simply eating too many energy-rich foods, and whether soft drink consumption coincides with other poor health behaviours. So, further research is required to determine whether soft drinks containing different concentrations of fructose and glucose are associated with differing health risks.

SOFT DRINK POLICIES

There is still much to learn about the differences in composition of sugars and patterns of soft drink intake between countries. A small number of countries, including Mexico and

France, have already implemented taxation on soft drinks. It remains to be determined whether these actions reduce the incidence of obesity, diabetes and heart diseases.

Australian policymakers are yet to take action to reduce soft drink consumption. A range of intervention strategies have been considered, including banning sugary soft drinks in schools and hospitals, taxation, and regulating beverage marketing.

The New South Wales Health Department has just announced sugary drinks will be phased out of vending machines, cafes and catering services in the state's health facilities by December. This is a great move. Importantly, we must continue to increase public awareness of the adverse health effects of sugary soft drinks.

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Darj SP removed

SILIGURI/KOLKATA, JUN 10 (PTI): West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee descended to the plains of Darjeeling district Friday night after taking stock of the situation in the hills.

She started from Darjeeling town at around 10 pm and reached Siliguri after over two hours, officials said.

The Trinamool Congress (TMC) supremo had stayed back at Darjeeling after holding a cabinet meeting there yesterday.

She had personally intervened to ensure that vehicles were arranged for the tourists, who got stranded in the hills, to reach Siliguri.

Meanwhile, Darjeeling Superintendent of Police (SP) Amit Javalgi was removed from his post and Deputy Commissioner (Central), Kolkata Police, Akhilesh Chaturvedi, was tipped to be the new SP, said a senior Kolkata Police official.

The chief minister had earlier said a three-member team comprising senior IPS officers had been formed to look after the law-and-order situation in Darjeeling.

TMC MLA Iqbal Ahmed fails to appear before CBI, seeks more time

KOLKATA, JUNE 10 (PTI): Senior Trinamool Congress leader Iqbal Ahmed today did not appear before the CBI for questioning in Narada case citing 'ill-health'.

He sought more time from the investigating agency.

The TMC MLA was summoned by the CBI on June 8. He had earlier confirmed that he would appear for questioning on Saturday.

But today his lawyer came to the CBI office at Nizam Palace in the city and submitted a letter from Ahmed where he requested some more time from the CBI.

"He is very ill and as the Ramzan month is going on, he asked for more time from CBI. Once he is fit he will come for questioning", his lawyer said.

The CBI officials said that they have received Ahmed's letter but declined to comment on the matter.

The Calcutta High Court in March ordered a preliminary inquiry by the CBI into the Narada sting operation in which, several TMC leaders, including state ministers, were purportedly caught on camera taking bribes.

The sting tapes were released to various media organisations ahead of the 2016 West Bengal Assembly polls.

A division bench of the High Court noted that a report of the Central Forensic Science Laboratory (CFSL), Chandigarh had said the tapes were not tampered with.

Agitation will not stop till Gorkhaland is achieved: Gurung



DARJEELING (WB), JUN 10 (PTI): GJM supremo Bimal Gurung today said that the agitation in Darjeeling hills will not stop until and unless a separate Gorkhaland is achieved and warned the TMC not to play with fire.

He, however, regretted that the tourists who were visiting the hills faced inconvenience yesterday due to the 12-hour strike called by GJM in protest against the alleged imposition of Ben-

gali language in schools in the hills as well as for a separate Gorkhaland.

Many of them cut short their vacation and returned to Siliguri on their way back.

"We are sorry for the inconvenience that the tourists faced yesterday. We are not in favour of violent agitation or shutdown. But if the TMC wants to play with fire then they will regret it. Our agitation will be a democratic one and it

will not stop until and unless Gorkhaland is achieved," Gurung said.

He alleged that West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee was trying to practice "divide and rule" politics in the hills to establish political hegemony.

"The state government is trying to undermine the authority of the GTA. Who gave the state government the right to arbitrarily announce audit into GTA accounts? TMC is violating the GTA

pact. It wants to establish political supremacy in the hills. But they will fail.

"As long as the GJM is there the TMC will not be able to set its foot in the hills," he said.

Fuming about the special audit into the accounts of the GTA, Gurung called it "an infringement into the rights of the GTA". "Why is the CM not conducting audit into the accounts of her own party (TMC) leaders who have looted

public money in Saradha and Narada scam."

GJM chief Bimal Gurung had yesterday challenged Banerjee to stop the agitation in the hill and said that it was his writ that "runs in the hill". He also projected himself as the "chief minister of the hills".

Meanwhile, the TMC today conducted a peace rally in the hills and demanded immediate restoration of normalcy in the area.

TMC takes out peace rally in Kalimpong, will take on GJM office-bandh call on Monday

**SUMMIT REPORT
KALIMPONG, 10 JUN:**

Trinamool Congress today took out a peace rally from its party office to Trikone Park here today in protest against Gorkha Janmukti Morcha's activities. TMC has said that the situation created by GJM in Darjeeling has harmed the people.

The TMC's role now will be to counter Morcha's activities, said working executive president of TMC, Chawang Bhutia.

"We will take our ward commissioners to the Municipality for the oath taking ceremony on Monday which will be backed by a procession. No matter what Morcha does, our counter programme will go on here," he added.

The two ward commissioners of TMC had failed to attend the oath taking ceremony which was held on 30 May in the Municipality conference hall.

Later, Mr Bhutia also spoke about the Chief Minister's decision on the GTA audit.

"GTA had received more than Rs 400 crore and an audit is essential as the fund was released for the people. We strongly demand that an audit should be done," he stated.

On the other hand, the GJM had also demanded an audit for 15 development boards set up under the directions of Mamata Banerjee.

When asked about the same, Mr Bhutia said, "The answer is there in the outskirts of Kalimpong. Go and check the houses built for the poor, the green and blue roofs are the audit report."

Mr Bhutia said that the Morcha has failed to witness the development that has happened in the outskirts of Kalimpong. The party believes that an audit is not required for the development boards as the houses are evidence enough.



Air India making profits in NE; plans Guwahati-Bangkok flight

GUWAHATI, JUN 9 (PTI): Air India's operations in north-east are profitable with a market share of 17 per cent and it is now looking to expand presence in the region, including a direct Guwahati-Bangkok flight, a top official said today.

"Some of our routes are not very profitable in north-east and has less occupancy. But we get a viability gap funding from the NEC. So, overall our operations are profitable in NE," Air India Chairman and MD Ash-

wani Lohani told reporters here.

The company received a funding of Rs 35 crore from the North Eastern Council (NEC) during 2016-17 to operate flights to loss making routes in the region, he added.

Lohani said the state-run carrier operates 24 flights daily to and from north-east and is currently enjoying a market share of 17 per cent in the region against the pan-India share of 13-14 per cent.

Talking about addition of new flights for the north-east region, the CMD said Air India is considering to operate a direct flight either between Guwahati and Bangkok or between Guwahati and Kunming thrice a week.

He informed that from tomorrow evening, there will be a new Air India flight from Kolkata to Guwahati.

The airline is planning to start a new flight between New Delhi and Guwahati from June 28,

taking the number of flights on this route to two, he said further.

He announced that from September 1, there will be a flight service between Guwahati-Dibrugarh-Pasighat (Arunachal Pradesh) and back.

The Chief of the National Carrier further said that Air India will soon add a new route either between Mumbai and Guwahati or between Hyderabad and Guwahati.

Air India will also

introduce a Delhi-Dibrugarh flight in November this year, he said.

"We have discussed these routes during our meeting with the Assam Chief Secretary today. We will finalise everything in a day or two," Lohani said.

He said the company's focus is on international routes as well as enhancing regional connectivity.

"We also want to enhance the density in the main cities of the country," Lohani added.

Blockade on NH 54 lifted after four days

AIZAWL, JUN 10 (PTI): The Joint Action Committee of Kolasib district in Mizoram has lifted the road blockade from National Highway 54 after four days.

Kolasib superintendent of police C Lalzahngova said the blockade was lifted from the lifeline of Mizoram late last night.

Hundreds of vehicles, carrying essential goods and other commodities from neighbouring Assam, entered Kolasib district last night, after the blockade was lifted.

The JAC had called the 'indefinite' blockade as the people of Kolasib district were protesting the transfer of a surgeon from the district hospital without posting of a replacement.

The blockade was lifted after the state government withdrew the transfer order of the doctor.

The road block on the 850 km long National Highway, connecting Assam and Mizoram, had caused hardship to the people as large number of vehicles were stranded on NH 54 leading to shortage of essential commodities.

North East can become medical hub for South East Asia: Rijiju

GUWAHATI, JUN 10 (PTI): The North East region of the country has the potential to become a healthcare hub for South East Asia, Union minister Kiren Rijiju said today.

"We can create a medical hub in the North East for our neighbours... Myanmar people want to come to North East for medical treatment and a few are coming to Dibrugarh (in Assam)," the Union Minister of State for Home Affairs said while flagging of an ambulance service launched by Hindustan Prefab Ltd.

"We are going to inaugurate the Moreh Integrated Check Post (ICP) in August," he said.

"We are now closer to the integration of South East Asian nations," the minister said.

"There are some good facilities in Guwahati and Dibrugarh but better than the two cities, the scenario in the entire North East is not good," he said.

While favourable policies from government were needed to improve the scenario, he appealed to the corporates to come forward and open medical facilities in the region.

Emphasising on public and private contribution in developing medical infrastructure, Rijiju said without development of medical facilities, society cannot develop.

"We need to do much more. Only government support will not suffice. Many important companies around the globe make massive contribution as part of CSR activities.

I have called the companies, especially the Navratna companies, to come out and help the needy people," he added.

Nagaland CM condoles SS Khaplang's demise

KOHEMA, JUN 10 (PTI): Nagaland Chief Minister Shurhozelie Liezietsu today condoled the death of NSCN(K) chairman SS Khaplang saying it was tragic that he passed away before things could be taken forward to their logical conclusion.

Khaplang died following a cardiac arrest at Takka in Myanmar last night.

"It is tragic that an important Naga leader like Khaplang expired considering the fact that the protracted Naga political problem is on the verge



Nagaland CM
Shurhozelie Liezietsu

of being resolved and the need for all different Naga political groups to come together to air our views and aspirations to the Government of India in one voice is absolute-



NSCN(K) chairman
SS Khaplang

ly imperative," Liezietsu said in a condolence message here today.

After NSCN-K abrogated the ceasefire with the Government of India in 2015, the Na-

galand government in consultation with the Centre had been sending delegations to meet the NSCN(K) leadership in Myanmar to convince the rebel outfit to re-enter the peace process to find an early solution to the Naga political problem, he said..

"It was encouraging to learn that Khaplang had, a few months back conveyed his willingness to have a dialogue with the government provided issues of substance were discussed," he said.

However, the Naga leader died before

things could be taken forward to their logical conclusion.

Liezietsu appealed to the Nagas to "resolve and dedicate" themselves to work with renewed vigour and determination to find a solution to the Naga political problem which is "honourable and acceptable to all stakeholders".

On behalf of the government and people of Nagaland, the chief minister conveyed heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family members.

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Exempt GST on coaching fees: Kota students urge PM

KOTA (RAJ), JUN 10 (PTI): Students enrolled and those planning to enrol in various coaching institutes here have appealed to Prime Minister Narendra Modi to exempt GST on the coaching fees.

With the roll out of GST from July 1, the students will have to pay 18 per cent service tax along with the fees. Currently they are paying 15 per cent as service tax.

Through the social media campaign, the students as well as their parents have expressed disappointment over the government's decision to raise the service tax under GST.

They have been writing on PMO's twitter page to demand the GST exemption on coaching fees or keep the service tax to maximum 5 per cent.

Thousands of students are queued up to get admission in the coaching institutes at Kota but their parents are worried over the raise in tax slab.

Around 60 per cent of about 1.75 lakh students who seek admission annually for preparation to crack entrance exams for engineering and medical colleges hail from middle class and lower middle class, mostly from semi-urban or rural areas, said the director of a coaching institute here.

GST tax of 18 per cent would raise the financial burden over the students and their parents as one would have to pay Rs 1.18 lakh instead of 1 lakh annually for a coaching session, said Hrishika, a medical aspirant in Kota.

She said that adding 18 per cent tax raise would also cause a hike in prices of residential accommodation, mess and transportation.

Naveen Maheshwari, director of a reputed coaching institute here said that 18 per cent GST tax will put a financial burden on the students and their parents.

It will affect thousands of medical and engineering aspirants.

The Kota students are also posting on a facebook page to air their grievances regarding the move, besides writing post cards to the prime minister.

Students denied bail, suspended by Lucknow University for showing black flags to Adityanath

LUCKNOW, JUN 10 (PTI): A court here has denied bail to 11 college students including two girls who allegedly blocked the convoy of UP Chief Minister Yogi Adityanathi and showed him black flags on Wednesday.

Eight of these students have also been suspended by the Lucknow University on charge of breaching security of the chief minister's convoy when he was on his way to attend a programme in the varsity.

Acid test for Captain Kohli as India face SA in do-or-die tie

KUSHAN SARKAR

LONDON, JUN 10 (PTI):

Virat Kohli will be facing the toughest battle of his nascent ODI captaincy career when defending champions India take on South Africa in a do-or-die virtual 'quarter-final' of the ICC Champions Trophy, here tomorrow.

Their confidence shaken after Sri Lanka effortlessly out-batted them in a high-scoring encounter, the Indian team and Kohli in particular will be keen to ensure that South Africa are continued to be known as "chokers".

Call it irony, if India lose the game, it will be defending champions making an exit even before the semi-final.

If the Proteas lose, then the current No.1 ranked ODI side would be ousted before the last four stage.

A defeat will have the skeptics blaming the speculated off-the-field issues for the a performance.

In such a backdrop, Kohli will be under huge pressure with margin of error being next to nil.

For AB de Villiers, it will be an opportunity to prove that self-imposed exile from five-day game has not affected his limited overs skills.

With three quality left-handers -- Quinton de Kock, JP Duminy and David Miller -- in the South African line-up, Kohli can't afford to keep Ravichandran Ashwin in cold storage.

More so after knowing what can happen to Ravindra Jadeja when there is absolutely nothing



in the strip.

Ashwin atleast has some natural variations, including the off-break which is his stock ball. The proud performer that he is, Ashwin will be smarting after being excluded in the first two games and it can only work positively in India's favour.

However, skipper Kohli's leadership acumen and understanding of the current situation will be under scrutiny depending upon the kind of playing XI he opts for the next game.

Ashwin's entry into the playing XI looks logical but he certainly won't replace Jadeja as two spinners are likely to play against the Proteas, who are not known to be comfort-

able against slow bowlers.

The other big factor is Jadeja's electric fielding inside the circle and the powerful arm from anywhere at the boundary line. Jadeja can save at least 15 runs per match which makes him an useful player in this format.

Neither can Hardik Pandya be dropped as his pyrotechnics at No 7 is just what is needed from a batsman used as a floater in the order.

Jasprit Bumrah is another specialist bowler, who is a certainty in the playing XI, with his ability to bowl Yorkers at will at the death.

Therefore it will either be Bhuvneshwar Kumar or Umesh Yadav, who may have to make way for Ashwin.

In the second Powerplay overs during the Sri Lanka match, India had conceded over 200 runs, something Ashwin will be asked to check as a marauding AB de Villiers will be itching to score big.

With scores of 319 and 323 in the two games, the batting has a settled look. All the top-order batsmen have got a decent hit including the opening duo of Rohit-Sharma-Shikhar Dhawan, who conjured back-to-back century partnerships.

While both openers have been in good nick, there's no denying that they have also consumed a lot of balls initially, which finally had an impact during the Lanka game.

With new Powerplay rules, any total of less than 340 can be knocked off with some positive intent in strokeplay.

Kohli is happy with the batting performance but on a practical note, feels that they may need 20 runs of cushion.

"May be you think of phases where we could have accelerated (vs SL), but I don't see that as a major issue.

Maybe we will have to push harder now in the next few games to give us a 20-run cushion after seeing a result like this, because we're playing on the same ground as well," the skipper had said.

In fact, South Africa batting coach Neil McKenzie also agreed that fluency has been an issue for openers of all the teams.

"It's been a little bit of tough going for the openers.

The fluency has been an issue. But one needs to adapt according to situations as the conditions here demand little bit of caution. The wickets need to be kept so that one can attack in the back end," McKenzie said.

On the personal front, Kohli himself would like to lead with the bat against a side that has bowlers like Morne Morkel and all-rounder Chris Morris.

Imran Tahir, whose stock ball is googly, might just test Rohit's defence as the Mumbaikar had some trouble reading the wrong 'un from him during IPL.

With an interesting main plot and layers of sub-plot, one can brace up for some exhilarating action between two quality sides.

SQUADS

India: Virat Kohli (captain), Shikhar Dhawan, Rohit Sharma, Yuvraj Singh, MS Dhoni (wk), Hardik Pandya, Kedar Jadhav, Ravichandran Ashwin, Ravindra Jadeja, Umesh Yadav, Bhuvneshwar Kumar, Jasprit Bumrah, Mohammed Shami, Dinesh Karthik, Ajinkya Rahane.

South Africa: AB de Villiers (captain), Hashim Amla, Quinton de Kock (wk), David Miller, JP Duminy, Faf du Plessis, Imran Tahir, Keshav Maharaj, Farhan Behardien, Chris Morris, Wayne Parnell, Andile Phehlukwayo, Dwayne Pretorius, Kagiso Rabada. Match starts 3pm IST.

Ronaldo fires Portugal, France complicates path to Russia

PARIS, JUNE 10 (AFP): France complicated their task of ensuring automatic qualification to next year's World Cup in Russia after falling to a dramatic 2-1 defeat in Sweden on Saturday.

Sweden snatched victory with an Ola Toivonen goal from the half-way line in extra time after a poor clearance from France goalkeeper Hugo Lloris.

The freak goal sent the massed ranks of yellow clad fans in Stockholm into a wild frenzy, but more importantly with four games to go it sent Sweden top of Group A, level on 13 points with France.

Only the winners of each group are guaranteed a place at next year's finals in Russia, with the eight best second-placed sides competing in the play-offs.

The French will now play a crucial tie on August 31 against the Netherlands, who remain in the running after thrashing Luxembourg 5-0, while Cristiano Ronaldo led Portugal's 3-0 triumph in Latvia.

France had pulled ahead through Arsenal striker Olivier Giroud after 37 minutes, but the Scandinavians levelled before the break thanks to Jimmy Durmaz (43).

And after more than three minutes of regular time Toivonen took advantage of a poor clearance from France captain Lloris with a soaring shot into the back of an empty net.

"It was a catastrophic scenario," said coach Didier Deschamps, a World Cup winner in 1998 as a player with France.



"I'm not going to heap blame on Hugo, he has often been decisive for us, but it cost us."

The coach added that "the draw was not the ideal result but would have been a good point, which would have allowed us to keep Sweden behind".

For Deschamps's side it was the first defeat in qualifying and they next face a tough test against the Netherlands in Paris.

Veterans Arjen Robben (21) and Wesley Sneijder (34)

laid the groundwork for a Dutch victory in coach Dick Advocaat's first game in charge.

In the second half Georginio Wijnaldum (62) and Quincy Promes (70) scored with Vincent Janssen, adding a penalty six minutes from time.

"We have the means to cause a surprise in Paris, the group has found a positive dynamic, we will go there to win against the Bleus," said a defiant Robben.

Advocaat, who started his third stint as Oranje coach

this week, was also confident.

"Of course we are capable of winning in France, the players will be ready, I have a good feeling," he said.

In Group B, Switzerland remain top after beating the Faroe Islands 2-0, thanks to their stars Granit Shaka (36) and Xherdan Shaqiri (59), and are three points ahead of Portugal, the reigning European champions, who beat Latvia thanks to another Ronaldo goal scoring display.

In keeping with his great

season finale, the Real Madrid star was decisive with two goals (41 and 63) and an assist for Andr Silva to score the third (67).

Ronaldo has scored 18 goals in his last eleven matches and after guiding Real Madrid to the Liga-Champions League double will try to extend his trophy collection with the Confederations Cup from June 17 to July 2.

The surprise result of the group was the defeat of Hungary against modest Andorra

(1-0), leaving the Central European side virtually outside the World Cup.

Switzerland and Portugal will play the first place of the group, which qualifies directly for Russia-2018, and the second will have settle for a playoff.

In group H, Belgium took a big step towards qualifying by beating Estonia 2-0 with goals from Dries Mertens (31) and Nacer Chadli (86). Bosnia and Greece, the two teams pursuing Belgium, played out a goalless draw.

Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate Sunil Kumar rejected the bail pleas of the students yesterday after perusal of case diary produced by Hasanganj police.

The court observed that the offence was of serious nature and, hence, the applicants did

not deserve bail.

On June eight, Chief Judicial Magistrate Sandhya Srivastava had sent the 11 students to four days judicial remand. The court had summoned the entire case diary on Friday for considering bail pleas of the students.

Meanwhile, the Lucknow University said that eight students have been suspended and debarred from all student facilities in the university in the wake of the "security breach" of the chief minister's convoy.

"The names of suspended students are:

Satwant Singh, Nitin Raj, Pooja Shukla, Anil Kumar Yadav, Ankit Kumar Singh, Rakesh Kumar, Madhurya Singh and Apoorva Verma," NK Pandey director, Information, Publication and Public Relation, University of Lucknow said.

On June 7, Sama-

jjwadi Party students wing activists showed black flags to Adityanath and raised slogans against the state government.

As Yogi's cavalcade moved towards the Lucknow university where he was invited as the chief guest in a pro-

gramme on Chhatrapati Shivaji, activists from Samajwadi Party Chatra Sabha and other student groups squatted on the road and showed black flags.

The local police had a tough time controlling the workers who also raised slogans against

the chief minister, Governor Ram Naik, who is also the Chancellor of the university, and Lucknow district administration.

The activists alleged that a BJP programme was being held at the expense of the university and students.

Three short films denied permission by Centre from participation in fest

THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, JUN 10 (PTI): Three short films, including a 45 minute documentary on Dalit scholar Rohit Vemula, who ended his life, have been denied permission by the Central Government to participate in the International Documentary and Short Film festival, starting here from June 16.

'The unbearable being of Lightness' the documentary about JNU Dalit scholar Rohit Vemula, who allegedly committed suicide, 'In the shade of fallen Chinara' about the lives of a group of young Kashmiri artists who are also students, 'March March March' on the JNU protests were not granted permission by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting to be screened at the festival, the organisers said.

Expressing anguish over denial of permission,



Kerala Chalachitra Academy chairman and Festival Director Kamal said there is a 'cultural emergency' prevailing in the country.

"We are going through an undeclared emergency in the country. What we should eat, what we should wear, what we should talk all this is being decided by the ruling dispensation", he told reporters here.

At least 262 short films and documenta-

ries are expected to be screened in the five day festival, Vice chairman and Artistic director Bina Paul said.

The festival is being organised by the Kerala state chalachitra Academy as part of its endeavour to catalyse a vibrant documentary and short film movement.

Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan will inaugurate the festival at the Tagore Theatre on June 16.

LALIT K JHA WASHINGTON, JUN 10 (PTI):

Adam Purinton, the man accused of killing Indian techie Srinivas Kuchibhotla and injuring two others at a suburban Kansas City bar, has been indicted on federal hate crime and firearms charges.

The yesterday's indictment by a federal grand jury against Purinton, 51, of Olathe, Kansas, comes after a February 22 shooting at a city bar.

The indictment announced by the Department of Justice has accused Purinton of shoot-

ing and killing Kuchibhotla, and attempting to kill Alok Madasani, also an Indian national, because of their actual and perceived race, colour, religion and national origin.

Witnesses said Purinton yelled at the two Indian men to "get out of my country" before pulling the trigger in the attack.

Ian Grillot, a 24-year-old American man was also injured while intervening in the shooting.

The announcement in this regard was made by the Acting Assistant Attorney General Thomas E Wheeler, II, head of

the Justice Department's Civil Rights Division, and United States Attorney Thomas E Beall of the District of Kansas.

Purinton faces a maximum penalty of death or life in prison. The Justice Department will determine at a later date whether, in this particular case, it will seek the death penalty, a media release said.

A third count in the indictment charges Purinton with violating a federal firearms statute by discharging a firearm at Kuchibhotla, Madasani, and Grillot,

during the violence.

It alleges that Purinton committed the offences after substantial planning and premeditation, attempted to kill more than one person in a single criminal episode, and knowingly created a grave risk of death to others on the scene.

Purinton, a US Navy veteran, is currently being held in the Johnson County jail on a USD two million cash bond on murder and attempted murder charges.

MP CM on indefinite fast "for restoration of peace"

BHOPAL, JUN 10 (PTI): Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan sat on an indefinite fast at Dussehra Maidan here today for "restoration of peace" amid a farmers' agitation in the state.

The opposition Congress dubbed it as "drama". Farmers' organisations, which have been agitating for better support prices for farm produce, loan waiver and other demands, have already said that the stir would end on the tenth day today.

Chouhan, clad in kurta-pajama and a Nehru jacket, sat on fast at a pandal erected at Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited's Dussehra Maidan here at around 11 am after former chief minister Kailash Joshi put a 'tilak' on his forehead.

Chouhan's wife Sadhana was by his side.

State Congress' chief spokesperson K K Mishra said Chouhan should tell people whether his so-called fast is a "nautanki" (drama), an event or an act of repentance for his misdeeds that "set the state on fire".

"Though he is trying to send a message that he is doing Gandhi-giri (using a Gandhian way), it is absolutely not so.

He neither sat at the foot of the statue of Gandhi nor did he garland the statue before launching his 'nautanki', Mishra said.

"He should remember that (demon king) Ravana is burnt every year at the Dussehra Maidan," the Congress leader said.

Last evening, Chouhan, whose government came under fire because

of death of five people in police firing in Mandsaur district as the agitation spread through western Madhya Pradesh, announced a fast for "restoration of peace".

He had also said that the agitation had turned "anarchic", and appealed to farmers to come to Dussehra Maidan and have a dialogue with him.

"I won't sit in my office at Mantralaya (secretariat)..." (but sit at) Dussehra Maidan and do all work from there," he had said, adding that those instigating the violence would not be spared.



DONALD TRUMP CLAIMS 'TOTAL VINDICATION' AFTER JAMES COMEY'S SENATE HEARING: US President Donald Trump took to Twitter to react to former FBI Director James Comey's Thursday, June 8, appearance before a senate panel. Though Trump, 70, stayed off of social media as Comey, 56, testified about his private conversations with the president prior to The former FBI Director's abrupt firing in May, the president broke his silence in the early hours of the following day.

Xi snubs Sharif by skipping bilateral meet after murder of Chinese nationals

BEIJING, JUN 10 (PTI): In a rare snub to all-weather ally Pakistan, Chinese President Xi Jinping skipped a customary meeting with Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif at the SCO summit in Astana after the murder of two Chinese teachers in Balochistan.

Sharif returned from Astana after attending the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) summit on the sidelines of which he met Presidents of Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Afghanistan and Russia.

Conspicuously absent was a meeting with Xi.

Chinese state-run media highlighted Xi's meetings with Kazakh counterpart Nursultan Nazarbayev, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Russian President Vladimir Putin.

Xi's unprecedented snub followed deep disappointment and grief among Chinese public over



the slaying of the two Chinese citizens who were kidnapped last month from Quetta in Balochistan.

The two were brutally murdered reportedly by Islamic State (IS) militants. The news of their murders was made public ahead of the SCO summit held on June

8-9 in which India and Pakistan were admitted as members.

Yesterday, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Hua Chunying explained that the murders were no way connected to the USD 50 billion China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) which was opposed by the Baloch na-

tionalists.

The CPEC is part of China's ambitious multi-billion Belt and Road initiative (BRI).

"This incident will not have any necessary connection with the BRI," nor with the summit of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation, meeting being held in Astana, Hua had said.

China has deployed hundreds of Chinese workers to work for the CPEC which connects Gwadar port in Balochistan with China's Xinjiang through Pakistan-occupied Kashmir.

Hua said Pakistan pays great attention to the protection of Chinese citizens in the institutions there and made great efforts for their security.

"As per BRI we should be prepared for risks if want to go global. Since the three years after the BRI," she had said.

Amid stir, farmers' market in Mandsaur grinds to a halt

MP AGRAWAL MANDSAUR (MP), JUN 10 (PTI):

The wholesale agriculture market in Mandsaur, one of the largest in Madhya Pradesh, wore a deserted look as agitating farmers stayed away from it for the 10th day today, leading to losses running into several crore rupees.

The Mandsaur Krishi Upaj Mandi, spread over 30 hectares of land on the outskirts of the town, saw a sharp dip in the arrival of farm produce on June 1, when the farmers' stir, demanding better price for their produce and a loan waiver, began in the state.

The mandi normally attracts about 5,000 farmers everyday from several districts of Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan and records an average daily turnover of Rs 4 to 5 crore.

Since June 2, trading activities have come to a complete halt and the market remained

empty, causing losses of several crore rupees, said M S Muniya, the secretary of the market committee.

The market mainly deals in wheat, garlic, coriander and lentil.

The mandi committee, which collects a levy on the sale, has suffered a loss of Rs 10 lakh so far and its 400-odd traders too have incurred huge losses.

"The stir has hit us badly. There has been no business for the past 10 days. But we have to pay our employees and workers," said Bablu Agarwal, a trader.

Another trader, Narendra Anna, echoed Agarwal's views and expressed hoped that the situation will become normal soon.

Scores of daily wagers too bore the brunt of the agitation. With no income, they had to struggle to make ends meet.

The market committee secretary hoped

that once the curfew was lifted, farmers will return to the market with their produce.

A curfew was imposed after five people were killed in police firing when the farmers' agitation turned violent on June 6. Later, another farmer Ghanashyam Dhakad (26), died in Badavan village in the violence-hit Mandsaur district.

The villagers alleged that the local BJP MP and MLAs have not visited them yet.

The Mandsaur-Neemuch region, about 300 km from the state capital Bhopal, was the nerve centre of the stir. Later, protests spread to some other parts of the state.

Earlier today, Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan sat on an indefinite fast at Dussehra Maidan in Bhopal for "restoration of peace". He has appealed to farmers to come to Dussehra Maidan and have a dialogue with him.

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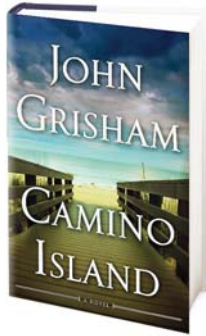
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New Grisham novel about most daring heist in literary history



American bestselling author John Grisham deals with the most daring and devastating heist in literary history at a high-security vault located deep beneath Princeton University in his new novel.

"Camino Island", published by Hachette, is the 30th novel by Grisham and hit book stores on 06 June. And there's more good news for Grisham fans: he is coming out with a legal thriller in October.

A gang of thieves stage

a daring heist from a secure vault deep below Princeton University's Firestone Library. Their loot is priceless, but Princeton has insured it for USD 25 million.

Valued at USD 25 million, the five manuscripts of F Scott Fitzgerald's only novels are amongst the most valuable in the world. After an initial flurry of arrests, both they and the ruthless gang of thieves who took them have vanished without trace.

Bruce Cable owns a popular bookstore in the sleepy resort town of Santa Rosa on Camino Island in Florida. He makes his real money, though, as a prominent dealer in rare books. Very few people know that he occasionally dabbles in the black market of stolen books and manuscripts.

Mercer Mann is a young

novelist with a severe case of writer's block who has recently been laid off from her teaching position. She is approached by an elegant, mysterious woman working for an

even more mysterious company. A generous offer of money convinces Mercer to go undercover and infiltrate Bruce Cable's circle of literary friends, ideally getting close enough to

him to learn his secrets.

But eventually Mercer learns far too much, and there's trouble in paradise. [PTI]

BEYONCE AND TAYLOR SWIFT WERE 'CRYING HYSTERICALLY' AFTER KANYE WEST VMA STUNT



Remember when Kanye West interrupted Taylor Swift's Best Female Video acceptance speech at the MTV VMAs to tell her that Beyoncé should have won instead? Of course you do.

Well, the former MTV Chief has spilled the beans on what happened backstage, and it sounds like the whole saga was incredibly awkward for him.

Van Toffler revealed to The Hollywood Reporter that Taylor, now 27, and her mum were "crying hysterically".

"When Kanye walked up onstage with Taylor that year,

it turned out that Taylor had to go onstage to do her song five minutes later," Van explained. "I ran out of the truck to see that everything was all right, and Taylor and her

mom were crying hysterically."

While he now considers the event to be his "favourite VMAs moment", at the time he found the whole situation a bit uncomfortable, saying "I'm not always wonderful with emotions. I didn't know what to say." But those emotions didn't end with the Swifts.

"Then I went backstage, and Beyoncé was crying, too."

SPILLING BEANS

DAVID GUETTA RECRUITS JUSTIN BIEBER FOR NEW SINGLE '2U'

David Guetta has partnered with Justin Bieber to create and release a new single which comes at the perfect time to be in the running for the big summer dance tune that so far seems to be missing from the top 40 world.

Entitled "2U," the track is likely set to be featured on an upcoming album coming from the DJ and producer, though there hasn't yet been any word on when that may arrive (or even be properly announced).

Bieber has been on an incredible winning streak when it comes to dance features, and there is no reason to believe this latest effort won't be at least something of a success

story. His forays into dance as a featured guest started back in 2015, when he worked with super producers Diplo and Skrillex (who were operating together under the name Jack Ü at the time) for the song "Where Are Ü Now." The single went on to break into the top 10 and it won all three musicians a Grammy, giving Bieber his first award.

After that success, Bieber quickly became one of the most sought-after guest stars for dance-pop, and he has been able to churn out hit after hit. In 2016, he scored a pair of worldwide top 10 hits with Major Lazer's "Cold Water" and DJ Snake's "Let Me Love You," both of which show how

far dance has permeated into the mainstream.

Aside from dance, Bieber has scored a pair of No. 1 hits in the U.S. in just the past month or so as a featured vocalist on both DJ Khaled's "I'm The One" and Luis Fonsi and Daddy Yankee's "Despacito," the latter of which is still on top of the Hot 100.

Guetta has been busy releasing a steady stream of new tracks over the past few months, though it's not clear which ones will end up on a new album and which ones will be relegated to one-off single status. In 2017 alone, the French producer has dropped a pair of could-have-been massive tunes, though neither of them lived up to their potential on the charts, at least not here



in the United States. The first piece released was "Light My Body Up," which featured Nicki Minaj and Lil Wayne. Guetta followed that up with a track featuring fellow electronic producer Afrojack and vocalist and songwriter Ester Dean. Neither one made it to the Hot 100, though both were celebrated in the dance world.

I watched Dangal: Chinese President Xi tells Modi

MANASH PRATIM BHUYAN
ASTANA, JUN 9 (PTI):

Chinese President Xi Jinping today told PM Narendra Modi that he watched Aamir Khan-starrer sports drama Bollywood film Dangal and liked the movie and its actors.

Dangal, which was released in China on May 5, has

broken several records in the Chinese movie industry and raked up over Rs 1,100 crore.

It became only the 33rd film in China to cross a whopping collection of one billion yuan (USD 147 million). It continues to play in over 7,000 screens across China.

"President Xi in fact spoke very highly of Indian films.

He said that Dangal was doing particularly well and that he himself has actually seen it," Foreign Secretary S Jaishankar said after the talks between the two leaders on the sidelines of the annual summit of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO), where India and Pakistan today became full members of the grouping.

Hi said he liked the movie as well as its actors.

Dangal has also become the first top-grossing non-Hollywood film in China.

The film is inspired by the real-life story of wrestler Mahavir Singh Phogat, who went against a patriarchal society to train his daughters to become champion wrestlers.

in some way. An aggressive attitude could be making you feel inferior or unworthy of certain attention. Wanting peace, justice, and harmony doesn't make you wimpy or inferior, as some people may suggest. These qualities are your strengths, not your weaknesses.

LEO: You're terrific at following through with projects, Leo, but perhaps not so great at starting them. Today is the perfect time for you to prove this theory wrong. There's a great deal of force out there to help you boost your rocket off the launching pad. Take advantage of this energy and get to work on things you've been meaning to start but haven't gotten around to yet.

VIRGO: Your self-esteem is apt to be quite high today, Virgo, and you may feel an extra bit of fire helping you throughout the day. Take the lead on projects that seem to be going nowhere. If you want the job done right, you may have to do it yourself. Don't be shy. This is the time to stand up and make use of your talent and skills.

LIBRA: There may be a bit of tension and conflict in your world today, Libra. Be prepared for mild contention that could turn into an all-out war if you aren't careful. Don't take things too personally. Think of these disputes as challenges that will only make you stronger when you overcome them. Don't

get disgruntled or evasive. Running away won't do any good.

SCORPIO: There may be tension in your heart today that could be difficult to shake, Scorpio. You might find it hard to relate to people or that others aren't hearing you very well. Keep in mind that you may have to translate your thoughts in order to get your message across. Keep an open mind as you deal with others on a one-to-one basis.

SAGITTARIUS: Try not to be impatient today, Sagittarius. This could be one day in which you feel restless, and everything seems to take much longer than you'd like. Try your best to go with the flow. Don't get so wrapped up in mak-

ing sure things happen by a certain time. Quality is more important than speed, and a peaceful mind is more efficient and productive than a stressed one.

CAPRICORN: To fight or not to fight may be the question of the day, Capricorn. Your sensitive, feminine side is likely to say one thing while your masculine, combative side says another. The key is to not act hastily in any situation. Make sure you proceed from a neutral platform instead of reacting from a point of aggression caused by someone else.

AQUARIUS: Be careful that you don't put your foot in your mouth today, Aquarius. You may have a

tendency to jump the gun, so be conscious of how you use your energy. A false start is likely to get you disqualified. Orient yourself to your surroundings before you make any major upheaval. It's important to have a good, solid footing on the day before you proceed.

PISCES: This could be a highly productive day for you if you approach it in the right way. You will find that you have an added burst of energy that could help you conquer just about any task you set your mind to, Pisces. You may feel more aggressive than usual, so use this to your advantage by delegating tasks and moving forward on projects that you'd like to see done.



THIS DAY
IN HISTORY

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11th JUNE
WORLD HISTORY

1184 BC: Troy is sacked and burned in the Trojan War, according to calculations by Eratosthenes.

631: Emperor Taizong of Tang of China, sends envoys to the Xueyantuo bearing gold and silk for the release of Chinese prisoners captured during transition from Sui to Tang from northern frontier; succeeds in freeing 80,000

1776: Continental Congress creates committee (Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Roger Sherman, and Robert R. Livingston) to draft a Declaration of Independence

1963: US President JFK says segregation is morally wrong & that it is "time to act"

1987: Margaret Thatcher is 1st British Prime Minister in 160 years to win a third consecutive term

2014: Islamic State of Iraq forces seize control of government offices and other important buildings in the

northern city of Mosul
INDIAN HISTORY

1930: A cyclonic storm blew a train off the rails near Himmatnagar, Gujarat, killing at least one person and injuring much more.

1946: Viceroy interviewed Gandhiji and mooted proposal of Coalition Govt in India.

1976: Indira Gandhi and Brezhnev sign the Moscow Declaration of Friendship and Cooperation.

1983: Ghanashyam Das Birla, great freedom fighter, social reformer, pioneer of Indian business, industry, and nationalist, died at London at the age of 89.

1999: India provided incontrovertible tape evidence of Pakistan's involvement in the Kargil sector. The Indian army killed 23 intruders in the Batalik and Dras sectors but lost 15 of its men.

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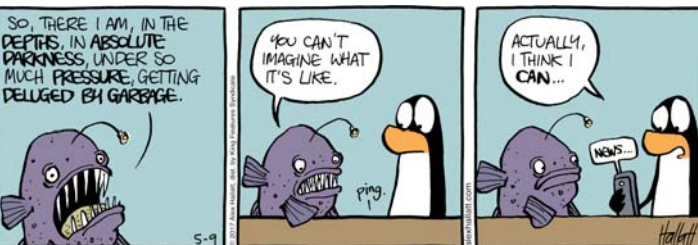
- HOEST & REINER



"I GUESS THEY HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN YOUR
HOMEMADE FUDGE FROM LAST YEAR."

ARCTIC CIRCLE

- HALLATT



BABY BLUES

- KIRKMAN & SCOTT



ARIES: You may feel a bit anxious today, Aries, and it may be hard to settle down. You probably have many irons in the fire right now, and they're all starting to heat up at once. Unfortunately, other people may not be especially sensitive to your needs, so beware. It might be best to put up some sort of psychic shield to protect yourself from other people's moods.

TAURUS: Your heart should feel quite generous today, Taurus. You're most likely feeling the need to keep everyone smiling. Spread your radiant sunshine everywhere - it will be appreciated on a day like this. You can't go wrong with compliments and pos-

itive encouragement. Focus on the good in all people and you will find that this attitude helps bring out the best in you.

GEMINI: You may feel the urge to get up and go today, Gemini. Follow this instinct and get to work. You're anxious to get the ball rolling on certain projects. The key for you now is to make sure that the ones that are already started get done before you tackle the others. Don't let people stand in the way of your progress. Grab hold of the reins if you need to.

CANCER: You may find that there is some opposition from other people today, Cancer, especially concerning emotions. You may feel threatened