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Countdown begins for India's heaviest satellite launch

CHENNAI, JUN 4 (PTI): The over 25-hour countdown for the launch of India's heavy-lift rocket GSLV MkIII, carrying communication satellite GSAT-19, from the space port of Sriharikota began today, ISRO said.

The GSLV MkIII-D1 rocket is scheduled for lift off at 5.28 pm tomorrow from the second launch pad of the Satish Dhawan Space Centre at Sriharikota, around 120 km from here.

"The 25-and-half hour countdown for the launch of GSLV-Mk III-D1, carrying the 3,136 kg GSAT-19 satellite, commenced at 3.58 pm, soon after the Mission Readiness Review Committee and Launch Authorisation Board gave the clearance," Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) said.

ISRO Chairman A S Kiran Kumar said the mission is important as "it was the heaviest ever rocket and satellite to be launched from the country".

"All activities for the launch of GSLV Mk III-D1 and GSAT-19 mission is going on. Tomorrow, we are expecting to launch at 5.28 pm," he told reporters at the airport here.

On the significance of the launch for ISRO, he said, "It is an important event as we are putting our communication satellite from our own soil".

Till now, ISRO had to depend on foreign

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CM tees off return of Janta Mela series from Rhenock

NITESH R PRADHAN GANGTOK, 04 JUN: Gram Swaraj Abhiyaan, also known as Janta Mela organised by the Rural Management & Development Department, kicked off for a new season from Rhenock in East Sikkim today with the Chief Minister Pawan Chamling handing over grants and assistance to beneficiaries gathered here from various constituencies.

The Janta Mela is scheduled to travel all over the state hosting convenient clusters of constituencies.

Urging beneficiaries to make proper use of

the aids and assistance reached to them at the Janta Mela, the Chief Minister also announced monthly cash assistance for senior citizens, the unmarried and the physically challenged of the State. This initiative will begin in June, he announced.

The Chief Minister also informed today that Rs 700 crores has been allocated for the Janta Melas this year.

In his address to the people, the Chief Minister touched upon various schemes of the State government that have benefitted the under privileged as well as the



general population even as the focus has primarily been on the poor.

Stating that the government has been work-

ing tirelessly to develop the rural areas by infusing them with opportunities, he directed all the officers and stakeholders

to work more concerted-ly towards achieving Kutch House Free status for Sikkim by 2018.

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High Tension lines hum even as affected people are glum

WANGHUK BHUTIA MANGAN, 04 JUN:

It is not only people living in the immediate vicinity of a hydel project who get affected. Residents of slopes and villages far removed from the project sites also come under the sweep because what is generated at the hydel projects needs to be carried through high tension transmission lines which feed into the main grid. These transmission lines are humming and buzzing beehives of electricity who not only require space for towers, but also leave a footprint of radiation within which habitations and agriculture are fraught with risk. Villagers in East Sikkim falling along these transmission lines are upset and worried because compensation remains due to them for the relocations and abandonments forced on them by these lines.

"I possess a meagre plot of cultivable land here at Lower Rakdong and even this I have not



been able to put to use since the beginning of this year as the land has been marked as falling under the radiation zone of the TPTL High Tension transmission line. I have not been compensated for it so far," shares Khem Lal Neopaney of Lower Rakdong in East Sikkim.

Meanwhile, Sunish Maya Rai of Kazitar, also in East Sikkim, continues to live her house even though she has been advised to vacate it since this too falls within the "radiation" zone of the transmission line.

The reason she cannot move out is because

she too has not been paid any compensation for her loss.

In fact, most GPUs in East Sikkim through which this transmission line passes, complain of unattended woes and delayed compensations. While similarly affected families in North Sikkim were compensated nearly a year ago, save some new cases in Mangshila, in East district, no one has received compensation yet.

The affected GPUs of East Sikkim are Rakdong-Tintek, Samdong-Kambal, Tumin, Pathuk-Chandey and Selebung-Singbel.

"We have been neglected and dishied step motherly treatment as no one is voicing our plight," believes Arjun Pradhan of Kazitar basti. What further irks him and others is that no clear explanations have been given to them to explain the delay.

This, even as the transmission line carries away electricity generated at Teesta Stage III hydel project and the

Dikchu HEP.

The transmission line takes off from Ringdang below Singhik in North Sikkim and then courses through a few GPUs of North Sikkim before hitting the GPUs in East Sikkim and carrying onwards to feed the national power grid.

The people have been aggrieved for a while and one Tashi Tongden Lepcha even filed an RTI application with the Land Revenue Department in a bid to understand the delay in payment of compensations, but says that the answer was not satisfactory.

The affected people are question why no objection certificates were taken from them a year earlier if they were to be made to wait this long. Clearly, the only priority for the concerned authorities was the interest of the transmission line developers.

Now, the affected people of Lower Rakdong plan to call on the DC East on 08 June and seek some

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Sikkim to host NE Youth Fest in Oct, MoS Goel announces

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GANGTOK, 04 JUN:

Sikkim will be hosting the North East Youth Festival in October later this year. The festival will have contingents from all the eight north-eastern states and will feature a mix of music, culture, sports and other segments.

This was informed by the Union Minister of State for Sports and Youth Affairs [Independent Charge], Vijay Goel during a press conference here this evening. He is presently on a four-day long visit to Sikkim.

Addressing the press conference, Mr Goel shared that the main objection of the NE Youth Festival was to engage youth of the region in "constructive and creative activities".

He stated that the Central government is paying special attention to the north-eastern region and directing extra focus on it. In this regard, he detailed the various "developmental" works and schemes carried out by the Central govern-

ment in the region.

He added that the Centre was especially focussed on security, service and skill development in the region. He also mentioned the several upcoming programmes and scholarships from the Ministry in the region.

The MoS also made special mention of the initiatives of the State Government in organic farming, Open Defecation Free status, Swachh Abhiyan and others. He further stated that Sikkim has also implemented various schemes of the Central government in a better manner than other State.

Responding to media queries, he mentioned that his Ministry will extend full support to any proposal sent its way by the State government. He stressed that the Sports & Youth Affairs Ministry was serious in its commitment towards promotion of every sport.

Mr Goel highlighted the various achievements

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Women to be allowed in combat role in Army, says Gen Bipin Rawat

MANASH PRATIM BHUYAN

NEW DELHI, JUNE 4 (PTI):

In a transformatonal move, the Indian Army is all set to open up combat positions for women, a gender barrier broken by only a few countries globally.

Army Chief Gen Bipin Rawat said the process to allow women in combat role, currently an exclusive domain of men, is moving fast and initially women will be recruited for positions in military police.

"I am looking at women coming as jawans. I am going to start it soon. Firstly, we will start with women as military police jawans," he said, giving details of the move to allow women in the male-dominated positions in the Army.

Currently women are allowed in a number of select areas including in



medical, legal, educational, signals and engineering wings of the Army but combat roles are kept off limit for them due to operational con-

cerns and logistical issues.

The Army Chief said he was ready to recruit women as jawans and the matter is being taken up with the

government.

"We have already started the process," Gen Rawat told PTI in an exclusive interaction recently.

He said women will have to show grit and strength in taking up challenges in combat role and shattering the glass ceiling.

Very few countries including Germany, Australia, Canada, the US, Britain, Denmark, Finland, France, Norway, Sweden and Israel have allowed women in combat roles.

The roles of military police include policing the cantonments and army establishments, prevent breach of rules and regulations by soldiers, maintaining movement of soldiers as well as logistics during peace and war, handling prisoners of war and extending aid to civil police

whenever required.

Creating history, the Indian Air Force, last year, had inducted three women as fighter pilots, less than a year after the government decided to open the fighter stream for women on an experimental basis.

A decision on having women as fighter pilots will be taken after evaluating performance of the three women -- Avani Chaturvedi, Bhawana Kanth and Mohana Singh who are now part of IAF's fighter squadron.

The Indian Navy is currently deliberating on a policy on having women onboard the ships. The Navy allows women in various other segments including in legal, logistics, naval architecture and engineering departments.

Golay rails against “unreasonable” hydel projects in World Environment Day message

SUMMIT REPORT

GANGTOK, 04 JUN:

Sikkim Krantikari Morcha party president, PS Tamang (Golay), has lashed out against hydel projects in Sikkim and, while thanking the people of Dzongu for their united opposition to hydel projects, has called on the people of Sikkim to “resolve to make sustainable use of our precious natural resources like water and forest”.

In his message on the eve of World Environment Day, Mr Tamang reminds that WED provides an opportunity for everyone to realize their responsibility towards the care of the earth.

“It was a matter of pride that the people of Dzongu, North Sikkim who gave the message to the entire country by raising their constant voice against hydroprojects that are targeting to finish our enchanting natural resources,” he states while expressing concern that elsewhere in the State, greed is robbing Sikkim of its natural resources.

He has also protested the “unreasonable hydroprojects and industrial settlements” along the banks of Teesta and Rangit as a move by the SDF Government which “is challenging our model of beliefs, civilization, culture and development, which was linked with the nature.”

NSUO thumbs down MHA proposal for LT seats

SUMMIT REPORT

GANGTOK, 04 JUN:

The Nationalist Sikkim United Organisation convened a meeting here today to discuss the recent Ministry of Home Affairs circular inviting views and suggestions on the option presented by it to reserve seats for the Limboos and Tamangs of Sikkim.

NSUO, an official release informs, remains “adamantly stuck” to its demand to provide Limboo and Tamang reservation from the existing 32 seats in the Sikkim Legislative Assembly, believing that only this option upholds the sanctity of Article 371F of the Constitution.

The MHA, it may be recalled, has proposed to increase the Assembly strength from 32 to 40 and then reserve 5 LT seats.

NSUO, in a resolution adopted today, condemned the proposal to increase the seats and also condemned “a ploy” it perceives “to advance the cause of Sikkim Darjeeling merger”.

GAC lobbies with MP Udit Raj to expedite seat reservation debate in Parliament



SUMMIT REPORT

GANGTOK, 04 JUN:

A Gorkha Apex Committee delegation met Dr. Udit Raj, MP and Chairperson of All India Confederation of SC/ST Organisations, at a meeting today in Guwahati, Assam, a GAC press release informs.

The delegation thanked the MP for raising the Limboo-Tamang seat reservation issue in the Parliament and submitted a representation appraising him of the current political scenario of Sikkim.

The delegation briefed the MP about the

GAC conviction that “current discontentment and resentment prevailing in the state of Sikkim” dates back to 1979 when the Bill which set up the current seat reservation format was first tabled in the Parliament.

“The Black Bill of 1979 was forcefully implemented in Sikkim even though there was concrete opposition to the bill from the cross section of Sikkimese society,” the GAC press release argues while adding that the Parliament of India is yet to debate the Bill which has been pending for the last

40 years.

“The failure of bringing a lasting solution to seat reservation issue in Sikkim has fragmented Sikkimese society into pieces. The various demands pouring in from the different section of the population have further pushed the political future of Sikkim into uncertainty,” GAC further stated to the MP.

GAC has also rued the delay in resolving the issue and the delaying tactics of the Ministry of Home Affairs, which along with the State Government, GAC contends,

instead of tabling a Bill on the seat reservation issue, is delaying it “in one pretext or the other.”

Dr. Raj, the release adds, after hearing out the GAC representation, said that justice delayed is justice denied and that he will leave no stone unturned to ensure that justice is done to the people of Sikkim.

He further assured that he will press the Central agencies to introduce the bill in the Parliament at earliest, the release issued by the GAC chief convener, Passang Sherpa, concludes.



Awareness and training on collective farming at Simik Lingzey

SIMIK, 04 JUN (IPR): An awareness-cum-training program on “Collective farming on Agriculture, Livestock & Horticulture” was held at Simik Lingzey Gram Prashashan Kendra on 03 June. The programme, sponsored by Rashtriya Krishi Vikash Yojana (RKVY), was organized by the Co-operation Department.

The programme was presided over by Zilla and Panchayat Secretary of Simik Lingzey GPU and attended by DK Tamang, Addition-

al Registrar, Joint Registrar, and Deputy Registrar of Cooperation Department. Resource persons from Cooperation Department, Horticulture Department, IPL, Sikkim Organic Mission and SISCO Bank provided training on specific subjects.

Representatives from GPU MPCs, of service providers under MOVCD and over 110 farmer and members of cooperative societies took part in the programme.

The main topics covered in the

program were revitalization of MPCs, collective farming and its advantages, marketing of farm surplus, availing of crop loans, collective production of crops including vegetables, ginger, turmeric, livestock farming etc.

An interaction session was also held towards the end of the programme.

Similar programmes are also scheduled for Lingdok, West Pendam, Ranka and Samdong from 06 to 13 June under Gangtok sub-division.

Hong Kong marks 28 years since bloody Tiananmen crackdown

HONG KONG, JUN 4 (AP): Tens of thousands of Hong Kongers held a candlelight vigil today to commemorate victims of the Chinese government’s 1989 brutal military crackdown on protesters in Beijing’s Tiananmen Square, while Taiwan’s president called on Beijing to “face up” to the history.

Hundreds if not thousands of unarmed protesters and onlookers were killed late on June 3 and the early hours of June 4, 1989, after China’s communist leaders ordered the military to retake Tiananmen Square from the student-led demonstrators. Commemoration of the events, whether public or private, remains taboo in mainland China.

Taiwanese President Tsai Ing-wen said in posts on Facebook and Twitter that 28 years ago, the actions of students and citizens who challenged the political system in China “inspired a generation.”

She appealed to Beijing to “face up to June 4 with an open mind” and said Taiwan was willing to share its experiences of transition-

ing to democracy in the late 1980s to ease the pains of such a transition in the mainland. “For democracy: some are early, others are late, but we will all get there in the end,” Tsai wrote on Twitter.

While mainland Chinese are only dimly aware of what happened at Tiananmen Square nearly three decades ago, the subject is openly discussed in Taiwan, a self-governing island, and Hong Kong, a special Chinese region with much autonomy and legally entrenched freedom of speech and other civil rights unseen on the mainland.

The annual evening vigil in Hong Kong is the only large-scale commemoration on Chinese territory of the Tiananmen bloodshed. The organisers, an umbrella group of pro-democracy organisations, estimated that 110,000 people attended.

People held up their lit cell-phones some with pictures of candles showing on the screen as a band played upbeat songs to rally the crowd and activists gave speeches about the importance of

getting young people to attend.

“I don’t want this part of history to become blurred,” said office worker Emily Yu, 42, who attended the gathering in Victoria Park.

“It was really a massacre of people. Those young people came out and did all they could for freedom and democracy but didn’t achieve it.”

Eloise Wu, 36, who works for a nongovernmental organisation, said: “We don’t want to let people think we’ve forgotten, as if with the passing of time it’s like, ‘Oh, this never really happened.’ No. Every year we remember.”

In her posts, Taiwanese President Tsai also called on Beijing to allow a pro-democracy activist from Taiwan who was detained in the mainland in March to “come home.” Lee Ming-che, detained on suspicion of conducting activities harming China’s national security, has previously conducted online lectures on Taiwan’s democratisation and managed a fund for families of political prisoners in China.



Girls occupy top-3 positions in Holy Cross class X results

SUMMIT REPORT

GANGTOK, 06 JUN:

The CBSE class X board exam results might have registered a dip in overall pass percentage in the country, but good news holds for Sikkim. Out of the rather class X strength of 127 at Holy Cross School here, 124 students passed the ex-

ams with the remaining three Eligible for Improvement Of Performance (EIOP).

The toppers of the school - Milisha Mahapatra, Preeti Adhikari and Sukanya Das - have all posted a Cumulative Grade Points Average (CGPA) of 10.

Anushruti Sharma

and Deepak Chand Ramola have received 9.8 CGPA while Sanjana Sundas receives a CGPA of 9.6.

Grishma Agarwal, Pareekshit Dahal and Shaina Bhagat, in turn have posted a CGPA of 9.4.

Congratulations!

Khadi yarn, Gandhi topi, national flag exempt from GST

NEW DELHI, JUN 4 (PTI):

Khadi yarn, Gandhi topi, India’s national flag will not attract any tax under the GST regime, while imitation jewellery, pearls and coins will carry 3 per cent levy from the next month.

Besides, the GST Council yesterday decided to include rudraksh, wooden khadau, panchamrit, tulsi-kanthi mala, panchgavya, sacred thread and vibhuti -- sold by religious institutions -- in the definition of ‘puja samagri’ and maintained that these items would be exempt under the Goods and Services Tax (GST).

Also chandan tika, unbranded honey and wick for diya have been exempt under the new indirect tax regime, which is scheduled to kick off from July 1.

However, five ‘puja samagri’ -- lobhan, mishri, batasha and bura -- will attract 5 per cent

GST.

In the textiles category, blankets and travelling rugs, curtains, bed linen, toilet linen and kitchen linen, of terry towelling or similar terry fabrics costing below Rs 1,000 will attract a 5 per cent tax.

Also napkins, mosquito nets, sacks and bags, life jackets costing below Rs 1,000 would be taxed at 5 per cent.

While those costing above Rs 1,000 will attract a 12 per cent levy.

Silk and jute yarns have been exempt but cotton and natural fibres and all other yarns will be levied a 5 per cent GST rate.

Manmade fibres will, however, attract 18 per cent rate.

All categories of fabric, except khadi yarn which has been exempt, will attract a 5 per cent rate.

Gandhi topi and In-

dia’s national flag, however, have been exempt from tax under the GST.

Manmade apparel costing below Rs 1,000 will attract 5 per cent tax, lower than the existing 7 per cent. Those costing above Rs 1,000 will continue to attract 12 per cent.

Besides, match boxes, packed organic fertiliser will face a 5 per cent tax in the new regime.

The GST Council, comprising Finance Minister Arun Jaitley and his state counterparts, has already fitted almost all goods and services in the tax brackets of 5, 12, 18 and 28 per cent.

The tax department has also put up on its website the list of items which would be exempt from the Integrated GST (IGST) under multilateral or bilateral commitments in respect of imports by privileged persons, organisations, authorities and foreigners.

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launchers for communication satellites weighing more than 2,300 kg. The GSLV MkIII-D1 is capable of lifting payloads of up to 4,000 kg into the Geosynchronous Transfer Orbit (GTO) and 10,000 kg into the Low Earth Orbit.

In tomorrow’s mission, the vehicle is scheduled to launch the GSAT-19 into the GTO at 16.20 minutes after lift off.

Earlier, ISRO had launched the 3,404 kg GSAT-18 communication satellite from Ariane, French Guiana.

In 2014, the space agency successfully un-

dertook the first experimental flight of the GSLV MkIII from Sriharikota.

The vehicle in a two stage flight (with a non-functional cryogenic upper stage) carried the Crew Module Atmospheric Re-Entry Experiment to the intended height of 126 km and re-entered the atmosphere safely.

The GSLV-Mk III-D1 is a three-stage vehicle with indigenous cryogenic upper stage engine designed to carry heavier communication satellites into the GTO.

Apart from the cryogenic engine, designated

C25, carrying about 28 tonnes of propellants, it has two solid strap-on motors (S200) and a core liquid booster (L110).

The mission would also augment India’s communication resources as a single GSAT-19 satellite will be equivalent to having a constellation of six to seven of the older variety of communication satellites in space.

At present, out of a constellation of 41 in-orbit Indian satellites, 13 are communication satellites, and the total mission life of the GSAT-19 is 10 years.

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The Chief Minister also urged all the youth to follow their dreams fearlessly, confident in the knowledge that the government will back them provided they bring commitment and hard work to the table.

He advised them to take keener interest in entrepreneurship instead of pining only for government employment. Towards this end, he informed the youth about the start-up loan scheme introduced by the State Government for enterprising youth of the State.

He also added that the service sector currently

offered the best options in Sikkim. The State and its youth will benefit tremendously from sectors like tourism, which, he said, was already reaping huge benefits with every “season” creating new records of tourist arrivals.

The Chief Minister pointed out that the State has witnessed tremendous development since the formation of the SDF Government here in 1994 and invited the people to honestly evaluate the progress of the State in all fields in the past two decades.

While stressing that the State Government re-

mained commitment to genuine all-round development in Sikkim, he also called upon everyone to lean support to the government’s efforts and contribute towards progress in Sikkim.

He reiterated that the State Government prioritized the interests of the underprivileged in all matters and stressed that this will continue to remain the focus for all aspects of governance for him.

The Janta Mela was also attended by Cabinet Ministers, MLAs, officials and public from various constituencies of the district.

TopperTALK

Frankly, I don't believe in the grading system: Raman Mohora

Gangtok on Monday, 05 June
Temp: 26°C /17°C
Forecast: Periods of clouds and sun with a thundershower; not as warm.
Sunrise: 04:40 AM
Sunset: 06:28 PM



ITBP Asst Commandant Yadav ends Sikkim posting

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Gangtok, 04 Jun: Subhash Chandra Yadav, Second-in-Command, ITBP SHQ-Gangtok, has been transferred out on promotion.

Mr Yadav joined ITBP in 1999 as Asst Commandant and has served in Pithauragarh, Annantnag J&K, Lohitpur in Arunachal Pradesh and served a deputation at NSG, the elite Black Cat Commandos. He was posted to Sikkim in Feb 2012 and has a successful tenure here.

He was awarded a certificate by the North Sikkim District Administration for providing help and assistance during natural calamities and was nodal officer/ contact person from ITBP for Sikkim government for disaster management and Kailash Mansarovar yatra.

Apart from his official involvement in Sikkim, he has also connected at other levels, having participated in various marathons in Gangtok, organising blood donation camps, participating in cleanliness drives in association with the GMC and extending assistance to the Balika Niketan orphanage and old age home.

He now proceeds to take command of 36 ITBP at Lohaghat in Champawat district of Uttaranchal.

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and initiatives of the Central government for various sections of the society in its three years in office. He stated that the Centre has taken many exemplary schemes and programmes especially for the youth and the underprivileged.

He added that the Central government has also given a strong message against corruption.

PRAGATI THAPA
YET ANOTHER ONE OF OUR STUDENTS HAS MADE NOT ONLY HIS FAMILY BUT ALSO THE ENTIRE STATE PROUD WITH HIS PERFORMANCE. HERE IS A PART OF THE DISCUSSION WITH Raman Mohora, A GANGTOK STUDENT OF NORTH POINT SCHOOL, DARJEELING, WHO ACED THE CLASS XII BOARDS WITH 97%.

So, Raman, were you hoping to perform this well or were your results unexpected?

Well, honestly I was expecting to do well as I'd put in a lot of effort into my preparation. My teachers had helped me a lot and were also expecting a good score.

What do you think about the grading system? Do you think our board marks

actually have the ability to test our knowledge?

Frankly I don't believe in the grading system because I think your marks don't determine what you're worth. Our board marks only test our memory

and our luck, that's all.

Is there anything you'd like to change about the education system as it exists today?

I would like to change the general examination system because it's really unfair. Every student has a different way of learning; some are auditory learners while some learn kinesthetically but most importantly all students have different capacities. Memorizing and then blurring it all out on the paper is not everybody's cup of tea. There should be another way of testing children's abilities. All children have something or the other that they are really good at which may not include studying but that doesn't put them on a lower pedestal.

Since most people here are apprehensive about the Humanities stream, would you like to tell them something about the opportunities that lie ahead



given that you are a Humanities student yourself?
 Yes, there is the mentality

that those who don't do well in anything else should take Arts. Even for me, when my 10th results were out, all my friends and family suggested that I take Science because I got a good score. I wanted to break this stereotype and challenge myself by taking arts and that's what I did. I have a bit of a revolutionary spirit. I was positive about my subjects and I thoroughly enjoyed them. I would like to say that humanities can offer as many opportunities as any other stream. You could try for the civil services, fine arts, journalism, music, research and many more.

So you've decided to pursue History in college. What about History interests or intrigues?

I have a passion for history. I think it's the most wholesome subject because everything has a unique history. Reading history fuels my imagination. Even for a society I think history is important as it shows us how far we've come. It shows us our mistakes so we can learn from them and develop into a better and safer society.

Tell us something about your school, what would be the difference between a North Point Boy and any other?

North Point is an institution that believes in lifelong openness to growth and that's what we, the students have imbibed as well. We believe that we never stop growing as individuals. The school is a blending pot of ideas as it is home to many different people with different ideas and opinions. It's a family and in that family we share something called the "North Point Spirit". It's the spirit that unites all of us, a feeling of brotherhood which is inexpressible.

What are your thoughts on college? Are you excited or maybe a little scared?
 I'm not at all scared, in fact I'm very excited to make the most of the opportunities that college has to offer.

What are your other hobbies? And what do you think is the importance of extracurricular activities?
 I love collecting stamps. It's

like an extension of my interest in history because every stamp is a piece of history. I started when I was a kid and now it's a big collection of about 3000 stamps. I also write and read a lot. I read across various genres.

I don't like to call activities outside of academics extracurricular because I feel like they are more of parallels. They play an equally important role in building a student's personality. Every activity instills a lot of values in a child. For example, playing a sport can teach you discipline and teamwork.

You come from a very competitive school; you probably have had to compete in every field. How necessary do you think competition is?

I think competition is necessary as it makes you hungry for more. When there is no competition you become satisfied with mediocrity. Competition makes you realize where you stand and I think it's necessary to know where you stand in this survivalist society.



SINGTAM BALLOONS

SINGTAM, 04 JUN: Meet the Balloon Man of Singtam. Hailing from Uttar Pradesh, he is currently based in Singtam selling attractive balloons. Selling at Rs 50 per piece, these are much cheaper than what buying them from a shop would cost. The balloons are popular among the children, although these do not always translate to sales. Catching up with the family, everyone chips in to help make sales, for this photograph in the midday heat brought information that not a single piece had sold till then on Sunday. [from YOGEN THATAL]

Singtam celebrates Ganga Dussehra



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SINGTAM, 04 JUNE: Manav Dharma Society of Sikkim, Singtam Branch, in collaboration with the North and North Eastern Society, organized a daylong celebration of Ganga Dussehra here at the Old Super

Market today.

This is the first time that Sikkim observed Ganga Dussehra, a day which celebrates the birth of river Ganga on earth as recorded in Vedic scriptures.

More than 200 devotees and representatives

from around 20 temples and organisations from around the State attended the ceremony which was chaired by the MLA Gopal Baraily as chief guest.

Speaking to SummitTimes, Bharat Pradhan, president of the Sikkim

zone of the host organisation, said, "This celebration is the first of its kind in Sikkim and Singtam had the privilege of hosting the event."

Events of the day also included dance performances by children, Bhajans, display of banners

and a stall displaying varieties of products made by the natural resources like Aloe Vera juice and medicines and products from Hardwar.

A head priest from Hardwar lead a team of priests for the prayers today.

Modi writes to Bihar CM, seeks cancellation of Lalu plot

PATNA, JUNE 4 (PTI): Senior BJP leader Sushil Kumar Modi has written a letter to Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar, asking him to cancel the plot of RJD chief Lalu Prasad who got it allotted in violation of the MLA Cooperative Society's bye-laws.

Prasad got two plots of land allotted in his name in violation of the MLA Cooperative Society's bye-laws, Modi said adding that the bye-laws allowed allotment of only one plot to a member of the Society.

The state government had earmarked 15 acres of land for 30 years to the MLA Cooperative Society at Kautilya Nagar here for allotment of residential plots to MPs, MLAs and MLCs.

The 30-year lease will come to end in December, 2017.

Modi also demanded from the CM to impose penalty on Lalu Prasad and others for using the

plots for commercial purposes which, as per bye-laws, is prohibited.

Modi claimed that office of Zonal Pay and Accounts of Sashashtra Seema Bal is operational from Prasad's plot number 208 for past 15 years in violation of bye-laws.

Stating that plot number 208 was allotted to Lalu Prasad in the capacity of being an MLA in 1992, Modi charged that Prasad got the plot (number 207) registered from Badshah Azad in 2010 at Rs 37,000 for giving him (Azad) another term in the Legislative Council.

"As per the bye-laws of the Society, no member of the society will be allowed to have more than one plot. When the bye-laws prohibit the allotment of more than one plot, then how Prasad got allotted two plots in his name and that too at 1992 rate (Rs 37,000)," Modi said adding that the value of single plot will be around Rs 1 crore.

High Tension lines hum even as affected people are glum

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answers and explanations. It may be recalled that this transmission also passes too close to be safe for the Dikchu Siloh Church which has filed a complaint about such careless engineering. This complaint too remains pending and has not been taken into consideration yet.

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On Environment Day, begin by not littering

It's Environment Day today and while the observation may or may not trigger a renewed interest in protecting the environment, one thing is certain, as the crowd disperses from the official functions, left behind in its wake will be a litter (no styrofoam cups anymore in Sikkim, thankfully), used wrappers and other such articles which go into putting up an official show. One would have grimaced through such ungainly ironies, had the deliberations at the event been of consequence and if undertakings of the day had left some lasting impressions. We've been through too many WED observations to harbor any such hopes. But we pray to be proven wrong, because these are the times of shallow nationalism and frighteningly environmentally-disrespectful leaders (eg. Trump and the USA's climate change denial mode) which will require the agencies of the lay people to measure up stronger.

Meanwhile, to make a prediction of what could happen for WED here. Students force-marched to the rallies which mark the observation of such days will mark their trail with litter unique to school uniform pockets, and after the usual speeches, banners and awareness drives, the initiative will drive away too. It is also possible that the Day will receive plantation and cleanliness drives, but what use is tree plantation if no plan exists for post-plantation care? Cleanliness, in our Swachh Bharat should also be daily routine and not a special occasion photo-op.

Moving on, while some might argue that littering is perhaps the smallest of all environmental concerns, it is perhaps because this first step is not taken purposefully enough that we still need to remind people that the environment needs to be protected. Before a society can even start comprehending the demands of the environment, it has to express itself first as a genuinely concerned body. The amount of garbage that still makes it to the jhoras everyday and the distant nonchalance with which people walk home everyday past heaps of inconsiderately dumped household rubbish are all pointers to how ignorant the people are to the need for community participation in handling environmental concerns. Does anyone seriously expect a person who rolls down the car window and tosses out a bottle of coke or beer, to understand and feel for the cracks that have developed on the Zemu Glacier? Will a person who shops for plastic bags in Siliguri [the item being banned in Sikkim] so that the Sunday shopping is more convenient be more than passingly interested in the drying up of Sikkim's largest brackish water lake, Gyamtsona?

It is because this is where Sikkim stands at present that the proposal to convert the capital to a litter and spit free zone, no matter how trivial, superficial or impossible the task may sound, was welcome. Since the people are not taking that first step on their own, they need to be forced to take it. Once people put that toffee wrapper back in their pockets to throw it into a segregated bin later, they will also be able to comprehend environmental concerns better.

Idi Amin and Donald Trump- strong men with unlikely parallels

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US President Donald Trump's norm-breaking campaign and early reign has been compared to several other divisive historical figures, especially previous American presidents.

But when it comes to the style in which he communicates, there's an uncanny resemblance to a notorious African dictator from the 1970s. For those that lived during Idi Amin's vicious reign in Uganda between 1971 and 1979, there are clear echoes four decades later in Trump's speeches and press conferences, or when he fires off his notorious tweets.

Let me say up front, Trump, who was democratically elected, can in no way be compared to Amin when it comes to how the so-called "Butcher of Uganda" came to power or the brutal way he dealt with dissent during his eight-year regime. One of the most barbaric military dictators in post-independence Africa, the death toll of his own citizens under his rule, is put at 500,000.

The comparison I am looking at is the similarity of styles and tone of communication. Even though Trump and Amin are from completely different eras with different modes of communication, there are clear parallels between the two telegenic men.

DECREES WITH FLOURISH

Amin's numerous decrees were announced on radio and television and carried in newspapers with flourish. One such decree was the expulsion of the Asian/Indian community from Uganda.

In front of international television cameras and newspaper journalists Amin accused the Indians of being "smugglers who carried five passports". He blamed Britain for bringing them to Uganda during the colonial rule. Amin claimed that the expulsion decision was taken in the national economic interests of Uganda:

"I took this decision for the economy of Uganda and I must make sure that every Ugandan gets the fruit of independence. I want to see the whole Kampala street is not full of Indians."

Fast forward 44 years. At a campaign rally Trump promised to deport illegal immigrants from Mexico, some of whom he called "rapists". Trump also announced that he was going to build a wall barring them from entry into the United States which Mexico was going to pay for.

"Mark my words," he said. Afterwards he proclaimed that he "loved Hispanics".

In similar style Amin said "it's not my responsibility to offer them (expelled British Asians) transit camps!



The British High Commissioner is here and it is his responsibility". Remarkably afterwards that the British "are my great friends".

For Amin's Uganda, it was a devastating decision. The expelled Asians/Indians were the entrepreneurs, bankers, professional class who had formed the country's middle class since colonial times. Six months after their departure the country's hitherto promising African economy spiralled into recession.

Trump's America may not suffer the expulsion of unwanted foreigners but its regional entrepreneurs such as potato and vegetable growers will suffer from the absence of cheap available labour from across the border in Mexico.

IMPULSIVE USE OF TECHNOLOGY

The two presidents have similarities in their impulsive use of quick communication technology. Trump is a compulsive tweeter while Amin loved dispatching telegrams.

Amin telegraphed disgraced American President Richard Nixon wishing him a "quick recovery from Watergate" and to Tanzanian President Julius Nyerere, his erstwhile foe, a peculiar message in lieu of peace talks at the height of a war between the true countries:

"If you were a woman I would have married you ... although your head is full of grey hairs."

There were even more bizarre ones to the Queen of England, saying he expected her to send him "her 25-year-old knickers" in celebration of the silver anniversary of her coronation. There was an offer of assistance to Edward Heath, the British Prime Minister to save the British economy, "If you would let me know the exact position of the mess."

A Trump tweet to Iowa voters who voted against him in the primaries had similar condescending tones: "Too much Monsanto in the corn



creates issues in the brain?"

It was later deleted.

There was another tweet about James Comey, the FBI Director he fired: "FBI Director Comey was the best thing that ever happened to Hillary Clinton in that he gave her a free pass for many bad deeds! The phony..."

And then there's this tweet about a topic that has often occupied his mind, namely his predecessor Barack Obama's legacy:

"The first 90 days of my presidency has exposed the total failure of the last eight years of foreign policy!" So true. @foxandfriends

BEING FIRED ON TELEVISION

Amin loved firing his officials on radio and television. A minister of culture, Yekosofat Engur, attended a public function as guest of honour not knowing that his junior had just been appointed in his place on Uganda's broadcast media.

Former FBI chief Comey learned in a similar fashion of his fate. He learned of his firing while addressing agents at a field office in Los Angeles – breaking news flashes on television of Trump sacking him, was the first Comey heard of it.

There are also parallels in their sabre rattling. Amin threatened to invade Israel, not holding back:

"If am to prepare the war against Israel completely, I don't want very many Army, Air force and Navy, just very few and strike inside..."

"I love war" Trump declared his passion for violence during a campaign speech in Iowa in late 2015. He added: "I'm good at war. I've had a lot of wars of my own. I'm really good at war. I love war in a certain way, but only when we win."

LOW OPINION

The two presidents both have a low opinion of women and not shy to express that. Amin remarked that he was a "good marksman" (with women) while showing off his numerous

children. He had four wives and more than 30 children.

Trump has had a long trial of sexist comments such as this one:

"You know, it doesn't really matter what [the media] write as long as you've got a young and beautiful piece of ass..."

What the two share most is their sense of self importance.

In 1977, after Britain broke diplomatic relations with his regime, Amin declared he had beaten the British. He titled himself "Conqueror of the British Empire", short for, "His Excellency President for Life, Field Marshal Alhaji Dr Idi Amin Dada, VC, DSO, MC, CBE". He said he would be happy to accept the Scots "secret wish" to have him as their monarch, hence the Hollywood movie title "The Last King of Scotland".

Amin also wrenched a Doctorate of Law from Uganda's Makerere University and henceforth considered himself in the same league with medical doctors.

As Salon wrote, the only two words former reality show host Trump has uttered more frequently than "you're fired" are "I'm smart". He said about Wharton, the University of Pennsylvania's business school:

"Look, I went to the best school, I was a good student and all of this stuff. I mean, I'm a smart person."

They both share a passion for control and love to be loved. The New Yorker's Jeff Seshol reckons that Trump's chief complaint about his own yes-men seems to be that they don't say yes energetically enough.

It's easier when you're a dictator. Amin was clear:

"As minister, governor, high-ranking people and the people of the country, they must love their leader. This is the point number one."

TURNING INTO AMIN

Respected East African commentator Charles Onyango Obbo believes that,

"The genius of Trump is that he understands what adept guerrilla leaders figured out ages ago – do that which the opponent thinks is impossible or so unthinkable, they have not planned how to defend it."

The same went for Amin who for a long time was considered a comic buffoon while he terrorised a whole country and fanned international terrorism.

Some may think it's alarmist, but Onyango Obbo has warned that with all the similarities,

"Trump – or indeed any leader in an "advanced" democracy – can turn into an Idi Amin."

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Mainstream media outlets are dropping the ball with terrorism coverage

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News coverage of the Manchester terrorist attack was sadly familiar: cellphone videos of screaming victims; details of first responders' hectic efforts; "Was it terrorism?" guesswork; speculation about the perpetrator. In this case, the horror was amplified by so many of the killed and wounded being young people.

Since the 2001 terrorist attacks on the United States, covering the type of violence inspired by al-Qaeda or the Islamic State (IS) has become a staple of the news media's repertoire. Collectively, this reporting increases the public's sense of vulnerability: An evil is out there, unpredictable and ferocious, sure to strike again.

But what's behind that evil? When I watch or read mainstream news coverage of the attacks, they tend to treat them as distinct events, much like a train wreck or bank robbery.

As I worked on my forthcoming book, "As Terrorism Evolves: Media, Religion, and Governance," it became clear that for all the breathless headlines about IS-inspired terror attacks, many know little about the complexities of terrorism and Islam. Who are these people who murder so wantonly? Why do they do it? And, most importantly, how might such attacks be stopped?



Answering such questions requires daily news coverage that consists of more than depictions of scattered chaos. A holistic approach to reporting about terrorism might better explain this phenomenon that's reshaping our lives, much as the Cold War did 50 years ago.

A JOURNALISTIC VOID

Western reporting about IS-inspired terrorist attacks almost always, explicitly or implicitly, notes a connection to Islam. But it often ends there. Many journalists shy away from religious topics, and this creates a vacuum of public knowledge that terrorists and an-

ti-Muslim activists and politicians can exploit.

The result? A religion of 1.6 billion people is being defined in public discourse by the acts of the few who spill blood in a Manchester arena or a Baghdad marketplace. And because there is such limited understanding of Islam in the non-Muslim world – 55 percent of Americans say they know little or nothing at all about Islam – many news consumers are prone to accept the idea that "Islam-equals-terrorism." Results of a 2015 Pew Research Center study underscored the pervasiveness of stereotypes and the tensions

underlying them, with significant numbers of Americans viewing Muslims as anti-American and violent.

When political figures denounce Muslims, or when there is anti-Muslim backlash following an attack, terrorist organizations chalk up a victory. Because some Muslims will inevitably see their religion as being under siege, they become susceptible to recruitment by the likes of al-Qaida and IS, who portray themselves as defenders of the religion.

Following terror attacks, anti-extremism responses from Muslim communities might receive

some coverage. For example, an antiterrorism message produced in Kuwait and broadcast soon after the Manchester bombing quickly went viral on social media and received coverage from Western news media.

Nonetheless, Islam usually disappears from the news until the next tragedy, even though approximately 80 percent of Muslims live outside the Arab world in countries of rising importance such as Indonesia, Pakistan and Nigeria. The global political clout of Islam is, in some ways, like that of Catholicism centuries ago. If the role of Islam in world affairs were to receive continuing coverage, perhaps news consumers would realize that there is far more to Islam than violence. And if antipathy toward Islam were to diminish, terrorists would lose a recruiting tool.

HONESTLY ADDRESSING

THE THREAT

That said, this coverage should also address state-sponsored extremism, most notably Saudi Arabia's well-funded promotion of Wahabbist Muslim ideology. This fundamentalist doctrine is intrinsically separatist and lends itself to militancy. It provides a purported theological rationale for treating moderate Muslims – as well as non-Muslims – as enemies.

While Western politicians are

restrained in dealing with this for reasons related to oil and regional geopolitics, the news media could play a more forceful role in describing how even purported allies help terrorism take root.

Journalists could also more thoroughly examine the sophistication of terrorist operations. Islamic State, for example, has deftly used social media to inspire terrorist attackers, even those with whom it has no direct contact.

The perpetrators of the December 2015 terror attack in San Bernardino, California had received no training or orders from Islamic State, but they pledged allegiance to IS and launched the attack based on what they had gleaned from IS' online content.

Ayman al-Zawahiri, the current leader of al-Qaida, recognized the power of media when he wrote, back in 2004, that "more than half of this battle is taking place in the battlefield of the media...we are in a media battle in a race for the hearts and minds of our Umma [Muslim people]."

IS has used social media to spread its message, recruit followers, train fighters and raise funds. Governments and nongovernmental groups have recently become more adept at pushing back against this – the U.S. State Department has

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Centre plans to reinforce IT law to curb cyber crimes: Prasad

KOCHI, JUN 4 (PTI): Union minister Ravi Shankar Prasad today said the Centre was mulling “further reinforcement” in the IT law to prevent cyber crimes including, posting and sharing of videos containing sexually abusive material.

The law and IT minister said he has given directions to top officials in the IT ministry to work on the matter to check such cyber crimes.

“I have directed the IT secretary in particular to revisit the IT law if there is a need of further reinforcement on this issue... I have already given the instruction,” the minister told reporters here when asked about the increasing incidents of such crimes in the country’s cyber space. In response to a query on social networking giant Facebook’s controversy-ridden Free Basics programme in India, Prasad said he was opposed to programme in the present form.

“My serious problem of Free Basics is you get free only when you enter through my gate... To get free service you have to enter through Facebook gate... That is plainly not acceptable,” he said.

“India is too big a country... India is too open a country and our digital ecosystem today is the top of the world. We have talked of digital access without hindrance. In Parliament, I have spoken when I was the communications minister.. I said no and we don’t propose to permit Free Basics in the present form at all,” Prasad said.

GJM marches against WB Govt’s 3-language policy

**SUMMIT REPORT
DARJEELING, 04 JUN:**

Despite anticipation of clashes, the first day of GJM’s protest rallies against the three-language policy of the West Bengal Government, passed off peacefully on Sunday throughout the Hills.

Rallies were held in Darjeeling, Kurseong, Kalimpong and Mirik. GJM president Bimal Gurung took part in the rally from Ghoom to Darjeeling, an 8 KM stretch. Thousands joined in the rally sporting black badges and black armbands raising slogans.

“We have lined up rallies throughout the Hills till 08 June. On Monday, the rally will be from

Singamari to Chowk Bazar via Gandhi Road and Kak Jhora. On Tuesday, the rally will commence from Gorkha Ranga Mancha Bhawan and end at Chowk Bazar via Kak Jhora. We will announce the route for the Wednesday rally later,” stated Roshan Giri, the GJM general secretary.

“We have given permission for rallies on Monday also. However, from 06 to 09 June, permissions will not be given for rallies in Darjeeling and Kurseong owing to VIP movement including that of Ministers,” informed a police source.

WB Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee will be arriving in Mir-

ik on Monday on a 4-day visit to the Hills.

The CM is scheduled to attend a programme in Mirik at 4pm on Monday and then proceed to Darjeeling.

On 08 June, a Cabinet meeting is scheduled to be held at the Raj Bhawan here. She will be returning on June 9th.

The GJM has lined up a series of agitation programmes during the CM’s stay in the Hills protesting the alleged “forceful imposition of the Bengali language in the Hills, Terai and Dooraos.”

“We have appealed to the general public of Mirik to switch off their lights from 6pm to 8pm

in Mirik on Monday as a mark of protest,” stated Binay Tamang, assistant general secretary, GJM.

Meanwhile, a GJM press release issued by Mr Giri claims that BJP leader Vijayavargia has stated that with public mandate, Gorkhaland can be created.

“The people of West Bengal are fed up with the Mamata Banerjee Government. In 2019 the BJP will definitely form the Government in Bengal. This will pave the way for the formation of Gorkhaland as the West Bengal BJP is sincere towards the creation of Gorkhaland. Vijayavargia’s statement is a testimony to this,” claimed Mr Giri.

Deuba becomes sole candidate in Nepal prime ministerial race



KATHMANDU, JUN 4 (PTI): Veteran Nepalese politician Sher Bahadur Deuba is set to become the country’s prime minister for the fourth time as he is the sole candidate in the election slated to take place later today.

Deuba, President of the Nepali Congress party, became the sole candidate in the prime ministerial race, after the main opposition CPN-UML decided not to field its candidate.

The voting is said to be a mere formality to pave his way for the post, Kathmandu Post reported.

Outgoing Prime Minister Pushpa Kamal Dahal of the CPN (Maoist Centre) proposed Deuba’s candidacy while senior NC leader Ram Chandra Poudel seconded the proposal at the Parliament Secretariat which on Friday published the schedule to elect the new prime minister on majority basis.

Deuba, 70, needs to secure 297 votes in the 593-strong Parliament to prove his majority during today’s election, and with the NC-Maoist Centre alliance enjoying 287 seats in Parliament and four other parties supporting the alliance having 21 seats, it looks plain sailing for Deuba, the report said. Deuba served as the prime minister from 1995 to 1997, from 2001 to 2002, and from 2004 to 2005.

However, the election process may get postponed as the main opposition CPN (Maoist Centre) has been protesting against the Election Commission’s decision to conduct re-election in a ward. The EC called for re-election after the CPN (Maoist Centre) representatives allegedly tore ballot papers when vote counting was underway.

The House meeting summoned for 11 am today was postponed to 3 pm today after the CPN-UML’s protest.

Prachanda resigned on May 24 after a brief stint of nine months, honouring a power sharing understanding with the ruling coalition partner Nepali Congress to hand over the country’s leadership to the largest party in Parliament.

12 arrested after London terror attacks

LONDON, JUN 4 (PTI): British counter-terrorism police today arrested 12 suspects after a raid at a home of one of the London Bridge terror attackers in East London.

A spokesman of the British counter-terrorism police said the arrests were made following a raid on a block of flats in Barking. The home belonged to one of the suspects and was raided hours after the attack.

Controlled explosions were also carried out at the flat in Barking this morning, the BBC reported.

According to neighbours, the dead attacker had lived there for about three years and was married with two children.

The spokesman said “searches of a number of addresses in Barking are continuing.”

Three knife-wielding attackers wearing fake suicide vests unleashed a terror rampage in the British capital last night, plowing a van into pedestrians on the iconic London Bridge before stabbing revellers in nearby Borough market, killing seven people and injuring 48 others.

The three attackers were shot dead just eight minutes after police received a 999 call about the incident.

The attack was the third deadly terror attack in Britain in three months and came just days ahead of the UK general election to be held on June 8.

Anu Rani smashes own national record, books Worlds berth

PATIALA, JUN 4 (PTI): Javelin thrower Anu Rani stole the limelight as she smashed her own national record en route to winning the gold medal on the fourth and final day of the 21st Federation Cup National Senior Athletics Championships here.

Rani, representing Uttar Pradesh, threw the spear to a distance of 61.86m to better her own earlier national mark of 60.01m in the last event of the competition at the NIS Patiala.

In the process, she also qualified for the World Championships to be held in London in August. The qualifying mark for the World Championships stands at 61.40m.

Suman Devi, also of Uttar Pradesh, took the silver with a best throw of 55.03m, while K Rashmi of Karnataka won the

bronze with 51.12m.

Rio Olympian Nirmala Devi of Haryana also qualified for the World Championships as she won the gold in women’s 400m race with a meet record timing of 51.28 seconds.

The World Championships qualifying mark for women’s 400m stands at 52.10 seconds.

Seasoned MR Poovamma of Karnataka came a distant second in 52.70 seconds while Debashree Mazumdar of West Bengal claimed the bronze in 53.59 seconds.

“I was expecting to make a national record here but I am satisfied with the meet record. I will target the national record at the Asian Championships,” said Nirmala.

Meanwhile, four athletes took home their second gold of the meet. G Lakshmanan and his sister L Suriya added the 10000m crowns to the 5000m titles they had won on the first day of the competition.

Today, Lakshmanan claimed the men’s 10000m gold with a time of 29:23.46. He finished

KUTSE SHEGU

The Kutse Shegu of the late **Pema Lhamu Bhutia**, who left for her heavenly abode on the 23rd of April 2017 falls on the **10th of June 2017 [Saturday]**. All friends, family and well-wishers are invited to join us on the said date at our residence below the **Forest Check Post, Lower Chandmari, Changthang Basti, Gangtok**, to offer prayers for our beloved mother. We also take this opportunity to thank all for standing by us in our hour of bereavement and regret our inability to do so personally.

Jigme Dorjee Bhutia, son (9609756956) and Deechen Penzom Bhutia, daughter (7093157826)

Mainstream media outlets are...

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released over 300 YouTube videos to counter the messaging of extremist groups – but the news media still tend to understate the organizational and military capabilities of terrorist groups.

Consider the long-running story of efforts to liberate Mosul, Iraq’s second-largest city, which Islamic State has held since 2014. Iraqi and American sources provide vaguely optimistic updates, which are duly reported. But this battle has been underway since October 2016. Despite the U.S.-backed onslaught, parts of Mosul remain under Islamic State control. What does this portend for

future Islamic State military efforts and its far-ranging terrorist attacks? Relying on daily combat bulletins obscures the long-term realities that journalists should be analyzing.

More broadly, counterterrorism efforts by the United States and other countries deserve greater scrutiny. The public needs to know what’s working and what isn’t. Defeating terrorism will require a mix of hard and soft power. Shutting down terrorists’ recruiting pipelines is crucial. That requires innovative programs to reach those who are vulnerable to extremist appeals.

Terrorism is a pervasive enough part of our lives to merit more consistent news coverage, and journalists on the terrorism beat must develop expertise about this multi-dimensional topic. (Among the best are Joby Warrick of The Washington Post and Rukmini Callimachi of The New York Times.) But overall, terrorism-related journalism remains episodic and simplistic.

Since the rude awakening of 9/11, journalism, in my view, hasn’t kept pace with the bloody growth of terrorism. It needs to catch up.

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Australia look to make amends against Bangladesh

LONDON, JUN 4 (PTI): Australia would expect a better show from their bowlers when they clash with the ever-improving Bangladesh in a Group A ICC Champions Trophy match at the Kennington Oval, here tomorrow.

The Australian bowlers received a severe thrashing at the hands of New Zealand batsmen in their previous game before rain gods intervened and the match was abandoned.

It was the first one-day match for Mitchell Starc since February while Josh Hazlewood had also only one warm-up game under his belt in a similar period.

The rust was clearly visible and the fancied team would be hoping that the attack puts in a sharper performance tomorrow.

Because of the lackluster performance, the Kiwis put on board 291



in 45 overs, though they were in a great position to score better.

The Australian batsmen too struggled when they were set a revised target of 235 in 33 overs, managing only 53 for three in nine overs which were possible.

Their top-order surrendered before the Kiwi bowlers, who exploited the conditions well.

On the other hand, Bangladesh may not have won their first match

against England but their batting was impressive.

Tamim Iqbal and former captain Mahmudullah led the batting but the bowlers could not complement the good work as England chased the down the challenging 306-run target with remarkable ease.

Joe Root was all class in his in his unbeaten 133-run knock that never gave Bangladesh any chance to score an upset win.

Australia will have

to put up a better show since Bangladesh are no more the Asian minnows and in white ball cricket, they have emerged as a strong force.

It won't be a surprise if they dominate the Australian bowlers and their own bowlers too are capable of springing a surprise.

The fact that one more defeat will almost block Bangladesh's road to semifinals, the 'Tigers' are expected to give their all in the contest.

One more defeat will mean that they may not figure in the top-two in the group. The top two teams in each Group will make the last four-stage.

Teams (from):

Australia: Steve Smith (Captain), David Warner, Aaron Smith, Pat Cummins, John Hastings, Josh Hazlewood, Travis Head, Moises Henriques, Chris Lynn, Glenn Maxwell, James Pattinson, Mitchell Starc, Marcus Stoinis, Matthew Wade, Adam Zampa.

B a n g l a d e s h : Mashrafe Mortaza (Captain), Shakib Al Hasan, Mushfiqur Rahim, Tamim Iqbal Mohammad Mahmudullah, Sabbir Rahman, Rubel Hossain, Soumya Sarkar, Taskin Ahmed, Mustafizur Rahman, Imrul Kayes, Mehedi Hasan, Mosaddek Hossain, Sunzamul Islam and Shafiqul Islam.

Match starts: 6pm IST.

Praneeth wins Thailand Grand Prix Gold title

BANGKOK, JUN 4 (PTI): Indian shuttler B Sai Praneeth lifted his maiden Grand Prix gold title by posting a come-from-behind victory over Indonesian Jonatan Christie in the men's singles final of the USD 1,20,000 Thailand Open here on Sunday.

The third seeded Indian prevailed 17-21 21-18 21-19 over the fourth seeded Indonesian in a contest that lasted an hour and 11 minutes.

This is Praneeth's second consecutive title win, following the Singapore Open victory. He had reached the finals of Syed Modi International in January at Hyderabad, where he lost to Sameer Verma.

Praneeth, ranked 24 in the world, did not have an ideal start in the final as he went down in the opening game.

"I was just focusing on the rallies. It was a difficult match. The rallies were going too long. But I tried to slowly and slowly build up and I am happy I could win. I thank everyone who supported me," said Praneeth after the match.

The Indonesian opened up a 3-0 lead but Praneeth soon caught up with him at 4-4 and it was a close battle till 7-7 before Christie broke free to maintain a slender edge.

At one stage, the Indonesian shuttler was leading 14-11 but Praneeth kept breathing down his neck and made it 14-14 with three straight points.

After another couple of close points, Christie found himself 18-17 up and quickly sealed off the opening game with three points on the trot.

Making a brilliant comeback in the second game, Praneeth surged ahead 5-0 and then 9-3 but failed to maintain his huge lead as his opponent won six successive points to make it 9-9.

Thereafter, it was a neck-and-neck battle till 15-15 before the Indian took a slight two-point lead at 17-15.

Leading 17-16, Praneeth managed to bag three more points to move ahead 20-16. Although he wasted two game points, he eventually won it 21-18.

In the decider, Christie broke away at 2-2 to open up a 7-2 lead and then to 8-3. However, the Indian slowly made his way up with five consecutive points to reduce the margin to 7-8.

Finally Praneeth caught up with him at 9-9 and what followed was a keenly contested affair with none of the shuttlers sparing an inch to each other.

At 17-17, Praneeth won two crucial points to take a 19-17 lead but only to concede the advantage.

Christie bagged the next two points to tie at 19-19.

However, the Indian held on to his nerves to reel off two quick points to wrap up the match and the title in his favour.

Lost temple discovered after 1,000 years in China

KJM VARMA

BEIJING, JUN 4 (PTI): Chinese archaeologists have found a famous temple that remained hidden for nearly a millennium in China's southwestern Sichuan province.

The Fugan Temple, located in downtown Chengdu, was a famous temple that lasted from the Eastern Jin Dynasty (317- 420) to the Southern Song Dynasty (1127-1279).

Daoxuan, a famous Tang Dynasty (618-907) monk, once wrote that an official rite to pray for rain to end a persistent drought was held in front of the temple, and it rained as if the prayers had been heard in heaven.

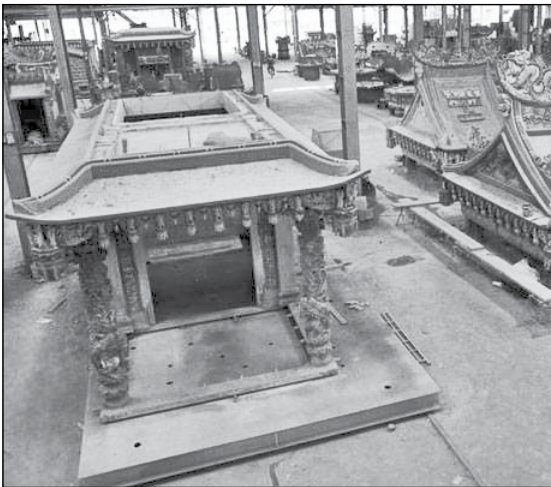
The story was the record of how the temple got its name, Fugan, which means "perceive the blessing."

The popular Tang Dynasty poet Liu Yuxi left a poem to commemorate the temple's renovation, describing its heavenly appearance.

The poem further noted the temple's important role at that time, state-run Xinhua news agency reported.

However, the building was worn down during the later period of the Tang and Song dynasties, with all traces of the temple disappearing during wars.

Archaeologists unearthed more than 1,000 tablets inscribed with Buddhist scriptures and over 500



pieces of stone sculpture as well as glazed tiles with inscriptions.

"We have only excavated a part of the temple's area, but already have a glimpse of its past glory," said Yi Li, who led the excavation project.

He said they have found the temple's foundation, ruins of surrounding buildings, wells, roads and ditches.

During the excavation, archaeologists found some 80 ancient tombs scattered near the temple, dating back to Shang and Zhou dynasties (1600-256 BC). In

the temple's surroundings, they have unearthed large amounts of household tools and utensils and building materials dating back to various periods from the Song to Ming dynasties.

Chengdu became an economic and cultural centre in western China during the Sui and Tang dynasties.

The temple's discovery could greatly contribute to the study of the spread of Buddhism in China during that time, said Wang Yi, director of the Chengdu Cultural Relic Research Institute.



Garuda Archers lift Mangan Traditional Archery Cup

SUMMIT REPORT

MANGAN, 04 JUN:

Garuda Archers have lifted the Mangan Traditional Archery Tournament organized at Namprikdang Mela Ground in Upper Dzongu, North Sikkim, today. A total of nine teams participated in the tournament organized by the Man-

gan Archery Association (MAA) and sponsored by NHPC Teesta Stage-IV Hydroelectric project.

The winning team was awarded a cash prize of Rs. 35,000 while the runners-up, Sichey Mavericks of East Sikkim received a cash prize of Rs. 25,000 with trophies.

The MAA committee members expressed gratitude towards NHPC Stage IV for their support in organizing the tournament and have also requested continuing support for an archery camp proposed to be organized soon by MAA.

The final day was

chaired by Chief Engineer cum incharge NHPC Stage IV, Ramesh Mukhia, senior manager RK Verma, Manager M. Tariq, president MAA, Thendup Bhutia, general secretary TT Lepcha, joint secretary Dupden Lepcha, treasurers Tenzing Bhutia and Gelay Thendup.

Millennials changing dynamics of workplace at India Inc

MUMBAI, JUN 4 (PTI): With millennials slowly taking over and likely to soon dominate the leadership roles, organisations are rapidly changing their working environment to suit the younger generation, according to industry experts.

"The collective working environment is changing rapidly because of millennials. This younger generation is already taking over and will soon dominate leadership roles. The earlier communication practices are getting replaced by telecommuting," CIEL HR Services CEO Aditya Narayan Mishra told PTI.

He said, the day-to-day work schedule is no more like a clock-work of a time office and rather is based on completion of tasks, projects and deliverables.

"If someone has an assignment to finish, the closing hours of the business do not matter," he added.

As millennials typically feel valued when there is open conversation and feedback frequently, more and more organisations are revamping performance manage-



ment processes and retraining their people in supervisory roles to manage achievements in a new way, he said.

He said mostly services sector are witnessing these changes as they have been attracting a lot more young people including IT,

outsourcing, hospitality and technology sectors.

Echoing the view, IKYA Human Capital Solutions, a division of

Quest Corp, Business Head Staffing Lohit Bhatia said that firms are creating an environment where the millennials are constantly challenged by giving new territories, new projects, new clients or simply newer departments.

"Job roles are constantly changing unlike in the past where subject matter experts were created across decades of learning. Today the constant is 'change' and that change allows people to move and interact with newer colleagues, newer markets and newer clients," he added.

Companies are also adopting policies like flexi hours and flexi working without compromising on work, he said.

"This flexibility allows employees to have a comfortable work life balance while continuing their task at work and accomplishing results in today's challenging world," he added.

GlobalHunt Managing Director Sunil Goel said millennials approach is more aggressive and

innovative, which has succeeded 70-80 per cent time and companies are willing to risk themselves to accommodate these new age leaders.

Companies are extensively using new age recruiting tools, such as social platforms as millennials do review company culture, feedback about organisation to make a decision before joining, he said.

Millennials need an engaging workplace so many companies have already begun devising new engagement and retention programmes like flexible work hours, remote working, collaborative workspaces, he said.

Organisations are slowly doing away with formal office attire to a semi-formal or smart work formals, using crowd sourcing, enabling technology use in every sphere of work, reverse mentoring programmes, he said.

"Companies are coming up with programmes where they can provide these workforce with an experience rather than a job," he added.

Six killed, 48 injured in terror attack in London

ADITI KHANNA

LONDON, JUN 4 (PTI): Three knife-wielding attackers wearing fake suicide vests unleashed a terror rampage through central London, plowing a van into pedestrians on the iconic London Bridge and then running to a nearby market where they randomly stabbed multiple people, killing six and injuring 48.

The eight-minute-long terror attack at the two key London landmarks last night came just days before the general election on June 8. The three attackers were shot dead, police said.

The first incident was reported at the London Bridge when a van swerved off the road into a crowd of pedestrians.

A white van driver came speeding veered off the road into the crowds of people who were walking along the pavement, an eye-witness was quoted as saying by BBC.

Within minutes, there were reports of a second attack at Borough Market on the south bank of the Thames where three men wielding knives 10 inches long began attacking passersby, even entering one restaurant to attack night diners.

Six people were killed in the attack, and at least 48 were taken to hospital, the Metropolitan police said.

"We took 48 patients to five hospitals across



London and treated a number of others at the scene for minor injuries," London Ambulance Service said in a statement.

"We declared a major incident and continue to work closely with other members of the emergency services at the scene," it said.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility. The British Transport Police said one of its officers was seriously injured after being stabbed as he responded to the incident, but his condition was not said to be life-threatening.

The three assailants shot dead by police were wearing fake suicide vests, police said today.

"The suspects were wearing what looked like explosive vests but these were later established to be hoaxes," Britain's head of counter-terrorism Mark Rowley said.

A large area of central London remained cordoned off and police told people to avoid the area, leaving tourists and revelers struggling to get home.

Bursts of gunfire echoed through the streets - likely from armed police - and at least three blasts rang out as police performed controlled explosions.

Police also said that they were attending a third incident in the Vauxhall area, but later said it was not connected.

It was the third terror attack to strike the UK this year, after a man drove a car into pedestrians on Westminster Bridge in March and the bomb attack on an Ariana Grande concert in Manchester two weeks ago.

Prime Minister Theresa May said that the "terrible incident" in London is being treated as a "potential act of terrorism".

The prime minister said: "Following updates from police and security officials, I can confirm that the terrible incident in London is being treated as a potential act of terrorism".

The Indian High Commission in London has set up a Public Response Unit for any Indians

caught up in the attack.

"Any Indians injured/affected during the London Bridge 'major incident' and at Borough Market may reach off-office hours Public Response Unit. We shall endeavour to extend all possible assistance to all affected and to their families and friends in this difficult hour," an Indian High Commission statement said.

London Mayor Sadiq Khan called it "a deliberate and cowardly attack on innocent Londoners".

Jeremy Corbyn, the Opposition Labour leader, tweeted on Sunday night: "Brutal and shocking incidents reported in London. My thoughts are with the victims and

their families.

Thank you to the emergency services".

Tim Farron, the Liberal Democrat leader, said: "Tonight's horrific incidents in London remind us how much we owe our emergency services. My thoughts and prayers with everyone affected".

Nicola Sturgeon, the Scottish First Minister and SNP leader, wrote on Twitter: "Dreadful news from London. My thoughts are with all those affected."

The investigation into the latest attack is being led by the Met Police's Counter Terrorism Command and Britain's Special Air Service (SAS) officers have been deployed in central London.

The incidents, just four days before the general election on June 8, come less than two weeks after a suicide bomber targeted a Manchester concert on May 22, killing 22 victims.

On May 22, 22 people were killed and 116 injured in a suicide bombing at Manchester Arena.

The attacker, identified as 22-year-old Salman Abedi, detonated a home-made bomb in the arena's foyer as crowds were leaving a performance by US singer Ariana Grande late in the evening. That terror attack stopped election campaigning for three days as troops were deployed to the streets and

the UK's terror threat level was raised to "critical", meaning an attack was "imminent".

On March 22, six people died, including the attacker, and at least 50 people were injured in an attack near the Houses of Parliament.

Attacker Khalid Masood first drove his car at pedestrians on the pavement on Westminster Bridge before crashing into a perimeter fence. Masood, armed with a knife, then left the vehicle and ran towards Parliament, where he was shot dead by police.

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Vehicle numbers cross one crore mark in Delhi

NEW DELHI, JUN 4 (PTI): The number of registered vehicles in the national capital has crossed the one crore mark, amid growing concerns over rising pollution levels and poor traffic conditions in the city.

Data accessed from the transport department of Delhi government puts the total number of registered vehicles at 1,05,67,712 till May 25. There are 31,72,842 registered cars in the city.

The biggest chunk of the registered vehicles - 66,48,730 - in the city is, however, motor cycles and scooters that are known as major air polluters due to poor emission standards.

Other major categories of registered vehicles in the national capital include goods carriers (2,25,438), motor cab (1,18,424), moped (1,16,092), passenger three wheelers (1,06,082), goods three wheelers (68,692), buses (35,332), e-rickshaws (31,555) and maxi cabs (30,207), the data said.

Several reports suggest that vehicular pollution is one of the major contributors in polluting the air in the national capital.

Concerned over the increasing level of air pollution in Delhi, the National Green Tribunal had on November 26, 2014 barred all vehicles private cars, bikes, commercial vehicles, buses and trucks over 15 years old from plying in the capital.

In its recent audit study, EPCA (Environmental Pollution - Prevention and Control) had also found that Delhi has lakhs of vehicles plying without the mandatory 'pollution under control' certificates.

The blatant violations, that potentially imperil the health of millions, have put the spotlight on around 970 centres in the city, that are certified to check the emission content of around 70 lakh vehicles in the city, the report had stated.

Aadhaar mandatory for kerosene subsidy, Atal Pension Yojana

ASHWINI SHRIVASTAVA

NEW DELHI, JUN 4 (PTI): The Aadhaar card has now been made mandatory for government subsidy on purchase of kerosene and benefits of Atal Pension Yojana.

Those availing kerosene subsidy or contributing for the pension scheme will now be required to furnish proof of possession of Aadhaar number or undergo the enrolment process to get the benefits, officials said today.

The last date to get the Aadhaar or enrolment for getting it will be September 30, in case of Kerosene subsidy.

For the Atal Pension Yojana, the deadline for getting the Aadhaar is June 15, they said, quoting an official order.

However, till an Aadhaar card is obtained, ration card, driving licence, voter identity card, Kisan passbook with photo, job card issued under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) and a certificate issued by a gazetted officer or a tehsildar will be considered as proof of identity for the benefits.

It has been also decided to link the Aadhaar number with the ration card issued to house-



holds availing the benefits or with the bank account for cash transfer benefit.

The Ministry of Oil and Natural Gas has introduced Direct Benefit Transfer through which subsidy is transferred directly to the bank accounts of the beneficiaries, who purchase the PDS kerosene at non-subsidised rate.

The decision to make Aadhaar mandatory for these two schemes will prevent leakages of subsidies and ensure that the beneficiaries get their due.

For this, the central government has invoked Section 7 of the Aadhaar Act, 2016, which mandates that when the government gives subsidy, benefit or service from the Consolidated Fund of India (CFI), an individual can be asked to undergo

authentication or furnish proof of possession of Aadhaar.

The Centre allocates subsidised kerosene to the states and Union Territories as affordable cooking fuel for domestic use, mainly to those living below the poverty line.

Under the Atal Pension Yojana, which is available to all the citizens in the age group of 18-40 years, a subscriber would receive a minimum guaranteed pension of Rs 1,000 to Rs 5,000 per month, depending upon his contribution, from the age of 60 years.

The same pension would be paid to the spouse of the subscriber and on the demise of both the subscriber and the spouse, the accumulated pension wealth is returned to the nominee.

Victims not informed of developments in POCSO cases: PIL in HC

NEW DELHI, JUN 4

(PTI): Families of child victims of sexual assault are not being informed about the accused walking out on bail despite the law mandating that such information be conveyed, a PIL in Delhi High Court has said.

A bench of Acting Chief Justice Gita Mittal and Justice C Hari Shankar sought the stand of the Ministry of Law and

Justice, the Delhi Police, and the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCP-CR) on the allegation made in the petition.

The plea, moved by the mothers of two victims of sexual abuse, claimed that under the Protection of Children From Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act and Rules, the Special Juvenile Police Unit (SJPU) or the local police "must keep

the child or the parent or the guardian as the case may be, informed about the developments in the case".

The women alleged that in the cases pertaining to their children, the provisions of the POCSO Act and Rules were not followed by the authorities as they were not informed when the accused persons had moved bail pleas or when they had been granted the relief.

The victims' families came to know that the accused persons were out on bail much later, the petition, filed through advocate Gautam Khazanchi, said.

The mothers claimed that they had informed the police, much before the accused had sought bail, that they were getting death threats, but this information was not placed before the trial court by the police.

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FOR THE DAYS YOU CANNOT FIGHT YOUR ANXIETY...

"You worry too much."

"You're so overdramatic."

You've heard these words before, almost every day. You laugh it off, because those are the good days. Those are the days even you think they might be true, that everything your mind told you wasn't real. Those are the days your anxiety whimpers, instead of screaming. Those are the days the smile you paint on your face every single morning begin to reach your eyes. Those are the days every cell of your body comes alive, dancing to the tune of your laughter. Those are the good days.

Then there are days like today, when the voices tear you apart. Limb by limb. Insecurity by insecurity. You become the cracks you try so hard to hide.

"Anxiety is like an evil cousin, who comes uninvited for dinner", a wise man once told. But on days like these, anxiety isn't just the evil cousin, the uninvited guest. That's the thing with uninvited guests - you still have a party to fight for. You still have something worth saving. But today, anxiety is the whole tragic party.

Your deepest fears are painted on every face, every foreign breath threatens to stifle you. On days like these, your anxiety tells you that there's nothing worth fighting for - that the life you built for yourself, brick by brick, deserves to crumble. It crept into your beautiful, beating heart, and clouded your judgement with self-doubt.

Your fear comes in waves, threatening to turn into a tsunami. Your beautiful voice turns into a whisper, struggling to be heard. Maybe you're at work, hiding your mediocrity in your lonely corner. Wondering if people think you're an asshole for not talking to them. Maybe you're in the bathroom, barely holding yourself together and crying silently. Maybe you're busy telling people that you're 'okay', and



wondering when the daily struggle to be normal will finally end. Maybe you're at home, feeling the bones that promised to hold you upright weigh you down. Those lead like bones cage your heart, as it struggles to remind you of your worth. Because you are worthy, a small voice whispers. Your anxiety shouts it down.

You're a hopeless mess, it tells you. You will never be okay.

But you will. Today is a bad day. Today is the day candles melt without giving any light. Today is the day your body erupts with earthquakes and hurricanes, tearing you

apart. But yesterday- well, yesterday was the day your laughter filled the room, wasn't it? It was a day of beautifully molded hugs, happiness, and acceptance. Yesterday, you were strong. Yesterday, you won. But in the life long battle against anxiety, you can't win every day, can you?

See, contrary to what people say, anxiety isn't just something that comes and goes. It isn't you being 'overdramatic', or 'worrying too much'. It is always there, and you, dear warrior, are always fighting. You are brave, simply for existing. But you can't always cover your scars up with a smile. And that's okay.

It's okay to lay your head down and cry till your body begs for rest. It's okay to drown yourself in familiar suffering, because the unfamiliar makes you want to hide. It's okay to be worn down, to feel your carefully stitched scars rip open. It's okay to have bad days. It's okay to give into the pain and let free the tears you can barely hold back. It simply means that like every warrior, your tired mind needs to rest. It fought every single day, convincing you of your own greatness. But it's cowering today, and that's okay. See, you're recuperating, licking your wounds. You're building an army, because you have to. Because today begins the fight for your life, a life too precious for

anxiety to claim.

So experience the screaming in your head, acknowledge it. For it is a part of you, but simply a part. It is not you.

Reach out. Because today, you are weak. Today, you are human. So do what you have to do to get better, and do not let your anxiety make you feel any less for it. Because you deserve to feel the warmth of the sunlight that could stream in, if only you opened the window. Today, you may rest. A better tomorrow cannot be promised, because your anxiety may win tomorrow too. But it will not win every day. One day, it will disappear beneath your stardust.

Your anxiety is only a tree, step back and look at the forest.

Because today - today isn't the end. There will be a tomorrow, there will be a one day. Your anxiety has laid siege on your mind, so dig your heels in the ground, bare your soul, and say to it

"You try so hard to burn me, but I'll always be the wild witch who survived. One day, my madness shall breathe magic." One day, your light will burn your demons to dust.

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SRK'S LOSES HIS COOL!

Being the gentleman that he is, we've hardly ever seen Shah Rukh Khan losing his temper, no matter how bad the situation is. However, a video of the actor in the sets of a show in Dubai that has gone viral

shows a mighty angry SRK lashing out at the anchor of a show.

Shah Rukh was recently in Dubai to shoot the sequel of the Dubai Tourism campaign #BeMyGuest after the tremendous response to the first video. The actor indulged in some promotional activities and even shot a few sequences for some channels as a gesture to reciprocate

the love and affection that the people of the country have been showering over him for so many years.

Looks like things went awry during one of the shows as SRK lost his cool and lashed out at the host of the show. The incident took place on the sets of a prank show called Rameez Underground, where Shah Rukh fell into a mud pit along with the female host of the show and a large chameleon was seen approaching them in order to attack them.

SRK tried his best to keep calm and maintain a brave front and dodge the mammal. But as soon as the prank was revealed when the anchor of the shoe came out of the chameleon costume, SRK lost his temper and blasted the host. Clearly, the prank didn't go down well with SRK at all!



GIVE IT UP FOR BERRY YO! Actor Halle Berry and American Hip Hop artist, Common, perform onstage at the 16th Annual Chrysalis Butterfly Ball on 03 June in Los Angeles, California. Common was one of the Honorees of the event.



05TH JUNE

WORLD HISTORY

1783- Joseph and Jacques Montgolfier make first public balloon flight

1805- Southern Illinois was hit by first recorded tornado in 'Tornado Alley'

1849- Denmark became a constitutional monarchy. This day is celebrated as Danish National Day

1968- Senator Robert Kennedy was assassinated in Los Angeles after winning the California presidential primary

1988- Kay Cottee became the first woman to sail into Sydney, to circle the globe alone

1991- Mikhail Gorbachev received the 1990 Nobel Peace Prize

2005- Two women, Fatima al-Sabah and Fawzia al-Bahr, were appointed to Kuwait's municipal council, the first time in its history

INDIAN HISTORY

1974- Smallpox epidemic in the

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

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1984- Operation 'Blue Star' was launched by Indira Gandhi. Indian commandos raged into Sikh's holiest gurdwara Golden Temple in Amritsar to flush out the terrorists and other anti-government elements

2003- A severe heat wave across Pakistan and India reaches its peak, as temperatures exceed 50 degrees C [122 degrees F] in the region [hottest year in the recent past

1973- MS Golwalkar, Hindu nationalist leader, passed away

1989- Missile Trishul tested successfully

1992- Hindi weekly of Indian Express Group 'Screen' published for the first time

1995- A three-week long, the first ever Indo-US joint army training exercise began

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ARCTIC CIRCLE - HALLATT



BABY BLUES - KIRKMAN & SCOTT



ARIES: Today's overall outlook is positive for you, Aries. You can expect to focus on giving a little more character, expression, or enrichment to your domestic life. You may redecorate a part of the house or find new leisure activities for the children. Don't be reluctant to suggest something original. They will probably enjoy it! **TAURUS:** You're embarking on a phase devoted in large part to your love life, Taurus! Make this time completely fulfilling by introducing fresh new ideas. Don't let these pleasures grow stale. The cycle ahead is extremely auspicious for romance. It's a good time to take a trip, just the two of you. If you're

single, you may meet an uncommonly interesting new person.

GEMINI: After the emotional havoc you went through over the last few weeks, the period beginning today will be quite soothing. You can take advantage of these smoother, calmer waters to rediscover emotional harmony and improve the balance of your energy flow. Moreover, Gemini, if your physical health isn't quite adequate, the weeks ahead should give you a chance to rest and recuperate.

CANCER: The celestial configuration is speaking of a new period in which you focus on the way you differentiate yourself from others,

Cancer. Are you aware of the aspects that make you unique? If not, meditate on the subject or ask close friends for input. The upcoming weeks are going to teach you a lot about this subject!

LEO: This is the beginning of a new cycle, Leo. There will be new issues cropping up over the next several days. You may have to rethink certain principles that you've adhered to in your relationships up until now. Upon reflection, you find that you no longer agree with them. It seems that the conventions and social graces required by society are weighing you down.

VIRGO: This is a pleasant day,

Virgo. Indeed, the celestial aspects are predicting that it will be rather radiant, though likely less intense than the past week or so. You probably had some new perspectives to set up in your professional life, and now you will have to get to work setting goals! You were waiting for just this moment! Perfect!

LIBRA: Are you ready, Libra? Are you in shape for what's going to happen? The celestial aspects are heralding a new cycle that will be filled to the brim with activities, new people, and new professional perspectives. Let's hope that you've been able to rest up lately. If you haven't, try to sched-

ule in some afternoon naps!

SCORPIO: Will there be change in you during the next few weeks, Scorpio? This is always the question that one asks with this changing planetary environment. It's appealing to think that you may be traveling to exotic locations or perhaps changing jobs and meeting some interesting new people. Anything is possible with these aspects. Enjoy the renewed atmosphere!

SAGITTARIUS: A new wind is blowing in your relationships, Sagittarius, and you probably won't be too sorry about it! The planets are lining up to signal new beginnings. You will be able to take advantage of your recent

reflections and test your new self-image. You likely won't be disappointed by the results. Be happy. You have every reason to be!

CAPRICORN: You will be happy to know that today contains the seeds of change for your love life, Capricorn. Beginning today and for the next month or so, you're likely to be amazed by the turn of events in your relationships with others. The plot thickens as new people and groups emerge on your horizon. The aspect ahead is much less individualistic than usual.

AQUARIUS: Last month you may have been somewhat more extroverted and sociable than

usual, especially regarding your emotional relationships. But beginning today, your attitude will undergo a change, Aquarius. You will probably be calmer and more reasonable. Your thoughts may begin to focus more on the future than the present. You have about a month to firm up your plans.

PISCES: As a person who loves to experiment with new ideas and discover new people, you will be delighted with the period that is now beginning. Since communication, togetherness, and sociability will rule the next few weeks, it will be a perfect time to get out and show off your gifts. You will have a ball, Pisces!