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## Cane bridge re-spans Mantam lake

**WANGCHUK BHUTIA  
MANGAN, 07 AUG:**

A cane bridge has been constructed to span Mantam lake and reconnect the three GPUs of Tingvong, Sakyong-Pentong and Lingthem-Lingdem. It may be recalled that the suspension bridge at Mantam was washed away on 18 June affecting supply of essential commodities to these 3 GPUs. Meanwhile, people are advised to be cautious while walking on the new bridge on which a maximum of four persons are allowed at a time.

## PM likely to address nation on Thursday



**NEW DELHI, AUG 7 (PTI):** Prime Minister Narendra Modi is likely to address the nation on Thursday during which he is expected to explain government's decisions on abrogating special status to Jammu and Kashmir and splitting the state into two union territories, sources have said.

The last time he ad-

ressed the nation was on March 27 during the Lok Sabha elections when he announced that India had demonstrated anti-satellite missile (A-Sat) capability by shooting down a live satellite.

Parliament on Tuesday approved a resolution abrogating special status accorded to Jammu and Kashmir under

Article 370 of the Constitution. It also cleared a bill to split the state into two union territories of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh.

The proposed address comes days before the prime minister's customary address to the nation on Independence Day from the ramparts of Red Fort.

## Chess tourney gets underway exclusively for girls

**SAGAR CHHETRI  
GANGTOK, 07 AUG:**

Smart Girls FIDE Rating Chess Tournament got underway here at 5th Mile, Tadong, on Wednesday.

The tournament, exclusive to girls and women, is being organised by Sikkim Chess Association for the first time in Sikkim and even the entire north-east region and has attracted the participation of 64 from different parts of Sikkim and a few from West Bengal.

The inaugural function had Upper Tadong in-charge of Sikkim Krantikari Morcha, Anand Lama, as the chief guest accompanied by international arbiter, Dharmendra Kumar, as guest of honour.

The chief guest expressed happiness over the development of the chess in the State and on the participation of the young.

While congratulating young girls for their par-



ticipation in the tournament, he commented that their active participation heralds a bright future for Sikkim in chess.

He also congratulated SCA for its continuous effort and hard work under

the leadership of Mahendra Dhakal in bringing chess to this level.

Mr Lama expressed hope that chess will help develop a healthy and productive human resource for the State. He

stressed upon the need for infrastructures and facilities to take chess to the next level.

On the same, he assured the association to take up these issues with the State Government for

future promotion and development of chess and to take local players to the national and international levels.

Mr Kumar, who is the chief arbiter of the tournament, **turn to pg02**

## Bhaichung included in selection committee for national awards

**SUMMIT REPORT  
GANGTOK, 07 AUG:**

Bhaichung Bhutia has been included in the 12-member selection committee constituted on 06 August for the selection of sports awards 2019 by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports.

The committee has been charged with selecting awardees for Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award, Dronacharya Award, Arjuna Award, Dhyan Chand Award,

Rashtriya Khel Protsahan Puraskar and Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Trophy for the year 2019.

Others in the committee included Anju Bobby George [athletics], Mary Kom [boxing], Charu Sharma [sports commentator] etc.

In a facebook post today, Bhaichung welcomed his inclusion in the committee as an honour and assured that the best deserving sportsperson will be give the awards.

## Independence Day Football Tournament 2019

**SUMMIT REPORT  
GANGTOK, 07 AUG:**

The Independence Day Football Tournament 2019 for Chogyal Sir Tashi Namgyal Memorial Cup is scheduled to kick off here at Paljor Stadium on Thursday. The knockout football tournament is being organised by Sikkim Football Association.

The inaugural match will be played between

defending champions of the premier division Sikkim League 2018, United Sikkim Football Club and Kalimpong XI at 2:30pm.

The other participating clubs are Sikkim premier division clubs, Sikkim Aakraman FC, Sikkim Himalayan Sporting Club and Sikkim Police along with Kanchenjunga Football Club from Siliguri, Darjeeling XI and ARC Shillong.

## State flag to be removed permanently after revocation of special status for J-K

**ANIL BHATT**

**JAMMU, AUG 7 (PTI):** As the Centre revoked provisions of Article 370 that gave special status to Jammu and Kashmir, the official state flag will soon be permanently removed. As per reports, the official state flag is still seen hoisted along with the tricolour at the Civil Secretariat building in Srinagar.

The state flag, which is red in colour with three equidistant white vertical strips and a white plough, represents the bloodshed from the Kashmir agitation in July 13, 1931. Jammu and Kashmir was permitted to fly its own flag along with the national flag under Article 370.

Parliament approved a resolution abrogating special status to Jammu and Kashmir under Article 370 of the Constitution and a bill for splitting the state into two union territories.

Jammu and Kashmir Assembly Speaker Nirmal Singh became the first Constituent author-



ity to remove the state flag from his official vehicle on Tuesday.

"I have removed the state flag from my official vehicle yesterday soon after scrapping of Article 370," Singh, who was the deputy chief minister in the Peoples Democratic Party-Bharatiya Janata Party government, told PTI.

He said a notification is likely to be issued regarding the removal of the state flag.

"I think that state flag may have been removed or will be removed as the state is now a Union Territory," he said.

Advocate Arun Kandoo says under Article 370 of the Constitution of India, Jammu and Kash-

mir had a separate Constitution and a separate flag. On June 7, 1952, a resolution was passed by the Constituent assembly of Jammu and Kashmir, declaring an official state flag. Syama Prasad Mukherjee, who founded the Bhartiya Jana Sangh that later became the BJP, started a campaign to oppose Article 370 since the Jan Sangh days, a BJP leader said.

After Jammu and Kashmir's merger into the Indian Union was passed, a slogan was coined by the BJP, "Ek desh mein do Vidhan, do Pradhan aur do Nishan nahi challenge (There cannot be two Constitutions, **turn to pg02**

## Kashmir experiencing 'unprecedented' lockdown, 8 mn people 'incarcerated' like never before: Faesal

**NEW DELHI, AUG 7 (PTI):** Kashmir is experiencing an "unprecedented" lockdown and its eight million population "incarcerated" like never before, former IAS officer and politician Shah Faesal said on Wednesday, adding that there is no shortage of food and essentials as of now.

It was not possible to reach former Jammu and Kashmir chief ministers Omar Abdullah, Mehbooba Mufti and Jammu and Kashmir People's Conference' Sajad Lone or send a message to them, Faesal said in a Facebook post as information from the Valley continued to come out in dribbles.

Parliament has given its nod to abolish the special status granted to Jammu

and Kashmir under Article 370 and also to bifurcate it into the union territories of Jammu and Kashmir, and Ladakh. There's a virtual blackout in the Valley with few workable mobile phones and internet connections and prohibitory orders in place.

"Kashmir is experiencing an unprecedented lock-down. From Zero Bridge to Airport some movement of vehicles is visible. Other places are completely out of bounds. Except for patients or those with a curfew pass," Faesal, the president of the J&K Peoples Movement party, said in a Facebook post.

Giving a glimpse of the ground situation in Kashmir, the Srinagar-based poli-

tician said curfew is stricter in other districts. "You can say that the entire 8 million population has been incarcerated like never before," Faesal, who had topped the civil services exam in 2010, said.

As of now, there is no shortage of food and essentials. "My sources in administration told me that Sat Phones given to officers are being used to coordinate the civil supplies. No other means of communication is available.

"Those with Dish TV have access to news. Cable services are down. Many people still have a bleak idea of what happened. Radio was working till a few hours ago. Most people are watching DD. Nation-

al media is also not being allowed to move into interior areas," he claimed. The Lal Ded hospital, Faesal claimed, is functioning beyond its capacity as expecting women are getting admitted days in advance to avoid any last moment hassles. Some people are planning to run 'langars' there.

No violent incident has been officially reported so far, he added. Random incidents of stone throwing were reported from Rambagh, Natipora, Downtown, Kulgam, Anantnag. But no news of any killings, he said.

"People are in shock. Numb. Yet to make sense of what befell them. Everyone is mourning what we lost. "In my con-

versations with people besides 370, it's the loss of statehood that has hurt people deeply. This is being seen as the biggest betrayal by the Indian state in last 70 years," he said in the Facebook post.

Few leaders who have escaped detention called for calm through TV channels, he said. "It is being said that the government is ready for a casualty figure of 8-10 thousand. So sanity demands that we don't give anyone a chance for mass massacre," he alleged.

"My appeal has also been that let's stay alive, then we shall fight back," the former civil servant said.

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# Meeting on Jal Shakti Abhiyan held in Namchi

**NAMCHI, 07 JUL (IPR):** A meeting on Jal Shakti Abhiyan (JSA) was held at conference hall of DAC, today. The meeting was chaired by Secretary Rural Development Department, CS Rao, Additional Secretary, Sarika Pradhan, ADC (Dev), Milan Subba, Namchi and ADC (Dev), Suman Gurung, Ravangla and officials from various line department and other stakeholders.

It may be mentioned here that Jal Shakti Abhiyan (JSA) is a time-bound, mission-mode water conservation campaign which will run in two phases. Currently, phase1 is being implemented in Sikkim which commenced from 01 Jul to 15 Sept for the States and Union Territories.

Addressing, the gathering Secretary RDD, CS Rao explained in brief the concept and the objective of Jal Shakti Abhiyan which has been conceptualized by the Central Government with the intention to conserve water.

He added that cur-



rently Sikkim is receiving rainfall of approximately 300 cm and underlined that this water needs to be preserved and further utilized in our day to day activities. Mr Rao informed that 8 blocks in the South District has been identified for this scheme and urged the Block Development Officers to work in coordination with the various line departments and stake-

holders for the success of this scheme.

He also highlighted that it is imperative to organize awareness camps at various educational institutes in order for the students to understand the importance of this scheme at the grass root level. He added that district level water conservation plans has been drafted, and a Mela at Krishi Vigyan Kendra in

Namthang will be held at the earliest wherein the progressive farmers will be provided with an array of activities along with choices in selection of crops which efficiently works for water conservation.

He also pressed for a proper village water security plan, rain water harvesting and also efficient soil conservation measures in all the

GPUs. The Secretary further updated that the forest department can set up seedling distribution booths at village level in order to give impetus for plantation drive at rural level.

Additional Secretary, Sarika Pradhan spoke about the significance of this program and urged the BDOs to organize a Gram Sabha on Jal Shakti Abhiyan and further

maintain this abhiyan in their blocks. She also added that there should be smooth communication campaign on TV, print and social media in order to mobilised and generate ample awareness for the campaign. Ms. Pradhan further updated that the BDOs are required to identify one village per block for adoption in this abhiyan.

## Dermatology camp held at Namok



**SUMMIT REPORT MANGAN, 07 AUG:**

Bhavishya Bharat, a developmental organization, conducted a day long Specialised Health Camp on Dermatology (Skin problems) at the Village Administrative Center (VAC) Namok, North Sikkim today.

The health camp was organized under the THF - Sanjeevani Project (Clinic on Wheels),

wherein Bhavishya Bharat provided health check-up to 157 patients along with Lab Test.

All the medicines and health services were provided free of cost for the community of Namok Swayem GPU and Mangshila Tibuk GPU.

Dermatologist Dr Deepa Mala Subba from Namchi District Hospital attended to patients and prescribed medicines.

### State flag to...

two prime ministers and two flags in one nation)", the BJP leader said.

In order to protest and create national awareness for Jammu and Kashmir's complete integration, Mukherjee, along with Atal Bihari Vajpayee, travelled across the country and entered Jammu and Kashmir on May 11, 1953, without any permit.

"Mukherjee was arrested there by Jammu and Kashmir Police and later died in custody on June 23, 1953. Mukherjee's move ended the permit system for entry into the state," the leader said.

While the permit system was abolished followed by conversions of prime minister and Sadr-e-Riyasat into post of chief minister and governor, but the Constitution and the flag continued to remain in the state, political analyst Rajiv Pandita says.

During the PDP-BJP rule in 2015, the state government, on March 12, 2015, had issued a circular asking constitutional authorities to hoist the state flag along with the tricolour on government buildings and vehicles. The move, however, had not gone down well with the coalition partner, the BJP.

However, on December 27, 2015, a single bench of the Jammu and Kashmir High Court headed by then judge Justice Hasnain Masoodi, directed the state government to hoist the state flag, along with the national flag, on all official buildings and vehicles of constitutional authorities.

Justice Masoodi, who is now the National Conference MP, said, "It is obligatory on every citizen as well as on every constitutional authority to maintain the sanctity of, and respect, the state flag in terms of the constitutional provisions and the Jammu and Kashmir Prevention of Insult to State Honours Act, 1979."

But on January 1, 2016, divisional bench of the Jammu and Kashmir High Court, comprising Justice B L Bhat and Justice Tashi Rabstan, stayed the order of Justice Massodi on hoisting of the state flag.

Justice Massodi's judgment was challenged by former inspector-general of police and currently advisor to Jammu and Kashmir governor Farooq Khan through a Letter Patents Appeal (LPA).

## Plastic free programme held at Kitam school

**SUMMIT REPORT GANGTOK, 07 AUG:**

Two-day plastic free programme was organized at Kitam Senior Secondary School, Namchi on 06 and 07 Aug, 2019. The objective and importance of avoiding the use of plastic in the school campus to make the school plastic free was highlighted by Principal of Kitam SSS, a press release informs.

The programme was followed by a rally from Kitam School campus to the market area with

slogans and placards. This rally was escorted by Kitam Out Post Police Force. After the rally, theme based paintings and essay competitions were also held.

On the second day, the harmful effects of plastic were highlighted by GT (Bio), S Ghaley which was followed by a cleanliness drive from school campus to market area. The two-day programme was conducted by GT (Bio) Eco club coordinator, Tika Chandra Mukhia.

## SRN University holds induction ceremony for Freshers batch 2019

**SHRAVAN CHETTRI GANGTOK, 07 AUG:**

Shri Ramaswamy Memorial University organized the induction ceremony of the new Freshers batch 2019 at Manan Kendra today.

The event was attended by Education Minister, Kunga Nima Lepcha as the chief guest, Additional Secretary, GP Upadhyaya as the guest of honour, Vice Chancellor, Satish R along with other various department heads and parents.

"We are really grateful to the parents in trusting the pillars of SRM University and letting their children come to us in order to fulfill the desired goals," said Associate Dean Social Science and Humanities, Manisha Thakuri in her address.

While speaking at the event as the chief Guest, KN Lepcha expressed his gratitude and faith on the development of the college and education in the state.

He further added that the students must have curiosity to learn and expressed his warm

welcome to the freshers and wished them luck for their future endeavours.

While addressing the gathering Vice Chancellor, Satish R talked about the history of the university in the state.

"When we started the number of students was very low, but constant support from the state government and the people of Sikkim has helped us achieve remarkable milestones in recent years," he said.

He also mentioned about the expansion in courses offered and infrastructure. The college is also focusing on implementing various new initiatives in order to strengthen the relationship between parents and the college, he added.

The university presented 22 scholarships to students from around the state. Founder scholarship was provided to 17 students while 2 scholarships were provided to students under employees ward scholarship and 3 scholarships to students facing financial crisis.

## Sri Satya Sai Seva Sikkim extends helping hand to Assam flood victims

**SUMMIT REPORT GANGTOK, 07 AUG:**

Sri Satya Sai Seva Organisation (Sikkim Chapter) under Sri Satya Sai Disaster management Sikkim organised a five-day camp for Assam Flood Relief here at Jorethang from 02 to 06 Aug, 2019, a press

release informs.

After collecting all necessary materials, the team will leave for Assam on 08 August, informed Motilall Shanker.

The entire camp was organised under the guidance of president of the organisation, Punam Pradhan, he informed.

## Review meeting for I-Day celebration in South

**NAMCHI, 07 JUL (IPR):**

A review meeting on the 73rd celebration of Independence Day was held at Conference Hall of District Administrative Centre today. Present during the meeting was ADC (South), Satyan Pradhan, SP (South), Prawin Gurung, SDM (HQ), Hemant Rai, ADC Development South, Milan Subba, DSP (South), Anjana Silwal and various officials, representatives from line departments, Principals and teachers respectively.

Addressing, the gathering SP, Mr Gurung spoke regarding the status of the Independence day preparation at the South Districts headquarters. He spoke about the line of events arranged for the main day including the ceremonial parade, dress rehearsal

and many more activity.

He also underlined the importance of discipline and orderliness that the culture as well as the parade procession has to maintain. Additionally, he highlighted about the importance of coordination which needs to be followed between the line departments.

Furthermore, he added that the Boys final football match which is scheduled to be played at Singhithang playground on Independence Day should be played amidst much vigour and enthusiasm.

ADC (South), Satyan Pradhan took stock of the responsibility given to various line departments for Independence day festivity and requested these departments to be extremely proactive while discharging their duty.

## Tendong Lho Rum Faat celebration in Namchi

**NAMCHI, 07 AUG (IPR):**

A prayer ceremony on the eve of Tendong Lho Rum Faat was held at Central Park here today. The prayers were conducted by bongthings for peace, tranquility and brotherhood.

Present during the prayer ceremony was the Chief Minister's wife, Krishna Kumari Rai and various dignitaries and members of South Renzong Mutanchi Rong Tarjum.

It may be mentioned here that Tendong Lho Rum Faat is one of the oldest and tradition festivals celebrated by the Lepcha community of Sikkim. The celebration

of Tendong Lho Rum Faat started from the year 1993 in Sikkim and the festival was declared as one of the state functions and was included in the Almanac calendar since the year 1997.

A prayer ceremony will also be conducted at Tendong Hill, Damthang, South Sikkim on 08 August. Tendong Hill is located at 2640 meters (8660 ft) from the sea level and is 7 kms uphill from Damthang bazaar. The hill has the presence of a pious stone called "Longchok" which was brought from Yuksom, West Sikkim and is approximately 12 feet tall.

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### Chess tourney...

mentioned that the main objective behind organizing the tournament was to promote chess among girls.

He congratulated SCA for making a good start. He also congratulated parents for their support and encouragement to their children in taking up chess.

The SCA general secretary, Mahendra Dhakal, informed that the tournament was a rating tournament and hence provides a good opportunity to young players to play with rated players and earn their rating.

Mr Dhakal mentioned that this tournament has been allotted only to Sikkim in the entire north-eastern region due to the large number of girl chess players in the State.

The tournament is being played on Swiss League system of nine rounds and carries a total cash prize of Rs 30,000 along with trophies and certificates. The tournament also has age categories of U-7, U-9, U-11 and U-13. The valedictory function of the tournament is scheduled for 11 August.

### Kashmir experiencing...

Faesar claimed that the body language of security forces manning the areas is "extremely harsh" and Jammu and Kashmir police has been "totally sidelined".

"One guy told an acquaintance of mine that now we are going to show your place to you," he alleged.

"Such stories of locals being bullied have reached me from many places. But its extremely heartening that Kashmiris are staying calm," he said.

Faesar also advised people to avoid travelling to Kashmir for some time, saying the situation will remain extremely volatile even if the curfew is relaxed.

"At airport I met crowds of heartbroken youth asking me questions about what should we do now. I said we shall go to Supreme Court together and ask for reversing this injustice. All political parties are together on challenging these unconstitutional laws that have deprived us of our history and identity," he said, adding that as of now that is the only hope.

He also accused the international community of closing its eyes on Kashmir.

"So I am not expecting anything from there. The sad fact of life is that only (Prime Minister) Narendra Modi and (Union Home Minister) Amit Shah can one day give back to us the wealth that has been stolen from us in broad day light.

"But then what's lost has been lost. Or Perhaps everything has been lost. Except our resolve to fight back. And we shall," Faesar added.

Mehbooba and Abdullah were under house arrest and then placed under arrest on Monday night as they were considered a threat to the law-and-order situation in the state, officials said.


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61	BIDHYA SAGAR RAI	2009-12-02038	LIVE	LRDM
62	SANJAY RAI	2009-16-01374	LIVE	BAC
63	RIGZING ONGMO LEPCHA	2009-16-01449	LIVE	HEALTH
64	PINTSO TAMANG	2009-16-01606	LIVE	FOREST
65	TEK BAHADUR RAI	2009-16-01613	LIVE	HEALTH
66	MANI PRASAD LIMBOO	2009-16-01681	LIVE	HEALTH
67	HARKA MAYA RAI	2009-16-01699	LIVE	HEALTH
68	PEMA ONGCHUK SHERPA	2009-16-01953	LIVE	HEALTH
69	KUMAR SHARMA LUITEL	2009-16-02059	LIVE	RMDD
70	BHUPENDRA RAI	2009-18-01821	LIVE	HOME
71	MANI KUMAR MANGER	2009-20-01233	LIVE	JUDICIARY
72	NORBU SHERPA	2009-20-01385	LIVE	HRDD
73	MRS.CHUMKI BHUTIA	2009-20-01445	LIVE	HRDD
74	BISHNU MAY GURUNG	2009-20-01469	LIVE	HRDD
75	SONAM CHOPEL LEPCHA	2009-20-01484	LIVE	HRDD
76	ASHIF TAMANG	2009-20-01502	LIVE	DOPART
77	MRS.SHARMILA KARKI	2009-20-01511	LIVE	HRDD
78	PEMA LHADEN LEPCHA	2009-20-01547	LIVE	JUDICIARY
79	SONAM GYATSO LEPCHA	2009-20-01615	LIVE	HRDD
80	JIWAN RAI	2009-20-01624	LIVE	HRDD
81	SRIJANA CHETTRI	2009-20-01633	LIVE	HRDD
82	MAHENDRA CHETTRI	2009-20-01858	LIVE	HRDD
83	PRAMOD TAMANG	2009-20-01870	LIVE	HRDD
84	CHEWANG DORJEE BHUTIA	2009-20-01942	LIVE	BAC
85	CHEWANG DORJEE LEPCHA	2009-20-02098	LIVE	HRDD
86	SACHIN NEPAL	2009-20-02132	LIVE	HRDD
87	URGEN TAMANG	2009-23-01378	LIVE	WATER RESOURCE
88	SUBASH GURUNG	2009-24-02008	LIVE	LRDM
89	PARSHU RAM SHARMA	2009-24-02022	LIVE	LRDM
90	SANGAY DOMA BHUTIA	2009-24-02035	LIVE	LRDM
91	TARUN THAPA	2009-32-01219	LIVE	BAC
92	SUDEEP CHANDRA RAI	2009-32-01224	LIVE	HRDD
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115	DEEPA MALA SUBBA	2010-16-02730	LIVE	HEALTH
116	PRABHAT RAI	2010-16-02736	LIVE	HEALTH
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118	MILAN RAI	2010-19-02211	LIVE	HORTICULTURE
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125	KRISHNA KR.GURUNG	2010-20-02878	LIVE	HRDD
126	CHOPEL BHUTIA	2010-20-02931	LIVE	JUDICIARY
127	KAMAL MUKHIA	2010-20-02935	LIVE	INDUSTRIES
128	LAKPA DIKI SHERPA	2010-20-02936	LIVE	INDUSTRIES
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130	LAXUMAN SHARMA	2010-20-02938	LIVE	HRDD
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146	RAJ KIRAN DEOKOTA	2010-20-03444	LIVE	HRDD
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151	BIMAL RAI	2010-32-02169	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
152	ARJUN GURUNG	2010-36-02172	LIVE	SPORTS AND YOUTH AFFAIRS
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167	ANISH GURUNG	2010-41-03772	LIVE	POLICE
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171	DEGEN GURUNG	2011-02-03912	LIVE	BUILDING & HOUSING
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177	ANIL KUMAR CHETTRI	2011-15-04059	LIVE	FOREST
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180	PHIGUM BHUTIA	2011-20-04030	LIVE	HRDD
181	UGEN ONGDUP BHUTIA	2011-20-04049	LIVE	HRDD
182	ONGCHUK DORJEE LEPCHA	2011-20-04052	LIVE	BAC
183	SHUN BDR.SUBBA	2011-20-04111	LIVE	HRDD
184	GANGA BAHOUR RAI	2011-20-04338	LIVE	HRDD
185	ARIJUN THAPA	2011-20-04343	LIVE	HRDD
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187	NEELIMA GURUNG	2011-24-04261	LIVE	LRDM
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189	PEMA TSHERING LEPCHA	2011-24-04273	LIVE	LRDM
190	PALDEN DORJEE LAMA	2011-24-04360	LIVE	LRDM
191	SUMAN GURUNG	2011-24-04365	LIVE	LRDM
192	LOKCHAND LOHAR	2011-32-04334	LIVE	RMDD
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209	BHAGIRATH SHARMA	2012-19-04519	LIVE	HORTICULTURE
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218	PRAVA CHHETRI	2012-20-05107	LIVE	HRDD
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220	SHAKUNTALA SINGH	2012-25-04496	LIVE	LAW
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266	TASHI RAPGAY BHUTIA	2013-41-05213	LIVE	POLICE
267	DEV KUMAR RAI	2013-41-05218	LIVE	POLICE
268	TIKA PRASAD CHETTRI	2013-41-05655	LIVE	POLICE
269	URGEN PINTSO SHERPA	2013-41-05705	LIVE	POLICE
270	JIT BAHADUR GHATANNEY	2013-41-05734	LIVE	POLICE
271	PASSANG TSHERING SHERPA	2013-41-05753	LIVE	POLICE
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273	GANGA RAM ADHIKARI	2014-01-09377	LIVE	AHLF & VS
274	MIKMA LEPCHA	2014-01-09378	LIVE	AHLF & VS
275	MANI KUMAR GHIMIRAY	2014-01-09455	LIVE	AHLF & VS
276	PASSANG LHAMU SHERPA	2014-01-09897	LIVE	AHLF & VS
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## No Excuses for Kashmir

### Majoritarianism in the name of nationalism

The nation needs to accept that what is being passed off as a majoritarian right-wing government is actually a minority, regressively upper caste insularity disguised in shallow nationalism. Evidence of this sliver-sized representation unloading its offensive version of what defines India had manifested initially with gau-rakshak lynch mobs, the increasing normalization of misogyny and the easy mindlessness with which lives were snuffed because long-demolished (at least officially) caste barriers had been erected again. And now, perhaps because the rabid intolerance could not be explained to mass sentiment, experiments are being tried out to excite what are clearly hate crimes as misinformed attacks – people from minority groups being lynched on suspicion of being child lifters or burglars. The results remain the same. At times, trouble is instigated and then victimization is claimed. Once this model was refined, the horror of what has been wrecked on Jammu & Kashmir was sold, without so much as even a bargain, as a panacea to all that has troubled the State. Well, a fiction has been sold. Hopefully, the bluster will wear off and not enough will actually buy the plot as being convincing. It is obvious that the claims of empathy and concern are hollow and not even original.

Thanks to a mass media which has capitulated on its responsibility to inform and explain, being liberal and rational is now being painted as a character flaw and sycophancy and iconoclasm being sold as nationalism. India, however, is more enduring than the acting chops or decibel range of those who want to scream and hate the country into the dark ages when everything was worked around the petty sensitivities of a privileged few. And while the idea that India will reclaim its tolerance is reassuring, it should not be taken as a cue to remain uninvolved because we have now officially entered desperate times. The citizens need to stay engaged, because their “leaders” are increasingly distancing themselves from their responsibilities and allowing their compromised positions to infect their public positions. Where on one hand propaganda is drowning out reason, at the other, the co-option of national agencies and organizations is chaperoning pusillanimous obedience from even those who were believed to be strong leaders who were upright at least when it came to some issues.

It is necessary for people to inform themselves better and consciously tune out the propaganda so that they can hear the concerns of the real India. And places on the margins, places like Sikkim also have a role to play, if not for anything else, then to hold on to its sanity and not get caught in the vortex that is sucking too many institutions and places and mindsets to their nadir.

What has happened in J&K is wrong at all levels and hence needs to be challenged and questioned and called out more often. To reiterate, what has happened to the Kashmiris needs to be questioned and challenged primarily because it is wrong and unethical. Do that, and the attendant benefits of securing federalism and the special status that some other regions still enjoy will also come about. Kashmiris need the country to speak up for them because what has been done is unfair and mischievous. Let us not dilute what has happened there by seeking to marshal support by suggesting that it could happen to “us” as well. While that is a very valid fear, this line of argument takes away from the denials and humiliation heaped on the Kashmiris. Of course, it also goes without saying that if the people stand up for Kashmir, they will also be ensuring stronger defences against the obliteration of their own uniqueness and special statuses. The apologists suggesting that this excessive deployment of political subterfuge was a one-time event limited to Kashmir and Article 370 forget that this is as much a subjugation of a people as it is an expression of intent that majoritarian adventurism is now unleashed. How long before more areas which continue to enjoy conditions in contradiction to what the majority deems prudent are allowed their quaintness? There might not be any immediate threat to regions beyond Kashmir, but the danger of aggressive homogenization is now clear and present.

The experiment has been underway for a while now and the facility with which superficiality is sold as gravitas and jingoism peddled as nationalism requires the people to keep themselves better informed and force-develop a habit to question everything told to them, enquire deeper into official explanations and not get pressured into falling in line. So, seek more explanations for Kashmir. Tell the government that even though you might not challenge it, you will demand answers, convince the “leaders” that because you are keeping yourself better informed, you will be ensuring accountability as well.

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## The most influential American author of her generation, Toni Morrison’s writing was radically ambiguous

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Toni Morrison, who has died aged 88, was the most influential and studied American author of her generation. Born as Chloe Wofford in Ohio in 1931, she graduated in 1953 with a B.A. in English from Howard University, a historically black college located in Washington DC. She then completed an M.A. at Cornell on the work of Virginia Woolf and William Faulkner, before beginning an academic teaching career.

She married Harold Morrison, a Jamaican architect, in 1958, but after their divorce in 1964 Morrison started working as an editor for Random House in New York. It was here that she began writing fiction, publishing her first novel, *The Bluest Eye*, in 1970. It was her third novel published in 1977, *Song of Solomon*, that was her breakthrough work, winning the National Critics’ Book Circle Award.

Her most famous novel, *Beloved* followed in 1987. It was a fictionalised account of the 19th-century slave Margaret Garner, who killed her own daughter to save her from slavery.

Morrison became a well-known figure within the worlds of American academia, publishing and cultural life. In 1990, she gave the Massey lectures at Harvard dealing with the invisibility of the African American presence in American literature. These influential essays were later published as *Playing in the Dark: Whiteness and the Literary Imagination*.

The following year Morrison won the Nobel Prize for Literature. She also held a Chair in the Humanities at Princeton from 1989 until her retirement in 2006 and continued to publish important novels during the latter part of her career.

In her Massey lectures, Morrison spoke of her ambition “to draw a map, so to speak, of a critical geography and use that map to open

up as much space for discovery, intellectual adventure, and close exploration as did the original charting of the New World.”

Both her creative and her critical work are designed to remap the contours of American literature and culture. She aims to highlight what was omitted in the conventional forms of liberalism that governed institutional life in America during the second half of the 20th cen

Her 1993 novel *Jazz*, for example, involves a self-conscious revision of F. Scott Fitzgerald’s mythological “Jazz Age.” For Fitzgerald himself, this Jazz Age was centred almost exclusively around white culture. By setting her work in Harlem during the same era, Morrison executes in fictional form the remapping project that she outlined in her Harvard lectures.

### ‘THE NATIONAL AMNESIA’

Arguing that “the time for indiscriminating racial unity has passed,” Morrison sought, in both her fiction and non-fiction, to expose the “national amnesia” underlying often unconscious forms of racism.

Given such a remarkable career trajectory, it would seem Morrison’s literary reputation at the time of her death could hardly have been higher. Nevertheless, there is a significant gap between Morrison’s status as an Establishment figure and the radical ambiguities of her fiction. The latter, more elusive quality might well sustain her literary reputation more compellingly over time.

In *Beloved*, Morrison develops a conception of “rememory” (the character Sethe explains in the book this is the act of remembering a memory). Many of her fictions feature ways in which old ghosts haunt contemporary scenes.

The rhetorical reversals that are a common feature of *Beloved* reflect a condition where past and present, slavery and freedom, are all mixed up together. Indeed, the

best of Morrison’s fiction is powerful precisely because it flirts with a pathological quality that avoids one-dimensional, political formulations.

In *Tar Baby* (1981), the reader is told how the black heroine’s “legs burned with the memory of tar,” despite her degree in art history from the Sorbonne. In *Jazz*, the heroine finds herself compelled to go back to a department store and “slap the face of a white salesgirl” who had snubbed her, despite recognising this to be self-destructive gesture.

### FATALISTIC CYCLES

Morrison, who studied classical literature at university, was influenced intellectually by the fatalistic cycles that permeate ancient Greek theatre. Something of this darker mood enters into her own fiction.

This is why Morrison’s novels are more unsettling than was her public persona. Unlike many of her intellectual contemporaries, she retained a traditional faith in aesthetic quality and the literary canon, defending fiction as offering “a more intimate version of history.”

She endorsed Barack Obama as presidential candidate in 2008 by commending his “creative imagination, which coupled with brilliance equals wisdom.”

Yet such polite terms as “creative imagination” find themselves contradicted by the cycles inherent in Morrison’s own imaginative universe. In *Sula*, for instance, the institution of a “National Suicide Day” epitomizes the kind of in-turned violence typical of her sombre fiction.

Morrison’s art resists classification. This quality of aesthetic elusiveness and ambiguity will make her more disconcerting representations of the psychology of power resonate with future generations of readers.

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## The ‘warspeak’ permeating everyday language puts us all in the trenches

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In a manifesto posted online shortly before he went on to massacre 22 people at an El Paso Walmart, Patrick Crusius cited the “invasion” of Texas by Hispanics. In doing so, he echoed President Trump’s rhetoric of an illegal immigrant “invasion.”

Think about what this word choice communicates: It signals an enemy that must be beaten back, repelled and vanquished.

Yet this sort of language – what I call “warspeak” – has relentlessly crept into most aspects of American life and public discourse.

After the Columbine shooting, I started writing about how “gunspeak” – the way everyday turns of phrase, from “bite the bullet” and “sweating bullets,” to “trigger warnings” and “pulling the trigger” – reflected a society obsessed with guns.

But warspeak’s tentacles extend much further. Words and phrases derived from war imagery crop up in advertisements, headlines and sports coverage. They’ve inspired an entire lexicon deployed on social media and in politics.

The intent might be as benign as the creative use of language. But I wonder if it communicates larger truths about American violence and polarization.

### THE POLITICAL BATTLEFIELD

For decades, America has been fighting metaphorical wars – wars on heart disease, drugs, smoking, cancer, poverty, advertising and illiteracy.

Then there are the culture wars, which have intensified recently to include wars on Christ-

mas, abortion, bathrooms, cops and women. These are different: They involve people on two sides of a polarizing issue.

War targets an enemy – someone or something to be defeated, using whatever means necessary. It’s one thing when you’re at war with a disease. It’s quite another when you’re at war with a group of people on the other side of a political issue.

The political arena seems to have become especially fertile ground for warspeak.

Otherwise boring legislative machinations have been energized with the drama of a life or death struggle. The Republican-controlled Senate uses a “nuclear option” to confirm judges by a simple majority of 51 votes rather than the older standard of 60 votes. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell’s ability to speed along the appointment of conservative judges constitutes the latest volley in a “judicial arms race.”

Elections deploy the language of military campaigns. Republican donors and lawmakers warned Trump of a potential bloodbath before the 2018 midterm elections. Meanwhile, Democrats running for president strategize in their campaign “war rooms” for ways to build up “war chests” that will leave them with enough funds to compete in the “battleground states.”

The political media reinforces it all. In its coverage of the July primary debates, *The New York Times* wrote that the moderates were “throwing firebombs” at the progressives. Cory Booker, the “happy warrior,” sparred with former Vice President Joe Biden who “took incoming fire” all night, but

“shot back” and survived, even as moderator Don Lemon “threw a generational warfare bomb.”

### OUR SEMANTIC ARSENALS

Then there are the less obvious ways warspeak has become part of everyday speech.

Baseball players mash bombs while basketball players drain three-point bombs. Social media is replete with photobombs and tweet bombs, and there are so many bombshells on cable news, it’s a miracle your TV hasn’t exploded.

Everything has been “weaponized.” According to Google’s Ngram Viewer, the use of the word in print has increased by more than a factor of 10 between 1980 and 2008.

You might have seen it applied to race, feminism, children, immigrants, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, higher education, free speech and songs.

But did you know that tennis serves, laughter, paperwork and Midwestern niceness can also, apparently, be weaponized?

Then there are the warriors in our midst – the weekend warriors, gridiron warriors, keyboard warriors and spiritual warriors – while the country’s future software engineers sign up for coding boot camps to learn their trade.

We’re all in the trenches, and most of us don’t even know it.

### WHY WARSPEAK MATTERS

Semantic wars, like all wars, are costly. But the role of warspeak in today’s society isn’t as easily quantified as a military budget or body count.

Nonetheless, I believe warspeak matters for three reasons.

First, it degrades our ability to engage with one another about important issues. Law profes-

sors Oren Gross and Fionnuala Aolain have written about how the framing of issues as a “war” can “significantly shape choices.” There is an urgency that’s communicated. Instantaneous action is required. Thought and reflection fall by the wayside.

Second, in the context of politics, warspeak seems to be connected to violent political attitudes. In 2011, researchers at the University of Michigan found that young adults exposed to political rhetoric charged with warspeak were more likely to endorse political violence.

Finally, if everything from weather to sports is charged with violent imagery, perceptions and emotions become needlessly distorted. Political carnage and carnage in the classroom, weaponized songs and weapons of war, snipers on the hockey rink and mass shooters – all blur together across our cognitive maps.

There’s a reason why writers, talking heads and politicians deploy warspeak: It commands people’s attention in an increasingly frenzied and fractured media environment.

I wonder, however, if it contributes to political polarization – what Pew Research describes as the “defining feature of American politics today.” And I wonder if it’s one reason why, according to Gallup, Americans’ stress, worry and anger increased in 2018, to the highest point in a dozen years.

One thing is clear: Americans no longer need to be enlisted in the Army to suffer from battle fatigue or be shell-shocked by the latest mass shooting.

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425	SUK PRASAD LIMBOO	2014-31-08993	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
426	PEMPA LEPCHA	2014-31-09045	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
427	TILAK SINGH SUBBA	2014-31-09090	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
428	PREM BAHADUR CHETTRI	2014-31-09189	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
429	HARI PRASAD DARJEE	2014-31-09451	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
430	THENUP LEPCHA	2014-31-09760	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
431	DIL BAHADUR PRADHAN	2014-31-09946	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
432	SHREEMAN CHETTRI(KARKI)	2014-31-10110	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
433	ANJU RAI	2014-31-10183	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
434	SUK BHADUR SUBBA	2014-31-10377	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
435	NAR MAYA CHETTRI	2014-32-06372	LIVE	RMDD
436	DAWA LHAKPA SHERPA	2014-32-07793	LIVE	RMDD
437	DEEP JAI RAI	2014-32-07899	LIVE	RMDD
438	DHURBA RAI KARKI	2014-32-08048	LIVE	RMDD
439	RIKESH SINGH	2014-32-08139	LIVE	RMDD
440	KRISHNA BAHADUR CHETTRI	2014-32-08968	LIVE	RMDD
441	CHURAMANI CHETTRI	2014-32-09279	LIVE	RMDD
442	JAYANT DULAL	2014-32-09511	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
443	LAXMI GURUNG	2014-32-09672	LIVE	RMDD
444	PURAN KUMAR BHUSAL	2014-32-09699	LIVE	RMDD
445	DHAN BAHADUR SUBBA	2014-32-09836	LIVE	WATER RESOURCE
446	SARAN KUMAR TAMANG	2014-32-09843	LIVE	RMDD
447	MAN BAHADUR PRADHAN	2014-32-09862	LIVE	RMDD
448	GYATSO LEPCHA	2014-32-09923	LIVE	RMDD
449	SHRI MAN RAI	2014-32-09956	LIVE	RMDD
450	RAGHU BIR THAPA	2014-32-09964	LIVE	RMDD
451	LALL BHADUR SANYASHI	2014-32-10118	LIVE	RMDD
452	HARI LALL SHARMA	2014-32-10122	LIVE	RMDD
453	PRAKASH CHHETRI	2014-32-10204	LIVE	RMDD
454	TULSI PRADHAN	2014-32-10325	LIVE	RMDD
455	KARCHEN LEPCHA	2014-34-09516	LIVE	LEGISLATURE
456	SUBASH CHANDRA KHAREL	2014-34-09558	LIVE	SLA
457	DEEPA KHAREL	2014-34-09606	LIVE	LEGISLATURE
458	SUDAN LEPCHA	2014-34-10410	LIVE	LEGISLATURE
459	KRISHNA BAHADUR CHETTRI	2014-35-09655	LIVE	SOCIAL WELFARE
460	GOPAL RAI	2014-35-09663	LIVE	SOCIAL WELFARE
461	LUCKY PALMO BHUTIA	2014-37-08086	LIVE	FR & ED
462	KISHAN RAI	2014-38-08021	LIVE	SNT
463	DIPEN DARJEE	2014-38-09017	LIVE	SNT
464	KIRAN BARDEWA	2014-38-09040	LIVE	SNT
465	PHU TSHERING BHUTIA	2014-39-09875	LIVE	UD &HD
466	KUMAR BARAILY(SUNAR)	2014-39-09881	LIVE	UD &HD
467	SUNIL KUMAR PRADHAN	2014-39-10090	LIVE	UD &HD
468	BAL BAHADUR LIMBOO	2014-39-10155	LIVE	UD &HD
469	BIPIN RAWAT	2014-39-10158	LIVE	UD &HD
470	TENZING RAI	2014-39-10188	LIVE	UD &HD
471	SHYAM BAHADUR RAI	2014-39-10190	LIVE	UD &HD
472	JITAY TAMANG	2014-39-10191	LIVE	UD &HD
473	KAMAL KUMAR SHARMA	2014-39-10374	LIVE	UD &HD
474	CHANDRAMAN DARJEE	2014-40-08686	LIVE	PHE
475	LANGCHHING BHUTIA	2014-40-08846	LIVE	PHE
476	KAZI MAN SUNAR	2014-40-09139	LIVE	PHE
477	DHAN BAHADUR RAI	2014-40-09185	LIVE	PHE
478	TASHI CHODEN BHUTIA	2014-40-09436	LIVE	PHE
479	RANJU SEWA	2014-40-10088	LIVE	PHE
480	RAMITA DEVI CHETTRI	2014-41-07905	LIVE	HOME
481	CHANDRA KALA SUNWAR	2014-41-07906	LIVE	HRDD
482	SUNDEEP CHETTRI	2014-41-09983	LIVE	POLICE
483	TARA BIR CHETTRI	2014-41-10382	LIVE	POLICE
484	SWATI BHANGALIA	2015-00-10487	LIVE	POLICE
485	SWADHA DEV SINGH	2015-00-10681	LIVE	DOPART
486	TULSI PRASAD THAPA	2015-01-10437	LIVE	AHLF & VS
487	TULSHI PRASAD THAPA	2015-01-10518	LIVE	AHLF & VS
488	SONAM TSHTEN LACHENPA	2015-01-10737	LIVE	AHLF & VS
489	HEMLATA CHETTRI	2015-02-10602	LIVE	BUILDING & HOUSING
490	BISHNU KUMAR SHARMA	2015-10-10452	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
491	RAJ TAMANG	2015-10-10488	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
492	TULARAM BASNETT	2015-10-10489	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
493	NAR BAHADUR CHETTRI	2015-10-10704	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
494	NARENDRA RAI	2015-10-10759	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
495	PRAVIN RAI	2015-10-10788	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
496	KHUSENDRA KUMAR LIMBOO	2015-13-10622	LIVE	FOOD
497	MINGMA LEPCHA	2015-15-10449	LIVE	FOREST
498	DUGAY BHUTIA	2015-15-10450	LIVE	FOREST
499	SONAM GYALTEEN BHUTIA(LACHENPA)	2015-15-10463	LIVE	FOREST
500	SONAM TSHERING BHUTIA	2015-15-10653	LIVE	FOREST
501	KINGA SHERAP BHUTIA	2015-16-10582	LIVE	HEALTH
502	UJJWAL GURUNG	2015-16-10584	LIVE	HEALTH
503	KISHOR DHAKAL	2015-16-10599	LIVE	HEALTH
504	CHANDRA JIT SINGH CHETTRI	2015-16-10604	LIVE	HEALTH
505	PRASED SHRESTHA	2015-16-10608	LIVE	HEALTH
506	ANUP KHAREL	2015-16-10713	LIVE	HEALTH
507	SUNIL KUMAR GURUNG	2015-16-10738	LIVE	HEALTH
508	SOM BAHADUR SUBBA	2015-17-10698	LIVE	JUDICIARY
509	NAMGYAL GURUNG	2015-17-10733	LIVE	District & Session Court
510	NIRMAL PRADHAN	2015-17-10739	LIVE	JUDICIARY
511	JIGMEE DORJEE WANGCHUK BHUTIA	2015-17-10768	LIVE	JUDICIARY
512	NILENDU DATTA CHOUDHURI	2015-17-10777	LIVE	JUDICIARY
513	RAHUL	2015-18-10685	LIVE	HOME
514	SHINA TAMNAG	2015-19-10618	LIVE	HORTICULTURE
515	SAROJ MANGER	2015-19-10740	LIVE	HORTICULTURE
516	MANGAL HANG SUBBA	2015-20-10414	LIVE	HRDD
517	CHULTIM ZANGPO LACHENPA	2015-20-10494	LIVE	HRDD
518	SHANTI SUBBA	2015-20-10523	LIVE	HRDD
519	ANMOL PRADHAN	2015-20-10679	LIVE	HRDD
520	SURYA LIMBOO	2015-20-10693	LIVE	HRDD
521	RAKESH DHAKAL	2015-20-10728	LIVE	HRDD
522	DAULAT KHATIWODA	2015-20-10732	LIVE	HRDD
523	BIKASH SUBBA	2015-20-10734	LIVE	HRDD
524	RASHMI RAI	2015-20-10781	LIVE	HRDD
525	BHARAT SUBBA	2015-23-10515	LIVE	WATER RESOURCE
526	BIMAL KUMAR BHUIEL	2015-23-10642	LIVE	WATER RESOURCE
527	TASHI ONGMU BHUTIA	2015-24-10509	LIVE	LRDM
528	GITANJALI GURUNG	2015-31-10572	LIVE	HEALTH
529	SANJEEV KUMAR RAI	2015-31-10574	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
530	KHEM BAHADUR SUBBA	2015-31-10609	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
531	MAYA SUBBA	2015-31-10727	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
532	SANTA BAHADUR CHETTRI	2015-32-10434	LIVE	RMDD
533	SONAM CHOPEL LEPCHA	2015-32-10457	LIVE	RMDD
534	TOPDEN NORZANG LACHUNGPA	2015-32-10466	LIVE	RMDD
535	BIR BAHADUR MANGER	2015-32-10490	LIVE	RMDD
536	SAGAR PRADHAN	2015-32-10493	LIVE	RMDD
537	BHAKTI MAN SUBBA	2015-32-10512	LIVE	RMDD
538	AKAL BAHADUR SUBBA	2015-32-10576	LIVE	RMDD
539	MAHESH TAMANG	2015-32-10754	LIVE	RMDD
540	BIKASH KHAREL	2015-34-10516	LIVE	SLA
541	SARITA SUBBA	2015-35-10761	LIVE	SOCIAL WELFARE
542	DHAN BAHADUR TAMANG	2015-38-10412	LIVE	SNT
543	NORBU TSHERING BHUTIA	2015-38-10478	LIVE	SNT
544	PINTSO LEPCHA	2015-38-10534	LIVE	SNT
545	BHUPENDRA THAPA	2015-38-10605	LIVE	SNT
546	KHARKA BAHADUR CHETTRI	2015-38-10613	LIVE	SNT
547	DIRGAMAN BISWAKARMA	2015-38-10675	LIVE	SNT
548	NARENDRA DARNAL	2015-38-10687	LIVE	SNT
549	MAN BAHADUR RAI	2015-40-10464	LIVE	PHE
550	JOY GURUNG	2015-41-10499	LIVE	POLICE
551	SONAM THENDUP BHUTIA	2015-41-10506	LIVE	POLICE
552	SHRUTI SINGH	2016-00-11727	LIVE	AGRICULTURE
553	BIKASH UPRETY	2016-01-10798	LIVE	AHLF & VS
554	Susma Tiwari	2016-01-11380	LIVE	AHLF & VS
555	Tshering Thandup Bhutia	2016-01-11431	LIVE	AHLF & VS
556	Durga Prasad Rai	2016-01-11474	LIVE	AHLF & VS
557	LEEZUM LEPCHA	2016-05-10801	LIVE	CULTURE
558	Arun Kumar Rai	2016-10-11386	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
559	ANINITA GHATRAJ	2016-10-11587	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
560	RUPA GURUNG	2016-10-11606	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
561	TARCHUNG LEPCHA	2016-10-11622	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
562	MAN BAHADUR GURUNG	2016-10-11625	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
563	SURESH KUMAR RAI	2016-10-11657	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
564	HEM LALL THAPA	2016-10-11673	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
565	RAN BAHADUR SUBBA	2016-10-11725	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
566	SUK BAHADUR LIMBOO	2016-10-11733	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
567	PALTSEN BHUTIA	2016-10-11744	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
568	Devendra Khulal	2016-13-11430	LIVE	FOOD
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570	RINCHEN WANGDI LACHENPA	2016-15-11572	LIVE	FOREST
571	SANGDEN LEPCHA	2016-15-11696	LIVE	FOREST
572	Dup Tshering Lepcha	2016-16-11106	LIVE	HEALTH
573	Hukum Raj Sewa	2016-16-11381	LIVE	HEALTH

574	TENZING NIMA LEPCHA	2016-16-11665	LIVE	HEALTH
575	Man Bahadur Rai	2016-17-11385	LIVE	JUDICIARY
576	Anmol Subba	2016-17-11394	LIVE	JUDICIARY
577	DIKI UDEN KALEON	2016-17-11423	LIVE	JUDICIARY
578	Dushyant Gurung	2016-17-11425	LIVE	JUDICIARY
579	Tshering Thendup bhutia	2016-17-11426	LIVE	JUDICIARY
580	Santa Kumar Rai	2016-17-11427	LIVE	JUDICIARY
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586	Anuka Bajgai	2016-20-11444	LIVE	HRDD
587	CHIMI DOMA BHUTIA	2016-20-11481	LIVE	HRDD
588	BIJAY SUBBA	2016-20-11486	LIVE	HRDD
589	MICHAEL LEPCHA	2016-20-11500	LIVE	HRDD
590	DEEPESH RAI	2016-20-11562	LIVE	HRDD
591	RINCHEN WANGDI LACHENPA	2016-20-11572	LIVE	HRDD
592	PAIKSHIT PAKHRIN	2016-20-11635	LIVE	HRDD
593	YANGCHEN BHUTIA	2016-20-11650	LIVE	HRDD
594	DEBOSHREE SHARMA	2016-20-11651	LIVE	HRDD
595	RUMSOM LEPCHA	2016-20-11668	LIVE	HRDD
596	NAINA CHETTRI	2016-20-11674	LIVE	RMDD
597	SUJA SANTOSH BISTA	2016-20-11695	LIVE	HRDD
598	MAHESH KUMAR ADHIKARI	2016-20-11700	LIVE	HRDD
599	PADMA MAYA GURUNG	2016-20-11742	LIVE	HRDD
600	BIKASH CHETTRI	2016-24-10793	LIVE	LRDM
601	SAMEER SUBBA	2016-24-10807	LIVE	LRDM
602	PALDEN LEPCHA	2016-24-11699	LIVE	LRDM
603	BISHAL RAI	2016-31-11737	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
604	KESAP CHETTRI	2016-35-11759	LIVE	SOCIAL WELFARE
605	NAWRAJ MUKHIA	2016-36-11718	LIVE	SPORTS AND YOUTH AFFAIRS
606	MITHEN DEV GADAILY	2016-38-10806	LIVE	SNT
607	Sumanta Chettri	2016-41-10813	LIVE	POLICE
608	Arun Chettri	2016-41-10923	LIVE	POLICE
609	Tondup Lepcha	2016-41-11013	LIVE	POLICE
610	Sagar Kumar Rai	2016-41-11108	LIVE	POLICE
611	Anil Thapa	2016-41-11123	LIVE	POLICE
612	Kiran Rai	2016-41-11135	LIVE	POLICE
613	Sudhir Sharma	2016-41-11137	LIVE	POLICE
614	Sudeep Tamang	2016-41-11358	LIVE	POLICE
615	Rinchen Lepcha	2016-41-11445	LIVE	POLICE
616	CHANDRAWATI GAUTAM	2017-01-12038	LIVE	AHLF & VS
617	SHWETA SUBBA	2017-01-12203	LIVE	AHLF & VS
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619	ATTANG LEPCHA	2017-01-12413	LIVE	AHLF & VS
620	SUK MAYA SUBBA	2017-01-12445	LIVE	AHLF & VS
621	MANDIKA PRADHAN	2017-13-12147	LIVE	FOOD
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624	SURESH KUMAR BAGDAS	2017-14-12427	LIVE	AGRICULTURE
625	RAJESH BISWAKARMA	2017-15-12007	LIVE	FOREST
626	SANOJ KUMAR	2017-17-11862	LIVE	JUDICIARY
627	BHASKAR RAJ PRADHAN	2017-17-11863	LIVE	JUDICIARY
628	ROJI RAI	2017-20-12207	LIVE	HRDD
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630	KIRAN CHETTRI	2017-20-12226	LIVE	HRDD
631	BHAKTA BAHADUR PRADHAN	2017-20-12334	LIVE	HRDD
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633	MANI CHANDRA RAI	2017-20-12353	LIVE	HRDD
634	KAILASH GURUNG	2017-20-12378	LIVE	HRDD
635	LOK BAHADUR KAMI	2017-20-12394	LIVE	HRDD
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637	GUETEN LEPCHA	2017-20-12422	LIVE	HRDD
638	NIKITA MUKHIA	2017-21-12396	LIVE	IPR
639	MANDEEP CHETTRI	2017-21-12419	LIVE	IPR
640	RATNA KUMARI RAI	2017-31-12259	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
641	BINDHYA RAI	2017-31-12306	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
642	PUSHPA CHHETRI	2017-31-12307	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
643	ANU MAYA RAI	2017-31-12308	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
644	PRADEEP KUMAR RAI	2017-31-12350	LIVE	ROADS AND BRIDGES
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646	PUNAM RAI	2017-32-12415	LIVE	RMDD
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649	KARMA BAHADUR SUBBA	2017-39-12381	LIVE	UD &HD
650	TAPAN SHARMA	2017-39-12414	LIVE	UD &HD
651	DHAN PATI SHARMA	2017-39-12473	LIVE	UD &HD
652	KHITUK BHUTIA	2017-40-12442	LIVE	PHE
653	HARI PRASAD POKHREL	2017-40-12465	LIVE	PHE
654	NIMA ONGMOO LEPCHA	2017-40-12480	LIVE	PHE
655	LAKCHING TAMANG	2017-40-12493	LIVE	PHE
656	ASHOK TAMANG	2017-40-12499	LIVE	PHE
657	JAK TSHERING LEPCHA	2017-40-12501	LIVE	PHE
658	PURNA BHADUR RAI	2018-01-12556	LIVE	AHLF & VS
659	BISHNU PRASAD SHARMA	2018-01-12752	LIVE	AHLF & VS
660	KA TSHERRING LEPCHA	2018-01-12847	LIVE	AHLF & VS
661	DEEPAK RAI	2018-01-12848	LIVE	AHLF & VS
662	SAMDEN LACHENPA	2018-01-12849	LIVE	AHLF & VS
663	SACHO LHAMU LACHENPA	2018-01-12850	LIVE	AHLF & VS
664	KEZANG RITHA BHUTIA	2018-01-12851	LIVE	AHLF & VS
665	PEM TSHERING LEPCHA	2018-01-13054	LIVE	AHLF & VS
666	ROSHAN RAI	2018-01-13180	LIVE	AHLF & VS
667	MAHESH KHATI	2018-01-13932	LIVE	AHLF & VS
668	KALA TAMANG	2018-02-12801	LIVE	BUILDING & HOUSING
669	KAZI TAMANG	2018-02-12922	LIVE	BUILDING & HOUSING
670	DHAN KUMARI RAI	2018-02-12978	LIVE	BUILDING & HOUSING
671	GANESH GURUNG	2018-02-13085	LIVE	BUILDING & HOUSING
672	AITA BAHADUR LIMBOO	2018-02-13624	LIVE	BUILDING & HOUSING
673	PUNYA PRASAD DAHAL	2018-02-14192	LIVE	BUILDING & HOUSING
674	GYPALPO TSHERING BHUTIA	2018-03-13604	LIVE	SIKKIM KHADI &VIB
675	UNRAYAN RAMUDAMU	2018-05-12907	LIVE	CULTURE
676	TEJ SINGH LIMBOO	2018-10-13497	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
677	BINOD THAPA	2018-10-13644	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
678	KUMAR CHETTRI	2018-10-13650	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
679	DURGA TAMANG	2018-10-13653	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
680	GYATSO BHUTIA	2018-10-13660	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
681	KARMA WONGYAL BHUTIA	2018-10-13672	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
682	PRAKASH SHARMA	2018-10-13748	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
683	LAXUMAN SHARMA	2018-10-13759	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
684	RITA TAMANG	2018-10-13763	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
685	LADEN LEPCHA	2018-10-13786	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
686	LAXMI DEVI SHARMA	2018-10-14190	LIVE	ENERGY AND POWER
687	DEPENDRA THAPA	2018-11-13909	LIVE	EXCISE
688	SUSHIL CHETTRI	2018-12-13654	LIVE	MOTOR VEHICLES
689	BALA SUBBA	2018-12-13936	LIVE	FR & ED
690	PEMPA LEPCHA	2018-14-12832	LIVE	AGRICULTURE
691	PADMA GURUNG	2018-14-14256	LIVE	AGRICULTURE
692	PHIP RAJ LIMBOO	2018-15-12574	LIVE	FOREST
693	DAWGAY LEPCHA	2018-15-12596	LIVE	FOREST
694	PURNA RAI	2018-15-12786	LIVE	FOREST
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*'God help Indian cricket', say Ganguly, Harbhajan on conflict of interest notice to Dravid*

**NEW DELHI, AUG 7 (PTI):** "God help Indian cricket," said Sourav Ganguly, expressing his displeasure after Rahul Dravid was issued a notice from the BCCI's ethics officer on conflict of interest allegations against the legend.

Ganguly was backed by off-spinner Harbhajan Singh, who excelled under his captaincy.

The BCCI ethics officer, Justice (Retd) DK Jain, issued the notice to Dravid on conflict of interest allegations made by Madhya Pradesh Cricket Association member Sanjay Gupta.

"New fashion in indian cricket .....conflict of interest ....Best way to remain in news ...god help indian cricket .....Dravid Gets Conflict of Interest Notice from BCCI Ethics Officer," Ganguly wrote on his twitter handle.

Supporting his former captain, Harbhajan said, "Really ?? Don't know where it's heading to.. u can't get better person thn him for indian cricket. Sending notice to these legends is like insulting them.. cricket need their services for betterment.. yes god save indian cricket."

Dravid has been given two weeks to reply on the allegations levelled against him.

According to Gupta, Dravid is allegedly conflicted as he is the current National Cricket Academy (NCA) director and vice-president of India Cements Group, which owns Indian Premier League (IPL) franchise Chennai Super Kings.

Gupta had earlier filed similar conflict of interest complaints against former cricketers VVS Laxman and Sachin Tendulkar for their roles as Cricket Advisory Committee (CAC) members and mentors of IPL franchises Sunrisers Hyderabad and Mumbai Indians respectively.

Tendulkar and Laxman made lengthy depositions before Jain on their case and denied having any conflict while offering to step down from CAC if proved otherwise.

Ganguly has also been at the receiving end of the conflict of interest notices for being the Cricket Association of Bengal (CAB) president as well as the mentor for IPL franchise Delhi Capitals.

Ganguly, too, said there is no conflict of interest in his roles as alleged by three cricket fans.

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# Man City, Liverpool ready for heavyweight Premier League battle

**LONDON, AUG 7 (AFP):** Manchester City have Premier League immortality in their sights as they start their title defence this weekend, but Liverpool's burning desire to get their hands on the trophy will fuel a heavyweight battle for supremacy.

In the blue corner, treble winners City are at the peak of their powers and look capable of enjoying a period of sustained dominance not seen since Manchester United earned three successive Premier League titles from 2007 to 2009.

But in the red corner, European champions Liverpool, chasing a first English title since 1990, have more than a puncher's chance of ending City's reign after pushing Pep Guardiola's side all the way to the final day last season.

The first blows will be landed this week as Liverpool kick off the new Premier League campaign against promoted Norwich at Anfield on Friday, before City head to West Ham on Saturday.

Sunday's no-holds-barred Community Shield clash showed the growing rivalry between England's pre-eminent teams, with City beating Liverpool on penalties



following a 1-1 draw that underlined how little there is to separate the sides.

Adding Atletico Madrid's Rodri for a club-record ?63 million ( ?77 million) gives Guardiola an even greater embarrassment of riches.

With five major trophies over the past two seasons -- including Premier League crowns clinched with unprece-

dent hauls of 100 and then 98 points -- City are the bookmakers' favourites to become only the second club to win a hat-trick of English titles in the past 35 years after United did it twice.

Guardiola is a keen student of football history and has revelled in City's record-breaking feats, so the opportunity to further bolster his team's credentials as

one of England's all-time greats will not be lost on the Spaniard.

Although City have never won the Champions League and Guardiola last lifted it back in 2011 with Barcelona, he said domestic bliss remains his preferred passion.

"To maintain the health and focus of the team, the most important thing is the Premier League," Guardiola said.

"It is the standout competition because it is every weekend. In the Champions League, many things can happen in one or two games.

"We will be closer to achieving in Europe when we have more Premier League titles. That is a nice process and the right process to do at Manchester City.

"If I could have one thing this season, right

now, it would definitely be the title."

**- NO HANGOVER -**

It would be a surprise if Liverpool do not make City sweat right to the finish once again after bouncing back from last season's agonising near-miss in the title race by winning their sixth European Cup. No team has ever gathered more points without winning the Premier League than second-placed Liverpool did last season with their tally of 97.

Jurgen Klopp's side lost just once in their 38 league games -- crucially that defeat came against City -- but their 2-0 Champions League final win over Tottenham ensured there was no title hangover.

Liverpool had the Premier League's meanest defence last season and boast an attack featuring two of the campaign's three leading scorers in Mohamed Salah and Sadio Mane.

Despite that wealth of talent, Liverpool midfielder Georginio Wijnaldum admits making a fast start is essential to stop City establishing a stranglehold at the top.

"You just have to collect as many points as possible, especially in the

beginning, and try to build a team who will be even better at the end of the season," Wijnaldum said.

"We can try and do even better than last season. Basically it starts now because now we have the whole team together."

Challengers to City and Liverpool are likely to be thin on the ground. Since winning the Europa League, Chelsea have lost star playmaker Eden Hazard to Real Madrid and hired an idolised but inexperienced new manager in Frank Lampard, who is working under the club's transfer ban.

Guardiola suggests Manchester United are contenders after making ?80-million-man Harry Maguire the world's most expensive defender and landing young talents Aaron Wan-Bissaka and Daniel James.

But it is hard to imagine United, who ended 32 points adrift of City in sixth place, bridging that gap this season.

Arsenal have the look of pretenders rather than contenders, while Tottenham have not invested enough to satisfy boss Mauricio Pochettino despite a paying a club record of around ?54 million for Lyon's Tanguy Ndombele.

## Complex issues but work closely with AIFF for solution: FIFA tells I-League clubs



**ABHISHEK HORE**  
**NEW DELHI, AUG 7 (PTI):** World football's governing body FIFA has urged the agitating I-League clubs to work closely with the national federation, acknowledging that "complex issues" facing the sport here require a "prudent and measured approach".

Six I-League clubs, led by former I-League champions Minerva Punjab, had questioned the All India Football Federation's move to award the top league status to the privately-run Indian Super League (ISL).

Backing AIFF president Praful Patel's short-term roadmap for Indian football, FIFA wrote in a letter to Minerva Punjab FC, also marked to AIFF and the Asian Football Confederation, "The review performed in 2018 did indeed identify a number of complex issues which require a prudent and measured approach, encompassing the positions of all relevant stakeholders, in order to be appropriately addressed."

The apex body said the recommendations made in 2018 still require consideration.

"It was clear that there are numerous aspects of the recommendations that still require further consideration

prior to them being implemented," said Mattias Grafstrom, FIFA's acting deputy secretary general (football).

"We understand that based on this, the AIFF President has met the clubs and suggested a short-term solution until a more sustainable long-term solution can be found following continued consultation with all stakeholders."

The I-League clubs wanted the AIFF to integrate them into the Indian Super League (ISL) step-by-step, starting with the 2019-20 season as per the joint report.

FIFA believes the AIFF is best-placed to find a solution while promising its cooperation. "We therefore strongly believe that the AIFF is best placed to do this and we are confident that a thorough and effective process can be managed by the AIFF in its role as the governing body for football in India," he wrote in the letter addressed to Minerva Punjab co-owner Ranjit Bajaj.

"FIFA, together with the AFC, remains available to assist and support the AIFF with this process and it will be important that all clubs work closely with the AIFF as the cooperation of all stakeholders will be fundamental to ensuring that the best way

forward for top-level football in India is found."

AIFF general secretary Kushal Das welcomed FIFA's promptness but said it is not feasible to suddenly expand the ISL to 16 teams.

"What FIFA is saying that has always been our take. The AIFF is best-placed to find the solution for Indian football. Outsiders can only advice but implementation depends on only practicality," Das told PTI.

"Clubs can only come through meritocracy and they have to provide financial guarantees that the league doesn't suffer in the event of a club shutting down. They ought to fulfil all the criteria. We can't just support a 16-team expansion," he added.

Patel had last month assured I-League clubs that he will approach the AFC to ensure the two leagues co-exist for another two-three years, after a meeting with representatives of the clubs, who threatened to move court against the federation's plan to make ISL the top league.

Not fully convinced by the assurances, the revolting clubs then wrote to the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) and the Sports Ministry, before approaching FIFA and AFC.

## Defying odds, Real Kashmir beat Chennai City FC 1-0 in Durand Cup

**TAPAN MOHANTA**

**KALYANI (WEST BENGAL), Aug 8 (PTI):** Real Kashmir FC overcame the mental turmoil arising out of uncertain situations back home as they beat Chennai City FC 1-0 through a last minute goal in the 129th Durand Cup fixture here on Wednesday.

A Danish Farooq long range strike in the 90th minute gave the 'Snow Leopards' a solitary goal win over the Chennai side. With a lockdown in force in Jammu and Kashmir in the aftermath of the scrapping of Article 370, Real Kashmir assembled for the first time this season here late Monday night only to realise they're cut off from family members back home.

But it did not show in their performance as the David Robertson-coached side dominated against the reigning I-League champions who fielded a reserve side full of local players.

The inexperience of Chennai City showed when goalkeeper Kabir T handled the ball outside the penalty box to be sent off in the 76th minute.

Seizing on the numerical advantage over the Chennai side, Real Kashmir stepped on the attack and in the 90th minute their star player Farooq sent a powerful right footer from a long range, which beat substitute goalkeeper Pra-



teek Singh all ends up. "We play professional football. You have to be professional. These sort of things keep happening. Tomorrow something else may happen. Football teaches you how to tackle these situations and play well despite the odds," Farooq said, reflecting on the situation back home.

Showering praise on their Scottish coach, he said it's Robertson job to keep the players in good mood despite all odds.

"Our team atmosphere is like this only, all thanks to our coach. He keeps everyone in good mood and never let us bog down by any pressure. He plays a big role. He keeps motivating us. Don't keep anything in mind just focus on the game," said Farooq.

"It's our first match of the season. We never

knew what would be our result and we assembled after a long time. So I'm sure this win will boost our confidence. There's a positive atmosphere in the team," he said.

In their debut I-League season, Real Kashmir were in the title race at one stage before finishing third behind Chennai City and East Bengal.

"Our off-season was going on and we met each other two days ago here at the hotel only. Our preparation just began with Durand Cup. Our main goal is I-league. This tournament will help us in getting fit," he said.

Hailed as the 'Ronaldo of Kashmir', Farooq had a stomach bug on the eve of the match as he struggled to get going early on a drenched

afternoon here. Farooq and Subhas Singh both missed successive opportunities in a second minute move when the ball ricocheted off the post, in what was their best chance of the match.

But Farooq finally made it count to seal the three points before the final whistle to keep their semifinal hopes alive.

Dedicating the goal to the entire team members, support staff and owners, Farooq said: "They have been hard-working to make a good competitive team. They asked to put up a better show. We will try to do well in upcoming matches as well."

Real Kashmir play Army Green on August 10 and Chennai City will play FC Goa on August 14, both at Kalyani Stadium.

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# Taliban kill at least 14, wound 145 in Kabul blast

**KABUL, AUG 7 (AFP):** At least 14 people were killed and 145 wounded in a massive Taliban bomb blast on Wednesday as fresh violence gripped Kabul even as insurgents appear to be closing in on a peace deal with the US.

The bloodshed in the capital comes amid an ongoing surge in attacks across Afghanistan, where some 1,500 people were killed or injured last month alone.

A huge plume of black smoke was seen rising over western Kabul following a massive explosion at the entrance to a police compound around 9:00 am (0430 GMT).

The Afghan interior ministry said the explosion was caused by a car bomb, but the Taliban, which claimed the attack, said it was a much larger truck bomb. An Afghan security official also told AFP it was a truck bomb.

Images on social media showed toppled blast walls surrounding several largely destroyed buildings in a compound.

Afghan authorities said at least 10 civilians and four police officers had been killed. Another 145 people, including 92 civilians, were wounded.

"As the air cleared, I saw several women crying, desperately looking for their husbands or children near the blast site," local journalist



Zakeria Hasani, who lives near the police station, told AFP. Shopkeeper Ahmad Saleh said his store windows had blown out, sending glass flying.

"My head is spinning and still I don't know what has happened but the windows of about 20 shops around one kilometre from the blast site are broken," he said.

The US and the Taliban met in Doha this week for an eighth round of talks aimed at striking a peace deal that would slash the American military presence in Afghanistan.

Despite the bloodshed sweeping the nation, both sides have cited "excellent progress".

The attack came af-

ter the Taliban warned Afghans on Tuesday to keep away from public gatherings ahead of the presidential election planned for September 28. The Taliban ordered their fighters to "stand against" the polls, and previous elections have been rocked by frequent attacks by militants trying to undermine Afghanistan's fragile democracy.

More than 1,500 civilians were killed or wounded in the Afghan conflict in July, according to the United Nations, the highest monthly toll so far this year and the worst single month since May 2017.

The blast was not the only violence to rock the

Afghan capital in the past 24 hours.

Afghan commandos stormed three Islamic State group houses in Kabul, officials said. Despite non-stop strikes from the US and Afghan forces, the Middle Eastern jihadist group has maintained a persistent presence in Afghanistan since 2015.

The houses were being used as bomb factories, the Afghan intelligence service said in a statement. Two IS fighters and three Afghan commandos were killed in the raids.

"A lot of explosives, suicide vests, arms and technical tools of making car bombs and mines were seized," the statement read. In Baghlan

province in northern Afghanistan, authorities said they stopped an attack on a security forces convoy. According to an Afghan army statement, three attackers were driving in an explosives-packed Humvee toward the convoy, but Afghan troops spotted them and destroyed the vehicle with a rocket-propelled grenade.

On Tuesday, at least five people were killed and seven wounded in Kabul when a vehicle carrying workers from the counter-narcotics directorate was bombed, the interior ministry said.

The violence comes as Afghans prepare to celebrate the Eid al-Adha holiday next week.

## Swaraj made a lasting impression among the Lankan public: PM Wickremesinghe

**COLOMBO, AUG 7 (PTI):** Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe on Wednesday expressed sorrow at the demise of former external affairs minister Sushma Swaraj, saying that her efforts to achieve regional policy objectives made a lasting impression among the Lankan public.

In a condolence message sent to Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi, he said,

I have always known Mrs Swaraj as a true friend of Sri Lanka, a neighbour and a relative

of Sri Lanka who held a pleasing personality. Wickremesinghe said that Swaraj's focus on the bilateral relationship while keeping an interest on achieving regional policy objectives made a lasting impression among the Lankan public.

During her tenure as the Indian foreign minister, the level of friendship between the two countries achieved greater heights, he said.

Swaraj breathed her last Tuesday night after suffering a cardiac arrest. She was 67.

## PCB decides not to renew coach Arthur's contract

Lahore, Aug 7 (PTI): The Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) on Wednesday decided not to renew the contracts of head coach Mickey Arthur and his support staff, including batting coach Grant Flower, a move that was expected after the team's World Cup debacle.

The PCB announced that it will be "immediately undertaking a robust recruitment process" after refusing to renew the contracts of Arthur, Flower, bowling coach Azhar Mahmood, and trainer Grant Luden.

The PCB Cricket Committee, which met on Friday, was unanimous in its recommendations for the change. Pakistan narrowly missed out on making the knockout stages of the June-July World Cup in England after winning five and losing three of their nine matches.

"As part of the recruit-

ment process, the PCB will now advertise the four available roles and will invite high level applications from interested candidates," the Board said in a statement.

The recommendations have been forwarded and discussed with PCB Chairman Ehsan Mani.

"The unanimous recommendation of the Committee was that it was time for new leadership and a fresh approach. I am happy to accept their strong recommendations," Mani said.

"On behalf of the PCB, I want to sincerely thank Mickey Arthur, Grant Flower, Grant Luden and Azhar Mahmood for their hard work and unwavering commitment during their tenures with the national men's team. We wish them every success in their future endeavors," he added.

## Pak should cut off diplomatic ties with India: Chaudhry

**SAJJAD HUSSAIN ISLAMABAD, AUG 7 (PTI):** Pakistan should cut off its diplomatic ties with India, senior federal minister Fawad Chaudhry said on Wednesday after the Indian government revoked Article 370 which gave special status to Jammu and Kashmir.

Addressing the joint session of Parliament called to discuss the situation in Kashmir, Chaudhry said, Why the Indian ambassador is here; why are we are not cutting off diplomatic relations. When there is no diplomacy between the two countries, then what our ambassador is

doing there (in India)." "If there no diplomacy why is money being spent on diplomats? We should break diplomatic ties with India," said the science and technology minister, who is also a close aide of Prime Minister Imran Khan. He, however, praised Indian High Commissioner Ajay Bisaria as a good person, but criticised the Indian government's actions.

He said Pakistan should not be afraid of war because honour is important than anything. We have to choose between dishonour and war. Wars are fought for honour, and not to win or

lose. So we should not be afraid of wars," he said.

He urged the international community to play its part and said, "If a war does happen, every government will feel the severity of it..."

Earlier, while talking to a private news channel, Chaudhry said Islamabad can approach the International Court of Justice (ICJ) against India for its decision to scrap the special status for Jammu and Kashmir.

Separately, the leaders in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir also demanded that the diplomatic ties with India should be cut off.

## PM Khan "briefs" Saudi Crown Prince on situation in Kashmir

**ISLAMABAD/RIYADH, AUG 7 (PTI):** Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan has "briefed" Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman on the situation in Kashmir after India revoked the special status for Jammu and Kashmir, Pakistani and Saudi media reported.

The Indian government revoked Article 370 which granted special status for Jammu and Kashmir and bifurcated the border state into two Union Territories on Monday. The move won also Parliament's approval.

According to the official Saudi Press Agency (SPA), the two leaders spoke over the phone on Tuesday.

"During the call, they



discussed the development of the situation in the region and efforts exerted towards it," the agency reported.

Pakistan and Saudi Arabia are close allies. The cash-rich Kingdom has backed Pakistan overcome its financial woes.

The Crown Prince

was also "briefed by the Pakistani Prime Minister on the latest developments in Kashmir," the SPA reported.

On Monday, New Delhi revoked the special status of occupied Kashmir by abolishing Article 370 of the Indian Constitution.

Pakistan has rejected India's move on Jammu and Kashmir and Islamabad is reaching out to friendly world capitals to gain diplomatic support against New Delhi, The Express Tribune reported.

Hours after India's move, Prime Minister Khan held phone conversations with his Malaysian counterpart Mahathir Mohamad and Turkey's President Recep Tayyip Erdogan.

## China praises Sushma Swaraj's contribution to Sino-India ties

**BY K J M VARMA BEIJING, AUG 7 (PTI):** China on Wednesday condoled the demise of external affairs minister Sushma Swaraj and recalled her important contributions in the development of bilateral relations.

The senior BJP leader passed away in New Delhi on Tuesday night after suffering a cardiac arrest. She was 67.

Madam Sushma Swaraj is a senior Indian politician, Hua Chunying, Foreign Ministry spokesperson said in written response.

China deeply mourns for the passing of Madam Sushma Swaraj and expresses sincere condolences to her family, Hua said.

She said that during her tenure as external affairs minister, "she vis-

ited China many times and made important contributions to the development of China-India relations.

Swaraj visited China last on February 27 for the 16th meeting of the foreign ministers of Russia, India and China in Wuzhen city. She met Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi on the sidelines of the meeting.

## Pak police removes pro-India banners, one arrested

**ISLAMABAD, AUG 7 (PTI):** Pro-India banners which appeared in different parts of Pakistani capital, including in the high security Red Zone, hailing India's decision to revoke the special status of Jammu and Kashmir have been removed by authorities who arrested a man in this connection.

The banners carried a map envisioning Akhand Bharat (undivided India) showing parts of the present-day states of Pakistan, Afghanistan and Bangladesh and warnings about Balochistan.

They carried a message of Shiv Sena leader Sanjay Raut. "Aaj Jammu

& Kashmir liya hai Kal Balochistan, PoK lenge. Mujhe vishwas hai desh ka PM Akhand Hindustan ka sapna poora karenhe (Today we took Jammu and Kashmir, tomorrow we will take Balochistan and PoK. I am sure Prime Minister Modi will make the dream of undivided India come true)," said the message written on the banners.

The banners, which appeared on roads in front of Press Club, Sector F-6 and Abpara Chowk on Tuesday, went unnoticed for a long time before some passers-by spotted them and informed police who

took down the banners, the Dawn reported. The district magistrate, Islamabad, has ordered an inquiry as to why the banners were removed after a delay of almost five hours, the daily said.

Preliminary investigations revealed that two persons riding a motorcycle appeared in F-6 Sector early on Tuesday morning and strung the panaflexes over poles. The action was captured by cameras of the Safe City Project, the Dawn reported.

Police have detained a man in Blue Area on Tuesday evening in this connection.

## Sri Lanka wartime commanders honoured with highest military ranks

**COLOMBO, AUG 7 (PTI):** Sri Lankan President Maithripala Sirisena on Wednesday bestowed the highest military ranks to two former commanders of the Navy and the Air Force for their contributions in ending the brutal LTTE's 30-year separatist campaign.

While former Navy Commander Admiral Wasantha Karannagoda was promoted to Admiral of the Fleet, former Air Chief Marshal Roshan Goonetilleke was promoted to Marshal of the Air Force, according to a gazette order.

Sirisena awarded the honorary ranks being the Commander-in-Chief of all three forces, the order added.

Admiral of the Fleet and Marshal of the Air Force are the foremost



honorary ranks in the respective forces.

Former Admiral Karannagoda served as the Commander of the Navy from 2005 to 2009. Former Air Chief Marshal Goonetilleke served as the Commander of the Air Force from 2006 to 2011.

Their awards come four years after the then Army Commander Sarath Fonseka was made Field

Marshal by Sirisena.

Fonseka, Karannagoda and Goonetilleke led the government troops in the decisive battle against the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam.

The LTTE was a Tamil militant and political organisation that aimed to carve out a separate homeland for the minority Tamils in the north and eastern provinces of the country.







**GLOWING SHADES!** The actress, Dakota Johnson looked glowing and all smiles as she made an appearance at THE TONIGHT SHOW STARRING JIMMY FALLON after taking a dip in the Hamptons with her beau Chris Martin.

## Bollywood producers enquire to register titles around **Article 370**

**MUMBAI, AUG 7 (PTI):** Two days after the central government announced abrogation of the provisions of Article 370 of the Constitution, which granted a special status to Jammu and Kashmir, Bollywood producers have started to enquire for registering film titles around the article.

On Monday, the Centre also proposed the bifurcation of the state into two Union territories -- Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh in a separate bill.

The sudden change in the article and the subsequent piqued interest of filmmakers has now resulted in producers approaching Indian Motion Pictures' Producers' Association (IMPPA) to figure out possible title registrations.

Several titles like "Article 370" and "Kashmir Hamara Hai" were reportedly registered and a source close to the body told PTI that the

trend isn't new.

"It doesn't work like you register a title and it's allotted. A slate of



filmmakers want to make films on this topic as its a burning issue and we have received enquires from people as well. There have been some enquirers around the title 'Article 370,' the insider said.

According to the source, every time a monumental, newsworthy incident takes place, producers start the process.

"Over the next few days there would be more enquiries and we expect people to register their titles in more

numbers. But right now, things are just fine. The producers have to work out a basic story, a plot before registering a title.

"Even after Pulwama terror attack, there was a surge of titles being registered but we allot one title to one individual only. Other titles obviously get rejected. We are yet to approve any title," the source added.

## 'Wicked women' are just women who are tired of injustice, abuse: Angelina Jolie

**NEW YORK, AUG 6 (PTI):** Angelina Jolie wants the world to have more "wicked women". The Hollywood star, in an op-ed for Elle magazine, goes on to redefine the labels often used to brand women as "unnatural" and "dangerous", saying the term "wicked" today should be used for those women who are tired of injustice and are not ready to give up their voice and rights.

"Since time immemorial, women who rebel against what is considered normal by society-even unintentionally-have been labelled as unnatural, weird, wicked, and dangerous. What is surprising is the extent to which this kind of myth and prejudice has persisted throughout the centuries and still colours the world we live in," Jolie wrote.

The actor-humanitarian reflected on how often women who run for political office in democratic countries are described as witches.

"Bring together a group of strong women, and before too long someone will brand them a 'coven' the technical term, to be clear, for a gathering of witches meeting at night to consort with the devil. Women who stand up for human rights in many countries are still labelled 'deviant', 'bad mothers', 'difficult' or 'loose'," she wrote.

Jolie, 44, said the accusation of witchcraft has been used to control and silence women in almost all societies and in every century.

"Women could be accused of witchcraft for having an independent sex life, for speaking their mind on politics or

religion, or for dressing differently. Had I lived in earlier times, I could have been burnt at the stake many times over for simply being myself."

In her personal life, when the actor started dating Brad Pitt, she was called

pend to keep women in a secondary position?" she asked. Jolie then attempted to yield a new connotation to the term "wicked women".

"Looked at in this light, 'wicked women' are just women who are tired



names like the "homewrecker" and "the other woman" for breaking up her "Mr and Mrs Smith" co-star's marriage with actor Jennifer Aniston, with Pitt let off easily in a well-publicised Hollywood scandal.

After 12 years of relationship and two years of marriage, Jolie filed for divorce from Pitt in 2016.

The actor, who is an UNHCR Goodwill Ambassador, added that her essay was not an attempt to "dismiss or downplay" the abuse against men and boys.

"But looking across the world, we have to ask, Why is so much energy ex-

of injustice and abuse. Women who refuse to follow rules and codes they don't believe are best for themselves or their families. "Women who won't give up on their voice and rights, even at the risk of death or imprisonment or rejection by their families and communities. If that is wickedness, then the world needs more wicked women," she wrote.

The actor, who will next be seen reprising her role as the eponymous antagonist in "Maleficent: Mistress of Evil", said there is nothing more attractive than a woman with an independent will and her own opinions.

## Veteran director J Om Prakash dies at 93

**MUMBAI, AUG 7 (PTI):** Veteran director and actor Hrithik Roshan's grandfather, J Om Prakash, passed away on Wednesday. He was 93.

The news of his death was shared by actor Deepak Parashar, who said that Prakash breathed his last in the morning.

"My dearest uncle Mr J Om Prakash passed away about an hour ago. So saddened as he joins his friend, my Mamaji Mr Mohan Kumar in heaven!"

"Their contributions to Indian cinema is a gift they left behind for us! Took this pic few months ago when went to see him! Om Shanti!" Parashar tweeted.

A spokesperson for Hrithik said Prakash's last rites were performed at a crematorium next to Pawan Hans, Vile Parle.

Megastar Amitabh Bachchan, Abhishek Bachchan and Dharmendra, visited his residence.

Veteran stars like Jeetendra and Prem Chopra were also present for the funeral, along with family

members, including Rakesh Roshan, Hrithik, his former wife Sussanne Khan and their two sons. Earlier in the day, Bachchan condoled Prakash's death on Twitter, saying, "J Om Prakash ji Producer Director of eminence, passed away this morning... A kind gentle affable being ... my neighbor, Hrithik's grandfather... sad! Prayers for his soul..."

Prakash is best known for his collaboration with two of Bollywood biggest superstars -- the late Rajesh Khanna and Jeetendra. He had a strong penchant for beginning his film titles with the letter 'A'.

With Khanna, he made films such as "Aap Ki Kasam" (1974) and "Aakhir Kyon?" (1985).

His collaboration with Jeetendra yielded five big hits -- "Apanan" (1977), "Aasha" (1980), "Apna Bana Lo" (1982), "Arpan" (1983) and "Aadmi Khilona Hai" (1993).

Prakash's last film as director was 2001's "Afsana Dilwalon Ka", starring Rahul Roy in the lead.

## It's challenging to reinvent constantly: Kriti Kharbanda

**MUMBAI, AUG 6 (PTI):** Kriti Kharbanda was already an established star in south film industry when she decided to make her debut in Bollywood, a difficult decision that she says meant starting all over again.

The actor, who made her debut with 2016 film "Raaz: Reboot" and went on to star in films such as "Guest in London" and "Shaadi Me Zaroor Aana", says the most challenging aspect is fighting her own doubts.

"The toughest part for to start all over again is battling your own emotions. Not just as an actor but as a human being. It is challenging to fight your own thoughts and not put yourself down.

"Initially, it was difficult for me to come from somewhere where I was established and to start from scratch and then find my place. I have found my place here. I am pretty secure now," Kriti told PTI.

She says she has always been critical of her own work.

"I am my biggest critic and sometimes I forget that

I am also human and I need to stop criticising myself. It is not about the place you make in but the place you make for yourself. You need to stop comparing yourself to other people." Kriti has two forthcoming films -- "Housefull 4" and "Pagalpanti".

She says she is not worried about being typecast as the "go-to actor" for comedy films at this point but is keen to explore other genres as well. "I have done comedy films but they all have been different. The challenge is to reinvent yourself every time. I would like to explore different genres but I choose from what comes to me.

"My other films are different, like 'Chehre' and 'Taish'. I have found a balance between doing something in indie space like a Bejoy Nambiar film and then a slightly serious film like 'Chehre' and then comedy capers like 'Housefull 4' and 'Pagalpanti,'" Kriti said on the sidelines of an event for Charles and Keith here. She lauded the wedding collection of the brand.

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**ARIES:** Go big or go home, Aries. With the moon and generous Jupiter merged in your expansive ninth house, the world is truly your oyster. You could be overcome by a craving for new scenery and adventures today. Start researching flights and travel plans or register for an inspirational seminar. Conversations could also take you to new heights, causing you to rethink some of your core beliefs!

**TAURUS:** Partnering up could be profitable, Taurus. Today, the moon and fortuitous Jupiter connect in your eighth house of joint ventures. Consider how much further along you'd be if you merged your skills and resources with others. This cosmic combination urges you to spend more time on the tasks you excel at and outsource the rest.

**GEMINI:** The truth shall set you free, Gemini. Today, the moon aligns with "tell it like it is" Jupiter in your relationship house, sparking honest dialogue. A heartfelt discussion or a clear-the-air conversation can bring you to a deeper understanding. With the cosmic gambler, Jupiter, in the mix, it's

an auspicious day to take a chance in love. Coupled? Move your bond to a deeper level by addressing unspoken issues.

**CANCER:** Reminder: Healthy living isn't about suffering and deprivation. How about making it into an adventure instead? Today's expansive moon-Jupiter merger in your self-care sector motivates you to create an enjoyable routine. Take a Southeast Asian cooking class, experiment with new spices and superfoods, sign up for a circus workshop: aerial silks, anyone? These orderly stars could also give you the urge to purge any clutter from your space.

**LEO:** Give your feelings some airtime, Leo. Today, as the moon merges with outspoken Jupiter in your shout-it-from-the-rooftops fifth house, insist on transparency. There's a good chance your emotions will come rushing out before you can stop them, so just roll with it. Silver lining: With everything in the open, at least you don't have to pretend anymore. The fifth house also rules romance, and this cosmic lineup could dial up the flirtatious vibes.

**VIRGO:** Are you being a know-it-all, Virgo? Try taking a "live and let live" approach, especially with your family. Since you only want the absolute best for your loved ones, it can be hard to withhold your unsolicited advice. But today's alignment of the moon and expansive Jupiter in your domestic sphere prompts you to listen and ask questions more than talk AT people. Initiate an honest conversation with a relative or close friend.

**LIBRA:** It's a no-filters kind of day, Libra. Today's merger of the moon and outspoken Jupiter in your communication house emboldens you to speak frankly with everyone. Instead of being overly diplomatic (and vague), share what's on your mind without all the window dressing. Even if your delivery is a little rough around the edges, at least others will know your message is sincere. Besides, a little unpolished honesty can be a potent conversation starter

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**PISCES:** Make hay while the sun shines, Pisces. Today's mashup of the moon and lucky Jupiter in your ambitious tenth house could throw open the doors to professional advancement. Don't wait for opportunity to fall in your lap. Connect with an influential player and make your bold ask. Under these auspicious skies, you could get exactly what you want. If the "yes" you're seeking doesn't come immediately, shepherd your request through the proper channels.