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## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Students Falls Sick After Taking Iron Tab

Shillong, July 30 :

Several school students in the East Khasi Hills district of Meghalaya fell ill allegedly after taking iron and folic acid tablets. The incident has been reported from a school at Laitlyngkot village in the East Khasi Hills district of Meghalaya. Speaking to the media, one of the teachers of the school, Iada Kharpomtiiah informed that around 72 students had taken the medicine out of which 21 started vomiting, complaining of stomach ache. The school's principal L. Shabong informed that as soon as he came to know about the incident, the students were taken to Laitlyngkot Primary Health Centre situated near the school. Meanwhile, Dr L. Jaba in charge of Laitlyngkot PHC informed that he took a sample of the medicine which comes under the Weekly Iron Folic Acid Supplementation (WIFS) and a report will be sent to the Directorate of Health Services for detailed investigation.

### Toll Free Numbers to Report Bribe Cases

Assam Rising Guwahati, July 30 :

The Assam Police have urged citizens of the state to report any kind of monetary demands made by government employees and have also issued two helpline numbers in this regard. This was announced by Special Director General of Police (DGP) Law and Order, GP Singh on Friday. Citizens have been asked to report bribery cases at the helpline numbers: 0361-2462295 and 1800-3453767. Taking to twitter, Singh wrote, "Please give specific information of demand made by a government employee before giving money. This would allow us to lay traps and catch them red-handed." This comes after the Vigilance and Anti-Corruption cell arrested two state government officials while taking bribes in Morigaon and Dibrugarh districts.

### 3 More Deaths Reported in JE, Toll Rises to 47

Assam Rising Guwahati, July 30 :

Three more people lost their lives due to Japanese Encephalitis in Assam on Friday, taking the death toll to 47. Meanwhile, seven new cases were reported in the northeastern state in the past 24 hours. As per the National Health Mission, till now, 294 cases of viral infection have been detected in the state. Among the latest fatalities, one death each was reported in Barpeta, Chirang and Darrang. Two fresh cases of Japanese Encephalitis were reported from the Jorhat district, while one each was detected in Bongaigaon, Charaideo, Darrang, Dibrugarh and Kokrajhar districts.

## China announces military exercise opposite Taiwan



Beijing, July 30 :

China said it was conducting military exercises Saturday off its coast opposite Taiwan after warning Speaker Nancy Pelosi of the U.S. House of Representatives to scrap possible plans to visit the island democracy, which Beijing claims as part of its territory. The ruling Communist Party's military wing, the People's Liberation Army, was conducting

"live-fire exercises" near the Pingtan islands off Fujian province from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., the official Xinhua News Agency said. The Maritime Safety Administration warned ships to avoid the area. Such exercises usually involve artillery. The one-sentence announcement gave no indication whether Saturday's exercise also might include missiles, fighter planes or other weapons. Pelosi, who would be the highest-ranking American elected official to visit Taiwan since 1997, has yet to confirm whether she will go. President Xi Jinping warned his U.S. counterpart, Joe Biden, in a phone call Thursday against "external interference" in Beijing's dealings with the island. China says Taiwan has no right to conduct foreign relations. It sees vis-

its by American officials as encouragement for the island to make its decades-old de facto independence official. The Ministry of Defense warned Washington this week not to allow Pelosi, who is Biden's equal in rank as leader of one of three branches of government, to visit Taiwan. A spokesman said the PLA would take unspecified "strong measures" to stop pro-independence activity. The PLA has flown growing numbers of fighter planes and bombers near Taiwan and has in the past fired missiles into shipping lanes.

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## Most Indians unable to approach courts, suffer in silence: N V Ramana



Delhi, July 30 :

"Justice: Social, Economic and Political - that is the vision of justice which our Preamble promises to every Indian. The reality is, today, only a small percentage of our population can approach the justice delivery system,

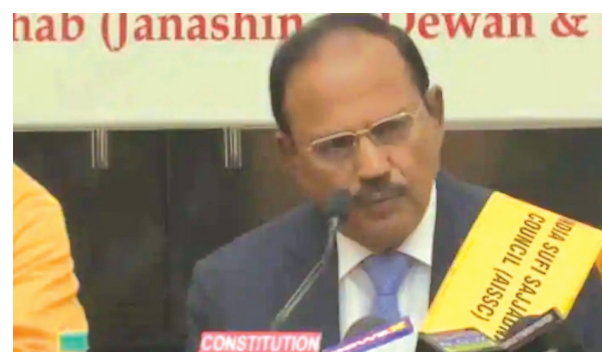
when in need. A majority of the people suffer in silence, lacking awareness and necessary means," Justice Ramana said during his address at the first All India District Legal Services Authorities Meet in Delhi, where Prime Minister Narendra

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## Some elements creating acrimony in name of religion, ideology: NSA

New Delhi, July 30 :

National Security Adviser Ajit Doval on Saturday (July 30) warned that some people are trying to create conflict in the name of religion and ideology which is affecting the country. "Some elements are trying to create an atmosphere that's vitiating the progress of India. They're creating acrimony and conflict in the name of religion and ideology, it's affecting the entire country while spilling over outside the country too," he was quoted as saying by



ANI. Speaking at an Inter-faith Conference in Delhi, Doval emphasised on maintaining unity in the country in order to overcome the conflict in the world. "There's an atmosphere of conflict in the world, if we have to tackle that atmosphere, it's important to maintain the unity of the country together. The way India is progressing will benefit people from all religions," the NSA added. He said that we should not be mute spectators and work

on our differences on the ground. "Instead of being mute spectators, we have to work on the ground on our differences along with strengthening our voices. We've to make every sect of India feel that we are a country together, we are proud of it and that every religion can be professed with freedom here," Doval said. All India Sufi Sajjadanashin Council chairman Hazrat Syed Naseruddin Chishty who was also present at the

event called on banning radical organisations like PFI if there is evidence against them. "...We condemn when an incident occurs. It's time to do something. Need of hour to rein in and ban radical organisations. Be it any radical org, incl, they should be banned if there is evidence against them..." ANI quoted him as saying. As per ANI, a unanimous decision was taken at the interfaith dialogue that targeting any "God/Goddesses/ Prophets in discussions/debates by anyone should be condemned and dealt with as per law". This comes in the wake of now-suspended BJP leader Nupur Sharma's remarks against Prophet Mohammad during a TV debate that kicked up a

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## Short film to stop discrimination against people of Northeast

New Delhi, July 30 :

Putting an end to the discrimination of people from the Northeast, the Delhi Police has come out with a short film that talks of embracing them and assuaging their feelings of insecurity. The 15-minute film was aired on DD Assam on Thursday and will soon be released on the YouTube channel of Delhi Police and its other social media platforms. The film, scripted by

Delhi-based Madhumita Chakraborty, a journalist from Tripura, features several celebrated personalities from the Northeast like Olympians Mary Kom, Mirabai Chanu and Lovlina Borgohain and also mentions the various initiatives of Delhi Police for the people of the Northeast. "The nation applauds when Indian citizens hailing from the Northeastern region win medals at Olympics and

other prestigious tournaments. We enjoy their services every day. And yet, many of us do not stand up to object when a few misinformed, misguided among us call them derogatory names... Chinky, Momo, Nepali, Bahadur, Corona..." the script of the film says. "Many Indian citizens hailing from the Northeastern states, Ladakh and Darjeeling residing in metropolitan

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## Ujjwal Bharat Ujjwal Bhavishya celebrations in Assam

Assam Rising Guwahati, July 30 :

Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav is an initiative of the Government of India to celebrate and commemorate 75 years of independence and the glorious history of its people, culture and achievements. Under the Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav initiative, "Ujjwal Bharat Ujjwal Bhavishya - Power @ 2047" celebrations have been organised from July 25-30, led by the Ministry of Power & MNRE. Achievements over last 8 years in the transformation of country's Power Sector, including the Renewable Energy sector are being highlighted, covering both Central and respective State Government achieve-



ments as well as aspirations upto the year 2047. As a part of the celebrations, District level events are being organised in 2 locations of each District in all the 761 Districts of India in hybrid mode during July 25-30. In Assam, 70 locations in all 35 Districts have been covered for these celebrations. The week ended with the national level celebration through a hybrid mode held at 100 locations across the country on July 30 wherein Kokrajhar and Mangaldoi of Assam were also included. The event in Assam took place in the respective DC premises and was attended by Public Representatives and large numbers of beneficiaries on this occasion. Prime Minister

Modi interacted with beneficiaries in few locations through video conferencing and launched new schemes namely Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme (RDSS) and also National portal for Solar Rooftop programme. RDSS Scheme with a total outlay of Rs 3.05 Lakhs Crore is launched with the objective to improve the operational efficiencies and financial sustainability of State owned DISCOMs/Power Departments by providing financial assistance to DISCOMs for modernisation, strengthening of distribution

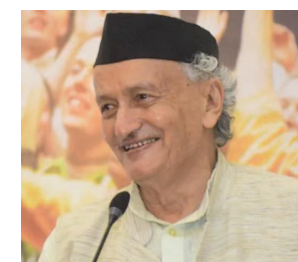
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## Koshyari's controversial remark triggered a political storm

New Delhi, July 30 :

Maharashtra Governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari's controversial remark today triggered a political storm. Shiv Sena Chief Uddhav Thackeray launched a blistering attack accusing him of "dividing" Hindus, and the Chief Minister distanced himself. During a speech yesterday, the Maharashtra governor said, "If Gujaratis and Rajasthanis are removed from Maharashtra, especially Mumbai and Thane,

no money would be left here," adding that Mumbai would not be able to remain the financial capital of the country. After backlash from the opposition, Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde said that these were the Governor's personal comments and he did not support them. "We don't agree with Mr Koshyari's view (on Mumbai). It's his personal view. He has now issued a clarification. He occupies a constitutional post and



should take care that his actions are not insulting to others," he said, adding that, "the Marathi community's hard work has contributed to the development and progress of

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## Millions found inside Sri Lanka President's house: Report

Colombo, July 30 :

Sri Lankan police have produced before a court millions of rupees in cash found by anti-government protesters inside former President Gotabaya Rajapaksa's official residence after he fled the mansion following the mass uprising against his government three weeks ago. Hundreds of anti-government protesters on July 9 stormed the then president

Rajapaksa's residence in central Colombo's high-security Fort area after breaking the barricades, as they demanded his resignation over the island nation's worst economic crisis in recent memory. Amidst the unprecedented anti-government protests, Rajapaksa fled the country on July 13 to the Maldives and then to Singapore from where he emailed his resignation

letter. The protesters recovered 17.85 million Sri Lankan Rupees inside his mansion which were later handed over to the police. The Superintendent of Police in charge of the Colombo Central Crimes Investigation Division handed over the money to Fort Magistrate's Court on Friday as per its order made on Thursday, New First, an online portal, reported. Magistrate Thilina Gamage said there is reasonable



suspicion as to why the officer in charge (OIC) of the Fort Police failed to

produce the money for

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30-07-22 Guwahati-BJP greeting and thanks giving ceremony of Ajay Jamwal on Saturday



## Akbar Owaisi triggers fresh row; demands demolition of PV, NTR memorials



**HYDERABAD, July 30** : MIM Floor leader in the Legislative Assembly, Akbaruddin Owaisi stirred a hornet's nest controversy by demanding demolition of Samadhis of former prime minister P. V. Narasimha Rao and former chief minister N. T. Rama Rao near Hussainsagar instead of demolishing houses of poor

people. The Chandrayangutta MLA slammed the Telangana Rashtra Samithi (TRS) for making false promises to the people keeping an eye on the GHMC elections. Owaisi was speaking at an election meeting in Sultan Nagar division late Tuesday night. He criticized the government for allegedly targeting the underprivileged while handling encroachments around water bodies and dared the party to demolish PV Ghat and NTR Ghat which are encroachments on Hussainsagar. "If we question them, they say the Maqta Madar Sahab habitation came up illegally," he said. Owaisi claimed that when Hussainsagar was created, it was at an area of 4,700 acres. Today the area has been reduced to 700 acres. He wondered what had happened to the remaining 4,000 acres and whether the space was converted to Necklace Road and samadhis of Narasimha Rao and NTR. It may be mentioned that the TRS government is conducting centenary birthday celebrations of Narasimha Rao and had also demanded the installation of his statue in Parliament. He said that the government is making false promises to appease voters. The government's 'Intensive Household Survey' says that 6.10 lakh families were found eligible for two bedroom flats. Now they are claiming that one lakh houses are ready. Five years have lapsed but the government did not provide them shelter, he pointed out. The MIM leader said thousands of youth lost their jobs during the lockdown. After the lockdown 24 lakh youth applied for jobs in Telangana Public Service Commission. The TRS party is making tall promises for the poor this time also. He said now it promises to provide free drinking water up to 20 thousand litres. He said if they are concerned about the problems of common people, then they should waive-off electricity bills generated during the lockdown period. He recalled that he had warned Chief Minister K Chandrashekar Rao against supporting the Modi government when it demonetized currency and opposed when GST was introduced. Owaisi said that the MIM knows how to make way for gaining the power and also knows how to topple. Now K. T. Rama Rao is saying that his party has no alliance with MIM, yes nothing wrong in it. MIM does not exist at the mercy of anyone. "We know how to snub the TRS by laying our foot on its tail", he said.

### MISSING INFORMATION



The above is photograph of Smt. Archana Sarania (27 Yrs), W/O. Sri Munindra Deka, Vill- Jhargaan, P.S.- Khoirabari, District- Udalguri who has been missing since- 22/05/2022 from her home.

This refers to Harisinga PS GDE No- 329 Dtd; 18/07/2022 and this office Man Missing Register Entry No. 69, Dtd. 25/07/2022.

#### Descriptive Roll of the Missing Person :

1. Complexion	-	Swarthy
2. Age	-	27 Years
3. Built	-	Medium
4. Height	-	5 Feet
5. L/known	-	Assamese
6. Wearing apparel	-	Sadar & Mekhela

All out efforts may be made to trace out/recover the above noted missing person at the earliest and result thereof may be intimated to this office at the following helpline numbers for further necessary action: 8134852559/9859427622 (Cell phone).

Sd/-  
Superintendent of Police,  
Udalguri, Assam

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No. DWCD (ICDS)/GNP/61/2022/52

### NOTICE

The following corrigendum that was published on 30th July, 2022 vide letter No. DSW (ICDS)/GNP/61/2022/48 in the newspapers (both in English and vernacular) is hereby treated as cancelled:-

### CORRIGENDUM

"Reference of e-tender No. DWCD (ICDS)/GNP/61/2022/31, Dtd. 13-07-2022 in regard of Expression of Interest (Eoi) for supply of Ready to eat (RTE) food items such as Dal Khichdi, Multigrain Suji Halwa as cereal-based Micronutrient Fortified Energy Dense Food for Children of age group (6 months to 3 years), Children of age group (3- 6 years), Severely Malnourished Children of age group (6 months to 6 years) and Pregnant Women & Lactating mothers for various Anganwadi Centres and Mini-Anganwadi Centres at General areas of Assam for implementation of SNP during the year 2022-23, the following modification are hereby notified through this corrigendum".

- In General Instruction SI No. 18, page No. 6. The manufacturer shall submit samples of their products along with the necessary laboratory analysis report (in original) on testing the samples in any Govt. Laboratory/National Accreditation Board for Testing (NABL). Approved laboratory to confirm the nutritive value of the item and micronutrient (Vitamin and Minerals) fortification. The copies of the Lab report is required to be submitted to this Directorate before issuing of work order.
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/ Director,  
Women and Child Development, Assam,  
Uzanbazar, Guwahati-1

Janasanyog/C/7373/22

# How Roshni Act, the scrapped law of J&K, enabled land 'loot' by the high and mighty

**New Delhi, July 30** : The administration of the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir has made public the list of influential people, including politicians, who got the government land under the now-scrapped Roshni land scheme. The revelation has kicked up a political row with senior BJP leaders including Union Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad calling it a "conscious loot" by powerful people demanding a thorough probe into the alleged scam. The developments come ahead of the crucial election to the District Development Councils, first polls beginning November 28 in the erstwhile state since the abrogation of Article 370. In 2001, the National Conference (NC) government led by Chief Minister Farooq Abdullah enacted the Jammu and

Kashmir State Land (Vesting of Ownership to the Occupants) Act, also known as the Roshni Act, to regularise the unauthorised land. The NC was then part of the BJP-led NDA at the Centre. Farooq's son Omar Abdullah was a minister in the Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee-led government. The government then said that the Act would enable it to collect fees to a tune of Rs 25,000 crore which would be used to upgrade electricity generation in J&K and hence the name 'Roshni' which means electricity or light in Urdu-Hindi. The NC government had set 1990 as the cut-off year for the scheme. However, in 2005, the then PDP-Congress government led by chief minister Mufti Mohammad Sayeed amended the cut-off year to 2004. Later, CM Ghulam Nabi Azad government further relaxed

the cut-off date to 2007. The investigations into land transfers found that the land in Gulmarg, the hill station in the north of Kashmir, has been allotted to ineligible beneficiaries. An FIR was lodged in 2009 by the State Vigilance Organisation against government officials for alleged criminal conspiracy. A 2014 Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) report revealed that not more than Rs 76 crore were generated as revenue from the transfer of land between 2007 and 2013, as against the target of Rs 25,000 crore. In 2015, the Vigilance Organisation indicted over 20 officials, including three former deputy commissioners, for their involvement in misusing the provisions in the scheme. In November 2018, the J&K High Court restrained beneficiaries of the scheme from carrying out any transaction. In the same year, J&K governor Satyapal Malik repealed the Roshni Act and



ordered a CBI probe into the scam. On October 9 this year, the High Court held the Roshni Act as 'unconstitutional'. The court also directed the Union Territory government to make public names of those who grabbed the land under the scheme. On November 1, the J&K government issued an order cancelling all land transfers that took place under the Roshni Act. On November 23, the Union Territory government began publishing the names of beneficiaries on its websites. The first set of names included prominent politicians, hotels, and a trust connected each to the National Conference and

the Congress. Among politicians, former J&K finance minister Haseeb Drabu is also on the list, with his family members. National Conference's Nawai Subah Trust and the Congress's Khidmat Trust were also on the list of beneficiaries in the scheme. On November 24, the Union Territory administration released another list in which former CM Farooq Abdullah and his son, Omar Abdullah, also a former CM, were named for allegedly possessing state land, a charge denied by both. The list is however different from lists released by the administration since November 23 naming people who allegedly benefited from the now-scrapped Roshni Act. Farooq Abdullah's sister was,

however, among the 130 people named in the second list of beneficiaries of the Roshni Act. The UT government has said it will retrieve the land transferred under the Act within six months. The Print said in an earlier report that the principal secretary and revenue department have been asked to work out a plan to retrieve large tracts of state land vested under the Act. According to the high court order, a total of 6,04,602 kanals (75,575 acres) of state land had been regularised and transferred to the occupants. This included 5,71,210 kanals (71,401 acres) in Jammu and 33,392 kanals (4174 acres) in the Kashmir province.

## Pakistan tries to brush off OIC snub on not discussing Kashmir issue



**Islamabad, July 30** : King Salman bin Abdulaziz (C) of Saudi Arabia with Pakistani Prime Minister Imran Khan (L) at the opening session of a summit of the 57-member Organization of Islamic Cooperation in the Saudi holy city of Mecca on June 1, 2019. Pakistan on Thursday tried to brush aside reports that the Kashmir issue was not part of a foreign ministers' meeting of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), calling them "part of false Indian propaganda". The OIC statements, both in English and Arabic, issued for Friday's Council of Foreign Ministers (CFM) meeting in Niamey, capital of Niger, made no mention of Kashmir in the agenda announced in Riyadh, the capital of Saudi Arabia which is currently leading the grouping. A report in Daily Dawn newspaper said the latest omission comes at a time when ties between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia and UAE remain strained over what Pakistani diplomats say

are "unfulfilled expectations". But foreign office spokesperson Zahid Hafeez Chaudhri told a weekly press briefing that the Kashmir issue was a "permanent item" on the OIC agenda. He said Friday's would be the first CFM meeting after India revoked Kashmir's special status in August last year. "It is expected that the session would reiterate its strong support to the Kashmir cause. Let me confirm that the Jammu and Kashmir dispute continue (s) to be amongst the longest standing items on the OIC agenda," he insisted. The spokesperson also said that OIC has been "unambiguously pronouncing itself on the issue for decades, through a succession of summit as well as CFM resolutions." He

insisted that the OIC had spoken on the Kashmir issue multiple times and has "called for a settlement [...] with the relevant UN Security Council resolutions". The OIC Contact Group on Jammu and Kashmir has met thrice in the past 15 months, Chaudhri said, adding that a meeting of the group with foreign ministers was held in June this year. "The final communiqué of that meeting called upon India to rescind its illegal actions and stop egregious human rights violations in the illegally occupied territory," he said. Pakistan is being represented at the meeting by foreign minister Shah Mehmood Qureshi, who left Islamabad on Wednesday for participating in the OIC meeting. Before leaving for Niger, Qureshi told journalists he would raise the Kashmir issue and Islamophobia at the two-day meeting. "I will focus on the Kashmir issue and Islamophobia at the meeting. We will discuss the issues faced by the Muslim Ummah (nation) at the meeting," he said. The foreign minister said that on the sidelines of the meeting, he will also hold bilateral parleys with his counterparts from the Islamic countries.

## Astrazeneca likely to run additional global vaccine test, CEO says

**London, July 30** : AstraZeneca Plc is likely to conduct an additional global trial to assess the efficacy of its Covid-19 vaccine, according to the company's chief executive officer, after current studies raised questions over its level of protection. The new trial would be run instead of adding an arm to an ongoing U.S. trial and would evaluate a lower dosage that performed better than a full amount in Astra's studies. The company's acknowledgment that the lower level was given in error fueled concerns, and the new trial would be used to confirm whether or not the higher 90% efficacy rate stands. "Now that we've found what looks like a better efficacy we have to validate this, so we need to do an additional study," CEO Pascal Soriot said in

his first interview since the data were released. It will probably be another "international study, but this one could be faster because we know the efficacy is high so we need a smaller number of patients." Soriot said he didn't expect the additional trial to hold up regulatory approvals in the U.K. and European Union. Clearance from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration may take longer because the regulator is unlikely to approve the vaccine on the basis of studies conducted elsewhere, especially given the questions over the results, he said. Authorization in some countries is still expected before the end of the year, he said. "The question for us was, will we need the U.S. data to get approval in the U.S. or can we get approval in the U.S. with international data, and it was never clear," said

Soriot, who is in quarantine after arriving in Australia. "Now with those results it's more likely that we will need the U.S. data." Astra and its CEO are facing scrutiny as the drugmaker responds to growing confusion over the vaccine. The company's late-stage data initially increased confidence that the world would soon have multiple shots to combat the pathogen, following positive reports from front-runners Pfizer Inc. and Moderna Inc. But scant disclosures and the manufacturing discrepancy have sparked doubts among scientists and investors. Astra and its partner, the University of Oxford, reported Monday that a lower initial dose of the vaccine, followed by a full dose, produced a 90% efficacy rate in a smaller set of participants, compared with 62% for two full doses.

## Ben Wallace attacks Rishi Sunak's cabinet resignation after backing Truss



**London, July 30** : The British public would never have forgiven the Conservatives if the financial markets had crashed after Rishi Sunak quit as chancellor, Ben Wallace has said as he stepped up attacks on the Tory leadership candidate after endorsing his rival Liz Truss. Wallace, the defence secretary, also suggested he was throwing his weight behind Truss because she recognised that the "threats we face every day" needed to be "funded properly". Speaking after coming out for Truss overnight in an article for the Times, Wallace continued to go on the offensive against her opponent, telling Sky News that Sunak's decision to cut entrepreneurs' relief when he was chancellor was not a way to create "either wealth or indeed growth". Sunak was the second senior cabinet minister to resign from Boris Johnson's government this

month, after Sajid Javid, triggering Johnson's downfall a few days later. Allies of Johnson blame Sunak more than anyone else for his departure. Wallace contrasted his own decision and that of the home secretary, Priti Patel, to stay in their posts with Sunak and others' resignations. "What if the markets had crashed? What if the home secretary had done that and there had been a terrorist attack? The public would never forgive us," Wallace told Sky News. He appeared to echo criticism of Sunak's record on defence spending. As chancellor, Sunak reportedly resisted pressure for a big increase in UK defence spending in the wake of Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Wallace said: "I am the secretary of state for defence, I want to find a candidate that's going to do right by the department and recognise that the threats we face every day are very real and are growing and that they need to be funded properly." In a

thinly veiled swipe at Sunak, Wallace wrote in the Times that Truss was "a winner not because she's a slick salesperson but because she is authentic". The two candidates faced a grilling from voters in Leeds on Thursday in the first official hustings with Tory members, where tax continued to be a significant dividing line between them. Sunak implicitly criticised Truss by saying he would not "embark on a spree, borrowing tens and tens

of billions of pounds of unfunded promises and put them on the country's credit card". Truss criticised windfall taxes, which Sunak imposed on energy companies as a one-off as chancellor. She said: "I don't believe in windfall taxes, because they put off future investment. What we should be doing is encouraging Shell and other companies to invest in the United Kingdom, because we need to get our productivity up, we need capital investment." Sunak said he would back the

creation of new grammar schools if he becomes prime minister. He used his opening speech at the debate in Leeds to say he would create "a Britain where the birthright of every child is a world-class education". Asked by the presenter Nick Ferrari to give a yes/no answer to the question of whether he would bring back grammar schools, Sunak - who attended one of the UK's most expensive public schools - said: "Yes." He added: "I believe in educational excellence, I believe education is the most powerful way that we can transform people's lives. But I also think there's lots we can do with the school system as we have it." Some Conservative MPs have long hankered after the return of grammar schools, despite evidence that they tend to disproportionately benefit the children of wealthier families.



# AASU organised special felicitation programme in Kakopather



**Assam Rising, Kakopather, July 30:** A special Felicitation Programme was organized by Kakopather Regional Student Union (AASU) on yesterday for the recent passout students of HSLC and HSSLC of the entire Kakopather region who have secured more than or equal to seventy five percentage. The programme was held at Kakopather Higher Secondary School under the aegis of the members of Kakopather Regional Student Union,

higher secondary school management-staff including many renowned personalities of Kakopather. The programme was beautifully presided by retired BDO of Kakopather cum socialist Ratneswar Dutta. Vice president Of AASU Central Binoy Dubey, Organising Secretary of AASU Central Abhiwartin Goswami, Inspector of Schools of Tinsukia District Bitupan Hazarika along with the

Principal of PNGB Model College Thanuram Mojinder were the special guest invited to the

programme and were welcomed with felicitation. More-over many renowned socialist, educational personalities, Kakopather Press Club along with the students of Kakopather H.S. School and guardians of the passouts students were present in the programme. The invited guest gave their best inspirational speech to the students so that they can prosper more in future. The welcome speech of the programme was given by the president of Kakopather Regional Student Union Atul Bora and the purpose of the meet is cited by Secretary Of Kakopather Regional Student Union Hemango Gogo. The intro-

duction ceremony was initiated by the advisor of Kakopather Regional Student Union Konseng Gogoi. The programme felicitated about hundreds of newly passed out students with a book, certificate of appreciation and a sapling to create greenery. The entire programme was hosted by the advisor of Kakopather Regional Student Union Bitu Deka. People of Kakopather admire the initiative taken by AASU Kakopather to inspire the students through the programme and blesses the union to come forward with more such initiatives in near future.



## Press conference held on brief amendment of voter list

**Assam Rising, Bhubaneswar, July 30:** A press conference was held at the meeting room of the Commissioner's Office today at 3.30 pm on the upcoming special brief amendment of voter lists. This special brief amendment will cover several issues such as inclusion of young voters who turn 18 on October 1

of 2022 or January 1 next, redesignation of polling stations, names from the list due to death or change of address in the previous year Deletion, change of incorrect name or photo, arbitrary Aadhaar number will be attached. The application form will be available both online and offline. The draft list will be published on 9th No-

vember, objections will be accepted till 8th December, objections will be resolved by December 26 and the final voter list will be published on January 5. The meeting was chaired by District Commissioner Prakash Ranjan Gharphalia and Additional Commissioner Gargmohan Das and Election Officer Dwipray Thakuria were also present.

## PAD conducted Youth Training-cum-Career Counseling programme



**Assam Rising, North Lakhimpur, July 30:** People's Action for Development (PAD), an NGO, conducted Youth Training-cum-Career Counseling programme supported by Terre des Hommes at Jagriti Sammiti Unnayan Kendra, Bhangalmora, North Lakhimpur today. Around 60 youths from the project villages under PAD were present in the training programme. The resource persons of the programme were Kamal Mili, a professor in Philosophy department of Pub-Dikrong College, Bihpuria and Jyotimoni Saikia, Librarian of the same college. The Deputy Director of People's Action for Development (PAD) Philipson Sona elucidated the purpose of the training programme which was to empower the Youth through Career Guidance. The Livelihood Coordinator John Turkey gave a brief presentation of the organization PAD to highlight the activities engaged currently. The Documentation and Advocacy Manager Nomita Bilung said, "Let's learn and grow together by exchanging ideas through active interaction during the whole session". Kamal Mili shared his life journey and his service to the community since the time of his pursuit of a Bachelor Degree. He was grateful to the PAD Organization as the Organization focuses on Equality and Justice. "We are fortunate enough to know such an organization who is helping by reaching out to the people to help the helpless in sus-

tainable development," Kamal Mili commented when he delivered a speech on Career and skill development. He said, "We have two systems within us. One is hardware and the other is software. The outward appearance of us is hardware and what we think and implement is software. We need to manage, on our daily basis, these systems within us to identify ourselves. During graduation or after graduation try to prepare for civil service exams." He explained about life in a simple way by citing examples. "One day we have to die. Therefore, we need to beautifully write our own chapters of life and proceed ahead through all ups and downs by tackling all the consequences vividly and to enjoy life without any regret till our last breath," he further said. He also highlighted on some of the causes of present day youth's dishonest activities and mental health such

as getting addicted in drugs, less perseverance on career, patientless, focus on quantity rather than quality to get easy money, getting involved in immoral games and destroying themselves, misuse of social media platform that affects a person's personality and growth. The programme concluded with a resolution to find out some skill developments in online platforms and get enrolled on it.

## PSK will ease hardships faced by pensioners: Suklabaidya

**Assam Rising, Guwahati, July 30:** Pension Seva Kendras (PSKs) have been set up in the districts for the benefit of pensioners who have dedicated a long period of their life to the service of the people, Minister for Transport, Excise and Fisheries, Primal Suklabaidya said on Friday. "The Pension Seva Kendras have been set up in the districts to streamline the pension procedures," said Suklabaidya while inaugurating PSKs at Graham MV School in Hailakandi and at Rajchandra Girls' MV School in Karimganj of South Assam's Barak Valley. He said the state government has authorized all district authorities, head of offices (HoDs) and other competent authorities to start the process of pension proposal within one year of retirement of an employee.

Under the new system, scanning and uploading of service books will be done by PSK operators who will forward the same to the HoDs through the Kritagata Portal. The HoDs after compilation will forward it to the sanctioning authorities vis-a-vis Director of Pension and Accountant General for necessary sanction. The school teachers who constitute a sizable chunk of pensioners as well as pensioners of other departments will be able to avail pension related services at the PSKs set up at the district offices of the education department. "The laudable initiative taken by the Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma led BJP Government to set up PSKs is a token of gratitude to the employees who retire after rendering long years of government service. These PSKs will ease the hardships faced by the pensioners," he

quipped. The PSKs will facilitate retired persons to submit forms online, to upload Digital Life Certificates through Jeevan Pramaan using registered devices, download Pension Payment Order (PPO) and other information, Suklabaidya said. Though the number of PSKs are presently 27, the state government is trying to increase the number of PSKs to 35 covering all districts of the state. It may be mentioned that the state government had approved the setting up of PSKs on October 28, 2021 in a bid to improve the ease of living for citizens. Later, the Minister held two review meetings with Deputy Commissioners of Hailakandi and Karimganj and officials of Transport, Fisheries and Excise departments. Suklabaidya asked the Excise officials to step up their drive against illicit liquor. He directed the Transport officials to ensure that local modes of transport follow road safety rules strictly to avert accidents and asked the ASTC officials to ensure passenger friendly services. Suklabaidya instructed the Fishery officials to expedite the process of assessment of ponds damaged due to floods and to ensure that not a single affected fisherman is left out.

## Tri color sales point opened in Golaghat

**Assam Rising, Golaghat, July 30:** To mark the occasion of 75th Year of India's Independence which is named as 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' the central and the state governments have taken an initiative under which the national flag or the Tri color will be hoisted from August 13 to August 15 in every household in the country. This initiative named as 'Har Ghar Tiranga'. For this 'Har Ghar Tiranga' program large number of national flags will be required and hence several Self Help Groups are now busy making flags. In Golaghat a Tri Color Sales Point was inaugurated today. Deputy Commissioner of Golaghat Mrigesh Narayan Baruah inaugurated the Sales Point at the premises of Office

of the Circle Officer, Golaghat Revenue Circle. In the Sales Point national flags prepared by Several Self Help Groups of the town are available and people can buy Tri Color to celebrate the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' program. The DC appreciated the hard work of the women SHGs in making large number of national flags and appealed all the people to buy national flags from the Sales Point and to hoist the tri color in each and every household from August 13 to August 15. In Golaghat district total twenty five such Sales Point will be set up and today the first one was formally inaugurated.

## W&CWD Joint Secretary attended review meeting in Majuli

**Assam Rising, Majuli, July 30:** Joint Secretary, Women and Child Welfare Department, Government of Assam Gautam Majumder attended a review meeting in the presence of Women and Child Welfare Officers, Chief Nurse, District Women and Child Welfare Officers and Assistant Commissioner at 3.30 pm on Saturday. The officer visited several Anganwadi centers in the district and spoke about the awareness to be

taken for the mental and physical development of children. The officer later attended a special village meeting held at the community association near Kharjanpar Tribal Higher Secondary School. The meeting mainly discussed the projects to be undertaken in the near future in 2 no Bargoya village, which has been selected by the Government of Assam to become an ideal village under the Assam Adarsh Gram Yojana.



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## Tai language teaching workshop held in Margherita

**Assam Rising, Margherita, July 30:** The Tai language teaching workshop and cultural ceremony held in the memory of Damsao Girin Mahung Baruah concluded successfully today. Mansao Palash Rajkumar Ahom S. D. O Margherita inaugurated the Tai language teaching, workshop and cultural ceremony. Tai language teaching, workshops and cultural ceremonies have been going on for a month since July 1st at Town High School auditorium in Margherita. The programme concluding the programme was inaugurated this morning with the burning of the light (banti) at the full statue of late Chaulung sukapha at Margherita. Prominent scholars and well wishers of Tai Ahom were specially felicitated at the open meeting of the closing ceremony. A cultural ceremony of Tai Ahom is also organized in line with the closing ceremony. The cultural ceremony reflects the art culture of Tai Ahom community. The closing ceremony was attended by several dignitaries from Tai Ahom community as well as a large number of people from the area.



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## Sanitation and hygiene

Sanitary conditions in most of the slum areas in Assam are abysmal. Ignorance about cleanliness, lack of water supply and proper working toilets, absence of covered drainage and sewage, and no action from the local and state government are to be blamed for the mess, reports Nilotpal Bhattacharjee. Pratiba Bala Das, 34, stays with her husband and two daughters at a small rented room at Kalibarichar in Assam's Cachar district. She is a housewife, while her husband works as a daily wage labourer. Every dawn starts with the same battle for her. As she shares an open makeshift latrine with many other families residing there, she has to wake up much before the sunrise to answer nature's call. "It's really distressing to share an open kutcha latrine with around hundred people of the locality. It is taking a toll on my dignity. But, I have no other options," she says. An open makeshift latrine which women hesitate to use in the slums of Assam. Pic: Nilotpal Bhattacharjee/Pratibha doesn't live in poverty-stricken rural India, but right in the heart of Silchar town, the second largest urban centre in Assam with its 15 square km area and a population of nearly 2 lakh. Kalibarichar, a slum area on the bank of river Barak, falls under ward number 7 of Silchar Municipal Board in Cachar district of the Northeastern state Assam. The area is inhabited by around 1000 families, mostly belonging to Scheduled Castes. The advent of the rainy season makes the situation worse every year as it brings a plethora of problems, mainly for the women. During the monsoon, it is difficult to find dry areas for defecation. As the water level in Barak rises above the threshold limit, many families leave their houses and take shelter in the various schools and colleges of Silchar town. But there are also families who do not leave for relief camps even after the water enters their houses. "We don't go anywhere unless our houses are completely submerged. But, life becomes very miserable during floods. As we don't get any dry places around, we need to defecate in the river water." "The menstrual cycle becomes a nightmare for every woman here during the floods. We can't put the used sanitary clothes out to dry as it's embarrassing. So it becomes really difficult to get the sanitary clothes to dry which forces many to use the wet clothes itself, and this leads to various vaginal infections," says Uma Das, 31, who works as a domestic maid in various houses. Open defecation in the area is leading to severe pollution in the river. Moreover, the absence of underground or covered drainage and sewer system in Silchar town is also taking a toll on the Barak, which is the second largest river in Assam, springing from the Saramati Hills at a point south of Mao on Kohima-Imphal highway and winding its way through a 902 km-course till it merges with the Meghna in Bangladesh.

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## Edwardian morals, Thatcher and bad design- why Britain's homes are so hot



As Britons swelter in the highest temperatures on record, the UK's substandard and overheating housing is again under the spotlight. Most British homes are unable to keep residents cool in heatwaves and are crippling expensive to heat in the winter. By the numbers, we have some of the worst-performing housing stock in Europe. Our homes are poorly insulated and draughty, have virtually no shading and are badly oriented. How did one of the world's wealthiest economies end up with houses

that are so unprepared for extreme weather? For decades, the British construction industry got away with building scantily insulated, poorly oriented houses. The country was quick to industrialise, so burning cheap coal could take the edge off the coldest days, while summers were cooler than they are now. Compared with our northern and southern European neighbours, Britain's homebuilders could effectively disregard environmental performance to prioritise other, less prosaic concerns. British domestic

architecture has also been shaped by idiosyncratic rules that contribute to its poor environmental credentials. For instance, in many parts of the UK, homes that face each other at the rear are required to be built 21 metres apart. This large distance means that instead of clustering buildings together around cool courtyards or shady streets, as is common in hotter climates, many homes in new neighbourhoods are directly exposed to the sun. The 21-metre rule is, according to the Stirling prize-winning architect Annaliese Riches, a bizarre hangover from 1902, originally intended to protect the modesty of Edwardian women. The urban designers Raymond Unwin and Barry Parker walked apart in a field until they could no longer see each other's nipples through their shirts. The two men measured the distance between them to be 70ft (21 metres), and this became the distance that is still used today,

## Phineas Harper

120 years later, to dictate how far apart many British homes should be built. As a result, entire British neighbourhoods have been designed with more attention paid to this antiquated rule than to the risk of overheating. Many streets of houses are also designed so homes face each other, with no orientation taking account of the movement of the sun or from which direction the wind normally blows, as is common in other countries. This style of urbanism derives from pre-modern British social conventions that prioritised the formality of street-facing front doors over considerations of comfort or environmental performance. Marianna Janowicz, an architect and founder of the feminist architecture collective Edit, says, "Many British terrace houses were designed to follow a strict social order - formal rooms were at the front while women and servants were kept from sight at the back. Propriety and social mores took precedence over comfort and efficiency." British homes are also on average the smallest in Europe, with tiny rooms, low ceilings and miserly amounts of floor space. The 1960s

Parker Morris standard set a modest but decent minimum size for all public housing, but it was abolished in 1980 by Margaret Thatcher's government. This led to a collapse in dwelling sizes: one 2005 study revealed that typical newly built British dwellings were barely half the size of new Greek or Danish homes. More recently, further deregulation has seen an estimated 65,000 microhomes made by partitioning old offices and commercial buildings into flats without planning permission, leading to dwellings in some cases as small as 15 or 10 sq metres. As small spaces heat up more quickly than large ones, especially when they are overcrowded, cramped flats soon become stifling in the heat. Another crucial victim of our falling housing standards was cross-ventilation. This is when flats are designed with windows sited on opposite sides of the property that can be opened to allow a breeze to blow through.

## Worship the rich, neglect the poor? Adam Smith's words still capture how power works

If you want to see how class and power operate in Britain today, look at the different ways in which "regulation" is applied to working-class people and businesses. In the one case, it is about imposing ever-tighter restrictions, making it increasingly difficult for workers to take action to defend their interests if in doing so they might damage the interests of business. In the other case, regulation involves removing as many restrictions as possible even when doing so hurts the interests of ordinary people,

and in the most monstrous fashion imaginable. On Thursday, the government signed off on a new law allowing businesses to employ agency staff to replace strikers - in essence, state-sanctioned strike breaking. "This was a criminal offence. Now it's an option for business," tweeted business secretary Kwasi Kwarteng, perhaps letting slip more than he intended about this government's approach. The law is a response to the rail strikes of last month, and to the looming "summer of discontent", as many work-

ers, having faced a decade of wage stagnation, and looking at a rate of inflation now approaching double digits, have decided that more real-term pay cuts are unacceptable. It is also the latest in a 50-year-long crusade, from the 1971 Industrial Relations Act onwards, to neuter trade unions, make strikes as difficult as possible, outlaw most forms of solidarity, such as secondary picketing, and give businesses the greatest

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marks out much of public life in modern Britain. It has shone light on a private sector that, in the words of Peter Apps, a journalist who has provided some of the most cogent commentary over the past four years, exhibits "a callous indifference to anything - morality, honesty, life safety - that was not related to the bottom line". Companies concealed fire tests that showed the devastating failure of cladding, knowingly obtained misleading safety certificates and pushed products for use on high-rise buildings despite it being known that they were dangerous. "All we do is lie in here", as one employee boasted. And they were allowed to do so by public institutions and regulators who, in Apps' words, showed "an aversion to anything that disrupted the status quo, a weary cynicism and an insular desire to protect the reputation of organisations". There was not just indifference but also an active desire to remove obstacles to big business being able to do what it wanted. Companies were effectively allowed to set their own rules in the name of "cutting red tape". The year before the Grenfell fire, the government even crowed about having reduced fire safety inspections from six hours to 45 minutes. After six people were killed in a fire in Lakanal House in south London in 2009, the coroner made recommendations for changes in fire regulation.

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ern Ladakh, the 1959 Claim Line is central to China's strategy. It's a marvel of terrain evaluation and cartography, that is advantageous to the People's Liberation Army (PLA) and makes large swaths of Indian territory untenable in war. China had secured this line in 1962 before unilaterally withdrawing 20km behind it. After 1962, India gradually began patrolling up to the 1959 Claim Line and in some areas-Depsang Plains (PPs 10, 11, 12 and 13) and North of Pangong Tso from Finger 4 to Finger 8-east of this line, and had physically secured the area from Fukche to Demchok as it had a number of villages. As per India, the LAC runs along the areas that were physically held or patrolled at the time of signing the 1993 Border Agreement. As per China, it runs along the 1959 Claim Line. This was the tactical casus belli for China's intrusions in April-May 2020. At the strategic level, it wanted to reassert its hegemony in light of the perceived Indo-US nexus in the Indo-Pacific, abrogation of Article 370 and aggressive political statements to regain Aksai Chin and other territories seized by China. Militarily Beijing's intent was to secure the 1959 claim line in areas where it perceived India was patrolling beyond it, and deny any further development of border infrastructure in its vicinity. China achieved its aim with respect to the 1959 Claim Line with relative ease through a preemptive manoeuvre in late April and early May 2020. In

fact, in the Galwan River, PP 15 and PP 17A, the PLA came across the line to gain a tactical advantage. However,

## Lt Gen H S Panag (retd)

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joys terrain advantage and can re-secure this area at will. However, it refused to withdraw from a similar intrusion at PP 15-Jianan Pass-as India refused to concede a 30 km long and 4-5 Km wide buffer zone in the Kugrang River. China wants to maintain status quo, put the border issue on the back burner and expects India to normalise the relationship. This has been explicitly stated by its foreign minister in all his meetings with his Indian counterpart. President Xi Jinping's Xinjiang visit days before the 16th round of talks, conferring with the military brass of the Western Theatre Command and Xinjiang Military District, and honouring the PLA's 'Galwan Hero', only proves the point.

Hours after the talks China released a video of Recovering from the loss of strategic and tactical surprise, India's strategy has been to deploy a large number of troops to contain the Chinese intrusions, engage in brinkmanship along the LAC to prevent China from claiming an outright psychological victory and endeavour to restore status quo ante April-May 2020 through diplomatic/military talks. Its counter manoeuvre on the Kailash range forced a standalone agreement making China compromise its position with respect to the 1959 Claim Line on the north bank of Pangong Tso. Given China's rigid stand on the 1959 Claim Line, India can now restore the status quo ante only with the use of force leading to a limited war. However, India's deployment on the LAC has put China on tenterhooks forcing it to maintain a similar posture. In order to exert pressure on China and substantiate that peace on the borders is a prerequisite for normalising relations, India has subtly reviewed its Tibet policy. Apart from the prime minister's much publicised birthday greetings, the Dalai Lama has been allowed a month-long visit to Ladakh days before the military

talks. The Dalai Lama used the occasion to reiterate that he seeks autonomy and not independence for Tibet. He went a step ahead to sermonise the two most populous nations of the world on the use of force. Interestingly, a Bill has been introduced in the US Congress: 'Promoting a Resolution to the Tibet-China Conflict Act', which questions China's illegal annexation of Tibet. India, meanwhile, has also announced that it will hold preparatory meetings for the G 20 summit in Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh. The situation prevailing in Eastern Ladakh can best be described as a 'strategic stalemate'. Uncertainty of outcome and anticipated heavy casualties in a limited war, and the nuclear back-drop are deterrents for both. The volatility of the situation has reduced to a great extent due to diplomatic/military talks and the establishment of hotlines. Apart from a small number of troops at PP 15, there are no troops in close proximity to each other. The number of troops has reduced considerably. As per my assessment, both sides are maintaining a force of approximately two divisions, just enough to prevent each other from springing a surprise. There is limited physical deployment and most troops are in camps in the vicinity of operational locations. Reserves for major offensive operations have reverted to permanent locations. The military talks have run their course. The choice before the two nations is to either live with the status quo or raise the level of engagement leading to a summit for an interim border agreement. A possible solution is for India to accept the 1959 Claim Line with equidistant buffer zones in areas of disagreement except in the Indus Valley and for China to agree to demarcate the entire border as an interim agreement. Interestingly, this was the offer made by Prime Minister Zhou Enlai in his letter to Prime Minister Nehru dated 7 November 1959.



possible scope, not just to prevent and break strikes but also to sack workers and unilaterally change their conditions of work. This is not the first time that the government has tried to introduce such a strike-breaking law. The 2015 Conservative party manifesto pledged to "repeal nonsensical restrictions banning employers from hiring agency staff to provide essential cover during strikes". It was forced to drop the proposal from the 2016 Trade Union Act after the regulatory policy committee found it "not fit for purpose". Now, it's found its way back into the statute book. For workers, "regulation" means being regulated into submission, even when the law is patently unsound; and even when many employers and recruitment agencies themselves oppose it. The same day as the government passed its latest anti-union law, the Grenfell Tower inquiry came to an end, after nearly four years of public hearings and more than five years since the fire which killed 72 people on 14 June 2017. What those four years have revealed is the real meaning of, "This was a criminal offence. Now it's an option for business". The inquiry has exposed the sheer immorality of a system that has an exaggerated contempt for ordinary people, a system designed to deny them their voice, and eventually to deny 72 people their lives. It has laid bare the incompetence and corruption that

marks out much of public life in modern Britain. It has shone light on a private sector that, in the words of Peter Apps, a journalist who has provided some of the most cogent commentary over the past four years, exhibits "a callous indifference to anything - morality, honesty, life safety - that was not related to the bottom line". Companies concealed fire tests that showed the devastating failure of cladding, knowingly obtained misleading safety certificates and pushed products for use on high-rise buildings despite it being known that they were dangerous. "All we do is lie in here", as one employee boasted. And they were allowed to do so by public institutions and regulators who, in Apps' words, showed "an aversion to anything that disrupted the status quo, a weary cynicism and an insular desire to protect the reputation of organisations". There was not just indifference but also an active desire to remove obstacles to big business being able to do what it wanted. Companies were effectively allowed to set their own rules in the name of "cutting red tape". The year before the Grenfell fire, the government even crowed about having reduced fire safety inspections from six hours to 45 minutes. After six people were killed in a fire in Lakanal House in south London in 2009, the coroner made recommendations for changes in fire regulation.



# Bihar college of engineering : A glofied history



The opening of a Technical institution in the last quarter of 19th century was ushering of a new epoch of scientific learning and Technical education in Bihar. The famous Wood's Educational Policy of 1854 laid the present education system. Under this policy, a number of pioneer educational institutions were opened in Bihar. The thought of opening a technical school in Patna came into existence through the proposed scheme of an Industrial Institution in 1855-56 by W. Taylor, the then Commissioner of Patna. The British Government felt an urgent need to open Survey School to train land-surveyors. On 4th Dec. 1871 the Lt. Governor of Bengal pleaded for establishment of a School for Land-Surveyors. For the first time in 1871, Survey classes were opened in the newly established Patna College (1863) with hundred students, half of them being ex-students and outsiders. The courses of studies were Drawing, Mensuration and theory of Surveying. Survey classes were also opened at Deoghar, Munger, Chaibasa, Hazaribagh and Purulia. Subsequently, it was proposed to set up special Survey Schools at Patna, Dhaka and Cuttack. Patna Survey School, with a two-year curriculum, was started in March 1876, which appeared as a milestone of Technical Education in Bihar. There were more Bihari Muslims than Hindus in the school. During 1875-76, 21 out of 37 students were Muslims, whereas in 1876-77, 22 out of 45 students were Muslims. Another important technical institute named "Bihar Industrial School" for artisans was started at Bankipur, Patna in 1879. In the beginning the numbers of students were 150; but when they knew about few scholarships, most of them left out reducing the strength to only 20. The Biharis were little interested for technical education. The lack of workshop and other equipments also discouraged them. The report of the Education Commission in 1882 suggested about more scholarships to promote technical institutions in India and consequently more scholarships were reserved for Biharis to encourage them to take up technical education. In 1896, re-organisation of Survey and Industrial Schools of Patna took place and the Patna Survey School merged with Bihar Industrial School as Bihar School of Engineering. The present main block of Bihar College of Engineering (now NIT) Patna was constructed in 1900. In this institution, overseer's course of four years after matriculation were introduced. Till 1908, this institution was under the administrative control of the Principal of

Patna College. In 1908, Bihar School of Engineering become independent institution under the Principalship of Mr. F. Walford. The School was administered by the Government of Bengal, Bihar and Orissa. It was equipped with workshops, laboratories, lecture theaters, drawing halls and a hostel. The school had four sections—overseer, Sub-overseer, Surveyor and the Artisan. The admission fee was Rs 2/- and tuition fee Rs 2/- per month. Five Government scholarships of Rs 7/- per month were awarded on the basis of annual examination results, out of which four were reserved for Biharis. When Bihar and Orissa was separated from Bengal on 22 March 1912, the Nathan Committee was constituted in 1913 to study the necessity of self-sufficient Technical College and a separate University. The Committee recommended for opening of Medical, Engineering, Commerce and Agriculture Colleges under Patna University. When Patna University came into existence in 1917, a Committee was formed to make proposals for the development of institution. In 1923, the Bihar School of Engineering became affiliated to the Patna University. In July 1924, the present Bihar College of Engineering started functioning with 30 students. In addition to the degree courses, there two additional courses. Mr. F. Walford continued as the Principal of Bihar College of Engineering. A number of equipments were added and workshops were enlarged. The material testing laboratories were completed by 1926. A hostel was built for engineering students. An electricity generating set run by a diesel engine was installed for extra load requirements of the laboratories. A windmill was constructed in 1928 to pump water for hydraulic laboratory. In March 1928, Mr. L.D. Coueslant became the permanent Principal. At his behest, a sub-committee was formed which recommended all-round development of the college including acquisition of land for various purposes. The committee also recommended opening of degree courses in Electrical and Mechanical Engineering. But these courses were not started due to the economic slowdown around the world. However, in 1929 a short Survey Course for Pleaders and Munsifs was introduced. In 1930, the Industrial Diploma course was included in place of Mechanical Apprentice course. The degree course was recognised by Government of India (Department of Industries and Labour) in 1932 and later on by Institution of Engineers (India) and City & Guilds of London Institute. In 1936

Mr. Coueslant retired and J. Tullis took over the charge of Principal. The degree course in Electrical Engineering was started in July 1945. In 1940, an electrical sub-station consisting of transformers and motor generator was installed in the college. A new two-storey workshop building was constructed during 1943-44 for the training of

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war technicians. From 1945, the building was used as Electrical Laboratory and in 1952 the Department of Mechanical Engineering was transferred to it. After the end of World War-II, the first Indian principal Sri Bhagwat Prasad took charge in June 1945. In view of increasing demand for engineers, the seats for Civil Engineering degree course were increased from 30 to 50 in 1945 and 16 seats were provided to the newly introduced Electrical Engineering course. In 1949, the 66 seats were rose to 100. In 1950 the first batch of BIT Sindri was admitted to Bihar College of Engineering raising the strength to 132. In 1952, when these students transferred to newly founded institution at Sindri, the seats were reduced to 72. In January 1952, the administration of the college was transferred to Patna University. In the same year Sri Bhagwat Prasad was appointed member of BPSC and Dr. Ramji Prasad Verma, a product of this college, became the new Principal. In 1952, some students were admitted to Mechanical engineering degree course without any

provision for staff, accommodation and equipments. The sub-ordinate classes were transferred to Muzaffarpur along with some staffs, hence now carrying on only degree course. In Dec. 1953, N.N.G. Dastidar became the principal of the college. Under the modernisation scheme the seats in Electrical and Mechanical departments were raised to 30 each. Two seats were reserved for Diploma holders in each branch of engineering. Also steam turbine, compound steam engine and a boiler was installed in the mechanical engineering laboratory. With U.G.C. grant the new block (now the Department of Civil Engineering) was constructed. In June 1958, after retirement of Prof. Dastidar Prof. R.K. Verma being the senior-most professor took over charge. In 1959, Dr. Deep Narayan Singh was appointed as the Principal. From 1960 to 1970, several development schemes were implemented in the college. In 1962, there was a proposal to increase the seats to 180. In 1964, a new building came into existence for the department of Electrical Engineering. In 1965-66 five year integrated undergraduate courses and 60 additional admission scheme were implemented. Thus the number of seats in each branch became 60 each. In addition, one-year post-graduate diploma courses in structure and Public Health Engineering were introduced. New Engineers Hostel with a capacity of 249 seats was constructed and a large area in adjoining Golakpur was acquired for future expansion, though the possession is yet to be received. In 1971, 60 additional admissions, five-year integrated course and one-year post graduate diploma courses were abolished and four year courses were reintroduced. In the same year, intermediate science classes were started with 60 students. Small Industries Research Training and Development Organisation (SIRIDO) was established in 1972 for the purpose of self-employment and a new building was constructed. In 1974, for the first time two girl students were admitted to the college. Masters De-

gree courses were introduced in 1978 in all the three branches of Civil, Electrical and Mechanical Engineering. Simultaneously, undergraduate teaching in electronics was also started. After a record of 19 years of principalship, Dr. D.N. Singh retired in May 1978. Prof. B.B. Chakravarty being the senior-most professor took over the charge of principal. 4-1/2 year Architecture Engineering course was started in the college in 1980. In July 1980, the college was selected for Training of Rural Youth for Self Employment (TRYSEM). A Water Resources Studies Programme of the Patna University was set up at the Bihar College of Engineering with support of U.G.C. and Bihar Government. In 1989 a four-year degree course in computer engineering was introduced with 15 students. A Computer Centre was established in the college campus in collaboration with the former USSR. One-year and three-year post graduate diploma courses were started in the same year through All India competition. A 40-seated girls hostel was constructed through the fund provided by the U.G.C. In 1984 Prof. B.B. Chakravarty voluntarily stepped down from the principalship handing over the charge to senior-most professor DayaSharan. In 1990 DayaSharan also stepped down due to medical reasons and Prof. S.N. Chakravarty became the principal. Prof. S.N. Chakravarty retired in 1993 and Dr. S.P. Singh took over the charge. Bihar lost its only Regional Engineering College located at Jamshedpur, when Jharkhand was carved out of Bihar on 15th November 2000. By 2002, the Central government decided to upgrade all RECs to NIT, with the aim of having at least one NIT per State. On 28th January 2004, Bihar College of Engineering was taken over by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India and upgraded as National Institute of Technology. In 2007, it was granted institute of national importance status in accordance with the National Institute Technology Act 2007.

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## Environmental protection and global warming!



Global warming has today become a major threat to the human beings. Global warming a gradual increase in the overall temperature of the earth's atmosphere. Its impact of climate changes on agricultural activities across the globe. Global temperature is greatest existing threat to wildlife basically healthy wildlife. Human activities have contributed to climate change, climate refers to the kind of weather that there will also be changes in extreme conditions. Pollution is one of the most hazardous factors affecting the environment. It is most harmful material. Most of the air pollution takes place due to the burning of fossil fuels to produce energy, cutting down forest, industrial produce emissions have caused the earth's climate changes several times. Industrial pollution affects with our health, besides light pollution, plastic pollution, water pollution affects people. Ecological effect is created by consolidation of an effectively substantial and expanding human populace. Environmental Degradation impacts on human health. Our Environment is corrupted and harmed. Rapid population more demand for food, shelter and cloth. Overpopulation growth puts strain on natural resources. Which results in the degradation of the environment. Number of trips, Such as people consciousness, avoid burning leaves, forest protection, is necessary for environment protection. Forest are vital to life on earth. All people should plant and protect trees, Organic manure should be used.

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## ORS day

WORLD ORS DAY



In simple words, Oral Rehydration Solution (ORS) is a mixture of salts and sugar with water. It helps in maintaining the electrolyte balance in the body by replacing lost salts. This is why it is given to babies and the elderly who are suffering from diarrhea and dehydration. Diarrhea leads to the loss of water and electrolytes such as sodium, chloride, and potassium. If the electrolyte imbalance is not maintained, it leads to dehydration. Other causes of dehydration include excessive sweating, severe diabetes, and lack of fluid intake. Dehydration not only leads to fatigue and loss of stamina, but also affects kidneys. The good news is that the glucose-electrolyte solution of ORS is effective in treating dehydration as well as during diarrhea. ORS day is celebrated on July 29 every year. In the 1800s and early 1900s, diseases like diarrhea and cholera were epidemic, causing many to lose their lives. Thankfully, these diseases are now curable. World ORS Day is observed to remember victory over such diseases and to use ORS as a simple remedy to fight fatal illnesses.

Why is ORS Day important: Although diarrhea is curable, there is still a need to create awareness about ORS. According to World Health Organization (WHO), diarrhea-related diseases are the second leading cause of death in children below 5 years of age. It is also the third leading cause of death among children in India. About 1.7 billion children around the globe are estimated to be affected by diarrhea every

year. This disease claim death of around 5.25 lakh children below 5 years of age every year. Many children, as well as seniors who die due to diarrhea, do so because of loss of fluids and severe dehydration. ORS can effectively prevent dehydration caused by diarrhea and other diseases in a cost-effective manner. The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the WHO thus started promoting the use of ORS from the beginning of the 21st century. The National Health Portal set up at by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW), Government of India also actively promotes the benefits of consuming ORS. ORS helps replace the lost fluids and essential salts by encouraging the body to absorb electrolytes via the combination of sugar salt and water. It reverses both dehydration and prevents it. ORS is found to be effective for 90-95% of patients with diarrhea, regardless of its cause. In a review conducted by National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI), ORS was found to be effective against diarrhea mortality in home, community and facility settings. People with hypertension and high diabetes need to

follow doctor's advice before consuming ORS. ORS is available commercially in the form of sachets and solutions. You can either drink the solution or prepare it by emptying the contents of the sachet in a clean glass of filtered water or cooled down boiled water. Follow the instructions given on the packet to get the quantity of water right as too little water can worsen diarrhea. Use only water to prepare this solution and not tea, milk, juices, or any other liquids. Prepare a fresh drink every time because a solution kept for more than 24 hours is at risk of bacterial infections. This World ORS Day, you can also learn to prepare your own ORS at home—Take a 200 ml glass of water. Use filtered water or boiled water after cooling it down. Add a teaspoon of sugar and a pinch of salt. Stir well until the sugar is dissolved completely. This ORS day, you can spread awareness about its benefits and use it yourself when you need to. Although ORS is effective during the treatment of diarrhea, get medical help in case the symptoms prevail. Theme for ORS day 2022 is "Jodi No 1-ORS and Zinc". (with help from internet)

## Neem for Hair Care during monsoon



In more than 90% of people, hair fall increases by almost 40% during the monsoons due to increased humidity in the atmosphere, dry scalp, dandruff, and contact with acidic rainwater. The humidity that comes with the monsoon season robs the scalp of the natural oils leading to a dry scalp and weaker roots. The high percentage of moisture in the environment around us causes the hair to absorb the hydrogen and swell, leading the brittle and frizzy hairs that are prone to easy breakage. So, you're likely to experience more hair fall during monsoon due to weak hair follicles strength causing the hair to appear lifeless and dull and worst it leads to tangled hair and thus hair loss. Frizz, dandruff, and dull hair are a major concern in the monsoon season. Hair trouble become more frequent during the rainy season especially if you're dealing with dandruff. There might be a number of solutions to eliminate dandruff, but did you know that using neem is one of the most effective remedies one could try. Neem is a very important part of ayurvedic medicine and is being used for ages. It is used to treat health issues, skin and hair prob-

lems. Over centuries Neem has been highly valued in India for its healing and purifying properties and is probably the most widely used among plant products. It was used as a preventive in epidemics and was also used to treat bronchial ailments, asthma, jaundice and various digestive problems. It is also commonly used in homes for skin and hair problems like prickly heat, boils, rashes, dandruff, itching scalp, etc. The characteristic bitter-sweet aroma of Neem is due to its organic (natural) sulphur compounds, which have been found to have powerful and versatile healing actions, especially when applied on the skin and scalp. In fact, I would say that Neem is Nature's Antibiotic. It has powerful antibacterial, antiviral, antifungal and antiseptic properties. It is also a powerful antioxidant, which reverses the damage caused by free radicals, leading to degeneration of the human body and the immune system. Neem not only cures, but protects, soothes and purifies. Its cooling and soothing action has been invaluable in skin and scalp problems, including dandruff and hair loss. As far as the hair is concerned, due to its sulphur compounds and its versatile healing actions,

neem extracts and oil have been used in protective, preventive, and corrective care of the scalp and hair. It has a healing and soothing effect on inflammatory and eruptive scalp conditions. The cooling and soothing action of Neem has made it invaluable for the care of seborrhea and dandruff. During hot and humid weather, like the skin, the scalp is also more prone to rashes and eruptive conditions. The hair also attracts more dirt and pollutants during humid weather. Neem can easily be used as a home remedy for hair care, not only to prevent problems but also to soothe and cure. Neem leaf infusions can be used to wash the hair. First, boil water and add the neem leaves to it, when it is hot. Do not boil the leaves, but cover them and let them stand in the water overnight. The next day, strain the water and use it to wash the hair. In fact, the water can also be poured as a last rinse after shampoo. In cases of boils and eruptions on the scalp, neem leaf infusion will help. In cases of dandruff and itching of the scalp, neem leaf infusions are very helpful. Use the infusion as the last rinse, after washing the hair. Neem leaves can also be used to treat fungal infections of the scalp. A paste of the neem leaves may be applied to the scalp. Neem can also be used with oil for head massage. First heat about 200 gms of pure coconut or oil. Take a handful of neem leaves and add them to the oil. Let it stand in the oil for about ten days, allowing it to remain in the sun during this time. Then strain the leaves and keep the oil for use.



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## Most Indians unable to approach

Modi urged the judiciary to speed up the release of undertrials languishing in jails awaiting legal aid. "Modern India was built around the goal of removing the disparities in society. Project democracy is about providing a space for the participation of all. Participation will not be possible without social emancipation. Access to justice is a tool for social emancipation," the CJI said. Technology has emerged as a great enabler, the CJI said and urged the judiciary "to use modern technological tools to enhance the pace of justice delivery". One of the most important aspects which calls for active consideration and intervention of the legal services authorities in the country is the condition of undertrials, Ramana said echoing the prime minister's views on providing legal aid and ensuring the release of undertrial prisoners. "The prime minister and the attorney general have also rightly flagged this issue in the recently held conference of Chief Ministers and Chief Justices. I am happy to note that NALSA (National Legal Services Authority) is actively collaborating with all stakeholders in securing the much-deserved relief for undertrials." Justice Ramana said India, the second most populous country in the world with an average age of 29 years, has a large workforce but skilled workers are estimated to be only three per cent of the total workforce. The CJI termed the district judiciary the backbone of the justice delivery system of the world's largest democracy. They are the first point of contact for much of the population and its strengthening is "the need of the hour", he said. Justice Ramana hailed the services provided by NALSA following its inception 27 years ago and said, "The fact that it is aimed at offering free legal aid to 70 percent of our population, makes NALSA the largest legal aid provider in the world." Many of the objectives of NALSA have been translated to social realities and this was made possible because of the sincere effort of dedicated judges and advocates, he said. The CJI also stressed the need for strengthening alternate dispute redressal (ADR) mechanisms like Lok Adalat, mediation and arbitration centres. "Matters ranging from matrimonial and intergovernmental disputes, government contracts and land acquisition can be attempted to be resolved through mandatory ADR. This will not only reduce pendency and backlog but also will provide a much-needed speedy justice to affected parties," he said.

## China announces military

lanes to the island. Taiwan and China split in 1949 after a civil war that ended with a communist victory on the mainland. The two governments say they are one country but disagree over which is entitled to national leadership. They have no official relations but are linked by billions of dollars in trade and investment.

## Some elements creating acrimony

major controversy in the country and the Arab world. The resolution also demanded for the ban of organisations like PFI who have been "indulging in anti-national activities and creating discord amongst our citizens".

## Short film to stop discrimination

cities and towns across the country for purpose of education and employment, have been addressed with such derogatory remarks and subjected to racial discrimination, adversely affecting the process of national integration," the script mentions. According to the Joint Commissioner of Police (Security) Hibu Tamang, "The objective is to create awareness about the initiatives taken by Delhi Police for the northeastern people. We have a special unit — Special Police Unit for North-Eastern Region (SPUNER) and we are working day and night to assist our people in Delhi. Whenever they come to Delhi, they can take the assistance of our unit, especially for students. We have a dedicated team and helpline 1093 to assist them."

## Koshyari's controversial remark

Mumbai. It is an important city with immense potential. Despite people from all over the country making it their home, Marathi people have preserved their identity and pride and it shouldn't be insulted". Shiv Sena chief Uddhav Thackeray lashed out at Mr Koshyari, accusing the Governor of "dividing Hindus". Demanding an apology, he said the remark is an insult to 'Marathi Manos' (Marathi speaking sons of the soil) and Marathi pride. The government should decide whether to send him back home or to prison," fumed Mr Thackeray. "The Governor is the messenger of the President, he takes the words of the President throughout the country. But if he does the same mistakes then who will take action against him? He has insulted the Marathis and their pride," Mr Thackeray further said. Addressing a press conference at his residence 'Matoshree', Mr Thackeray said, "The hatred that the governor harbours in his mind against Marathi people has inadvertently come out." He demanded that the Governor tender an apology to the Marathi people. Congress leaders Jairam Ramesh and Sachin Sawant also tweeted the video and said that the governor should not have made the remarks. "His name is Bhagat Singh 'Koshiyari', but as a governor, there is not a bit of 'hoshiyari' (smartness) in what he says and does. He is sitting on the chair only because he faithfully obeys the command of 'we two'," Congress spokesperson Jairam Ramesh tweeted, apparently referring to the Maharashtra Cabinet comprising Chief Minister Eknath Shinde and Deputy Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis. A release issued by the Raj Bhavan said Mr Koshyari praised the contribution of Rajasthani-Marwari and Gujarati communities in making Mumbai the financial capital of the country.

## Millions found inside Sri Lanka

three weeks. The Magistrate also said that said the court was not aware of any special circumstances for the money originally given to the Fort Police, to be produced via a Special Police Unit from Slave Island. Magistrate ordered the Inspector General of Police to immediately investigate the delay in producing the money, and submit a report to the court. The Police Chief was ordered to appoint the Director of the Special Investigations Unit at the Police Headquarters for this purpose, and provide him with the necessary assistance. Sri Lanka has seen months of mass unrest over the worst economic crisis, with the government declaring bankruptcy in mid-April by refusing to honour its international debt. The previous Rajapaksa administration is accused of bungling the economic crisis.

## Ujjwal Bharat Ujjwal Bhavishya

infrastructure and installation of smart pre-paid meters, aiming at improvement of the reliability and quality of supply to end consumers. Assam is one of the first beneficiary States to get the approval from the Government of India under the Scheme. The national portal for Solar Rooftop Programme aims to provide an online platform that will simplify the procedure for the residential consumers to get the solar rooftop plant installed by themselves or through any vendor of their choice under the Solar Rooftop Programme. Prime Minister in his address, highlighted the achievement of the Power Department in electrifying more than 18,000 numbers of unelectrified villages. He also highlighted that with the PM-KUSUM scheme farmers are not only "Anna datta" but "urja datta" also. The Prime Minister stressed on the importance of electricity in common man life and the importance of using Green Power and Green Hydrogen based fuel cells that will strengthen the self-reliance and energy security of the country. He also said that because of reformative actions of the Government in Generation, Transmission, Distribution and Supply, the overall power sector of the country has improved. The Prime Minister informed that with the launch of RDSS, smart prepaid meters shall be installed in households and distribution infrastructure shall be strengthened. While the portal for Solar Rooftop Programme shall encourage households to save in energy. The Prime Minister encouraged the countrymen to be alert and come above politics to make the distribution company sustainable, so that electricity infrastructure is updated for the future generation.



## Missing Arunachali man rescued from hotel in Paltan Bazar

**Guwahati, July 30:** A mid-aged man identified as Tahong Gao who was missing since Friday in Guwahati has been located in a hotel in the Paltan Bazar area of the city. According to reports, Tahong Gao, who is also the cousin brother of Arunachal Pradesh MP and Bharatiya Janata Party leader Tapir Gao was allegedly hiding at the hotel in regard to some business transactions. He was later rescued by the Dispur Police. Earlier on Friday, Tahong who was in Guwahati with his nephew came out to Ganeshguri on Friday and then contacted a friend over the phone. He then boarded an Uber cab, following which there is no trace of him and Tahong's phone when switched off. Notably, the family members of Tahong have lodged a complaint at the Dispur Police Station after which a search operation was launched.

## Monkeypox horror: country reports 2 deaths in 2 days

**Madrid, July 30:** Spain has reported a second death in as many days from monkeypox, its health ministry said Saturday. These are believed to be the first confirmed deaths from monkeypox since its outbreak in the European Union. The ministry gave no details on the deceased. It reported its first death from the disease on Friday. The global monkeypox outbreak has seen more than 21,00 cases in nearly 80 countries since May. There have been 75 suspected deaths in Africa, mostly in Nigeria and Congo, where a more lethal form of monkeypox is spreading than in the West. Brazil also reported a death linked to monkeypox on Friday. On Friday, Spain's health ministry reported that 4,298 people were infected with the virus, making it the leading European country for monkeypox cases. Of that total, some 3,500 cases were of men who had had sex with other men. Only 64 were women. The ministry said 120 have needed hospital attention. Health authorities are administering 5,300 vaccines that Spain received from the joint EU vaccine purchase scheme. Health workers say that's far fewer than the number needed to cover the at-risk groups. Monkeypox has been endemic to parts of Africa for decades. Its leap to Europe and North America was linked by experts to two raves in Belgium and Spain. It spreads mainly through skin-to-skin contact, but it can also be transmitted through bed sheets used by someone with monkeypox. Symptoms include fever, body aches, chills, fatigue and hives. The illness has been relatively mild in many men. But people can be contagious for weeks, and the lesions can be extremely painful.

## Press Conference held at Margherita on new Electoral registration

**Assam Rising, Margherita, July 31:** A press conference was convened at the conference hall of the O/o Sub-Divisional Officer (Civil), Margherita by Shri. Palash Rajkumar Ahom, District Election Officer (DEO), 124-Margherita constituency. The conference was organized regarding the introduction of new voter registration forms, voluntary Aadhaar linkage of the existing electors and authentication of Electoral Rolls Data. The DEO briefed the media about the amendments in the RP Act 1950 by the Ministry of Law & Justice on recommendations of the Election Commission of India. According to the changes, there will be four qualifying dates as eligibility for new electors i.e. January 1, April 1, July 1 and October 1. Along with that, 17+ old youths will be able to apply in advance for enrolling themselves in the Voter's list and the Electoral Roll will be updated every quarter. Shri. Ahom also mentioned that the new forms for registration will be more user-friendly and a single form-8 will be devised for correction of entries. Also, the electors can voluntarily link their Aadhar with their Voter Cards through online applications such as ERONET, GARUDA, NVSP,VHA. Aditi Neog, Election Officer (E.O), Margherita also assured that as per provision under Section 37 of the Aadhar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 that the Aadhar numbers will not be made public under any conditions and the details will be removed or masked by the authorities in the Elector's Photo Identification Cards (EPIC) and mentioned about other changes such as polling station rationalization, deleting repeat/multiple entries from Electoral Roll, field verifications and super checking for Healthy Electoral Roll and participative process-Involving BLAs. However, it is to be mentioned that the Annual Summary Revision will be done with reference to January 1 next so that Electoral Rolls are published before National Voter's Day. The E.O also informed the media that the program of rolling out of new electoral registration forms and collection of Aadhar data and authentication of Electoral Rolls data will be formally launched on August 1 next by the DEO. Subsequently, Palash Rajkumar Ahom, DEO sought full co-operation from the media fraternity in disseminating the information, so that no public is unaware of such developments and each eligible individual exercises their right to vote. Apart from the media persons, the meeting was also attended by Master Trainers Latumoni Gogoi and Dilip Kumar Chutia, other administrative officials and staff of the election branch



## NFR observed International Tiger Day

**Assam Rising, Guwahati, July 30:** International Tiger Day also known as World Tiger Day or Global Tiger Day is an annual celebration to raise awareness for tiger conservation, held annually on July 30. This day aims to encourage all to take appropriate actions to save this wild cat from extinction. It also seeks to protect and increase tiger habitats. The day is also observed worldwide by many International Organizations. This year Regional Headquarters, NE Region Bharat Scouts and Guides, observed the day along with World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF), India at Bharat Scouts and Guides (BSG), State Training Centre, Maligaon, N. F. Railway. The occasion was graced by the presence of Chief Patron BSG/NFR & General Manager/NFR Shri Anshul Gupta, State Chief Commissioner & Principal Chief Personnel Officer/NFR Shri Chandrajit Saikia. Mrs. Archita Baruah Bhattacharyya, State Coordinator, WWF India, Assam, Arunachal Pradesh State Office (AAPSO) along with State Council Members of BSG/NFR, State Officials, Assistant Director NER Region BSG, State Secretary of Assam State BSG and members of Head-quarter District Association were also present. In his speech Shri Anshul Gupta, General Manager/NFR spoke about the importance of protecting various species of wild life for maintaining the proper balance of our habitat and mentioned about initiatives taken by railways in this regard. International SOS's video on tiger which was screened online for the first time in International Tiger Youth Summit on July 28 was also shown offline on July 29 at the celebration. To spread awareness about the importance of tiger's various competitions like post card making, quiz competition, doodle art exhibition with a message on tiger conservation were also held at BSG Training Centre, Maligaon.

## DGAR Women Football Team Vs Dhekiajuli Women Football Team



**Assam rising, Biswanath Chariali, July 30:** Lokra Battalion of Assam Rifles under the aegis of HQ 21 Sector and Inspector General Assam Rifles (East) in continuation with Nari Sashaktikaran 10 day football League organized 6th football match between DGAR Women Football Team and Dhekiajuli Women Football Team in collaboration with Tezpur District Sports Association on July 30. DGAR Women Football Team won the match by 9 - 1 goals. The greater aim of the match was to promote women empowerment and motivate the women fraternity to take up football as a career. The match was enthusiastically witnessed by the locals of Lokra town and the Lokra Battalion.

## Ukraine bombs Russian forces in the south, missiles hit near Kyiv

**Kyiv, July 30:** Ukraine stepped up its counter-attacks against Russian forces in the south while Moscow bombed Kyiv's outskirts for the first time in weeks as Europe's biggest conflict since World War Two dragged on with no end in sight. Fifteen people were injured when missiles hit military installations in Vyshhorod district on the edge of the Ukrainian capital on Thursday, Kyiv regional Governor Oleksiy Kuleba said on Telegram. Air raid sirens blared as Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy addressed parliament alongside visiting Lithuanian President Gitanas Nausėda, as Ukraine marked its Day of Ukrainian Statehood with a public holiday for the first time on Thursday. "It doesn't matter with what Russia threatens us; whether it's air-raid sirens or something else, what is important is that we make other countries fall in love with our Ukrainian firmness," Zelenskyy said. The attack shattered the sense of normalcy that has returned to life in Kyiv since Russian forces abandoned attempts to capture the city in the first weeks of the war, in the face of fierce Ukrainian resistance. More than 10 Russian missiles also hit the Chernihiv region northeast of Kyiv, regional Governor Vyacheslav Chausov told Ukrainian TV. Like Kyiv, Chernihiv had not been targeted for weeks. "This was Russia offering greetings on Ukraine's Day of State Sovereignty," he said, adding there were concerns about a "second phase of ground operations by the enemy". The North district command of the Ukrainian armed forces said more than 20 missiles had been fired at Chernihiv region bordering Russia from a base in Belarus - Russia's ally. In the south, Ukraine said its planes struck five Russian strongholds around the city of Kherson and another nearby city, where it is focusing its biggest counter-offensive since Russia's invasion began on Feb. 24. The Kherson region, which borders Russian-annexed Crimea, fell to Russian forces soon after they began what Moscow calls "a special military operation". Ukraine describes Russia's actions as an imperial-style war of conquest. Ukraine has used Western-supplied long-range missile systems to badly damage three bridges across the River Dnipro in recent weeks, making it harder for Russia to supply its forces on the western bank. British intelligence said the strategy was starting to isolate Russian forces in the Kherson region. "Russia's 49th Army, stationed on the west bank of the Dnipro River, now looks highly vulnerable," it said in an intelligence bulletin. Kherson city was now virtually cut off from the other territories occupied by Russia. "Its loss would severely undermine Russia's attempts to paint the occupation as a success," British intelligence said. Ukraine says it has retaken some small settlements on the region's northern edge in recent weeks as it tries to push Russian forces back. The Russian defence ministry said its planes had attacked a Ukrainian infantry brigade in the far north of Kherson region and killed more than 130 of its soldiers in the last 24 hours.



# Sensational Gururaja Poojary

**India celebrate second medal, CWG 2022**



Gururaja Poojary won the second medal for India at the Commonwealth Games 2022 in Birmingham on Saturday (July 30). The Weightlifter won Bronze for India at the CWG 2022, in men's 61 kg weightlifting category. Aznil Bin Bidin Muhamad clinched gold for Malaysia with a CWG record of total lift (285kg). Morea Baru of Papua New Guinea lifted 273 kgs in total to clinch silver. Gururaja Poojary is a silver medallist from Commonwealth Games 2018 which were held in Gold Coast. He hails from Udupi in Karnataka in India and trains at the National Institute of Sports in Patiala. Social media was all praise for the second medallist for the country and wishes poured in for Gururaja as he became the second medallist for India at the CWG 2022. Prime minister of India, Mr. Narendra Modi also joined the country in congratulating the weightlifter for his medal at the CWG 2022.



**Gururaja Poojary who inspired Sanket Sargar to silver medal, is a Air Force officer**

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India clinched their 2nd medal in Commonwealth Games 2022 on Day 2 of the mega event in Birmingham when weightlifter Gururaja Poojary won bronze in men's 61 kg event. This is India's second medal in the sport while the first one being of Sanket Sargar who clinched a silver in men's 55 kg category.

**Who is Gururaja:** Gururaja Poojary is a silver medal-

list from Commonwealth Games 2018 which were held in Gold Coast. He hails from Udupi in Karnataka in India and trains at the National Institute of Sports in Patiala. He is coached by Vijay Sharma. Gururaja started Weightlifting during his college days in the year 2010. In the year 2015, he joined the Air Force. He was on boarded in the Indian National Camp in 2016. You will be pleasantly surprised to know that Gururaja was inspiration of Sanket who clinched his first medal at CWG 2022, also India's fist in this mega event. Sanket was just 17 when he watched Gururaja lift big to win a silver medal at the CWG 2018. That lift and win inspired Sanket to take up weightlifting. Sanket earlier used to help his father run his Paan shop in Sangli in Maharashtra, from where he belongs. When he watched Gururaja and other lifters play in CWG 2018 in Australia, he told himself 'agli baar mai jaunga hi jaunga'. This is a profile on Gururaja but it is important to understand how he inspired a 17-year-old to take up the sport and excel at it as well. Not to forget, Gururaja started out as a wrestler before switching to power lifting and then weightlifting. He started weightlifting in 2010 but his first major medal came in 2017, at Commonwealth Championship where he won a bronze medal in Australia. Gururaj has also won a Commonwealth senior weightlifting championship, lifting a personal best of 249 kg (108+141) in Penang in 2016.

## Anahat Singh India's youngest athlete at CWG 2022

A 14-year-old is representing India at the 2022 Commonwealth Games in Birmingham. As the 205 members of the Indian contingent begin their medal pursuit, the 14-year-old Anahat Singh will look to leave a mark of her own. The teenager is a class-9 student and is the youngest Indian athlete at the Birmingham Games. Anahat was impressive in her national selection trials and got her ticket to Birmingham for her performance in the trials. The 14-year-old Squash prodigy is making her debut in the senior department at the Commonwealth Games and has not played any kind of senior tournament before. "I was worried about being in the camp with such experienced players at first, but they were really sweet and helpful, they helped me

fit right in," Anahat told ESPN in a conversation ahead of the start of the Birmingham Games. At a 6 years of age, Anahat first took up badminton as her preferred sport. However, after two years she started playing squash, a sport that her sister Amira used to play at Siri Fort in Delhi. When she was 8 years old, she started to take up professional coaching and competed in many competitions across India. "I used to go along my sister and hit for like 15-20 minutes but nothing serious because I was mainly pursuing badminton...my sister was playing a tournament in Bengal and I went along so I entered as well. But then I started actually doing well, I started practising a lot more," she said. Anahat has won 46 national circuit titles along with two national championships and 8 international titles as well. Notably, Anahat is the first sportswoman to win the British Junior Squash Open in 2019 and US Junior Squash Open in 2021.



## Who is Sanket Sargar Mahadev

**India's silver medal winner weightlifter at CWG 2022**

Sanket Sargar Mahadev had broken the commonwealth and national record earlier as he lifted 256 kg (snatch- 113 kg; clean and jerk - 143 kg) at the Singapore Weightlifting International in February this year



Sanket Sargar Mahadev, a student of Shivaji University, Kolhapur, competed in the 55kg men's category for India in the Commonwealth Games 2022 in Birmingham on Saturday (July 30). Sanket's teammates were confident that the 21-year-old was a strong medal contender. A resident of Maharashtra's Sangli, is a three-time national champion who's father runs a paan shop. The young gun won the first medal for India at the CWG 2022, his gold medal was snatched by a difference of 1kg after he injured his left elbow while attempting a Clean and Jerk lift of 143 kgs. "If I can win gold, I am sure recognition will come my way. It is my dream to be able to support my father and show him my gratitude for all that he has done



for me," said Sargar to Economiictimes before CWG 2022. Sanket had broken the commonwealth and national record earlier as he lifted 256 kg (snatch- 113 kg; clean and jerk - 143 kg) at the Singapore Weightlifting International in February this year. He was a gold medallist in the Commonwealth Championships in December 2021. Notably, Sargar struggled for a stable job and use to help his father's paan shop and food stall, with a dream that one day his father can take a break. "Unless things go dramatically wrong, I am expecting a gold medal from him," said Sargar's coach about the 21-year-old earlier. Notably, the young gun from India was successful in all his three attempts to lift - 107, 111 and 113 kg. Bib Aniq of Malaysia finished with a record of 249 kg (107 in Snatch and 142 in Clean & Jerk) to snatch the gold medal from Sanket. The 21-year-old Indian lifter ended up injuring himself lifting 143kgs. He finished at 248 kgs with (113 in Snatch and 135 in Clean and Jerk. Sri Lanka's Dilanka Yodage clinched the bronze medal finishing with 225 kg.




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## Kell Brook stops Amir Khan in sixth round to win grudge match



**London, July 30 :** Twenty years since they first met in the ring as amateurs, and after more than a decade of simmering animosity between them, Kell Brook finally gained the sweet vindication he has craved for so long when he stopped Amir Khan in the sixth round on Saturday night in Manchester. Brook reacted to his crushing victory with euphoria while Khan looked dazed and broken after he was helped to his corner. The end, when it came, was as predictable as it was bleak for Khan. He protested meekly to the referee, Victor Loughlin, but he had suffered heavy punishment and, backed up helplessly against the ropes as Brook pummelled him, there could be only one outcome. One last uppercut, which followed percussive combinations, rocked Khan's head back and, thankfully, Loughlin called a halt to the contest 51 seconds into round six. Khan had come out fast

and thrown some flashy combinations before the true pattern of the fight was established. Brook nailed him with a stiff left hand which made Khan stagger backwards. Despite the shake of his head, it was clear that Khan had been hurt. They had to be separated at the bell but Brook had the look of a man who knew that he was about to dominate the rival he had despised for over a decade. It seemed as if Brook hurt Khan every time he landed with real intent. Khan has always been an immensely brave fighter, however, and he fought back and tagged Brook occasionally with his fast hands. But Brook went downstairs to the body in the fourth round before, with calm deliberation, he began to really open up in the fifth. Khan tried to backpedal away but he could not stem the dark surge of trouble that finally engulfed him. It was a relief when it was all over. Their

grudge match had always been bitterly personal to Brook who believed Khan had continually ignored or disrespected him. "Kell's always been very obsessed with my career, like a fanboy," Khan said this week. "I've been living in his head for such a long time." He then fuelled the acrimony by saying: "I'm worried about Kell's health after the beating I'm giving him." Brook brutally exposed the hubris of Khan. His pleasure in almost certainly ending the career of the man who had been his nemesis for so long will be deep and sustained for Brook has long harboured an intense dislike of Khan. The only danger for Brook is that he will believe overwhelming a faded Khan is a sign that he should campaign again at a far higher level against much younger and far more threatening men. Brook has suffered three crushing defeats over the years and this immensely satisfying

win cannot obscure the damage he suffered against far superior fighters in Gennady Golovkin, Errol Spence and Terence Crawford - who stopped him in his previous fight. It would be an uplifting end to the Sheffield fighter's near 17 years in the professional ring if he could walk away with his health intact at the age of 35. Khan is also 35 and, before he stepped into the ring against Brook, he had said: "If either of us lose, it's something that will haunt us for a very long time. That's the reason I've trained so hard. I've done everything I've needed to because I know I can't lose this fight." Boxing is a harsh and unforgiving business and so Khan's bold words were swept aside by the concussive fists of his fierce rival. He will have to learn how to overcome the haunting memories of this painful defeat. It would help if their grudge could be buried now for both men should look to a life beyond the boxing. Khan showed as much courage outside the ring when, long past midnight, he joined Brook for a shared press conference. It took heart and class for him to congratulate Brook. Speaking in a low voice, but with wit and insight, he admitted that he will talk to his family about his future. Khan insisted that he was still glad to have fought in the most electric atmosphere either he or Brook had ever experienced. Brook also praised Khan and showed

similar respect in a heartening antidote to all the previous vehemence. Before they parted they wrapped their arms around each other's shoulders and posed for one last photograph. Of course, Brook will almost certainly box on and said recently that he would like to fight Conor Benn next. The son of Nigel Benn is 10 years younger than Brook and he would bring the violent danger to the ring that is now beyond Khan. So, for a while at least, Brook should savour his victory over Khan because this was one of the most glorious nights of his boxing life. In the main preliminary bout, Natasha Jonas, who is 37, finally won the world title which she has pursued for so long. She had to move up three weight divisions but she boxed with commanding authority to stop Chris Namus, from Uruguay, in the second round to become the new WBO super-welterweight champion. Jonas unleashed a bludgeoning series of combinations to knock down her hapless opponent in the first round. Namus was fortunate to hear the bell but, within 28 seconds of round two, she was sent crashing to the canvas again before the referee brought the one-sided contest to a merciful end. Nine months ago, Jonas fought with grit and skill to nearly beat Katie Taylor, the undisputed lightweight champion who is ranked as the best female fighter in the world.

## Last-minute Hakim Ziyech goal gives Chelsea victory at Crystal Palace



**London, July 30 :** Chelsea have developed a useful habit of leaving things until the last minute and it needed a late volley from Hakim Ziyech to snatch a victory that was scarcely deserved. But having arrived here shorn of wingbacks and being forced into a tactical reshuffle a few days after being crowned world champions, Thomas Tuchel was certainly not complaining. "It's not been a normal week - we are just trying to survive at the moment," said Chelsea's manager. "There were a lot of reasons why I didn't expect us to be on top form today but we managed to take something positive. We look a bit drained and everyone is looking for that spark at the moment." Four weeks had passed since Chelsea's victory over Tottenham in their last Premier League match and they have required extra-time to progress past Plymouth and Palmeiras in the intervening period. The latter in Abu Dhabi last week meant their kits proudly sported a new badge signifying their status as World Club champions - an honour

that has clearly been welcomed at Stamford Bridge. In a rare departure for their manager since his arrival last January, they started with a four-man defence with Andreas Christensen deployed at right-back, while there were recalls for Christian Pulisic and Ziyech in attack. Patrick Vieira made four changes from Palace's last match - a drab 0-0 draw at Brentford - but surprisingly chose Wilfried Zaha to lead his forward line and left three centre-forwards on the bench. It was even more surprising to see Jean-Philippe Mateta introduced after Palace had conceded having been pressing hard for what would have been their first Premier League win of 2022 for large parts of the second half. "It was frustrating to concede like that at the end because we defended

well for most of the match," Vieira said. "We lost some concentration and that has cost us a point that we deserved." With loanee Conor Gallagher ineligible to face his parent club, it was up to Zaha and Michael Olise to inspire the hosts on a w i n d s w e p t a f t e r n o o n . T h a t combination almost paid dividends early on after an excellent ball from Jeffrey Schlupp found the Ivory Coast forward in acres of space but Olise's shot dribbled just past the far post. Having made a slow start as they seemed to adjust to the unfamiliar formation, it was Antonio Rüdiger who finally sparked Chelsea into life when his piledriver from 35 yards was tipped over by Vicente Guaita. The Spaniard then had to be at his best to deny N'golo Kanté following a precise through ball from Malang Sarr.



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