

Don't give an inch in south Mumbai for Navy housing, says Gadkari

MUMBAI, JAN 11 /- Union minister Nitin Gadkari today said "not an inch of land would be given for Navy housing in south Mumbai, wondering why all their personnel here want to stay in this posh area when they should be at Pakistan border. Gadkari, who is the Union minister for road transport and highways, shipping and water resources, made the remark while voicing his disappointment at the Navy's objection to a floating hotel plan at Malabar Hill in south Mumbai, where a floating hotel and seaplane service are planned. The remark was made at a public



event in Mumbai in the presence of Western Naval Command Chief Vice Admiral GNV Luthra. "Actually Navy is needed at the borders from where terrorists

sneak in. Why does everyone (in the Navy) want to stay in South Mumbai? They (Navy) had come to me, asking for a plot (of land). I will not give even an inch of land. Please don't come to me again," the minister said. "Everyone wants to build quarters and flats on south Mumbai's prime land. We do respect you (Navy), but you should go to the Pakistan border and do patrolling." A few important and senior officials can stay in Mumbai, he said, adding that land on the eastern seafont being jointly developed by the state-run Mumbai Port Trust and the Maharashtra government, would be util-

ised only for the benefit of local citizens. South Mumbai is home to a sizeable presence of the Navy and houses the headquarters of the Western Naval Command, as well as the naval residential quarters at Navy Nagar in Colaba. Berths for naval ships are close to the Port Trust assets used by merchant ships. Over a period of time, a lot of cargo handling has moved out of the Mumbai Port in the oldest ports in the country. "I heard that you (Navy) gave a plan to the floating jetty plan at Malabar Hill, despite it getting the high court's nod," Gadkari said.

As a Pakistani court further deteriorated the bilateral ties, New Delhi has been insisting on an end to cross-border terrorism before a meaningful dialogue process can start with Islamabad. Raghavan said visas have also been a factor in the relations between the two neighbouring countries. "In the present context, visas have lost the kind of resonance they used to have, could be because technology could also be impacted in so many other ways through the Internet, through other communication platforms and so on," he said. Notably, external affairs minister Sushma Swaraj has been prompt in responding to distress calls of Pakistani nationals seeking visas for medical emergencies.

Ex-diplomat sees no easy, quick solutions to India-Pak issues

MUMBAI, JAN 11 /- There are no easy and quick solutions to issues between India and Pakistan, a former diplomat has said. T. A. Raghavan, the former Indian High Commissioner to Pakistan, said the issues between the two countries are characterised by lack of trust and they can only be addressed through diplomatic and political channels. "I do not think there is an easy descriptive solution anyone can offer on India-Pakistan issues," Raghavan said here on Wednesday. "The issues are of mistrust. You can only address issues of mistrust through diplomatic and political processes. There are no easy quick solutions," he said.

India-Pakistan ties have nose-dived over a host of sticky issues, including cross-border terrorism. The last year's sen-

Let suspect took Pak money to fund Red Fort attack, Court told

NEW DELHI, JAN 11 /- An alleged LeT terrorist and a suspect in the 2000 Red Fort attack case, Bilal Ahmed Kawa, was lodged in 10-day police custody by a Delhi court. The court took note of the allegation that Kawa had received Rs 29.5 lakh from Pakistan to fund the terror attack on the historic Red Fort on December 22, 2000. Kawa was arrested on Wednesday in the national capital in a joint operation by the Delhi Police and Gujarat Anti-Terrorism Squad (ATS). He was produced before chief metropolitan magistrate Deepak Shearawat, who said there were "sufficient grounds" to grant him custody for interrogation. The judge took on record the submission of the

police that Kawa, suspected to have links with Lashkar-e-Toiba (LeT), was a key conspirator in the terror strike. "A case has (played) the main role and participated in the offence by receiving money from Pakistan and other countries through hawala operators, which was used in the attack and other terror activities in Jammu and Kashmir conducted by LeT," the judge noted. The police told the trial court that Kawa, one of the conspirators in the attack, had been absconding for 17 years and was declared a proclaimed offender by the court. "He is needed for thorough interrogation and details of his associates need to be extracted from him, which requires lot of time,"

for harbouring the accused. Other convicts - Bagar Mohsin Baghwa, Sadagat Ali and Atuloo Alam - were also awarded seven-year rigorous imprisonment. In September 2007, the Delhi High Court upheld the death sentence to Ashfaq, saying terrorists who have no value for human lives deserved capital punishment. The High Court, however, acquitted six others including Ashfaq's wife Paroqui, citing lack of sufficient evidence against them. The Supreme Court in August 2011 upheld Ashfaq's death sentence, saying the "arrogant assault was a 'brazen attempt' by Pakistan 'to overawe' India and wage war against it."

SC to hear plea on probe into death of Judge B H Loya

NEW DELHI, JAN 11 /- The Supreme Court today agreed to hear a Friday two separate pleas seeking independent probe into the death of special CBI judge B H Loya, who was hearing the Sohrabuddin Sheikh encounter case. A bench comprising Chief Justice Dipak Misra and Justices A M Khanwilkar and Y Chandrachud, in the forenoon, took note of the submission seeking urgent hearing on the plea filed by Maharashtra-based journalist B R Lone for a probe into Loya's death on December 1, 2014. Later in the day, another plea filed by Congress leader Tejseem Poonawala on the same issue was mentioned by lawyer Varinder Kumar Sharma for urgent hearing before the bench, which agreed to hear it along with the earlier one. Loya had died of cardiac arrest in Nagpur on December 1, 2014, when he had gone to attend the wedding of a colleague's daughter.

The duty to protect the Constitution and uphold the majesty of rule of law. The judiciary, if not protected, may be unable to fulfil its duty towards public at large. In cases where prima facie material is available to investigate, it is absolutely necessary to order an inquiry," the Congress leader said. "The other plea filed by the journalist submitted that a fair probe was needed into the mysterious death of Loya, who was hearing the sensitive Sohrabuddin encounter case in which various police officers and BJP president Amit Shah were named as parties.

A PIL seeking probe into the judge's death has also been filed before the Bombay High Court on January 8 by the Bombay Lawyers' Association. In the encounter case, the BJP President along with Rajasthan Home Minister Gulabchand Kataria, Rajasthan-based businessman Vimal Patni, former Gujarat police chief P C Pande, Additional Director General of Police Geeta Johri and Gujarat police officer Abhay Choudasama and N K Amin have already been discharged. A total of 23 accused, including police personnel, are currently facing trial for their involvement in the alleged fake encounter of Sohrabuddin Shaikh, his wife Kausar Bi and their associate Tulsidas Prajapati in Gujarat in November 2005. The case was later transferred to CBI and the trial shifted to Mumbai.

The former Bihar chief minister was later awarded a sentence of three-and-a-half years in jail and a fine of Rs 5 lakh. However, DM Akhtar refusing the allegations, said, "I never spoke to CBI special judge Shivpal Singh over phone. I have been here (Allahabad) just for four months and he had come to meet us in November in connection with his land dispute in the district. Nothing else was discussed." "How can someone level such serious allegations without any evidence? I belong to Assam and am working in Uttar Pradesh. I have no connection of any kind with Lalji," he said. A 2014 batch IAS officer, Akhtar became Jammu DM in September last year.



Minister of State for Culture (I/C) and Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Mahesh Sharma at the inauguration of a photographic exhibition "INDIA @ 70: THE JAMMU & KASHMIR SAGA", held on the occasion of 70 years of Jammu & Kashmir's accession to India, in New Delhi

Kerala to use robots to clean sewers, end manual-scavenging

THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, JAN 11 /- Robots will soon replace men in cleaning up sewer holes in Kerala, ending the age-old practice of manual scavenging in the southern state. "Bandicoot", the robot developed by the startup firm Genrobotics, will be used for cleaning sewer holes. The Kerala Water Authority (KWA) and Kerala Startup Mission (KSUM) today signed an MoU for transfer of technology and products, including use of the robots for the pur-

pose. The MoU was signed between Kerala Water Innovation Zone under KWA and KSUM at the Chief Minister's office here, a statement said here. "Bandicoot" will start its work, so far mostly done manually, by cleaning sewer holes in the city during the coming famed Attukal Pongala festival in Thiruvananthapuram in March, it said. The robot has four limbs and a bucket system attached to a spider web looking extension, which can go

inside the manhole. After shovelling the heap of garbage at the bottom of the manhole, it will be collected by using the bucket system said here. It is a solution for manual scavenging. Meanwhile, KWA is also conducting research on the issue following the Chief Minister's instruction to find a remedy for it. Genrobotics is planning to market the product within six months. It has already got enquiries from states like Tamil Nadu to take it to the national-

Modi, Rahul pay tributes to Lal Bahadur Shastri

NEW DELHI, JAN 11 /- Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Congress president Rahul Gandhi paid tributes to the country's second prime minister, Lal Bahadur Shastri, on his death anniversary today. Taking to microblogging site Twitter, the Prime Minister said Shastri's "impeccable service" will be remembered for generations to come. "We pay homage to Shastri Ji on his Purnya Tithi. His impeccable service and courageous leadership will be remembered for generations to come," Modi said. The Congress leader invoked the late leader to emphasise the importance of building up unity and solidarity of people. "Among the major tasks before us, none is of greater importance for our strength and stability than the task of building up the unity and solidarity of our people," the Congress chief said on Twitter. "My tributes to former Prime Minister Lal Bahadur Shastri ji on his death anniversary," he said. Shastri was born in 1904 and held office between June, 1964 and January, 1966, before passing away on this day in 1966.



External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj meeting Mohamed Asim, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Special Envoy of the President of the Republic of Maldives, in New Delhi.

Swaraj holds 'productive' talks with Maldivian FM: MEA

NEW DELHI, JAN 11 /- External affairs minister Sushma Swaraj today held "productive" talks with her Maldivian counterpart Mohamed Asim amidst a number of issues, including the signing of an FTA between Maldives and China. "Swaraj met Mohamed Asim, Foreign Minister of Maldives, today to discuss the Special Envoy of the President of Maldives. Both had productive discussions to

strengthen bilateral relationship keeping in mind 'India first' policy of Maldives and our policy of 'Neighbourhood first'," the ministry of external affairs (MEA) spokesman Raveesh Kumar tweeted. It is understood that the Maldivian leader reiterated that Maldives would not undertake any activity which would harm Indian interests and it would also be conveyed that the country was

"sensitive" to India's concerns over peace and security in the Indian Ocean region. India had already made it clear that it expected that as a close and friendly neighbour, the Indian nation would be sensitive to its concerns in keeping with its 'India First' policy. The Indian statement had come in response to a query on Maldives-China free trade agreement (FTA).

UPCM orders probe into alleged lobbying in favour of Lalu

LUCKNOW, JAN 11 /- Taking note of news reports, Uttar Pradesh chief minister Yogi Adityanath today ordered a probe into allegations of government officials calling up a CBI special judge to seek favours for former scam operator and RJD president Lalu Prasad.

On the basis of media reports about lobbying in favour of the fodder scam convict, orders have been issued to the commission. Jhansi division to carry out a probe and submit a report at the earliest, a tweet issued on the official handle of the CM Office, GUP @CMOfficeUP, said. Reports in a section of the media have alleged that district magistrate (DM) Matman Akhtar and sub-divisional magistrate Bhairolal Singh of Jalaun had called up CBI special judge Shivpal Singh to seek favours for the RJD chief in the fodder scam case. During the proceedings of the case in Ranchi in January 2017, Akhtar had also stated "Lalji, we are getting a lot of references and calls for you" without naming the people who had called him up.

Sena asks RSS, BJP "bhakts" to clear stand on nationalism

MUMBAI, JAN 11 /- Taking a swipe at its ally BJP over the Supreme Court's ruling that playing the national anthem in cinema halls was optional, the Shiv Sena today urged "bhakts" and the RSS to clarify their stand on nationalism. An editorial in Sena mouthpiece 'Saamant' sarcastically described the SC ruling as "historic or revolutionary", and said the ruling came after the BJP-led Union government took a position that playing the anthem in halls was "not

important". "The Supreme Court did a U-turn on its own decision after the Centre took a stand that (playing) the national anthem in cinema halls was optional, the Shiv Sena today urged "bhakts" and the RSS to clarify their stand on nationalism. An editorial in Sena mouthpiece 'Saamant' sarcastically described the SC ruling as "historic or revolutionary", and said the ruling came after the BJP-led Union government took a position that playing the anthem in halls was "not

importantly," it said the definition of nationalism was changing every day. Till recently, it was asserted that those who protected cows were nationalists and those who beef were traitors, but the chief minister of BJP-ruled Goa on Wednesday said there was no ban on beef in the state, it pointed out. While it has become mandatory to display Prime Minister Narendra Modi's photographs in Madrasas in Uttar Pradesh, there are no norms for the national anthem now, it said.

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