

NGT lifts ban on construction in Delhi-NCR

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The National Green Tribunal (NGT) today lifted its ban on construction activities in Delhi-NCR and allowed trucks to enter the national capital, while asking authorities to strictly monitor their movement. The green panel, however, refused to lift its ban on industrial activities causing pollution in the Delhi-National Capital Region. "All directions in relation to emissions from industry, burning of waste and crop residue shall continue to be enforced," a bench headed by NGT Chairperson Justice Swatanter Kumar said. The tribunal also directed the neighbouring states of Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan to submit their action plan on steps taken to curb pollution within two weeks. It gave a green signal to the construction of the Eastern Peripheral Expressway but said no dust pollution should be caused.

The bench, which was scheduled to start proceedings at 11.15 am after the full bench reference on retirement of Justice Dalip Singh, took up the matter at 10.30 am itself and passed the directions. The bench said it will hear the Delhi government's second plea on odd-even today itself.

Plea against Goa minister in alleged graft case dismissed

PANAJI, NOV 17 /- /

A local court today dismissed an application filed by a social activist seeking directions to file an FIR against Goa agriculture minister Vijai Sardesai for alleged corruption. South Goa principal district and sessions court judge B P Deshpande dismissed the plea filed by activist Aires Rodrigues. The judge ruled that it is mandatory to get sanction from the state government to register a case against a member of legislative assembly, Rodrigues, in his petition filed last month in the court, had submitted the purported audio recording between Sardesai and another social activist Kashinath Shetye related to the illegal conversion of open spaces at Verma in the land owned by Goa Industrial Development Corporation (GIDC). In the petition filed under section 156 (3) of the Criminal Procedure Code, Rodrigues had sought the court's directions to Fatorda police to register an FIR against Sardesai and other unidentified persons under sections 420 read with section 511 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) and section 7 of the Prevention of Corruption Act.

AAP gov't has checked mushrooming of private schools, claims Kejriwal

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Delhi chief minister Arvind Kejriwal today said his government kept under check the mushrooming of private schools by setting up state-run institutions that imparted quality education to poor children free of cost. The AAP dispensation has completely changed government schools where the standard of education was earlier in a bad state, he claimed at the launch of a web portal for the 'Loan Guarantee

UP gov't urged to involve experts to address stubble burning

LUCKNOW, NOV 17 /- /

Urging the Uttar Pradesh government to find a concrete solution to the stubble burning issue, the Rashtriya Kisan Manch has said the state government must draw a road map and involve experts to address the issue. Pollution levels in Delhi-NCR and surrounding areas have spiked alarmingly in the last few days, leaving the region clouded in thick smog.

BJP spreading 'hatred', trying to divert people's attention, says Akhilesh

LUCKNOW, NOV 17 /- /

Samajwadi Party president Akhilesh Yadav today accused the ruling BJP of spreading "hatred" and trying to "divert people's attention" through its campaigns for the civic polls in Uttar Pradesh. The former chief minister also criticised the Yogi Adityanath government for the plight of potato farmers and non-payment of arrears to cane growers, among others. "Nothing should be expected from the BJP now... its foremost task is how to spread hatred, create problems and humiliate others. In order to divert attention of the people, the BJP leaders pick up

brooms or wear masks," he told newsmen here. "The BJP blames others (for lack of development in the state), but now it is ruling Uttar Pradesh... most of the big cities had BJP mayors, but even the garbage has not been removed in the past 10 to 15 years," the SP leader said. "Except for picking up brooms (as part of the Swachha Bharat Mission)... I don't think the BJP has any direction," he said. Stressing that his government had completed the Agra-Lucknow Expressway in 23 months, Yadav said that it was now the responsibility of the present dispensation to construct the Purvanchal Expressway. "This

is the responsibility of the government... they will get funds from the Centre... Niti Aayog is also cooperating with them. They (BJP) were saying that they will connect Varanasi and Ayodhya, but they should at least start the work," he said. Yadav said that if expressways and 'mandis' (wholesale markets) are made, the state will develop and farmers will get good rates for their produce. "If dairies such as Parag and Amul come up, it will improve the rural economy, if laptops are distributed it will take the country ahead on the path of 'Digital India'," he said. To a question on the

possibility of entering into an electoral alliance with the BSP, the SP president said: "We are trying to work a way out an alliance... our relations are not bad with anyone... we are in the forefront to improve relations." Akhilesh's remarks came after BSP supremo Mayawati on Thursday said that her party favoured joining hands with state polls, only if it gets a respectable number of seats to contest. On the law and order situation, the former chief minister said that the law and order situation that the BJP government has "failed" on this front.



Farmers take a look of blooming Sunflowers at the three-day annual 'Krishi Mela-2017', at GKVK campus in Bengaluru on Friday.

Kashmiri youth who joined LeT surrenders at security camp

Mother's love prevailed to get Majid back home, says Mehbooba

SRINAGAR / JAMMU, NOV 17 /- /

Jammu and Kashmir chief minister Mehbooba Mufti today said "mother's love prevailed" to get college student and footballer Majid Arshid Khan, who had joined the Lashkar-e-Taiba a week ago, "back home". Arshid walked into a security camp in south Kashmir on Thursday night and surrendered with his arms and ammunition. Officials said in Srinagar, he was whisked away to an undisclosed destination early this morning. The college student, a goalkeeper for his local team in Anantnag in south Kashmir, is believed to have turned to militancy after a close friend was killed in an encounter. "A mother's love prevailed. Her impassioned appeal helped in getting Majid, an aspiring footballer back home. Every time a youngster resorts to violence, it is his family which suffers the most (sic),"

Mufti said in a post on Twitter. The chief minister said that she understands the predicament of the youths who joined militancy but the "fear of social stigma" clouds their judgement. "I understand the predicament of young boys who have strayed into militancy. Most realise the futility of senseless violence and want to return home and live normal lives with dignity. "But the choice to renounce violence is not an easy one and they find themselves between the devil and the deep blue sea. The fear of social stigma clouds their judgement," she said in a series of tweets. Police were constantly in touch with Arshid's friends and family members, urging them to put pressure on him to return home. The surrender follows appeals by his parents and Jammu and Kashmir Police. His parents had gone on television and social media to ask him to surrender. A video showing his mother Asiya Khan crying and asking him to come home went viral on social media.

Director General of Police (DGP) SP Vaid today urged all women in Jammu and Kashmir to appeal to their sons, who have joined militancy, to shun the path of violence and return home. Vaid's reaction comes after college student and footballer Majid Arshid Khan, who had joined the Lashkar-e-Taiba a week ago, walked into a security camp in south Kashmir last night and surrendered with his arms and ammunition. "I pray that wisdom prevails and all such mothers whose sons have picked up guns also appeal to their sons

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to give up the path of violence and come back home," the DGP wrote on Twitter. Vaid wrote the post in a re-tweet to the message of chief minister Mehbooba Mufti on her Twitter post. The chief minister was reacting to the surrender of Arshid by saying "a mother's love prevailed to bring aspiring footballer back home." "Every time a youngster resorts to violence, it is his family which suffers the most (sic)," Mehbooba said. The police were constantly in touch with Arshid's friends and family members, urging them to put pressure on him to return home.

primary, secondary, colleges and technical, was moving towards privatisation. Fees of these institutions were so high that the common man could not afford it. But since we came to power, we have changed the wave of privatisation of education in the country," the Delhi chief minister said. He also said that people earlier did not want to send their children to government schools "where the standard of education was bad.

Stubble burning is one of the major contributory factors. "Without taking out the stubble, farmers cannot sow the seeds of the next crops. The state government must provide equipment which can actually dig out the farm stubble," national president of Rashtriya Kisan Manch Shekhar Dixit told news agency PTL. Dixit suggested that the state government must make efforts to highlight the issue

and equipment to dig out the farm stubble at an affordable cost in different Kisan Melas and seminars across the state. "If the government is serious about addressing the issue, it should rope in experts to find a solution to this problem. The possibility of making compost and manure using farm stubble should also be explored by the state government," Dixit said. Dixit also asserted that

"long-term strategy" and "affordable solutions" are needed to address the issue. A few days back, Uttar Pradesh chief minister Yogi Adityanath had directed the district magistrates to run awareness campaigns, to stop the farmers from burning their farm wastes. On November 15, Punjab chief minister Amarinder Singh in Chandigarh had expected to give up crop residue burning completely," till the time they are provided viable solutions. His statement came when Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal met his Haryana counterpart Manohar Lal Khattar to discuss air pollution and stubble burning. Farmers of Punjab and Haryana have been blamed for the rising air pollution level in northern states including Delhi triggered by their stubble burning.

Gujarat polls

BJP releases first list of 70 candidates

LJP not to field candidates

NEW DELHI, NOV 17 /- /

The BJP today released its first list of candidates for the Gujarat elections, to be held in two phases on December 9 and 14. The list comprises 70 candidates for elections to the 182-member Gujarat Assembly. The party has named chief minister Vijaybhai Rupani as its candidate from Rajkot West. Deputy chief minister Nitinbhai Patel will contest from Mahesana and state party president Jitubhai Vaghani from Bhavnagar West. The names were finalised by BJP's Central Election Committee, which met on Wednesday. The meeting, chaired by BJP president Amit Shah, was attended by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Union home minister Rajnath Singh and minister of external affairs Sushma Swaraj among others, party leaders said. Meanwhile, the Lok Janshakti Party today said it would not field any candidate for Gujarat polls and announced its support to ally BJP in the election, following a hectic campaign by its chief and Union minister Ram Vilas Paswan in favour of the saffron party. The LJP has traditionally contested in some seats in the state. In the run up to the polls, which will be held in two phases next month, the BJP has deployed Ram Vilas Paswan in its campaign in an attempt to woo BJP voters. LJP's parliamentary board chief Chirag Paswan, in a statement, said: "Our party will fully support the BJP and not put up any candidate."

State Notes

Three jailed for life in UP dual murder case

MUZAFFARNAGAR, NOV 17 /- / A fast track court here today convicted a farmer, his wife and another murdering two persons and sentenced them to life imprisonment. Judge Punam Rajput held the accused, Rajni, his wife Maya and son Deepak, guilty under sections 302 and 307 of IPC and also imposed a fine of Rs 30,000 on each of them. According to government lawyer Ritu Choudhary, the accused, Rajni, was his mother Vidhya, were shot dead and two others injured in a clash arising from a dispute over watering of fields from a tube well at Sikhedva village in the district on May 25, 2007.

Eight arrested for bovine smuggling

JAMMU, NOV 17 /- / Eight people were arrested on charges of bovine smuggling and 49 animals were rescued by the police here, an official said today. They were smuggling the animals from the Jammu region to the Kashmir valley, a senior officer said. The police acting on a tip-off, intercepted four trucks and a pick-up vehicle at the Chenani area of Udhampur district last evening and made the arrests, he said. The officer said that 49 bovines were rescued and cases have been registered against the accused. The matter is being probed, he said.

Woman raped by taxi driver, aide

NEW DELHI, NOV 17 /- / A 29-year-old woman was allegedly raped and robbed by a taxi driver and his accomplice in Greater Noida after she was picked up from Ansal Plaza here, police said. On November 15, the woman approached K N Katju police station with a complaint alleging that she had been raped the night before. She told police that around midnight, she took a taxi from near Ansal Plaza to go to her home in Rohini. The taxi driver allowed another person to board the taxi and soon, they started misbehaving with her, the police said. The duo threatened her and took her to Greater Noida where they raped her.

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