

Puducherry CM attacks Centre over GST, demonetisation

PUDUCHERRY, OCT 31 /- Puducherry chief minister V Narayanasamy today attacked the NDA government at the Centre of "ruining" the country's economy by adopting "injurious" economic policies.

Addressing party workers here on the death anniversary of former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, Narayanasamy claimed, "The Centre has ruined the economy of the country by introducing the Goods and Services Tax." "Farmers, unemployed youth, poorer sections and small and medium industrialists are suffering a lot following demonetisation which came into effect a year ago," he alleged.

"The Centre's injurious economic policies have thus hit the revenue of Puducherry and bigger states like Tamil Nadu and Karnataka," he claimed.

The Puducherry chief minister also alleged that the NDA government was using different nomenclatures for welfare schemes which were launched by the Congress during the tenure of Jawaharlal Nehru, Indira Gandhi, Rajiv Gandhi and Manmohan Singh. "The contents and spirit of the schemes were what the Congress rule had intended in the past. Only the names are changed to give them a look as if they are evolved by the BJP," he claimed. In a veiled attack on Lt Governor Kiran Bedi, the chief minister alleged: "Certain persons are functioning in Puducherry as the agents of the BJP."

The Congress government in the Union Territory has been at loggerheads with Bedi on a host of issues since she assumed office.

On the Gujarat elections, Narayanasamy claimed that the "upcoming polls will teach a lesson to the BJP and the prime minister as industrialists and other sections there are disillusioned with the capability of the party to deliver the goods." He claimed there was a change in the mood of people in the favour of the Congress and the BJP would be pushed aside in Gujarat to ensure the Congress rule there.

BJP picks Prem Kumar Dhumal as Himachal CM candidate

SOLAN, OCT 31 /- Prem Kumar Dhumal, who has been the Himachal Pradesh chief minister twice, was today declared the BJP's chief ministerial candidate by its president Amit Shah in the poll-bound state.

Shah's announcement at a public meeting, barely days before the assembly polls scheduled for November 9, seems to be driven by the party's calculation that the 73-year-old leader remains its best bet to oust the Virbhadra Singh-led Congress government from the state. Union minister J P Nadda was seen as another strong contender for the party's choice for the top post due to his perceived proximity to its central leadership, but

Dhumal's mass connect seemed to have tipped the scale in his favour. "Virbhadra Singh keeps asking us that under whose leadership the BJP is fighting the elections. In the whole country, the BJP is fighting under the leadership of Modi ji."

But if you want to hear under whose leadership the BJP is contesting in Himachal, then I want to make it clear today "Virbhadra ji, the BJP is going to fight under Dhumalji's leadership in Himachal. I want to say that we will fight these 2017 polls in the name of our senior leader Dhumalji. I also want to say that Dhumalji is currently a former chief minister and the leader of the

opposition, but after December 18 he will become Himachal's chief minister," the BJP president said.

The state poll results would be declared on December 18. The BJP and the Congress were ruling the state alternately for close to three decades, and Dhumal was at the helm for 10 years. The BJP had kept people guessing as to whether it would name a chief ministerial candidate before the polls.

Often it did not name a candidate, as seen in Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Bihar, Maharashtra, Haryana and Jharkhand among others but it chose to name its choice in Assam, where it won, and Delhi, where it lost.



CPI-led National Federation of Indian Women (NFIW) activists staging a protest march in Thiruvananthapuram on Tuesday, against yesterday's attack on CPI leader Annie Raja in Delhi.

Maharashtra govt plans to implement rural service bond for doctors retrospectively

MUMBAI, OCT 31 /- The Maharashtra government is planning to retrospectively implement the mandatory rural service bond for MBBS students who took admission to the course in 2010, state medical education minister Girish Mahajan said.

For doctors, working in rural areas for a year is a mandatory provision made by the state government. Mahajan said a list would be compiled listing the students completing their medical education, for the requirements in rural, semi-rural and tribal areas.

"The state government is also working on shifting online the entire allocation of rural areas to students. The plan is to implement the mandatory service for the students

who took the admission in 2010. Those who have not yet completed their mandatory service, they will be given a period of next two years to complete it," he said in a statement. "The bond is necessary so that the newly graduated students get an experience of working in rural areas. It will also benefit the rural areas where medical services are required and this whole exercise will also help in developing a sense of social responsibility among the new graduates," the minister said.

A senior official of the medical education department had earlier said that the objective of the bond is to give doctors an exposure to complicated cases. It is a highly educative and learning experience for newly-graduated doctors. Hence,

the department wants them to go to rural areas and work for at least a year, he said. The government also provides reasonable allowances for doctors serving in tribal areas and the wages are also high, Mahajan said. Notably, the Directorate of Medical Education and Research (DMER) had earlier this month cancelled the registration of over 4,600 doctors in the state for failing to serve in rural areas for a year.

According to DMER, these doctors even failed to pay the penalty incurred for not serving in rural areas. In all, 4,548 doctors faced action. They graduated from government-run medical colleges in the state between the 2005 and 2012 and neither served in rural areas nor paid the fine, an official of the DMER earlier said.

Uma Bharti backs Chouhan's statement on roads in MP

BHOPAL, OCT 31 /- Union minister Uma Bharti today came out strongly in support of Madhya Pradesh chief minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan over his claim that roads in the state are better than those in the US. The mindset of people, especially the English-speaking classes, should be changed, Bharti said. "Certainly there are world-class roads in Madhya Pradesh, including the VIP Road in Bhopal which is of world standards, and we should shut this inferiority complex that the US is better than India," she said at a press conference at her house here.

"In many areas we are far better than that country and there is a need to change the mindset of people," the Union minister said. Bharti also said at Amarkantak 25 years ago, and therefore she is going to visit the holy place, the origin of the river Narmada, again to pay her respects.

The architecture at Ramnagar, Ajanta, Ellora, Khajuraho and the river Ganga are some of the examples where we are far ahead of the US. India can lead the world in many areas including (values of) humanity," she said. "Chouhan has shown the courage and boldly highlighted India's strength."

Sleaze CD row Journalist Vinod Verma sent to judicial custody

RAIPUR, OCT 31 /- A Chhattisgarh court today remanded journalist Vinod Verma, arrested in connection with a case of blackmailing and extortion, in judicial custody for 14 days.

The Raipur Police produced Verma before judicial magistrate first class Bhavesh Kumar Wasti at around 11 am here after his police remand expired today. The journalist's lawyer Faizal Rizvi told newspersons. According to the defence counsel, he pleaded in the court that the police does not have any evidence to prove the charges in the case, in which offences have been registered under IPC sections 304 (extortion) and 506 (criminal intimidation). The lawyer said he urged the court to release Verma citing lack of evidence. After the hearing, the court sent Verma in judicial remand and asked the police to produce him before it on November 13, he added.

The senior journalist was arrested by the Chhattisgarh Police on October 27 from his residence in Ghaziabad. He claimed that the Chhattisgarh government suspected that he had a "sex CD of Chhattisgarh PWD Minister Rajesh Munak" and that is why he was being framed. However, Munak called the CD "fake" and an attempt at character assassination. The minister had on Saturday filed a complaint against state Congress chief Bhupesh Singh and Verma allegedly tarnishing his image through the "fake" sex CD.

According to the Raipur Police, a case of blackmailing and extortion was registered at the Pandri police station based on a complaint of Prakash Bajaj, who alleged that he had been harassed by phone by an unidentified caller who told him that he had a CD of his master. After the investigation, the search team was sent to Delhi and Verma was held from Ghaziabad, police had said. The police also claimed to have recovered 500 "porn" CDs, a pen drive and a laptop from Verma. The issue has sparked a political row in the state with the Congress and the BJP trading charges. The state government has recommended a CBI probe in the case.

HP CM exempted from personal appearance for day in DA case

NEW DELHI, OCT 31 /- Himachal Pradesh chief minister Virbhadra Singh was exempted from personal appearance for the day by a Delhi court in connection with a Rs 10 crore dispute over assets case against him. Special Judge Virender Kumar Goyal also granted the relief to Singh's wife Pratibha Singh, a co-accused in the case. The CBI, meanwhile, opposed Singh's application seeking permanent exemption from personal appearance, saying

there was no such provision in law. The court has now posted the matter for argument on November 30. During the proceedings, the CBI informed the court that it has handed over certain documents filed along with the charge sheet, to Singh and other accused persons as per its earlier direction. The couple, who have not been arrested so far, and other accused persons - (ED) in relation to the Universal Apple Associate owner Chumli Lal Chauhan, stamp paper vendor Joginder Singh Ghalta, managing director of Tarani Infrastructure Vakamulla Chandrasekhar, and co-accused Lawan Kumar Roach, Prem Raj and Ram Prakash Bhatia - are facing trial in the case. The documents filed along with the charge sheet also names as accused LIC agent Anand Chauhan, who was arrested in a separate money laundering case filed by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) in relation to the present matter and is currently in judicial custody.

Goa Church asks priests to go green on Nov 21

PANAJI, OCT 31 /- Goa Church has asked its priests and parishioners to go green on November 21, which is observed as All Souls Day with graves across the state being decorated in the memory of the people who left for heavenly abode.

Caritas Goa, a wing of Goa Church, has issued advisory to all the Churches and Chapels in the State asking them to forbid the use of plastic and other toxic items to decorate graves so as to prevent pollution and protect environment. "We are on the

eve of season of several celebrations in our parishes. Immediately, we will have the All Souls Day where we will decorate the graves where bundles of plastics, thermocol, foam and silver foil will be used," the letter reads. "All of which is non-degradable and toxic. Hence let us strongly urge our parishioners to avoid the use of the toxic material to decorate graves. In addition, Caritas has also appealed the priests and parishioners not to use toxic material even on the other occasions."

State notes

Karnataka set to get first woman state police chief

BENGALURU, OCT 31 /- Karnataka is all set to get its first woman police chief in Neelamani N Raju. Raju, a 1983 batch IPS officer, will replace incumbent Director General and Inspector General of Police Rupaak Kumar Dutta, who retires today, official sources said. The decision was taken by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah after consultation with Home Minister Ramalinga Reddy, the sources said. Neelamani Raju hails from Roorkee in Uttarakhand.

Transformer explodes in Rajasthan, 5 die

JAIPUR, OCT 31 /- A transformer exploded in the Khatulai village near the Shahpura town in this district today killing five persons and injuring several others, police said. The massive explosion occurred at a time when the members of a family were passing by the transformer on their way to perform some marriage rituals, they said. Five bodies were recovered while the injured were sent to the nearby hospitals for treatment, the police said. A team is on the spot to take stock of the situation. SP, Jaipur (rural), Dr Rameshwar Singh, said. Nearly 10-12 persons were rushed to hospital, he added. (PTI)

BJP MLA, 8 others booked for man's skilling in UP

BAGHPAT, OCT 31 /- The police today registered an FIR against nine people, including a BJP legislator, in connection with the killing of a man over panchayat poll rivalry, following which three persons were arrested. BJP's Badaud MLA Krishanpal Malik has been charged with conspiracy to murder even as he termed it an "effort" to malign his political image. The police said that on Sunday, Amit (30) was killed when he was attacked by his relative and former gram pradhan Ramvir in Hilwadi village here. The two were rivals in the last gram pradhan elections. Five others were also injured in the incident that took place under the Badaud Kotwali police station area, they said. Rubbishing the allegations, Malik said that he has been falsely framed to malign his image and that he was ready for any probe.

UP CM's Lucknow office getting a touch of saffron

LUCKNOW, OCT 31 /- The office of the saffron-robed UP chief minister Yogi Adityanath in the state capital is now getting a touch of saffron.

The Lal Bahadur Shastri Bhawan, known as the secretariat annexe building which houses the chief minister's office as well as those of senior officials, is being repainted in saffron colour replacing the traditional white and blue. Estate department officials said everything from the outer walls to the terrace of the building is being painted in the saffron shade.

The building which also has the office of the chief secretary has traditionally sported white and blue colours but a proposal was recently made for repainting and painting the building and saffron colour was approved by all, they said adding that work on it has already started. The chief minister, referred to as Maharaaj by his disciples, is clad in saffron and according to sources, after he took over the

towels which cover his chair and curtains of his office were also changed to colours matching the saffron hue. The towels in the office of the chief minister on the fifth floor of the building are of a saffron hue and the curtains, though not saffron in colour are close to it, the sources said. Recently, the chief minister had flagged off a fleet of 50 saffron-coloured buses and even the stage for the inauguration was decorated with saffron-coloured curtains and balloons. Besides this, the education department had distributed saffron-coloured school bags to primary schools students and the booklets that were distributed to mark 100 days and six months of the Adityanath government were saffron in colour as well.

The information department diary of the state government also bears a saffron cover. The Opposition, however, does not seem to be happy with the change and has charged the state government with 'saffronising' even official buildings.

Appendix 'A' to GE (P) (Navy & CG) Kolkata Letter No. 8603/01/E8 dated 31 Oct 2017

NOTICE INVITING FOR E- TENDER MILITARY ENGINEER SERVICES

GE (P) (Navy & CG) Kolkata, Military Engineer Services, P-7, Damodar Complex, Naval Transit Accommodation, 3, Garden Reach Road, Kidderpore, Kolkata-700 023 on behalf of President of India invites application for e-Tender (online) 2 cover system for the following work. For details refer website www.esprocumes.gov.in Please note that subletting of work will not be permitted.

Sl. No.	Name of work.	Estimated Cost at par market rate.	Period of Completion.	Tender ID
1.	REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT OF INTERNAL ELECTRIFICATION OF WIRING, FAN, ELECTRIC METER, M.O.S.S. (S) AT BHANGRATHI, SARASWATI AND TESTA UNDER GE (P) (Navy & CG) KOLKATA.	Rs. 12.60 Lakhs	270 days	2017_MES_153998_1
2.	PROVISION OF IRON REMOVAL PLANT (1000 GPH AT NAVAL SELECTION BOARD AT NBI DAMODAR HARBOUR UNDER GE (P) (Navy & CG) KOLKATA.	Rs. 9.00 Lakhs	180 days	2017_MES_154005_1

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Extension of Tender Opening date for the following proposals is being done as follows:

Qte No.	Proposal No.	B.I. No.	Deptt.	Name of work	Tender Opening Date
1213	34395(E)	7000008244	BF	Structural Repair of PCM and LRS Equipments in BF.	07/11/2017
1213	34395(E)	7000008248	SMS-II	Upkeep of GCP Equipments.	16/11/2017
1118	35066(E)	7000008375	HRCF	Capital repair of equipments of shearing lines and conveyors in HRCF.	10/11/2017
1221	34940(E)	7000008442	RM	Unloading/loading of different materials from wagons/trucks inside Bokaro Steel Plant.	03/11/2017

The bidders who have already submitted their offer may ignore this notice as additional re-submission of offer is not acceptable.
All other details remain unaltered. All prospective bidders to note please. Please log on to our website <http://sailtenders.co.in> for details and document download. Tender submission closes on the previous day of schedule TOD's at 23:59:59

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1.	35150(E)	7000008486	RMPH	Painting of steel structures and equipments in RMPH of SAIL.	16/11/2017
2.	35170(E)	7000008488	TBS	Complete Rebuilding of Blower stator of 18.2 MW Turbo Blower of TBS (01 nos.)	13/11/2017
3.	34831(E)	7000008487	SP	Repair of Screens and changing chute of KD 1-3 to KD 1-5 and nut coke conveyor structures repair of coke track with various shuttle conveyors & Fabrication of telescope ring and knife changing including repair of bunker.	16/11/2017
4.	35155(E)	7000008490	SMS-I	Regular upkeep & maintenance of all gas lines & burners of SMS-I.	16/11/2017
5.	35156(E)	7000008489	HSM	Enabling jobs of fee during campaign repair installation 415 v/24V 12.5 KVA lighting transformer including termination/connection of incoming & outgoing cable route ratification of lights fans and AC of welfare building, canteens, shift office.	16/11/2017

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