

# Kerala CM hits out at Oppn for encouraging extremist elements

**THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, JUNE 7** /- Kerala chief minister Pinarayi Vijayan, under attack for alleged police lapses, today hit back at the Congress-led Opposition UDF, saying a section of them were "encouraging extremist elements" who were behind the Tuesday's protest against police in Kochi.

Coming down heavily on the Opposition in the state Assembly, Vijayan also wanted them to examine whether it was correct on their part to justify the action of "extremist elements." He was replying to a notice for an adjournment motion moved by the Opposition on the alleged attack on a 38-year old man by police following an altercation at Edathala in Aluva in Kochi on Tuesday. Usman was allegedly attacked by police personnel when

he protested after his motorbike was hit by their car. The chief minister's remark triggered strong protests from the Opposition members, who trooped to the well of the House raising anti-government slogans and disrupted proceedings, forcing Speaker P Sreeramakrishnan to adjourn the House for the day.

Explaining the circumstances of the June 5 incident, Vijayan admitted that the police should not have indulged in a scuffle with Usman, even though he started the fight. However, the protest that broke out against the arrest of Usman for attacking police had "an extremist character," Vijayan said. "Some of those who took part in the protest were accused in the 2005 bus burning case," the chief minister said, adding the opposition

should not "encourage militancy." "Should the police force be the target of attack by extremists?" the chief minister asked. Vijayan was referring to a group of people who had on September 9, 2005, torched a Tamil Nadu state-owned bus while protesting against the continued imprisonment of PDP leader Abdul Nasser Madani, an accused in the Coimbatore blasts case. Stressing that no errant police personnel would be protected, Vijayan, however, said the government would also not succumb to malicious propaganda against police with an objective to weaken it. A case has been registered against four police personnel in connection with the incident and they were transferred, he added. Speaker Sreeramakrishnan disallowed provision for the

motion after the chief minister's reply. But the Opposition members continued their protest demanding that Vijayan withdraw his "extremist" remark against the Opposition.

As the protest continued, Speaker went through the other business scheduled for the day and ended the session. Later talking to newsmen, Opposition leaders said the chief minister levelled charges of extremism against them to divert the attention from police lapses. V D Satheesan (Congress) challenged Vijayan to register cases against any of the opposition MLAs who had "extremist" links. The Opposition UDF has been on warpath over alleged laxity on the part of police with regard to investigation in various cases relating to Dalits and women.

# Unable to clear NEET exam, another TN girl ends life

**TIRUCHIRAPPALLI, JUNE 7** /- Apparently upset over her inability to clear the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (NEET) examination, a girl allegedly committed suicide here, the second medical aspirant to end her life in Tamil Nadu this week.

Subasi who could only score 24 in the NEET for medical courses was feeling very depressed in the past few days and hanged herself in her house here on Wednesday night, police said. Her parents broke open the door of the room and rushed her to a hospital where she died without responding to treatment this morning. The death of Subasi comes days after 19-year-old Prateekha, an academically 'bright' daughter of a farmhand, allegedly ended her life in Villupuram district after failing to clear the NEET. Her mother was cooking and hanged herself, she said, adding her body was handed over to her parents after post-mortem today.

State transport minister M R Vijaya Baskar visited the bereaved family and offered his condolences. Kannan said his daughter was dreaming to study medicine and offer service to the poor. Despite her hard work, she could not clear

NEET, he said. This is the third suicide of a student over NEET in Tamil Nadu since last year. Anitha, a Dalit girl from Ariyalur, ended her life for failing to clear the NEET last year.

## EASTERN RAILWAY

E-Tender Notice No. SR.DSTN-EN-SSDAC-BPAC-RE-2, dated 06.06.18, SI. No. 1245. Eastern Railway invites E-Tenders against Tender No. SR.DSTN-EN-SSDAC-BPAC-RE-2 closing date 17.07.2018 at 15.00 hrs. Bidders are to submit to submit their originalised bids upto closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender and any such offer received shall be treated as ignored. Description of the Work: Schedule A - Provision of SSAD Redundant with Dual Track Responder at balance 5 Block Section at PLU. Schedule B - Provision of SPSLE-GMAY SSAD-UP S/PL, BSLE, SNT, UP, GLE-SNT ON of HWH Division. Schedule B - Provision of DUAL BPAC in the block section at SPSLE-GMAY SSAD-UP S/PL S/SG Loop line of HWH Division. Schedule C - Segregation of power supply for standby SSAD in GRAE-KAN-HBC section of HWH Division. Schedule D - Segregation of power supply for standby SSAD in JTL-RPG-SBG Loop line section of HWH Division. Schedule E - Segregation of power supply for standby SSAD in SPSLE-GMAY S/SG Loop line section of HWH Division. Schedule F - Provision of Auto Resetting Arrangement of Power Supply for MSAD-SSDAC at HWH-BWN ML & BAK Loop section of HWH Division. Schedule G - Provision of Auto Resetting Arrangement of Dual Track Section of HWH Division. Schedule H - Provision of Resetting Arrangement of BPAC Circuit for emergency working in block section instruments without BPAC for long duration of BPAC failure over HWH Division. Approximate cost : Rs. 1,22,45,784.86. Earnest Money : Rs. 2,11,200.00. The details of the tender is available at website www.reps.gov.in. Tenderers are requested to submit their offer online on 17.07.2018 at 15.00 hrs. (MMS-6/2018-19) PPS

## DMK stages walkout in TN Assembly over anti-sterilite protests

Chennai, June 7 /- The Opposition DMK today staged a walkout from the Tamil Nadu Assembly after being denied permission to raise some issue on the anti-sterilite protests in Tuticorin, with the state government asking the former to approach the one-man inquiry commission in this regard.

After allowing the Leader of Opposition MK Stalin to make some remarks on the issue, Speaker P Dhanpal later said the comments were related to the commission and expunged all of the DMK leader's statement. Miffed over not being allowed to talk, Stalin announced staging a walkout with his colleagues joining him.

However, his party allies Congress and IUML stayed back.

Later, chief minister K Palanisami asked the main opposition party to approach the one-man commission headed by retired Madras High Court judge Aruna Jagadeesan and submit whatever matter they wanted to before it. Noting that a case pertaining to the issue was pending in the Madras High Court, Palanisami said it was a normal practice not to debate matters that were subjudice, in the House.

Quoting the Assembly rules, the Speaker said no discussion would be held on matters being probed by an inquiry commission. Thirteen people were killed in police firing on May 22-23 when violence broke out during protest by locals demanding closure of Sterilite Industries in Tuticorin district over pollution issues.

## Eggs thrown at Hardik Patel's Car in Jabalpur

**JABALPUR, JUNE 7** /- Unidentified persons allegedly threw eggs and slippers at the car of Padidar quota agitation leader Hardik Patel here today.

Patel was here to take part in a meeting of Kisan Kranti Sena, which he heads, in the run-up to the Assembly elections in Madhya Pradesh which are due by year-end. "When we were going to Panagar to participate in a rally, some unidentified men threw eggs and slippers at Hardik's vehicle near the BJP office in Raniitla area," Congress leader Sanjay Yadav said. Some of these men were holding pistols in their hands, Yadav claimed. Eggs and stones were hurled at Patel's car in Adharhalla area too, he said, adding that no police complaint has been filed so far.

Patel blamed 'Shivraj Mama's supporters' for the attack. Chief minister Shivraj Singh Chauthan is popularly known as 'Mamaji' (uncle) in the state.



Karnataka BJP President and Assembly Leader of Opposition B S Yeddyurappa with Union Ministers Ananth Kumar, Sadananda Gonda and R Ashok at an election campaign rally for BJP's candidate B N Prahalad for Karnataka Assembly election in Jayanagar area, in Bengaluru on Thursday.

## Delhi Speaker warns of strict action if they do not provide answers to MLAs' questions

**NEW DELHI, JUNE 7** /- Delhi Assembly Speaker Ram Niwas Goel today warned government officers of strict action "as per rules" if they do not provide proper answers to the three written questions asked by ruling party legislators by Monday.

Goel has asked three senior bureaucrats to remain present during the House proceedings today after their departments allegedly did not provide answers to the written questions. Principal secretaries of education, power and revenue departments attended the proceedings following the directive. As the proceedings began, MLAs complained that officers have not provided proper answers to their questions. "I am feeling pained that the answers of these questions have also not been provided today as well. I am extending the session till Monday. If officers do not provide answers to these questions on Monday, I will take strict action whatever I can do as per rules," the Speaker said.

The three-day session, which started on Wednesday, was scheduled to conclude on Friday. Deputy chief minister Manish Sisodia alleged that the withholding of the answers by the bureaucrats was being done as part of a "conspiracy" to "weaken" the democratic system and Constitutional institutions like the CAG and the election commission. "It is being done because PM himself doesn't believe in democracy."

How can education department deny answers to questions on number of vacant posts in schools, citing it falls under services matter? Why cannot MLAs ask question on people's behalf? Education is transfer subject," Sisodia said. Aam Aadmi Party legislator Sourabh Bhargava said he will expose the "conspiracy" in the Delhi Assembly.

During the Budget Session in March, Goel had hit out at LG Anil Bajaj after he communicated to him that he cannot admit questions on reserved subjects including law & order, services and land. As a mark of their protest against the LG move, Goel, Sisodia, cabinet ministers and all AAP legislators wore black bands during the House proceedings.

Later, Goel wrote to Lok Sabha Speaker Sumitra Mahajan over the issue, alleging the power of legislation is being encroached upon by the LG who has "killed" democracy with his order.

**HARYANA'S 'RAAGHIRI' EVENTS ATTRACT OVER A LAKH PARTICIPANTS IN 40 DAYS**

**CHANDIGARH, JUNE 7** /- Over one lakh people participated in the 55 'Raaghiri' events organised by the Haryana government over a period of 40 days, an official said today.

The community-connect programmes were held in different districts of the state every Sunday to offer people a platform to bond. It also provided a stage to local artists to showcase their talent. Since April 22, 55 'Raaghiri' events have

## State Notes

### Lightning, strong winds claim 7 lives across Rajasthan

**JAIPUR, JUNE 7** /- Seven people have died in different parts of Rajasthan over the last two days due to extreme weather conditions, police said today. In Hanumangar district, an elderly woman Jyani Devi (70) and her two grandsons, Punit (3) and Pradeep (6), died when a portion of their house collapsed due to strong winds and rain on Tuesday evening, police said. In Dholpur, Munshilal (52) and Kumar Shashi (10) died after being struck by lightning on Tuesday, police said. Munshilal was in his farm in Kancharpur while the girl was grazing cattle in Saipau area when the incidents occurred, police added. A minor boy in Baran and a man in Bharatpur too were killed when lightning struck them on Tuesday. Over the last two days, thunderstorms with light rains have occurred at isolated areas in the state. (PTI)

## Wanted gangster arrested

**CHANDIGARH, JUNE 7** /- The Special Task Force (STF) of the Haryana Police have arrested Sampath Nehra, one of the most wanted gangsters belonging to the Lawrence Bishnoi gang, from Hyderabad. With more than two dozen criminal cases pending against him in Haryana, Punjab, Rajasthan and Chandigarh, Nehra, 28, also carried a cash reward on his head and had been absconding for the past few years, before he was arrested on Tuesday evening, Haryana Police said. Acting on instructions of Director General of Police D S Sandhu and Additional Director General of Police, Crime, P K Aggarwal, a team of STF Gurugram led by Inspector General of Police, Satish Bahan had made all out efforts to arrest the accused Nehra, a native of Kishanganj, Chandigarh.

## Militant attack on Army patrol near LoC, 2 soldiers injured

**SRINAGAR, JUNE 7** /- Two soldiers were today injured in a militant attack on an Army patrol near the Line of Control in Keran sector of Jammu and Kashmir, an official said. "Terrorists opened fire on a link patrol ahead of the fence at the Line of Control in Keran sector," a defence spokesman said here. He said two soldiers were injured in the firing, which was retaliated by Army personnel. The operation was in progress when last reports came in, he added. The attack comes on a day when Union home minister Rajnath Singh arrived here on a two-day visit to the state to review the security situation.

## Telangana govt mulls setting up "Women Safety Wing"

**HYDERABAD, JUNE 7** /- With a view to prioritising women's safety, the Telangana government has come out with plans to set up the 'Women Safety Wing', which will scale up the existing 'SHE Teams'.

After launching the roving 'SHE Teams' in Hyderabad on October 24, 2014, which is tasked with cracking down on eve-teasers and stalkers and providing security to women in society and building their confidence, the concept was extended to all districts and Commissionerates of Telangana. "The Telangana government is very keen in providing safety and security to women at all places and introduced 'SHE Teams' to prevent harassment to women in public places," a release from the office of Director General of Police (DGP) said today. "Now the Telangana government is planning to scale it up by setting up a new wing called as 'Women Safety Wing' which will be headed by the Inspector General of Police (Law and Order and Incharge Women Safety) Swati Lakra," it said. Swati Lakra will look after 'Bharosa', an initiative of Hyderabad City Police, (which is a state-of-the-art unit to protect women and children who are victims of violence) and SHE teams in all districts, it said.

## UP CM suspends DMs of Fatehpur, Gonda

**LUCKNOW, JUNE 7** /- Taking note of alleged irregularities in wheat purchase and distribution of food grains, Uttar Pradesh chief minister Yogi Adityanath today suspended the district magistrates of Fatehpur and Gonda.

"DM Fatehpur Prashant Kumar and DM Gonda JB Singh have been suspended by the chief minister after he took serious note of irregularities," an official spokesman said here. "In Fatehpur, irregularities were found in wheat purchase. Fixing responsibility at senior level, the chief minister has ordered suspension of the DM. On May 31, during an inspection by the food department, no wheat purchase was found from May 13 till date and there was no reason mentioned for it," he said.

Lodging of FIRs was ordered by the food commissioner on Wednesday against a number of officials of the department in Fatehpur for not distributing token to farmers for wheat purchase and affecting the process.

**CHITTARANJAN LOCOMOTIVE WORKS**  
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