

N-E students' body demands NRC in entire region

NEW DELHI, OCT 11 /- An influential students' body of the North-East Thursday urged the Centre to implement the National Register of Citizens (NRC) in the entire region to detect and deport the illegal immigrants living there. The North East Students' Organisation (NESO) also claimed that China continued to issue state visa to those residents of Arunachal Pradesh, who desired to travel to the neighbouring country, and urged the Centre to take up the issue with the Chinese authorities. "Infiltration of illegal immigrants from Bangladesh is continuing unabated. We demand that like Assam, the NRC should be implemented in all the other north-eastern states," NESO chairman Samuel B Jyrwa told a press conference here. The NRC, a list of Assam's citizens, is currently being updated under the Supreme Court's supervision. A NESO delegation met Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh and Union Minister of State for Home Kiren

Rijiju Wednesday and placed the demands. The apex body of the students' organisations of Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Manipur, Mizoram, Nagaland and Tripura also strongly opposed the proposed move to amend the Citizenship Act, saying this would allow the illegal immigrants to take up Indian citizenship. According to the draft Citizenship (Amendment) Bill 2016, the government intends to grant citizenship to the Hindus, Sikhs, Jains, Buddhists and Christians, who have faced alleged religious persecution in Bangladesh, Pakistan and Afghanistan and taken shelter in India. "Respective of their religion, we consider anyone living in India without valid documents as illegal immigrants," said NESO advisor Samujit K Bhattacharyya. He also claimed that China continued to issue state visa to the residents of Arunachal Pradesh and said the Centre must intervene to put an end to the practice. (PTI)



Durga idol ready for journey from Kumuruli to Puja Pandal on Thursday--Arijit Ganguly

ER' to run EMU special for Durga Puja visitors

KOLKATA, OCT 11 /- To clear the rush of Durga Puja visitors, Eastern Railway's Howrah Division will run eight (8) EMU special trains on the nights of Saptami / Astami (October 16 and October 17) Astami / Navami (October 17 and October 18) and Navami / Dussami (October 18 and October 19) of the Durga Puja. The down specials, Bardhaman-Howrah Special (via Main) will leave Bardhaman at 9.30 pm. Bardhaman-Howrah Special will leave Bardhaman at 11.30 pm. Bardhaman-Howrah (via Chord) will leave Bardhaman at 11.30 pm

& Tarakeswar-Seoraphuli special will leave Tarakeswar at 11.00 pm. The Up specials, Howrah-Bardhaman (via Main) will leave Howrah at 00.45 pm. Howrah-Bardhaman Special will leave Howrah at 01.00 pm. Howrah-Bardhaman Special (via Chord) will leave Howrah at 01.15 pm & Sheoraphuli-Tarakeswar special will leave Sheoraphuli at 00.30 pm. The special trains will stop at all stations en route. Besides, 63501 Howrah-Bardhaman MEMU local will stop at all stations from Durga Puja period.

Normal EMU services after 3 pm during Puja

During holidays of Durga Puja on October 16, October 17, October 18 and October 19 and also on November 6 on Kali Puja day, EMU locals of Howrah

Division will run as "Sunday Running" up to 3 pm and after 3 pm EMU services will be available like regular week days. (EOIC)

Cancellation, short termination of trains due to corridor block in Chakradharpur division

KOLKATA, OCT 11 /- In view of corridor block between Chakradharpur-Jharsuguda from 05.40 am to 12.00 noon

on October 13 in Chakradharpur division of South Eastern Railway, the following train services will be regulated:-

Cancellation Of Trains :

- 58161 Hatia- Jharsuguda Passenger will remain cancelled on October 12.
- 58162 Jharsuguda-Hatia Passenger will remain cancelled on October 13.
- 68030/68029 Jharsuguda-Rourkela-Jharsuguda MEMU Passenger will remain cancelled on October 13.
- 68027/68028 Rourkela-Sambalpur-Rourkela MEMU Passenger will remain cancelled on October 13.

Short termination/Short origination of trains

- 12871 Howrah-Titlagarh Ispat Express leaving Howrah on October 13 will be short terminated at Chakradharpur and will run back as 12872 Titlagarh-Howrah Ispat Express, short originated from Chakradharpur at schedule time on October 13.
- 12872 Titlagarh-Howrah Ispat Express leaving Titlagarh on October 13 will be short terminated at Jharsuguda and will run as 12871 Howrah-Titlagarh Ispat Express, short originated from Jharsuguda at schedule time on October 13. Therefore the service of 12871/12872 Howrah-Titlagarh-Howrah Ispat Express between Chakradharpur-Jharsuguda will remain cancelled on October 13. (EOIC)

Metro staff attends to sick lady commuter

KOLKATA, OCTOBER 11 /- Today around 12.30 pm a lady commuter suddenly fell ill at Esplanade Metro Station and she was found gasping for breath. On seeing her condition, the on-duty Metro RPF and other station staff immediately took her to the

station master's office where she put on oxygen to ease her breathing trouble. After she felt slightly better, she was sent to SSKM Hospital for further treatment. Her colleague who was travelling with her during the journey accompanied her to the hospital. (EOIC)

Rich tributes paid to Loknayak Jayaprakash Narayan

PATNA, OCT 11 /- Rich tributes were paid to Loknayak Jayaprakash Narayan at a number of functions held at various places in Bihar which were attended by Governor Lalji Tandon, chief minister Nitish Kumar and Union minister Ravi Shankar Prasad, among others. Prasad visited the Mahila Charkha Samiti in Kadam Kuan locality of the city an organization devoted to imparting knowledge of arts and crafts among females with which JP himself and his wife

Prabhavati Devi were closely associated with and announced a financial assistance of Rs 50 lakh. Whatever I am today, I am because of JP. The JP movement of the 1970s had inspired me to take active part in public life. I have always striven to live by the ideals he epitomized, Prasad told reporters on the occasion. I am making a humble contribution of Rs 50 lakh, drawn from my MPs fund, as a token of respect for the Loknayak, he said. The veteran leader popularly

Cyclone Titli crosses Odisha coast, no loss of life

BHUBANESHWAR, OCT 11 /- Cyclone Titli uprooted trees and electric poles and damaged hutments in Odisha's Ganjam and Gajapati districts after making landfall early Thursday morning, but no loss of life was reported from any part of the state so far. The cyclone also triggered heavy to very heavy rainfall in Ganjam, Gajapati and Puri districts of Odisha, causing minor damage to power and communication.

"There has been no major damage or report of casualty received from any part of the state so far. Some destruction was reported from Ganjam and Gajapati districts," Special Relief Commissioner (SRC) B P Sethi said. Power supply and telephone links got disrupted and rain communication snapped due to uprooted trees at many places of Gajapati district, the SRC said. Efforts are on to clear roads blocked by uprooted trees and restore power supply in affected areas at the earliest, he said.

In all, eight districts -- Ganjam, Gajapati, Khurda,

Puri, Jagatsinghpur, Kendrapara, Bhadrak and Balasore -- have been affected by "very severe cyclone Titli", he said. Road communication between Palakhehundi and Mohana and some other block headquarters in Gajapati had been disrupted under the impact of the cyclone, he said. In Ganjam, reports of damage to hutments and other structures and uprooting of trees were received from some areas, the SRC said.

An East Coast Railway (ECOR) official said train services remained suspended between Khurda Road and Vizianagaram from both directions since 10 pm on Wednesday. He said the Palasa station in Andhra Pradesh was damaged and railway officials will reach there shortly. Train services on the route are likely to resume by Thursday night, he added. According to a latest report by the India Meteorological Department (IMD), cyclone Titli made the landfall between 4.30 and 5.30 am in southwest coast of Gopalpur near Palasa in Andhra Pradesh with an estimated maximum

sustained surface wind speed of 140-150 kmph gusting to 165 kmph. The landfall process was complete and "the centre of eye of cyclone Titli lies over the land", the IMD said. The system is now moving northeastwards towards Gangetic West Bengal across Odisha and will weaken gradually, it said. An hour after the landfall, Gopalpur in Odisha reported surface wind at 126 kmph, Kalingapatnam in Andhra Pradesh recorded wind speed of 56 kmph.

Director of Meteorological (MeT) Centre Bhubaneswar H R Biswas said the "very severe cyclonic storm" (VSCS) is being monitored by the coastal Doppler Weather Radars at Visakhapatnam, Gopalpur and Paradip. As part of its pre-cyclone preparedness, the Odisha government evacuated over three lakh people living in low-lying areas of the five coastal districts ahead of the landfall. They were accommodated in 1,112 cyclone shelters. Altogether, 105 pregnant women in Ganjam district and 18 in

Jagatsinghpur have been shifted to hospitals. Sethi said. He said 13 teams of the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) and the Orissa Disaster Rapid Action Force (ODRAF) have been deployed at several places along with fire brigade. (PTI)

Six trains cancelled, many rescheduled

BHUBANESHWAR, OCT 11 /- With cyclone Titli damaging railway structures at many places, East Coast Railway (ECOR) Thursday cancelled at least six trains and rescheduled some others besides gearing up to restore normal services. After making landfall near Palasa in Andhra Pradesh, very severe cyclone Titli caused extensive damage to station buildings, platform shelters and foot overbridge at various places, an ECOR spokesman said. He said signalling poles and over-head electric masts have been damaged at several places between Palasa and Kottabomali stations. Electricity feed to over-head masts was also affected between Berhampur and Kottabomali. A number of incidents of uprooted trees and branches falling on tracks have been reported from various places, blocking rail lines. Railway teams, including track specialists, bridge engineers and over-head electricity engineers have rushed to spots for a detailed study of the impact of cyclone Titli between Brahmapur-Palasa and Palasa-Kottabomali. In view of extensive damage to railway properties, ECOR cancelled at least six trains including 22819/22820 Bhubaneswar-Visakhapatnam-Bhubaneswar Inter City Express from both the directions on Thursday. Similarly, 22874 Visakhapatnam-Digha Express from Visakhapatnam and 18645 Howrah-Hyderabad East Coast Express from Howrah were cancelled on Thursday, ECOR official said. Train services will be reviewed again and decision will be taken according to the circumstances, railway sources said. (PTI)

New LC gate between New Alipore, Majerhat commissioned

KOLKATA, OCT 11 /- The new level crossing gate (3/15/7) between New Alipore (Kolkata) and Majerhat Jn. stations in Sealdah (South) - Budge Budge section has been commissioned. It is expected that a large number of road vehicles will use the new LC gate an alternative route for movement between South Kolkata and Central/North Kolkata. To ensure smooth road & rail movement, 6 pairs of EMU locals in Sealdah - Majerhat - Budge Budge section will remain suspended w.e.f. October 13 (Saturday) till further advice. Moreover, the existing timings of 34126 Sealdah - Budge Budge and 34119 Sealdah - Sonapur local leaving Sealdah at 9.22 am & 8.30 am will be revised at 9.30 am and 9.22 am respectively. Running of all Up and Dn Sealdah South - Nangi passenger service will also remain cancelled and one Sealdah (South) - Baruripur passenger special leaving Sealdah (South) at 6.52 pm will run and follow the path of 30612 Dn Kolkata - Baruripur local from Ballygunge Jn. w.e.f. October 13. Except above arrangements, Sunday evening EMU services in Sealdah - Majerhat - Budge Budge section will be treated as normal services. Out of seventy existing services, 52 services will continue in Sealdah (South) - Budge Budge section. (EOIC)

SER trains cancelled, rescheduled

KOLKATA, OCT 11 /- In view of the severe storm Titli, the following trains will remain cancelled:

Train Cancelled on 11.10.18

- 06057 Santragachi-Chennai Special will remain cancelled from Santragachi on October 11.

Trains Cancelled on 12.10.18

- 12841 Howrah-Chennai Coromondal Express will remain cancelled from Howrah on October 12.
- 12863 Howrah-Yesvantpur Express will remain cancelled from Howrah on October 12.

Rescheduling of train

- 12839 Howrah-Chennai Mail has been rescheduled to leave Howrah at 08.00 am on October 12 instead of 11.45 pm on October 11 due to late running of link train. One Express Special (02773) will run from Howrah to Secunderabad leaving Howrah at 2.50 pm from October 12 in the path and stoppages of 12841 Howrah-Chennai Coromondal Express upto Vijayawada and from Vijayawada to Secunderabad with the stoppages of 12773 Shalimar-Secunderabad AC Express with open timings. (EOIC)

State Notes

Four held for looting cash, abduction

DUMKA, OCT 11 /- Four persons, who allegedly looted cash from a truck driver and abducted his helper, were arrested from Jermundi sub-division of Dumka district, the police said. They looted cash from the driver of a potato-laden truck, which was on its way to Bihar from West Bengal via Dumka district of Jharkhand, and abducted his helper for ransom. After committing the crime they fled in a four wheeler Tuesday, sub-divisional police officer (Jermundi) Animesh Naithany said. A police patrolling team chased and caught them that very night, he said Wednesday. The helper was freed from the clutches of the abductors, he said. (PTI)

IndianOil wins PSE Excellence Awards



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Kolkata, Oct 11 /- Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC) has declared IndianOil the winner in PSE Excellence Awards amongst Maharashtra and Nagravata PSUs for its innovative vegetable cellar project undertaken for farmers in Leh. The project was dedicated for use by the local farmers by Ranjan Kumar Mohapatra, director (HR) on August 17. Dr. Rajeev Singh, director general, ICC handed over the trophy and citations to IndianOil team at Kolkata on October 9. On behalf of IndianOil, the award was received by Amit Basu, executive director (regional service), Eastern Region

and Bibhuti Pradhan, general manager (CSR), corporate office. IndianOil provided an innovative solution for storage and preservation of potatoes/vegetables for farmers of Nang village near Leh by constructing zero-energy-based half buried (6 feet underground and 2 feet above-ground) vegetable cellars leading to increased income of the villagers and resulting in improvement in their livelihood. "Troughs" have been made on the cemented cellar floor to hold water, which controls humidity inside the cellars, thereby slowing down deterioration of quality of potatoes. The troughs have been made along the cellar wall and across the floor at the centre. Low cost anti-sprouting chemical is fumigated (through a small hole in the cellar wall) in these almost air-locked cellars during winter to delay germination/sprouting of potatoes, thereby ensuring better quality of potatoes. No energy/electricity is required to maintain potato quality inside these cellars. The maintenance cost of the cellar is almost zero. During the harsh winters, when temperature may dip to (-35 degrees), the potatoes / vegetables stored in the cellars are sold in the local mandis, which fetch better price, leading to increase in farmers' income by about 30%.

SER to run festival special trains for Hapa, Jaipur

KOLKATA, OCT 11 /- In order to clear heavy rush of passengers during ensuing festival season, South Eastern Railway has decided to run 6 pairs of weekly Special Trains between Santragachi and Hapa during the period from October 12 to November 19 and 6 pairs of weekly Special Trains between Shalimar and Jaipur during the period from October 15 to November 21.

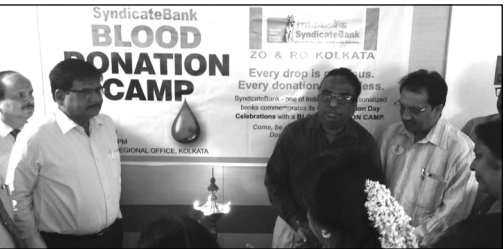
02834/02833 Santragachi-Hapa-Santragachi Special (6 Pairs)

02834 Santragachi-Hapa Special leaving Santragachi at 9.05 pm every Friday will reach Hapa at 4.35 pm on Sunday. In the opposite direction, 02833 Hapa-Santragachi Special leaving Hapa at 10.40 am every Monday will arrive Santragachi at 05.45 am on Wednesday. The Special Train consisting of fourteen AC 3-Tier coaches will have stoppages at Santragachi, Kharagpur, Tatanagar, Chakradharpur, Rourkela, Jharsuguda, Bilaspur, Raipur, Durg, Gondia, Nagpur, Wardha, Badnera, Akola, Malkapur, Bhusawal, Jalgaon, Amalner, Nandurbar, Surat, Bharuch, Vadodra, Anand, Nadiad, Ahmedabad, Viramgam, Surendranagar, Wankamer and Rajkot between santragachi and Hapa.

08061/08062 Shalimar-Jaipur-Shalimar Special (6 Pairs)

08061 Shalimar-Jaipur Special leaving Shalimar at 8.20 pm every Monday will reach Jaipur at 06.35 am on Wednesday. In the opposite direction, 08062 Jaipur-Shalimar Special leaving Jaipur at 12.50 am every Wednesday will arrive at Shalimar on 11.20 pm the next day.

The Special Train consisting of four AC 2-Tier, five AC 3-Tier and four Sleeper Class coaches will have stoppages at Santragachi, Kharagpur, Tatanagar, Chakradharpur, Rourkela, Jharsuguda, Raigarh, Champa, Bilaspur,endra Road, Anuppur, Shadahi, Katni Murwara, Damoh, Sagore, Bina Malkhedhi, Guna, Rithuval, Kota, Sawai Madhopur, Banshal Niwai and Durgapura stations between Shalimar and Jaipur. (EOIC)



Syndicate Bank organising a blood donation camp in association with Lion's Club of Calcutta Circular Femina to celebrate its 93rd Foundation Day. Zonal Manager, Syndicate bank, Siva Kumaravel, regional manager, Syndicate Bank, N. Venkatachalam and president of Lion's Club of Calcutta Circular Femina Ms. Manju Haidar is present on the occasion--EOI Photo