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Briefly

Prez condole demise of Syedna Burhanuddin

New Delhi, Jan 18
President Shri Pranab Mukherjee has condoled the demise of Dr Syedna Mohammed Burhanuddin, spiritual leader of the Dawoodi Bohra community. "By the passing away of Dr Syedna Burhanuddin, the Dawoodi Bohra Community has lost a spiritual leader of the highest order whose guidance and insightful teachings will continue to inspire people to follow the path of kindness and compassion," the President has said.

HM criticises misuse of social media

Patna, Jan 18
Union Home Minister Shri Sushil Kumar Shinde has criticised the misuse of social media to foment communal riots in the country. He said in Patna that the government is taking steps to check the trend. Addressing a function at the launch of a Hindi newspaper, Shri Shinde criticised the "twisting" of facts in the name of investigative journalism and said the media should uphold home journalism.

UN team in Iran to oversee landmark nuclear deal

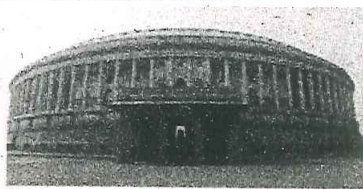
Tehran, Jan 18
Inspectors from the United Nations nuclear watchdog arrived in Tehran today in readiness to oversee implementation of a landmark deal that puts temporary curbs on Iran's nuclear programme, state media reported. The team is led by the head of the International Atomic Energy Agency's Iran task force, Massimo Aparo, and will hold talks with Iranian nuclear officials, the state IRNA news agency said.

Mamata nominates Mithun for RS seat

Kolkata, Jan 18
West Bengal Chief Minister Ms. Mamata Banerjee announced today the nomination of veteran Bollywood actor Mithun Chakraborty as her party's Trinamool Congress

Elections for 55 Rajya Sabha seats in 16 states will be held on Feb 7

New Delhi, Jan 18
The elections for 55 Rajya Sabha seats in 16 states will be held on 7th of next month. The states include Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal, Bihar, Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Gujarat and Manipur. The term of office of 55 Rajya Sabha MPs is to expire in the month of April. Notification for the polls will be issued of 21st of this month and if necessary polling will be held on 7th February and



counting of votes will take place on the same day. The prominent among those whose tenure is expiring

include Jayanti Natarajan of Congress, BJP's Prakash Javadekar and Shivanand Tiwari of JD(U).

Prez & PM condole death of Suchitra Sen



New Delhi, Jan 18
President and Prime Minister condoled the passing away of legendary actress Suchitra Sen yesterday. The President Shri Pranab Mukherjee in his message to Suchitra Sen's daughter Moon Moon Sen, said the Film industry has lost a highly talented and acclaimed actress. Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh in his condolence message hailed Sen as a graceful actor who carved a special niche in the hearts of millions of Indians through her cinematic presence. He said, Suchitra Sen was a versatile actor who marked a unique contribution to Indian cinema and to Bengali films in particular. Sen was one of the first Indian artists to win an international award at Moscow in 1963. Suchitra Sen breathed her last at a private nursing home in Kolkata last morning. Suchitra began her career with the Bengali film "Shesh Kothai" in 1952.

Govt extends NMP benefits to industry clusters

New Delhi, Jan 18
Seeking to boost manufacturing sector, Govt has extended the benefits of the National Manufacturing Policy (NMP) throughout the country wherever industry can organise itself into clusters and adopt a self regulatory model. Issuing the guidelines on Friday, the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP) said all the incentives provided to the National Investment and Manufacturing Zones, (NIMZs) will be available to such clusters. "Besides the NIMZs, the policy is also applicable to

Staff Reporter,
Port Blair, Jan 18
The first round of Pulse Polio Immunization programme will be conducted in isles together with the rest of the country tomorrow (Jan 19). The Directorate of Health Services has made elaborate arrangements to cover all the children under the age group of 0 to 5yrs in these Islands. The number of estimated

Pulse Polio Immunization today; children to be immunized

children to be covered during the first round stands at 30,796. Out of this, 19,198 children will be covered in South Andaman District, 8255 in North & Middle Andaman and 3343 in Nicobar District. Altogether, 660 Polio centers including 10 in Defence area will function. In addition, 58 mobile booths will also be pressed into service for maximum coverage. Arrangements have also been

made to set up Polio booths at bus stands, Jetties and Airports to cover children travelling in buses/ships or arriving/departing for mainland. The sufficient number of OP vials used has been Ministry of Family welfare dispatch to diffi

Dry day on Jan 26

Port Blair, Jan 18
All the Bars and ANIDCO wine shops under North & Middle Andaman District shall observe 26th January, 2014 (Republic Day) as "DRY DAY" as per the Excise Policy of A & N Administration. The Bars/Wine shops shall remain closed on Jan 26, 2014 without fail. Any violation of this condition will make liable for cancellation of licence, an official communication said.

Govt notifies vacancies

New Delhi, Jan 18
Government has notified vacancies for the chairperson and eight members of newly created Lokpal. The applications can be submitted by 7th of next month to Secretary, Department of Personnel and Training (DOPT), North Block. The details of vacancies are available on the DOPT site www.persmin.nic.in.

Huge crowd throng programmes keep

Staff Reporter,
Port Blair, Jan 18
The jam-packed crowd of ITF witnessed a delightful evening when the classical and semi-classical form of art fused together, as part of the ongoing ITF bonanza, last evening. The Tourism

Festival is also r among the Islands it brings forth talents into limelight thereby giving opportunity to share with the perform other states.

Coast Guard drawing and pai

AAJVS and Police staff apprehend poachers from Jarawa Reserve Area

Port Blair, Jan 18
Andaman Adim Janjati Vikas Samiti (AAJVS) and Police staff have apprehended poachers from Jarawa Reserve Area. The apprehended poachers with their dinghies and belongings were brought to PS Kadamtala. According to a press release received from the Superintendent of Police, South Andaman District, on 16th January 2014, AAJVS staff namely Bhaskar Rao, Debrata Mondal, alongwith PC 204

Rameshish Yadav and one HG/725 Maheshi Turkey of OP Tirur and Forester namely K. Chakraborty and Mazdoor Sanjay Narayan were on joint patrolling in the Jarawa area (West Coast, South Andaman). At around 1745 hrs. on reaching at Jarawas camp, the team was informed that some poachers namely Rajesh Das alias Natia and Narayan Roy alias 'Sujoy' and his group came to Jarawa Reserve area and took away Jarawa girls with them. On receipt of this

information, the AAJVS and Police team proceeded towards Hiren Tikry (Jarawa Reserve) and on reaching Bada Balu, the party located four Jarawa girls alongwith poachers namely 1. Ashit, S/o P.N Mondal, R/o Collinpur, 2. Tapan Mondal, S/o Naren Mondal, R/o Collinpur, 3. Birbal Mondal, S/o Naren Mondal, R/o Collinpur, 4. Rajesh Das alias 'Natiya', S/o Sudhir Das, R/o Temple Myo in a country oar dingy. On seeing the Police and AAJVS party the poachers

tried to flee despite the warning by armed Policemen but could not succeed and all of them were apprehended and their dinghie alongwith belongings were taken into custody.

The next day on Jan 17 at 0700 hrs, the same patrolling party proceeded to Hiren Tikry (Jarawa Reserve) area where they located three poachers namely 1. Narayan Roy alias 'Sujoy', S/o Khokhan Roy, (Contd. on last page)

Dance workshop gets underway at Horn Bill Nest

Staff Reporter

Training session on new application software held

Port Blair, Jan 18