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JNPT celebrates Hindi Fortnight to promote official language



By Tutu NAVI MUMBAI: To

promote the official language, create awareness and as part of the ongoing initiatives, JNPT organizes Hindi Pakhawada (Fortnight) for employees, their families and school children every year along with various training programs, competitions, workshops at JNPT township. The India's premier container port Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust, is also the leader in promoting "Hindi" as the official language of communication.

Hindi Pakhwada was held from September 1-15, 2018.





During this fortnight, poetry recitation, essay writing, Hindi typing, extempore elocution competition, letter writing, story writing competitions were conducted.

JNPT also organised speech competition for students on 'impact of social media on society'

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World Senior Citizens Day celebrated at Vashi



By Chandrashekhar Hendve **NAVI MUMBAI:**

World Senior Citizens Day was celebrated at Vishnudas Bhave Auditorium at Vashi.

The event was organized by Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation. Present during this occasion were Mayor Jaywant Sutar,

MLA Manda Mhatre, MLA Sandip Naik, legislative council member Ramesh

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Online Lottery Draw of CIDCO's Mega Housing Scheme on 2 Oct

By Chandrashekhar Hendve

NAVI MUMBAI: The online lottery draw for the Mega Housing Scheme-2018 of 14,838 affordable houses under the "Housing for All" will be held on the 2nd October, 2018 at 11:00 am on the 7th Floor, CIDCO Auditorium, CIDCO Bhavan, CBD Belapur, Navi Mumbai. This draw will be conducted from the list of the eligible applicants under the unbiased supervision of a committee. This committee will comprise of the retired (I.A.S) officials and Ex- Deputy Lokayata, from the Govt of Maharashtra. The housing scheme is planned concentrating upon the Economically Weak Section



(EWS) and Lower Income Group (LIG) categories. Of the 14,838 flats; 5262 flats are allotted under the EWS category and 9576 flats are allotted for LIG.

The housing scheme is planned in 5 nodes of Navi Mumbai, namely; Taloja, Kharghar, Kalamboli, Ghansoli and Dronagiri. There are 11 locations in these 5 nodes wherein the housing complexes are been constructed. As expected, was good response for the scheme from the public from all regions of Maharashtra. Around 1, 91,841 applications have been received combining both the categories.

In order to avoid the inconvenience on the day of the Online Lottery Draw CIDCO has facilitated the live webcast of the draw

on its official website www.cidco.maharashtra.gov.in.



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Shri Ambika Kutir To Organise Free Yoga Course

By Ashok Dhamija

NAVI MUMBAI: The Vashi branch of Shri Ambika Kutir, Thane will organise itsthe 110th batch of Free Yoga Course over a period of 12 week The same will be held at the Navi Mumbai Primary School, Sector 3, Vashi



from 7.30 am to 9.30 am every Sunday from 10th October, 2018 onwards. Being held under the guidance of expert yogachraya's this Yoga Course will be an amalgamation of theory and practical sessions and will prove beneficial to those suffering from diseases like Diabetes, Blood Pressure, Back Pain, Spondylitis, Arthritis, Asthana etc. For more information contact the organisers on 9969187273 /9969022872/9867899815/(022)28723200.

Sacred Heart Church To **Organise Inter-Faith Prayer Service Today**

By Ashok Dhamija

NAVI MUMBAI: To mark the 150th birth anniversary of the father of the nation Mahatma Gandhi, an apostle of peace, Sacred Heart Church, Vashi will be organising an Inter-Faith Prayer Service based on the theme "Living in Peace and



Harmony". The objective of this inter-faith gathering is to foster solidarity, create healthy relationships and build bridges of dialogue and friendship between followers of all faiths. The same will be held on the ground floor hall of the Sacred Heart High School, Sector 4, Vashi from 8.30 a.m. onwards and is open to all

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MNS opposes replanting of Palm trees at sector 48–Seawoods

NAVI MUMBAI: MNS Navi Mumbai City joint secretary Sachin Kadam gave a letter to Nitin Kale, NMMC Deputy Municipal Commissioner of Garden

department and demanded that Indian trees be planted in the city.

The move was taken by MNS following NMMC decision of replanting Palm trees near new NMMC CBSE School at sector 48 Seawoods.

Desert palms (ornamental) trees were planted. Around 40 palm trees which were replanted along service road near NRI colony have withered 2 years ago.. Kadam in his letter said that NMMC should plant Indian trees which

provides shade and shelter to bird, controls temperature.

"In a city like Navi Mumbai where the green cover is reducing and urban heat



effect is increasing how NMMC can think of planting ornamental trees instead of Indian varieties?" asked Kadam.

Kadam warned the official of dire consequences if they did not take appropriate action.

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The applicants can view the draw and the results at their own comfort from home, office and elsewhere as the results will be uploaded on the link immediately once the draw takes place. Similarly, any further developments regarding the scheme will be uploaded on www.cidco.maha rashtra.gov.in and https://lottery.cidco india.com on a timely basis (as and when required).

While the earnest money deposit of the unsuccessful applicants of the draw will be deposited in the bank accounts denoted in the application forms within 15 days from the date of the online draw.



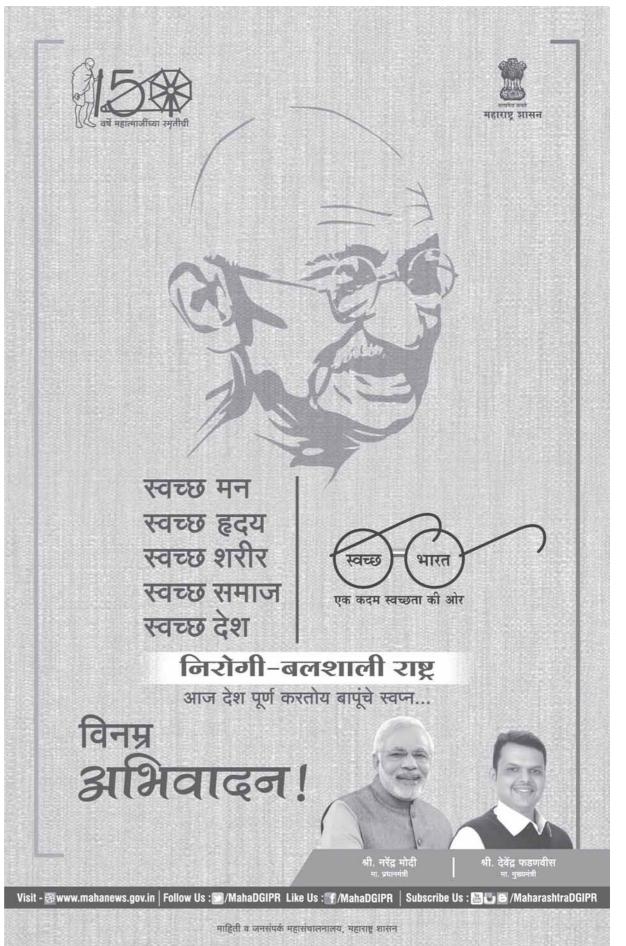
MGL increases its price of CNG by Rs 2.66 and PNG by Rs 1.89

NAVI MUMBAI: In view of an increase in MGL's (a) gas costs due to (i) the recent increase in 'Domestic Natural Gas (APM) Price' from US\$ 3.06 / MMBTU (GCV) to US\$ 3.36 / MMBTU (GCV), (ii) significant dollar appreciation against rupee (iii) increase in



regulated transportation tariff of Dahej-Uran-Panvel-Dhabol NG Pipeline Network, and (b) Non-gas costs; MGL is constrained to increase the basic price of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) by Rs. 2.66/Kg and Domestic

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A Time To Contemplate...



A Meditation session is being organised at Navi Mumbai Bengali Association, Vashi on the occasion of International Day of Older Persons on 1st October, 2018 by Dignity Foundation to promote active life styles through various productive ageing and social support services. The same saw participation from senior citizens from Navi Mumbai to Kolkata. (By Ashok Dhamija)

Tissot Unveils Limited Edition Of Chrono XL Classic Virat Kohli Special Watch



Karman Kaur Thandi (Tennis), Aadil Bedi (Golf), Shivani Kataria (Swimming), Satnam Singh (Basketball), Sachika Kumar Ingale (Squash), Jehan Daruwala (F3 Racer), Pinky Rani (Boixng), Manoj Kumar (Boxing) along with Indian Cricket Captain Virat Kohli (4th from Left) set the ramp on fire.

By Ashok Dhamija

MUMBAI: Tissot, the largest traditional Swiss watch brand based on volume. launched the Tissot Chrono XL Classic Virat Kohli Special Edition commemorating its association with its Brand Ambassador amidst a specially choreographed fashion show early this week. The same witnessed 18 established names form sports and fashion genre who took to the ramp along with the Khel Ratna awardee and Indian Skipper Virat Kohli himself. The Swiss watch maker Tissot will however produce a limited 3018 numbers of this special, where 18 relates to Kohli's Indian Team jersey number and the year 2018 is the year



Tissot India's Brand Ambassador Virat wears the Chrono XL Classic Virat Kohli Special Edition 2018 himself.

during which he will celebrate his 30th birthday.

François Thiebaud, Tissot President SA, in his congratulatory message to the Indian cricket captain Virat from Le Locle, Switzerland. said, "This is the first time we have launched a special edition for a cricketer and I feel extremely proud since it is for Virat, who has excelled in every genre of the sport and has aced innumerable records

Speaking on the occasion, Virat Kohli said, "I'm thrilled to launch a personalized Tissot Chrono XL Classic edition. My three years of association with Tissot have been a wonderful journey. I was totally involved in the designing of this line and I hope you all like it as much as we do."

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Health Awareness Session on vector borne diseases held



By Divakar Gore

NAVI MUMBAI: An awareness talk on health was organized for all the parishioners of Sacred Heart Church by the Bombay Catholic Sabha on 30th September 2018.

The NMMC officials shared information on the preventive measures to be adopted for avoiding vector borne diseases like malaria and dengue. They also explained the causes and symptoms to identify the occurrence of such diseases among the people. The remedial measures to tackle

such diseases also was shared for doing away with ignorance once affected by these.

A model of precautionary measures to be adopted for avoiding Malaria and Dengue mosquitoes from breeding was also displayed.

The guppy fishes who devour the larvae of mosquitoes were also kept for display in a small tray of water. Leaflets and posters on precautions to be taken were distributed among those present for the talk.

17K runners partake in IDBI Federal Life Insurance Mumbai Half Marathon

Dnyaneshwar and Varsha bag Men and Women titles



Half Marathon

By Ashok Dhamija

Mumbai: Dnyaneshwar Morgha and Varsha Devi were crowned the winners in the Men's and Women's categories in the IDBI Federal Life Insurance Mumbai Half Marathon 2018 which was held at the BKC, Mumbai on Sunday. The duo clocked a timings of

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Time for a selfie moment with the Master Blaster Sachin Tendulkar



By C K Subramaniam

Bapu spirit has entered the college campus and the feeling is created by Independence movements. Whatever said and done by Gandhiji really

helped India to attain Independence from the British rule finally. 1930 -The Dandi March to the 1942-Quit movement, Gandhiji was all the way dictating terms to the English. Munna Bhai MBBS brought the feelings on big screen and now the spirit has reached the doorsteps of the younger

Bapu's 150th birth anniversary celebrations clicked off in right earnest and in a fitting way. 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi on 2nd October this year will be a befitting one as both the state and central government have taken up the lead in this direction. College students are the future of this country and they should take up the lead to make the dreams of Mahatma come true in the years

to come.

Mahatma Gandhiji's spirit for freedom struggle came from the cricketing field. Mahatma Gandhi, when requested for an autograph "played with a

straight bat", quite forgetting that he was engaged in a mighty and bloodless revolution with the British and thereby became a member of an official in England Team. How he was chosen could not probably have been explained even by the MCC selectors.

Cricket might not have affected Gandhi, but Gandhi certainly affected cricket. The political movements he



led and the social changes he sought to bring about had their consequences on how the game was played in the sub-continent Mahatma's classmates at Alfred High School, Rajkot. This man, Ratilal Ghelabhai Mehta. remembered Gandhi as "a dashing cricketer" who "evinced a keen interest in the game as a school student. He was, it seems, good both at batting and bowling and had an uncanny understanding of the game's uncertainties as well.

Requested for his autograph Gandhiji turned over the pages and put his signature as the 17th player of the MCC team led by Douglas Jardine in 1933-34. The autograph book is one of the treasured possessions of the Marlybourne Cricket Club (MCC) at Lord's. Not only Gandhiji signed autograph book, but also played for the team

comprising of Indians of British origin. Mahatma Gandhi played for a team of British origin against a team of Indian origin at London and scored 21 runs with 3 boundaries. He took one wicket also. He was wearing pant and shirt while playing.

Gandhiji was not only a cricket enthusiast but he also wielded the willow. R.G. Mehta, a boyhood friend and schoolmate wrote" It is not commonly known that Gandhiji was a dashing cricketer and evinced keen interest in the game. Once we were watching a cricket match together. In those days there were ding-dong battles between Rajkot city vs Rajkot Sardar (camp area). At a crucial moment, as if by intuition. Gandhiji said that a particular player would be out and hey presto the batsman was really out. There is no doubt that the freedom spirit of Gandhiji came from the cricketing field.



By Lakshman Sundar

The Unimoni Asia Cup Final between India and Bangladesh at the Dubai International Stadium on Friday, September 29, 2018 was a real humdinger and it went down to the wire. Fortune fluctuated between India and Bangladesh till the last

The Asia Cup Final - A Real Humdinger!

Bright Start

Bangladesh began right in earnest and the opening partnership for 120 looked as though it would score over 300 runs. Opener Liton Das blazed Bangladesh's innings with a stellar knock of 121 runs that was studded with 12

While our bowlers did a splendid job of containing the opponent team our batsmen were not so aggressive. .

Shikhar Dhawan and Ambatti Rayudu perished early adding pressure to the incoming batsmen. Rohit Sharma as usual



ball adding hope, drama, suspense disappointment and delight to the unpredictable game of cricket. The result could have gone in any one of the three ways: Victory or defeat to either side or a tie. It was pregnant with all the three possibilities. At last India pulled the rabbit out of the hat! It was no easy victory, though. Congrats to Rohit Sharma and his team on the win. The Indian team earned USD 100,000 as the title champion while Bangladeshi team re-

It was the seventh time our Indian team lifts the Asia Cup.

ceived USD 50,000.



fours and 2 sixes.

Thanks to our effective bowlers and fielders, Bangladesh was bundled out for a below modest score of 222. Low totals are always susceptible. They look easy chase but many times become tough or even impossible.

Fortune Fluctuates!

played well before exiting to shot that was not timed or hit properly. Dhoni though very alert and prompt behind the stumps has lost his old vigor and he plays too defensive that results only in increasing our run rate per

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SC comes up with Sabarimala verdict

The Constitution protects religious freedom. The exclusion of women in the 10-50 age group from the Sabarimala temple in Kerala had become an issue. The Supreme Court came up with the ruling, by a 4:1 majority, that the exclusionary practice violates the rights of women devotees. The majority held that the prohibition on women is not an essential part of Hindu religion.

The court has also sought to grapple with the stigmatisation of women devotees based on a medieval view of menstruation as symbolising impurity and pollution. The argument failed to impress the judges. To Chief Justice Dipak Misra, any rule based on segregation of women pertaining to biological characteristics is indefensible and unconstitutional. Justice D.Y. Chandrachud said stigma built around traditional notions of impurity has no place in the constitutional order, and exclusion based on the notion of impurity is a form of untouchability. Justice Rohinton F. Nariman said the fundamental rights claimed by worshippers based on 'custom and usage' must yield to the fundamental right of women to practise religion.

There was less movement and physical exertion of woman in earlier days during the period, and no modern accessories like sanitary napkin etc. were available. Those facts underlined the taboo of visiting even local temples. The practice was more tuned to aesthetics than equality under constitution.

The pilgrims of Shabrimala do not know about the true meaning of worship and they do not have the knowledge of soul and body. They are not able to differentiate between body and soul. They need to learn that "soul is neither male nor female." That means, they are only looking at body not at that soul which is always pure. Lastly, there could not be impartiality between male or female in the door of God.

However, this verdict is a product of a limited majority. There is a larger and more powerful and yet silent and law abiding majority with the intellect to discriminate better. That majority consists of centuries old traditions and customs compliant Ayyappa devotees of men and women of all ages. Let us see how many women from such a majority will come forward to break the tradition and custom to enjoy the new liberalism

The judgment of the Apex Court is a shot in the arm for women. The judgment is based on the fundamental rights to equality of worship. It has also put an end to long held view of the Bombay High Court that personal and religious customs are outside the purview of the Contitution. Hereafter all personal and group laws and rules have to satisfy the magnificent framework of fundamental rights enshrined in the Constitution. The Court has correctly held that biological and natural factors cannot be used to discriminate against women.

Tissot Unveils...

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World Senior Citizens...

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Patil, municipal commissioner Dr Ramaswami N, senior citizen's NMMC independent cell's member BR Shejale and NMMC's recreation director and senior citizen forum's president were present.

During this event the senior citizens who had completed 75 years of age who were 127 in number and 28 senior citizens who celebrated golden marriage anniversary were felicitated. The winners of sports and artistic and cultural events for senior citizens were given awards. An entertainment program was also organized on this occasion and it received excellent response. Deputy commissioner Amol Yadav gave the vote of thanks.

17K runners partake...

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1:12:03 and 1:29:47 respectively in the 3rd edition of the prestigious race, which saw enthusiastic participation from over 17,000 runners from across the state including Navi Mumbai and Raigad districts. The same was flagged of by IDBI Federal Life Insurance's Brand Ambassador Sachin Tendulkar.

It was the second victory for Dnyaneshwar Morgha in the prestigious event, having won the 2017 edition earlier. Parshram Bhoi, winner of the 10K last year, was the first runner-up in the 21K this time. In a very competitive race, Dnyaneshwar and runner-up Parshram ran together for 18km, before Dhyaneshwar broke away to take the lead

followed by Parshram in hot pursuit and finishing mere five seconds ajar.

In the women's category, Varsha Devi emerged the winner of the Mumbai Half Marathon, followed by Sayali Kupate with a timing of 1:31:17. Sayali kept up with Varsha for 13 km, before Varsha increased her pace to take a comfortable lead.

The Timed 10K run saw Shailesh Gangoda emerging as the winner in the Men's category with a timing of 32:12. In the Women's category, Poonam Sonune placed first by completing the race in 37:54.

Chief Guest Sachin Tendulkar said, "It's great to see the growth in participation in the IDBI Federal Life Insurance Mumbai Half Marathon this year, and I only expect more runners to

participate in the marathon during the coming years. Such events will only motivate the citizens of India towards healthy living."

Podium Finishers: Male - Half Marathon (21km): 1) Dnyaneshwar Morgha (1:12:03), 2) Parshram Bhoi (1:12:08), 3) Akshay Alande (1:16:01).

Women - Half Marathon (21km): 1) Varsha Devi (1:29:47), 2) Sayali Kupate (1:31:17), 3) Deepa Mogha (1:46:36).

Male - Timed 10K (10km): 1) Shailesh Gangoda (32:12), 2) Kantilal Kumbhare (32:19), 3) Sanjay Zakane (32:54).

Women - Timed 10K (10km): 1) Poonam Sonune (37:54), 2) Rishu Singh (38:57), 3) Jayashree Bhujade (40:31).

The Asia Cup Final...

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over ahead. These days we do not see the signature helicopter shots from Dhoni's bat leave alone his innate aggression in tearing the bowlers be it pace or spin. Kedar Jadhav was unfortunate in developing knee cramp at a crucial stage of the Dinesh game. Karthik's useful 37 runs came in handy but he often loses his concentration once he is past 35 runs.

Wickets fell forcing the fortune to fluctuate. Bhuvneshwar Kumar played a confident knock of 21 runs and amazed the crowd with a majestic six! He has matured as a batsman also and in important game like this he should come early. But once we lose the top order our batsmen tend to get panic. The last over needed six runs.

We should have won by at least three over s to spare but our batsmen were too demure

and defensive that led to taking the game to the last ball!

Bangladesh team has more fighting spirit than its counterparts in Pakistan or Sri Lanka. It has players with grit, gumption and winning attitude. After victory Rohit

Sharma, India Captain said: "We played good cricket throughout the tournament. This is the reward for hard work. Games like these can happen and credit to the guys to handle that pressure. To cross the finish line was a great effort. You have to give credit to them, they batted very well. When the ball gets older, we knew we can get back in the game. The spinners never allowed them to get off the hook. I think when you have a team like that, job of captain becomes easy. Credit goes to all boys who take away the pressure whenever required. I would like to thank crowd who came out in huge numbers and supported us."

Bangladesh Captain

Mashrafe Mortaza: "We fight till the last hall but we did a lot of mistakes. I think if you look at our bowling, every time we scored more than 240, we won the matches. Bowlers done a great job. The way they were scoring, that was the time to check the runs. Couldn't bring any spinners (at that stage). Which is why I left the last over for Mahmudullah Soumya."

Brief scores: Bangladesh 222 in 48.3 overs (Liton Das 121. Soumya Sarkar 33; Kuldeep Yadav 3-45, Kedar Jadhav 2-41) lost to India 223/7 in 50 overs (Rohit Sharma 48, Dinesh Karthik 37; Rubel Hossain 2-26, Mustafizur Rahman 2-38) by 3 wickets.

Bangladesh's Liton Das was adjudged as the 'Man of the Match' for his 121 runs while India's Shikhar Dhawan was named as the 'Man of the Tournament' for his 342 runs at an average of 68.40 in 5 matches

SIT stands exposed in the journalist Gauri Lankesh murder case!

SIT officials intimidating the accused to, "Admit the crime, take 25 lakh rupees"!

Today, Parshuram Waghmore and Manohar Edave - those arrested in the journalist Gauri Lankesh murder case, raised serious points while addressing the media. The duo said - We did not know those arrested in the case, prior to the arrests. We are being targeted with a pre-conceived motive and the SIT officials of Karnataka are putting pressure on us to sign on a blank paper. The officials have also said that if we admit committing the crime, 25 lakh rupees will be given to our families. We are being trapped in this matter. The SIT officials have also threatened to drag our family members and even kill us, if we refuse to sign on the blank paper. Therefore, if anything happens to us in future, the SIT will be responsible for it, the duo has said.

This completely exposes the Karnataka Special Investigation Team's ongoing biased and suspicious investigation. In the past too, Manish Nagori and VIkas Khandelwal - those arrested and later released on bail in the Dr. Dabholkar murder case - had made serious accusations on Maharashtra ATS chief, Rakesh Maria of asking them to admit the crime in return of 25 lakh rupees. Similarly, in the Comrade Pansare murder case too, the accused Sameer Gaikwad had been pressurized to give in to the lure of money and admit the crime. And now in the journalist Gauri Lankesh murder case, pressure is being built up on the accused with the enticement of 25 lakh rupees. This makes it clear that, the investigation agencies are forcing the accused by hook or by crook to name Sanatan Sanstha and Hindu Janajagruti Samiti, in all these murder cases. Who is the person luring Parshuram Waghmore and Manohar Edave with 25 lakh rupees? Who is hatching the plot to embroil Sanatan Sanstha and Hindu Janajagruti Samiti in this matter ? Who is the mastermind, whose invisible hand exists behind all this? Thereby, Hindu Jana-

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jagruti Samiti has requested the government to investigate these matters and those found guilty be severely punished.

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No law ever prohibited visit of humans to any temple

No law ever prohibited visit of humans to any temple. But what is the customary practice in mosque it is Muslims, in church it is Christians and so on. To maintain purity, cleanliness and sanctity certain customs were evolved, it is the conscience of the person belonging to that faith which made them adhere to that custom. Reinforcement and reconfirmation of the existing right should not be construed as a new liberty. It is conscience, faith and custom which governs temples and that every men and women of the faith may continue to follow.

Religious institutions are blind to fundamental rights like equality and harmony. Apart from patriotically cast based derogatory beliefs customs are entertained in our system. Another feud system in villages is barring certain caste people from entering temples, no person approaches highest court. Gandihiji fought for schedule caste and tribes right to enter temples, which practice alive even today. We Indians are dual values one for rich and famous another for lower rung as well for upper caste and lower caste. These disparities be removed by people in power.

More power to Women! Lord Aiyappa is smiling! About time he sees his mums and sisters at Sabrimala! Indian philosophy is on the rise! Notwithstanding! Can the administrators of Sabrimala Temple, organise the annual Darshan of Lord Aiyappa in a more professional manner! There is bound to be an accident if it is not improved! With more worshippers during peak Aiyappa season anything can happen.

The judgment reflects the spirit and essence of real Hinduism and the teachings of Lord Krishna. Messages from the Bhagavad Gita re-

1. "Progress and development are the rules of

this universe: Things may not be the same, the way they used to be. Things and circumstances change. We should neither expect people, nor surroundings, not even society, to be the same. They all change with time. We move ahead. The Universe forgets old things and moves forwards, so do we. We should not stick to one place. That will make our existence much more problematic in this world.

 $2. \ \hbox{``Accept the equanimity of life''} \hbox{:} \ When you$ see all beings as equal in suffering and in joy, when you are rooted in the oneness of all beings, you cannot love or hate anyone because it is all part of the same thing.

Of course the apex court paved the way for women of all ages to worship Lord Aiyappa as a matter of fundamental right. But the pertinent woman folk knows that celibacy is the basic religious need of men to worship Lord Aiyappa and that ought not to be disturbed by women in the age with menstruation. Hence they will keep up the religious value and keep them away from visiting His temple. Let us cherish both moral and religious value. But there is no bar for women who want to exercise the new right as per the verdict of the apex court. Women have been worshipping Ayyappa for thousands and thousands of years. May not be at the temple. In the olden days, they couldn't get there.

Hopefully Kerala Devasom Board learned its lesson. Building roads and helipads to increase revenue through offerings is the death of tradition. If people had to walk to get to the temple, there won't be any rush to get there. The increase has created pollution problems for Pampa River. There is reason our ancestors did things a particular manner. Same environmental issues are showing up at every religious place where the access is made easy.

A welcome judgment under the modern disposition where people travel to Sabarimalai by modes other than foot unlike olden days when the only mode of transport was predominantly on foot. In that situation women would not be comfortable as it would take several weeks to reach the pilgrim centre a very strenuous job indeed! As such the rule of that time fitted very well with the circumstances prevailing then.

- C.K Subramaniam, Sanpada

MGL increases...

Cont. from pg. 3 Piped Natural Gas (PNG) by Rs 1.89/ SCM in and around Mumbai, effective from midnight of October 01, 2018 / early morning of October 02, 2018, read a press release from MGL.

Accordingly. revised delivered prices inclusive of all taxes of CNG and Domestic PNG in and around Mumbai will be Rs. 49.61/Kg and Rs. 29.40/SCM (Slab 1) and Rs. 35.00/SCM (Slab 2) respectively, in place of earlier Rs. 46.17/Kg and Rs. 27.25/SCM (Slab 1)

and Rs. 32.85/SCM (Slab 2) respectively.

This increase would have a marginal impact of Rs. 0.10/KM and Rs. 0.13/KM on the per KM running costs of Autorickshaws and Taxies respectively. Even after the above revision, MGL's CNG still continues to be a very attractive proposition and offers savings of about 61% and 38% as compared to petrol and diesel respectively at current price levels in Mumbai. Also, MGL's Domestic PNG continues to deliver unmatched convenience, safety, reliability and environmental friendliness to consumers.

JNPT celebrates ... Cont. from pg. 1

where 17 students

from various schools participated in this competition. Winners received trophy and Hindi books from Shri. Neeraj Bansal, Chairman-in-Charge, JNPT. During award cere-

mony 'Purusharth' drama was staged which was well appreciated by the port employees. At the award

ceremony of Hindi Pakhwada, Chair man-in-Charge Neeraj Bansal, congratulated the winners of the various competitions. At the function, Shri Bansal observed that we should feel proud of our own language and our mother tongue for better communication. Further he encouraged all employees to use Hindi language in their day to day lives to promote the official language and maintain JNPT's leading position in this regard.

By using official language at workplace, hospital department won 1st trophy, followed by Traffic department and M&EE in big category and vigilance received 1st trophy followed by traffic and PP&D in small category.

NMMC takes action against unauthorized hawkers and illegal commercial space

By Chandrashekhar Hendve NAVI MUMBAI: Unau-

thorized constructions in the Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation, encroachment, misuse of the commercial space, footpath and unauthorized hawkers on the roads were alleged by corporators during standing committee meeting.

Accordingly, action under the directives of the civic chief was taken against unauthorized hawkers and commercial space in all the eight divisional offices of Belapur to Digha under the NMMC juris-



diction. As per the data, during the action 127 unauthorized hawkers and 228 illegal spaces razed and amount of Rs. 8,8200 was recovered as fine.

AV's Swachhata Pakhwada Concludes



Amrita Vidyalayam students walk the talk by doing Shramdaan.

By Ashok Dhamija NAVI MUMBAI: Responding to the clarion call by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on the 'Swachhata Hi Seva Movement', Amrita Vidyalayam, Juinagar had undertaken various activities under the "Swachhata Pakhwada" at its school's campus from 17th September to 1st October, 2018. Students from all classes cleaned the school's campus and

the surrounding areas

Celebrity

visits

Vashi

Bollywood

singer Kanika

Kapoor at Inorbit Mall

Vashi for the Durga Puja



Paying homage to the father of the nation Mahatma Gandhi by following his 'Ek Kadam Swachhata Ki Aur'

under Shramdaan in batches. They also par-

ticipated in various activities viz. 'Best out of





Students showcase their creativity during the 'Best of Waste' activity.

waste', Drawing, Essays and Poem writing competition based on the 'Swachha Bharat Sundar Bharat' theme. In addition they also wrote letters to their parents outlining their vision of clean India. Slogans and Posters competition brought out the best among the students as they showcased various steps towards the Swachhata Abhiyan. On the occasion PPT's on purification and conserving water and segregating dry/wet garbage too was showcased and was followed by an interactive and meaningful discussions on the

Speaking at the conclusion of the 'Swachhata Pakhwada', Principal Brni. Rekha, who earlier had taken the lead and charted out a detailed plan for various grades to ensure this mission was accomplished in the right earnest by all said, "Our Prime Minister Narendra Modi has played a key role in promoting the 'Swachhata Hi Seva Movement', among the citizens of our nation over the past few years. Our school too supported this initiative whole heartedly

from 17th September to

1st October, 2018 by or-

ganising a series of activities at our campus leading towards this mission "Ek kadam Swachhata ki Aur" against the backdrop of Gandhiji's picture who had been a staunch promoter of this initiative during the freedom struggle against the British. Each activity which was based on one unique idea, inculcated a thought process that they are the leaders and one needs to take forward this mission on how to contribute and build a 'Clean India'. in and around their surroundings through words and action".

