



Arun Jaitley ji is Mr Ordinance. He has started bringing ordinance after ordinance

CONGRESS LEADER ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY
TAKING A DIG AT FINANCE MINISTER ARUN JAITLEY IN THE LOK SABHA

I-T raids on Shivakumar ahead of Guj RS poll rock Parliament

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The Income Tax department's raids on Karnataka minister D K Shivakumar, who had been overseeing the stay of 44 Gujarat MLAs of Congress at a resort near Bengaluru, on Wednesday sparked fireworks in the national capital, with the Congress alleging that these raids were orchestrated by the Narendra Modi government as part of its "political witch-hunt and vendetta" to thwart its candidate Ahmed Patel's prospects of winning the 8 August Rajya Sabha poll from Gujarat.

Crying foul over timing and place of these raids, Congress MPs disrupted the pro-

ceedings of both Houses of Parliament, stalling the proceedings of the Rajya Sabha for the entire day and staging a walk-out from the Lok Sabha. The Congress also gunned for the BJP dispensation outside Parliament on this issue. A delegation of Congress leaders reportedly moved the Election Commission to complain against the use of central forces for the I-T department's raids on Shivakumar "on the pretext of investigation" in a bid to "intimidate and coerce" Gujarat Congress MLAs just before the Rajya Sabha election. The Congress urged the EC to "ensure safety, security and liberties" of its Gujarat MLAs. The Modi government rejected the Congress's alle-

gations as unfounded and baseless, with finance minister Arun Jaitley telling both the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha that the I-T searches on Shivakumar did not have any connection with Gujarat Congress MLAs and were "only to do" with the economic offences allegedly involving the Karnataka minister. The agitated Congress members vociferously raised the issue in the two Houses, forcing multiple adjournments of the Rajya Sabha before the final one for the day at 2.45 p.m. Jaitley told both the Houses that no I-T search operation was conducted at the Bengaluru resort and that only the minister, who had "parked himself" there, was

picked up from there for being taken to his residence for questioning. Pointing out that the searches were being conducted at 39 other places and not on the MLAs or at the Bengaluru resort, Jaitley said they should not be linked to the Rajya Sabha election in Gujarat. Dismissing Jaitley's statement, the Congress members maintained that the I-T raids were "political targeting" of the Rajya Sabha poll bid of their stalwart Ahmed Patel, who is Congress president Sonia Gandhi's political secretary and the party's principal crisis-manager. Raising the issue in the Rajya Sabha as soon as the House met, Congress leader Anand Sharma accused the

BJP-led government of unleashing investigating agencies like I-T, ED and CBI to target their party and leaders. Leader of Opposition Ghulam Nabi Azad charged that the run-up to the Rajya Sabha poll in Gujarat indicated that "the poll is not happening in a free, fair and fearless manner". Questioning the timing and venue of the I-T raids, Azad asked why the Centre was not cracking down on the BJP which, he alleged, was offering Rs 15 crore bribe to each Gujarat Congress MLA to desert the Congress. Dissatisfied by Jaitley's explanation, Congress MPs continued to storm the Well of the Rajya Sabha and shout anti-government slogans.

Several Bills, 2 ordinances to be placed in 14-day Bengal Assembly session

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CLOSER LOOK

Many important Bills including Scheduled Caste Advisory Council Bill and Goods and Services Tax Ordinance will be placed in the fourteen-day state Assembly session that is going to begin from 4 August. As many as five to six Bills and two ordinances will be placed in the session, said parliamentary affairs minister Partha Chatterjee. West Bengal Goods and Services Tax Ordinance will be placed on 4 August and discussion regarding the Ordinance will be held on 7 August and 8 August. The ordinance was passed in the Assembly on 24 June after the state government decided to take the ordinance route to implement Goods and Services Tax. West Bengal Scheduled Tribes and other Backward Classes Development and

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West Bengal Scheduled Tribes and other Backward Classes Development and Finance Corporation Bill will be placed and discussed on 9 August and Scheduled Caste Advisory Council Bill will be discussed on 10 August, Mr Chatterjee said. Scheduled Tribes (Identification) (Amendment) Bill and Housing Industry Regulation Bill will also be placed during the session. Business Advisory Committee meeting will be held on 9 August. An all party meeting was convened by Speaker Biman Banerjee. Congress, Left Front and BJP leaders boycotted

the all party meeting, stating that Opposition leaders are not allowed to express their views in the Assembly session. With a view to facilitate the development and advancement of SC that constitute 22 per cent of the total population of the state, it is considered necessary to enact a legislation to constitute West Bengal Scheduled Caste Advisory Council. BJP is using various investigating agencies to malign the image of the state government, Mr Chatterjee alleged.

India, Pak hold talks on Indus Water Treaty

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Amid heightened tension, top officials of India and Pakistan held talks on technical issues relating to the Indus Waters Treaty (IWT) in Washington under the auspices of the World Bank. "The secretary-level discussions between India and Pakistan on technical issues on the IWT took place this week in a spirit of goodwill and cooperation," the World Bank said in a statement. "The parties have agreed to continue discussions and reconvene in September in Washington," it added. The Indian team at the two-day dialogue, which concluded on Monday, was led by Amarjit Singh, secretary in the Water Resources Ministry, while the Pakistani delegation was headed by Yousaf Naseem Khokhar, its

water and power secretary. Pakistan has been protesting over the design and construction of two projects - the 330 MW Kishanganga hydro-electric project and the 850 MW Ratle project - on the tributaries of the Indus in Jammu and Kashmir. The two countries last held talks over the two projects in March this year during the Permanent Indus Commission (PIC) meeting in Lahore. The IWT was signed in 1960 and involves six rivers - Beas, Ravi, Sutlej, Indus, Chenab and Jhelum. Brokered by the World Bank, the treaty gave the right to use waters of the first three rivers to India and of the other three rivers to Pakistan. India has said it has the right under the treaty to set up hydropower plants on the tributaries of the rivers flowing through its territory.

STATUS CALL



Fishermen from Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh at a protest to demand ST status and other government benefits, at the Jantar Mantar in the Capital on Wednesday. ■ SNS

Noida land scam: SC upholds conviction of ex-UP chief secy

NEW DELHI, 2 AUGUST

The Supreme Court on Wednesday upheld the conviction of former UP chief secretary Neera Yadav in a land allotment scam from 1993-95 in Noida but reduced her jail term from three to two years. Upholding the conviction of former IAS officer Rajiv Kumar in the case, a bench of Justices Kurian Joseph and R Banumathi modified his jail term from three to two years.

The CBI had alleged that Yadav, a 1971 batch IAS officer, was chief executive officer of Noida in 1995 when she violated norms in allotting a prime plot of land to an industrialist. It was alleged that she entered into a criminal conspiracy with 1983-batch IAS officer Rajiv Kumar, then deputy chief executive officer, Noida, to change land use of a plot which was earmarked for a guesthouse and also increased its area in violation of norms.

The central investigation agency said that Yadav, during her tenure as Noida CEO, misused her official position as a public servant and got herself allotted a plot in violation of norms. "The allotment was done despite the fact that the application submitted by her was incomplete in many respects and was submitted after the closing date of the scheme," CBI had said. It was also alleged that she got two plots allotted in the names of her two daughters, knowing full well that rules in Noida permitted only one plot of land to one family. ■ SNS

Harmanpreet to be inducted as DSP in Punjab Police



CM Amarinder Singh felicitates Harmanpreet Kaur at his residence in Chandigarh on Wednesday. ■ SNS

STATESMAN NEWS SERVICE
CHANDIGARH, 2 AUGUST

Rewarding India's latest cricketing sensation Harmanpreet Kaur for her outstanding performance in the recently concluded Women's World Cup, Punjab chief minister Captain Amarinder Singh on Wednesday formally kickstarted the process of her induction into the Punjab Police as a deputy superintendent of police (DSP). The star cricketer from Moga, who called on the CM, also received a cheque for Rs five lakh to her and expressed confidence that she would perform even better going forward. The CM directed director general of police (DGP) Suresh Arora to complete the necessary formalities for Harmanpreet's appointment and said her training could be completed later. Captain Amarinder said he wanted to keep the talented young woman, currently working in the Union railways ministry, in Punjab. He assured Harmanpreet that he would take up the issue of waiver of her employment

bond with the railways ministry so that she can join Punjab Police at the earliest, while continuing to pursue her career as a cricketer. Captain Amarinder told Harmanpreet that she had done Punjab proud with her remarkable achievement, and that her superb accomplishment would go a long way in inspiring millions of her peers to strive hard for excelling in the arena of sports. Captain Amarinder reiterated his government's commitment to promoting sports in the state. He said his government would support budding sportspersons to enable them to compete successfully in international events and bring more laurels to Punjab. Harmanpreet steered India into the finals of Women's Cricket World Cup last month by becoming the highest scorer in women's cricket with 171 not out, off 115 balls. Harmanpreet said she wanted more cricket academies to come up in Punjab, so that the problems she faced in her career are not faced by other budding players. ■ SNS

Geelani hails militant Dujana as 'our hero'

JAMMU, 2 AUGUST

Even as the J&K police asked the New Delhi-based Pakistan high commission on Wednesday to take the body of slain Lashkar-e-Toiba (LeT) commander Abu Dujana for burial at his native place in POK and refused to hand-over his body to local civilians, the joint separatist leadership asked the people in Kashmir Valley to offer funeral prayers in "absentia" for Dujana. Separatist leader Syed Alishah Geelani described Dujana as "our hero sacrificing their precious lives for our future which won't go waste or unnoticed". The dreaded terrorist was killed on Tuesday in an encounter with security forces in Hakripora village of Pulwama in South Kashmir. Dujana was a native of the Dujana village in the frontier area of Gilgit-Baltistan in the Pakistan occupied Kashmir (POK) and had reportedly settled in Karachi few years ago before infiltrating into India in 2008 as LeT operative. Death toll of "stone pelters" wounded in the cross fire between the security forces and Dujana increased to two on Wednesday with another youth, identified as Akeel Ahmad Bhat, succumbing to his injuries, while Kashmir observed shutdown in response to the call of Syed Alishah Geelani, Mirwaiz Umar Farooq and Yasin Malik. ■ SNS

Centre questions HP's move to declare monkeys as 'vermin' again



SANJEEV KUMAR
SHIMLA, 2 AUGUST

The Central government has questioned the state government's move to get monkeys declared 'vermin' again in Himachal Pradesh in view of monkey menace. "The Ministry of Environment and Forests has questioned the move of state government and has sought reply as to what action was taken by it when monkeys were declared vermin earlier," Tarun Kapoor, Principal Secretary, Forests told The Statesman. He said that the government would soon send its reply to the Ministry. The monkeys were declared as vermin by MoEF in March 2016 till 24 May 2016 in certain areas of HP, which included 38 tehsil and Shimla Municipal Corporation. The deadline was then extended till 24 May 2017. However, it failed to serve the purpose as there was no information of killing of monkeys in any of the notified areas by farmers and orchardists. This despite the fact that the government had announced an incentive of Rs 500 for killing a monkey. 'Vermin' means wild animals, which are believed to be harmful to crops, farm animals, or which carry diseases and the permission allows culling of such wild animals. Monkeys have been a major cause of concern for damage to crops and attacks on humans in HP. The steps taken by the successive governments in HP have not yielded results for a piecemeal approach, despite the fact that the government simultane-

ously continued with the sterilisation campaign to control the primate population in HP. The state government's plan to export monkeys to north-eastern states, but the plan too failed, owing to concerns over spread of diseases after translocation. The animal rights activists had contested that the animals, when translocated, carry an assortment of potentially dangerous viruses, bacteria, protozoa, helminths and arthropods, any of which may become pathogenic in new situation, involving stressed individuals in a changed environment. The monkey census was conducted in 2015, according to which the population of monkeys was 2.07 lakh. In the last three years till 26 March, 57,934 monkeys were sterilised by the government agencies. In the last three years, 61,436 monkeys were caught for sterilisation and Rs 3.25 crore was distributed to the monkey catchers. As per farmers' body, Himachal Kisan Sabha (HKS), around 149 tehsils of the state is affected by the monkey menace, but the plans to curb their population have not borne desired fruits. In some parts of these districts, the farmers have abandoned farming due to loss to crops by these wild animals every year. Over 70 per cent agricultural land in HP is affected by the wild animals menace that causes damage to the tune of Rs 2,000 crore every year. At present around 76,000 hectares land is not being cultivated owing to these reasons.

APPOINTMENT

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Executive Director
West Bengal State Health & Family Welfare Samiti

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अंशकालीन व्याख्याताओं के साक्षात्कार की सूचना।
झारखण्ड सरकार के उच्च, तकनीकी शिक्षा एवं कौशल विकास विभागान्तर्गत बी०आई०टी० सिन्दरी (धनबाद) सत्र 2017-18 में स्नातक स्तरीय पाठ्यक्रमों के लिए आवश्यकतानुसार अंशकालीन व्याख्याताओं के चयन हेतु इच्छुक अभ्यर्थी निदेशक के कार्यालय कक्ष में साक्षात्कार के लिए निम्नलिखित कार्यक्रम के अनुसार उपस्थित हो सकते हैं। सत्र 2016-17 में कार्यरत अंशकालीन व्याख्याताओं को भी साक्षात्कार में उपस्थित होना अनिवार्य है। झारखण्ड सरकार के नियमानुसार आरक्षण के लागू रहने।
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08	खन अभियंत्रणा विभाग	14.08.2017	10.00 बजे पूर्वाह्न
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11	भौतिकी विभाग	14.08.2017	10.00 बजे पूर्वाह्न
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13	गणित विभाग	14.08.2017	10.00 बजे पूर्वाह्न
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