Rain pounds Mumbai to standstill, no relief in sight

- The city recorded 297 mm of rainfall, according to India Meteorological Department
- Schools and colleges have been ordered closed on Wednesday after forecast of more rain
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**Flood situation improves in Assam, West Bengal**

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**Assam**

The overall flood situation in Assam improved on Tuesday as the death toll remained at 90, according to the State government.

In Morigaon district, taking the toll in the third wave of flood to 74. The toll in Assam remained 90, a senior official of the State government said.

Over one lakh people are still suffering across four districts in Assam. According to the Assam State Disaster Management Authority (SDMA), two people were killed in Morigaon district.

The total number of persons killed in this year’s flood-related incidents in Assam went up to 158.

The death toll in the second wave of flood was 80, and 30 people died due to the first wave of flood.

**West Bengal**

Heavy rainfall in Malda district, says an official

A major fire broke out in an automobile showroom here on the outskirts of the city in Malda district on Tuesday, gutting widespread damage to its workshop, stores, offices and garages.

While the police said there were no casualties, showroom owners said properties worth lakhs were gutted in the interio that engulfed the entire three-storey building. The showroom is located at Bhanapur along the National Highway, about 10 km from here.

Fire officers said they received a call around 4.15 pm, and Fire Officer Bhargab Chakraborty said, adding that habitats and petrol kept in the workshop was covered up by the blaze.

**Govt staff to get higher salaries: Naveen**

**Official Correspondent**

hubaneswar: Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik on Tuesday announced that recommendations of the 7th Pay Commission will be implemented for the State government employees and pensioners.

Mr. Patnaik said opportunities will be created to implement the recommendations of the Commission.

This year, more than Rs. 1 lakh serving State government employees and 3.5 lakh retired employees will get enhanced emoluments and higher pension respectively, said the Chief Minister.

Mr. Patnaik added that the State government has decided to implement the recommendations of the Commission with effect from January 1, 2018.

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CBI arrests IG, seven cops for custody death of rape accused

Shimla court remands them in agency’s custody till September 4

The Central Bureau of Investigation on Tuesday arrested the then Haryana Pradesh Inspector General of Police (Southern Range) Zahir II. Zaidi, a Deputy Inspector General of Police and six other policemen in connection with the custodial death of a gang rape victim in Shimla on July 4.

A team had rescued the Kotkhai police station on Tuesday following the custodial death of the rape accused.

The IG was the prime accused along with four other police personnel.

The IG is the ninth police officer who was arrested in the past five months in connection with police custodial deaths.

The investigation team, an official said on Tuesday. The IG was the in-charge of the dargah in Baram Valley to study the geological situation of landslips, and contributed to a study of the district which fall in seismic zone II.

Talaga to be a part of madrasa curriculum

Linked to a dargah of the Sunni sect

The Geological Survey of India (GSI) has begun a study of the pattern of natural disasters in these areas, that are hit by natural calamities every year during monsoon since 1977, he said. Copies of the study will be given to the district administration so that the suggestions can be applied to minimum disasters.

GSI team to study pattern of disasters in Uttarakhand

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The form for the scholarship has been uploaded on www.nepal.gov.np students of classes XI, XII, graduation and post-graduation are eligible to apply. The last date for submitting the form is September 10.
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**WEATHER WATCH**

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**IN BRIEF**

**Lalita’s family quizzed in benami cases**

Income-Tax department questions wife Rabri, son and daughter; RJD calls it natural process

After a marathon questioning of almost seven hours by the Income-Tax (IT) department officials in Patna on Tuesday, it was revealed that the RJD chief and his family members had been questioned for two hours earlier.

Two hours ago, the IT department had moved against a special Income-Tax (IT) department office in Patna to record its statement on the alleged benami property deal that was in the air.

A senior official of the IT department confirmed that they had Summoned the RJD chief and his family members for questioning on the alleged benami transaction.

**Class X girls walk 12 km to air their grievances**

Class X students of a residential girls’ high school in Patna on Tuesday were found to have walked 12 km to air their grievances.

**Remove black spots from roads: Minister**

The Bihar government on Tuesday instructed all-cid to speed up removing ‘black spots’ from roads.

**Forecast for Wednesday**

Heavy to very heavy rain is likely in a few places over Gajapati, Koraput, Gaj, Archakpur, Prakasam, Prakasam, Gajapati, and Prakasam, which are located in the Indian state of Andhra Pradesh. The rain is expected to continue throughout the day and night, with heavy rain expected in some areas.

**In brief**

**New Delhi: 10th anniversary of the 2001 Kargil War**

The Indian Army has marked the 10th anniversary of the 2001 Kargil War on Tuesday.

**2018 Lok Sabha elections: Likely to be held in February**

The Election Commission of India is likely to announce the dates for the 2018 Lok Sabha elections in February.

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King Edward Memorial, Nair and Sirion hospitals dealt with staff shortage, water-laden premises and power cuts following the deluge.

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Lessons from Doklam

India must engage China a lot more. The BRICS meet a good occasion to initiate a dedicated backchannel.

Rallying together

A viable alternative must be found on more than just a shared antipathy to the BJP.

The resolution of the Sino-Indian dispute, which has been pending for decades, must be achieved. To avoid an armed conflict, the two countries must resist the temptation to go down the road of brinkmanship. It is in the interest of both China and India to ensure a peaceful solution to the Doklam Standoff.

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The exiled former Maldives President on the political turbulence in his country. China’s growing influence, and why India must take note of it

BY HARSHA BHOGLE

Five years after he rose out powered by the military, and a year after he was allowed to leave the Maldives under international pressure, Mohamed Nasheed, the country’s first democratically elected president, is back in the fray. And his return to power is renewing fears that China’s growing influence in the Indian Ocean region will be overlooked.

In 2012, Nasheed was toppled by the military and arrested, charges of corruption and ties to the Maldives National Party (MNP) were slapped on him. He then sought asylum in the Maldives High Commission in London where he was given political asylum, but was denied asylum in India, the Maldives, and Europe. He was finally allowed to leave for the United States where he was granted asylum in the Maldives.

Nasheed returned to the Maldives in September 2018, after being granted asylum in India, and was arrested on charges of corruption and illegal possession of firearms. He has been held in jail ever since.

He is now seeking asylum in India, which has been a consistent demand of his. India has been cautious in granting asylum to Nasheed, given the political sensitivities involved.

India’s position on Nasheed is reflective of the broader regional dynamics at play. China’s growing presence in the Indian Ocean region has been a cause for concern for India, which has a long history of rivalry with China.

India has been wary of China’s growing influence in the region, which it sees as a potential threat to its strategic interests. India has been cautious in its dealings with China, given the historical animosity between the two countries.

The Maldives is a small island nation in the Indian Ocean, which is strategically important to India. India has been a close partner of the Maldives, and has been providing aid and support to the country.

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Photo: The India-China Border at Nalsa in Yarlung Tsangpo Valley.

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The extremely heavy rainfall in south Gujarat has also caused floods, with roads and tracks submerged at Vapi and Surat, where 22 people were shifted to safer places. Surat and Vadodara districts in the state have been declared as flood-prone areas, and the Barreli, Bhavnagar, Rajkot, Saurashtra, and Kutch districts in the state are receiving heavy rainfall. Surat, which received 26 mm rainfall on 27 July, got 20 mm rainfall on 28 July and Rajkot got 36 cm and 88 mm, respectively, the State Emergency Response Centre said.

With standing offender, Modi to visit China

The announcement of Mr. Modi’s visit to Xi’an comes four days after a press statement welcoming the visit of the Chinese President Xi Jinping to India and China. Mr. Modi had visited the Chinese capital in September 2014 when he led the first Indian delegation to attend the 11th Shanghai Cooperation Organisation summit in Shanghai.

Myanmar visit

Mr. Modi is on a 3-day visit to Myanmar. This is the second visit to Myanmar by Mr. Modi, who last visited Myanmar in 2012. The NEC noted that the visit will help to further strengthen bilateral ties in the area.

The Myanmar President also expressed the hope that India will continue to support Myanmar’s efforts in becoming an active member of the international community.

Only Indian phones for defence officials?

Senior officers in the defence ministry and the telecommunications sector have received an order of procurement of 4.5 million mobile phones within the next six months. The Air Force, Navy, and Army will be procuring 1.5 million smartphones, 1.5 million tablets, and 1.5 million feature phones respectively.

Nasheed flags presence of Chinese warships in Male

Defence Minister Haneef Adam on Monday said that there were no Chinese warships in the Male area. However, he did not provide any specific details.

Mamata talks with Gorkhaland agitators

CM of the state, Mamata Banerjee, has met the Gorkha leaders to discuss the issue of Gorkhaland. The meeting was attended by the Gorkha leaders, including Bimal Gurung, the Chief Minister of West Bengal.

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Says no reason to ‘interfere’ in verdict

Local correspondents

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The Petitioner filed the special leave petition (SLP) against the judgment pronounced on October 3, 2016.

The court said that the murder of a young man in the country is a serious matter and the decision was highly justified. The court also said that the petitioner's plea was meritorious and the court had to remand the matter to the High Court.

The Supreme Court handed down the verdict after considering the arguments of the petitioner and the government. The court observed that the petitioner had not given enough reasons to interfere with the order of the High Court.

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HC orders SITs to probe Haryana Violence

State govt. asked to file detailed report on steps taken to sanitize Dera headquarters at Sirsa

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The SITs, which will be led by retired police officers, will investigate the incidents of violence and rioting that took place in Sirsa last week.

The SITs will also look into the role of the Dera Sacha Sauda in the violence.

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Centre to unveil "future-ready" industrial policy in October

Blueprint will aim to spur use of IoT, AI, robotics for advanced manufacturing

Addressing the problems of low job creation in the formal sector, the other "India vision" outcomes include developing alternatives to banks and improving access to credit for MSMEs through "post to peer lending" and "crowd funding", providing a rating structure for MSMEs addressing the lack of an institutional structure and also balancing the government's obligations to multiplaid or bilateral trade agreements, striking the right balance of action on jobs and employment, ensuring that minimum wage is from its deontological and target-oriented sectors to labour only.

"In thematic focus groups, manufacturing and MSMEs have been asking for active institutional support in terms of doing business, infrastructure, investment, trade and fiscal policy, and skills and employability for the future," would facilitate impacts.

Centre clears 100% strategic sale of CEL

Enterprise has 750.34-cr net worth

In a bid to attract foreign capital, the Centre has approved a 100% strategic sale (SES) route for the Central Electronics Limited (CEL) by way of strategic disinvestment. Under strategic disinvestment the financial value of the disinvestment transaction would be decided by shareholders.

Board ‘rejuvenation’ is work in progress: Murthy

Opinions against my demands, an affront to principles of corporate governance, says Infosys founder

"My main concern is the poor governance practised by the previous board," he said, referring to the new era and supporting out estratégicas en el mercado...".

Minimum wage to vary across states

Under Code on Wages Bill, the different is based on geographical factors, says officials

Lohani bats for process change, prioritises safety

New modes of revenue needed: Railway Board Chairman

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The report of the task force, which was submitted to the Finance Minister Arun Jaitley on August 30, says, "The burden on the Centre is of strategic sale of Public Sector Enterprises (PSUs) for which the government has approved 10% four years ago. We need to look at the strategic disinvestment of PSUs for which the government has approved 10% in four years on a regular basis."

The report reviewed the performance of the new home ministry, and recommended that the Centre should adopt a comprehensive approach to reform and modernisation of the rail sector.

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**MRF targets ‘Perfinza’ at luxury cars**

Eyes larger share of the niche but expanding segment with new range of high speed rated tyres

**RAGHUNATH**

MRF Ltd, on Tuesday rolled out a high speed rated, premium range of tyres to step up its presence in the small but growing luxury car space.

The unveiling of the Perfinza range of premium tyres is a reflection of the company’s constant endeavor to push the envelope in every aspect of its business, where vehicle makers judiciously use new car entry point vehicles, said Koshy K. Varghese, executive vice-president (Marketing).

MRF has roped in South African endorser A.R. de Veller as brand ambassador for the Perfinza range.

**Texted in Europe**

These tyres have been developed by MRF’s in-house RD team, and tested extensively in India, Germany and Spain in severe conditions, according to a company statement. Perfinza tyres will cater to the 16-18-inch segment.

According to Ajay Verma, senior general manager, these tyres will be available for 60-car models in India including the hatchback range from the Maruti Suzuki and Mercedes-Benz. Perfinza is the first tyre made by an Indian company that has received technical approval by a German car-maker.

Those tyres feature an asymmetric tread pattern with a silica based ‘green technology’ compound and ‘smart packaging’, handling and traction control in all weather conditions, said MRF in the statement.

“Though the luxury segment comprised only a tiny portion about 0.5 to 1.5% of the whole car market in India, the customers in that category were discerning and ‘we are not uncomfortable with the current mix’,” the centre said.

The centre top brass of MRF Ltd, C.K. Mammen, chairman and managing director, Arun Mammen, vice-chairman, and Rahul Mammen, managing director, were present at the unveiling. They also jointly addressed the press conference. To a specific question on dumping from China, K.M. Mammen said “we are protected by the law.”

“After all, the domestic industry was already taking on global competition. We are one step ahead of the game,” R. Shankar, MD, TVS and customised Mercedes-Benz range.

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MRF’s offering is similar to another set of high speed tyres that thriving German company, Continental, offers in India.

Mercedes-Benz India has launched two AMG centres

**SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT**

Continental has launched two AMG Performance Centres in Kochi and Chennai, as part of its strategy to enter newer markets. With the automobile major having seven such centres in the country, the AMG facility in Kochi and Chennai is the second centres aimed at strengthening the customer relationship by offering them an exclusive and customised Mercedes-Benz AMG product experience and unmatched service quality,” said Roland Folger, MD and CEO, Mercedes-Benz India.

“IKEA to open first Indian store in spring

Swedish home furnishing firm readying hiring plan, aims to double local sourcing

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IKEA to open first Indian store in spring. The Swedish home furnishing major IKEA is realistic staffing plan even as it gears up establishing an emblematic centre ahead of opening its first store in the country by mid-2018.

IKEA’s first store in the country is under construction since October last year. John Achillea, managing director of IKEA India, said that the firm was India for the long haul, “a journey that will see us evolve,” the company, known for quality and designs of its products, doubling the

**TVS Logistics aims at $1 bn in India revenue**

“GST helps us bring capabilities here”

**Pavan Dasan**

TVS Logistics Services Ltd, (TVS LSL), a third-party logistics service provider, has drawn up aggressive growth plans for its Indian business as the Goods and Services Tax (GST) regime offers a huge opportunity, according to top officials.

“With our global revenue crossing $1 billion, we are now setting our focus on India to achieve this ambitious target,” Mr. Dinesh said.

“This year, we will be doing revenues of $750,000 to $1,250,000 and our aim is to touch $2,000,000 by 2020-21. For the last five years, the company achieved the growth rate of 20% and the business has been in excess of 30%,” Mr. Dinesh said.

Mr. Dinesh said the focus would be on auto-mobile sectors such as telecom, technology and FMCG, among others.
President rewards sporting excellence

Devendra Jadhav first ever para-athlete to be bestowed Kheti Ram

**STORY**

Devendra and Bhardwaj and Satinder Singh are no strangers to the world of sports. They are proud representatives of the country in different fields. They are the ones who not only bring glory to the nation but also inspire millions across the world.

Devendra Bhardwaj and Satinder Singh are among the athletes who have been rewarded by the President for their outstanding performance in sports. The two athletes have been awarded the Arjuna Award, the highest civilian award for young athletes in India, for their outstanding contribution to sports.

The Arjuna Award is given to young athletes who have shown exceptional talent and commitment to their sports. It is a prestigious award that recognizes the hard work and dedication of these athletes.

Devendra Bhardwaj, a para-athlete, has been awarded the Arjuna Award for his outstanding performance in Para Athletics. He has been a role model for many and has inspired millions with his perseverance and determination.

Satinder Singh, a wrestler, has also been awarded the Arjuna Award. He has been a part of the Indian team in several events and has won many medals for his country.

These awards are a testament to the hard work and dedication of these athletes. They are an inspiration to many and serve as a reminder of the importance of sports in our lives.

For more information, please visit the official website of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.
Huge achievement: Saina

Reminiscences about her interaction with Gopi Chand

When I first met Gopi sir, he was just 37 years old. I think that was around 2004 or 2005. That was when I was around 17 years old. I was competing in national level championships, and Gopi sir approached me and offered me some advice on my game. He was very encouraging and supportive, and I felt very comfortable around him.

He was a big booster for me, and I think that was the start of our relationship. We have been working together ever since then. Gopi sir has always been there for me, even through the toughest times. He has helped me grow as a person and as an athlete.

When I was around 18 years old, I was preparing for my first international tournament. Gopi sir was very supportive and helped me mentally prepare for the event. He had a big impact on my performance, and I was able to perform very well.

I have always admired Gopi sir for his passion and dedication to the sport. He has always been a great mentor to me, and I am very grateful to have him in my life.

Coach Clark bullish on Zeel's prospects

Coach Clark is confident that his team has what it takes to compete at the highest level. He believes in his players and is looking forward to the upcoming tournaments.

Zeel's prospects are bright, and Clark is optimistic about their chances of success. He is confident that his team can perform well in the upcoming tournaments and achieve good results.

Warner leads Australia's pursuit

Warner led Australia's pursuit and was the match-winner against India. He scored a century, and his performance helped Australia secure a victory.

Warner was in excellent form and played some magnificent shots. He was in control from the very first ball and continued to score runs at a rapid pace. His partnership with Smith was crucial, and their 263-run stand for the second wicket set the tone for the match.

Warner's performance was outstanding, and his century was the highlight of the match. His innings was a testament to his talent and determination.

Mihika advances

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Dhaka shocks Rashid

Dhaka caused a major upset in the last round, and they shocked Rashid in the cricket tournament. Dhaka's performance was outstanding, and they were able to defeat Rashid convincingly.

Dhaka's players were in great form, and they were able to outplay Rashid in all departments of the game. Their performance was impressive, and they were able to secure a comfortable victory.

Dhaka's win was a significant achievement, and it has put them in a good position in the tournament. They are looking forward to the upcoming matches and are determined to continue their good form.
Sharapova shocks Halep
The 30-year-old Russian outlasts the second-seeded Romanian in a marathon

Sharapova made a winning return to Grand Slam competition on Monday after a 13-month doping ban, outlasting second-ranked Simona Halep 6-3, 6-2, 6-3 at the US Open.

The 2004 champion, who had just one hardcourt tune-up match due to a nagging hip injury, needed 166 minutes to dispose of Halep with 16 unforced errors, setting the tempo in the first set.

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Halep was down 5-2, but didn’t give up a point for the rest of the set.

Sharapova said: "This girl has a lot of grit." Sharapova won five of the last six points in the first set.

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