

# Editorial

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## A perspective

The doctrine of running good governance lies to the integrity of the leader that leads the government. In democratic form of government govern my a hard written constitution, one can hardly sees the difference of ideology among any of the political parties which are on the theatre for running a government when it comes to Indian Nation. The left wing ideologist or the right wing ideologists have nothing to for the interest of the common people as long as it has to run the government under the constitution of the country. This is being said on the logic that future of the common people and those newly merged nation to the Indian nation were never a matter of concern for the framer of the world biggest constitution.

Absolute freedom is granted to the Indian constitution, but again it is this freedom that gives opportunity to major communities to rule over the poor. The concept of secularism define in the constitution has been easily misinterpreted or perhaps misused by the majority community. Any ban on anything which one community said it is against their religious practice is made free to exercise.

India is a vast country and the concept of Hindu to be seen misinterpreted as communal tools to hold power to run the government. The same is with the Muslim dominated area. The majority are protected by the constitution of India in the name of protecting the minority.

It is at this hour that bourgeoisie's pseudo politicians have no worry for adopting religion of any kind for survival without even looking on whether they are worshipping the wrong god or barking at the wrong tree.

When Congress rules the nation, people living below the poverty line are the commodities for their personnel gain. Equality which has been guaranteed in the constitution appeared to have been left out for the poor and middle class people. Only the sons and daughter of the politicians were privileged to inherit the post. This cannot be denied as have been seen with the emergence of Mr. Rahul Gandhi as the only leader of the crumbling congress party.

In Manipur, 15 years of congress rule has left the people acquaintance with any alternative. It was never the ideology or the party itself that the people were soured but the governance which shattered the hopes of thousand people of the region. When BJP replaced the congress at the centre in 2014, the state of Manipur successfully strike and hit the bull's eye to replace the same here in 2017 state assembly election.

The new government now is in the power and the Chief Minister which now led the state is trying everything to win the heart of the people by not letting down any short of proposals. He had done it and is doing. The first three months was excellent. But rumours are taking around the city and critics have now started barking, as, not everything he and his government had promised is not turning into action. The fight against corruption, at which his government started by establishing a special cell called 'anti-corruption' cell turn out to be a cell to look after middle and lower class employees.

Things only matter is that people are fed up of another political crisis.

Yesterday's inauguration of Imphal Evening is a great job at which many people had been dreaning off but then while doing so lack of home works among many in the concern department had given room to many for straight criticism.

Don't know the concept of opening an evening life in Imphal is consulted with the Law department or not, and if consulted those in the department need to be replaced by some more qualified individuals in the field. It is being said so as National Highways cannot be diverted or blocked by the government for any purpose. This was already experienced with the ruling of the Manipur High Court when the Highway in between the Chief Minister's Bungalow and the Post Office was diverted by the then Okram Ibbi Singh led congress government.

The motive of Chief Minister N. Biren Singh, who led the government, is crystal clear. He will not compromise his integrity and essence of patriotism with anything. All he had been striving hard is for a change and developed Manipur. But then doing good for the state and people need more consultation as he is now for all the people of the state and not for a mere group of people whom he think will keep his position undisturbed. Forget about the National Highway rules, but please think about those women vendors at Khwairamband Keithel who faced difficulties in returning to their home. And forcing them to return before 7 would be injustice.

## Flight trial operations of Kannur airport from Jan next

**PTI Kannur(Ker), Dec 23:** Flight trial operations of the Kannur International Airport, built at a cost of Rs 1,892 crore, will commence in January next year, in preparation for the launch of commercial operations in September 2018, a top official said today. "A trial flight is expected from Delhi to calibrate the radar system. We have requested them to conduct the operations in early January," Kannur International Airport Ltd (KIAL) Managing Director, P Bala Kiran, said. Once operational, this will be the

fourth international airport in Kerala after the ones at Thiruvananthapuram, Kochi and Kozhikode.

The works on both airside and city side of the airport which has come up on a sprawling 2,092 acres in Mattanur, is almost complete and by February 2018 all the works are expected to be completed, he said.

The airport with a runway of 3,050 metres can operate Boeing B-777s and Airbus A-330s. There are plans to increase the runway length to 4000m in two years time, Bala Kiran told PTI.

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## National & International News

# Philippines Tropical Storm Tembin: Death toll soars to 90 as mudslides, flooding wreak havoc across country

**Reuters Manila, Dec. 23:** A tropical storm in the Philippines triggered mudslides and flooding that killed nearly 90 people, while dozens are missing, police and disaster officials said on Saturday. The casualties, most of them killed late on Friday, were all on the main southern island of Mindanao, they said. "We're still trying to confirm reports of a farming village buried by a mudslide," said Ryan Cabus, an official in Tubod town.

He said power and communication lines to the area had been cut, complicating rescue efforts. The weather bureau said the storm had gathered strength over the Sulu Sea and was packing winds of up to 80 kph and moving west at 20 kph. It was heading out over the sea by mid-day on Saturday and would have moved clear of the Philippines by Monday, it said. Emergency workers, soldiers, police and volunteers were being mobilised to search for survivors,

clear debris, and restore power and communications. The nearly 90 deaths were reported in various places including 39 in Tubod, El Salvador and Munai towns in Lanao del Norte province. In Zamboanga del Norte province, police said 30 people had been killed in the town of Sibuco town and six in Salug. Three people were killed in Bukidnon province, while politicians in Lanao del Sur province said seven people had drowned in flash floods there.

Sixty-four people were reported missing in floods and landslides, according to a tally of reports from officials and police. The Philippines is battered by about 20 typhoons every year, bringing death and destruction, usually to the poorest communities of the poor Southeast Asian country. Last week, 46 people were killed in the central Philippines when a typhoon hit. In 2013, super typhoon Haiyan killed nearly 8,000 people and left 2,00,000 families homeless.

## Andhra Pradesh bans new year festivities in temples citing huge floral decoration expenses

**Express News Service Hyderabad, Dec. 23:** The Andhra Pradesh Endowments Department which manages religious places in the state has issued a circular banning festivities and special darshans at temples to celebrate New Year, citing huge amounts spent by temples on floral decorations and banners. The circular also stated that organizing new year festivities in temples is not according to Hindu and Telugu traditions as the Telugu new year is Ugadi in April. The circular directed the temple managements and priests not to spend money on the floral decorations, banners wishing

devotees, and making special arrangements. The circular issued was issued by the Hindu Dharma Parirakshana Trust of the Endowments Department which administers temples in the state other than those managed by the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD). Hindu Dharma Parirakshana Trust Secretary C V Raghavachariyalu said that the temples were spending

lakhs on floral decorations and banners for New Year from the donations received from devotees. "According to Hindu and Telugu traditions celebrating the new year on January 1 is not proper. Telugu new year is Ugadi which comes in April. This new year celebrations on January 1 in temples using lakhs of rupees donated by devotees is not appropriate and not according to our traditions," he said.

Officials said that it has been reported that temple priests have been conducting special poojas, darshans and programmes on January 1 after collecting large amounts of money from devotees. "This has to stop. We are still following the English calendar in the temples instead of the Hindu calendar," Hindu Dharma Parirakshana Trust Secretary C V Raghavachariyalu said.

## 32 killed as bus falls off bridge into river in Sawai Madhopur, Rajasthan

**TNN Jaipur, Dec. 23:** At least 32 people were killed while 7 others were injured in Sawai Madhopur's Dabi area when the bus veered off a bridge and plunged into a river on Saturday morning. On the other hand 3 people according to the police were missing. All the passengers were going to a pilgrimage at a temple at Malana Dabi area of Sawai Madhopur from Hindaun city.

According to the police, the incident took place early in the morning when the driver of the bus lost control over the wheels and the bus fell down into 100 feet Morel river. "Thirty two people are killed and 12 bodies have been taken out while three others are seriously injured," said Maman Singh, Superintendent of police, Sawai Madhopur. Most of the people, including the bus driver, died due to drowning, he said. Passengers were from other states

like Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Assam. Several of them were going to offer prayers at a temple in Malana Chour in the district. A team of police divers and villagers were on the spot to get the bodies out of the water. Twenty-seven bodies have been recovered and five injured rushed to hospitals, Singh said, adding that 10 bodies were handed over to their family members after post-mortem.

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## Corruption: Election, Evidence and Ignorance

Third, why on earth are majority of our community muckhative in humiliating small wine vendors, petty thieves and minor offenders? We are much active in taking part in punishing them particularly in public and vandalizing the properties of those trivial culprits. The crucial crookedness is that our community does not turn strong against the big looters and real social smugglers. When it comes to larger domain of socio-political-economic corruption, the majority do always remain passive. Aftermath incidents of bomb-gun attacks by the extortionists at the landmark buildings which turn out to be house of the well to do families or bourgeoisie, the locals raise their voices displaying neighbors' concerns launching sit-in protests around the house of the rich.

It gives an ill indication of social response towards corruption, exploitation for it encourages public looters and social smugglers. Rather at such moment it has to remind the receivers of bombs and bullets; what they are receiving now is what they have just earned. The locals are well aware of how the owners of the towering houses have accumulated so much wealth but what they ignore is the crimes the rich committed. This is the society who is showing a good amount of undue respect to such critical population of thieves, looters and law breakers. Here, some questions are compelled to be raised: how has the breed of kidnappers and extortionists been surfaced on the soil? Why have they adopted such condemned means of earning? The best answer is the

corruption although it is not of the lone factor. The majority of the receivers of the tension of bombs, bullets are the privileged government employees. They are supposed to take responsibilities towards the public service. They are the bureaucrats, police officers, engineers, doctors and other well to do families. Also there are many whom ministers, MLAs and other high ranking officers have poured favors and opportunities upon unfairly. This economically favored population has received so much misappropriate monetary gains and material benefits supposed to go to the needy population. Their children are not becoming the condemned kidnappers and extortionists. The one of the loud reasons is that the majority of them

have looted and packed so much for their own children; just robbed the rights and opportunity meant for the kidnappers. Thus, the extortionists have just missed the opportunities to become what they wanted to be once they wished for. No doubt, once they too wanted to be doctors, engineers, scientists and professors. They hardly thought of becoming actors of such violent engagement. This course of risky journey they are taking was destined. The government personnel ranging from the higher authority to lower clerks together robbed the educational facilities; they pocketed the money meant for schools. Have clogged every economic rights should have flown to the people who becoming bomb hurlers and kidnappers today.

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