

Poetry section

Wedding

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Wedding's not an ugly manner,
Wedding's a beautiful and memorable instance;
Wedding's an example cause;
All I remembers' a prediction;
All I experience's a sudden exhibition;
Dull and stupid and carelessly,
Victimizing and saddening and desolate;
Abandoning and lonely and timidly,
Gloomy and down-hearted and fallen;
Discouraging and demoralizing and uninviting;
Hating and sickening and comfortless;
Losing strength and confidence;
I knew nothing to embrace sweet fully;
So terribly dumb struck, sitting wholly
No utterly words heard, disqualifying totally;
No friends a happy guest altogether,
No purpose a welcoming action unconditionally;
Sudden struck a blame institute,
All I favors' a damn good shutting and securing.

Wedding's not an ugly manner,
Wedding's a beautiful and memorable instance;
Wedding's an example cause;
No activity's a great concern and uncertain;
Hiding all I can know of,
Smelling fishy and too scared to handle;
What a wedding life I am too?
All I expose is to keep my little strength,
Alive and shining and afresh;
Enclosing that four -corned room dim and shadily;
Hoping for a new brighter tomorrow,
So stupid and so solid I am too;
All I knew is little, less and nothing,
All I feel is 'just let it go and let it ease'
All I do is stuck inside out, 'm a stranger
Unsettle and upset and dreamy.

Wedding's not an ugly manner,
Wedding's a beautiful and memorable instance;
Wedding's an example cause;
Enfolding all those tasks swiping,
Washing and cooking and gathering,
And holding and folding and wrapping,
And judging and tasking and idle ling and
Encouraging and promising and be scarily natural;
Oh! What a manner?
Oh! How you judge this wedding day?
All I remember is too afraid to tell,
All I experience is too uncomfortable to stand with;
Just passing day, with all those sweet little clothes on;
How happy and courageous I am?
Being an owner to few elementary clothes,
Striking not a material grieving and possession;
Arching not for an error instances;
All I emancipate is a liberal way.

I Am In You To Feel Myself

By: Parthajit Borah.

Measuring the heart confirms my age
The weaving dreams of emotion
awake me in silence,
the sobbing of tears surrendered
before the kingdom of crying.
The memories of feelings grow
too older to feel someone at heart.
Writing of words fail to form
a poem in the pages of heart.
Night is haunting me
sucking the final breath of my heart.
Tired dreams of pale heart flow
a red sea in my heart.
Fallen tears of eyes seek to rest
on the womb for a while.
Touching of breeze confirms
me to feel at someone's heart.
Melting emotions receive your
warmth to pour dreams.
Let me feel myself in you.

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AND MINING EQUIPMENTS, JUST THINK OF US



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National & International News

Policeman dies in encounter in J-K's Bandipora, two militants escape

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Srinagar, Oct. 29: Two militants escaped after killing a policeman during an encounter in north Kashmir's Bandipora on Sunday, the first gun battle in the Valley after the Centre relaunched the dialogue process barely a week ago.
Bandipora superintendent of police Sheikh Zulfikar said a policeman of the special operations group (SOG), Zaheer Abbas was seriously wounded and was shifted to Srinagar. "He succumbed to his injuries," he said.
The official said that Abbas, 35, was survived by his wife and two small children.
In a rare occurrence in Kashmir these days, the militants managed to escape from the cordon. Almost all recent encounters have led to the elimination of militants after the security forces drew up a hit list this summer.
"No militant has been killed in the encounter. Most probably the two have escaped," Zulfikar said.
Local reports said that there were some protests and stone pelting on

security forces which possibly helped the militants escape. "The protests were not the reason for their escape as there were only few boys. The area was congested," Zulfikar said.
This is the second encounter in Bandipora's Hajin this month. On October 11, two Indian Air Force commandos, training with the army, and two militants were killed in a gunfight.
Sunday's firefight started after a joint party of police, the army and the Central Reserve Police Force cordoned off the Mir Mohalla area of Hajin and launched a search after being tipped off about the presence of militants. As the security personnel approached a house, militants hiding inside opened fire. "The security forces started the search at around 6.25 am and the militants opened fire from a house at around 8 am," an official at the Bandipora police control room said.
The entire operation lasted around five hours with the encounter ending at 11.30 am.
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named former Intelligence Bureau chief, Dineshwar Sharma, to talk to all stakeholders to find a solution to the 30-year-old Kashmir insurgency.
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The government has been pursuing a tough line in Kashmir after violent street protests left more than 100 people dead over the past year.
Bandipora superintendent of police Sheikh Zulfikar said a policeman of the special operations group was wounded and was shifted to Srinagar. Police refused to confirm reports of death of a policeman and a militant, saying the gun battle was still on.
This is the second such exchange in Bandipora's Hajin this month. On October 11, two Indian Air Force commandos, training with the army, and two militants were killed in an intense gunfight.
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Chhattisgarh government recommends CBI probe into 'sex CD' row

PTI
Raipur, Oct. 29: The Chhattisgarh government has recommended a CBI probe into the "sex CD" row allegedly involving a state minister. The decision was taken at a Cabinet meeting yesterday chaired by Chief Minister Raman Singh at the Secretariat here, state's Revenue Minister Prem Prakash Pandey told reporters. He said the Cabinet held a discussion on the purported video and decided to recommend a Central Bureau of Investigation probe into the issue.
Accusing the Congress of hatching a conspiracy, the minister said his party has already stated that the CD was fake and even a local TV channel in its report mentioned that it has been tampered with. The matter seems to be a "political and criminal conspiracy" and, therefore, it was decided that the premier investigation agency should probe it, Pandey said.

Asked if Chhattisgarh PWD Minister Rajesh Munot, allegedly involved in the row, will step down from his post till the investigation gets completed, he said, "How can a state minister influence a CBI probe?"
Pandey said the recommendation to the CBI for the probe has been made on six points including interstate conspiracy in making the "fake" CD, a high-level technical examination of the alleged video, funding to make it and political and criminal conspiracy. The alleged sex video sparked a political row in the state with the Congress and the BJP trading charges over the issue. The matter came to light when senior journalist Vinod Verma was arrested by the Chhattisgarh Police early on Friday morning from his Ghaziabad residence for suspected blackmail and extortion related to a "sex CD".
As Verma was being escorted by the police, he claimed that the

Chhattisgarh government was not happy with him as it suspected that he had a "sex CD of Chhattisgarh PWD Minister Rajesh Munot" and suggested he was being framed. Munot called it "fake" and an attempt at character assassination.
According to the Raipur Police, a case of blackmail and extortion was registered at Civil Line police station here following a complaint by one Prakash Bajaj who said that he "was being harassed over phone by an unidentified caller who told him that he had a CD of his master".
Raipur Superintendent of Police Sanjeev Shukla had claimed that about 500 "porn" CDs, Rs 2 lakh in cash, a pen drive, a laptop and a diary were seized from the journalist's residence, who was picked up at 3.30 am from Mahagun Mansion Apartments in Indrapuram by the state police team with the help of the Ghaziabad Police.
The SP said that Verma has been

booked under Section 67 (A) Information Technology (IT) Act for possessing pornographic material. Munot had demanded that the CD be examined for its genuineness and action taken against those involved in this "conspiracy".
Chhattisgarh BJP spokesperson Shivratn Sharma had alleged that state Congress chief Bhupesh Baghel was part of the "conspiracy" involving the "fake CD". Later on the basis of Munot's complaint, a case was registered against Baghel, Verma and others.
The main opposition Congress had demanded that a probe be conducted by an independent agency under the supervision of the Supreme Court into the "sex video" row.
"The way the ruling BJP has reacted to the (sex CD) matter, it is clear that a government agency cannot probe this issue," Baghel had said during a press conference.

JNU women students question self-defence sessions

PTI
New Delhi, Oct 29: A controversy over the disbanding of a gender cell has taken a new turn in Jawaharlal Nehru University, with a section of women students questioning self-defence training sessions started by the Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) set up by the administration.
The training sessions, the very first initiative of the ICC, formed after the disbanding of the Gender Sensitive Committee Against Sexual Harassment, or GSCASH, have kicked up an outcry.
Some students pointed out such sessions put the onus on women to protect themselves, an approach that conflicted with that of GSCASH, which focused on gender sensitisation with workshops, films and meetings.
JNU Students' Union (JNUSU) president Geeta Kumari, who was also a student representative to GSCASH in 2015, said though it was important to learn martial arts, anti-sexual harassment bodies should focus on gender sensitisation initiatives.
"A woman should be left undisturbed not because she knows karate, but out of regards to her freedom and choice," she said.
The ICC, set up by the JNU administration replacing GSCASH amid opposition from many sections, began its 10-day self-defence training in collaboration

with the Delhi Police on October 23.
Student Swati Simha, who boycotted the training, said the problem with the measure was that it was a "remedial approach" that put the onus on the victim on defending herself against sexual harassment.
"Our physical prowess cannot be a mechanism to fight for gender justice. By participating in such events we do not want to legitimise victim blaming," she said.
ICC presiding officer Vibha Tandon, however, stressed that self-defence training was an important part of national policy. "I don't think doing anything positive for women is wrong. We would also be conducting gender sensitisation programmes which will be announced shortly," Tandon said.
Some ICC members have also been accused of not having any experience in handling sexual harassment cases.
"The committee is constituted with members who have no prior experience in working with any body that deals with gender," former JNUSU general secretary Satarupa Chakraborty said.
Teachers' union president Ayesha Kidwai stressed such sessions did not address harassment.
"Can a woman student give a karate chop to her PhD supervisor when he touches her

inappropriately? Will the university not immediately punish her if she did," she asked.
However, an ICC member who asked not to be named said several gender sensitisation initiatives were in pipeline which the committee would announce in the coming weeks.
"We recently came across an incident in which a woman student complained about a security guard

who stared at her while she was practising yoga. On asking the guard he explained he had never seen women doing yoga in his village and was intrigued by it. Sensitising such people needs time," the member said.
JNUSU has been spearheading a protest against the university administration and UGC demanding the reinstatement of GSCASH.

India is a messenger of world peace: PM

PTI
New Delhi, Oct 29: Prime Minister Narendra Modi today said India has always vouched for world peace, unity and harmony and its armed forces have contributed in this direction through UN missions across the globe.
He said that currently around 7,000 Indian security personnel are deployed on peacekeeping missions, making it the third highest contributor.
Besides, Indian forces have provided peacekeeping training to their counterparts from 85 countries and have been providing medical services to people from a number of countries, Modi said in his monthly radio programme "Mann Ki Baat".
"India, as a messenger of peace, has always vouched for peace, unity and harmony in the world. It is our belief that everyone should live in peace and harmony and

move towards a better and peaceful tomorrow," the prime minister said.
He said India has participated in about 50 out of 71 UN peacekeeping operations undertaken so far.
In his radio broadcast, he also talked about India's culture of respecting nature, highlighted the increase in Khadi sales, referred to cleanliness campaign and mentioned the role played by Sardar Vallabhai Patel in laying the foundation of the country's unity.
Modi also expressed concern over the fact that even children are nowadays getting afflicted by diabetes and exhorted the young ones to play more outdoors to evade such ailments.
He also referred to the just-concluded FIFA U-17 tournament in India and expressed happiness over the host team's performance, saying it had won hearts, if not medals.