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Delhi among top 5 cities with maximum elder abuse

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Delhi is among the top five Indian cities reporting high percentages of elderly abuse with 33 per cent of the elderly population being treated poorly, a new survey has noted.

According to the 23 city report by HelpAge India released today, the maximum amount of abuse happens in Mangalore (47 per cent), followed by Ahmedabad (46 per cent), Bhopal (39 per cent) and Amritsar (35 per cent). The study that aimed at understanding the extent,

depth, form, frequency and reasons behind such abuse, revealed that nearly one-fourth of the elderly population experienced abuse personally, and often the main abusers were either sons (52 per cent) or daughters-in-law (34 per cent).

"Unfortunately, elder abuse starts at home and from whom they trust the most.

"This year the son has turned out to be the foremost perpetrator, followed by the daughter-in-law who normally is perceived as the primary abuser as per past surveys," Mathew Cherian, CEO, HelpAge India, said.

The charitable organization also runs a toll-free helpline for elders to be able to reach out for help in case of instances of abuse.

Another finding of the report underlined how 82 per cent of the abused elderly do not report the matter to either "maintain confidentiality of family matter" (52 per cent) or "do not know how to deal with problem" (34 per cent). The latter suggests their lack of awareness, the report noted.

According to the elders participating in the survey, sensitisation of children and strengthening inter-

generational bonding is the way forward.

"38 per cent elders feel the most effective way to deal with elder abuse is to sensitize children. Another way of tackling this increasing generation gap between the young and the old, is bridging this technology gap and empowering our elders," Rohit Prasad, Chief Operating Officer, HelpAge India, said. Joining hands in the fight against elder abuse, the organisation, along with 300 senior citizens from across the national capital, will hold a candlelight march tomorrow at Parliament Street here.

Our politics is that there should be the rule of Sikkimese: CM

Sikkim, June 14

Chief Minister Pawan Chamling on Wednesday urged people of Sikkim to remember Sikkim Democratic Front (SDF) if they aspire for peace, security and development process to continue in the State. Those wanting to ruin Sikkim are ready if you are careless and don't want peace or development in the State, he told the people of SDF constituency at Nandok.

"Janta must take a decision on what kind of Sarkar they want. The SDF party is there if you want peace, security, development and respect. If you don't want or become careless then those who want to ruin Sikkim are also ready. Our politics is that there should always be rule of Sikkimese in Sikkim," said the Chief Minister. Chamling pointed out Sikkim has seen tremendous progress, tourism growth and inclusive development

due to the good governance of the SDF government. "It is not a good sign for the peace and development of Sikkim to see people falling under a delusion or attending the meetings of those who want to destroy Sikkim in name of caste and religion. Sikkim will be finished the day peace is vitiated here and then people have to pay goonda tax," he said.

In his 3 hours and 40 minutes speech, the Chief Minister also countered the allegations of corruption and communalism hurled against his government by the opposition parties. I have not committed the crime of financial corruption during the 24 years of SDF government or misused even a single paisa of the Sikkimese people...there has been no misuse of government funds in any government scheme, he said. "Other States also get the same or more funds from the

Centre and lending agencies like Sikkim gets. Go and compare what kind of development is taking place there. Our State has done the most work among all other States and it is the most quickly developed State of the country. Sikkim is the only State in the country where basic minimum needs of the people have been fulfilled. Development and corruption does not go hand in hand. Corruption does not take place if there is development. There has been development in Sikkim and this proves that there is no corruption in Sikkim. Sikkim is a corruption-free State."

Chamling also commented on the persistent demand from the opposition political parties to allow CBI to enter Sikkim for conducting investigations in the corruption allegations against him and his government. "They (opposition) clamour

for CBI probe against me but will the CBI be only for me? It will be misused," said Chamling adding that he has nothing to fear about CBI. People today have not understood on how this CBI talk can be misused, he said. The Chief Minister said RTI Act is being misused by certain anti-social elements in the State. RTI has become a profession for the bad mash people to do extortion in the State, he said.

Chamling reiterated that opposition political parties are coming together to take on the SDF party in the coming 2019 Assembly elections. He asserted that the ruling front would not face any stiff challenge to form the government for the 6th consecutive term.

"I have been touring the State and meeting people. No person from any constituency told me that they will remove us from government. They want me again for the sixth term because of my experience in running the government. People have told me that they are with me and that they will never get an experienced Chief Minister like me. People in the villages are firmly with us," said Chamling.

The Chief Minister maintained that he does not believe in politics of revenge. In 24 years of our government, we have never oppressed people belonging to other political parties or stopped promotion of employees, he said.

Earlier, SDF Shyari constituency in-charge K.T. Gyaltsen made the welcome address where he placed the demands of the local public for new roads, school up gradation and other requirements.

Supreme Court refuses to stay UPPSC mains exam

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The Supreme Court on Thursday refused to stay the Uttar Pradesh Public Service Commission (UPPSC) mains examination slated for June 18 and set aside the Allahabad High Court order for a re-evaluation of answer sheets of the preliminary test.

A vacation bench of justices U U Lalit and Deepak Gupta allowed the appeal of UPPSC against the high court order. The bench dismissed a batch of petitions by some students, who had demanded a stay of the mains examination saying UPPSC has not complied with the High Court order. "We allow the appeal of the UPPSC and set aside the High Court order. The petitions seeking stay of mains examination are dismissed," the bench said.

Countdown to FIFA world cup 2018 begins; Russia to face Saudi Arabia in opening match



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The 21st edition of the FIFA World Cup gets underway in Moscow this evening, with the opening Group-A game between hosts Russia and Saudi Arabia. The match will kick off at 8:30 PM Indian Time.

Before the game, the Luzhniki Stadium will witness to an elaborate opening ceremony. It will focus on a series of musical acts, featuring star singer Robbie Williams and Russian soprano Aida Garifullina.

32 nations, divided into eight

groups, will battle it out for the coveted trophy in the quadrennial month-long event. Germany are the defending champions, with five-time winners Brazil emerging as favourites.

Top shot players like Argentine Lionel Messi, Portuguese Cristiano Ronaldo and Egypt's Mohamed Salah will all be taking part in the tournament looking to guide their teams to glory. So, before the tournament starts, here's our correspondent detailing the recap of the highlights of the last World Cup, held in Brazil four years ago.

Kochi merchant ship fire: Crew member succumbs to burns

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A crew member of a domestic merchant ship that caught fire off the coast here, has succumbed to severe burns. Doctors at the Medical Trust Hospital here declared Yogesh K Solanki from Daman and Diu dead on arrival last night, a hospital spokesman said today.

The ship "MV Nalini" caught fire while being anchored at 14.5 nautical miles southwest off the city last evening. The vessel had lost power and propulsion, prompting it to send out a request to Navy for evacuation of its crew members.

A Defence spokesperson here, quoting a message received from the ship with 22 crew members onboard,

had said a man in his late 20s had suffered 80 per cent burns.

The situation was brought under control yesterday itself.

The ship is a chemical tanker, and was carrying naphtha. The Southern Naval command, the Coast Guard and other agencies had made arrangements for the rescue operations.

Delhi's air quality beyond 'severe' as stubborn dusty haze persists

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A day after air quality in the city reached hazardous levels, Delhi residents woke up to yet another dusty morning on Thursday.

Morning readings from most air quality monitoring stations across NCR showed that PM 2.5 levels remained in either the poor or hazardous categories. In several places, however, levels went beyond the severe - which is the maximum pollution level. As per AQICN's collated

data, RK Puram and the area around Sonia Vihar water treatment plant were the worst with readings maxed out at 999 at around 0200 hours on Thursday. Other areas like DTU (892), Satyawati College (812), Rohini (787) and DITE Okhla (741) also had air quality in the hazardous levels but combined figures brought the overall category down to 'poor'.

It is reported that the current conditions are likely to last till Friday with the Environment Ministry blaming dust storms

from Rajasthan for choking Delhi and NCR. On Wednesday, major construction agencies, municipal corporations and Delhi Pollution Control Committee (DPCC) were instructed to ensure water sprinkling around the city. The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) also convened an urgent meeting of the Task Force regarding the implementation of Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) today and issued necessary directions to contain local dust sources.

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