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Ulaanbaatar Cup:

Five Indians are in final; four fetch Bronze; Assam's Lovlina and Manipur Ethas are in the Final ; Shiva Thapa and Mizoram's Vanhlimpuia settle for Bronze

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It is a medal rush for India as world silver-medallist Sonia Lather (57kg) and Mandeep Jangra were among the five Indian boxers to enter the finals, while four others, including Shiva Thapa (60kg), signed off with bronze medals in the Ulaanbaatar Cup in Mongolia on Saturday. Those who made the final along with Sonia and Mandeep were Lovlina Borgohain (69kg), a gold-medallist at the India Open earlier this year, Himanshu Sharma (49kg), and Muhammed Etash Khan (56kg). Ending with bronze medals were Shiva, debutant Vanhlimpuia (75kg), Ashish (64kg), and Bina Devi Kojiam (48kg), a direct entrant into the last-four stage owing to the small size of the women's draw. While Shiva lost a closely-contested bout to home boxer Battumur Misheelt, Bina was out-punched by Korean Kim Sun. Ashish too lost to a Mongolian in Uranchmeg Munkh-Erdene, while Vanhlimpuia was beaten by Iran's Mousavi Sevedshahin. Lovlina, in contrast, dominated from the very start, taking good advantage of her opponent

Enkhbaatar Erdenetuya's sluggish foot movement. The Indian punched at will, her jab connecting powerfully. The Assam-boxer will now square off against Chinese Taipei's Nien Chen Chen in her summit clash. Shiva, on the other hand, fought out a messy slug fest with Misheelt. The former world bronze-winner and three-time Asian-medallist Indian connected better but could not find get the nod from the judges, who were split in their verdict favouring the crowd favourite. In the evening session, Himanshu claimed a scrappy 3-2 win over Thailand's Samaek Saehan in the semifinal to enter the final, where he will be up against Iran's Omid Ahmadsafa. Etash, in contrast, ensured that the judges had no doubt in awarding the bout to him against Mongolian Tsgaanbaatar Munkhbaatar. The Manipuri youngster displayed sharp reflexes and struck powerfully to fetch a unanimous verdict into the final. Kazakhstan's Baltiyev Abdukhaul awaits him in the summit clash on Sunday.

Sonia, a two-time world, and Asian championships silver-medallist defeated Tiantian Zhao of China in a split decision. The Indian looked off-colour in the opening round, which Zhao dominated with her well-connected right hooks. However, Sonia staged a strong recovery in the second and third rounds, drawing from her huge reservoir of experience to fetch a favourable verdict in the end. She will face local favourite Tumurkhuyag Bolortuul in the summit clash. In the men's draw, Mandeep, a former Commonwealth Games silver-medallist, was up against local challenge Tsend-Ayush Otgon-Erdene. The Indian was way superior when it came to hitting impactful punches and was also helped by a warning to Otgon-Erdene for excessive bending. Ashish and debutante Vanhlimpuia gave their all in their respective bouts but fell short when it came to getting judges' nod. Bina was beaten in a unanimous verdict by the Korean Kim Kum Sun, undone by lack of power in her punches and the longer reach of her opponent

2nd TBSFA Veteran Football Tournament



IT News

Imphal, June 24,

The 2nd TBSFA Veteran Football Tournament, 2018 kicks start today afternoon at Th. Birchandra Singh Football Academy,

Taobungkhok, Imphal West. The launching ceremony of the tournament was attended by R. K. Rameshwar, Managing Director, R.K. Fortune Development private Ltd., Thokchom Krishnatombi Singh, Deputy Commandant 8th MR and Thokchom Marjit Singh, DIS Piyanu Brick Field Taobungkhok as the dignitaries.

International & National News

Schemes brought by NDA govt have ushered in positive changes in lives of people: PM Narendra Modi

Courtesy - AIR
New Delhi, June 24,



Prime Minister Narendra Modi today said, schemes brought by NDA government have ushered in positive changes in the lives of people. Mr Modi said, his recent interactions with beneficiaries of different schemes through video conferencing in the past few weeks have been a unique learning experience for him. He was addressing the nation in his Mann Ki Baat programme of All India Radio. Saying that 40 to 50 lakh people participated in this video bridge program, Mr Modi expressed his gratitude towards all for imparting him with new strength.

He pointed out that women in distant villages are providing services ranging from pension to issuance of passport to senior citizens through common service centres. He cited several examples and added that there was not a single corner of the country where people did not have a success story to share.

Mr Modi gave an example where corporate professionals and IT engineers in Bangalore came together and created a 'Samridhi Trust' through which they doubled the income of farmers by successful activation of this trust.

The farmers were trained to inculcate organic farming with latest agricultural techniques and how to grow more crops along with a single cash crop in the fields.

The Prime Minister said Goods and Services Tax, GST is a great example of cooperative federalism, where all the states decided to take a unanimous decision in the interest of the nation.

He informed that it is a matter of pride that all the decisions taken in the 27 meetings of the GST Council were unanimous despite people from different political ideologies being involved in these meetings.

He said, before GST, there were 17 different types of taxes prevailing in the country, but now only one tax is applicable in the entire country.

He said, earlier, in the case of taxation and allied affairs, there were rampant complaints of Inspector Raj. He stated that in GST, information technology has replaced the inspector and from return to refund is done through online information technology.

He also said, the check post has become extinct after the arrival of the GST scheme and movement of goods has become faster, which not only saves time but also accrues benefits in the area of logistics.

He further added, the successful implementation of such a huge tax reform was successful only because the people of the country adopted it and through the power of the masses, fueled the success of the GST scheme.

Mr Modi said, it is generally believed that such a big tax reform, in a huge country like India takes 5 to 7 years for effective adoption.

He expressed happiness that despite this, due to the enthusiasm of honest people, the new tax system has managed to create a space for itself within a year.

The Prime Minister recalled the great contributions of India's saints in eradicating social evils and promoting humanity. He said, he will be visiting the Samadhi Sthal of Saint Kabir Das at Maghar in

Uttar Pradesh on the 28th of this month.

He said, Kabir Das appealed to the people to rise above divisions of religion and caste and make knowledge and wisdom the sole basis of recognition. Mr Modi said, these principles are relevant even after several centuries have gone by.

He said, Kabir Das stressed upon the virtues of social equality, peace and brotherhood through his Saakhis and Dohas.

The Prime Minister recited several dohas of the saint saying that these are relevant and inspiring even in modern times. He added that Kabir Das toiled relentlessly to quell many such superstitions and evil social customs of his times and spread the message of peace and harmony.

Mr Modi also cited the example of Guru Nanak saying his teachings endeavoured to eradicate caste based discrimination prevalent in the society. The Prime Minister said the establishment of a kitchen free of social discrimination where a person of any caste, sect, religion or community could eat was initiated solely by Guru Nanak.

The Prime Minister said, the 550th Prakash Parv of the Guru can be celebrated as Prerna Parv next year. The Prime Minister said, it will be 100

years of the horrific incident of Jallianwala Bagh next year. He said, the massacre imparts the message that violence and cruelty can never solve any problem. He emphasised that it is peace and non-violence, renunciation and martyrdom that are triumphant in the end.

Responding to a listener, Raman Kumar of Rohini in Delhi who had urged him to talk about Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee, Mr. Modi said education, administration and parliamentary affairs were very close to the leader's heart. He said, Dr. Mukherjee was the first Industries minister of India who laid a strong foundation for country's industrial development. Dr Shyama Prasad Mukherjee's dream was for India to be industrially self-reliant, competent and prosperous in every sphere.

The Prime Minister said, the fourth Yoga Day presented the rarest of sights and the whole world appeared as one entity.

In the European Parliament in Brussels, at the UN headquarters in New York, on Japanese naval warships, there were sights of people performing yoga. Saudi Arabia witnessed its first historic Yoga programme where many aasans were demonstrated by women.

Mr Modi said, Yoga breaks all barriers of borders and unites people. He gave the heartwarming example where 750 divyangs assembled at one place in Ahmedabad to practise Yoga and thus created a world record.

The Prime Minister congratulated the doctors on the occasion of Doctor's Day to be celebrated on 1st of next month. Mr Modi said, the role of a doctor is not limited to mere treatment of ailments. He said they not only cure but also heal.

The Prime Minister congratulated the Indian cricket team for inviting the Afghanistan team to pose together for photographs while receiving the trophy. He said, this incident exemplifies the very spirit of sportsmanship.

CBSE fails in basic maths again, leaves kids in lurch

Courtesy TOI
New Delhi, June 24,

On May 26, Meenakshi failed the Class XII boards with 16 marks in English core. Now, the Delhi girl is on her way to college as verification of her result showed CBSE hadn't added up her marks correctly. She had scored 80 - a shocking difference of 400%.

"Forget failing, I could not have scored anything less than 80," Meenakshi said. "They didn't add 64 marks, so all I got was 16, which has now become 80."

Like last year, CBSE's totalling errors are again torturing thousands of Class X and Class XII students. Although board officials aren't saying how many applications they

have got, and how many results have had to be revised, a source told TOI there are more than 10,000 requests for verification this year.

TOI had reported on the high incidence of totalling errors last year, too. A Mumbai student who scored 80% and above in all his subjects had got just 50 in maths. After verification, his marks went up to 90. Delhi girl Samiksha Sharma's maths score more than doubled from 42 to 90. Embarrassed by the mistakes, the board had decided to assign two evaluators to each answer book this year, but the measure clearly didn't work.

Amit, a Class XII student, scored only 44 marks in geography, but 90% and above in the rest. Verification

showed 51 marks had not been added to his result, so his geography score increased to 95.

Krish, who had failed in social science with 12 marks, now has 59, and is through to Class XI. A student who had scraped through in chemistry with 44 marks, has got 95, but the most shocking case is of a Class X student who scored zero in Urdu, only to pass with 37 marks after verification. How could the evaluators fail to credit this student for at least one correct answer? There are totalling mistakes even in the mathematics papers of both classes.

To a questionnaire about totalling errors, sent on Thursday, CBSE replied it is "not possible to give this data

today" as they plan to collate it only after June 27. TOI also texted a questionnaire on totalling errors to CBSE's chairperson and spokesperson on Saturday, but there was no official response till this report was filed.

Even the high-powered committee set up by the ministry of human resource development in April, after mathematics and economics papers were leaked, had expressed concern at CBSE's evaluation process. An exam branch official said mistakes could occur not only due to incorrect totalling but also the incorrect transfer of marks to the title page (front of the answer book) and detachment of supplementary answer books.

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