Rajnath approves 'Home Minister's personnel Special Operation Medal' for police injured in

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Union Home Ministry has instituted new medals in the special operations category for meritorious officers in police, security and intelligence services. The medals are meant for

An Assam Rifles jawan was injured in twin IED blasts special operations. triggered by NSCN (K) insurgents in Phek district of Nagaland, an officer of the Intelligence category and will be awarded on Independence Day and Republic Day paramilitary force said. The blasts took place near Akhegwo village when a road annually. "Union Home Minister paramilitary force was providing security for the passage of an Assam Rifles convoy at 3 pm yesterday, he

Rajnath Singh has approved the institution of "Home Minister's Special Operation Medal". Police Officers of States & Union Territories,

Central Police Organisations (CPOs), Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) and Security Organisation involved in Special Operations will be eligible," said the MHA

statement "The Union Home Minister has also instituted three more Medals, — the Antarik Suraksha Medal, Asadharan Aashuchan Padak, and Utkrisht & Ati-Utkrisht Seva Medal.

The Medals will be awarded annually; while the HM's Special Operation Medal and Asadharan Aashuchan Padak will be awarded on 15th August coinciding with the Independence Day, the

Antarik Suraksha Medal and Utkrisht & Ati-Utkrisht Seva Medal will be announced on 26th January to mark the Republic Day. The Asadharan Aashuchan

Padak will be given to officials of Intelligence organization of Central and State Governments, Assam Riffles and NSG.

The Antarik Suraksha Medal will be bestowed upon Police personnel of States and central police forces engaged in the operation duty rendered by them for a tenure of every two years in Internal Security in Jammu & Kashmir State, Maoist affected areas North Eastern States.

MUTA reiterated stands for removal of VC

the Vice-Chancellor of the

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An emergency meeting of the Executive Committee of the Manipur University Teachers' Association was held today at 1.30 pm at the office of the Association to discuss the

further course of action in connection with the demand for the removal of

Manipur University Prof. Adya Prasad Pandey from the post of Vice-Chancellor The members discussed the imbroglio and unanimously resolved to appeal to the members of the MUTA not to accept the in-chargeship of the Vice-Chancellor and other administrative positions under any condition till the present

crisis is resolved. The meeting also resolved to request all the members of the MUTA not to extend any cooperation to the present Vice-Chancellor and other statutory officers of the Manipur University till the current impasse is resolved, the general secretary of the MUTA Prof. Lisam Shanjukumar Singh informed.

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Centre's top priority to build modern healthcare infrastructure for poor, middle class: PM Modi

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PM Modi addressing a gathering at Maghar in UP on Thursday. (Express photo by Vishal Srivastav) Prime Minister Narendra

Modi on Friday said that the government has focused on the health sector in the last four years and it is among the Centre's top priorities to provide modern healthcare to the people. The prime minister, who laid the foundation stone for the National Centre for Ageing at the AIIMS today, said the Centre along with state government is trying to build infrastructure for modern healthcare to benefit the poor and the middle class of the country

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policy

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday said that the government has focused on the health sector in the last four years and it is among the Centre's topmost priorities to provide modern healthcare to the people.

interventions of the government, we are moving towards a situation where we are providing good healthcare for the poor and middle class so that they don't have to pay an unnecessary cost for healthcare," Modi said. The PM also inaugurated a

555-bed Super Speciality Block in Safdarjung Hospital, at AIIMS in New Delhi today. Apart from this, he also dedicated a 300-bed Power Grid Vishram Sadan in AIIMS

and a 'connection motorable tunnel between AIIMS. Ansari Nagar and the Trauma Centre.

Yesterday. PM Modi addressed a gathering at Maghar in Sant Kabir Nagar district in Uttar Pradesh. He also inaugurated a two-day Kabir Mahotsav organised by the Union Ministry of Culture at Maghar. The festival was organised to mark the 500th death anniversary of mystic poet and saint, Kabir Das.

NSCN-IM invites to Special Program on Health and the Bible spending huge sum of money danger. We should avoid,

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NSCN-IM is organizing a special program for the Steering Committee Members and Kilonsers at CHQ Church, Hebron by CNC. An anointed servant of God, Rev. Fr. Dr. Godfrey shall be the guest speaker on health and the Bible, an MIP statement said. The statement by MIP said , "We are living in a world of health hazard being made by some unscrupulous people of the world. We are eating dangerously adulterated food everyday and thereby cutting our lives shorter than short This is wrong. God's will for us is to live a healthy long life. "From Rev. Fr. Dr. Godfrey, we can learn many ways to healthy living and saving lives. He has a lot of divine knowledge, which we can call mysteries or secrets. These secrets are revealed. In most cases, we can avoid going to hospitals and clinics and

for medical treatments. At times, we can be free from worries for family health.

"There are easy and simple preventive measures and healing methods. There are herbs, plants, seeds and leaves available in our courtyards or nearby places from which we can fight back against deadly diseases. We can make medicines for ourselves at home instead of buying medicines from pharmacies. Some of these homemade medicines and tonics are much better than that of chemical and pharmaceuticals. Believe it there are means to cure diseases at home without heavy cost.

"Our health is in danger by adulterated food. Cancer is common. BP stroke is common. Sugar is common. Our families are exposed to many unknown and complicated sicknesses We are in danger. In the same way, our spiritual lives and political journey are also in prevent or battle against such harms decisively. Our families should not be left devastated. Therefore, this program is importantly made for our national leaders so that they should live a healthy long life

and save the nation. "Of course, we must believe that every circumstance of life. God is in control. He is the ultimate answer. We must come to Him and earnestly pray together for our pray tog wellbeing.

Therefore, we cordially invite all the honorable Members of the Steering Committee and Kilonsers the pleasures of your presence in this special program being organized on Saturday, the 30th of June, 2018 at CHQ, Church, Hebron.", the statement

added. The program starts at 10 am. At the end of the day, a sumptuous dinner will be provided to all the participants

Inter-Korean ties crucial for nuclear diplomacy, says South Korea

Unification

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South Korean President Moon Jae-in has said progress in inter-Korean relations will be crucial because the North won't give up its nuclear program unless it feels its ecurity is assured. (Reuters File photo)

South Korea's point man for inter-Korean affairs on Friday said Seoul will try to facilitate civilian-level exchanges with North Korea in coming months to strengthen the conciliation process between the rivals. Unification Minister Cho

Myoung-gyon said strengthened relations between the Koreas will increase the chances of

successful nuclear diplomacy between Washington and Pyongyang. Pompeo says sanctions stay on North Korea for now

South Korean President Moon Jae-In, in a meeting with Mike Pompeo, says the world had escaped the threat of war after

this week's Singapore summit, echoing U.S. President Donald Trump's upbeat assessment of his meeting with North Korean leader Kim Jong Un.

"(Our) government will closely communicate and cooperate with North Korea and the United States, all our neighboring countries, and the entire international community so that the agreements between North Korea and the United States could be quickly and completely carried out," Cho said at a Seoul forum co-

Minister Cho Myoung-gyon said strengthened relations between the Koreas will increase the chances of successful nuclear diplomacy between Washington and Pyongyang.

hosted by his ministry and South Korea's Yonhap news agency. "While the agency. "While the denuclearization negotiations

go on, we may try to facilitate the negotiations with efforts from the inter-Korean level if such an approach is needed." Cho said Seoul will put in efforts to facilitate inter-Korean exchanges at the civilian and local government levels so that "people from all areas and levels of society"

could engage in the conciliation process. He said Seoul will also try to promote exchanges between South Korean news organizations and North Korea's state media. Cho downplayed concerns that improved relations will be accompanied by the easing of sanctions and pressure on North Korea. saying that the progress in inter-Korean projects will whether depend on whether appropriate "conditions are created.'

South Korean President Moon Jae-in has said progress in inter-Korean relations will be crucial because the North won't give up its nuclear program unless it feels its security is assured. Moon met with North Korean

leader Kim Jong Un in April and May and their summits have opened various channels of peace talks, including ongoing military talks for reducing border tensions, Red Cross talks that set up temporary reunions between war-separated relatives, and sports talks that led to an agreement to field combined teams at the Asian Games in

August. Kim met with President Donald Trump earlier this month in Singapore where they issued an aspirational goal for a denuclearized Korean Peninsula without describing when and how it would occur. U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo is expected to travel to North Korea soon for follow-up talks.

Cho said upcoming between Pompeo and senior North Korean officials will provide an opportunity to shape detailed plans for the "complete denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula and security guarantee for North Korea," which would help the wartime foes kick off a genuine peace process.



Sanamahee Ahong Khong Chingba observed

Courtesy Pothasang Imphal, June 29,

shall be awarded

After '350 years' Sanamahee Ahong Khong Chingba, a Manipur traditional ceremony for peace and prosperity was witnessed in Imphal City. In the ceremony Lord Sanamahee was adorned on a chariot and travelled in the heart of Imphal city.

People offered fruits, flowers and money as the chariot

passes along the busy street of Imphal during the travelling locally known as 'Kang practiced. Chingba'. Cultural ritual with During the Sanamahee Cheng traditional Pena music and Hongba rice, flowers and fruits dances were performed praising the glory of Lord Sanamahee as the devotees were offered to the deity move the chariot.

seeking boons for a prosperous family, free from diseases, untimely death and separation, blessed with baby The religious procession began in the morning form to follow lineage and free from

evils and all worries While people pay the offering cultural troupes performs

back to perform Sanamahee traditional dances and music Cheng Hongba, which is still showcasing the festive nature

of the ceremony. People from different communities turned up to take

part in the ceremony. The ceremony was organised by Lainingthou Sanamahee

by Lamme. Sana Pung (LSSP), Kangleipak. Ishorjit Chandam, media coordinator of LSSP said the Cheng Hongba is performed annually however the Kang Chingba of Sanamahee Ahong Khong Chinba has not been performed for more than three centuries.

It is organised in the heart of the commercial city with the motive to make the society recall the tradition which was practiced by our ancestors since long time back.

We want to retell the people that Manipur was once a land where all the communities of both the hills and valley lived harmoniously. And the ritual is performed for peace and prosperity, added Chandam. According to LSSP the ceremony is performed on 15th day of Inga month in Manipuri Lunar calendar, based on the myth of Lord Sanamahi circumbulating the world with the advice of his father. This is the day Sanamahi became the Lord of every household.

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twin blasts

in Nagaland

The Assam Rifles jawan

suffered splinter injuries on his chest and leg in the blasts.

which took place within a gap of some time, he said. He was

immediately evacuated to the

Army Hospital in Jorhat, where his condition is stated to be stable, he said. The Assam

Rifles convoy was coming from Kiphire district. The NSCN(K),

in a statement, has claimed

responbility for the blasts. Two Assam Rifles personnel

were killed and four others

suffered injuries in an ambush by insurgents of the same

outfit near Aboi in Mon

Painting

competition

A Painting competition for

children from Class 3 to 6, class 7 to 10 will be held on

Sunday, 1st July 2018 at KAGO Turf, Ghari, Airport Road at 9.30 am on the theme "Sports for a Healthier Life". A special

category for children below class 3 will also be included.

Attractive prizes for the top three and consolation prizes

district on June 17

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said.

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