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Cabinet approves Ordinance amending insolvency law

Agency
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The Cabinet yesterday approved promulgation of an ordinance to amend the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC). The code proposes to classify home buyers as financial creditors at par with lenders to help them quickly get refunds from defaulting companies. The present amendment is based on recommendations of a 14-member government

appointed committee chaired by Corporate Affairs Secretary Injeti Srinivas that had last month suggested a slew of measures, including addressing woes of home buyers and making recoveries easier for lenders. Under the code, financial creditor implies any person to whom a financial debt is owed. The financial debt can include money borrowed for interest. Homebuyers will be treated at par with banks and institutional creditors and will be given priority while

recovering dues from bankrupt or insolvent real estate companies. The move will help quickly recover investments in bankrupt real-estate companies and will benefit millions of homebuyers. The amendment comes months after a new Section 29A was added into the bankruptcy code in November, introducing four layers of ineligibility for potential bidders. The ordinance will come into force once it is approved by the President.

CBI registers FIR against 17 persons in SSC paper leak case

Agency
New Delhi, May 24

CBI has registered an FIR against 17 persons including ten employees of Sify Technologies Private limited in connection with the leak of paper for Combined graduate level examination of Staff Selection Commission. The agency yesterday carried out searches at various premises including four offices of the Sify Technologies Pvt Ltd in Chennai, Noida, Mumbai and New Delhi besides the residence of one of its employees in Delhi.

It is alleged that the paper of the second tier of the Combined Graduate Level, which took place on 21st February this year and its answer key were allegedly leaked and became viral on social media before the start of the examination. CBI has also named seven students in the FIR who had appeared in the examination on the basis of the screenshot of the question paper.

Begging at public, religious places in Srinagar banned

Agency
Srinagar, May 24

The Jammu and Kashmir government has banned begging at public and religious places here and directed the police to arrest the offenders. The order, issued by Deputy Commissioner of Srinagar, Syed Abid Rasheed Shah yesterday, said Srinagar being the summer capital of Jammu and Kashmir holds a great importance in the socio-economic landscape of the state and so it is contingent upon the administration to take all measures necessary to make the district more citizen friendly and to prevent public nuisance at all costs. "Begging being an offence under the Act (Jammu and Kashmir Prevention of Beggary Act 1960), it is imperative that strict necessary action under law be initiated against the offenders," it stated. The deputy commissioner said, "It has been observed that off late there is a proliferation of beggars on the streets of Srinagar which

creates massive nuisance for the general public." The order stated any person found soliciting alms in a public place, or in or about a mosque, temple or other place of public worship, whether or not under any pretence and entering on any private premises for the purpose of soliciting alms shall be immediately arrested under Section 4 of the Jammu and Kashmir Prevention of Beggary Act, 1960 read with Section 61 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, Svt 1989. Those exposing or exhibiting with the object of obtaining or extorting alms, any sore, wound, injury, deformity or disease whether of human being or an animal shall also be arrested, it said. "Also, any person found having no visible means of subsistence and wandering about or remaining in any public place or in a temple, mosque or other place of public worship in such condition or manner as makes it like that the person doing so exists by soliciting alms or allowing himself to be used as

an exhibit for the purpose of soliciting alms, does not include soliciting money or fee or gift for a purpose authorized by law or authorized in the prescribed manner by the District Magistrate, shall also be arrested, it read. The deputy commissioner directed senior superintendents of police, Srinagar and Budgam, to implement the order in letter and spirit and report the number of such arrests on daily basis.

China says report on President Xi asking Pak to relocate LeT chief Saeed shocking, baseless

Agency
Beijing, May 24

China today dismissed as "shocking" and "baseless" a media report that President Xi Jinping has asked Pakistan to explore ways to relocate JuD chief Hafiz Saeed to a West Asian country amid mounting international pressure to act against him for his links with terror groups. According to the report, a close aide of Pakistan Prime Minister said that Xi made the suggestion to Shahid Khaqan Abbasi during their meeting on the sidelines of the Boao Forum in China last month. Reacting to it, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson's office today said the report that Xi has asked Abbasi to relocate the Pakistan-based Jamaat-ud-

Dawa (JuD) chief to a West Asian country was "shocking and baseless". "It is shocking and baseless that's all we can say," the official told PTI here. Saeed carries a USD 10 million American bounty for his role in terror activities. He is the mastermind behind the 2008 Mumbai terror attack in which 166 people, including six US nationals, were killed. The JuD is believed to be the front organisation for the Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) which is responsible for carrying out the Mumbai attack. It has been declared as a foreign terrorist organisation by the US in June 2014. The US Department of the Treasury has designated Saeed as a Specially Designated Global Terrorist, and the US, since 2012.

UN lifts travel ban for North Koreans to summit between US Prez Donald Trump and Kim Jong Un

Agency
New York, May 24,

A United Nations Security Council committee on Wednesday (May 23) approved the travel of North Korean officials to Singapore for a June 12 summit between US President Donald Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un and planning meetings, diplomats said. In a May 16 letter to the Security Council North Korea sanctions committee, seen by Reuters, Singapore asked for a blanket waiver for the participation of North Korean delegations. The 15-member committee operates by consensus. The letter did not list which officials were expected to visit Singapore. The Security Council has imposed a global asset freeze and travel ban on 80 individuals under a sanctions regime it has unanimously strengthened several times since 2006 in a bid to choke funding for Pyongyang's nuclear and ballistic missile programmes.

Singapore described the summit as "an opportunity to advance the objective of a peaceful resolution of the DPRK (North Korea) nuclear issue and the establishment of peace and stability on the Korean Peninsula and in the region." In February, the Security Council sanctions committee granted approval for a North Korean delegation, specifically UN-sanctioned senior official Choe Hwi, to travel to South Korea for the opening of the Winter Olympics.

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Sports News

Sania among 8 dropped from TOPS

Agency
New Delhi, May 24,

Star tennis player Sania Mirza was excluded from the sports ministry's Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS) along with five wrestlers and two boxers in the latest list issued by Sports Authority of India on Wednesday.

Sania's exclusion was on expected lines as she is expecting her first child with cricketer husband Shoaib Malik.

Two track and field athletes — A Dharun and Mohan Kumar — were added in the list of 192 sportspersons who will get funding from the government.

Praveen Rana, Satyawart Kadian, Sumit, Lalita and Sarita were the five wrestlers dropped from the list while boxers L Devendro Singh and S Sarjubala Devi also got the axe.

As many as 41 sportspersons from seven disciplines have been identified to get the funding till the Olympic Games. Out of them, 14 are from shooting, 10 from badminton, six from boxing, four from wrestling and two each from athletics, archery

and weightlifting. All the other remaining, except for three, are for Asian Games.

Three track and field athletes — Lili Das, Sanjivani Yadav and Tejaswani Shankar — who were earlier marked to be funded till 2020 Tokyo Olympics, have now been listed for Asian Games. The maximum number in the list still comes from athletics (35), followed by shooting (31), para-sports (26), boxing (21), Archery (15) and badminton (10).

The Mission Olympic Cell (MOC), headed by the SAI Director General, evaluates the proposals of the athletes to be included in the TOP Scheme list.

It sanctions budgets based on the requirements of the athletes and the Committee's recommendations. The Committee is also responsible for periodically conducting review of athletes' progress and performances. Based on the Committee's recommendation, athletes may be included, retained or excluded from the TOP Scheme.

"This list is dynamic & will be reviewed regularly," said DG Neelam Kapur tweeted.

8 member NIMAS team reach Mt. Everest

Agency
Itanagar, May 24,

An eight-member expedition team of the National Institute for Mountaineering and Allied Sports (NIMAS), Dirang has successfully scaled the Mt Everest on 19-20 May.

The expedition team under Col Sarfraz Singh had earlier climbed three prominent peaks— Mt Gorichen, Mt Trishul and Mt Lobuche in Nepal as part of advance training for Mt Everest.

The expedition team comprised of six army personnel and two civilians from Dirang. They were Dorjee Khandu and Tongchen Nimsonga.

The Everest expedition was flagged off by the chief minister on 21 March.

Chief Minister Pema Khandu on Wednesday congratulated the team stating that "It is for the first time any national institute of mountaineering of India has achieved such a feat and placed eight mountaineers on top of the Everest in the first attempt". He also wished the team for their future endeavours.

AR conducted open trials for selection of football team for "Oorja under-19 talent hunt football tournament - 2018"

IT News
Imphal, May 24,

18 Assam Rifles of Headquarters 26 Sector Assam Rifles under the aegis of Headquarter Inspector General Assam Rifles (South) along with Chandel Football Friends conducted open trials for selection of football team for "Oorja Under-19 Talent Hunt Football Tournament - 2018" over a period of two days from 21 May 2018 to 22 May 2018 at Maha Union Hr. Secondary School of Chandel District.

The youth of Chandel town and surrounding areas of Chandel District showed remarkable enthusiasm to be part of the trials. A total of 154 boys participated in the open trials conducted by 18 Assam Rifles and Chandel Football Friends. The selected players



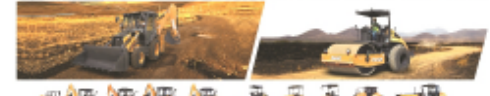
will form a team to represent Chandel District in "Oorja Under-19 Talent Hunt Football Tournament - 2018" being organised in Imphal from 17 June 2018 to 24 June 2018. Players selected during the tournament in Imphal will participate directly in the "Oorja Tournament" to be conducted at National level at

New Delhi from 16 July 2018 to 25 July 2018. 18 Assam Rifles provided all requisite support for the trials to select final team for the mega tournament. The efforts of Assam Rifles and Chandel Football Friends were widely appreciated by the local populace, parents and youths of the district.

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