

## Measures taken for Promotion of Indian Coastal Shipping Industries

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The Minister of State Shipping (I/C) and Chemical & Fertilizers Mansukh Mandaviya in a written reply to a question in Rajya Sabha yesterday informed that the Government has relaxed Cabotage under section 406 & 407 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1958, for the coastal movement of Agriculture, horticulture, fisheries and animal husbandry commodities. The said relaxation has given wider geographical spread for distribution of fertilizers for the benefit of farming community. He informed that in order to promote coastal shipping, the Ministry of Shipping, in exercise of power vested in the Central Government vide Section 407(3) of the Merchant Shipping Act, had relaxed cabotage and allowed foreign flag ships to engage in the

coastal trade of India without obtaining licence from Directorate General of Shipping for coastal movement of the following:  
For specialized vessels such as RO-RO, RO-PAX, Hybrid RO-RO, Pure car carriers, pure car and truck carriers, LNG vessels and over-dimensional cargo or project cargo vide order dated 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2015.  
EXIM/EMPTY containers vide order dated 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2018;  
Agriculture, horticulture, fisheries and animal husbandry commodities vide order dated 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2018, and  
Fertilizers vide order dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.  
He further informed that in addition, the Ministry of Shipping in exercise of power vested vide Section 406 (1) of the said Act, had allowed foreign flag ships chartered by a citizen of India or a company or a cooperative society to engage in coastal trade of India

for movement of above mentioned cargoes without obtaining a licence from Directorate General of Shipping.  
The licensing condition has been relaxed for certain type of specialized foreign ships due to non-availability of adequate number of such Indian flagged vessels. Similar relaxation for specific cargoes/commodities has been made to make available additional vessels for carriage of cargoes on the coast at competitive freight rates. This would encourage modal shift from road and rail transport to coastal shipping and eventually benefit the end-users. Both, the coastal trade and the transshipment of containers from Indian Ports, have shown an increase subsequent to the relaxation of licensing conditions for plying of foreign ships for specified types of cargoes.

## PM Modi asks BJP MPs to embark on 'padayatra' on Gandhi birth anniversary

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi has instructed BJP MPs to embark on 'padayatra' in their constituencies and cover a distance of 150 km between October 2 and October 31, the birth anniversaries of Mahatma Gandhi and Vallabhbhai Patel respectively, Parliamentary Affairs Minister Pralhad Joshi said Tuesday.



Addressing the BJP parliamentary party meeting, Modi also asked Raja Sabha members to visit constituencies where the BJP organisation was

weak.  
"These yatras will focus on revival of villages and making them self-reliant, plantation drive and zero budget farming," said Joshi. Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman spoke on the budget and called it "visionary".  
"PM told the meeting that whatever we said in Sankalp Patra (election manifesto) should get reflected in our vision of the future," said Joshi.

## In CBI crackdown on corruption, nationwide raids at 110 locations in Thirty cases

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The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) is conducting searches at 110 places across 19 states in its probe on cases of corruption and criminal misconduct.  
"In a nationwide action, CBI is today conducting searches at around 110 places in 19 States/ Union Territories. CBI has registered around 30 separate cases relating to corruption, criminal misconduct and arms smuggling etc," said a CBI release.

Earlier this month, the CBI had searched premises of 13 companies and bank officials across the country for alleged bank frauds amounting to ₹1,139 crore.  
The search and seizure was one of the biggest simultaneous, synchronised actions against bank loan defaulters in recent times. The CBI's top-brass, including its director Rishi Kumar Shukla, directly monitored the countrywide action.

## DoNER Secretary chairs meeting of Nodal officers of Aspirational districts of North Eastern region

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Imphal, July 9,

The Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER) Dr Inderjit Singh chaired a meeting with the Chief Nodal officers /Nodal officers of Aspirational districts of North Eastern region, here today. The Secretary reviewed the status of implementation of various programmes in different sectors in these districts. The meeting was attended by Shri Ram Muivah, Secretary, North Eastern Council (NEC), Shri Rakesh Ranjan, DDG (Evaluation), NITI Aayog, Shri Vijayendra, Joint Secretary, Department of Defence Production and Prabhan Officer of Aspirational District of Udalguri, Dr Vandana Dwivedi, Advisor, Department of Agriculture Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Shri Shirish

Asthana, Director, Office of Development Commissioner, Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and senior officers of the MDoNER and NEC were present in the meeting. During the meeting, the Nodal Officers of the following Aspirational Districts gave presentations: Barpeta, Baksa, Darang, Dubri, Goalpara, Haikandi & Udalguri (Assam); Namsai (Arunachal Pradesh), Chandul (Manipur); Ribhoi (Meghalaya); Mamit (Mizoram); Kiphire (Nagaland); West Sikkim (Sikkim) and Dhalai (Tripura). Their presentations were based on five themes of Aspirational District programme i.e. Health, Education, Agriculture, Water Resources, Financial Inclusion, Skill development and Basic infrastructure.

In the meeting, it has been decided to identify the common issues, challenges and thrust areas of all the Aspirational districts with reference to the presentations made by the Nodal Officers and references of the data of NITI Aayog. The Secretary, DoNER said that the Ministry will take follow-up action based on the inputs received from the Nodal Officers of Aspirational districts. Dr Inderjit Singh instructed the concerned officers to monitor the progress of these districts on a regular basis on different parameters so that these districts improve their performance. The Secretary directed them to coordinate with the Line Ministries, State Governments and Districts Administration to intensify their efforts for development of Aspirational Districts.

## Sport News Services adjudged the best team at the first edition of Sub Junior Boys' Boxing Nationals



By a correspondent,  
Rohtak, July 9,

Services and Haryana dominated the final day of the 1st ever Sub Junior Boys' Boxing Nationals with as many as 11 pugilists finishing on the top podium out of 14 categories at this prestigious national tournament held at the National Boxing Academy (NBA) here in Haryana. The most notable performance was from Services boy Neeru in 40kg against title favourite Karan Vats, who had proved his credentials last year when he won the silver medal at the School Nationals. However, the Delhi boy failed to repeat his heroics and went down to Neeru 1-4 to settle for the silver.

Following a commendable display at the Youth Nationals last month, the Services continued to shine and were declared the overall team winner with 65 points after their six victories in the finals. Harsh pitched in with a flawless 5-0 win over Delhi's Rudra in 35kg. Vinay Viswakarma punched with gusto to edge a confident Lovi of Punjab 4-1 in the 49kg category. There was no stopping Ashish who knocked out Chandigarh's Ankit Kundu 5-0 in 52kg. Sunil Negi was equally impressive in 61kg as he sailed to a 5-0 result over Haryana's Anke. In 70+kg, Randeep halted the run of Haryana's Rhythm with a sublime 5-0 victory. The highly-talented Yashwardhan Singh led five

boxers to the gold to ensure a good finish for hosts, Haryana, who were the overall second-best performers with 54 points. Singh, a trainee at the NBA in Rohtak under the Khelo India scheme, demolished Manipur's Chinglema Moirangthem 5-0 in 58kg in a fine display of his skills. Preet Malik emerged a 4-1 winner over Services' Henthoi Singh Mayengbam in 55kg while Gaurav Saini outshone Delhi's Divanshu Godara 5-0 in 64kg. Naksh Beniwal registered a 3-0 win over Punjab's Yorik Jindal in 67kg and Bharat Joon too brought delight for the home crowd with a 5-0 thumping of Maharashtra's Abhiwardhan Sharma in 70kg. Chandigarh, Goa and Punjab recorded a solitary win each to round off the 14 weight categories. Chandigarh's Aryan had the toughest outing of the three as he had to dig deep for a narrow 3-2 victory over Services' Nikhil Kumar in 37kg. He was awarded the best boxer of the Championships for his performance. Rupesh Bind of Goa beat Delhi's Deepanshu 5-0 in 43kg to remain unbeaten while Punjab's Nikhil outclassed Andhra Pradesh's Ranjana Rohith 5-0 in 46kg. Team Delhi finished in the third position with 26 points after grabbing four silver medals on the final day. 33 teams and 326 boxers participated in this seven-day tournament that picked out the best boxers from India's future generation.

- Results:**  
35kg: Harsh (SSCB) def Rudra (DEL) 5-0  
37kg: Aryan (CHD) def Nikhil Kumar (SSCB) 3-2  
40kg: Neeru (SSCB) def Karan Vats (DEL) 4-1  
43kg: Rupesh Bind (GOA) def Deepanshu (DEL) 5-0  
46kg: Nikhil (PUN) def Ranjana Rohith (AP) 5-0  
49kg: Vinay Viswakarma (SSCB) def Lovi (PUN) 4-1  
52kg: Ashish (SSCB) def Ankit Kundu (CHD) 5-0  
55kg: Preet Malik (HAR) def Henthoi Singh Mayengbam (SSCB) 4-1  
58kg: Yashwardhan Singh (HAR) def Chinglema Moirangthem (MAN) 5-0  
61kg: Sunil Negi (SSCB) def Anke (HAR) 5-0  
64kg: Gaurav Saini (HAR) def Divanshu Godara (DEL) 5-0  
67kg: Naksh Beniwal (HAR) def Yorik Jindal (PUN) 3-0  
70kg: Bharat Joon (HAR) def Abhiwardhan Sharma (MAH) 5-0  
70+kg: Randeep (SSCB) def Rhythm (HAR) 5-0

**TEAM STANDINGS**  
SSCB- 65  
Haryana- 54  
Delhi- 26

## Massive landslides in Arunachal's West Kameng, 2 missing



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Massive landslides, triggered by heavy rains at Nag Mandir area near Bhalukpong in Arunachal Pradesh's West

Kameng district, washed away a culvert and a few houses on Monday while two persons have gone missing. Sources said, "A culvert in between Nag Mandir and Tenga was washed away

along with a restaurant and several houses due to landslides triggered by heavy rains. Two persons have also gone missing." However, there is no official confirmation regarding any casualty due to lack of connectivity through the road connecting Chariduar in Assam's Sonitpur district to Arunachal Pradesh's Tawang. Dibrang MLA Phurpa Tsering, through a post on the social media, alerted the people not to plan journey through this road until it is cleared by the Border Road Task Force (BRTF) team. Quoting sources, MLA

Tsering also informed at least 800 people were stuck as another culvert near Dahung seems to have been washed away. Also, an eleven meter bridge at Kaspi has been washed away due to massive landslides at many areas from Sessa to Kaspi Nall. MLA Bhalukpong Kumshi Sidhishow informed that roads have been blocked and two persons were missing following landslides. Meanwhile West Kameng district administration has issued a notification undersigned by the additional deputy commissioner Adong Pertin that the 64 km stretch of a road in between Bomdila and Rupa were blocked due to landslides following which hundreds of vehicles have remained stranded in the area. The stranded vehicles include public passenger vehicles. Deputy commissioner Pertin ordered the BRTF and BRO people to deploy sufficient manpower and machines to clear the road. Meanwhile, heavy rains have lashed Arunachal Pradesh since the last three days.

### Pass Book lost

I, the undersigned, have lost my bank pass Book & ATM Card issued by State Bank of India (SBI), Paona Bazar Branch, Account number 37022159462 on the way between Bishnupur to Paona Bazar on July 1, 2019. Finders are requested to hand over it to the undersigned.  
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