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Jt protest in House over college admission

Congress Legislature Party members, Left Front MLAs walkout over extortion in college admission



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The first half of the state Assembly session was rocked by a joint protest of Congress Legislature Party (CLP) members and Left Front MLAs leading to a walkout by Oppo-

sition members and staying away from the House in the second half today. The Opposition legislators were in arms over extortion in college admission. Amidst the din, minister of state for health, Chandrima Bhattacharya said that one of the hunger strikers, Debasis Barman, has

State likely to get rid of 'pass-fail system' in schools

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The state government is considering doing away with no-detention policy in school education, state education minister Partha Chatterjee said at the state Assembly today. The minister also admitted that admission by lottery at the primary level is leading to deterioration of merit and an "in between" way of admission has to be

devised. Chatterjee said during the day that the state has announced an expert committee to look into the possibility of reintroducing the 'pass-fail' system in the state-run schools which will submit its report soon. Asked why no educationists have found place in it, the minister replied that their opinions have already been taken and they have given different views.

The erstwhile Left Front government had abolished the 'pass-fail' system or no detention of students till Class 8, in 2010. It led to widespread protest but there was no rollback of the decision. After the committee submits its report, it will be discussed with chief minister Mamata Banerjee and a final decision will be taken, the education minister said. The state government is yet to

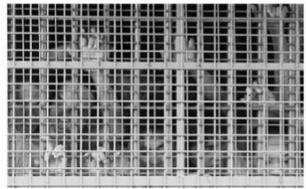
decide from which class it will be implemented, he added. Union HRD Minister Prakash Javadekar had said on different occasions that a new system of evaluation of students would be devised, the minister said. Nearly 100 English and Bengali medium schools will be either setup or upgraded, he

announced. A boycott of the House for the day, the leader of the Opposition said that an adjournment motion to discuss the college admission problem leading to 60,000 seats remaining vacant in under graduate courses was pending. Things have come to such a pass that chief minister after criticising the students-wing of her party was compelled to visit a college campus though there is a cabinet minister for education. Moreover, commissioner of police, Kolkata also had to visit a college, leader of the Opposition said. Men in uniforms stood at the college gates apart from students to nab extortionists though their presence hardly made a difference, he said.

'Proposed higher education panel to be autonomous'

NEW DELHI, 23 JULY
With several members in the Lok Sabha expressing apprehension over the government's move to replace the University Grants Commission (UGC) by a new body with two separate autonomous wings, HRD minister Prakash Javadekar said on Monday that the new body will be autonomous with two separate wings - one regulatory functions and the other for providing grants to higher education institutions. "We are not converting the UGC into a bureaucratic body. It will be autonomous. We will only change the name. It has to concentrate on quality of education and maintenance of standards," Javadekar said replying to queries by some members over the government bringing in the Higher Education Commission of India Bill, 2018, that seeks to replace the UGC. The new Commission (UGC) Act, 1956. The minister said the UGC was created in 1956, when the country had 20 universities, 500 colleges and around 2,00,000 students. But now there are 900 universities, 40,000 colleges and over 3.5 crore students in the country. The new Act proposes to establish the Higher Education Commission, ostensibly to improve the quality of higher education in the country and bring it at par with international standards. K.C. Venugopal of the Congress asked the government if it had sought opinions from stakeholders and the public before making changes. Javadekar said the ministry had received "10,000 reactions" from different people and the government was reviewing them. 188

Jail term for those using wireless devices inside jail



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KOLKATA, 23 JULY
West Bengal minister-in-charge, department of correctional administration, Ujjal Biswas today said that using of "wireless communication device" inside the jail is strictly prohibited and the user of those devices shall be punished with imprisonment for a period which may extend from three to five years.

While introducing the West Bengal Correctional Service (Amendment) Bill, 2018, at the Assembly, Mr Biswas said any "wireless communication device", including mobile phone, wi-fi, personal computer, laptop, padminton, strictly prohibited inside the jail. "Use of such devices for any form of communication like verbal, e-mail, short message service (SMS), multimedia message service (MMS) will be treated as a criminal offence," he said. He said if any prisoner is found guilty of possessing or operating any wireless communication device or its components like SIM card, memory card, battery or charger or any other component of such device or if the prisoner willfully participates or conveys entry into or dispatch from the correctional home or instigates the supply thereof, he shall be punished with

'BJP bringing bad name to Hinduism'

KOLKATA, 23 JULY
Criticising the recent incident of lynching by self-proclaimed 'Gau Rakshaks' (cow vigilantes) in Alwar district of Rajasthan, Bengal chief minister Mamata Banerjee today slammed BJP for bringing a bad name to Hinduism and urged senior leaders to control their party members instead of giving statements in the Parliament against lynching and vigilantism.

AGAINST MOBO-CRACY



Activists take part in a protest against mob lynchings in Ahmedabad on Monday. 189

received medical treatment and has gone back to the hostel. Shouting slogans against the ruling party for its failure to stop extortion in the under graduate admission course, the Congress and front legislators walked out of the House. After sitting at the foot of the statue of R. Ambedkar for some time, the group led by leader of the Opposition, Abdul Man-

Choksi seeks cancellation of NBWs, cites fear of lynching

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MUMBAI, 23 JULY
Gitanjali Gems promoter Mehul Choksi, a key accused in the multi-crore PNB scam, today moved a special court there seeking cancellation of non-bailable warrants issued against him, claiming that he apprehends mob lynching if he is brought to India. A special Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) court had in March and July this year issued non-bailable warrants against Choksi after it took cognisance of the charge sheet filed by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) in the case. Choksi, in his application moved before the special PMLA court, claimed he faces a threat to his life not only from his former employees and debtors but also from jail staff and inmates (where he would be launched if he returns). "As it became impossible for the applicant's company to function and the employees were not paid their salaries and debtors did not get their money back, all these persons have become aggrieved against the applicant and he is now facing threat to his life," the application said. "There have been various cases of mob lynching in India. This recent trend of mob lynching and general public giving justice on the road is growing. Even the applicant faces a similar threat," it claimed. Choksi also faces a threat of extortion by jail staff, and danger to his life by jail inmates if he is brought to India and lodged in a prison here, the application said. It claimed that Choksi never allowed his former employees and debtors to see him at all communication he received from the investigating agencies. 190

Parl passes Bill on damages for breach of biz contract

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The Parliament today passed a Bill proposing to grant a party the right to seek damages from the other side in case of a breach of a business contract and to reduce discretion of courts in such matters. The Specific Relief (Amendment) Bill, 2018, which was passed in the Lok Sabha in March, was cleared in the Upper House by a voice vote this afternoon. The Bill aims to tweak a 54-year-old law that deals with specific fulfilment of a contract, as part of the government's ease of doing business policy. Responding to queries by some members, law minister Rav Shankar Prasad said, "Today the world has changed, India has changed. When the Bill was enacted, refusal of injunction was the norm. Even

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if a contractor runs away, you could not do anything. You could take only damage." Now, such a stringent provision of law is creating problem for the Centre, the state governments and private parties, he said, adding "It was not in sync with modern needs." The Bill aims at the exact fulfilment of an obligation or specific performance of a contract rather than grant of a general relief or damages or compensation. The Specific Relief Act has not been amended since its inception. Observing that there was more FDI flowing in the infrastructure sector, public-private partnership (PPP) model had become a norm, the minister asked "should this 1956 law be a roadblock in the process?" "This Bill is an agent to recognise the changing needs of India in infrastructure, railway, education, health-care, cold chains," he said and added that the amendments to the law have been proposed after consulting state governments. The law has been made more responsive," a provision of the law has also been made as "infrastructure contracts more and more responsible." A provision of the law has also been made as "infrastructure contracts more and more responsible." A provision of the law has also been made as "infrastructure contracts more and more responsible." 191

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Notice is hereby given that a petition for the winding up of the above named company by the Hon'ble High Court of Calcutta was presented on 17th August 2015 by the said petitioner and that the said petition is directed to be heard before the Hon'ble Company Judge on the Wednesday the 15th day of August 2016.
Any creditor, contributory or other persons desirous of appearing or opposing the winding up petition or the petitioner's notice of intention to petition or his advocate with his name and address, or his brother, the petitioner or his advocate or his brother, should file the same before the date fixed for the hearing of the petition and appear at the hearing of the petition in person or by his advocate. A copy of the petition and the affidavit in support of the petition shall be furnished by the petitioner to any creditor or contributory or other persons desirous of appearing or opposing the petition as aforesaid.
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