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3 women judges among nine names cleared by Collegium for SC

Ending the unprecedented 22-month-long impasse, the Supreme Court Collegium headed by Chief Justice of India N V Ramana is learnt to have recommended nine names to the government for appointment as judges to the top court. The list has three women judges, including one who could become the first woman Chief Justice of India.

The Collegium, for the first time, has recommended the names of three women judges – Justice B V Nagarathna of the Karnataka High Court; Justice Hima Kohli, Chief Justice of the Telangana High Court; and Justice Bela Trivedi of the Gujarat High Court – for elevation to the Supreme Court. Justice Nagarathna could become the first woman Chief Justice of India.

Women’s freedom to decide whether to continue with pregnancy can’t be taken away, says : Kerala High Court

The freedom of a woman to decide whether to continue with a pregnancy cannot be taken away, the Kerala High Court has said while allowing a mildly mentally challenged mother to abort her more than 22 week old abnormal foetus.

The high court said that the right of a mother to terminate her pregnancy, if there was substantial risk that after birth the child could suffer from abnormalities which could seriously handicap him or her, has been recognised by the courts.

India starts single entry e-visa facility for Afghans

In the wake of the prevailing situation in Afghanistan where the Taliban have seized power, India has introduced a new category of e-visa for Afghan nationals to fast-track their applications for entry into India. These visas will be valid for six months only and will be granted only after security clearance.

“MHA reviews visa provisions in view of the current situation in Afghanistan. A new category of electronic visa called “e-Emergency X-Misc Visa” introduced to fast-track visa applications for entry into India,” a statement from the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA).

INS Kochi to participate in 4-day Maritime Partnership Exercise in Bahrain

As part of its Persian Gulf deployment, INS Kochi is at Manama in Bahrain. The ship will participate in the four-day Maritime Partnership Exercise from today. In the past couple of days, a coordination and operational planning conference was also held between the Indian and the Bahrain Navy teams.

J&K: Army Goodwill School Chandigam renamed as Hamid Chara Army Goodwill School

In an initiative to give a befitting tribute to a Gallant Son of Lolab in north Kashmir's Kupwara district, Rifleman Abdul Hamid Chara, a renaming ceremony of Army Goodwill School was held at Chandigam in Lolab. Rifleman Abdul Hamid Chara had made the supreme sacrifice in Lolab, while fighting terrorists. To honour the brave son of Lolab, Army Goodwill School Chandigam was renamed as Hamid Chara Army Goodwill School, Chandigam and the unveiling of the school name was done by Gulshan Akhtar, wife of late Rifleman Abdul Hamid Chara. Several senior officials, from Army, Civil Administration, Police, CAPF besides other prominent citizens attended the ceremony.

World Archery Youth Championships: India win three gold medals in Compound Events

In Archery, India won gold medals in the compound cadet women's and men's and mixed team events in the ongoing World Youth Championships in Wroclaw. The women defeated Turkey 228-216 in the final to win a gold medal while the cadet men's team followed getting the better of USA in the final. The Indian team comprised of Parneet Kaur, Priya Gurjar, and Ridhi Varshini and they brought out a dominant performance to throw opponents Turkey off their mark. India's cadet men's team of Kushal Dalal, Sahil Chaudhary and Nitin Apar upset the top seeds USA, beating them 233-231 in a thrilling final.

Indian compound archery girls & mixed team break two junior world records in World Archery Youth Championship

Indian compound archery girls and the mixed team broke two junior world records during the qualification stages of the ongoing World Archery Youth Championship in Wroclaw, Poland.

The trio of Priya Gurjar, Parneet Kaur, Ridhu Varshini Senthilkumar combined to shoot 2,067 out of possible 2,160 in the Cadet Compound girls team category to clinch the top spot of the qualification round. The previous record was held by the USA at 2,045. Also, In the Compound Cadet mixed team event, Priya Gurjar and Kushal Dalal took the top spot by shooting a world record score of 1,401. The recurve U-21 men's team, on the other hand, took the second place with Parth Salunkhe with 663 leading the Indian challenge with a seventh place ranking in the individual section. The knockout stages will begin today with the first round being a Round of 64 clash. The Compound women's team has got a bye to round of 16.