

# EDITORIAL

## One Road, Many Troubles

There is a great deal of disapproval in the 'liberal' media over India's refusal to participate in the China-driven One Belt One Road (OBOR) project, with commentators warning that India would be the eventual loser in economic terms. But all things cannot always be reduced to money and material; there is such a thing as geo-strategic position. In this case, one of the components of the OBOR is the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) which passes through regions held by Pakistan that India has always disputed. It is facile for China to say that the project is not an endorsement of Pakistan's claims over the disputed region or a rejection of New Delhi's stated position, and that the matter is strictly in the economic domain. By taking part in the OBOR, India would end up diluting its stand on Pakistan-occupied Kashmir. In fact, China should be asking itself as to why it is going about with the ambitious scheme by neglecting New Delhi's sensitivities. Besides, parts of the region through which the CPEC will pass in Pakistan are restive — the Baloch area, for instance, is up in arms. There is no point in Islamabad blaming India for the unrest there because everyone knows the real cause — which is, that the Baloch people are disgusted with the atrocities Pakistan Army has been committing on them and suppressing their desires. Sooner or later, Beijing will understand the mess that it has got itself into. Pakistan will, without doubt, increase its brutal suppression to ensure that its friend China's project continues unhampered, but the more Islamabad does that the more troubles will mount. In fact, even some Chinese commentators have begun to question the sagacity of pushing ahead in the midst of these uncertainties. In Pakistan, some fears have been expressed on whether the nation can afford the huge investments as part of its contribution. There is a very real fear that the more Islamabad falls into a debt trap the more it will have to lean on China to rescue it. And such acts of chivalry come at a price. Besides, China cannot avoid the conflicts that are arising in the region due to Pakistan's tendency to push terrorism in the region, including in Afghanistan. A section of the \$50 billion CPEC passes through Afghan territory, and Kabul and Islamabad are not on the best of terms. This equation is unlikely to change for the better in the coming months as the CPEC progresses, because Pakistan will not let go of using terrorism as a state policy. The recent conflict in which a few Afghan troops were killed by their Pakistani counterparts, has added to the complicity. Additionally, parts of Balochistan are alongside the borders of Iran — and Iran has recently hinted at striking into Pakistan to flush out terrorists that have been targeting it. The Gwadar port, in which China has heavily invested, is close to Iran. All in all, troublesome days are ahead for China and its friend over the OBOR/CPEC.

## Kashmir's Problem And Resolution

The Kashmir issue is no longer political. Neither is it limited to the State. Kashmir is an integral part of India. Therefore, it is the responsibility of the citizens to support the Government in handling the situation tactically. The dastardly act by the Pakistan Army of killing two Indian soldiers and mutilating their bodies could not have been possible without active participation of separatists from Kashmir, who are planning and acting concertedly, and with impunity. It is because such terrorist acts cannot be eliminated through democratic means that the Government is succumbing to political pressure, from within the country and outside, and refraining from taking harsh measures against the separatists. Kashmiris don't have to pay income tax; while other States get Central assistance in the ratio of 70 per cent debt to 30 per cent grant, Jammu & Kashmir (as a special category State) gets 90 per cent of its assistance as grant, and only 10 per cent as debt. Gross State Domestic product (GSDP) at constant (2004-05) prices for the year 2014-15 is estimated at Rs 45,126.30 crore (advance estimates) as against Rs 45,847.15 crore for the year 2013-14; first revised estimates (RE), registering a negative growth of 1.57 per cent, over the previous year. During 2012-13 and 2013-14, GSDP grew at 5.34 per cent; second RE, and 5.63 per cent; first RE respectively. Per capita GSDP in 2014-15 in Jammu & Kashmir was Rs 77,599 as against Rs 88,533 for India. It is thus ranked 22nd out of the total number of States. Above all, it has its own Constitution. The Kashmir issue is no longer a political. It is time India speaks in one voice and the political bickering since 1960s has to be stopped, for which the Indian Government has to take the initiative. It is also time that the silent majority in Kashmir realises that the Government cannot indefinitely continue with development measures when acts of terrorism are carried out continuously and they will have to face the consequences of retaliatory measures recommended as following: Protective measures provided to separatist leaders must be withdrawn. All police personnel, cooperating with terrorists, overtly or covertly, must be dismissed from service. Government must clearly state that banks and educational institutes, which are attacked or burnt, will not resume operation. Stone-pelting mob and violent demonstrators must face punitive action, including use of spray bullets.

Army must be given a free-hand in dealing with the Pakistani Army and terrorists. The silent Kashmiris must be motivated through discussions to appreciate the reality that the future of Kashmir is bright only within India. It is also time for the Indian Muslims to convince Kashmiri Muslims to oppose separatists and terrorists and have faith in the Indian Government and democracy. If the Muslims, as a community, is seen as automatically supporting the separatists, it would mean that they still hold on to the notorious 'Two-Nations theory' that led to the creation of Pakistan as the homeland of the Muslims.

# More Power To The Judiciary

Like in British Parliament, in India too, if any wrong has been committed by the top court, the same court must course-correct. Is it not time to do so? Should not collective efforts be made to restore the credibility and image of public confidence in the higher judiciary?

Unprecedented! Shocking! Amazing! Extraordinary! Dance of democracy! Fundamental right! Expression of thought, belief, ideas and views! Whatever semantics one may wish to use, it remains undefined, incomprehensible, incomplete, bizarre. Suffice it to state that for the first time in independent India, an avoidable news on higher judiciary is hitting headlines for all wrong reasons. It is 'judge versus judges'; a perceived tussle between single Bench and Division Bench. Almost daily?

In fact, after having registered as an Advocate in the Supreme Court and the Delhi High Court, at the age of 63 plus, five years ago, and having appeared several times before both the Bench of the courts, one is distraught, dismayed, distressed. Seeing the most unheard of and unimaginable scenario of 'My Lord versus My Lord', notwithstanding the absence of any litigant. There is no vakil (counsel) or vakalatnama. No vakil to fight for his 'brief

against his 'opponent' vakil. In the eyes of a common man, there are only dramatic personae, with or without petition, in the high temple of justice: hailing from two cities; from capital of the country and the capital of a Province.

Frankly speaking, one had never seen before in one's two previous profession such intense, pronounced and transparent public difference of opinion, either as a college lecturer or as a civil servant — leading to such 'situation'. So much so that the entire legal fraternity appears confused and 'dumb-ed' into stunning silence. There are only whispers and wild rumours which are floating.

Of course, there could be 'issues', as one had seen 'issues' in the past too. Also, what stands out stark even today is the deeply embedded fault lines and 'deep divide' in the psyche and physical structure of the civil service. Yet, both sectors (education and civil service) always regarded the higher judiciary with awe, respect and deep reverence. They still do. And that makes one more fearful.

In fact, this fear emanates from the fact that the bureaucracy, which stands way below in the pecking order of protocol of state hierarchy vis-à-vis higher judiciary, has

two distinct class/category. The 'privileged' and the 'underprivileged' or non-'privileged'. The 'privileged' consists of one and only 'superior' service. The 'underprivileged' consists of at least 15 'inferior' services, constituting the majority. And the tussle for pay, promotion, prospect, perks, privileges, power, position and posting between the 'minority privileged' and the (vast) 'majority underprivileged' is a routine affair which continues to eternity. Governments have come and gone; but this single and focussed rivalry, jealousy and undercutting exists in 'as is where is basis'. And for all this, the highest temple of justice has been the ultimate doctor and arbiter for amelioration of grievances of the people of India.

Yet, petition, submission, hearing, natural justice, cause of action and any amount of litigation or 'out-of-court settlement' continue unabated. The 'great divide' of bureaucracy could neither be abolished nor reduced. Not as yet. Why? Because, the Indian bureaucracy tends to be 'power without responsibility' in particular segment and exactly the opposite, 'responsibility without power and punishment of possibility', in another sector to this day.

Successive Pay Commis-

sions, constituted to look into the over all scenario, ended up with sectarian verdict. Asked to comment whether 'justice, fair play, equity' have been done or not, 'what is that? How dare you?' is likely to be the answer; followed by a stern 'cold' glance with contemptuous glare.

Things are not confined to civil services only. Even the 'uniformed bureaucracy' feels and had felt aggrieved. On 'parity' and 'position', under the sun of the state, murmur is audible. Resentment is visible. Issues are actionable. Higher judiciary is the hope. But the judiciary itself is in turmoil.

Who then will plead in 'open house judge versus judges'? None. None as yet. The Constitution does not have any provision pertaining to conflict resolution between sitting judges of two courts of the higher judiciary. Obviously, the Constituent Assembly, which sat from December 1946 to November 1949, to make the Constitution, could not have had visualised a 'judge versus judges' situation.

Thus, while Article 124 of the Constitution stipulated 'establishment and constitution of the Supreme Court' and vide Article 217 "appointment and conditions of the office of a judge of a High Court", and empowered the

Parliament to "prescribe" the "number of judges" and that "every Judge of the Supreme Court shall be appointed by the President by warrant under his hand and seal", today, the situation, in light of, 'Supreme Court Advocates-on-Record Association vs Union of India (2015) 6 SCC 408', is different. It is now the 'collegium' which plays the seminal role pertaining to appointment of judges in the apex court, thereby multiplying the responsibility and importance of its professional jurisdiction manifold.

In the midst of all this, however, a judge of the Supreme Court cannot be "removed from his office except by an order by the President after"... following due procedure "by each House of Parliament" vide Article 124(4) of the Constitution. In case of the removal of High Court judge too, Article 124 (4) is applicable. In short, therefore, whereas appointment of judges of higher judiciary is comparatively simple removal procedure is far from easy.

In the light of this complicated scenario, what is the future outcome of the present 'single Bench High Court judge versus Division Bench Supreme Court judges?' (Supreme Court does not have the concept of single Bench as its mini-

mum composition stands at two-man Bench). To this author's view, it is the judiciary and the judiciary alone which can untie the knots vide Supreme Court decision *Minerva Mills Limited vs Union of India* — "Judiciary is the interpreter of the Constitution and to the judiciary is assigned the delicate task to determine what is the power conferred on each branch of the Government..." Indeed, the judgement gives apex court the power. Nevertheless, today it is also time to emulate the doctrine of 'harmonious construction' vide *Venkataramana Devaru v. The State of Mysore, AIR 1958 SC 255* and other linked cases.

There is a striking similarity between the apex judiciary of India and the British Parliament. Thus, even if a wrong law is legislated, or error committed by the British Parliament, no court can rectify the mistake as the British Parliament itself, being supreme, can right the wrong. In India too, if any wrong has been committed by the apex court, the same top court only can make course correction. Is it not time to do so? Should not collective effort be made to restore self-respect, honour, credibility and image of and above all, public confidence on the higher judiciary of India?

# Dragon's mischief: Don't fall for it

When Chinese foreign minister Wang Yi publicly declared on April 17 that the "CPEC has no direct link with the Kashmir issue", willingly or unwillingly, he confessed that the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) has an "indirect link" to Kashmir. One's mind immediately went back to the issue that reflects Beijing's long-term vision of crass insensitivity towards India, and which sowed the seeds of confrontation and turned the India-Pakistan bilateral issue into a trilateral, or multilateral, one — much before the Sino-Indian war of 1962. China's direct involvement in J&K as a third party has now badly damaged the scenario. Wang Yi's statement is simply a bid to confuse the issue further through empty jargon and semantics.

Let the facts speak for themselves. Is it not a fact that China directly got involved with J&K way back in

1959 when Mao Zedong and Gen. Ayub Khan jointly commissioned work on the Karakoram Highway, which was subsequently opened in 1979? Did China not know that it was infringing on India's sovereignty as the highway, linking Kashgar (Xinjiang, China) to Hassan Abdal (Punjab, Pakistan), passed through the state of Jammu and Kashmir, and thus Indian territory? Why did China knowingly enter into the disputed Indian territory, which was illegally occupied by Pakistan, thereby escalating tensions? China started encroaching into Indian territory by conniving, conspiring and colluding with Pakistan since the 1950s. The Karakoram Highway, which now stands as pivot to the CPEC plan, is there for all to see. One is compelled here to refer to India's internal politics. While the people are usually unaware of the terri-

torial issues of the Indian sovereign, there has always been a well-crafted plan for more than 50 years to keep them in the dark as far as Sino-Indian and Indo-Pakistani territorial issues are concerned. One dare say internally it was shaped by petty politics of the opposing political class, and externally it was an intrinsic tendency of Indian diplomats to show more of India's "goodness" and less understanding of the supreme law of the land, that needed protection and judicious (rather than diplomatic niceties) implementation for the unity and integrity of the nation. If the Constitution-keepers do not know how to save the supreme legal document, how will they protect the sovereignty and territorial integrity of India and counter violations by the likes of China and Pakistan? Will China tolerate any violation of its territory? Is it tolerating the "in-

vasion of the sea"? Did Britain give up its claim and right over the Falkland Islands? Is London not protecting Gibraltar from Madrid? Is Russia not wary of Nato and the United States over the Crimea? Is China not extraordinarily "possessive" about its landlocked neighbour Mongolia?

More often than not, India's rulers over the years have blatantly violated the Constitution with their conspicuous failure to uphold its sanctity. Just see the irony. The whole of J&K is an integral part of sovereign India. Hence, PoK too is its territory. Thus Siachen, being a part of J&K, is Indian land. Yet in 2012, "underhand" and "under-the-table diplomats" almost compelled India to retreat from Siachen, thereby violating the Constitution.

Recall the Haji Pir Pass of the 1965 war (that was visited by Pakistan Army chief Gen. Qamar Javed Bajwa a

day before the beheading of two Indian soldiers on April 30). The pass is a part of J&K. It fell the under illegal occupation of Pakistan. It took 22 days of the 1965 war, with heavy loss of Indian soldiers, to retrieve it. And yet it was ceded on the diplomatic table. As if it had never belonged to India! As Indian rulers do not know where to begin and where to end regarding their own sovereignty and territory, why do they blame Pakistan and China?

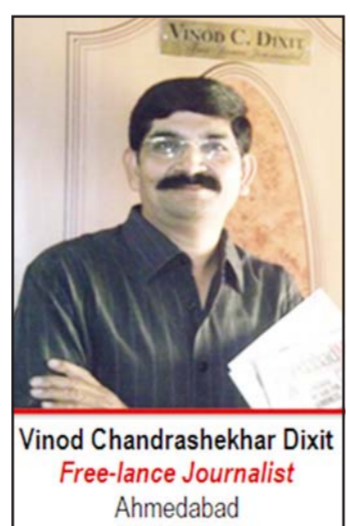
One Belt One Road (OBOR), the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) and the CPEC collectively stand for the violation of India's sovereignty; and trampling upon its supreme law of the land. Thus any talk of joining any of these projects by India is unthinkable. What will India gain? Access to the sea? Doesn't India have a 4,104-nautical mile coastline, in contrast to Pakistan's 567 nautical mile coastline? Does China have any access to the Indian Ocean? No! Hence, to suggest that it is economics and economics alone, and that economics doesn't have any connection whatsoever with either military or strategy, politics or territory, will at best be a deception tactic, and at worst a stratagem to lure Indian gullibility under China's terms and conditions.

The Chinese media recently reported that Beijing has a "vested interest in J&K because of the CPEC investment". Finally, the cat is finally out of the bag! Investment, involvement, intervention, invasion, integration (like Tibet, Xinjiang, Pakistan and now India's J&K) into China — that is Beijing's objective. Indians must remember they have inflicted enough damage to their own country by violating their Constitution at the diplomatic table.

Economically, politically and strategically too, they are usually overawed or outmanoeuvred. This must stop immediately. The terms "globalisation" and/or "global village" should not misguide New Delhi any more. If things are really that rosy regarding OBOR/BRI/CPEC, then why are stringent visa restrictions coming from Australia, New Zealand, the United States and Europe? Why is the West tightening its economics to play inwards? Why are NRIs being pressured to return? Is it because India has to first open up its market for some obscure foreign companies at the cost of its own indigenous industries and commercial activities and succumb to the dragon under the cover of economics? Will trade eradicate all territorial issues and lead India to a new heaven? China's alibis, economics and trade will lead to subjugation and usurpation of our territory. Markets, money and the monopoly of India are its targets. Indians go gaga over all foreign goods and foreigners — that, sadly, is the biggest hurdle to our sovereignty, territory and integrity.

## Mother language represents a special culture & identity

Languages are the most powerful instruments of preserving and developing our tangible and intangible heritage. Mother language has a very powerful impact in the formation of the individual. Although decades have passed since India gained independence from British Raj, the debate whether learning English is more important than one's own mother tongue continues. The main purpose of celebrating this day is to promote the awareness of language and cultural diversity all across the world. It is International Mother Language Day is celebrated in memory of the four students who were killed while fighting for their mother language and is celebrated to tell them that we will never forget their sacrifices. Nelson Mandela has said that "If you talk to a man in a language he understands, that goes to his head. If you talk to him in his language, that goes to his heart." Every language spoken in the world represents a special culture, melody, color, and asset and to everyone the mother language is certainly one of the most precious treasures in our lives.



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It is important to learn one's mother tongue because language is the vehicle of culture and tradition. Since language and nationalism are closely related, we should also be careful that emphasis on mother tongue not lead to a narrow-minded linguistic nationalism either. One's mother language is ingrained in his/her cultural identity and history. Languages are the first and most valuable treasure to a Nation, lots of resources are destined to protect material heritage but very little to protect languages. Language is the es-

sence and identity of culture, and is a major tool for communication. It is a major tool for exchanging ideas, emotions and feelings. To know your language is the key way to keep and preserve your culture. Mother-language plays a tremendously useful role in the education of a child. It has a great importance in the field of education. Preserving a language requires the strength and efforts of a community.

Researchers have discovered that children who are taught in their mother language understand concepts better. Children need to hear quantity and quality language input in order to have strong language skills, and parents are the primary individuals who can provide the language input needed in the mother language.

As a language dies, a society's history and cultures dies with it. Every human being deserves the right to use their mother language, and to take pride in it as we do. Acceptance and opportunities given by the universities have encouraged many students to venture out and experience their mother

tongue to its full capacity. Original ideas are the product of one's own mother tongue. On account of the facility of thought and expression, new and original ideas take birth and get shape only in one's own mother language.

Using one's mother tongue at home will make it easier for children to be comfortable with their own cultural identity. It is very important for our Indian community children residing abroad to learn and respect their own mother tongue and this is possible only if parents inculcate this habit from the very infancy. There are instances where the people migrating to America from different linguistic regions of India and may choose to study Hindi even if it is not their "mother tongue". It is important that within India, diversity in language and culture should be valued by the establishment. Due to the inherent diversity within India, in most parts, people and society do accept diversity implicitly. It's a duty and responsibility to preserve our Mother language and pass it down from generation to generation.

## Technology for sustainable and inclusive growth is the need of the hour, says President

The President of India, Shri Pranab Mukherjee attended the National Technology Day Celebrations today (May 11, 2017) in New Delhi.

Speaking on the occasion, the President said that scientific and technological developments are a key to any nation's success. India is one of the top-ranking countries in the field of basic research. Indian science has progressed to become one of the most powerful instruments of knowledge. Yet in the wake of new demands of economic growth, it is necessary to embark on translating science and technology into developmental needs in all sectors such as infrastructure, agriculture, health, communication and education.

The President said that disparity between haves and have-nots, urban and rural areas, and exclusion or marginalization of certain groups can give rise to social unrest. It is crucial that more technological innovations are geared towards eliminating these disparities and differences. In our endeavor for global excellence, not even a single citizen should be left behind. 'Technology for sustainable and inclusive growth' is the need of the hour. And it is where all - innovators, technocrats, entrepreneurs and policymakers - have an important role to play.

### Deputy Prime Minister of Russia Dmitry Rogozin calls on Prime Minister

Mr. Dmitry Rogozin, the Deputy Prime Minister of Russia called on Prime Minister Narendra Modi today. Mr. Dmitry Rogozin is visiting India for the India-Russia Inter-Governmental Commission meeting that is co-chaired by the External Affairs Minister of India. Prime Minister noted with satisfaction the positive all round progress in bilateral cooperation between India and Russia.

### ISUZU launches the 'mu-X' premium full-size 7 seater SUV in India



**New Delhi:** Isuzu Motors India launched the much-awaited ISUZU 'mu-X' premium full-size 7-seater SUV in India, today. The ISUZU mu-X is powered by a 3.0 litre ISUZU engine and provides a maximum power output of 130 kW (177 PS). It provides a maximum torque of 380 Nm that is designed with a significant flat torque curve. The mu-X will be offered in both 4x2 and 4x4 variants with a sequential shift Automatic Transmission. The mu-X will be built at ISUZU's new state-of-the-art manufacturing plant at Sri City in Andhra Pradesh.

The All Muscle - All Heart SUV is a perfect combination for those buyers who seek not only style, power and a dominating road presence but also want to have the best-in-class space and comfort for their family.

Speaking at the occasion, Mr. Hiroshi Nakagawa, Director of the Board and Managing Executive Officer, Isuzu Motors Ltd, said, "India is a key market for ISUZU globally and is also a future hub of our global manufacturing operations. We will continue to invest in the Indian operations and also bring in the best technology and engineering that ISUZU has to offer globally. ISUZU is globally renowned for making tough, reliable and fuel efficient vehicles that are known to be engineered for life. The mu-X embodies these characteristics and will be built at our state-of-the-art manufacturing plant at Sri City with the same exacting quality standards that have made ISUZU a trusted brand all over the world." (19-10)

### Sony Pictures Networks awarded 'Aon Best Employers India 2017' title

Sony Pictures Networks (SPN), India's leading media conglomerate has been selected to join the elite list of Aon Best Employers India in the 2017 edition. SPN is the only media and broadcast network to be featured amongst this year's top 19 companies across various industries.

The Best Employers Study by Aon is one of the most prominent annual workplace studies covering over 800,000 employees across 6,400 global organizations. This study aims to get insights into companies that are creating real competitive advantage via their people practices, explores what makes a workplace of choice and identifies the best employers across regions.

Based on the principles of measuring the people environment through the lens of 'Intent-Design-Experience',



The Best Employer Study measures and recognizes employer excellence to learn and share best practices across companies and industries.

Sony Pictures Networks (SPN) is honoured to receive this recognition and feature in this year's list of Best Employers. The award was presented by Sandeep Chaudhary, CEO, Aon India to Smriti Krishna Singh, CHRO, SPN. (19-10)

### Caprese - High-end fashion brand of V.I.P Industries



Mother's Day is a day for many people to show their appreciation towards mothers and mother figures worldwide. Our mothers are a motivational and guiding force for us which helps us to always go ahead and overcome any problem. Show your gratitude by gifting

your mother a Caprese bag from this glamorous collection. The latest collection is crafted in modern contemporary silhouettes with a bright fresh spring color palette of pleasing pastels like blush pink along with bold favorites like coral and olive. (19-10)

### Watch the Premiere of 'Life Below Zero' on Sony BBC Earth



Imagine a time where just one wrong decision can endanger your life. Starting May 15th, Sony BBC Earth will showcase astonishing stories of 4 families who battle to survive the extreme winter of Alaska. Watch an eye opening series of courage and hardships - Life Below Zero premiering on May 15th, 10 PM on Earth Explorers.

The show takes you to the exquisite locales of Alaska - a state known for extreme cold weather with temperatures plummeting to a lethal -62 Degrees! Yet, some of the most resilient, determined and isolated people in the world call it home. Life Below Zero follows their story as they strive to make through a long dark freezing winter against unrelenting weather, scarce resources and man-eating carnivores.

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### Big Magic Brings Its Latest Offering In The Horror Genre With Cheekh..



BIG Magic, a variety general entertainment channel has always been in the forefront of maintaining its bequest, in providing innovative and appealing content to its viewers. After launching shows in historical, mythological and kids' fantasy domain, the channel is taking a step forward in its offering to the viewers by adding the horror genre, with an objective to take the value of the brand a notch higher. With an aim to provide high voltage drama every week, the channel is all geared up to entertain its viewers with the upcoming show, 'Cheekh..Ek Khaufnak Sach'. The show is slated to air from 15th May 2017, every Monday to Friday at 9 PM on BIG Magic.

With the viewers widening their horizon of entertainment in distinctive genres, BIG Magic is providing its viewers a renewed experience by adding a new element to its array of unique shows. Produced by Homi Wadia under the banner Tele Buddies, Cheekh... Ek Khaufnak Sach will showcase unheard and unseen form of fear through objects. The unique horror show will be on the lines of dark shadows and whistling winds holding secrets to the untold stories that have never been shown on television before. Raising the thriller quotient for the viewers, each story will be narrated in two parts leading the spectators through some of the most surreal, supernatural and paranormal experiences. (19-8)

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### Shri Anil Kumar Gupta Taken Over As General Manager Of Western Railway

Shri Anil Kumar Gupta, a senior officer of the 1980 batch of Indian Railway Service of Electrical Engineers (IRSEE) has taken over the charge as General Manager of Western Railway on Tuesday, 9th May, 2017.

He completed his graduation (B.E) in Electrical Engineering from Motilal Nehru Regional College of Engineering, Allahabad now (MNNIT). He started his career on Indian Railways in 1982 and in over three decades of service, has held several important assignments on various Zones including on Eastern Railway, Western Railway, Central Railway, West Central Railway, North Central Railway and Research Designs & Standards Organization (RDSO). Commencing his service as Assistant Electrical Engineer at Burdwan, Eastern Railway in 1984, Shri Gupta has went on to serve in several important posts during his career till present. Amongst the assignments he has held are - Chief Workshop Manager, Dahod, Western Railway; Chief Electrical Engineer, Planning, Western Railway; Additional Divisional Railway Manager, Bhopal Division, West Central Railway; Divisional Railway Manager, Jabalpur Division, West Central Railway; Chief Electrical Engineer, North Central Railway; Chief Safety Officer, Eastern Railway and Chief Electrical Engineer, Eastern



Railway. Prior to his new posting, Shri Gupta served as Additional General Manager, South Central Railway. During the course of his tenure, Shri Gupta also served two stints in RDSO, Lucknow, including as Executive Director/RDSO. He is associated with the trial of WAP (Broad Gauge AC Electric Locomotive for Passenger trains) class Locomotives at 180 Km/h, development of dual voltage AC/DC Locomotives, development of 3 Phase AC EMU's for Mumbai Suburban System and new Rolling Stock for Kolkata Metro. As Chief Workshop Manager, Dahod, he was involved in augmenting the Mid-Life Rehabilitation facilities for Electric Locomotives. He has been interested in development of railway technology indigenously. Shri Gupta has travelled widely abroad for training and study programs including to United Kingdom, Germany, China, France & Switzerland.

### PM's upcoming visit to Sri Lanka

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi will be visiting Sri Lanka on 11th and 12th May, 2017. In a post from his Facebook account the Prime Minister said:

"I will be in Sri Lanka for a two-day visit starting today, 11th May. This will be my second bilateral visit there in two years, a sign of our strong relationship.

During my visit, I will join the International Vesak Day celebrations in Colombo on 12th May, where I will interact with leading Buddhist spiritual leaders, scholars and theologians. It is my honour to join these celebrations with President Maithripala Sirisena and Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe. My visit brings to the fore one of the most abiding links between India and Sri Lanka - the shared heritage of Buddhism. During my last visit in 2015, I had the opportunity to visit Anuradhapura, a UNESCO world heritage site and a leading centre of Buddhism for centuries. This time, I will be privileged to pay respect at the revered Sri Dalada Maligawa in Kandy, also known as the Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic. My visit will commence in Colombo with a visit to the Seema Malaka at the Gangaramaya temple where I will take part in the traditional lamp lighting ceremony.

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### United Nations Global Compact hosted its flagship event in India



United Nations Global Compact in collaboration with Global Compact Network India organized 2 days Regional marketing event "Making Global Goals Local Business-India" on 26-27 April at Le Meridien Hotel, New Delhi.

It was their flagship event by the group where they bought together over 300 leaders from finance, business, civil society, Government & the UN. During this 2 days event, forum mainly focused on advance responsible business practices and catalyzing innovative business models to meet Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in India and across the world.

Two days event witnessed different interactive plenary & breakout sessions which were designed to mobilize business actions, drive breakthrough innovation and create new market opportunities that advance global goals. Prof. Dr. Sir GD Singh (Founder & President of WPDO, CIHF & CIAC Global) was invited to attend this event from Gujarat. CIHF was the only NGO from Gujarat which was selected to be a part of this first ever UN Global Compact meet. (20-4)

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### Gear for the Ultimate Race of the Season with Hot Wheels 'EPIC RACE'

**Baroda,** Get your engine revving because it's time to get for the ultimate summer challenge with Hot Wheels 'Epic Race'. Featuring the tallest race track, all your favourite Hot Wheels cars and an extra-ordinary 40-foot elimination race challenge, Hot Wheels Epic Race promises 10 days of pure unadulterated fun.

Modelled after the super-popular 4-lane elimination track set, Hot Wheels has created a larger-than-life rendition that will allow 8 kids to race at one go, releasing their Hot Wheels cars from the top of the race-track which is at a height of 15-feet. Winners

from each race will stand to win multiple gifts. Kids will get their license to race in the Shopping Zone, and they can then choose their favourite Hot Wheels Cars to enter the Epic Race.

The Epic Race will also feature an Engineering Zone which will allow kids to build their own epic stunts in a true test of skill and creativity. There will also be a series of other challenges for the kids (and parents can jump in too!) through the 10-days that will allow them to create, experiment and compete while unleashing the energy of an epic display of Hot Wheels. (19-8)

### Ministry of Culture Commemorates Buddha Jayanti Celebrations

Ministry of Culture commemorated the "Thrice blessed day of Buddha's Birth, Enlightenment and Mahaparinirvana", falling on the auspicious Full moon day of Vaisakha in the presence of Shri Prakash Javadekar, Minister for Human Resources Development, Dr. Mahesh Sharma, Minister of State (I/C) for Culture and Tourism and Shri Kiran Rijju, Minister of State for Home Affairs at a function here today.

On this auspicious occasion of Buddha Jayanti Celebration 2017, Ministry of Culture felicitated Prof. S.R. Bhatt, an eminent scholar of Buddhism who has made immense contribution to the preservation and promotion of Buddhism. Mangalacharan in Theravada tradition and chanting of Monks of Mahayana tradition was performed. Prof. Geshe Ngawang Samten delivered Buddha Updesh and Renowned dancer Shovana Narayan performed on the theme 'Shunyata'.

Addressing on the occasion, Shri Prakash Javadekar said that the teachings of Bhagwan Buddha are very popular worldwide and the Ministry of Human Resources Development is working on inculcating the teachings of Bhagwan Buddha in the text books as his teachings are still very relevant. He opined that the aim of imparting education should not only be confined to gaining knowledge and getting skilled for employment but should focus on preparing an ideal person also. He emphasized on improving the curriculum framework of NCERT textbooks.

Dr. Mahesh Sharma, in his address said that Buddhism has left a great impact on social and cultural life of our country and Bhagwan Buddha's entire events of life took place in India. His three baskets, known as Tripitaka, contain the ethical discipline, the methods of training of mind and the ground and modes of the cultivation of wisdom. Seven out of Eight religious places associated with Bhagwan Buddha are situated in India.

### President of India Congratulates Mr. Emmanuel Macron on his Election as President of the French Republic

The President of India, Shri Pranab Mukherjee has congratulated HE Mr. Emmanuel Macron on his election as the President of the French Republic.

In a message to HE Mr. Emmanuel Macron, the President-elect of the French Republic, the President has said, "On behalf of the people of the Republic of India, I warmly congratulate you on your election to the office of President of the French Republic. In giving you a decisive mandate, the people of France have demonstrated

their confidence in your leadership and vision.

India deeply values its multifaceted Strategic Partnership with France and looks forward to consolidating these further with its new Government. I am confident that the long-standing friendship, mutual trust and understanding between our two nations will continue to strengthen in the years to come. Please accept, Excellency, my best wishes for your success and for the progress and prosperity of the people of France".

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**NOTICE**

Notice is hereby Given pursuant to Regulation 47(1)(a) that in terms of Regulation Nos. 29(1)(A) read with Regulation No. 33(3)(d) of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure) Regulations 2015, that a Meeting of the Board of Directors of **ASHISH POLYPLAST LIMITED** is scheduled to be held on the Thursday the **25<sup>th</sup> MAY, 2017 at 05.30 P.M.** (IST) at the Registered Office of the Company to consider, review and taken on record the Audited Financial Results of the Company for the Fourth Quarter ended on 31st March, 2017.

The Trading windows on the exchange will remain closed for all the Directors, Key Managerial Persons and their Relatives, Promoters and their Relatives from **Friday the 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2017 to Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2017. (Both days inclusive)** as per SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015.

For, **Ashish Polyplast Limited,**  
Ashish D.Panchal  
Managing Director  
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Pursuant to Clause 29(1)(a) and 47 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the Meeting of Board of Directors of the Company (Board Meeting No. 01/2017-18) will be held on Friday, May 05, 2017 at 5.30 PM at the Registered Office of the Company *inter alia* to consider and approve Audited Financial Statements for the Fourth Quarter and Year ended March 31, 2017.

Further, in terms of Code of Conduct of the Company to regulate, monitor and report of trading in Company's securities by insiders framed under the SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015, the Trading Window for trading in Company's securities shall remain closed for all Employees/Directors/Designated Persons of the Company from April 29, 2017 till completion of 48 working hours after the Audited Financial Results for the Fourth Quarter and Year ended March 31, 2017 are made public.

For, **Gokul Agro Resources Ltd.**  
Sd/-  
**Chinar Jethwani**  
Company Secretary & Compliance Officer

Date : April 29, 2017  
Place: Ahmedabad