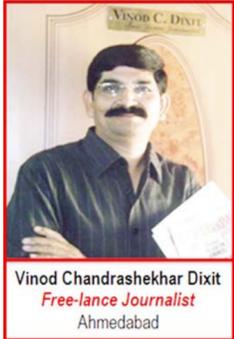


Responding to emergencies is only one aspect of humanitarian work



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19th August day was celebrated as World Humanitarian Day (WHD) in order to pay tribute to aid workers who risk their lives in humanitarian service, and to rally support for people affected by crises around the world. Martin Luther King a Civil Rights Activist has said "Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others?'"

This day brings attention to the millions of civilians affected by armed conflict every day. As humanitarian workers deliver aid, and medical workers treat the wounded and sick, they are directly targeted, treated as threats, and prevented from bringing relief and care to

those in desperate need. These workers often battle violence, local diseases and hunger while attempting to save lives and provide relief to those most in need. Killings, kidnappings and attacks are daily risks in a world where 80% of humanitarian aid is being delivered to civilians caught up by conflict. On this day, it is imperative to remember thousands of humanitarian workers who are risking their lives to try to deliver assistance to those suffering the effects of terrible conflicts. The world should show zero tolerance to those in conflicts who flagrantly fail to respect and protect humanitarian workers in accordance with international humanitarian law. WHD is an opportunity to celebrate the spirit of people helping people. The day is dedicated to recognizing those who face danger and adversity to help others, regardless of who they are and where they are. Despite all the money and aid that is being given for humanitarian relief, it is still estimated that one-third of all global humanitarian needs are not being met. By helping others, many people sacrifice their most precious possession: their life. World



Humanitarian Day pays tribute to those who have perished in humanitarian service globally. Everyone can be a humanitarian. People affected by disasters are often the first to help their own communities following a disaster. Responding to emergencies is only one aspect of humanitarian work. For decades humanitarianism has captured and shaped the dreams of the populations of the global North, dreams of a better world, of a common humanity, of goodness, of solidarity, and of global healing. Attacks on humanitarian workers hinder the ability of people in desperate need to receive lifesaving assistance. WHO has a specific mandate to protect the human right to health, especially for people affected by humanitarian

emergencies. Daniel D. Palmer a Founder of Chiropractic has rightly said "The most wonderful study of mankind is man. Relieving human suffering and diffusing universal knowledge is humanitarian." On World Humanitarian Day, let us honour the heroic aid workers who rush bravely to help people in need. It's a day to pay tribute to those who help the world's most vulnerable people and to redouble efforts to provide emergency aid to global victims of crises. Let us remember their sacrifices, and recognise the millions of people who count on humanitarian workers for their very survival. Let us honour the fallen by protecting those who carry on their work - and supporting humanitarian relief operations worldwide.



The Union Minister for Food Processing Industries, Smt. Harsimrat Kaur Badal in a meeting with the food processing industry leaders to request assistance for people of Kerala, in New Delhi

Amarnath Yatra suspended due to non-availability of pilgrims



Jammu, The Amarnath Yatra was suspended from Jammu today due to non-availability of adequate number of pilgrims, officials said, adding that it may be resumed depending on the arrival of pilgrims at the base camp. However, the Budha Amarnath Yatra went smoothly with the fifth batch

"No devotee arrived for the pilgrimage and accordingly it was decided to suspend the yatra from here for the time being," the officials said, adding in case the pilgrims again arrive at the base camp for the yatra, it will be resumed to facilitate them to pay obeisance at the shrine before the conclusion of the pilgrimage on August 26.

The 60-day pilgrimage commenced from the twin routes of Baltal and Pahalgam on June 28 but over the past fortnight, the arrival of devotees recorded a sharp decline owing to the early melting of the naturally formed ice-shivlingam at the shrine.

Till last evening, as many as 2,83,140 pilgrims had visited the cave shrine since the commencement of the yatra which entered into the final phase yesterday with the

joining of the "Charri Mubarak" (saffron robed holy mace of Lord Shiva).

The holy mace was taken from its abode in Srinagar to Pahalgam by a group of Sadhus yesterday and after a night halt, the onward journey started today.

It is scheduled to reach the cave shrine on August 26, marking the conclusion of the pilgrimage.

Meanwhile, the fifth batch of 499 pilgrims including 72 women left the Bhagwati Nagar base camp here for Budha Amarnath shrine in mountainous Poonch district this morning, the officials said.

The 10-day yatra was going on smoothly and so far over 7,000 pilgrims had paid their obeisance at the shrine, they said, adding the yatra is also scheduled to conclude on August 26, coinciding with 'Raksha Bandhan'.

Shri Gadkari Stresses on the Need to Develop Consensus Amongst Concerned States on Interlinking of Rivers

Union Minister for Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, Shipping, Road Transport & Highways Shri Nitin Gadkari today stressed on the need to develop consensus amongst the concerned states on interlinking of rivers so that the water draining unutilized into the sea could be utilized for the needy areas. He called upon states to discuss and sort out issues through active consultation so that the projects can be implemented on priority.

Reiterating that the project for interlinking of rivers is very important for enhancing water and food security of the country and essential for providing water to drought prone and water deficit areas, Shri Gadkari said that steps have been taken for early implementation of five interlinking projects and Memorandum of Agreement for implementation of these projects is being finalised in consultation with the concerned state governments. These five projects include Ken-Betwa link project, Damanganga-Pinjal link project, Par-Tapi-Narmada link project, Godavari-Cauvery (Grand Anicut) link project and Parvati-Kali Sindhu-Chambal link. National Water Development Agency (NWDA) so far has received 47 proposals of

intra-state links from 9 States viz. Maharashtra, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Odisha, Bihar, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Chhattisgarh. The successful completion of these projects will lead to reduction in disaster during floods, improved irrigation facilities, employment generation in rural agriculture, and increase in exports and decrease in migration from villages. Shri Gadkari also suggested that it is high time to think about a proper legal mechanism to resolve inter-state and centre-state issues in ILR projects. He added that river interlinking projects envisage that the surplus water available in Himalayan Rivers be transferred to the areas where water supply is not adequate in the Peninsular India. However, huge quantities of water from several Peninsular rivers drain unutilized into the sea, and river interlinking projects are seriously looking at transfer of this water to water deficit areas of Peninsular India.

Shri Gadkari requested the Ministers of various States to identify the river basins which have surplus water availability in their States after meeting all demands, from where water can be transferred to deficit areas so that drought in those areas can be miti-

gated, agricultural production could be increased, resulting in the upliftment of socio-economic profile of the society. Minister of State for Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal said that many local issues were sorted out by healthy discussions during the regional conferences which were held in the past few months. He said such conferences and follow up meetings should be pro-

moted. Representatives of the state governments said that Centre should take them on board while preparing Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) related to ILR projects to avoid any unnecessary delay. Shri Devnaini Uma Maheshwar Rao, Minister for Water Resources of Andhra Pradesh Shri D.K. Shiv Kumar, Minister for Water Resources of Karnataka, Shri Satpal Maharaj, Minister for Water Resources.

Smt Harsimrat Badal speaks with Chief Minister of Kerala; assures all assistance to the State from her Ministry

Union Minister for Food Processing Industries met with food processing industry leaders late evening yesterday to plan a strategy for assistance to be provided to people of Kerala. The meeting was attended by representatives from companies like ITC, Coca Cola, Pepsi, Hindustan Unilever, Dabur, MTR, Nestle, Britannia, Marico among others.

The Minister said "It is time to work as a cohesive unit and make a

coordinated effort to help the people of Kerala, instead of separate entities making individual efforts." Smt Badal said that her Ministry was in regular contact with the State Government and district officials to gather their requirements.

Smt Badal spoke with Chief Minister of Kerala, Shri Pinarji Vijayan to express her concern on the calamity and assured the State Government of all assistance from Ministry of Food Processing Industries.

'Shampoo ki Tayyari' with Parachute Advanced Coconut Hair Oil



Taking care of one's hair is an essential routine, but what's even more important is to nurture it the right way. Often, people believe that just shampooing regularly is good enough. But it is essential to prep your hair and do 'Shampoo ki Tayyari' before every wash. Excess shampooing often fades essential moisture from the hair and hence it is important to indulge in some much needed 'Shampoo ki Tayyari' with Parachute Advanced Coconut Hair Oil. Parachute Advanced goes 10 layers deep, gives hair the deep

nourishment it needs and protects from damage. Parachute Advanced has roped in actor Kriti Sanon and her sister Nupur Sanon as their brand ambassadors, given the 'Gehra Love' they share. It is exciting to see the two sisters share loads of fun moments on the sets with Kriti being the perfect elder sister to Nupur. The two sisters are a riot to be around - radiate infectious energy. The sisterly love between the two has been beautifully captured through Parachute Advanced's new 'Shampoo ki Tayyari' campaign. (1-7)

'I have been lucky to be a part of KBC for almost all the years': Ashwiny Tiwari

The first campaign directed by Nitesh Tiwari which showed a father's struggle to give his child the education that he needs received rave reviews and following him was his wonderful wife, Ashwiny Iyer Tiwari who directed the second promo. Ashwiny's promo beautifully showcases the resilience of an aspiring woman who wants to become a pilot. Shirked by family and friends, she does not give up her hopes on achieving her ambition and reached the hot seat to further enable her moto.

When asked Ashwiny to share her experience while directing the promo she says, "I have been working on Kaun Banega Crorepati from the inception of the show years back. As a creative director in the agency we used to write and give a look and feel to the brand. The client and we together have

been churning out ideas for the love of Kaun Banega Crorepati and Mr. Amitabh Bachchan." Ashwiny has been working hand-in-hand with her husband Nitesh Tiwari for all the campaigns of Kaun Banega Crorepati and considers every project associated with the show close to her.

When asked Ashwiny what does 'Kab Tak Rokoge' mean to her and if she has ever experienced a Kab Tak Rokoge moment in her life she adds, "No matter who you are, where you come from, you have the right to lead a life the way you want to and dream big. And yes, when I intended to make my first feature film and wanted to direct it, there were lots of restrained reactions from people who thought I was joking to myself and that I am not capable of direction. (19-8)

Nokia 6.1 Plus and Nokia 5.1 Plus bring popular all-screen design to India



HMD Global, the home of Nokia phones, today announced the availability of Nokia 6.1 Plus and Nokia 5.1 Plus to fans in new markets. These smartphones bring popular all-screen designs, high-end performance and smart AI imaging features to impressive price points.

Both Nokia 6.1 Plus and Nokia 5.1 Plus are online exclusive products in India and will be available on Flipkart and Nokia.com/Phones.

Juho Sarvikas, Chief

Product Officer at HMD Global, said:

"Since the beginning of our journey, we've focused on delivering an experience that you would expect from a Nokia phone - design and craftsmanship that stands out, technology that helps you get more out of your day, and our focus on pure, secure, up-to-date Android™. Today, we are building further on our promise by offering two new smartphones - Nokia 6.1 Plus and Nokia 5.1 Plus - offering the latest innovations such as an all-screen design with the quality you can only expect from a Nokia smartphone. Powered by the latest chipsets and joining the Android One family, both phones deliver a great performance, as well as smart AI imaging features, you would expect from a premium smartphone." (19-10)

Imran Khan's 16-member Cabinet sworn-in, first meeting held

Islamabad, Prime Minister Imran Khan today chaired the first meeting of his Cabinet during which strategies to shape the new Pakistan government's policies were discussed, hours after the President administered oath to his 21-member team.

Khan, who was sworn-in as Pakistan's 22nd Prime Minister on Saturday has vowed to initiate massive economic and tax reforms, launch an austerity drive to cut deficit, curb corruption and bring back laundered money.

The 65-year-old cricketer-turned-politician chaired the first meeting of his Cabinet at the Prime Minister's Office.

The Cabinet discussed strategies to shape the new government's policies, state-run Radio Pakistan reported.

Following the Cabinet meeting, Khan met with

Chairman Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee General Zubair Mahmood Hayat at the PMO, the report said.

Earlier, 16 ministers from Prime Minister Khan's 21-strong Cabinet were sworn-in by President Mamnoon Hussain, who administered the oath to them.

The new Cabinet has 16 federal ministers and five advisers to the prime minister, most of them previously held key posts in the regime of former dictator General (ret'd) Pervez Musharraf.

The ministers who took the oath include Shah Mehmood Qureshi as the Foreign Minister, Defence Minister Pervez Khattak, Finance Minister Asad Umer, Information Minister Fawad Chaudhry, Education Minister Shafiqat Mehmood, Health Minister Amir Kiani, Religious Minister Noor Haq Qadri and Railway Minister Sheikh Rashid.

Essential food and medicines being moved to Kerala as Rescue and Relief Operations continue

The National Crisis Management Committee (NCMC) met for the fifth time in five days here today to review the rescue & relief operations in the flood affected areas in Kerala. Cabinet Secretary Shri PK Sinha, chaired the meeting. The Chief Secretary of Kerala participated in the meeting via video conference. He informed that there has been less rainfall and floodwater has started receding.

The department of Consumer Affairs has dispatched 100 MT of pulses today. The Ministry of Health has airlifted 52 MT of emergency medicines. Another 20 MT of medicines will reach Kerala by tonight. 20MT of bleaching powder and one crore Chlorine

tablets will be dispatched by tomorrow. 12 medical teams have also been put on standby. No outbreak of disease has been reported so far.

The Ministry of Power has moved power equipment like electricity meters, coils, transformers etc. to restore the distribution network. Power generation has reached 2600 MW and no difficulty is envisaged on this score.

The department of Telecom has made operational 77000 [towers out of total 85000 towers in the State. Out of 1407 telephone exchanges, except 13 all are made functional. DoT has operationalised a helpline with number 1948 to help trace missing persons.