

Panel discusses issues and challenges in power sector



The Free Press Journal and Indian Merchants Chamber have joined hands to analyse key policies of the government each month. The series was kicked off with a panel discussion on "Will Power Tariffs go up?". The panelists included (left to right) Anil Sardhana, Managing Director of Tata Power Ltd, Deepak Premnarayan, Vice-President of Indian Merchants Chamber, Dilip Piramal, President of Indian Merchants Chamber, Pramod Deo, Ex-Chairman of Central Electricity Regulatory Commission, RN Bhaskar, Consulting Editor of FPJ, Mukesh Khuller, Principal Secretary, Government of Maharashtra, Suhans Harinarayanan, Executive Director of JM Financial and Bipin Shrivastava, MD of MAHAGENCO. A detailed report of the panel discussion will be featured in this newspaper shortly. A more detailed version will be made available on FPJ's web edition as well. Keep a lookout for these writeups.

LinkedIn names Akshay Kothari as India Country Manager

NEW DELHI: Professional networking platform LinkedIn appointed Akshay Kothari as Country Manager for India, with immediate effect. India has one of the largest userbase for LinkedIn, which has more than 400 million members globally. Kothari replaces

Nishant Rao, who quit the company in October last year to join cloud-based customer support software firm Freshdesk as its Chief Operating Officer.

Kothari will report to Olivier Legrand, LinkedIn's Managing Director

for the Asia Pacific (APAC) region, and join the company's APAC senior management team, LinkedIn said.

He joined LinkedIn in 2013 when Pulse, the company he co-founded and was CEO for almost 3 years, was acquired by LinkedIn.

'Medical Profession- Welfare not Warfare'

The changing facet of medical profession, the overall impact that it has on the society and its complex relationship with the common man on the street were among a host of issues that were discussed at a seminar aptly titled "Medical Profession- Welfare not Warfare" which was held at JW Marriott, Juhu last Sunday.

Health experts, representatives of corporate companies and police officers came together to discuss the changing trends in the medical profession which in turn is creating a complex relationship between doctors and patients.

The conference was organized by Global foundation for Ethics and Spiritual Health (GFESH). Topics that were discussed included- Is Doctor God? Strengths and limitations of Medical Science, Communication skills for a doctor, Medical Practice- a solo act or a team game?, A common mans perspective of a doctor, The mobility in an eventuality, Law for doctors- protective or punitive and Professional relationships-competition or collaboration.

At the seminar, eminent industrialist, Hrishikesh Mafatlal, chairman of Arvind Mafatlal Group



said, "Every profession has its own set of challenges including professional, personal and institutional. But we should not fear them and end up choosing the wrong path. Instead, we should believe in our ethics and moral values and continue to be truthful to our work. Medical field is transforming with the changing times but a doctor needs to bear in mind that he should not take the patient for granted and bring in quality, compassion and honesty in their services."

Participating medical experts felt that medical field is turning to be a business wherein a patient has become a client which is a huge cause of concern. Dr Ajay Sankhe, Director of Bhakti Vedanta hospital and Medical Research Institute in Mira Road said, "We are not against doctors making

money but there needs to be quality work in exchange of money. But if a doctor only focuses on making money, then he is walking on the wrong end. Also, it is extremely crucial that patients understand that doctors are not god and they do their best to save each and every patient's life but they need to show faith in the doctors and not doubt."

Dr Avinash Supe, dean of KEM hospital said, "We always tell our doctors that see yourself as god-like but not as god as you are not the one who decides who will survive or die. There are cases wherein we had no hope and still the patient walked back home with a smiling face and the one who was doing well the previous night was found dead the next morning with a heart-attack. Further, it is significant that doctors understand the art as well as sci-

ence of medicine wherein they need to have knowledge, values and skills to handle and treat a patient during crisis and difficult times. Only then, he will be a complete doctor."

GFESH is patronized by His Holiness Radhanath Swami, a spiritualist of international repute who stated that doctors need to be strongly attached to their vocation and com-



plete their responsibilities. "Doctors are the only hope for the ailing patients and it is their responsibility that they connect to their pain in order to give in their best treatment. They should not run after success but try to excel and reach out to people even in remote areas and provide aid. It is only then that they will be successful and find happiness in their work and life," he added.

It was also felt that a Doctor's occupation was becoming a kind of warfare too—as evident from the number of attacks on doctors which are increasing by the day.

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International conference on Science & Jain Philosophy at IIT Bombay



An International Conference on Science and Jain Philosophy (ICSJP) is being organized by Bhagwan Mahavira International Research Centre of Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, Ladnun, Rajasthan at Indian Institute of Technology, Powai, Mumbai, during January 8 to 10, 2016. The conference has forged active collaboration with Indian Institute of Technology Bombay and University of Mumbai. Prof. Muni Mahendra Kumar Emeritus Professor, JVI and spiritual guide of conference stated that the major goal of the conference is to blend scientific principles and methods with practices and traditions of Jain Philosophy. Prof. Samani Chaitanya Prajna, Executive Director of BMIRC and Director General of conference conveyed that it is a unique event where scientists, spiritualists and philosophers will meet on a common platform to identify gaps in viewpoints and search for common goals among these apparently diverse looking disciplines.

ART SPACE



IMAGINATION OF COLORS



WHAT: A well known artist from Kolkata, Tapas Maiti, is displaying his recent work in acrylic colors on canvas in his 6th solo exhibition. It will showcase his work on cityscapes to highlight the panoramic beauty of the city of colors in his unique style enriched with nice visual perceptions and excellent tonal harmony and rhythm of apt colors used. Tapas Maiti had his art education in Govt. College of Arts and Crafts, Kolkata leading to graduation in 2006. The present series of paintings 'Imagination of Colours' is full of happiness, positive energy and celebration of colors through their panorama. The work in this series 'City of Colors' mostly illustrates uniqueness of medium and technique used, innovative use of spatula by the artist instead of brush and skilful technique symbolizing positive energy and its force serves as inspiration and motivation for all.

WHEN: January 5 to 11, 11 am to 7 pm

WHERE: Nehru Centre Art Gallery (AC Gallery), Dr. Annie Besant Road, Worli, Mumbai

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CORPORATE CONNECT

Payment of Interim Dividend by AAI for the year 2015-16



Shri RK Srivastava, Chairman, Airports Authority of India (AAI), presented cheque of Rs. 279.00 crores as Interim Dividend for the year 2015-16 to Shri P. Ashok Gajapathi Raju, Union Minister of Civil Aviation in the presence of AAI Board Members. With the payment of this Interim Dividend, AAI has been able to pay a total amount of Rs. 813.85 crores during the current FY (2015-16).

Paswan releases "CRWC Shabdawali" published by CRWC



Union Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution Ram Vilas Paswan released "CRWC Shabdawali" published by Central Railside Warehouse Company Limited, a Govt. of India enterprise in a function held at New Delhi. The Shabdawali contains technical terms pertaining to logistic industry along with information about Central Railside Warehouse Company Ltd. limited in both English and Hindi. On this occasion senior officials of Ministry and Central Railside Warehouse Company Ltd. were also present.

Annual Day Celebrations by Utkalika Hobby Center held



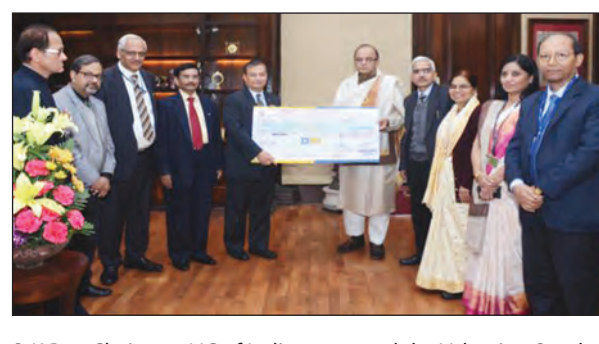
Utkalika Hobby Center run by East Coast Railway Women's Welfare Organisation (ECORWWO) celebrated its Annual Day Celebrations recently, at Rail Vihar. General Manager, East Coast Railway praised the inherent qualities of the kids of Railway Employees. Shalini Vishnoi, President, ECORWWO joining in this programme encouraged the young talents to continue their inherent qualities and expose their creativity. Members of ECORWWO co-ordinated the programme.



Central Air Command gets its new AOC-IN-C

Central Air Command gets its new AOC-IN-C: Air Marshal SBP Sinha AVSM VM assumes the command.

LIC Chairman presents cheque to Arun Jaitley



S. K Roy, Chairman LIC of India, presented the Valuation Surplus Cheque of Rs.1804.35 Crore to Arun Jaitley, Union Finance Minister as the Government of India's share of the surplus arising out of the actuarial valuation as on 31.3.2015. Shaktikanta Das, Secretary DFS, Ministry Of Finance, Smt Snehalata Srivastava, Addl. Secretary Ministry Of Finance were present along with Officials from Life Insurance Corporation of India, Shri S B Mainak MD, Shri V K Sharma MD, Ms Usha Sangwan MD, Shri T T Kabui ZM, North Zone, and Shri Vinay Sah, ED (Marketing).

'Sanrakshika' celebrated New Year get together at NTPC Rihand



New Year 2016 Get Together function was celebrated in Force's residential area by 'Wives Welfare Association Sanrakshika' the voluntary organisation of ladies of Central Industrial Security Force deployed for security of Rihand Project of NTPC. As the chief guest of the function, the president of 'Sanrakshika' Chanda Mishra extended her good wishes and said that, year 2016 will bring lot of happiness for their families. She said that, housewives play a major role in the dedication of the soldier towards effective performance of duty.

SAIL Chairman visits DSP



P K Singh, Chairman, SAIL visited Durgapur Steel Plant on 03.01.2016. He was accompanied by Mr. G Vishwakarma, Director (Projects & Business Planning), SAIL. During interaction and meeting with Somdev Das, Executive Director I/C, DSP and other senior officials of the plant, SAIL Chairman appreciated the efforts of the DSP-ians for enhancing the production momentum in the plant.

CRPF to host 7th National Conference of Women in Police'



CRPF is set to host the 7th National Conference of Women in Police, under the aegis of BPR & D from 6th to 8th January, 2016 at CRPF Academy, Kadarapur, Gurgaon. The conference will be inaugurated by Rajnath Singh, Union Home Minister on 6th January, 2016 at 10.45 Hrs in the morning, at CRPF Academy, Kadarapur, Gurgaon. Prakash Mishra, DG CRPF, DG BPR&D and Vimla Mehra, Conference Chairperson and Senior Special Commissioner of Delhi Police will also be present. Anupam Kulshreshtha, DIG (Administration) of CRPF is the Conference Secretary.

FM meet: India Inc to pitch for simplified I-T laws

New Delhi

Industry chambers will push for simplification of Income Tax laws and calibrated phasing out of exemptions after lowering of corporate tax rate during their meeting today with Finance Minister Arun Jaitley. They will also press for effective steps and policy actions to improve ease of doing business with a view to promote growth. In their pre-budget consultation with Jaitley tomorrow, industry chamber CII is likely to demand lowering of corporate tax rate to near 20 per cent, as against the intention of the government to bring it down to 25 per cent from the present 30 per cent in the next four years. Assocham is likely to pitch for addressing policy gaps in existing provisions and enacting specific provisions to deal with key issues. Besides, it also wants the government to ensure that fine print does not undermine policy objectives and there is consistency in interpretation. The industry chamber is of the view that several existing provisions of the Act leave significant ques-

tions of policy (both substantive as well as procedural) unaddressed which lead to extensive litigation. "Addressing such gaps through suitable legislative amendments in the Act will go a long way in minimising litigation and providing certainty to taxpayers," Assocham said.

CII has already asked Revenue Secretary Hasmukh Adhia to consult the industry before the finalising the corporate tax roadmap phase out. "With exemptions being proposed to be done away with, this would also obviate the need of MAT. Eventually, there should be a very simple Income Tax Act, which would be the biggest reform that can be brought about by the Government," the CII has said. Jaitley had in 2015-16 Budget had announced that corporate tax rate would be brought down gradually to 25 per cent over the next four years and exemptions would be phased out. Although the current corporate tax rate is 30 per cent, the effective rate comes to around 22 per cent because there are a large number of exemptions.

New Regional Commander for Coast Guard Region (NW)



Inspector General VS Pathania, TM, took over as the 5th Regional Commander of Coast Guard Region (NW), the most strategic Region, headquartered in Gandhinagar, Gujarat. An alumnus of the Defence Services Staff College, Wellington and the National Defence College, New Delhi, the Officer has held various important

operational, command and administrative appointments. Some of them are the Chief Of Staff at the North West Region, Chief Staff Operations of the Western Region, Command of ICG ship Sarang & Vigraha, Air Station at Chennai and Principal Director of the Human Resource Directorate at New Delhi.

BHEL commissions 600 MW Thermal Unit in Telangana



Telangana, is the highest rating unit in the state. One coal-based unit of 500 MW rating, commissioned by BHEL in 2010, is already operational at Kakatiya TPP. BHEL-built 600 MW rating sets comprise a 4 cylinder turbine, which is designed in-house, amply demonstrating the engineering prowess of BHEL. So far, the company has contracted 21 sets of 600 MW each, out of which 14 have already been commissioned. A large number of similar sets ensure easy availability of spares and operator's familiarity.

Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) has achieved another milestone by successfully commissioning the first 600 MW coal-based thermal power plant in the state of Telangana. Significantly, the unit, commissioned at Kakatiya Thermal Power Project (TPP) at Chelapur in Warangal District of