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In Brief

Former PM and CM want power: CM

Shimoga, Karnataka, Oct 24 (UNI) Karnataka Chief Minister B S Yeddyurappa today said former Prime Minister and JD(S) supremo H D Devegowda and party state president HD Kumaraswamy think that they only should remain in power.

Talking to reporters at his home town Shikaripur, the Chief Minister said earlier a conspiracy was hatched to topple the government of Ramakrishna Hegde, S R Bommai and J H Patel earlier in the state which was not successful.

Cong MLA to resign tomorrow

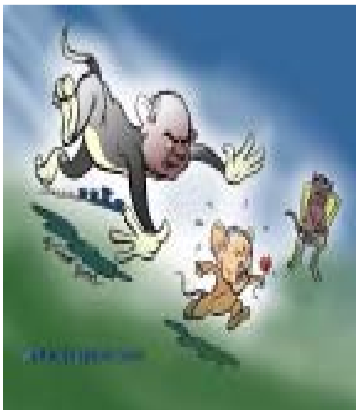
Gulbarga, Oct 24 (UNI) Afzalpur Congress MLA Malikayya Guttedar, who expressed displeasure over N Dharam Singh and M Mallikarjun Kharge accusing them of being autocratic has fixed Monday to be the date of quitting the party.

The MLA who yesterday dismissed the reports of his resignation to the seat, today said "only quitting the party is certain but I am not going to join any other party."

In a telephonic conversation, he said, "Before I take any decision I will meet the senior leader Siddaramaiah".

The MLA was said to be a victim of Operation Lotus and was supposed to be joining the BJP.

Toon Corner



Courtesy: Jatka Blogspot.com

Mysore chalo agitation marks freedom movement

Mysore, Oct 24(UNI) The city today kept its date with the Mysore Chalo agitation that marked the second freedom movement in Mysore that followed India's freedom from British rule, in the wake of the Mysore ruler's resolve to keep the State as an independent entity.

Members of Mysore District Freedom Fighters' Association observed the 63rd anniversary of the event at Subbarayanakere in city, where the Freedom Fighters' Memorial is located. They hoisted the National Flag to mark the event.

Vedantha Hemmige, Association President, M G Krishnamurthy, Working President, M N Jayasimha, Vice-President, Y C Revanna, Secretary and others including Seva Dal volunteers were present.

The freedom fighters resolved to launch an agi-

tation seeking the ouster of the BJP government



Courtesy: hinduonnet.com

and also against the Speaker for being "partisan" to the BJP.

Second freedom movement, the Mysore Chalo agitation, took place after India attained independence. Jayachamaraja Wadiyar, who was the ruler of the Mysore

Kingdom then, did not accede to the people's demands to join with the rest of the Indian democratic union. Later, following public agitation, the Maharaja was forced to accede on October 24, 1947.

Thanks to the erstwhile rule of Wadiyars, people of old Mysore province were not affected by the insensitive British rule. But patriotism prevailed till a representative Government was in place. This was the last phase of freedom struggle, taken up to force the Maharaja to establish a responsible Government.

The Congress gave a call to the volunteers from all

parts of the princely State to take out rallies, processions and jathas and gather in Mysore in large numbers from September 4, 1947. Thousands of people courted arrests. Students, workers and others took out processions. A high school student, Ramaswamy, was killed during this movement when a Police officer fired at him. The Circle at JLB Road-Chama-raja Double Road junction was later named after him.

Another boy, Chandrashekar, managed to climb atop the Maharaja's Palace and hoist the National Flag. When public pressure intensified and turned into a massive movement, the Maharaja relented and K C Reddy became the first Chief Minister of Mysore State. He was in office from October 25, 1947 to March 30, 1952.

Mysore Derby starts off on a wrong foot

Mysore, Oct 24 (UNI) In an unprecedented incident, the premier racing event 'Mysore Derby' race was today declared 'null and void' following a false start and this led to severe protests by the rail birds.

The final-day races of the 20-day Mysore season was marred after the nine runners for the blue-Riband of the season ninth "Poonawalla the Mysore Derby" were stalled. S John astride fancied runner 'Immense' reared in the gate and all the gates opened in a flash.

Even as the horses flew out of the gate, Im-

mense, and other fancied runners Sun Kingdom (B Prakash) and Rapture of Victory (P S Chauhan), which were not settled yet, were stalled in the gates.

Stewards immediately ordered for an inquiry and held a detailed inquiry in minutes. Little later they took the decision of declaring the most important race as null and void.

There was protests among the large crowd and the race goes pro-



Courtesy: indiarace.com

tested. They were soon convinced by an announcement to the effect. The remaining races, however, went on without a problem.

This is first time in the history of the Mysore Race club the prime event was decided by the stewards for false start.

Two bogies of Janata Exp slip off track

Dehradun, Oct 24 (UNI) Two empty bogies of Dehradun-Varanasi Janata Express slipped off the track today but no major loss was caused except delay to two major trains, GRP sources said here.

According to sources, the train was scheduled to leave the Dehradun railway station at 1815 hrs and was being taken to platform number 2 from the wash yard in the afternoon.

It took the workers four hours to clear the line and the Dehradun-Delhi Shatabdi Express, scheduled to leave at 1700 hrs, was delayed and left at 1900 hrs instead.

Since there were no major trains scheduled to leave or arrive at the Doon railway station, not much damage was caused, the GRP sources stressed.

Cholera wrecks havoc in post quake Haiti

250 dead, conditions stabilize

Port-Au-Prince, (Reuters)- A cholera epidemic in Haiti has killed more than 250 people, the government said today, but it added the outbreak which has sickened more than 3,000 may be stabilizing with fewer deaths and new cases reported over the last 24 hours.

The accumulated deaths since the cholera outbreak began around a week ago in the earthquake-ravaged Caribbean nation stood at 253, while total cases were 3,015, mostly in central rural regions straddling the Artibonite river.

The epidemic is the second emergency to strike the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere this year. A catastrophic January 12 quake killed up to 300,000 people in Haiti, which is only a two-hour flight from the United States.

Experts see Port-au-Prince's sprawling, squalid slums and

Imogen Wall told Reuters. The 12,000-strong UN peace

precautionary measures, PAHO said.



Courtesy: ajc.com

tent and tarpaulin camps housing some 1.3 million homeless quake survivors as vulnerable to the cholera, which is transmitted through contaminated water and food.

"We are planning for the worst-case scenario here ... we have to be ready for this," United Nations humanitarian spokeswoman in Haiti

keeping mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH) is helping to put up the cholera treatment centers.

French-speaking Haiti shares the Caribbean island of Hispaniola with Spanish-speaking Dominican Republic. While no cholera cases have been reported on the Dominican side, the government there is taking

Haiti's government and aid agencies have rushed doctors, nurses, medicines and clean water supplies to the affected central regions. Cholera prevention information campaigns and distribution of hygienic materials had intensified in the hilly, rubble-strewn capital, where quake survivor camps fill squares, streets, parks and even a golf course.

Haitian Health Minister Alex Larsen has urged people to wash hands with soap, not eat raw vegetables, boil all food and drinking water and avoid bathing in and drinking from rivers. Haiti is due to hold presidential and legislative elections on November 28 but it is not clear whether the epidemic could threaten the organization of the vote.

KSRTC bus rams into 'tum tum', 8 killed

Bangalore, Oct 24 (UNI) Eight people, including four women and two two-year-old girls, were killed on the spot and six others seriously injured when a KSRTC bus rammed into a 'tum tum' near Kesarohalli village in Haliyal taluk of Uttara Kannada District, about 600 km from here today.

Courtesy: thehindu.com



The deceased and the injured were travelling in the three-wheeler.

Haliyal Circle Inspector Mujahid told UNI that the accident occurred when the bus dashed against the back of the three-wheeler loaded with local people who were returning from a shandy while trying to avoid a pot hole.

Deceased were identified as Netravathy (two), Insica (two), Cleara (35), Sulochana (30), Yashoda (45), Chimmani (45), Sharada (50) and Ganapathy (60). They belonged to Gurudolli village in Haliyal taluk.

The injured were admitted to Haliyal hospital.

The tragic end of a promising coach

Vijayawada, Oct 24 (UNI) The tragic end of Indian Archery coach Cherukuri Lenin shocked the sports world of the country.

The untimely death of Lenin plunged the young and budding archers in deep sadness.

Lenin started his national career in 2005 and it continued until his sad demise.

He earned fame in the archery world

by winning Silver medal in Asian Grand 2nd Pix in Malaysia in 2005. In the same year, He also won the prestigious Asian Championship's Gold medal, which was held in New Delhi.

In 2006, Lenin won Silver medal at Asian Grand Pix, held in Bangkok. In 2007, he participated in the European Grand Pix in Germany. Later in 2007 he won world Cup at Korea. In 2010 in South Asian Grand Pix in Myanmar, he won Bronze medal.

He started participating in Archery events at the age of 10 but unfortunately, by 16

years, destiny ended his career in a form of a road accident.

Family members told UNI that initially, he was fond of football later on the advice of his father Ch Satyanarayana, Lenin shifted to archery.

As National coach, he trained more than 250 archers and international archer Mangal Singh was among his disciples. Eight of his trainees are participating in the international and national events.

His trainees Ch Jignas and M R i s h i t h a Chatterjee have won many medals in national archery events including Silver medals in the recently held National Games.

Recognising his talent in the world of Archery, the railways gave him a job under sports quota in 2007 in Vijayawada.

His father Ch Satyanarayana who was also an archer, established an Archery institute on his daughter's name "Volga Archery Academy" in the city. Lenin's sister died five years ago in a mishap.

The funeral took place here this evening amid a pall of gloom descending the area.



Courtesy: hindu.com

Siddaramaiah criticises 'Operation Kamala'

Hubli, Oct 24 (UNI) Leader of opposition in Karnataka Assembly, Mr Siddaramaiah, today came down heavily on Chief Minister B S Yedyurappa for the latter's alleged attempt to cover up the mistakes of his government and demanded the details of the money that was being spent on 'Operation Kamala' to lure opposition MLAs.

Talking to newsmen at Hubli he asked the Chief Minister to answer the public on the alleged undemocratic way of dragging legislators of other political parties to BJP fold.

He said the Chief Minister before ordering an enquiry about CD episode between Shrinivasa and Suresh Gouda to strike a deal to lure a JD(S) MLA to BJP, he should answer from where the money was pooled to conduct the operation. He demanded an enquiry into 'Operation Kamala'.

He said a Congress delegation would go to New Delhi to meet the President seeking imposition of President's Rule in Karnataka to restore political normalcy. He said the date would be decided in party's

Parliamentary meeting.

He also alleged that it was the BJP government which was solely responsible for the present political crisis and not the opposition parties. It was the bad administration and the corrupt practices of the BJP that led to this crisis, he added.



Courtesy: vkrnews.karnataka.com

Pic of the day

'Balancing Act'

- Naa. Naveena Kumara

