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Cabinet Approves Four GST Bills

The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has approved the following four GST related bills:

1. The Central Goods and Services Tax Bill 2017 (The CGST Bill)
2. The Integrated Goods and Services Tax Bill 2017 (The IGST Bill)
3. The Union Territory Goods and Services Tax Bill 2017 (The UTGST Bill)
4. The Goods and Services Tax (Compensation to the States) Bill 2017 (The Compensation Bill)

The above four Bills have been earlier approved by the GST Council after thorough, clause by clause, discussion over 12 meetings of the Council held in the last six months.

The CGST Bill makes provisions for levy and collection of tax on intra-state supply of goods or services for both by the Central Government.

On the other hand, IGST Bill makes provisions for levy and collection of tax on inter-state supply of goods or services or both by the Central Government.

The UTGST Bill makes provisions for levy on collection of tax on intra-UT supply of goods and services in the Union Territories without legislature. Union Territory GST is akin to States Goods and Services Tax (SGST) which shall be levied and collected by the States/Union Territories on intra-state supply of goods or services or both.

The Compensation Bill provides for compensation to the states for loss of revenue arising on account of implementation of the goods and services tax for a period of five years as per section 18 of the Constitution (One Hundred and First Amendment) Act, 2016.

Background:

The Government is committed to early introduction of GST, one of the biggest reforms, in the country as early as possible. GST Council has decided 1st July as the date of commencement of GST. The Finance Minister in his Budget Speech has mentioned that country-wide outreach efforts will be made to explain the provisions of GST to Trade and Industry.

KCK International Award for excellence in print Journalism conferred

New Delhi : The President of India, Shri Pranab Mukherjee presented the KCK International Award for Excellence in Print Journalism organized by Rajasthan Patrika in New Delhi.

Speaking on the occasion, the President said that journalism has had a long history in our country. It has been closely associated with our struggle for independence and social

reforms. Journalists and journalism played an exemplary role in the social renaissance movement as well as the freedom struggle of the country. The history of Indian journalism has been that of progressive reform, social renaissance and anti-colonialism. Beginning with the 'Samvad Kaumudi' brought out by Raja Rammohun Roy in 1819 to



'Samachar Chandrika' and 'Mirat-ul-Akhbar', the 'Harjan

and Young India edited by the Mahatma and later, through

various other publications, the contribution of print journalism to an evolving Indian society and nationhood was immense. The President said that print journalism has its own impact because journalists through their columns/ stories/ comments etc. find a permanent place in the minds of readers. He stated that media has expanded with increasing use of technology

and the influence of social media has also increased over the years. The President said that he was glad to have the opportunity of conferring the KCK International award for excellence for print journalism on the distinguished awardees. He hoped that this would inspire others to follow their path and wished them all success in their future endeavours.

A Melange Of Activities To Celebrate Rajasthan Divas

Jaipur: 'Rajasthan Festival', organised by Department of Tourism, Government of Rajasthan will take place from 27 to 30 March. The four-day event will witness a variety of rich cultural events to celebrate the historical establishment of the majestic state of Rajasthan. On 27 March, the Opening Ceremony will begin with the lighting of the Rajasthan Day Torch. The finals of the Rural Sports as well as the Cultural Extravaganza by the well known theatre director, Bhanu Bharti, will be held at the SMS Stadium. On 27 and 28 March, a Cycle Marathon by the Sports Department will be held at the SMS Stadium. On the same

day 'Jaipur Kathak Samaroh' by Jaipur Kathak Kendra in association with the Jaipur Development Authority (JDA) will be organized at the Central Park. 'The Theatre of E. Alkazi' (Exhibition) will be displayed at Jawahar Kala Kendra (JKK) from 27 March to 5 April. On 28 March, there will be a Tattoo Show by Border Security Force (BSF) and Rajasthan Police at the JDA Polo Ground. On the next two days - 28 and 29 March there will be 'Bhajans', 'Qawwalis', 'Gurbani', 'Vedic' Chanting at a temple, a church and a gurdwara. The events will be organized in association with the Sanskrit Academy. A Children's Film Festival has also been

organised in a centrally located multiplex - Inox Crystal Palm. Similarly, International Festival of Short Films on Culture & Tourism will be held at Indralok Auditorium. On 29 March, an exciting Air Fly-Past and Air Warrior Drill by the Indian Air Force (IAF) will be held. Furthermore, the Army Pageant will showcase Trick Riding, Massed Pipes and Drums Show will be held by the Indian army at the JDA Polo Ground. In the evening, renowned Bangladeshi fashion designer, Bibi Russell will present a Heritage Fashion Show. Later the well-known Bollywood singer Mohit Chauhan will perform at 7 pm at the mega-concert at the

Albert Hall. On 30 March, the 'Rajasthan Day Celebration' will witness an attractive Projection Mapping Show dedicated to the people of Rajasthan at the Vidhansabha, Janpath. On 30 and 31 March, Gangaur procession will also take place at their traditional route from Tripoliya Gate to the Talkatora. Earlier, from 23 to 27 March Rajasthan Day Marathon will begin from each of the Divisional Head Quarters. During these five days, a Rural Sports Festival will also be organized at the SMS stadium in Jaipur. Both the above events are being organized by the Sports Department of the Government of Rajasthan.

Paragliding, solo flight training in Rajsamand

Udaipur : In a first, adventure lovers can take lessons in paragliding and solo flights in Rajsamand. The district administration has granted license to expert pilot Ajit Pratap Singh, who will coach people in the sport starting next month. A suitable and safe venue too has been identified by the authorities at Morjan hills in Kesuli village where the training sessions will be held. The adventure sports training is expected to give boost to tourism as well as generate employment opportunities for the local youths. Paragliding is a recreational sport and the closest way for

humans to fulfill their dream of free flight. Paragliding in India is performed using a light-weight, foot-launched aircraft that has no rigid structure. The best part about it is that, unlike other light aviation sports, the control lies completely in the hands of the individual flying the glider. He can stop and abort the take-off any moment he wants to and hence the sport gives one a total freedom. Besides, paragliding offers a wonderful opportunity to view the landscape from a different angle and enjoy the beauty of any region like never before" Singh said.

Initiative for Medical hub in Rajsamand

Rajsamand: The dream of a Medical hub in Rajsamand will soon come true with all kinds of facilities like Homeopathy, Ayurveda, Greek medicine, Panchkarma, Natural therapy and surgeries. Minister for Higher Education Kiran Maheshwari informed it during the inaugural function of Yoga camp organised by Department of Ayurveda in Irrigation Garden of Rajsamand on Sunday morning. A huge gathering performed yoga with the minister here. She also said that regular yoga camps will be organised in Rajsamand with a view to improve the health of people. These camps will be organized at Nauchauki promenade, Irrigation Garden and J.K. Garden. All the three centers will have qualified yoga practitioners to



provide assistance to the people. While addressing the crowd, the minister also said that world record holder Yoga specialist Gopali Dangli is providing health benefits in Udaipur at 33 centres through yoga-pranayam. An Arogya fair will be organised in Kankroli at Pragya Vihar from 21st to 25th March.

This health fair is a joint effort of District Ayurveda Department, Jatan Sansthan and Hindustan Zinc, Rajpura-Dariba Complex. The fair aims to assist people suffering from stomach ailments, obesity, acidity and also gynecology problems. Treatment and medicines will be given free of cost to all.

Every poor will have a house by 2022 : CM

Jaipur: Chief minister Vasundhara Raje said every poor person should have a house by 2022, for which Prime Minister Narendra Modi has started the PM Housing Scheme (rural).

Launching the scheme from Banswara on Saturday and handing over approval letter to five women, she said a target of construction of 6.75 lakh houses has been set for 2018-19 and more than 40,000 houses have been sanctioned in the district.

Raje laid the foundation stone and for the ? 682 crore project in the district.

She laid a foundation stone for a geriatric ward at the Mahatma Gandhi hospital for ? 16.39 crore and for two micro storage tank for ? 9.20 crore and an industrial training institute for 10 crore.

Sad demise of Sanjay

Udaipur: Journalist Sunil and Dinesh Gothwal's father Sanjay Gothwal passed away on 15th March after a brief battle with illness.

His funeral was held on 16th at Mokshdham Ashok nagar. Many social activists and journalist offered prayers and paid their last respects amongst them were Vishnu Sharma, Hiteshi, JP Mali Dr. Munesh Arora and their near and dear ones at funeral site.

World's smallest Gold Chessboard



Udaipur : Udaipur's International acclaimed gold miniature artist Iqbal sakka has made World's smallest chess board from 23 carat gold. The 14*14 mm size chessboard can amaze any of us in single gaze. In this chess board kings are of 5 mm, queens 4 mm, rooks 3.5 mm, knights and Bishops 3.5 mm and Pawns are of 2 mm size. You can play this chess set with the help of a small tweezer or Plucker. World's smallest chess weighs only 1.500 mg. According to Guinness Book of World Records, the smallest gold chess board is only 18*18 mm size. Sakka has broken this record by making 14*14 mm gold chessboard which is very light weight. Now sakka is looking forward to see his name in this book to break the world record.

Yogi becomes UP CM with team of 46

Lucknow: The 44-year-old head priest of Gorakhnath temple and 5-term Gorakhpur MP, Yogi Adityanath was sworn in as the 32nd chief minister of Uttar Pradesh on Sunday with two deputy chief ministers and 44 ministers. The Yogi government inducted a Muslim minister as well as a Sikh face along with 26 upper caste ministers, 15 OBCs and five Dalits at a star-studded ceremony in Lucknow's Smriti Upan grounds. Five of the ministers are women.

Cricketer turned BJP politician Mohsin Raza is the lone Muslim face in the ministry. The BJP had not fielded a single Muslim candidate in the UP elections, which it won with a brute majority. Baldev Aulakh, a Sikh, who won the election from Bilaspur in Rampur, was also sworn in. Prime Minister Narendra Modi, BJP president Amit Shah and Union home minister Rajnath Singh were present at the swearing in of the first majority government of the party in UP after 1991.

BJP veterans LK Advani and Murli Manohar Joshi, CMs of party-ruled states, leaders of allies, including Apna Dal leader Anupriya Patel, were at the event. Union minister Manoj Sinha, who was considered a frontrunner, did not attend it. In his first reaction after becoming CM, Yogi said, "Hum yuvaon ke sapnon ko saakar karenge (we will fulfil the dreams of the youth)."

Swimming Pool at UDZ

Udaipur : City Railway station is soon have a Swimming Pool, hotel, pharmacy and a food court. as a part of the redevelopment plan for Udaipur Railway station. Udaipur railway station is one of the 23 stations that have been selected across the country for modernization and redevelopment. Railways department has given the onus of redevelopment of Udaipur railway station to the same agency that is currently redeveloping the Gandhinagar railway station in Gujarat. A five-storey building has been planned for Udaipur Railway station. As per the proposed plan, the ground floor will have space for arrival and departure of trains and offices of railways officials. First floor will have waiting room for passengers, catering facility, washrooms, cloak room, ATM, pharmacy and retail shops.

Women at forefront to vote on liquor ban

Jaipur: A sliver of hope could be seen on the wrinkled face of Badam Devi as she strode towards a polling booth on Sunday, her sprightly steps in sharp contrast to the frail figure of this 84-year-old resident of Rozda village in Amer tehsil. "Liquor has the power to ruin lives and families. I have come here today to cast my vote in order to ban liquor shops from our villages. At present, alcohol is like a disease as many families have lost their dear ones to the vice that drinking is," said Devi, showing her ink-smudged fingertips after voting. Rozda became the second panchayat in Rajasthan to conduct a polling to take the call on whether to ban the liquor shops in the area. A similar voting was conducted in Kachhabali panchayat in Rajsamand district on March 29 last year; liquor shops were banned after a majority of

the people voted for it.

The voting in Rozda was the culmination of a movement spanning 351 days by the Sharab Sangharsh Samiti to make the lone liquor shop in the village close down. "For the past one year, be it through dharnas or awareness campaigns, we have campaigned against liquor. Lately several accidents have taken place in Rozda because of people driving under influence of alcohol. Girls also had to face harassment because the liquor shop is on the main road," said Uttam Kumar Sharma, spokesperson of Sharab Sangharsh Samiti. A serpentine queue of women could be seen outside the polling booth clutching identity cards in their hands and toddlers tugging at the ghunghat tucked over their heads. "Alcoholism is a menace and we women are often at the receiving

end because of the addiction of our husbands. That is why this movement in Rozda has been fuelled by women," said Surgaon Devi Kumawat. The polling involved 4,206 voters and four polling booths in the village, with a heavy number of police personnel deployed.

"The village will ban liquor shops if 51% of the votes are cast in favour of the ban. We are here to ensure that the voting is done in accordance of the Rajasthan Excise Rules 1975," said Ratan Kaur, tehsildar of Amer and the returning officer. Officials from the administration and police complained that though the polling was conducted by the excise department, not a single official turned up. A few hundred metres from the booth, an eerie silence looms over the house of Tejprakash Mahera who lost his life a couple of months ago. Sitting over a worn-out cot,

his father Sitaram Mahera laments how alcohol claimed the life of one of his four sons. "We would plead with him repeatedly to stop drinking but he never listened to us. He was our primary source of income and after his death, we are uncertain about our future. My son is survived by his wife and two little kids but with no source of steady income," Mahera told HT.

The voting started from 8am and went on till 5pm. At the time of going to the press, the counting was on. Liquor sellers not worried

Despite the call of the village to ban the liquor shop, it seems that the people selling alcohol are not worried. "Even if our shop is closed down, we will shift it to the other side of the hillock adjacent to the village. Customers will simply go there to get alcohol," said liquor supplier Ratan Lal Gurjar.