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## **Clarification regarding deployment of EVMs and VVPATs in bye-polls**

Certain baseless observations and allegations have been made by a leader of a political party today in a press conference regarding the use of EVMs. It has been alleged that EVMs as per law cannot be taken out for 45 days from the date of declaration of results but still EVMs for the bye-polls in the Madhya Pradesh were taken out and shifted from Uttar Pradesh where the results have been declared on 11th March, 2017 and hence the 45 days period is still not over

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## **Yousuf bin Alawi bin Abdullah, Minister Responsible for Foreign Affairs of Oman calls on Prime Minister**

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## **Vice President Greets People on Ram Navmi**

The Vice President of India, Shri M. Hamid Ansari has greeted the people on

the auspicious occasion of Ram Navmi.

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## **Directives under Rule 126 of Explosives Rules 2008**

A recent accident during display of fireworks at Paravoor, Kerala has brought out several discrepancies such as lack of effective enforcement of the Explosive Rules 2008 on the part of the district administration, use of unauthorized fireworks, viz.