GST council approves Simplified GST Return

The GST Council in its 28th meeting held here today under the Chairmanship of Shri PiyushGoyal , Union Minister for Railways , Coal , Finance & Corporate Affairs has approved the new return formats and associated changes in law. It may be recalled that in the 27thmeeting held on 4thof May, 2018 the Council had approved the basic principles of GST return design and directed the law committee to finalize the return formats and changes in law. The formats and business process approved today were in line with the basic principles with one major change i.ethe option of filing quarterly return with monthly payment of tax in a simplified return format by the small tax payers.

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Cochin Port signs work order for state-of-the-art Cruise Terminal

A new Cruise Terminal having facilities to handle 5000 tourists will come up at Ernakulum Wharf of Cochin Port by February 2020. Cochin Port Trust has issued work order to the contractor today for commencing the construction of the new Cruise Terminal.

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<u>Highlights from PM's address to the</u> Parliament on No Confidence Motion

I urge all parties to reject the motion that has been moved in the House

Today the nation has seen the negativity expressed by some members. India saw how some people are so deeply opposed to development:

If you were not prepared for the debate why did you bring the motion? Why were you trying to delay the motion

The only thing they have to say- remove Modi

What we saw among members of the Opposition was sheer arrogance.

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Ministry of Women and Child Development asks States/UTs to link all registered Child Care Institutions (CCIs) to Specialized Adoption Agencies (SAAs) within one month.

To address the grave concerns that has come to notice, through media reports, that some organizations have been propagating illegal adoption outside the domain of the Juvenile Justice Act, 2015, which is tantamount to child trafficking, the Ministry of Women and Child Development has instructed that all the State Govts/UTs should ensure that all the registered Child Care institutions, whether run by a State Government or by voluntary or non-governmental organizations, are linked to Specialized Adoption Agencies and are reflected in the online portal CARINGS within one month.

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Reconstitution of National Bamboo Mission

The restructured National Bamboo Mission (NBM) has been launched this year with the approval of Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) vide order No. CCEA/13/2018 (i) dated 26th April, 2018 under the National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) for implementation with the objectives inter alia:

To increase the area under bamboo plantation in non forest Government and private lands to supplement farm income and contribute towards resilience to

climate change as well as availability of quality raw material requirement of industries.

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