Successive test firing of Brahmos Missile to validate Critical Indigenous Components

BrahMos, supersonic cruise missile was successfully test fired at 1145 hours today from the Integrated Test Range (ITR), Balasore, Odisha. The missile was launched from a Mobile Autonomous Launcher (MAL) and successfully flew in its pre-set trajectory fulfilling its mission objectives.

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Extension of time by three months of the Task Force for drafting a New Direct Tax Legislation

A Task Force was constituted by the Government of India in November, 2017 to review the existing Income-Tax Act, 1961 and to draft a New Direct Tax law in consonance with the economic needs of the country.

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<u>Civic Reception Hosted in Honour of</u> the President in Shimla

The President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind, addressed a civic reception hosted for him by the Government of Himachal Pradesh in Shimla today (May 22, 2018).

Speaking on the occasion, the President praised Himachal Pradesh as an important centre for culture, tourism and the spiritual tradition in our country.

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Union Agriculture Minister releases Model Agriculture Produce and Livestock Contract Farming and Services (Promotion & Facilitation) Act, 2018

With a view to integrate farmers with bulk purchasers including exporters, agro- industries etc. for better price realization through mitigation of market and price risks to the farmers and ensuring smooth agro raw material supply to the agro industries, Union Finance Minister in the budget for 2017-18 announced preparation of a "Model Contract Farming Act" and circulation of the same to the States for its adoption.

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<u>Shri J P Nadda leads Indian Delegation</u> <u>at World Health Assembly</u>

"India is firmly committed to achieving universal health coverage for its citizens as has been articulated in our National Health Policy 2017." This was stated by Shri J P Nadda, Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare during his addresses at the Plenary Meeting of the 71st World Health Assembly, at Geneva today.

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