### <u>Duty of elected representatives to</u> <u>prevent erosion of vitality and spirit</u> <u>of our democracy: Vice President</u>

The Vice President of India, Shri M. Hamid Ansari has said that it is the duty of the elected representatives of the people of India to prevent erosion of the vitality and spirit of democracy that is the lifeblood of our Parliament.

# President of India Presents 'Pranab Mukherjee Award for Academic Excellence'

The President of India, Shri Pranab Mukherjee presented the 'Pranab Mukherjee Award for Academic Excellence' to Shri Aman Aggarwal for scoring the highest aggregate in Class XII CBSE Examination, 2017 among the students of Dr. Rajendra Prasad Sarvodaya Vidyalaya located in the President's Estate today (July 19, 2017) at Rashtrapati Bhavan.

## Allotment of temporary COCO outlets to SC, ST & Women beneficiaries

The allotment letters of temporary COCO outlets to SC, ST & Women beneficiaries was presented by Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment Shri. Thaawar Chand Gehlot, Minister for Tribal Affairs, Shri. Jual Oram & Minister of State (I/C) for Petroleum and Natural Gas, Shri. Dharmendra Pradhan at a ceremony held at Constitution Club of India, New Delhi today.

#### NSSO Report on Swachhata Status

A Rapid Survey on Swachhta Status was conducted by the National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) during May-June 2015. The survey aimed to give a snapshot of the situation on the availability/accessibility of toilets, solid waste and liquid waste management at sample village/ward and household levels. Some major findings of the report are given below:

## Environment Ministry Approves Projects for Climate Change Adaptation in Three States

The Environment Ministry today approved three projects for climate change adaptation in three states. The National Steering Committee on Climate Change (NSCCC), under the Chairmanship of Secretary MoEF&CC, Shri Ajay Narayan Jha, approved the Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) submitted by Governments of Rajasthan, Gujarat and Sikkim for funding under the National Adaptation Fund for Climate Change (NAFCC).