Shri Alphons Kannanthanam Assumes Charge of Office of Minister Of State (I/C) for Tourism

Shri Alphons Kannanthanam assumes charge the office of Minister of State (I/C) for Tourism here today. He is a retired IAS officer of 1979 batch (Kerala cadre). He was in Time Magazine's list of 100 Young Global Leaders. He pioneered the literacy movement in India by making Kottayam the first 100% literate town in India in 1989.

Shri Giriraj Singh Takes Over As Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises

Shri Giriraj Singh took over as the Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises here today. Before this charge he was Minister of State for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.

<u>Auction for Sale (Re-issue) of</u> <u>Government Stocks</u>

Government of India has announced the Sale (re-issue) of (i) "Government of India Floating Rate Bonds 2024" for a notified amount of Rs. 3000 crore (nominal) through price based auction, (ii) "6.79 per cent Government Stock, 2027" for a notified amount of Rs. 8,000 crore (nominal) through price based auction, (iii) "7.73 per cent Government Stock 2034" for a notified amount of Rs. 2,000 crore (nominal)

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Indian Advance Pricing Agreement regime moves forward with signing of four Advance Pricing Agreements (APAs)

The Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) has entered into 4 more Advance Pricing Agreements (APAs) during August, 2017. Out of these 4 Agreements, 3 are Unilateral and 1 is a Bilateral. The Bilateral APA is for international transactions between an Indian company and a UK-based company. This is the 8th Bilateral APA with the United Kingdom and 13th overall (the other 5 being with Japan).