

## **Probationers of Indian defence accounts service call on President**

A group of probationers of Indian Defence Accounts Service (2015 batch) called on the President of India, Shri Pranab Mukherjee today (January 2, 2017) at Rashtrapati Bhavan.

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## **Joint Press Communique- India and Srilanka**

The immediate release of the fishermen presently in custody was announced following the ministerial level talks.

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## **Rashtrapati Nilayam gardens to open for public viewing from January 3 to 10, 2017**

The Gardens at Rashtrapati Nilayam, Bolarum, Secunderabad will open for public viewing from January 3, 2017 to January 10, 2017 from 1000 hrs to 1700 hrs.

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## **Achievements of Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare**

About 309 lakh farmers of 23 states had been covered under Fasal Beema during previous Kharif Season 2015 in which 294 lakh farmers were lonee and 15 lakh farmers were non-lonee. During Kharif 2016, however, 366.64 lakh farmers have been covered out of which 264.04 lakh farmers are lonee and 102.60 lakh farmers are non-lonee. Pradhan Mantri Fasal Beema Yojana has been implemented

by 21 states during Kharif 2016.

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## **Government Constitutes a Committee for Improvement in National Sports Development Code and Functioning of National Sports Federations**

In the wake of IOA episode, the Minister of State (I/C) for Youth Affairs and Sports Shri Vijay Goel has decided to constitute a Committee headed by Secretary (Sports) to suggest improvements in the National Sports Development Code and functioning of Sports Federations etc.