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The wreckage of the IAF An-32 on an Arunachal hillside. ANI

Wreckage of missing An-32 spotted, teams flying to site today

ABHISHEK SAHA & SUSHANT SINGH GUWAHATI, NEW DELHI, JUNE 11

AFTER EIGHT days of extensive search-and-rescue operations in Arunachal Pradesh, the wreckage of the missing An-32 transport aircraft of the Indian Air Force was spotted Tuesday at a remote location in high mountains, close to the China border.

IAF spokesperson Wing Commander Ratnakar Singh said mountaineering teams of the IAF. Army and civil administration were being formed and



would be flown to the site in helicopters Wednesday "to look for survivors and other things". Earlier in the day, confirming **CONTINUED ON PAGE 6**

WORK STARTS TO INDUCT 400 DIRECTORS/DEPUTY SECYS

Plan to import talent: A third of Deputy Secys from outside

AMITAV RANJAN NEW DELHI, JUNE 11

NOT JUST at the Joint Secretary (JS) rank, the NDA government plans to recruit outside experts at the lower Deputy Secretary (DS) and Director level, too, in its move to bolster efficiency and deepen expertise in Central government administration.

Sources said that on June 3, Secretary (Personnel) asked officials of his Department of Personnel & Training to prepare a formal proposal for inducting an estimated 400 domain experts from the private sector to fill DS/Director posts in the Central Staffing Scheme (CSS).

This is expected to take away more than 60 per cent of the 650

SANDEEP SINGH

NEW DELHI, JUNE 11

EVEN AS investigating agencies

probe former top executives of

IL&FS Group for alleged irregular-

ities in the business affairs of the

company, an internal investiga-

tion report of the group reveals an

alleged nexus between one of

them, Ramesh Bawa, former MD

of IL&FS Financial Service (IFIN),



From left: P K Mishra, Ajit Doval, Nripendra Misra. All three **now hold Cabinet minister rank.** File

posts at the DS/Director level under the CSS which are available to officers from the three all-India services and 37 participating services such as Income Tax, Customs, Railways, Telecom, Posts, Trade etc, said sources.

IL&FS top executive bent norms

to favour Ansals: internal report

Dubious IL&FS loans to Ansals; chief's family invested in it

Bawa is currently in jail after

the Serious Fraud Investigation

Office (SFIO) arrested him in

April 2019 on the grounds of

abusing his powers in IFIN

through fraudulent conduct and

in granting loans to entities

which were not creditworthy,

thereby causing wrongful loss to

moters are facing charges of

fraud in several cases. UP Real

Estate Regulatory Authority

The Ansal Group and its pro-

the company and its creditors.

Another 650 posts at the DS/Director level under the CSS are reserved for promotees from the Central Secretariat Service which cannot be encroached upon as that would require an amendment in the Central

(RERA) has received around 800

complaints against the Ansal

group in Lucknow and over 2,000

in Noida and the group is in-

volved in alleged fraud amount-

ternal probe report reveals that

while IFIN extended question-

able loans to Ansal Group com-

panies, Bawa had financial links

with Ansal Group companies

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Raising questions of propriety and conflict of interest, the in-

ing to at least Rs 600 crore.

OSD TENURE LIMIT

- ■5-yr limit for officials to work for a Union minister as PS, OSD
- PMO officials Nripendra Misra and PK Mishra get Cabinet minister rank P10

Secretariat Service Rules of 2009, they said.

DoPT officials have been asked to frame the recruitment process and performance evaluation for selection and appointment of private sector employees.

Government think tank Niti Aayog is also slated to fill 54 of **CONTINUED ON PAGE 6**

Ex-CEA cutting GDP growth 2 pc points: Govt defends its data

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BALANCING U.S. AFTER FORMER Chief Economic **AND CHINA**

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NEW DELHI, JUNE 11

Adviser Arvind Subramanian, writing in The Indian Express, kick-started a debate with his new research that India's GDP growth rates were overestimated, the government said GDP estimates are based on "accepted procedures, methodologies and available data and objectively measure the contribution of various sectors in the economy".

The methodology of compilation of macro aggregates has been discussed in detail by a committee comprising experts from academia, National **CONTINUED ON PAGE 6**

By UNNY MUPC Givish Karnad Studied Statistics Govt must be glad he didn't practise it. -

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Long spell of below normal rain leaves western and southern India parched

and the Ansal Group.

AMITABH SINHA PUNE, JUNE 11

BEHIND THE severe water crisis in Maharashtra, Gujarat and many parts of south peninsular India, is an unusually long stretch of below-normal rainfall across the country. Since July 2018,

there has been just one month, this February, that the country received rainfall in excess of the monthly normal. Each of the other months have been deficient, something that has not happened in the last several

Even in February this year, the Marathwada region of

Maharashtra, which is among the regions facing the most acute water shortage, received practically no rain. North interior Karnataka, another area badly affected, also received lesser rainfall February. in Marathwada, which is heavily dependent on water tankers **CONTINUED ON PAGE 6**

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GUJARAT: LITTLE RAIN, JUST ONE KEY RIVER PAGE 16

EXPLAINED



Right to liberty not negotiable, release journalist, Supreme Court tells UP govt immediate release on bail of called Kanojia's arrest as "exces-

ANANTHAKRISHNAN G NEW DELHI, JUNE 11

UNDERLINING THAT "fundamental rights guaranteed under the Constitution of India and in particular Articles 19 and 21... are non-negotiable", the Supreme Court Tuesday ordered the freelance journalist Prashant Kanojia, arrested by UP Police for alleged objectionable comments on Twitter against Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath along with a video in which a woman is heard making claims.

A vacation bench of Justices Indira Banerjee and Ajay Rastogi

sive" but made clear that its order for his release on bail should not be read as approval of his social media posts.

Ruling on Kanojia's wife Jagisha Arora's petition for writ of habeas corpus, the bench said: "We direct that the petitioner's **CONTINUED ON PAGE 6**

False charges to remarks about women: Cloud over sacked senior tax officer

Trouble began with NDTV: Srivastava

RITU SARIN NEW DELHI, JUNE 11

A LITTLE over two weeks before the Income Tax Department announced operation clean-up and compulsorily retired 12 officers, S K Srivastava, Commissioner (Appeals) in Noida, was served a voluminous chargesheet listing

seven charges against him. A formal inquiry was also ordered. The slew of charges,

filed on May 23, the day Lok Sabha election results were announced, included making "scandalous" allegations against women Income Tax officers; making a "false facade of inquiries" against top officials of the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) and making "unsubstantiated and malicious" allegations in the ongoing proceedings in the NDTV and 2G spectrum cases.

The CBDT had given CONTINUED ON PAGE 6

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New Congress govt halts Adani iron ore mining in Bailadila

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DIPANKAR GHOSE KIRANDUL (DANTEWADA), JUNE 11

THE GROUNDSWELL of protests by adivasis in Dantewada against a contract awarded to Adani Enterprises Ltd to mine iron ore deposits in a hill in the Bailadila range, has prompted the Chhattisgarh government to halt all work for now, and review various permissions granted to the

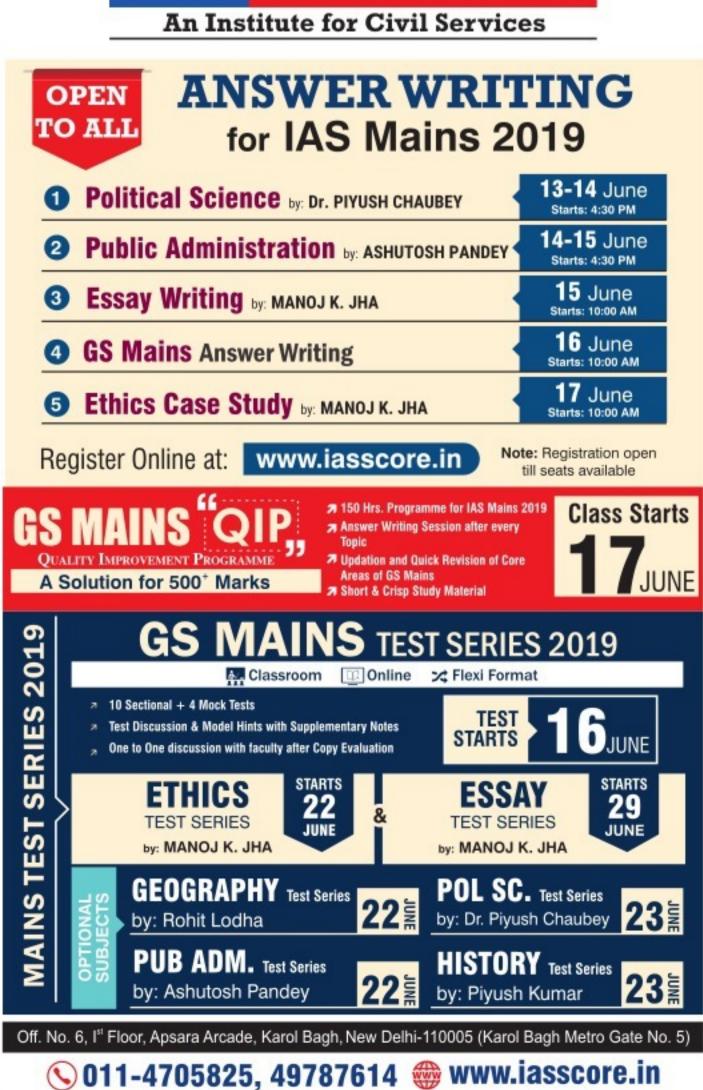
project. At the NMDC Ltd complex in Kirandul, the site of the protest. thousands of adivasis from Dantewada, Sukma and Bijapur districts have gathered over the

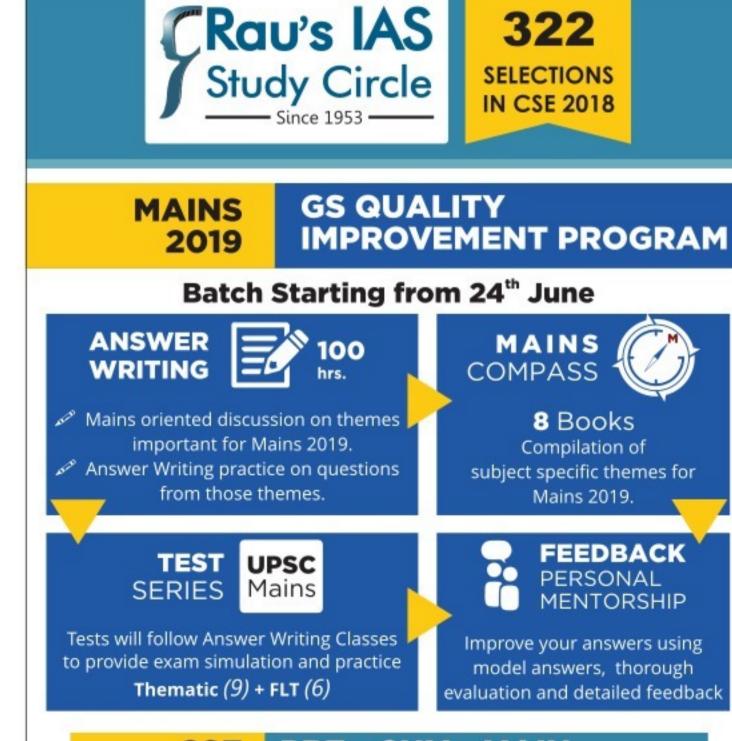
against iron ore mining in a hill they call their god



Tribals protest in Kirandul

last six days under the banner of the Sanyukt Panchayat Jan Sangharsh Samiti. Some came from areas close by, others walked over 60 kilometres to participate. Each family came CONTINUED ON PAGE 6





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