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Relief for Tata Sons as SC stays NCLAT order on reinstating Mistry

AASHISH ARYAN NEW DELHI, JANUARY 10

THE SUPREME Court on Friday stayed the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal's (NCLAT) decision to reinstate Cyrus Mistry as the executive chairman of Tata Sons, observing that its December 18 order had "lacunae" and was "sorely lacking".

A three-judge bench of Chief Justice of India S A Bobde and Justices B R Gavai and Surya Kant refused to accept the plea of Mistry's counsel that the entire NCLAT order need not be stayed as Mistry had made it clear that he was not interested in returning to Tata Sons.

[PTI adds: The bench said the NCLAT's decision suffers from "basic errors and we have to hear

ARUN JANARDHANAN

TWO DAYS after the mysterious

killing of a Special Sub-Inspector

in Kanyakumari district border-

ing Kerala, investigators have

identified one of the two accused

as Abdul Shamim (25), and

described him as a "self-declared

jihadi". The motive for the killing,

they suspect, was revenge for the

arrests of three alleged terror

suspects in Bengaluru this week.

around 9.30 pm Wednesday at a

checkpost near Kaliyakkavilai in

Tamil Nadu — his body had stab

injuries, too. Police identified the

accused from CCTV footage as

Shamim and Thowfic (27), both

Wilson (57) was shot dead

& JOHNSON TA

TN cop killed in revenge

attack for terror arrests



the matter in detail". While ordering interim stay of the NCLAT order, the bench also said, "You (Mistry) have been out of the saddle for quite a long time. Does

(stay order) hurt you today?" The court said there was no prayer in the petition for reinstatement of Mistry, but the tribunal went ahead with it and ordered that. "We are looking at the order and the judicial attitude with which it was made. We find that it is sorely lacking.

this hurt you now? How does it

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JNU violence: Police name Ghosh, 6 others from Left, don't say 2 are from ABVP

JIGNASA SINHA NEW DELHI, JANUARY 10

FIVE DAYS after a masked mob unleashed violence inside the **Jawaharlal Nehru University** campus, leaving 36 people injured, Delhi Police Friday released the names of nine suspects – all students, of whom seven were identified as members of Left student outfits. The other two are from the ABVP.

While Delhi Police identified the Left outfits as SFI, AISF, AISA and DSF, it did not name ABVP during the press conference it called to release the names of suspects. Police have since Sunday maintained that the violence was led by two groups — one that was behind the attack on Periyar hostel in the afternoon and the other that was responsible for violence at Sabarmati dhaba and hostel in the evening.

Those named by police include JNU Students' Union president Aishe Ghosh, who received 16 stitches for injuries on her head following Sunday's



JNUSU chief Aishe Ghosh, other student leaders with HRD **Secretary Amit Khare on Friday.** Prem Nath Pandey

TV sting raises questions, gaps in police version

MAHENDER SINGH MANRAL

NEW DELHI, JANUARY 10

tion by India Today TV Friday evening in which two students, claiming to be ABVP members, brag about their role in Sunday's violence and some glaring omissions by Delhi Police during a **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2** press conference earlier raised

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horror, now hope for new life, homes

Police said Shamim has been **KAVITHA IYER**

absconding after obtaining bail last month in the murder case of a Hindu Munnani leader in 2014. "He is unlikely to surrender. He is someone who would commit suicide before arrest, if he gets a chance," an officer, who had interrogated him earlier, told *The* Indian Express.

Abdul Shamim and Thowfic

from Kanyakumari.

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NET DOWNING, SEC 144 ORDERS TO BE PUBLIC

Freedom of speech via Internet is protected, review J&K curbs: SC

BUSINESS AS USUAL

By UNNY

"If you want to create a foot's paradise on earth,

THE EDITORIAL PAGE

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BY RAMAN JIT SINGH CHIMA

orders in force and any future

orders under Section 144, CrPC

and for suspension of telecom

services, including Internet, to

enable the affected persons to

challenge it before the High

in the government argument that Internet could be used to fan

terrorism and challenge India's

sovereignty and integrity — "it

goes without saying that the

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While it found "ample merit"

Court or appropriate forum".

IN PROGRESS

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Order suspending Internet indefinitely is impermissible: Three-judge bench

ANANTHAKRISHNANG NEW DELHI. JANUARY 10

RULING THAT "freedom of speech and expression and the freedom to practice any profession or carry on any trade, business or occupation over the medium of Internet enjoys constitutional protection under Article 19 (1) (a) and Article 19 (1) (g)", the Supreme Court Friday directed the J&K administration to "review all orders suspending Internet services forthwith" since "an order suspending Internet services indefinitely is impermissible".

fundamental rights should be in consonance with the mandate under Article 19(2) and (6) of the Constitution, inclusive of the test of proportionality".

The bench of Justices N V Ramana, R Subhash Reddy and B R Gavai, ruling on petitions by Kashmir Times Executive Editor Anuradha Bhasin and Congress leader Ghulam Nabi Azad who challenged curbs imposed in J&K following the abrogation of Article 370 on August 5 last year, also sought to remove the cloak of secrecy surrounding orders for Internet shutdown and prohibitory orders under Section 144 of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

It directed the State/compe-

beyond J&K, opens window for challenges, judicial reviews

Why this goes

KARISHMA MEHROTRA & **APURVA VISHWANATH** NEW DELHI, JANUARY 10

DIRECTING THE government to mandatorily publish all orders permitting Internet shutdowns, the Supreme Court has for the first time set the stage for challenging suspension orders before courts. Although the Temporary

Suspension of Telecom Services (Public Emergency or Public Service) Rules, 2017 issued under the Telegraph EXPLAINED Act — the law that deals with

Internet access does not provide for publication or notification of the order suspending Internet, the apex court mandated that such orders must be

restricting

made available to the public. The court declared that it is a "settled principle of law, and of natural justice" that requires publication of such orders, "par-

ticularly one that affects lives, liberty and property of people". "Any law which demands compliance of the people

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8 years in bonded labour, tribals recall

PUNE, AHMEDNAGAR, JAN 10

"They would call us dogs, and other bad words for women... There was no cooking oil, nor any vegetables, ever. There was dried fish, foodgrain and atta, so I would cook these in water, making everything spicy to mask the rawness."



The rescued workers in **Ahmednagar.** Express

Jadhav was among 14 tribal men and women, and eight children, who lived as bonded labourers working on farms, a cowshed and a rice mill just 120 km from Mumbai in Dhamane village of Pune's Maval taluka. They were rescued in June last year in an operation involving local police, **CONTINUED ON PAGE 9**

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