



National Press Day deliberates on the theme 'Challenges before Media' News reporting should be objective and based on facts: Lt. Governor



Port Blair, Nov 16

Media is the eyes and ears of the masses and it should ensure that whatever it publishes, broadcasts or telecasts, should be balanced and based on facts, said the Lt. Governor, A&N Islands, Admiral Devendra Kumar Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.) while addressing the media persons during the National Press Day celebration at Megapode Resort here this evening. The Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray and the Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Anindo Majumdar were the guests of honour. The function was also attended by the Adhyaksha, Zilla Parishad, South Andaman, Smti Baby Fareeda, Secretary, (IP), Shri Ramesh Verma, Secretary to the Lt. Governor, Dr. A. K. Singla, senior officers of the Administration and media persons, both print and electronic.

Referring to the Prime Minister's flagship programme 'Swachh Bharat Abhiyan', which is gaining significance across the country, the Lt. Governor further said, despite the best efforts in implementing the scheme effectively, we can see people littering in the open. Citing the example of Singapore, which has become a litter free country because of heavy punitive action and public humiliation of the offenders by media by way of publishing photographs of the person littering through electronic and print media, the Lt. Governor suggested the media to play its role in effective implementation of various schemes in our country and Islands too.

Speaking about corruption, the Lt. Governor said, the approach of the Govt. towards corruption today is 'zero tolerance', and remarked that both giver and taker of bribes are guilty. He said, media should highlight the corruption cases with

substantial evidences and refrain from generalized reporting. He further added that it is also the responsibility of the media to analyze why certain developmental projects are not progressing as they should.

Congratulating the media fraternity on the occasion of National Press Day, the Lt. Governor said, the grievances brought to

of the Association pointed out the issue of Press Accreditation Rule, providing lap tops, other facilities to the local media. Shri Karikal Valavan, General Secretary of the Association and Editor 'Andaman Murasu' raised the issue of long pending of payment of

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Interest subsidy criteria for Middle Income Group relaxed under PM Awas Yojana

New Delhi, Nov 16
The Govt is in pursuit of the goal of Housing for All in the next 5 years. In a cabinet decision today, it has made it possible for middle income families to buy bigger homes under its home loan subsidy scheme. The move will not only give a wider choice to those wishing to buy new property but will also benefit the real estate sector by making some of its unsold inventory more buyable in the market. Giving big relief to the middle-class home buyer, the Union Cabinet has enhanced the ambit of the interest subsidy



scheme under the Pradhanmantri Awas Yojana. The carpet area for the MIG I category of the credit linked subsidy scheme has been increased from 90 square metres to 120 square metres and the carpet area under the MIG II category has been increased from 110 square metres to 150.

Recruitment Rally at Carnic

Port Blair, Nov 16
The 172 Infantry Battalion (Territorial Army) MADRAS will be organizing Recruitment Rally at Carnicobar, Andaman & Nicobar Islands from Nov 17 to 20, 2017 in continuation to the rallies held at Campbell Bay, Kamorta, Diglipur and Port Blair with effect from Sep

3 to Oct 7, 2017. Eligible candidates volunteering to join the Territorial Army have been asked to report for screening at 5 am. Document checking, screening, medical test and interview of candidates screened in the rally will be held at the venue.

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MP inaugurates RO Plants installed under MPLAD fund at Neil Island

Port Blair, Nov 16
The Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray, while on tour to Neil Island on Nov 5, inaugurated two R.O. Plants installed under the MPLAD Scheme one each at Bharatpur and Ram Nagar of Neilkendra Gram Panchayat, at a total cost of Rs: 34,97,630/- (17,48,815/-each), in presence of Shri Udit Prakash, Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman District, Shri Ramkrishna Biswas,



Pradhan, Neilkendra Gram Panchayat, Smti Chameli Das, Samiti Member and Shri Parimal Das Ward Member. A large numbers of villagers also witnessed the inauguration

ceremony & congratulated the M.P and the Pradhan for their attempts in providing safe drinking water to the villagers, a communication said.

Indian Coast Guard evacuates injured Indian Mariner

Port Blair, Nov 16
Indian Coast Guard Ship C-146 evacuated a 41 years old Indian crew member Mr. Mukesh Kamlakar Tabib, Senior engine room watch keeper from Singapore flag merchant vessel MT 'Falcon Victory' on passage to Singapore braving rough seas last night. The crew who had suffered an injury while working on air conditioner unit, leading to amputation of the top part of the finger. Captain of the merchant vessel MT 'Falcon Victory' destined for Singapore requested Maritime Rescue Co-ordination Center Port Blair for urgent medical evacuation of the injured crew. Considering critical situation, Coast Guard medical Officer provided tele-medical advice to the crew, simultaneously Indian Coast Guard Ship C-146 was deployed for urgent medical evacuation. At the time of emergency reporting, the vessel was 360 NM south-west of Port Blair while enroute from Fujairah to Singapore. Oil carrying merchant vessel

had long passage to next port of call Singapore, therefore it was decided to evacuate crew amid sea. Indian Coast Guard ship C-146 successfully evacuated the crew and headed towards Port Blair with maximum speed. The medical team onboard administered the patient with basic first aid and stabilized the crew enroute prior entering Port Blair in early morning hours. On arrival at Port Blair, the patient in stable condition was immediately admitted at GB Pant

hospital, Port Blair for further specialized medical treatment.

Inauguration of Urban Renewal Project

Port Blair, Nov 16
An Urban Renewal Project at Junglighat, Ward No 9 will be inaugurated by Shri Vishal Jolly, Member, Home Minister's Advisory Committee in presence of Shri Indrapal Singh, Chairperson, Municipal Council and Smti. Anusia Devi, Councillor, Ward No.9 at 11 am on Nov 17, 2017.

Fishers urged to carry valid documents while venturing into sea

Port Blair, Nov 16
It has been brought to the notice of the Fisheries Department by various Enforcement/ Security Agencies that the fishers of these Islands violate the Provisions of A & N Islands Marine Fishing Rules by not carrying their valid documents i.e. Registration Certificate, Fishing License & Fishermen Identity Card/ Biometric Identity Card while venturing into the sea for fishing. Accordingly, all registered

owners/ crew of the fishing boats in A&N Islands have been asked to carry all these documents while at sea and produce the same for inspection by the enforcement/ Security agencies. Few fishermen are also found venturing into the Tribal Reserve Areas i.e. Prevention of Aboriginal Tribes (PAT) Regulated Areas which is a criminal offence and will attract to Legal proceedings.

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Consecration of newly constructed St. Mary's Orthodox Cathedral



Port Blair, Nov 16
The consecration of the newly constructed St. Mary's Orthodox Cathedral at Mohanpura will be done by The Catholicos of the East & Malankara Metropolitan, His Holiness Baselios Marthoma Paulose II. The consecration of the New Church will be done in two parts i.e. from 6 PM to 9 PM on Nov. 17 and from 6

AM to 11 AM on Nov.18 in the presence of His Grace Dr. Yacob Mar Irenaios Metropolitan of Kochi Diocese and His Grace Dr. Yuhanon Mar Diascoros Metropolitan of Madras Diocese. As part of this joyous occasion, a vehicle procession will be taken out by the members of the Cathedral to welcome the

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New appointments in State BJP

Port Blair, Nov.16
The State President BJP, A&N Islands Shri. Vishal Jolly, has appointed Shri. Manoj Pal as the District President, Diglipur District and Shri. K. Srinivasan, Ex-President Diglipur District as the State Executive Member, Bharatiya Janata Party, A&N Islands..

Circuit Bench of CAT deferred

Port Blair, Nov.16
The Circuit sitting of Central Administrative Tribunal, Calcutta Bench at Port Blair from 20.11.2017 to 04.11.2017 (both days inclusive) has been deferred for the time being, due to unavoidable administrative exigencies. Further sitting of Circuit Bench will be informed on receipt of information from the Registrar, CAT, Kolkata Bench, a communication said.

PBSNPA celebrates National Press Day

Port Blair, Nov.16
The Port Blair Small News Papers Association celebrated National Press Day at ACC Hotel Auditorium today. Speaking on the occasion the President of the Association Shri B. Chandra Choudan welcomed all the members and their representatives and informed about the importance of press day. He also pointed out the theme 'Challenges before the Media', and urged for revising the advt. tariff of the local news paper. Shri. R. P. Sharma, Advisor

AATO President meets Tourism Minister



Port Blair, Nov.16
President, AATO, Shri M. Vinod, along with the Org. Secretary, AATO Shri PS Vijayan, met the Minister of Tourism Shri K.J. Alphonse at his office in New Delhi yesterday

PBMC Chairperson visits Ward No 1



Port Blair, Nov. 16
The Chairperson, PBMC Shri Indra Pal Singh, alongwith Shri A.K. Paul, Superintending Engineer (i/c) and other Engineering staff visited Haddo, Ward No:1. While inspecting the developmental activities being carried out in Haddo area, the team noticed that

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SPORTS

Roger Federer overtakes Tiger Woods to become No 1 prize-money earner

London, Nov 16 This time last year, Roger Federer's heydays were thought to be behind him. The Swiss great had been experiencing unsteady form before he had to stay away from the sport for a long period after surgery. But after making his return, he has taken the tennis world by storm, winning a number of titles, among them the Australian Open and Wimbledon and rising to second in the ATP rankings. He most recently beat Germany's Alexander Zverev in the ATP finals. According to Forbes, the victory took the total prize money he has won in his career to a whopping USD 11,02,35,682. This is the most any sportsperson involved in



non-team sports has won in his/her career as prize money, a record that was held by American golfer Tiger Woods. Woods career earnings stands at 11,00,61,012 but it has stalled since his sensational fall from grace due to revelations about his private life in 2009 and subsequent long-term injuries. Federer, on the other hand, has thrived since his return

Suranga Lakmal leaves India reeling vs Sri Lanka on rain-hit 1st Test

Kolkata, Nov 16 The delivery was worth the delay and had the first day of the opening Test not been punctuated by breaks that ensured only an hour's play, Thursday would have provided the kind of test skipper Virat Kohli says his India team would love to embrace. A total of 88.1 overs were lost but in conditions ideal for fast bowling at the Eden Gardens, Suranga Lakmal reduced India to 17 for three after Sri Lanka asked the hosts to bat.

Cheteshwar Pujara was batting on eight off 43 balls and Ajinkya Rahane was on zero. Till play resumed after tea, Lakmal had not conceded a run in 26 deliveries and dismissed KL Rahul and Shikhar Dhawan. Lakmal stretched it to 30 balls when he completed his fifth over in the day's final session. He then bowled six more deliveries in a spell that left ruin in its wake for India because he had got Virat Kohli too. Rahul went first ball, joining an all-Indian club

China Open: PV Sindhu sole Indian shuttler in quarterfinals

New Delhi, Nov 16 Second seed PV Sindhu, the last Indian shuttler at the China Open Super Series Premier, has progressed into the quarterfinals with a 21-15, 21-13 victory over Chinese teenager Han Yue in Shanghai on Thursday. Olympic silver medallist Sindhu will clash with another Chinese qualifier Gao Fangjie for a place in the semifinals on Friday. In the first meeting between the two opponents, World No 2 Sindhu edged ahead of the 17-year-old as the opening game progressed. Initially it appeared like a close contest was on the cards, after Han, ranked 105 in women's singles, matched Sindhu to 5-6, but the experienced pro eased ahead. Sindhu dropped just five points while moving from 12-10 to 21-15 in the game one. The second game saw Sindhu speed ahead 6-0 and extend her lead to 11-3 by the break. Han fought back to make 9-12 as Sindhu faltered somewhat, but the Indian took five consecutive points off her to put



the result out of doubt, before closing out the game in a flurry. Her win gave Indian fans a lift following the exits of HS Prannoy and Saina Nehwal - who who last week won the men's and women's singles titles at the national badminton championships - lost earlier in the day.

Peru beat New Zealand, earn final spot in World Cup

Russia, Nov 16 Peru beat New Zealand 2-0 on Wednesday night to win a two-leg playoff and earn the 32nd and last spot in the World Cup field in Russia. Peru won at home after tying 0-0 on Saturday in New Zealand. It last reached the World Cup in 1982. Striker Jefferson Farfan opened the scoring Wednesday in the 27th minute from the edge of the box. Defender Christian Ramos

made it 2-0 in the 64th minute after a mistake from New Zealand's defense. Peruvian players dedicated the win to striker Paolo Guerrero, who was suspended on doping suspicions. New Zealand failed in a bid to reach its third World Cup. Peru's qualification will put the South American team in pot 2 of the World Cup draw with Spain, Switzerland, England, Colombia, Mexico, Uruguay and Croatia.

WEATHER

Rain or Thundershower very likely to occur at many places. Maximum and Minimum temperature will be around 31°C and 25°C respectively on Friday 17/11/2017

Maximum Temperature (°C) of Date : 31.3
Minimum Temperature (°C) of Date : 25.4
Relative Humidity(%) at 0830 IST 073
Relative Humidity(%) at 1730 IST 083
Sunrise Time for tomorrow(in IST): 0517
Sunset Time for tomorrow(in IST): 1651
Rainfall upto 0830 hrs of date (last 24 hrs) in mm: 000.0
Rainfall upto 1730 hrs of date in mm: 000.0
Rainfall (Progressive total from 1st January upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm 17 3045.8

REVISED SEVA SUCHNAYEIN ALL THE SAILINGS ARE SUBJECT TO WEATHER CONDITIONS

INTER ISLAND SECTOR:
MV Bharat Seema will sail for Car Nicobar via Hut Bay on 18.11.2017 (Sat) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 19.11.2017 (Sun) at 1600 Hrs from Car Nicobar via Hut. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public on 16.11.2017 (Thu) from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters & CSC's. Similarly booking of cargo tickets will commence from 16.11.2017 between 0900 Hrs to 1300 Hrs at Commercial Wing. All the consigners are advised to book actual quantity of cargo to be transhipped, as no excess cargo will be allowed.
MV Coral Queen will sail for Campbell Bay via Hut Bay & Nancowry on 19.11.2017 (Sun) at 0800 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 21.11.2017 (Tue) at 0800 Hrs from Campbell Bay via same route. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public on 17.11.2017 (Fri) from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters & CSC's. Similarly booking of cargo tickets will commence from 17.11.2017 between 0900 Hrs to 1300 Hrs at Commercial Wing. All the consigners are advised to book actual quantity of cargo to be transhipped, as no excess cargo will be allowed.

HUT BAY SECTOR:
MV Coral Queen will sail for Hut Bay on 17.11.2017 (Fri) at 2100 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 18.11.2017 (Sat) at 0800 Hrs from Hut Bay.
MV Bharat Seema will sail for Hut Bay on 21.11.2017 (Tue) at 0800 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 2000 Hrs from Hut Bay.
Note: Passenger tickets for the above sailings for Hut Bay on 17th & 21st Nov., 2017 will be issued to the general public from 16.11.2017 (Thu) from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters & CSC's.
MV Bharat Seema will sail for Hut Bay on 22.11.2017 (Wed) at 2000 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 23.11.2017 (Thu) at 0800 Hrs from Hut Bay.
MV Coral Queen will sail for Hut Bay on 23.11.2017 (Thu) at 0800 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 2100 Hrs from Hut Bay.
Note: Passenger tickets for the above sailings for Hut Bay on 22nd & 23rd Nov., 2017 will be issued to the general public from 20.11.2017 (Mon) from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters & CSC's.

17.11.2017 (FRIDAY)
BARATANG
Due to administrative reasons the scheduled sailing for Baratang on 17.11.2017 (Fri) has been cancelled. Inconvenience caused is regretted.

HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND
MV Strait Island will sail for Havelock on 17.11.2017 (Fri) at 0620 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0900 Hrs from Havelock.
MV Bambooka will sail for Neil Island on 17.11.2017 (Fri) at 0630 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0845 Hrs from Neil Island.
MV Bambooka will sail for Neil Island on 17.11.2017 (Fri) at 1100 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1600 Hrs from Neil Island.
MV Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 17.11.2017 (Fri) at 1300 Hrs from Neil Island Jetty and will sail back to Neil Island on the same day at 1445 Hrs from Havelock.
MV Strait Island will sail for Havelock on 17.11.2017 (Fri) at 1400 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1630 Hrs from Havelock.

HUT BAY
MV Coral Queen will sail for Hut Bay on 17.11.2017 (Fri) at 2100 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 18.11.2017 (Sat) at 0800 Hrs from Hut Bay.

RANGAT
MV Katchal will sail for Rangat via Havelock and Long Island on 17.11.2017 (Fri) at 0630 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1300 Hrs from Rangat via same route.

18.11.2017 (SATURDAY)
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RANGAT, DIGLIPUR
MV Katchal will sail for Rangat via Neil, Havelock, Strait Island and Long Island on 18.11.2017 (Sat) at 0600 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1315 Hrs from Ragat via Strait Island & Havelock.

PBSNPA celebrates ...
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advertisement bill from various Govt. Department and receipt of cheques with expired validity. He is also informed that the charter of demand of the Association has been sent to the Hon'ble President of India, Hon'ble Vice President of India, Hon'ble Prime Minister, and copy to the Home Minister and Information and Broadcasting Ministers too.

Recruitment Rally ...
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Vacancies for recruitment:-
(a) Soldier (General Duty)-327
(b) Clerk (Staff Duty) - 04
(c) Tradesmen - 37
(Chef (Community) - 11, Chef (Special) - 01, Chef (Mess) - 01, Equipment Repairer (ER) 02, Artisan (Metal Work) - 01, Artisan (Wood Work) - 01, Washer Man - 05, Tailor - 01, Mess Keeper - 01, Steward-01, Dresser - 05 & House Keeper-07)

News reporting...

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should be taken up on priority, besides providing concession at mainland guest houses for journalists etc. He also stated that regular camps by the A&N Administration, involving Departments of Agriculture, Revenue, Education, Health etc. should be organized in remote areas of the Islands viz. Diglipur, Campbell Bay etc.

The MP also disclosed that under PMGSY, fund for construction/repair of 28 rural roads in Isles have been sanctioned and the work will be implemented by APWD. He also suggested that tendering works of all Departments should be made online for complete transparency in awarding works. He stated that procurement of medicines should also be made online.

Extending his warm greetings to the media persons on the occasion of National Press Day, the Chief Secretary, Shri Anindo Majumdar said that the Administration gives equal opportunity to private media and assured that the grievances highlighted by the Member of Parliament and the journalists on the occasion have been taken in the right stride and will be sorted out. He said, the role of press has vastly expanded in this era and technology has taken information to another level. He said, in a democratic country like India, Press has all the freedom and the Administration is always there to take care of their grievances.

The Lt Governor and other dignitaries also felicitated some of the media persons on the occasion.

Earlier, the Secretary, (IP), Shri Ramesh Verma welcomed the media persons and highlighted the significance of the day. He said, every year, Nov. 16 is celebrated as National Press Day, when the Press Council of India started functioning. Media is the fourth pillar of democracy and it keeps people aware of various happenings in the country and world, he said.

Media persons of the Islands viz. Shri A.K. Dutta, Editor, Amrit Sagar, Shri Rajesh Kumar Lal, Sub Editor, Sahil Ki Oar and Shri Shrinath Vashishth, Editor, Hawk Eye also spoke on the theme 'Challenges before the Media'. They also highlighted the grievances and challenges faced by the local media in bringing out the newspapers.

The programme concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by the Director (IP&T), Shri Amit Anand. The students of Kamraj English Medium School presented a welcome song on this occasion.

PBMC Chairperson..

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slide during rainy season. Considering the necessity and ground reality, the Chairperson, directed the engineering staff to initiate action for construction of a retaining wall after adopting formalities. The team also inspected some other ongoing developmental activities in that area and issued necessary directions to complete the works.

State level inter school band competition held

Port Blair, Nov. 16 In a scintillating state level inter school band competition organized at Netaji Stadium yesterday, (an initiative by Department of School Education and Literacy, MHRD, GOI), GGSSS girls band was adjudged first in the girls category of state level inter school band competition. A cheque of Rs 5,000/- was given as the prize money. This winner contingent will be participating at Zonal Level Inter-school Band Competition scheduled to be held at Jharkhand (Eastern Zone) on 15th December 2017. The Principal and staff of the institution applauded the students for their marvelous achievement and wish them best for future endeavor.

Fishers urged ...

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All the registered owners of motorized mechanical, motorized non - mechanical fishing boats and traditional crafts have been asked to follow colour coding prescribed for their respective crafts. The Motorized Mechanical Fishing Vessels shall be painted in bright orange Colour conforming to Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) in the wheel house or canopy top for easy identification of the boat by Coast Guard. In case of Motorized Non - Mechanical and Country Crafts, the sides of the boat shall be painted in bright yellow Colour conforming to Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) above the waterline for easy identification by Coast Guard. In addition, the boats should be equipped with required life saving, fire fighting appliances and communication devices. No boats other than boats registered with Department of Fisheries are permitted to display such Colour which is meant for Registered Fishing Boats. In event of display of such Colour by the boats not registered with Department of Fisheries, stringent action will be initiated as deemed fit, a communication said.

Consecration of ..

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Bishops to the newly constructed Church at 4:30PM on November 17 from Bathubasti. The St. Mary's Orthodox Syrian Cathedral has completed 50 years of Orthodox presence in A&N Islands. The Church at Mohanpura was consecrated on January 26 in the year 1984 by His Grace Zacharia Mar Dionysius and was elevated to the status of Cathedral on February 12, 1995.

2018 FIFA World Cup: The 32 qualified teams

London, Nov 16 FIFA has confirmed the pots for next month's World Cup draw after Peru defeated New Zealand to complete the 32-team line-up for the finals in Russia. The South American nation won the second leg of their inter-continental play-off 2-0 in Lima and will be in Pot 2 together with Peru, Pot 2 includes 2010 winners Spain, 1966 champions England, along with Switzerland, Colombia, Mexico, Uruguay and Croatia. Pot 3 contains debutants Iceland, surprise 2014 quarter-finalists Costa Rica and **Indian Men's Rugby team to compete at Asia Rugby Ch'ship in Taiwan**



Denmark, Sweden, Tunisia, Egypt, Senegal and Iran. Finally, a resurgent Serbia and Nigeria share Pot 4 with Australia, Japan, Morocco, Panama, South Korea and Saudi Arabia. An even spread of talent in Pot 3 and 4 arguably reduces the prospects of a 'group of death' being drawn, although the presence of Spain and England in Pot 2 raises the prospect of mouth-watering early encounters among some of football's traditional powerhouse nations. As well as an early showdown with one of the favourites, England could also find themselves up against recent nemesis Iceland, who stunningly eliminated the Three Lions from Euro 2016 in the round of 16. Croatia could be placed in a group with neighbours and fierce rivals Serbia, while Uruguay may be drawn in a group with familiar CONMEBOL foes in the form of Brazil or Argentina.

World Cup draw pots:
Pot 1: Russia, Germany, Brazil, Portugal, Argentina, Belgium, Poland, France
Pot 2: Spain, Peru, Switzerland, England, Colombia, Mexico, Uruguay, Croatia
Pot 3: Denmark, Iceland, Costa Rica, Sweden, Tunisia, Egypt, Senegal, Iran
Pot 4: Serbia, Nigeria, Australia, Japan, Morocco, Panama, South Korea, Saudi Arabia

ICC suspends Pakistan spinner Mohammad Hafeez from bowling in international cricket

New Delhi, Nov 16 The International Cricket Council (ICC) on Thursday suspended Pakistan off-spinner Mohammad Hafeez from bowling in international cricket with immediate effect. The ICC released a statement, saying the "an independent assessment has found the bowling action of Pakistan's Mohammad Hafeez to be illegal and, as such, the off-spinner has been suspended from bowling in international cricket with immediate effect." "The

assessment revealed that the majority of his deliveries exceeded the 15 degrees level of tolerance permitted under the regulations," it added. Hafeez was reported during the third ODI match against Sri Lanka last month in Abu Dhabi, and had undergone an independent assessment of his bowling action on 1 November at Loughborough University. Hafeez can apply for a re-assessment after modifying his bowling action in accordance with clause 4.5 of the Regulations.