

External Broadcast Day Coverage (1-10-2018)



Around 80 years back, on this day the External Services of All India Radio made its first international broadcast to serve the then British rule. This year, the national radio broadcaster is celebrating the first External Broadcast Day to mark its 80th anniversary. Following the footsteps of Mahatma Gandhi as the best ambassador of India, a year-long celebration will commence today. Addressing gathering, Secretary I and B, Amit Khare recalled and remembered all eminent broadcasters of AIR whose contribution added to the esteem position the institution holds today. Mr Khare said, the External Services

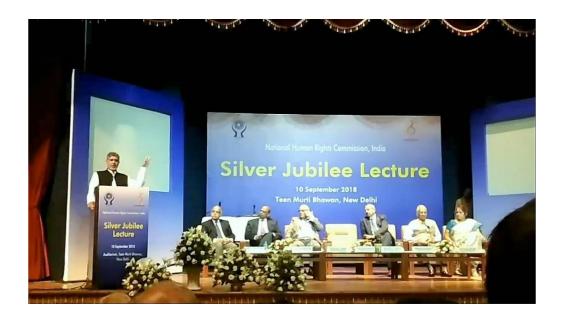
Division has a very important role not only for the ministry but also for the government of India. Lauding the efforts of External Services of AIR Prasar Bharti Chairman, Dr A Surya Prakash said that the division is poised to lead and grow in its sector. He said, the external broadcast services had been able to fight against any kind of propaganda and provide authentic news to the world. Also, speaking on the occasion Prasar Bharti CEO Shashi ShekharVempamti said the External Services has become the voice of India at the world stage. He said as one of the oldest international broadcasting services that began in 1939, now offers news bulletins and a wide range of programmes in 28 different languages which reflects its magnanimity.

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NHRC Silver Jubilee Celebrations Assignment (9-09-2018)

The National Human Rights Commission, NHRC, India in connection with its silver jubilee celebrations today organized a lectureceremony. The eminent personalities, who have worked tirelessly in the field of human rights included:Nobel Peace Laureate, Mr Kailash Satyarthi, DG, TERI, Dr Ajay Mathur and Mr Prakash Singh, Former DGP, UP. Nobel laureate, Kailash Satyarthi said that human rights are not just limited to enforcement of certain laws. He said citizens need to create a culture of human rights to live with human values which begin by respecting and tolerating each other and also respecting the plurality in our country. Mr Satyarthi proposed for setting up a full-fledged anti-human trafficking cell to take up cases such as forced labour, organ transplant, child trafficking more seriously.



Dr Ajay Mathur, Director General of the Energy and Resources Institute while delivering the lecture, urged the NHRC, India to initiate a dialogue on the issue of the right to clean environment as a human right. The TERI, DG said that the concept of human rights and violations thereof is ever expanding, which may differ from country to country and from time to time.

Lauding the role and contribution of the NHRC, Chairperson, Mr Justice H.L. Dattu said the Commission has been involved in efforts to address the issues of extrajudicial killings, prison conditions, and the protection of vulnerable groups, persons with disabilities, and the elderly, among others.

Mr Prakash Singh, Former Director General of Police, UP addressing the gathering said that India followed the concept of human rights since ancient times which even reflects in our Constitution safeguarding the basic human rights to life and liberty of every individual.

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Delhi Book Fair - Special Assignment for Extended coverage (30-09-2018)

Reading books brings immense joy and one can even find a dose of inspiration apart from gaining knowledge. Today, we have some good news for book lovers who are on vigil to make space in their library. The bibliophiles are already enthused for city's own book festival. Yes, we are talking about the 9-day Delhi Book Fair happening at Pragati Maidan that will end this weekend.

The best thing about this year's book fair is its free entry to let readers explore and gain insight into the world of tales and mysteries. With 170 exhibitors displaying books for all age groups the fair brings Indian and foreign publishers, institutions, teaching aids, E-books and CDs, periodicals and magazines including government organizations under the same roof.



Our correspondent reports that the fair is enriched with academicians, writers, researchers, and book traders across genres. Visitors including students are navigating through the foyers and participating in seminars, workshops and on the spot painting competitions. The organisers are expecting more than one lakh visitors beating last year's record. The officials said footfalls have increased due to free shuttle service and general public buying dozens of books. It is a good time to visit Pragati Maidan's hall no. 7 and scroll through the alleys filled with literary works and also enjoy cultural programs like Nukkad Natak and youth corner. More from our correspondent:

The book fair is a blend of educational, fiction, non-fiction and literature books along with graphic novels, comics and props to appeal to the new generation. The stationary segment consists of many unusual designs that are turning visitors into shopaholics. Whereas, the National Publications at the fair includes National Book Trust (NBT), Publications Division, Sahitya Academi and NCERT to cater to avid readers.

The National Book Trust is offering autobiographies on freedom fighters like Aurobindo, Subhash Chandra Bose, Aruna Asif Ali and more along with a specific section for Punjabi literature. Communication officer, S.L. Koral informed us about the high demand for the collection of books published in collaboration with Japanese authors. (BYTE)



He laments on the reading habits and changing preferences due to the advent of electronic reading. (BYTE)

He also informs about how book lovers can avail a twenty per cent lifetime discount by enrolling its membership. (BYTE)

The Publications Division under the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting is providing an opportunity to buy books on Modern India, Buddhism, Urdu poetry, Sanitation and Children's Literature available at a very reasonable price. Senior Editor of Aajkal, Rakesh Renu tells us about the broad history the Division holds and what it is offering at the fair for children and young people? (BYTE)

He also explains how works from different walks of life gets space in the division to create awareness about various subjects. (BYTE)

When enquired about the changing trends among young readers, he says the division in collaboration with the Indira Gandhi National Centre for Artsprovides a wide range of books and series on digital medium to have access to important books. (Byte)

Sahitya Academy, known for its vast range of books on Indian literature is showcasing translated books from twenty-four regional languages including a rare collection of Santhali, Bodo and South-Indian literature. The Marketing Head, Naveen Kumar explained more on what are readers choice and how Sahitya Academy is helping in bringing the latest regional literary works in various languages.(BYTE-1)

He adds, since exams are nowhere close, children are able to spend more time enjoying and participating in the fair. When enquired about works that are a must-read, he explains. (BYTE 2)

Other important stalls to must visit include Lalit Kala Academi which has printed collection on marvels of Indian painting including series on paintings from Rashtrapati Bhawan. The Urdu Academy is next to Lalit Kala Academi stall that has been introduced by the Delhi government offering books like Diwan-e- Ghalib along with Sindhi and Rajasthani literature.

The NCERT is also showcasing a varied range of academic books, educational multimedia programmes, and lecture series on various subjects. The stall manager said books for children on Right to Education, stories of Param Veer Chakra awardees and Yoga are the most trending among young readers.

Those interested in legal and social education should stop once at the Indian social institute and Samyak Prakashan to glance through books on Marx, Ambedkar and important laws and acts. The manager tells us how the book will help citizens in understanding the country's legal framework and use it when required.

Several other publications are offering books at a discounted rate and readers can buy as many as three books for just a hundred rupees. The books fair is also serving delicious Biryani with add-ons like Tribal Kavi Sammelan, Yuva Sahiti and book launches that are not to be missed.

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Special Assignment on the eve of Independence Day 2018



At the stroke of the midnight hour on 15th of August the world slept but India awoke to life and freedom. Today, we are exploring what this freedom means to people who remind society of the 71 years of Independence through their craft.

Our correspondent traversed through the narrow old lanes of Lal Kuan and Sadar bazaar to bring out the historical importance of people and community who have been selling national flag, tricolour bangles, kites and other crafts for decades.

The first encounter was with an attention-grabbing 85-year-old vendor *Moinuddin Khan* and his grandson who are in the business for the last forty years. He reminiscences his good old days and tells us how the craze for national symbol has come down in the last few decades and now mostly appeals to school kids. (**Byte**)

Another young vendor *Parith Rai* told us about his kite business and what is trending this season? He said the independence week brings new energy in the crowd with old patriotic songs all over the place creating a patriotic fervour which binds everybody in the area. (**Byte**)

Yamin, a vendor who also sells bangles, flags and Khadi kurtas since his childhood days said patriotism in the young breed has reduced with time. He also complains of inflation and says people are not interested in buying a 30 rupee flag or a box of specially crafted bangles because they are more worried about sending their children to school.

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Coverage of Police conference attended by Home Minister Rajnath Singh. (26-7-2018)

Home Minister Rajnath today Singh paid homage to the martyrs of Kargil war said every citizen's head held high with proudness and honour on this day. The minister was addressing a twoday Police conference in New Delhi. Mr Singh said to overcome the challenges of a complex crime, the police



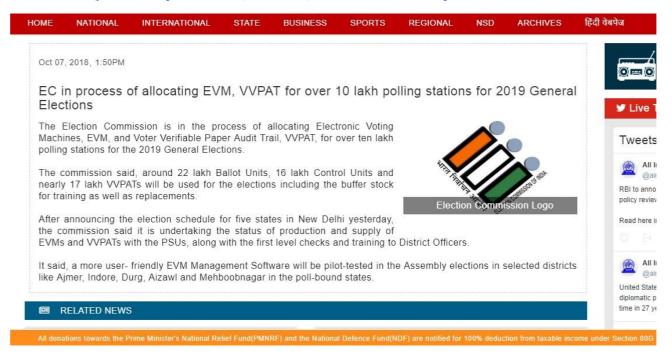
continuously requires modern techniques and weapons to analyse a crime and monitor criminals. Speaking on the theme of Predictive policing, Mr Singh said there is a need to develop new technologies so that crime can be stopped even before it is purported. The Home Minister asked for imparting proper training to the officers to enhance coordination between the security agencies. He said less lethal or non-lethal weapon is also helpful sometimes to solve a particular type of crime. Mr Singh added that there is a need to strengthen the forensic technology set up in the country for unearthing the strong pieces of evidence relating to a crime. He asked reputed institutions to send their students for collaborating with the agencies to learn more about the technologies involved. The minister exuded on the need to develop more indigenous solutions and utilising the present technology in the best possible way to solve a crime. He asked the security forces to use policing app and engage more on the digital platform for providing better services to citizens. The conference also included industry players showcasing the latest technologies in the area of crime investigation.

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