

Heavy rains in Mumbai: airlines cancel many flights

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MUMBAI: A day after Mumbai airport reported delays in services following heavy rain, IndiGo, the worst-hit among airlines, said it was cancelling a few flights to stabilise operations.

On Wednesday, flight delays at the Mumbai airport were on two counts — poor visibility and staff being unable to report for on-time duty. At 12 p.m., Swedish airport and airline tracker Flightradar24 said that 9% or 42 incoming flights were delayed and 16 arrivals into Mumbai had been cancelled. There was a 20-minute average delay in departures, with 131 (29%) reporting delays. Sixteen departures had been cancelled, the tracker said.



A view of a flooded street following heavy rains in Mumbai

A Mumbai International Airport Ltd. (MIAL) spokesperson said that operations were normal but for a slight delay in arrivals and departures. "The situation at the Mumbai airport has been largely normalised and operations have resumed as per the schedule. There are few cancellations to stabilise the operations. Therefore, we request the passengers to check the status of their flight before

proceeding for the airport.

We thank MIAL for their support. This eased the situation at the Mumbai airport last night (Wednesday). All affected passengers are being accommodated on alternative flights," an Indigo spokesperson said.

On Wednesday, IndiGo, faced passenger anger as they took to social media.

'MASKS' unveils societal issues through photographs

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It will be held near MCC, Lalbgh.

CAMPUS: Students of the department of Journalism, St Aloysius College (Autonomous), here on September 6 will organise a PR event, a theme based photography exhibition; 'MASKS – the hidden face of society' at the main entrance of Mangaluru City Corporation, Lalbagh from 10.00 am to 5.00 pm.

The exhibition will focus on display of photographs based on 20 issues namely – poverty, illiteracy, terrorism, untouchability, corruption, overpopulation, child marriage, starvation, child labour, gender inequality, dowry, domestic violence, sexual harassment of women at workplace, child sex abuse, marital rape, child trafficking, bonded labour, lack of sanitation and superstition.

The main focus of the photo-

graphs will be human figures with masks in setting signifying that the aforementioned issues are hidden behind the positive face of society and though we know of these, we choose to turn a blind eye.

The objective of the exhibition and the photographs is to tap into the conscience of the general public and evoke a sense of responsibility to take a stand about these issues; in ways that they can.

A questionnaire will be provided to the audience as an attempt to collect their opinions on these issues along with a sheet containing latest data and statistics on the following issues as well as measures that individuals can adopt. We believe that visual aids (photographs) are powerful and convincing and that the audience will go home with questions in their minds and then take the initiative of doing their share. St Aloysius is a religious minority institution managed by the Jesuit priests, who are pioneers in the field of education throughout the world. The college is accredited by NAAC with A grade having CGPA of 3.62, College with a potential for excellence by UGC, College with Star Status – awarded by DBT, ranked 3 in Swachh Campus 2018 by MHRD, Govt of India.

Idea Conclave inaugurated at SAC

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MANGALURU : This is a humble beginning with a noble initiative concerning Namma Mangaluru. Students For Development (SFD) based in Bengaluru, in association with National Service Scheme (NSS) of St Aloysius College (Autonomous)-Mangaluru organized "Idea Conclave for Better Mangaluru" on 5th Sept 2019 at Robert Sequeira Hall, LCRI Block of the College.

Students for Development (SFD) initiated in 1990 to promote the need for sustainable development in its right form. Not just the environmental issues such as water conservation and management, plastic recycling, ban on plastic usage, forest conservation, etc. but also the issues related to the development in holistic sense that are concerned with the cultural, economic and physical (materialistic) development of person, society, nation and mankind are also dealt with so that the meaning of 'Development' is understood by the people in its right spirit. Then the question arises what is 'Development'? How to understand the right meaning of 'Development'? SFD is initiated to make understand, promote and disseminate the right concept of 'Development' to all people.

Workshop on budding and grafting

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CAMPUS: Department of Botany along with Bio-Science association of SAC is organising a seven-day programme Savayava Saptaha. On the second day of the seven-day programme on Wednesday, Anil Balangia, who is a renowned organic farmer, conducted a budding and grafting techniques session, and Shiva Prakash, assistant professor Alva's College Moodubidire, organised an exhibition of organic products. Mr Balangia spoke about the methods of budding and grafting and demonstrated techniques to the students.

The event mainly focused on environmental issues and promoted organic and eco-friendly products. Also, the event focused on the importance of growing medicinal plants and



Shiva Prakash at workshop

organic vegetables. Around 150 students actively took part in the event.

The students also sold many eco-friendly products such as organic soaps, shampoos, herbal ointment and handmade products which were prepared by the students.

Dr Sana Sheik of department of Botany said, "It is essential to promote organic products since the use of plastic is increasing, and it has caused lots of environmental pollution."

Dengue cases decrease; rat fever reported in city

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MANGALORE: Dakshina Kannada district health surveillance officer Dr Praveen Kumar has informed that 17 rat fever cases were reported in the city during July this year. Therefore he has urged the people to take precautionary measures against getting infected with this disease. Giving this information at a press meet he addressed in the city on Wednesday, September 4, Kumar expressed satisfaction at the fact that the department has been able to exercise some grip over dengue fever cases in the district.

He expressed the concern about the increasing incidence of rat fever, also known as leptospirosis. He stated that this fever is caused by the bacteria known as liptospora. He said that this bacteria spreads through the urine of animals into the human bodies. He also mentioned that malaria cases are also being reported of late.

"This disease can be completely cured through systematic treatment. Even though infection of this fever can spread to heart, lungs and kidneys, such cases are very rare. Still, when symptoms of this infection is observed, people should not delay in getting the same treated. As this disease

does not spread from the patient to healthy persons, there is no need to keep the patients away from others," he explained. The urine of some domestic animals and some wild animals can get into water, contaminate it, and enter the bodies through wounds, mouth, nose and eyes, he noted.

Dr Kumar said that even though swine flu (H1N1) is also affecting some people, there is no need to feel panicky about it. However, he told the people that they should be cautious.

Dr Navinchandra Kulal, district control officer for vector borne diseases, said that the number of people getting treated for dengue has been coming down, and that so far, 1957 confirmed dengue cases have been reported from January to August this year in the district. At the same time, the number of malaria cases reported happens to be 1,341, he stated. He said that about 60 percent of dengue cases and 90 percent of malaria cases were reported from within the city corporation limits. "Refrigerator trays, flower pots, window gaps in the roof and verandah etc are the places where the larvae of Aedes mosquitoes were found during checks conducted in houses.