

When you stand for the nation, you are called anti-national: Prof. Menon

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CAMPUS: “Today if you are called anti national it means you stand for the nation,” said Nivedita Menon, professor of Political Thought at JNU, New Delhi. She was delivering a lecture on the subject ‘Feminist politics in India today: some key issues’ here on Monday. The lecture was organised by SAC in collaboration with P.P. Gomathi Memorial Education Trust (PPGMET) in remembrance of Ms P.P. Gomathi, a teacher who worked for the betterment of society.,

Speaking on feminism Ms Menon said: “Feminism is not anti men. Feminism is where all women have equal rights in society. Feminism in India has a long history; it is not borrowed from western countries. Nowadays we can see a change in society, but there are always



Niveditha Menon addressing the gathering at SAC

people fighting for gender equality.”

“It is not easy to raise a feminist voice in our society. Religion, class, caste, gender and patriarchy always hinder the voice of feminists. Feminism is always about the fight between women and patriarchy,” she added.

She spoke particularly on

uniform civil code and sexual violence in India. “When we talk about religion, every religion transforms its character when it comes to a particular region. So the laws based on religion have many differences within that particular group. If we connect religions to uniform civil code then it is difficult to achieve gender equality.

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If we try to bring a uniform law for all religions it will harm our democracy and the very thought of unity in diversity,” Prof Menon opined. .

About sexual violence Prof Menon stated that the reason for which rape is considered bad differs among the ideologies of different groups. “For feminists the reason is it goes against bodily autonomy. At the same time patriarchy considers it as a shame for the family. Why is the rape always known in the name of the girl and not in the name of one who commits rape? All these problems should be taken into consideration,” she said.

Dr Kesavan Veluthat, renowned historian and former professor of Delhi University, K P Vasudeva Rao, trustee of PPGMET, Dr Praveen Martis SJ, Principal of SAC, and Gopala Krishna Shetty, secretary of the trust were present.

FMMC conducts Venkat Rao Memorial PG quiz

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CAMPUS: The department of General Surgery, Father Muller Medical College (FMMC), conducted ‘Venkat Rao Memorial PG Quiz 2018’ for post-graduate students on February 24 in Knowledge Centre, A V Hall. Students from six medical colleges in and around the city, consisting 33 teams, participated in the quiz.

The event was half day programme and began with welcome address by Dr Leo Tauro, professor and head of the department of General Surgery. Dr Prativhi Shetty was the quiz master. The quiz consisted of a preliminary selection round followed by a final quiz of five rounds with the top five teams. The final quiz consisted of five rounds which included major and minor case, viva-voce rounds, gammath rounds, clinical ward, and surgery rounds.

ELC awarded as one of India’s promising pre-schools of future

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MANGALORE: The prestigious Education World magazine has awarded Early Learning Centre (ELC) as one of ‘India’s promising pre-schools’ of the future with special recognition for innovation in curriculum.

This is the first award granted in this category to Mangaluru. With this award, Mangaluru will be listed as being among the leading pre-schools in the country.

ELC is on a mission to change this and bring childhood back. It encourages learning through play, exploration, reading and self direction. ELC has the most child friendly environment in Mangalore wherein learning happens originally. Respect, sustainability and responsibility are an integral part of the core curricu-



Students of ELC

lum. Math, Science, dance, art, social sciences and various other avenues are made accessible through hands-on-activities.

Program coordinator Centre for Advanced learning (CFAL) Vijay Moras said, “Early Learning Centre got a special recognition for innovation in curriculum. We have changed that vision where students learn through play and enjoy themselves by experiencing education. This type of early

education brings in confident for the students to come to the schools. We make early education different from others.”

Program coordinator of Early Education Centre Kindergarten, Sonia Moras said, “There has been a research on early education which has been sidelined and has neglected the children’s rights. It’s not able for the young children to communicate about their requirements.”

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Sridevi’s mortal remains to arrive tonight; funeral to be held on February 28

INDIAN EXPRESS

NEW DELHI: Bollywood legend Sridevi passed away on February 24. On Monday, Dubai Police revealed that Sridevi’s death ‘occurred due to drowning in her hotel apartment’s bathtub following loss of consciousness.’ Dubai Police tweeted the following statement: “Following the completion of post-mortem analysis, DubaiPolice today stated that the death of Indian actress Sridevi occurred due to drowning in her hotel apartment’s bathtub following loss of consciousness. DubaiPolice has transferred the case to Dubai Public Prosecution, which will carry out regular legal procedures followed in such cases.”

Sridevi along with the entire Kapoor family was in UAE to attend the wedding ceremony

Indian Express



Sridevi

of Mohit Marwah. The news of Sridevi’s death came as a huge shock to the entire film fraternity as well as her fans.

According to the latest update, the condolence meeting for Sridevi will be held on February 28 at Celebration Sports Club from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm, it will be followed by the funeral and last rites at Vile Parle Seva Samaj Crematorium and Hindu Cemetery from 3.30 pm.

Assembly election date announcement likely on April 15

MANGALORE: Chief election commissioner (CEC) of India, O P Rawat, told a television channel on Monday February 26 that poll date for

Karnataka assembly election would be announced around April 15. He reasoned that middle of May this year would be ideal to hold election in

Karnataka as board and other examinations would be over by April 14.

This statement seems to give credence to speculations mak-

ing the rounds that the said election might be held on May 13, which falls on Sunday. New state assembly has to be formed before May 28, as the

current assembly’s tenure ends on that day.

The CEC is likely to visit the state during the first week of April. (Daijiworld.com)