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NOT EVERY JEWEL IS TIMELESS

Designers marry gemstones and diamonds with the colours of seasons to create exotic pieces

Priyanka Golikeri

From the baby pink of the cherry blossom to the yellow hued tulips, and the blood red leaves of the Chinar, to the radiant branches of the deodar covered in pristine white snow. The beauty of spring, summer, autumn and winter is increasingly captivating jewellery designers who now look to merge the myriad shades of seasons with the luminosity of gold, silver, diamonds and precious gemstones.

While jewellery aficionados are going about selecting pieces such as bracelets inspired by the juicy green apples that blossom in spring, necklaces laced with sparkling diamonds to depict winters, and rings in the metallic hues of fall; all of which cost upwards of Rs.80,000 and can go upto a few lakhs of rupees.

"There is vast richness in

each season, the depth of colours in fall, the bright sunshine of summer and the delicate snow and ice formations in winter. Jewellery derives an intrinsic connection with the earth. This is especially true of high-end jewellery, in which each piece is created as a work of art to be worn and passed down generations," says Payal Mehta, founder of Paval New York, a designer specializing in bespoke fine jewellery.

Prriya Rathee, senior designer, Ganjam Design Studio, says that seasons have always been symbolic of new beginnings. "They bring new colours, creating natural trends. For autumn, metal colours like vellow gold, pink gold are best suited when combined with stones like yellow sapphire, rubies and rubellites. While white gold and stones like pink sapphires, emeralds and diamonds help bring

FOR SEASONAL SHINE Jewellery market is touted to reach Rs 530,000 crore by 2018, says a study by Ficci - AT Kearney Designers are brandishing their creativity by taking inspiration from global seasons

alive the flavours of spring."

According to Sangeeta Dewan, principal designer, ZOYA, the luxury diamond boutique from the Tata Group, jewellery connoisseurs look for unique, neverseen-before designs to add to their own exclusive collections of jewellery, "That is why unique themes like say the seasons of Kashmir not

only excite them, but also add the magical beauty of a place like Kashmir to their jewellery portfolio. Just like rare pashmina shawls are very close to a connoisseur's heart, jewellery inspired from the Kashmir valley become a collector's item."

To depict the flora and landscape of Kashmir's seasons, designers from ZOYA have used rubies to demonstrate tulips that bloom in spring, rose quartz and yellow sapphires to represent the Chinar laden fall, and sparkling diamonds and tanzanites for bringing alive the

snow-filled white winters. "Symmetric rows of tulips become the inspiration for the design of a statement bangle, encrusted with princess cut red rubies set in pink gold. While yellow sapphires and diamonds set in yellow gold help recreate the colours of an autumn evening in the Kashmir valley," says Dewan.

Meanwhile, Sakura or the cherry blossom season of Japan is captured in its jeweled glory by a collection from the premium brand Ganjam. "Coloured diamonds, pink and yellow sapphires, rubellites and diamond briolettes set in pink, white and yellow gold help capture the essence of the Sakura bloom through its journey from a bud to a full blossom. For such col-

lections, even the client's profile has to be unique, wherein smaller products with just the buds are for the young customer defining their various stages of life; while the larger products with full blossoms are for clients who have been through the journey of life and are now in their bloom-

Mehta says she has drawn inspiration from the "rebirth and revitalization of the earth in spring with its explosion of blooms." " I have created a series in white gold with petals of white diamonds and rare yellow or pink diamond centres. The collection is like a wild garden, with rose cut diamond pendants of a delicate leaf of ivy, to draping vine earrings and diamond bangles with yellow buds about to bloom," says Mehta.

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with Pakistan is unformed and many a time confusing even for insiders, writes Shastri Ramachandaran P8

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As Rly Board Chairman Ashwani Lohani discusses future projects, the Bandra-Virar elevated rail corridor is likely to get the boot

INDIA

Eight-day-long strike by govt transport workers has been called off as Madras High Court has appointed an

WORLD

In a move that will help Indian techies working abroad, USA may increase Green Card allotment by 45% annually. The move will have to be signed into a law

SPORTS Roger Federer and Novak Djokovic have been drawn in the same half of the Australian Open while Rafael Nadal is top

seed P13

Kangana's hilly abode costs ₹30 crore? The actress' bungalow has a vintage



India confirms NSA talks but denies any 'deviation'

MEA: Meet was on terror, wasn't bilateral dialogue

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New Delhi: India finally confirmed on Thursday that National Security Advisor Ajit Doval met his Pakistani counterpart Lt Gen Nasser Khan Janjua (retd) in Bangkok on December 26, but denied that there was any deviation from its stand that "talks and ter-

ror cannot go together." "Yes, I agree talks took place. I also agree that the issue is of terrorism. Talks on terror can go ahead," said Ministry of External Affairs spokesperson Raveesh Kumar.

India remained non-committal over Doval's meeting for days. Kumar said the focus of the "operational-level talks" was "cross-border terror" and ways to ensure the elimination of terrorism from the region.

He implied that the NSA contacts in no way can be construed as resumption of normal bilateral dialogue process, "India and Pakistan have a dialogue process. However, there are other dialogue mechanisms that involve DGMOs and border forces. Similarly, the NSA-level engagement is part of operational-level talks. We have said terror and talks cannot go together, but talks on terror can definitely go ahead," Kumar said.

Kumar did not specify

BANGKOK DIARY



Lt Gen Nasser Khan Advisor NSA Ajit Doval Janjua (Retd)

The meeting, which took place in Bangkok on December 26, came two days after Jadhav met with his family in Islamabad.

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lated ceasefire 724 times along

the IB and the LoC till October,

As many as 12 civilians and

17 security personnel were

killed in the firing from across

the border till October. A total

of 79 civilians and 67 security

personnel were also injured in

against 449 times in 2016.

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In December 2015, both countries announced resumption of dialogue process But the Pathankot attack in January 2016 derailed the

Dialogue between the two NSAs has survived despite growing tensions among the two countries

US tells citizens to skip Pak trips

Washington DC: The United States has advised its citizens to reconsider travelling to Pakistan citing terrorism as the reason. The US State Department has launched its new travel advisory system that will provide US citizens with clear timely, and reliable safety and security information worldwide.

US lauds India's biz power, slams terror

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New Delhi: The US offered India a "leading role" in the Indo-Pacific region and described the country as a potential trade hub for American businesses, while also emphasising that Washington will not tolerate "cross-border terrorism" or terror safe ha-

In his first policy address here on Thursday, the newly appointed US Ambassador to New Delhi, Kenneth Juster, counted benefits India may accrue if markets were further opened up. This, he said,

will also stimulate investment and compliment growing defence and counter-terrorism partnership and moderate policy differences between the two countries. He talked about a road-

map for a US-India Free

Trade Agreement, but

said that many intermediate steps were needed to reach the goal. He said that President Trump's poll slogan 'America First' and PM Modi's flagship initiative

'Make in India' are not incompatible. He said many US compa-

nies feeling uncomfortable in China desired to shift their bases to India.

We didn't start the fire: 1 Above owners in court **COURT AFFAIRS**

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Mumbai: Basing their argument on Mumbai Fire Brigade's report, the owners of 1 Above eatery argued on Thursday in Bhoiwada Court they had no role to play in the fire that killed 14 people at Kamala Mills Compound in December. The Fire Brigade's report gave the owners a clean chit, saying the blaze originated at Mojo's Bistro.

"The arrested owners of the 1 Above have no role in section 304(culpable homicide not amounting to murder) of the Indian Penal argued Advocate Kiran Jain, defence counsel on Thursday.

Late on Wednesday night, the Mumbai police arrested Kripesh Sanghavi and Jigar

I-T raids: 900

assets worth

₹3.5K cr seized

New Delhi: Stepping up its

drive against black money, the

I-T Department has attached

more than 900 benami proper-

ties - including flats, shops,

worth over Rs 3,500 crore. Pro-

visional attachments in these

cases also include land plots,

bank deposits and fixed depos-

its, an official statement said,

adding that the share of im-

movable properties is Rs 2,900

crore. In five cases, provisional

attachments, amounting to

more than Rs 150 crore, have

been confirmed by the adjudi-

cating authority.

iewellery and vehicles

Owners of 1Above were produced in Bhoiwada court

Sanghavi from Linking road in Bandra; Abhijit Mankar was arrested on Thursday morning from Marine Drive. All three are partners in 1 Above. Interior designers of both restaurants will also be booked for illegal changes made to the establishments, say police. The NM Joshi Marg police demanded 14

 Police suspect one more person is involved in the business days of custody of all three 1 Above owners in Bhoiwada court, saying they needed to

collect information about the

interior designer and inter-

rogate the owners of Mojo

Bistro and 1 Above together.

Public Prosecutor

sought police custody of

All three have been

sent to police custody

till January 17

Sanjay Wadhawane

'No one died in our bar'

Rattled terror groups meet ISI in Pakistan

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New Delhi: Pakistan's Inter Services Intelligence (ISI) held a meeting with terror outfits this month to plan how to counter Indian security forces that have inflicted massive damage to them in Kashmir, DNA has learnt.

At a meeting held in Rawalpindi, the spy agency had lengthy deliberations with Hafiz Saeed-led Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT), Maulana Masood Azhar-led Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM) and senior Pakistan Army officials to find out the reasons of losses in the Valley as well as along the Line of Control (LoC). LeT and other terror

groups expressed concern over massive losses during counter-terror operations in Kashmir, leading to a decline in local recruits to carry out

Sources in central intelligence agencies said that the ISI's main concern is the killings of newly recruited Kashmiri youths by Indian security agencies.

Turn to P4

Chopper jinx: Cable grounds CM & Gadkari in Bhayandar

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Mumbai: Chief Minister De-Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari were involved in another helicopter mishap as the pilot of the chopper they were travelling in pulled out of landing in the nick of time as he spotted cables in approach path. The incident took place in Bhayandar where the duo was headed for the bhoomipoojan of Versova bridge.

Though the MD 900 landed safely, both Fadnavis and Gadkari chose to travel by road on their return. "After



CM Devendra Fadanvis was flying to Bhayandar

sighting the cables, the chopper pilot took precautions and made it clear that it would be difficult to take off unless a couple of people offloaded. The CM preferred to go by road," Captain Sanjay Karve director of Civil Aviation (Maharashtra) said.

Karve says it is normal for a pilot to choose to land at an alternative location and this should not be viewed as a close shave. However, a ground engineer at Bhayandar has been suspended for the incident.

This is fifth time that Fadnavis has been involved in a helicopter mishap or incidents that potentially endangered his life. The most serious incident was in May 2017. where the chopper crashed immediately after take-off.

'Won't give an inch of SoBo to the Navy'

Mumbai: Union Shipping and Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari on Thursday said that he won't give an inch of land in South Mumbai to the Navy for staff quarters. "Many officers come to me for staff quarters in South Mumbai," he said. "Why can't they stay on borders? Only important officials can stay here in South Mumbai," he said.

He also slammed the Navy for objecting to the construction of a jetty for a floatel (floating hotel) at Nariman Point. "What business does Navy has in South Mumbai? It should primarily be at the borders, fighting terrorism,"



the minister said.

Gadkari was speaking on the sidelines of foundation stone laying ceremony for the International Cruise Terminal at Mumbai Port at Ballard Estate along with Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis. "I request everyone to bring proposals to me," he said on

Many officers come to me for staff quarters in S Mumbai. Why can't they stay on borders? Only important officials can stay in South Mumbai. Nitin Gadkari,

Thursday, "Prime Minister Narendra Modi has set up a committee under my chairmanship for infrastructure clearance and I will clear the projects required for India to become a developed nation."

Recently, the Bombay High Court had denied per-

Shipping & Transport Minister

mission to Rashmi Develop-

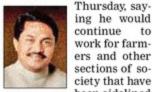
ers Private Limited (RDPL) for constructing jetty at Nariman Point for a floatel, saying that the Navy had raised objections and asked to conduct a security audit before giving permissions for the The International Cruise

Terminal is basically capacity augmentation of the existing cruise terminal wherein it will have facilities like that of an airport terminal with an area of 1.7 lakh square feet and capacity of handling 7 lakh passengers. The terminal is expected to be completed by June 30, 2019. Gadkari and Fadnavis

also laid the stone for the Versova Creek bridge on the Mumbai-Ahmedabad Highway later in the day

OBC leader **Nana Patole** joins Congress

Mumbai: Former BJP MP Nana Patole, a bellwether for the rights of Other Backward Classes (OBCs), officially joined the Congress on



work for farmers and other sections of society that have been sidelined

by the "exclusionary" BJP. Patole, who got elected from the Bhandara-Gondiya parliamentary seat in 2014 after drubbing NCP leader Praful Patel, resigned from the BJP on Monday.

One dead, one hurt as car shed crashes

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Mumbai: A 50-year-old man died, while another was injured after a car parking shed collapsed on them during construction work at Kemps Corner on Thursday afternoon. According to fire brigade officials, at around 1.47 pm, three people got injured during construction of a car parking shed at Sea Side bungalow near Indian Oil Petrol

Pump. The deceased has been identified as Yogendra Ram, while Kishor Ramade was injured. Both were immediately rushed to J J Hospital, where Ram was declared dead upon arrival; while Ramade's condition is stable and he is receiving treat-

ment. "Waterproofing work was going on at the spot," said Senior Police Inspector Netaji Bhopale of Gamdevi Police, "The work had started on Thursday. Fortunately our wireless vehicle was passing by the spot and was informed by a local about the mishap, after which we rushed victims to hospital. We are registering a case of culpable homicide not amounting to murder and causing grievous hurt against the bungalow owner and the contractor.'

Apex court to get its second woman judge

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New Delhi: The Supreme Court collegium has recommended the name of senior advocate Indu Malhotra for being elevated as Judge of the apex court.

Barring some hiccups, Malhotra, who was designated as a senior advocate in 2007, will be the first woman lawyer to be directly elevated to SC. Currently, Justice R Banum-

athi is the lone woman Judge

in SC. According to sources, the other name cleared by the collegium was that of Uttarakhand HC Chief Justice KM

Joseph, who headed the bench which in 2016 had set aside the imposition of President's Rule in the state. In doing so, his bench had also come down heavily on the de-

cision to impose President's Rule by the NDA Government and which had ensured the restoration in office of the Harish Rawat-led

Congress government in Utta-

rakhand.

India sees opportunity as China PM and Shah take govt stamps out bitcoin mining stock of 2019 polls

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New Delhi: Indian cryptocurrency geeks have been offered to set up mining centres after the Chinese government ordered closing down of bit-

coin mining in the country. Indian crypto players are accepting such offers albeit on a rider: there won't be any deviation from the government of India's guidelines on cryptocurrency.

'We have received several offers over the past few days. We are considering it as a



business opportunity as mining operations. We are now waiting for the government of India's guidelines for crypto business," a computer engineer associated with crypto mining said.

More than three quarters

though my daughter did well

been installed in China alone, and they produced 80 per cent of world's bitcoin supply; India operations account for just 2 per cent of the supply, after the Czech Republic and other

Scandinavian countries. Manu Prashant Wig, promoter of BFXCoin who is planning to open a mining centre in Chhattisgarh, told DNA, "There are countries inviting miners to initiate mining activities, offering free electricity, rebates on setup as well as tax advantages. along with citizenship.

ues in 2019. Modi's homestate of Gujarat but with reduced numbers is said to be a key reason that prompted the party to brain-

storm in advance.

cus was on to make the common man aware about the government's pro-people programmes and schemes, and target the Millennial generation and attract and bring it

The PM has made it clear to the party that to be in the race it needs to target youth, especially who were born in this millennium.

The party has planned



Prime Minister Narendra Modi

ning from Vivekananda's anniversary on January 12 till Subhas Chandra Bose's birthday on January 23 in every district. BJP's Youth Wing has

blood donation camps begin-

been tasked to organise camps and prepare a list of volunteer blood donors and send it to the party's headquarters. The target is to prepare a list of at least 1 lakh donors in every state and turn them into a mascot of the BJP's nationalist agenda, sources said.

Besides it will also undertake Millennial Voter Abhiyan from January 25 to February 10 under which it will launch a nationwide campaign to register young voters. The BJP is expected to launch a mobile app to spread out the message for youth across the country at different levels.

Afzal Guru's son, Burhan's bro ace Class XII Ishfaq-ul-Hassan July 8, 2016). He did not do more; he was one of the posi-THE SCORE well in the exams that year. tion holders in Matric and

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Srinagar: In the valley of

death, Ghalib Afzal Guru and Muhammad Naveed Aalam exemplify hope. Ghalib, whose father Mohammed Afzal Guru was executed for his role in the 2001 Parliament attack, has scored 441 out of 500 in Class XII. The results were declared by the Jammu and Kashmir Board School Education on Thursday. Naveed, the brother of slain Hizbul Mujahideen poster boy Burhan



tinction with 387 marks.

Both Ghalib and Naveed

hope to become doctors and

serve the people of the Valley.

"The whole family broke

Naveed Aalam

Ghalib Afzal Guru

Wani, has also secured dis-

down when we heard the news," said Naveed's father, Muhammad Muzaffar Wani. We've been through so much. Naveed was in Matric

when Burhan was killed (on

Both Ghalib and Naveed hope to become doctors. in Class XII. Today, our tears are of joy, not sorrow." Naveed was in Matric Naveed's other brother, when his brother Burhan Khalid was killed by security Wani was killed. Ghalib forces in 2015. was just two years old A hundred kilometres when Mohammed Afzal away in Baramulla, Ghalib's Guru was arrested. mother Tabasum Guru, is

> 18-year-old boy. Ghalib is not satisfied with the marks," Tabasum says. "He was expecting

welcoming a steady stream of well-wishers who are flocking to congratulate the

Ghalib was just two years old when Afzal Guru was arrested. Guru named his son after the famous Urdu poet Mirza Ghalib. His fifth death anniversary is just a month away. "Obviously I am missing my father today," Ghalib said. "I dedicate my success to mother, teachers and friends." He is determined to realize

wanted to repeat the feat.'

his father's dream of becoming a doctor and has been preparing for NEET, Plan B is to try for the Civil Services.

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chief Amit Shah held a meeting with all national office bearers, Cabinet Ministers and state election heads on Thursday to chalk out strategies and ensure that the party's winning streak contin-That the BJP won PM

New Delhi: Prime Minister

Narendra Modi and BJP

The leadership discussed strategies for the upcoming polls in Karnataka, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and the Northeast, and plans to counter that Congress that seems upbeat after its improved performance in Guja-Party sources said the fo-

into the party's fold.