

### **1. New Minister in Cabinet, portfolios shuffled**

A. Mohammed John, Member of Legislative Assembly representing the Ranipet constituency in Vellore district, will be sworn in Cabinet Minister at a function. He will be designated as the Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare Minister. This portfolio is held by T.K. M. Chinnayya, who will continue to hold the subjects of Environment and Pollution Control. Mr. John, who defeated Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam's R. Gandhi, has been a member of the AIADMK since inception.

### **2. Exercise for ministerial reshuffle begins**

Ahead anticipated "expansive changes" in his Council of Ministers, Prime Minister Manmohan Singh and Congress president Sonia Gandhi are engaged in a careful exercise to assess the performance of ministers, their suitability in current portfolios, and gaps in caste and regional representation. The fate of Textiles Minister Dayanidhi Maran continues to hang in the balance.

### **3. Rs. 10 lakh reward for Mumbai police team**

Maharashtra Home Minister R.R. Patil announced a reward of Rs. 10 lakh for the Mumbai police who made a breakthrough in the MiD Day journalist Jyotirmoy Dey murder case, arresting seven accused persons.

### **4. Nilekanis donate Rs. 50 crore to IHS**

IT industry veteran and Chairman of the Unique Identification Authority of India Nandan Nilekani, and his wife Rohini Nilekani have donated Rs. 50 crore to the Indian Institute for Human.

### **5. HC rejects Tata plea on Singur land**

Tata Motors on suffered a setback in the legal battle with the West Bengal Government over the redistribution of controversial Singur acres. The Calcutta High Court rejected the company's plea seeking a stay on the redistribution of the lands.

### **6. India's per capita income seen at \$10,000**

India's per capita income could touch USD 10,000 by 2039, up from USD 1,000 at present, if sustained economic growth of over 8 per cent is maintained for the next 25 years, the country's Chief Economic Advisor Kaushik Basu said.

### **7. Nuclear suppliers tighten trade rules, may irk India**

A 46-nation export control group has acted to bar states that shun a global anti-nuclear weapons pact from obtaining technology which can be used to make atomic bombs. The NSG -- which includes the United States, Russia, China, European Union countries and some others -- tries to ensure that nuclear exports are not diverted for military purposes.

### **8. US clears sale of anti-submarine torpedoes to Indian Navy**

The United States has cleared the potential sale of anti-submarine torpedoes Mk-54 for the eight P-8I maritime surveillance aircraft of the Indian Navy.

### **9. PPP secures majority in PoK elections**

The ruling Pakistan People's Party has secured a majority in the legislative assembly of Pakistan-occupied Kashmir by securing 20 of the 41 seats for which elections were held. According to unofficial results, the opposition PML-N was in second position with nine seats and the Muslim Conference in third position with five seats. Independent candidates bagged two seats.

#### **10. China conducts test-run of bullet train**

China conducted a test-run of its ambitious bullet train between Beijing and Shanghai, amid controversies over its high speed and high cost. It is a 1,318-kilometer long rail and would take about five hours, or half the time of conventional rail.

#### **11. IMF could pick Lagarde as chief soon**

French Finance Minister Christine Lagarde is expected to be chosen to become the new leader of the scandal-rocked International Monetary Fund. Lagarde would be the first woman to head the lending organisation and would replace Dominique Strauss-Kahn, who resigned last month as managing director after being charged with sexually assaulting a New York City hotel housekeeper.

#### **12. Vettel hailed as rivals concede title**

Germany's Sebastian Vettel was crowned Formula One's world champion-elect with a flawless triumph for Red Bull in the European Grand Prix.

#### **13. Tomic youngest to reach quarters**

Not since Boris Becker has a man as young as Bernard Tomic graced the green grass of Wimbledon this far into the tournament. Born in Germany with Croatian heritage and raised in Australia, Tomic is only 18 and in the Wimbledon quarterfinals. Tomic is only 29 days older than Becker was in 1986 when he won his second straight title at the All England Club. In the next round, he will face friend and mentor Novak Djokovic.

#### **13. Paes, Bhupathi advance in mixed; Somdev out of doubles**

Cara Black got the better of the Bhupathi and his Russian partner Elena Vesnina, seeded fourth, beat Australians Stephen Huss and Anastasia Rodionova, while 14th seeds Paes and Zimbabwe's Dutch-Polish team of Rogier Wassen and Alicja Rosolska .

#### **14. Wozniacki crashes out; Williamses lose**

World No.1 Caroline Wozniacki crashed out of the Wimbledon championships as Slovakian 24th seed Dominika Cibulkova secured a shock 1-6, 7-6(5), 7-5 victory over the top seed .

#### **15. India agrees to modified version of Umpire Decision Review System**

India agreed to a modified version of the controversial Umpire Decision Review System (UDRS). India will, for the first time, use the UDRS in a Test series when it tours England from July. Hot Spot, the "thermal imaging" technology now available and made mandatory in the UDRS, will mostly be used for close catches and edges. The world cricket's governing body also opened the door for non-Test playing nations to compete in the next World Cup, reversing a bar that had outraged "minnows" including Ireland and Holland.