

## **Ministry of Home Affairs- Major Achievements, significant Developments and important events for the month of October, 2016**

Cabinet at its meeting held on 31.8.2016 approved the proposal of Ministry of Home Affairs for grant of Permanent Residency Status (PRS) to Foreign Investors fulfilling the eligibility conditions prescribed by the Government. With a view to implement the above decision, MHA has carried out necessary amendment in Visa Manual and issued detailed guidelines regarding grant of PRS to foreign investors vide its Circular No.476 dated 17.10.2016.

2. Two notifications –i) empowering District Magistrates of North Goa & South Goa to examine and report on the acquisition of Citizenship of Portugal by some residents of Goa and ii) delegating officers of district administration of 16 districts of 7 states to confer Indian Citizenship for a period of 2 years and reduction in the application/processing fees for grant of Indian Citizenship are in the final stage. Hindi versions of approved draft Notifications have been referred to Ministry of Law and Justice for vetting before issue.
3. Hon'ble Home Minister met with His Excellency Mr. Ranil Wickremesinghe, Prime Minister of Sri Lanka on 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2016.
4. Hon'ble Home Minister met with Swiss Minister of Justice and Police H.E. Mrs. Simonetta Sommaruga on 6<sup>th</sup> October 2016 and signed the "Agreement on Mutual Visa Exemption for Holders of Diplomatic Passports".
5. On 10.10.2016, a meeting was held under the chairmanship of Special Secretary (IS), MHA to review the repatriation process of Bru migrants from Tripura to Mizoram as per Action Plan.
6. The meetings of the Department related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs on the subject of 'Border Security: Capacity building and Institutions' were held on 6<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2016.
7. A meeting was held by Additional Secretary (LWE) on 7.10.2016 regarding organizing cultural programmes during the 9<sup>th</sup> Tribal Youth Exchange Program (TYEP) 2016-17.
8. Under the scheme 'Construction/ Strengthening of Fortified Police Station', 352 Police Stations have been completed so far including 17 Police Stations completed during October, 2016.
9. During the month 06 advisories were issued to the State Governments/ CAPFs to sensitize them to counter the LWE activities in LWE affected areas.
10. Smt. Roopa Ganguly has been nominated to Rajya Sabha under Article 80(1(a) of the Constitution.
11. Approval for construction of 112 residential quarters in SVP NPA, Hyderabad was conveyed on 14.10.2016 at an estimated cost of Rs. 3179.87 lakhs, through CPWD.



12. A total amount of Rs. 91.71 crore was released to two states i.e. Haryana and Punjab in respect of Modernisation of Police Forces (MPF) scheme, till October, 2016.
13. Out of Budgetary provision, the budget estimate for the financial year 2016-17 for CCTNS is Rs. 250 crore. An amount of Rs.185.56 crore was released to the State/UTs and Central agencies till end of October, 2016. Under the plan head an amount of Rs.105.85 lakh was released to 3 States/UTs during the month.
14. Out of Budgetary provision, the budget estimate for the financial year 2016-17 for National Emergency Response System (NERS) Wing is Rs.136 crore. An amount of Rs. 26 crore was released to State/UTs and Central agencies till the end of the month. Under the plan head an amount of Rs. 104.90 Lakh was released to the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing [CDAC] during the month.
15. The Hon'ble President assented to two State Bills namely, the Factories (Jharkhand Amendment) Bill, 2015 and the Tripura Requisition and Control of Private Vehicle Bill, 2011, during the month.
16. 35 Coys of CAPFs were deployed in various States (Karnataka, Arunachal Pradesh and Goa) for law and order duties. 61 Coys of CAPFs were deployed in various states (Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Delhi and Madhya Pradesh) for law and order duties as well as festivals.
17. Under ACC Vacancy Monitoring System (AVMS), Divisions are taking necessary action for registering and updating the status relating to ACC posts.
18. The Scheme of updation of National Population Register (NPR) is under progress in States/UTs. The field work for seeding of Aadhaar number in NPR database has been completed. The data entry of corrections/modifications has started in 21 States and 2 UTs and the same is under progress. The work has been completed in Lakshadweep, Daman & Diu and D&N Haveli.

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