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V Muraleedharan sworn in as the Union Minister of State.

V.Muraleedharan, who took oath as Union Minister of State, is BJP's state president in Kerala. He is a Rajya Sabha MP and the fourth BJP leader from Kerala in the Upper House. He will also function as the Minister for Pravasi affairs.



BJP leader Narendra Modi on Thursday was sworn in as Prime Minister for the second time. Fifty seven Ministers took oath with him. By winning 303 seats, the Bharatiya Janata Party got the decisive mandate to rule the country for the next five years. BJP leader Narendra Modi on Thursday was sworn in as Prime Minister for the Even though the party has the required numbers to form the government on its own, it has decided to accommodate its allies in the Ministries.

Full list of Central Ministers who took oath on 30th May 2019.

Cabinet Ministers

Rajnath Singh Amit Shah Nitin Gadkari DV Sadanand Gowda Nirmala Sitharaman Ram Vilas Paswan Narendra Singh Tomar Ravi Shankar Prasad Harsimrat Kaur Badal Thawar Chand Gehlot Dr. S Jaishankar Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank Arjun Munda Smriti Irani Dr. Harshvardhan Prakash Javadekar Piyush Goyal Dharmendra Pradhan Mukhtar Abbas Nagvi Prahalad Joshi Dr. Mahendra Nath Pandev **Arvind Sawant** Giriraj Singh Gajendra Singh Shek-

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Union Minister of State (Independent Charge)

Santosh K Gangwar Rao Indrajit Singh Shripad Y Naik Dr. Jitendra Singh Kiren Rijiju Prahalad Singh Patel Raj Kumar Singh Hardeep Singh Puri Mansukh Mandaviya

Ministers of State

Faggansingh Kulaste Ashwini Kumar Choubey Arjun Ram Meghwal General (Retd.) V. K. Singh Krishan Pal Danve Raosaheb Dadarao G. Kishan Reddy Parshottam Rupala Ramdas Athawale Sadhvi Niranjan Jyoti **Babul Supriyo** Sanjeev Kumar Balyan **Dhotre Sanjay Shamrao** Anurag Singh Thakur Angadi Suresh Channabasappa Nityanand Rai Rattan Lal Kataria V. Muraleedharan Renuka Singh Saruta Som Parkash Rameswar Teli Pratap Chandra Sarangi Kailash Choudhary

Debasree Chaudhuri

Sitharaman 2nd woman Finance Minister after Indira Gandhi



New Delhi, May 31: After being the second woman Defence Minister, the first being Indira Gandhi, Nirmala Sitharaman on Friday became the second woman to head the Finance Ministry, after the former Prime Minister.

Sitharaman was among the three women who became part of the Union Cabinet in the 17th Lok Sabha.. Before Sitharaman, Indira Gandhi was the only female Finance Minister who served for a short period.

Trump's New Immigration Policy Seeks to Replace Green Cards with 'Build America Visa'

President Donald Trump announced a new immigration reform proposal which, if implemented, would replace the existing green card categories with a new visa, "the Build America visa."

The aim of the new Build America visa, which would dominate the allocation of one million green cards issued every year, would be to give permanent residency to more young, English-proficient, highly skilled immigrants in America, whether they are already living here —

as a student or as a worker or from overseas. These immigrants would be selected on a merit-and-points-based system, details of which are awaited. A similar system is already in existence in countries like Canada and Australia.

The new proposal is to implement an immigration system that will allow the citizens to prosper for generations to come. Trump criticized the existing approach to immigration are only allowing for "open borders, lower wages, and, frankly, lawless chaos".

He said: "We are proposing an immigration plan that puts the jobs, wages, and safety of American workers first, adding, "Our proposal is pro-American, pro-immigrant, and pro-worker. It's just common sense. It will help all of our people, including millions of devoted immigrants, to achieve the American Dream."

Trump said that currently, 66 percent of legal immigrants come to America on the basis of "random chance". "They're admitted solely because they have a relative in the United States. Another 21 percent of immigrants are admitted either by random lottery or because they are fortunate enough to be selected for humanitarian relief. Random selection is contrary to American values and blocks out many qualified potential immigrants from around the world who have much to contribute.

Anita Bhatia appointed UN Assistant Secretary-General



United Nations, May 31

UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres has appointed Anita Bhatia of India as an Assistant Secretary-General, according to his Deputy Spokesperson Farhan Haq.

In that position, she will be responsible for resource management, sustainability and partnerships and simultaneously serve as the Deputy Executive Director of the UN Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, which is known as UN Women, Haq told reporters here on Thursday.

Bhatia comes to the UN after a long career at the World Bank and its private sector arm, the International Finance Corporation (IFC), where she worked in strategic partnerships, resource mobilization and management.

Indian dies after setting himself on fire near White House

Washington, May 30

A 33-year-old man, identified as an Indian, died after setting himself on fire near the White House, the US Park Police said on Thursday.

Arnav Gupta of Bethesda, Maryland, set himself on fire on Wednesday afternoon at the Ellipse Park, not far from the Washington Monument, in full view of passersby, CNBC reported.

He was taken to a hospital in a critical condition and he later died of his injuries, the police said.

Gupta was reported missing on Wednesday morning and authorities had put out a notice asking for the public's help in finding him.

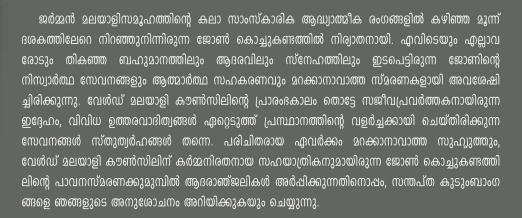
The Montgomery County Police Department in a Facebook post described Gupta as an Indian male who was last seen by his family when he left his home on Cindy Lane, about 10 miles northwest of the White House, around 9.20 a.m. on Wednesday..



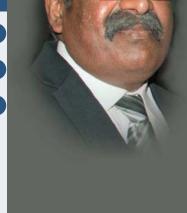
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