

The Hindu, 2 January 2007

**Pakistan curbs on diplomats' travel**

ISLAMABAD: In the continuing bickering between India and Pakistan over travel rights for their diplomats posted in each other's capitals, it is official now that Indian diplomats here have to seek permission to travel to two places where they could previously go at will.....

The Hindu, 2 January 2007

**Lessons for India as Russia ups ante**

THE YEAR 2006 marked a high point in President Vladimir Putin's seven years in power: following the takeover by Russia's state-owned natural gas monopoly Gazprom of the huge Sakhalin-2 oil and gas project in December the Russian government has reasserted strategic control over the bigger part of the country's energy resources

The Hindustan Times, 2 January 2007

**India, Pakistan exchange lists of nuclear facilities**

Islamabad, January 1, 2007. Pakistan and India on Monday exchanged lists of their nuclear sites under an agreement to swap such information annually on New Year's Day to prevent attacks against each other's nuclear facilities, the foreign ministry said.....

The Times of India, 2 January 2007

**Pranab to talk terrorism with Musharraf**

NEW DELHI: External affairs minister Pranab Mukherjee is expected to communicate India's concerns over the looming shadow of cross-border terrorism to President Pervez Musharraf during their talks in Islamabad on January 13-14.....

The Times of India, 2 January 2007

**Siachen issue: Pak awaiting India's stand**

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan on Monday did not set much in store by the Indian army's reservations over demilitarisation of Siachen glacier, saying it was waiting to hear New Delhi's ideas on the issue

The Hindustan Times, 3 January 2007

**Policy matters**

January 2, 2006. President George W Bush said on December 18 that his signing of the Act on nuclear cooperation with India "does not constitute my adoption of the statements of policy (in Section 103) as US foreign policy

The Hindustan Times, 3 January 2007

**US asks India to relax FDI norms in education**

Mumbai, January 2, 2007. The US on Tuesday asked India to further relax norms for Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in the education sector to pave the way for American universities to set up base in India.....

The Hindu, 4 January 2007

**Links between a nation's past and future**

An ongoing exhibition in Beijing highlights India's rich past, but it also spotlights China's impressive present. Whatever the problems with the Chinese way, India has much to learn from it.....

The Indian Express, 4 January 2007

**Pvt firms to build first India-Nepal power highway**

NEW DELHI, JANUARY 3: Cutting through diplomatic red tape, Corporate India is all set to forge a private-public partnership with Kathmandu on a power project that will link India's national electricity grid with Nepal's via the backward Terai region.....

The Times of India, 4 January 2007

**US warship 'Trenton' to join Indian fleet**

WASHINGTON: Nearly two centuries after Bombay's famed Wadia family built HMS Minden ' the ship on which the American national anthem Star Spangled Banner was written ' history will sail a full circle later this month.....

The Times of India, 4 January 2007

**S Korea, India to push for trade pact**

NEW DELHI: Asia seems to be the flavour of the season with India and South Korea slated to take forward their discussions on a comprehensive economic cooperation agreement ' a trade pact covering goods and services later this week'..

The Hindu, 5 January 2007

**New Delhi, Lisbon to ink Extradition Treaty**

LISBON: Learning from the past experience of having to struggle to seek the deportation of underworld don Abu Salem and to prevent any anti-national element from using the Portugal territory for clandestine activities, India and Portugal are all set to ink a Extradition Treaty during the visit of Portuguese President Anibal Cavaco Silva to India beginning January 11.....

The Hindu, 5 January 2007

**China Buddhists coming**

Beijing: In an event reminiscent of the great days of Buddhist pilgrimage from China to India during the Tang dynasty, a 123-member delegation will visit Indian cities between January 5 and 12...

The Hindu, 5 January 2007

**Vietnam and India: scaling new heights**

ON JANUARY 7, 1972, Vietnam and India officially upgraded diplomatic ties to the ambassadorial level. This was a significant landmark, opening up a new stage in the development of the multifaceted relationship between the states and peoples of our two countries....

The Indian Express, 5 January 2007

**Italy keen to increase bilateral trade with India**

NEW DELHI, JANUARY 4: The year '2007' would be the 'Year of India' for Italy in terms of trade initiatives said Italian Minister for International trade and European Affairs Emma Bonino today adding that steps would be taken to achieve trade target of Euro 10 billion in three years from the current level of about Euro 4 billion.....

The Times of India, 5 January 2007

**OPEC ministers to attend conference in India**

NEW DELHI: Key oil ministers from Saudi Arabia, Iran, Venezuela and Qatar are expected to attend a conference in New Delhi at which India will present itself as a destination for investment in oil and gas exploration

The Hindu, 6 January 2007

**India, Mauritius discuss economic partnership**

NEW DELHI: India and Mauritius on Friday discussed the proposed Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Partnership Agreement (CECPA) as well as ways to end the deadlock at the World Trade Organization (WTO).....

The Indian Express, 6 January 2007

**Vietnam to seek Indian help to train for UN peace missions**

NEW DELHI, JANUARY 5 : Continuing with the defence cooperation with India in terms of training personnels, Vietnam now wants Indian help in training its forces for the UN peacekeeping missions

The Times of India, 6 January 2007

**Indian envoys can't venture out in Pak**

NEW DELHI: Even while peace talks between neighbours seem to be making a headway of sorts, Pakistan has restricted Indian diplomats posted in Islamabad from venturing out into Rawalpindi ' the twin city of the Pakistani capital ' and to Murree, a hill station barely 40 km away.....

The Hindu, 8 January 2007

**"India-U.S. role vital for East Asia"**

NEW DELHI : Singapore Deputy Prime Minister A. Jayakumar has said the United States must be persuaded not to oppose the emergence of a new East Asia even if it might not participate in each aspect of the evolving architecture of the region.....

The Hindu, 8 January 2007

**PoK leadership praises Manmohan Singh**

JAMMU: For the first time in six decades, the Pakistan-Occupied Kashmir (PoK) leadership has publicly praised India's approach towards the resolution of the Kashmir issue.....

The Hindu, 8 January 2007

**Visa regime: Pakistan sends in suggestions**

ISLAMABAD: More than a year after India made draft proposals for liberalisation of the visa regime with Pakistan, Islamabad has sent in its own suggestions to New Delhi, raising the possibility that the three-decade-old system that governs travel between the two countries may be soon be revised.....

The Times of India, 8 January 2007

**Indo-Arabic economic bloc mooted**

DUBAI: The UAE has proposed an Indo-Arabic economic bloc with a view to ensure prosperity and growth over the long term for the two sides' ...

The Hindu, 9 January 2007

**Intra-Kashmir talks a must: PoK leader**

ISLAMABAD: Fearful of being sidelined in the diplomatic efforts between India and Pakistan on the Kashmir issue, the Pakistan-occupied Kashmir leadership says it wants "institutionalised" interaction between people on both sides of divided Kashmir that will act as a "bridge" in the peace process.....

The Hindu, 9 January 2007

**Pranab to meet Rajapaksa, reiterate India's position**

COLOMBO: External Affairs Minister Pranab Mukherjee arrives here on Tuesday on a day-long visit. He is expected to reiterate the Indian position for expeditious resolution of the ethnic conflict to address aspirations of all sections, including Tamils, within the framework of a united Sri Lanka.....

The Hindu, 9 January 2007

**The road to an Indian visa**

IT IS 7 a.m. on a winter morning. A long queue has already huddled up under the purpose-built sheds near the Jinnah Convention Centre, less than a km from Islamabad's diplomatic enclave.....

The Indian Express, 9 January 2007

**Rewriting history, India to unshackle Bhutan**

NEW DELHI, January 8: Signaling a historic shift in its policy towards smaller neighbours, India is set to rewrite a 57-year-old treaty with Bhutan that was patently unequal and widely seen as a symbol of New Delhi's hegemonic intent in the subcontinent' ...

The Hindu, 10 January 2007

**Composite dialogue to be reviewed**

ISLAMABAD: India and Pakistan have stressed that the primary purpose of External Affairs Minister Pranab Mukherjee's visit here this weekend is to invite President Pervez Musharraf for the SAARC summit.....

The Hindu, 10 January 2007

**Sri Lanka: solution only through talks**

COLOMBO: External Affairs Minister Pranab Mukherjee told Sri Lankan President Mahinda Rajapaksa that India was of the firm view that a solution to the ethnic conflict in the island nation could be achieved only through dialogue'..

The Indian Express, 10 January 2007

**Will take Bangla, Myanmar help to check ULFA: Antony**

TEZPUR, TINSUKIA, JANUARY 9: With a wave of ULFA attacks leaving 69 people dead and triggering an exodus of Bihari migrants who were the main targets, security forces today began hunting for militant hideouts in Assam and Arunachal Pradesh.....

The Times of India, 10 January 2007

**India-Pak likely to sign four agreements**

ISLAMABAD: India and Pakistan are likely to sign four agreements aimed at building confidence during External Affairs Minister Pranab Mukherjee's first visit here next week.....

The Hindustan Times, 10 January 2007

**Portugal upbeat about ties with India**

The Portuguese, beginning with President Anibal Cavaco Silva, are incredibly charged about improving relations with India and see the forthcoming visit of the President as the beginning of a new era.....

The Hindustan Times, 10 January 2007

**K-solution vital for durable ties: Musharraf**

The settlement of Kashmir issue is imperative for durable, long lasting friendship between Pakistan and India, Pakistan President General Pervez Musharraf said here on Tuesday....

The Indian Express, 11 January 2007

**India, Pak step closer to group tourism**

NEW DELHI, JANUARY 10: India and Pakistan have inched closer to introducing, for the first time, a category of tourist visa for travel between both countries with the latter agreeing to a two-year-old suggestion by New Delhi for permitting group tourism between both countries. As of now, there can be no travel without a formal invitation letter in hand'..

The Indian Express, 11 January 2007

**N-deal: Saran says spent fuel issue needs to be sorted out**

New Delhi, January 10: As India and the US work towards finalising the crucial 123 agreement, former foreign secretary Shyam Saran today clarified that the issue of reprocessing of spent fuel would be a 'very important' issue that would need to be addressed in the 123 agreement.....

The Indian Express, 11 January 2007

**CII, US-Indian medicos in tie-up for healthcare back home**

NEW DELHI, JANUARY 10: The Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) and the American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (AAPI) signed a three-year Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Wednesday to promote the growth of healthcare sector in rural areas....

The Hindu, 11 January 2007

**India must join NPT: Japan**

Tokyo: Japan's top government spokesman on Wednesday refused to acknowledge India as a nuclear weapons State, demanding that the South Asian nation join the international non-proliferation treaty.....

The Hindu, 12 January 2007

**India, Portugal sign extradition treaty**

New Delhi: Indian criminals and terrorists will no longer find it easy to take shelter in Portugal with the two countries on Thursday signing an extradition treaty....

The Hindu, 12 January 2007

**SAFMA sets up Press Commission for India**

NEW DELHI: The South Asia Free Media Association (SAFMA), the SAARC-recognised body of journalists, on Thursday facilitated the formation of five national press commissions as well as a regional South Asia Press Commission. N. Ram, Editor-in-Chief of The Hindu'..

The Hindu, 12 January 2007

**Pakistan may authenticate Siachen ground positions**

NEW DELHI: There have been "indications" that Pakistan would be willing to authenticate the ground positions on the Siachen glacier.....

The Indian Express, 12 January 2007

**Pranab to talk Taliban surge with Pak, fine-tune other fronts**

NEW DELHI, JANUARY 11: With the United Nations making it clear that it expects Pakistan to deliver on its commitments to take action against Taliban leaders in its territory, India will use the opportunity during External Affairs Minister Pranab Mukherjee's visit to Islamabad to convey concerns over the resurgence of Taliban in the region.....

The Hindu, 13 January 2007

**India a "reliable ally" against global terrorism: U.S. report**

NEW DELHI: The United States expects that India's growing confidence on the world stage as a result of its high economic growth rates will it a "more effective partner" for the U.S. and a more formidable interlocutor in areas of disagreement, particularly the World Trade Organisation.....

The Hindu, 13 January 2007

**India-ASEAN Ministers agree to enhance ties**

SINGAPORE: The Foreign Ministers of India and the 10-member Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) have agreed to "consider joint flagship projects" that would tap "Indian expertise" in science and technology and the organisation's complementary strengths....

The Hindu, 13 January 2007

**Pranab expected to hold substantive discussions**

ISLAMABAD: As External Affairs Minister Pranab Mukherjee arrives here on Saturday on his first visit to Pakistan, expectations are that it will boost the peace process....

The Hindu, 13 January 2007

**India and APEC**

An emerging foreign policy issue for Prime Minister Manmohan Singh is whether to make a pitch for membership of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) forum. Technically, the group's existing moratorium on new membership will lapse by November; and Australia is set to host this year's APEC summit in September.....

The Hindu, 13 January 2007

**Path-breaking FDI inflow**

NEW DELHI: The Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council (EAC) on Thursday projected the net inflow of foreign direct investment (FDI) at \$9 billion for 2006-07. At this level, it is set to exceed the portfolio capital flows for the first time in several years...

The Indian Express, 13 January 2007

**India ready with terror monitor list, waits for Pak to respond**

ISLAMABAD, JANUARY 12: Ahead of External Affairs Minister Pranab Mukherjee's visit, India has moved forward on the joint anti-terror mechanism handing over the composition of its team to Pakistan. The Intelligence Bureau will represent the security agencies in the group

The Hindu, 15 January 2007

**India, China for 'vigorous' talks**

Cebu: The Prime Ministers of India and China on Sunday urged their special representatives to carry out their discussions on the border issue with "greater vigour and greater innovativeness"

The Hindu, 15 January 2007

**Let us learn from Europe, says Pranab**

ISLAMABAD: External Affairs Minister Pranab Mukherjee on Sunday told politicians of Pakistan's ruling and Opposition parties that while existing borders between the two countries were not up for negotiation.....

The Hindu, 15 January 2007

**India-ASEAN free trade pact likely by July**

Cebu: The "contentious" Free Trade Agreement between India and ASEAN is likely to be ready by July this year, Commerce Minister Kamal Nath announced on Sunday, but there was no clear word yet that Malaysia was ready to accept the terms offered by India on palm oil....

The Hindu, 15 January 2007

**BIMSTEC summit put off**

NEW DELHI: The Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) summit, scheduled to be held here on February 8, has been put off, official sources told this correspondent on Saturday....

The Hindu, 15 January 2007

**Finland focus on IT, Bollywood: Halonen**

HELSINKI: Finland views India as an important economic partner and is keen on deepening its cooperation with it in key sectors, particularly Information Technology (IT), textiles, handicrafts and tourism. Bilateral ties will get a boost with the coming visit of Finland President Tarja Halonen to New Delhi from January 20 to 24

The Indian Express, 15 January 2007

**Sir Creek: India, Pak to survey waters from today**

BHUJ, JANUARY 14: Experts from India and Pakistan are expected to reach Sir Creek on Monday for a joint survey of the disputed area. Unlike the land border in Rann of Kutch, the 99-km-long Sir Creek has not yet been demarcated....

The Indian Express, 15 January 2007

**India-Russia bilateral trade languishing at below \$3 bn per annum**

NEW DELHI, JANUARY 14: Russia might have been free India's one of the oldest allies, but bilateral trade ties between the two countries is still a far cry compared to countries like US, China and Japan'.

The Indian Express, 16 January 2007

**Indo-Russian ties back in focus**

NEW DELHI, JANUARY 15: The almost forgotten and defunct North-South corridor between India and Russia is all set to get a new lease of life with the latter putting construction of a new port at Olya on the fast track.....

The Indian Express, 16 January 2007

**India, Pakistan aur Indus**

The much-awaited verdict on the Baglihar dam project by the World Bank-appointed neutral expert, Raymond Lafitte, is due in February 2007. Both the Indian and Pakistani strategic communities are avidly trying to predict the outcome.....

The Indian Express, 16 January 2007

**India, Pak teams begin joint survey on Sir Creek**

BHUJ, JANUARY 15: Two teams of experts from both India and Pakistan began a month-long survey of the long-disputed Sir Creek in north-west of Kutch today. While in January 2005, a joint team had surveyed the marshy land portion of the Sir Creek up to G-Pillar 46, this time the team would conduct further survey of the 99-km long creek.....

The Times of India, 16 January 2007

**China's support for Myanmar worries India**

BEIJING: China's move to support the military junta in Myanmar has wide implications for India as Myanmar connects China to India at several points in the region.....

The Times of India, 16 January 2007

**At Asean, PM inks pact on energy security**

CEBU: India's quest for global civilian nuclear cooperation brightened on Monday as the 16 leaders of Asean (Association of Southeast Asian Nations) and its dialogue partners, including China and Japan, signed a landmark declaration on energy security at the second East Asia summit.....

The Hindu, 17 January 2007

**India likely to take part in 4-nation talks**

NEW DELHI: After the India-China-Russia trilateral framework of discussion, a new idea " a four-cornered dialogue between India, Japan, the United States and Australia" is in an advanced stage of consideration.....

The Hindu, 18 January 2007

**Britain backs India's bid for permanent seat in Security Council**

BANGALORE: Britain's Prime Minister-in-waiting and Chancellor of the Exchequer Gordon Brown has expressed the country's support to India's bid for a permanent seat in the United Nations Security Council....

The Hindu, 18 January 2007

**India on upward spiral of improving ties with all major powers: Pranab**

NEW DELHI: The world needs, not the old style balance of power, but a "well-crafted system" to promote a "balance of interests" among major powers, External Affairs Minister Pranab Mukherjee said on Tuesday....

The Hindu, 18 January 2007

**India-China border talks begin**

NEW DELHI: Indian and Chinese Special Representatives M.K. Narayanan and Dai Bingguo, who have been tasked with negotiating a settlement of the border dispute, began their ninth round of consultations here on Wednesday.....

The Hindu, 19 January 2007

**India, China border talks conclude**

NEW DELHI : Indian and Chinese Special Representatives, M. K. Narayanan and Dai

Bingguo, concluded their ninth round of discussions on the border question on Thursday, an official statement said.....

The Indian Express, 19 January 2007

**To serve interests of international flyers, Govt says yes to Montreal Convention**

NEW DELHI, JANUARY 18: Aiming to protect the interests of international air passengers to and from India in the event of death or injury or damage or delay of baggage, the Union Cabinet today approved the proposal to accede to the Montreal Convention of 1999.....

The Hindu, 20 January 2007

**Lamy wants India to budge on WTO issues**

NEW DELHI: World Trade Organisation (WTO) Director General Pascal Lamy met Prime Minister Manmohan Singh on Friday and sought 'concessions' from India to revive the stalled Doha Round of negotiations. During a 30-minute meeting, he also briefed the Prime Minister about the fresh efforts being made globally to restart the Doha Round. "I got the feeling that the WTO is very much on his radar," Mr. Lamy said.....

The Hindu, 20 January 2007

**India, Russia to hold meeting on military ties**

NEW DELHI: The sixth meeting of the Inter-Governmental Commission on Military Technical Cooperation (IRIGC-MTC) headed by the Defence Ministers of India and Russia will be held here on January 24.....

The Hindu, 20 January 2007

**India not interested in exporting ideology: Pranab**

Yangon: Barely days after an unsuccessful American attempt to get the United Nations Security Council to censure Myanmar's military rulers, India has reiterated that the issue of democracy and human rights in Myanmar is "an internal matter" of that country.....

The Hindu, 22 January 2007

**Russia not for exporting BrahMos to other nations**

Moscow: Describing the BrahMos cruise missile, developed jointly by India and Russia, as "highly lethal" and capable of upsetting the balance of forces in any region where they may appear, a top Russian defence official has said Moscow was not keen on its export to other countries.....

The Hindu, 22 January 2007

**PDP hails resumption of talks with Pakistan**

SRINAGAR: The People's Democratic Party (PDP), a coalition partner of the Congress-led Government in the State, has expressed satisfaction over the resumption of the composite dialogue between India and Pakistan.....

The Hindu, 22 January 2007

**India to supply military equipment to Myanmar**

Naypyitaw: India has promised Myanmar's military rulers a "favourable response" to

their request for military equipment. External Affairs Minister Pranab Mukherjee conveyed the Indian decision to Vice-Senior General Maung Aye.....

The Hindu, 23 January 2007

**Russia offers 4 n-reactors to India**

NEW DELHI, JANUARY 22: Ahead of Russian President Vladimir Putin's visit to Delhi, Moscow has offered to sell four 1000 MW nuclear reactors to India to bolster capacity at Koodankulam.....

The Hindustan Times, 23 January 2007

**India on US 'special watch list' for human trafficking**

Washington, January 23, 2007. India figures among 39 countries placed on a US "special watch list" of nations deemed to warrant special scrutiny of their anti-trafficking efforts under a 2003 US law.....

The Hindustan Times, 23 January 2007

**This year, Putin means business**

New Delhi, January 22, 2007. Enhanced civilian nuclear cooperation with Russia is high on the agenda during President Vladimir Putin's visit to India beginning Thursday....

The Hindustan Times, 23 January 2007

**Nuclear fuel for Kudankulam power project soon: Russia**

Madurai (TN), January 23, 2007. Ahead of President Vladimir Putin's visit to India, Russia on Tuesday said it would start supplying nuclear fuel for the first reactor in the Kudankulam atomic power project from the second quarter of 2007.....

The Hindu, 24 January 2007

**India has legitimate interests in South East Asia: George Yeo**

NEW DELHI: India has very legitimate interests in South East Asia such as the protection of air and searoutes, Singapore's Foreign Minister George Yeo told The Hindu in an exclusive interview here on Monday.....

The Hindu, 24 January 2007

**India, Russia plan to develop advanced combat aircraft**

BANGALORE : Russia is looking for greater cooperation with India in the fields of space, military, nuclear energy and information technology, its Deputy Prime Minister and Defence Minister Sergey Borisovich Ivanov told presspersons here on Tuesday.....

The Hindu, 24 January 2007

**Best deal, says Saran**

BANGALORE : The nuclear deal with the United States is the best thing that can happen to India, which has penetrated the final glass ceiling, as it were, to be included in the exclusive club of nuclear nations, the former Foreign Secretary Shyam Saran, now India's Interlocutor with the U.S. Administration on the deal, said here on Tuesday.....

The Hindu, 24 January 2007

**Countries identified for BrahMos sale**

New Delhi: Dismissing reports of Moscow's reservations about the export of BrahMos missiles as without any "basis", top officials on Tuesday said joint venture partners India and Russia had identified countries to which it could be sold.....

The Hindu, 24 January 2007

**Russia to pursue India's case with NSG**

Moscow: Ahead of his New Delhi visit, President Vladimir Putin has said Russia will "directly" help India in construction of atomic energy facilities.....

The Hindu, 24 January 2007

**India and China are key to peace in Asia**

CECA, so far, has been a success. Last year, trade jumped 40 per cent. In the first seven months of last year, we became the second largest investor in India. So, there's considerable interest [being shown] by Singapore companies in increasing their exposure to India.....

The Hindu, 24 January 2007

**Russia's foreign policy imperatives**

THE FIELD for international confrontation is becoming narrower as the standoff between the blocs is progressively overcome. Globalisation of the potential for and challenges to security and steady development is making it clear the world community can resolve today's key problems only by a concerted effort. This results in reduced demand for unilateral leadership, and devalues commitments based on ideological and cultural affinity.....

The Hindu, 25 January 2007

**Iran seeks India's help on nuclear issue**

DUBAI: A top representative of Iran's supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei has called upon India to play a "constructive role" to resolve the country's nuclear standoff with the West.....

The Hindu, 25 January 2007

**"Pakistan's stand hampering SAFTA"**

Kabul: India said on Wednesday that Pakistan's refusal to agree on free trade was hampering the implementation of the South Asian Free Trade Agreement (SAFTA), and hoped that the issue would be sorted out soon.

The Hindu, 25 January 2007

**Kabul promises security for Indians**

Kabul: Afghanistan has taken adequate measures to ensure the security of Indians working in that country and promised to do more in view of New Delhi's concern over their safety.

The Hindu, 25 January 2007

**Deal with Russia on transport aircraft**

NEW DELHI: India and Russia on Wednesday signed a protocol of intent for production of a medium-sized, multi-role transport aircraft, a day before President Vladimir Putin arrives on a two-day visit.....

The Hindu, 25 January 2007

**We will seek a stake in Sakhalin-III project**

NEW DELHI: India would demand a stake in the Sakhalin-III project Far East Russia with Russian President Vladimir Putin so as to expand this partnership beyond the project's first phase, Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas Murli Deora said on Wednesday.....

The Indian Express, 25 January 2007

**Manmohan calls for a trilateral framework on economic front**

Moscow, January 24: Supporting greater trilateral economic interaction among India, Russia and China, especially in the energy sector, Prime Minister Manmohan Singh has said divisive policies and actions driven by the 'outmoded' mindset of 'balance of power' should be avoided.....

The Times of India, 25 January 2007

**UK, Australia issue alert against travelling to India**

NEW DELHI: In the run-up to January 26, UK, Australia have issued travel advisories cautioning their citizens visiting India against security risks....

The Hindu, 27 January 2007

**Across-the-board pact on energy: Putin**

NEW DELHI: Russian President Vladimir Putin said on Friday that he had reached an across-the-board agreement with Prime Minister Manmohan Singh in the fields of nuclear energy and oil and gas.....

The Hindu, 27 January 2007

**Bush for raising H1-B visa quota**

Washington: The U.S. President, George W. Bush, has made a strong case for increasing the H1-B visa quota, saying it makes "no sense" for America to not allow an Indian scientist come to the country and develop new technologies.....

The Hindu, 27 January 2007

**Reforms will work only if people's basic needs are met: Kamal Nath**

DAVOS: The official Indian team at Davos is gung-ho about reforms. The one thing that is pressed home at all India-related sessions is the "fantastic" growth trajectory of the Indian GDP ' averaging eight per cent over the past three years and projected to go beyond nine per cent in the next five years.....

The Indian Express, 29 January 2007

**IOC to warn Nepal: fuel supply to be cut if dues not cleared**

New Delhi, January 28: The Indian Oil Corporation has threatened to cut fuel supplies to Nepal by as much as 30 per cent if Kathmandu's state-run company does not pay an extra Rs 15 crore each month to clear the backlog....

The Indian Express, 29 January 2007

**Post-China test, weapons in space to be focus of meet**

NEW DELHI, JANUARY 28: The use of offensive weapons in space, notably in the light of Beijing's recent test of an anti-satellite missile, will be the most talked about topic early next month at a massive congregation of foreign air chiefs in the Capital.....

The Hindustan Times, 29 January 2007

**US offers advanced missile system to India**

New Delhi, January 29, 2007. The US is offering India one of the world's most formidable shipboard missile systems that has the potential of being integrated with the country's indigenous missiles.....

The Hindustan Times, 29 January 2007

**UN refuses to grant consultative status to anti-Indian body**

United Nations, January 27, 2007. A Kashmiri American Council advocating self-determination for the Kashmiri people has failed to get a consultative status with the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)....

The Hindustan Times, 29 January 2007

**Putin honours two Indians, says India has 'brilliant prospects'**

New Delhi, January 26, 2007. Russian President Vladimir Putin on Friday eloquently described India as "a growing country with brilliant prospects" and honoured two eminent Indian personalities for promoting Russian culture and heritage in this country.....

The Hindu, 30 January 2007

**Sri Lankan Minister rushing to New Delhi**

GALLE: The newly appointed Sri Lankan Foreign Minister, Rohita Bogallagama, is rushing to New Delhi on Tuesday for interaction with the Indian leadership.....

The Indian Express, 30 January 2007

**Beijing is testing strategic waters in India's backyard**

NEW DELHI, January 29: When he leaves his calling card in the island state of Seychelles next week, Chinese President Hu Jintao will raise the stakes in the unfolding competition with India for naval influence in the Indian Ocean.....

The Indian Express, 30 January 2007

**Global meet on stem-cell research kicks off, focus on India, China**

BANGALORE, JANUARY 29: The first annual meeting of Stem Cell Research Forum of India (SCRFI) began here today with 350 delegates, including 40 international

delegates from across 12 countries deliberating on advantages and progress of stem cell therapies.....

The Hindustan Times, 31 January 2007

**Putin directs PM to speed-up solution to rupee debt issue**

Moscow, January 30, 2007. Russian President Vladimir Putin has directed Prime Minister Mikhail Fradkov to speed up efforts to find an amicable solution to the rupee debt repayment issue by India so as to facilitate fast-paced investments in high-technology ventures.....

The Hindustan Times, 31 January 2007

**'India has not broken N-rules'**

New Delhi, January 30, 2007. Sweden is one of the few countries in the Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG) that is wary of accepting an India-specific waiver to allow India access to nuclear fuel and technology for its civilian power sector.....

The Hindustan Times, 31 January 2007

**India to work for a successful conclusion of Doha round**

London, January 30, 2007. India has said it is committed to working for a successful conclusion of Doha round of WTO talks despite the setbacks witnessed in the recent months.....