

International News

Malabar drills aim at giving regional security, says Japan

Ambassador hints at more collaboration between defense forces in future

The trilateral Naval exercise, Malabar 2017, involving India, the U.S. and Japan, is strategically very important and meant to maintain the rule of law and maritime security in the region, Japanese Ambassador to India, Kenji Hiramatsu said on Friday. In an interview to *The Hindu*, Mr. Hiramatsu said, "This is very significant politically and [of] very symbolic value that the three countries are working together to safeguard the rule of law and maritime security in this region."

collaboration

the action of working with someone to produce something.

maritime

connected with the sea, especially in relation to seaborne trade or naval matters

Business News

BJP to press for NIA probe into 24 murders

President of the State unit of the BJP B.S. Yeddyurappa said here on Thursday that he, along with party MPs and other leaders, will meet Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh in Delhi on Sunday and press for a probe by the National Investigation Agency (NIA) into the 24 murders of Sangh Parivar activists in the State, including the one reported in BC Road on July 4.

A thorough investigation into a crime or other matter

the most essential part of something

Thrikkunnappuzha by-election on July 18

The by-election to the Thrikkunnappuzha division of Haripad block panchayat will be held on July 18. The District Collector has declared a holiday for educational institutions and government offices situated within the division on July 18.

The institutions, where the polling stations are located, will have holidays on July 17 and 18. The Haripad block panchayat office, where polling material are to be stored and distributed, will have holidays on July 17 and 18. It will have holiday till noon on July 19, on account of counting of votes.

being of equal extent or scope or duration

agreement on a secret plot