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## Thousands March In Malton Khalsa Day Parade



BRAMPTON: Thousands of people from Brampton, Mississauga and other parts of the GTA participated in the Malton Khalsa Day Parade (*Nagar Kirtan*) on Sunday. The parade - with its marching bands, floats and sword dancers - started from Gurdwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha Malton at

1 pm and proceeded to Gurdwara Sikh Spiritual Center in Rexdale. Free food was served at both ends of the parade.

Among those who attended were Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne, Ontario NDP leader Andrea Horwath, Federal NDP chief Jagmeet Singh, MPP Harinder

Takhar, former Ontario PC leader Patrick Brown and Brampton Mayor Linda Jeffrey. Horwath tweeted: "Such an honour to walk the parade today with Ontario's Sikh community. Thank you to the Ontario Gurdwara Committee for organizing another successful year! Today, we reaffirm our

shared values of peace, acceptance & inclusion & take pride in the achievements of the Sikh community."

Horwath has pushed legislation to grant turbaned Sikhs an exemption to motorcycle helmet laws, building on earlier work done by Federal NDP Leader

Jagmeet Singh when he was a provincial member of parliament.

"As New Democrats, we are proud of our close relationship with Ontario's Sikh community - a relationship built around the values that motivate you and I to work every day, to make Ontario a better place," said Horwath.

## It's Game On! Heated Poll Drive Begins

Election Set For June 7; Ford Promises Transit, Efficiencies



Doug Ford attends a rally at Alice's Village Cafe as part of his Ontario provincial election campaign in Carp, Ontario on Wednesday, May 9, 2018. The Canadian Press/ Patrick Doyle

TORONTO: The first day of Ontario's election campaign on Wednesday saw the Liberal premier venture into the heart of Doug Ford's suburban territory to squarely take aim at her Tory rival, while he tried to woo urban voters with transit promises.

Kathleen Wynne has framed the election as a stark choice between her plan and that of Ford, who polls suggest is the one to beat. Her main campaign slogan of "care, not cuts" is a dig at the Tories - both the Liberals and NDP suggest a Ford government would slash public services in or-

der to meet a promise of finding \$6 billion in "efficiencies."

Wynne's first campaign stop on Wednesday was in the west Toronto area of Etobicoke, the home of Ford and his late brother, former Toronto mayor Rob Ford.

The Liberal leader reannounced a pledge to give seniors a \$750-per-year benefit for maintenance costs that help them stay in their homes longer. Ford, meanwhile, used his first day on the campaign trail to pledge a new \$5 billion for subways in Toronto, as well as support for two-way, all-day GO Transit ser-

vice to Niagara and Phase 2 of the Ottawa LRT, as well as regional transit projects in Mississauga, Brampton, Hamilton, London and Kitchener-Waterloo.

"We're going to respect drivers, respect neighbourhoods," he said. Ford also shrugged off the significance of Wynne campaigning in Etobicoke, but echoed her stark contrast line.

"People are going to have a very clear choice by the time we're done," he said. "We can either continue the reckless spending under Kathleen Wynne and

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## 'No Free Pass In Canada For Illegal Migrants'

MONTREAL: Federal Immigration Minister Ahmed Hussen will head to Nigeria in the coming weeks amid an influx of nationals from that country seeking asylum in Canada in recent months.

Three senior federal ministers delivered a blunt reminder to them Monday that entering Canada illegally is not a free pass into the country. "Coming across the border in a way that tries to circumvent the law or defy proper procedure is no free ticket to Canada," Public Safety Minister Ralph Goodale told reporters.

After Haitians in 2017, it appears Nigerians armed with valid U.S. visitor visas are the latest group to come across at Roxham Road in Hemmingford, not far from the Lacolle border crossing at the Quebec-New York border.

Hussen said he plans to travel to Nigeria soon but noted the federal government has sent three immigration officers to Lagos.

Canada has been working closely with the United States over the abuse of U.S. visas by Nigerians whose ultimate goal is to get to Canada within weeks of arriving. "It's becoming apparent to us that they've obtained these visas to come to Canada to make asylum claims," Hussen said.

Goodale said all of the country's international obligations are being met in dealing with asylum. "They must prove they need

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## 'India Will Be Fourth Wealthiest By 2027'

MAURITIUS: India's economy will register the fastest growth over the next 10 years - a stunning 200 per cent surge - to emerge as the fourth wealthiest country in the world with private wealth holdings of \$24.69 trillion, overtaking the United Kingdom and Germany.

A report by AfrAsia Bank released this week, showed that

India, which is currently the third-largest economy in Asia and ranked as the sixth wealthiest in the world, is also leading the list of 'Best Performing Wealth Markets' with a growth of 25 per cent to \$8.23 trillion.

The bank, which is headquartered in Mauritius and has the National Bank of Canada as one of its strategic global partners, said

in its Global Wealth Migration Review 2018 that 'global wealth rose by 12 per cent in 2017 (from \$192 trillion at the end of 2016 to \$215 trillion at the end of 2017)'

This report covers global wealth and wealth migration trends over the past 10 years, with projections for the next 10 years. Malta and China with growth rates of 22 per cent each followed

India as the best performing markets for wealth creation.

The US is currently the wealthiest country in the world at \$62.584 trillion, followed by China (\$24.803 trillion), Japan (\$19.522 trillion), the UK (\$9.919 trillion), Germany (\$9.660 trillion), India (\$8.230 trillion), France (6.649 trillion), Cana-

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