

[7TH Women Science Congress Inaugurated at Imphal](#)

Expressing the need for women empowerment through innovative use of technology built within institutional arrangements, Governor of West Bengal, Shri Keshari Nath Tripathi strongly emphasised that women need to be brought into the of mainstream of national development.

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[Casualty Evacuation: Mendhar Sector](#)

In a case of indiscriminate mortar shelling at Balakot near Gursai, Thesil Mendhar, Dist Poonch on 18 Mar 18 morning, seven people were injured, of which five succumbed to their injuries. The two survivors were evecuted to Jammu by helicopter.

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[Monday, 19 March : Travel with your digital subscriptions](#)

The news

From April 2018 onwards the EU Regulation on cross-border portability of online content services in the internal market will enter into force. This regulation will enable Europeans to travel with their digital subscriptions, to access films, series, sports broadcasts, games, or e-books they purchased online in their home country when travelling across the EU.

On Monday 19 March Vice-President Andrus **Ansip** will join an event in the European Parliament together with European broadcasters and several MEPs to present the new rules.

The background

The cross-border portability Regulation is part of a broader package of proposals to modernise [EU copyright legislation](#), and was approved by the

European Parliament and the Council in 2017 (see [Press Release](#)). This is the first instrument related to copyright to come into force in the context of the [Digital Single Market strategy](#).

For more information see the [factsheet](#) and [MEMO](#).

The event

The event will take place in the Press Room of the European Parliament at 15:30 on 19 March.

[Recycling changes – drop in events](#) **[#dundeewestend](#)**

Further to my [recent update](#) about recycling changes in much of the West End other than the Perth Road Lanes area, this is just a reminder that the first drop in information session event for the West End is tomorrow.

Here's our local details and a poster below – all welcome!

Blackness Library	19th March
4.30pm to 6.30pm	

Tesco Riverside	29th March
12 noon to 3pm	

Your NEW City-wide Recycling Service Information Sessions

Come along to one of our Information Sessions below to find out more about the changes to your collection service. Staff will be available during these times to discuss your new services.

	Date	Time	Location
Monday	19th Mar	4.30pm - 6.30pm	Blackness Library 225 Perth Road, DD2 1EJ
Wednesday	21st Mar	2.00pm - 4.00pm	Broughty Ferry Library Queen Street, DD5 2HN
Thursday	22nd Mar	4.30pm - 6.30pm	Tayview Primary School Dickson Avenue, DD2 4EH
Saturday	24th Mar	11.00am - 2.00pm	Tesco Extra South Road, DD2 4SR
Monday	26th Mar	4.00pm - 7.00pm	Sainsbury's 1 Tom Johnston Road, DD4 8XD
Thursday	29th Mar	12noon - 3.00pm	Tesco Extra Riverside Drive, DD2 1UG

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[Tackling financial and related crime](#)

I am keen to see what more we can do to protect elephants from death by poachers. Like many of my fellow countrymen and women I feel angry about the way these great animals are being killed to lay hands on their tusks.

I am also keen to see proper action taken against those who make big money from drug pushing, illegal arms dealing and other crimes and then seek to introduce the money into western markets. They seek to disguise it so they can enjoy the proceeds of making money out of others' misery.

This is all topical again with campaigns to ban the trade in old ivory works of art, and to freeze the accounts of certain rich Russians coming to London and investing.

Today I would like to hear your views on how we can tackle the underlying problem of serious crime, and how we should respond to calls to ban more trade and more people in the UK.

The trade in works of art from old ivory is conducted in London as well as in other advanced centres. The traders are meant to study and catalogue the items carefully, to avoid offering owners of recent ivory a way to release money from their holdings. There is plenty of legitimate ivory around. Every elephant years ago dying of natural causes may have surrendered tusks on death that were in some cases turned into works of art. What we wish to stop is the barbarism of killing elephants today for their ivory.

Would banning all sales of all ivory in the UK make a difference? Sales of old ivory items will continue in other world centres legally, and illicit sales of ivory items will doubtless continue against the law here at home without the benefit of so many experts trying to ensure the items are from ancient ivory. Shouldn't more be done to assist the countries where elephant poaching continues? Isn't the main issue an enforcement one in the places where elephants still live? It seems to me an ivory ban needs to be global to make a real impact. With a global ban then all ivory trading would be a crime and make it that much more difficult for the poachers to convert their winnings to cash.

When it comes to the issue of rich Russians, the UK needs to make clear it is not against people because they come from Russia, and is not arguing that rich Russians are a unique category that contains more criminals than other groups of rich people from other countries. The Foreign Secretary is right to stress that Russians are welcome here as visitors and investors. The overwhelming majority of Russians like any other nationality obtained their money by hard work and enterprise and have a right to its safekeeping where they choose to live and invest. Many of the Russians here in the UK are opponents of Mr Putin, not trusted allies of the Russian government.

Of course the UK is also right to make clear we do not welcome murderers, money launderers and other criminals. We need to check the origins of large fortunes when they first arrive in the UK, as the comprehensive Money Laundering laws require banks and other financial institutions to do when they first accept a deposit or an investment sum from any new client. The government has powers to demand a person to explain where they got their wealth from. If proper money laundering checks are made on first entry of money into the system the UK authorities should know the answer and should expose the crimes before the money is ever accepted as a legal deposit.

None of this should be directed to most UK people who save out of net income

or out of selling capital assets they own, sending cleared funds from one regulated account to another. All such transactions are visible to the UK tax authorities.