

## Astronomers' trip to observe comet

By A Staff Reporter

BOMBAY, May 16: The Amateur Astronomers' Association, Bombay, has organised a field trip to observe comet Austin and other aspects of the night sky from Kud Savare village, Vangani, on Saturday.

The comet will be visible in the morning sky and will be shown with the help of an eight-inch telescope and a powerful 20x60 binoculars.

The participants have been requested to bring food, water, torch, plastic mat, warm clothes, binoculars and preferably closed shoes.

They have been requested to assemble at Victoria Terminus (local) near A.H. Wheeler's bookshop at 4.45 p.m. The return journey fare is Rs 16.

Those interested can contact Mr Aadil Desai on telephone number 430-6519 or Mr Nilesh Vayada on 513-3012.

## Matheran normal after storm

By A Staff Reporter

BOMBAY, May 16: Matheran is normal after a storm hit the place and its surrounding areas on May 8, Mr Mahendra Thacker, president of the Matheran Hotels and Restaurant Association,

## Panel to study pollution effects

By Our Special Correspondent

BOMBAY, May 16.

THE Maharashtra Pollution Control Board has constituted a committee to study the effects of pollution from the chemical industry on human being and other living organisms, following the Union minister of state for environment Mrs Maneka Gandhi's visit to Bombay.

The committee is headed by Dr S. R. Kamat, a lung specialist and consultant on pollution hazards. Dr A. A. Mahashur, head of the department of chest medicine at K.E.M. Hospital, Dr U. C. Mishra, head of the BARC air monitoring section and Mr T. R. Saranathan of the Society for Clean Cities, are other members of the committee.

Mr C. D. Oomachen, chairman of the pollution control board, said today that he had constituted the committee because people residing in

Chembur had complained to Mrs Gandhi, about the emissions of chemical plants in the Suburb.

Dr Kamat, he said, had been authorised to co-opt any other experts necessary to determine if the pollution had any effects on health. Dr D. S. Rasal, the secretary of the pollution control board, is the member-secretary of the new committee.

Mr Oomachen said he was also examining why sulphur was not being transported in closed trucks. Mrs Gandhi had pointed out to RCF officials, that its transport in open trucks resulted in spillage on the roads and created needless pollution.

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### CAMPS

■ THE CHINMAYA Mission is organising two camps at Sandeepany Sadhanalaya near Powai lake from April 26 to 30 for children between age nine to 12 years and May to 10 for children age 12 to 15 years. The camp will include workshops on leadership, communication skills and self-expression, classes on music, dance, dramatics and

### WORKSHOP

■ THE AMATEUR Astronomers' Association, along with the Nehru Planetarium, is conducting a two-day workshop on Astrophotography for amateur astronomers. The workshop will be held on April 18 and 19 at the Planetarium. Details can be available with Nilesh Vayada, 4/A, Prem Kanku, Navroji Lane, Ghatkopar, Bombay 400 086 or on 5133102.

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