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SHAWN ASHMORE JOINS THE BOYS-SEASON 2

Actor Shawn Ashmore is all set to join the satire superhero series, The Boys. The X-Men fame actor will be seen in the role of Lamplighter in the upcoming second season of the web show.

ANTONIO BANDERAS TESTS COVID +VE ON HIS B'DAY

Actor Antonio Banderas has tested positive for Covid-19. The Original Sin actor shared the health update on Twitter, on the occasion of his 60th birthday.



FORTUNE FORECAST

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ARIES You will be resolute and unswerving in your work today. By afternoon, you'll see results. Love will lighten your workload in the evening...

TAURUS You might wake up yawning and keep yawning throughout today as lethargy gets the better of you. You may end up spending your day with loved ones...

GEMINI You will be able to divide your attention between personal and professional life. Workplace will become pretty exciting during the afternoon...

CANCER Today, you will put your long-standing plan of buying a new house into action, or refurbishing the current house. You will have enough liquidity to be able to meet these expenses...

LEO Rise and shine! There is a very bright chance that today will be one of those super energetic and enthusiastic days. Ganesh predicts you will have a great time socialising with neighbours, friends and relatives...

VIRGO Ganesh foresees a strong probability that you will keep your feet firmly planted on the ground in the face of adversity. The afternoon sun may bring some good returns or much awaited results for you...

LIBRA Ganesh forecasts mostly superficial and thin-skinned issues as the likely cause of your unease and nervousness today. Matters relating to government rules and regulations will be on the table today at your workplace...

SCORPIO There are chances that you may easily get irritated and infuriated today, predicts Ganesh. Keep a lid on your anger or it may lead to irreconcilable differences. Avoid confrontations and unnecessary complications at work as well...

SAGITTARIUS You may turn to your family for love and happiness today, predicts Ganesh. But your soul searching will come at a high material cost. In the evening, you may encounter a thrilling love prospect with who you might indulge in some adventurous activity...

CAPRICORN Work pressure may take a toll on you today, but you will overcome all impediments and excel in whatever work you undertake, says Ganesh. Support and motivation await you at home as family members will be exceedingly tolerant of your actions and endeavours.

AQUARIUS It's absolutely alright to attend a social do where you don't know anyone. Just be your charming self and everything will fall in place. Minor problems may nag. Know how to play a musical instrument? It's perfect for relaxation, says Ganesh.

PISCES You are likely to be sweating today at work, and it is neither the weather nor an ill-fitting suit that is the cause, says Ganesh. You will try your best to get your views across, and the post-afternoon lunch siesta is probably the best time to hammer your point home because that is when your boss will have all the energy to argue against...

BHUMI BELIEVES IN REPEATING CLOTHES



MUMBAI: Actress Bhumi Pednekar believes in repeating her clothes. She adds that she also believes in sharing her wardrobe with her sister.

"I believe in repeating clothes. I repeat clothes all the time. I don't think that people might see me wearing the same clothes because as an actress you are told to wear different and new outfits, but honestly I don't care," said Bhumi...

Jacqueline misses her family

MUMBAI: Actress Jacqueline Fernandez is spending her birthday Tuesday here all alone, and she sure is missing her family.

"This year there are no celebratory birthday plans, I will just virtually connect with all my loved ones through the day. I'm terribly missing my family back home so spending quality time with them would be the best thing for me," she said.



Over the years, the Sri Lankan beauty has been part of hit films like Murder 2, Kick and Judwaa 2. She had also made her small screen debut as a judge for the ninth season of dance-based show Jhalak Dikhalaa Jaa.

The actress often uses her Instagram account to spread positivity among her 44 million followers.

Rahat Indori passes away after testing Covid +ve

MUMBAI: Noted Urdu poet and lyricist, Dr Rahat Indori, passed away in Indore Tuesday afternoon after testing positive for Covid-19 Monday night. He was 70.

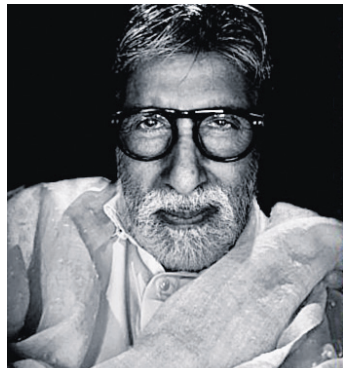
Early Tuesday morning, Indori, who was hospitalised, had tweeted: "After displaying initial symptoms of Covid, I underwent a corona test yesterday and have tested positive. I am admitted to Aurobindo hospital. Pray for me so that I can defeat this disease at the earliest..."

Among the many memorable verses he created for Hindi films are Neend churayi meri and Dekho dekho jaanam (Ishq), Chori chori jab nazrein mili (Kareeb), M bole toh (Munna Bhai MBBS) and the title song of Sir.



How B-Town celebrated Krishna Janmashtami amid lockdown

NEW DELHI: On the occasion of Janmashtami celebrities took to social media to extend greetings to their fans, giving a glimpse on how they are celebrating Lord Krishna's birthday. When in lockdown a festival is a welcome distraction, bringing with cheer and hope.



A screen grab of Amitabh's message on Twitter

Stars like Amitabh Bachchan, Kangana Ranaut, Siddhart Malhotra and Shilpa Shetty among others posted on their Twitter and Instagram handles. Kangana Ranaut posted a picture of Lord Krishna, calling Lord Krishna the only "fashionista incarnation of God"...

celestial being, what to say about Krishna, he is not God he is a doorway to madness." Actor Amitabh Bachchan also shared a picture of Lord Krishna on



Twitter and extended greetings to his fans. Shilpa Shetty shared a video from her last year's Janmashtami celebration at ISKCON temple. She

wrote: "Hare Krsna Hare Krsna Krsna Krsna Hare Hare Hare Rama Rama Rama Hare Hare Last year this day, performing the Krishna Abhishek at @iskcontemple... Janmashtami ki aap sabhi ko dheron shubhkaamnaye. "May Lord Krishna take away all our worries, give us the strength to face each day with courage, and bless each one of us with happiness, love, & peace on the holy occasion of Krishna Janmashtami." Sharing a childhood picture of himself dressed as little Krishna with a flute and headgear, actor Sidharth Malhotra wrote: "Have fun family memories of Delhi related to this festival, however this year let's all celebrate responsibly. Wishing for love, peace & harmony, #HappyJanmashtami to all. PS-

Clearly my favourite Janmashtami picture." Neetu Kapoor shared a sweet memory of Jitendra and her dressed

up like Radha and Krishna, performing on the song Radhe Kahe Tune Murlī Churai from the film Priyatama.

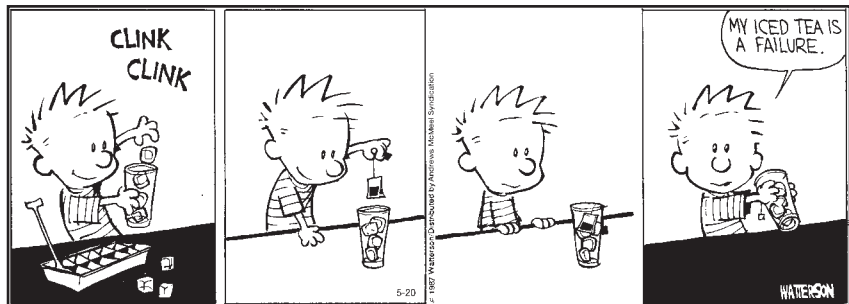


Kangana Ranaut and Shilpa Shetty Kundra celebrating the festival

PEANUTS



CALVIN AND HOBBS

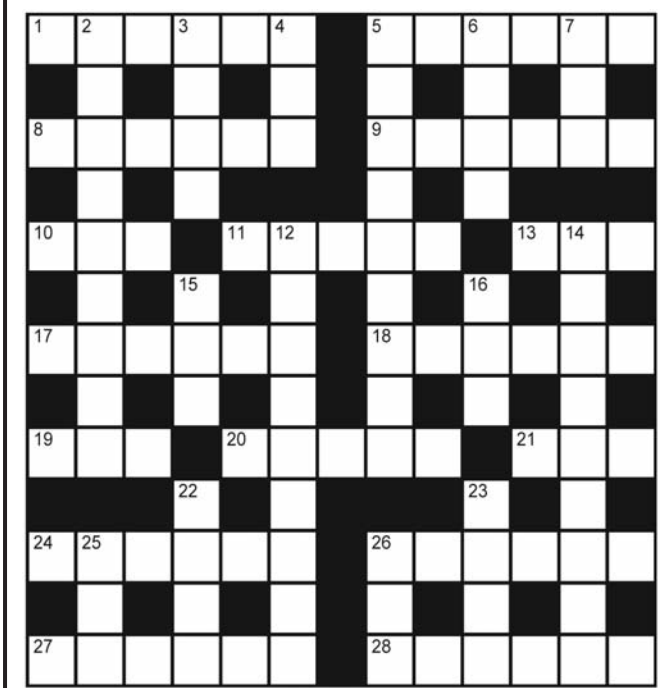


BREVITY



FUN POST

CROSSWORD



- Across 1 Calamitous, 5 Birds of Jove, 8 Sacred beetle of ancient Egypt, 9 Expressions, 10 Egg cells, 11 Cay, 13 Spending limit, 17 Showy, 18 Accord, 19 Roulette bet, 20 Cholera, 21 Herd of seals, 24 Large lizard, 26 Andean animals, 27 Splits, 28 Stir up, 5 Earthquake beginning, 6 Pluck, 7 Shade tree, 12 Some pianos, 14 High flier, 15 Battering device, 16 Retainer, 22 Info, 23 Barber's supply, 25 Needlefish, 26 Hilo garland

SUDOKU

To solve the Sudoku puzzle, each row, column and box must contain the numbers 0 to 9 and the letters A to E.

Sudoku grid with numbers 0-9 and letters A-E.

SOLUTIONS

Sudoku solutions for crossword and sudoku.

CHECK FOR SOLUTIONS OF THE PUZZLES TOMORROW



NO STARRY AFFAIR

Actor Bhumi Pednekar prefers to repeat her clothes even as she is expected to wear new outfits in public

LEISURE



MILK ABSOLUTELY FREE

Residents of a village of Maha do not sell milk and give it away to anyone who is in need

TWO STATES P5



HK PEOPLE DEFEND FREE PRESS

People bought up copies of the Apple Daily paper to support free press in the semi-autonomous Chinese territory

INTERNATIONAL P8



Well, my day passes in a jiffy. I just call some helpline number and they put me on hold

SHORT TAKES

4G services in J&K on trial basis soon

New Delhi: A special committee looking into the issue of restoring internet in Jammu and Kashmir has decided to provide 4G services on trial basis in limited areas of the Union Territory after August 15, the Centre informed the Supreme Court Tuesday. A bench headed by Justice N V Ramana was informed by Attorney General K K Venugopal, appearing for the Centre, that the committee has decided to hold trials for high speed internet access in one district each in Jammu and Kashmir division. The committee has decided that access to 4G internet in J-K be given in a calibrated manner.

Pranab critical

New Delhi: Former President Pranab Mukherjee continues to remain critical and is on ventilator support, the Army's Research and Referral (R&R) Hospital said Tuesday, a day after he underwent a brain surgery. The 84-year-old was admitted to the military hospital around noon Monday, and had also tested positive for COVID-19 prior to the surgery. "Former President of India Shri Pranab Mukherjee was admitted to Army Hospital (R&R) in Delhi Cantonment at 1207 hours August 10, 2020 in a critical condition."

Russia registers world's first Covid-19 vaccine

Moscow, August 11: In what could alter the course of the Covid-19 pandemic that is still creating mayhem across the world, Russian President Vladimir Putin Tuesday said the country has registered the world's first Covid-19 vaccine that "forms stable cell and antibody immunity". According to a report in the Tass news agency, Putin said the vaccine was registered Tuesday morning. "As far as I know, this morning for the first time in the world a vaccine against the novel coronavirus infection was registered," Putin was quoted as saying as he opened a meeting with the state officials. Putin informed that one of his daughters tested the Russian Covid-19 vaccine on herself and she is feeling well. The Russian President has two daughters - Maria who was born in 1985 and Katerina who was born in 1986. "I know this very well, because one of my daughters got vaccinated, so in this sense, she took part in testing," Putin said. "After the second shot, she had a slight fever again, and then everything was fine. She is feeling well and has a high [antibody] count," the President informed. Putin pointed out that "some people did not have any symptoms at all" after getting a vaccine shot. The overall number of global coronavirus cases has surpassed the 20 million-mark, while the worldwide death toll has increased to over 734,000, according to data released by the Johns Hopkins University. Russia's coronavirus cases rose by 4,945 to 897,599 in the past 24 hours. The new daily cases dropped below the 5,000-mark for the first time since April 23. Russia said Monday that it was going ahead with its plan to register the world's first Covid-19 vaccine this week before it starts mass vaccination in October, despite safety concerns raised from several quarters, including the World Health Organization (WHO). Russia is the fourth worst-hit nation by the pandemic after the US, Brazil and India.

The vaccine has been jointly developed by the Gamaleya Research Institute and the Russian Defence Ministry. On August 3, a "final medical examination" of participants in clinical trials of the vaccine took place at the Burdenko Main Military Clinical Hospital, the Russian Defence Ministry had said in a statement. The results clearly showed that all volunteers had a clear immune response resulting from vaccination, the ministry said, adding that there were no side effects or abnormalities in the work of the volunteers. Of the six Covid-19 vaccine candidates that have reached the Phase 3 level according to the WHO, three are from China and the other three include the ones developed by the University of Oxford and AstraZeneca, Moderna, and one jointly developed by Pfizer and BioNTech. Russian Health Minister Mikhail Murashko had earlier said that clinical trials of the vaccine were over. Russia is facing international scepticism due to its fast approach in developing the vaccine.

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RAY OF HOPE
RUSSIAN COVID-19 VACCINE "FORMS STABLE CELL AND ANTIBODY IMMUNITY"
RUSSIA IS FACING INT'L SCEPTICISM DUE TO ITS FAST APPROACH TOWARDS VACCINE
PUTIN'S DAUGHTER TESTED THE VACCINE ON HERSELF AND SHE IS FEELING WELL

WHO SEEKS REVIEW
The World Health Organization (WHO) said any WHO stamp of approval on a Covid-19 vaccine candidate would require a rigorous safety data review, after Russia announced Tuesday it had approved a vaccine. President Vladimir Putin said Russia had become the first country to approve a vaccine offering "sustainable immunity" against the new coronavirus. "We are in close contact with the Russian health authorities and discussions are ongoing with respect to possible WHO pre-qualification of the vaccine," the United Nations health agency's spokesman Tarik Jasarevic told reporters in Geneva at an online press briefing.

75-yr-old pushed on trolley to bank to receive pension



Padan Nayak is being pushed on a trolley to a bank to receive his pension

an arrangement for his pension to be delivered at his door step. As the usual pension date passed without any response from the bank he decided to visit the branch to draw his pension. However, he was not able to go to the branch due to his advanced years. It was then that a trolley was arranged for him. The trolley was pushed along the road up to the branch. When contacted, branch manager Sanjukta Sahu said the branch was struggling with staff shortage. "From next month, his pension will be delivered at his door step," she added.

Agri infra fund, another eyewash

Bhubaneswar, August 11: Two days ago, Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched a financing facility for agriculture under the Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF) for creation of postharvest management of farm infrastructure. Rs 1 lakh crore has been allocated under the AIF. However, experts observe that the latest scheme may turn out to be another eye-wash like earlier claims of the Centre like recovering black money and two crore jobs for youths each year. As per AIF guidelines, banks and financial institutions will provide funds for agri projects with an interest subvention of 3 per cent per annum. The rebate will be provided for loans up to ₹2 crore. Beyond ceiling, banks will decide the interest rates. This meant, no big or mega infrastructure projects can be taken up under the scheme. Under the AIF, the Centre will facilitate investment of ₹1 lakh crore during next 10 years (from 2020-21 to 2029-30). Out of this, ₹2,500 crore has been earmarked for Odisha. Out of ₹10,000 crore targeted to be disbursed for this financial year, only ₹25 crore will be available for Odisha. Questions are being raised as to how many farmers will benefit from this meager amount. The Centre will provide credit guarantee to eligible farmers while the banks will examine the projects and approve the DPR. Like the existing system, the applicants will have to approach banks for clearance of projects. So far, only 11 public sector banks have entered into agreement with the ministry of agriculture to implement the scheme. Not a single private bank or cooperative bank has agreed to support the scheme.

(SLBC) had set a target for all banks to provide loans to the tune of ₹1716.22 crore for agri infrastructure development. However, banks gave just ₹517.97 crore - that worked out to a target achievement of just 30 per cent. Given the performances of banks in the state, doubts are being raised whether they will implement the scheme. Surendra Pasupalak, an agro economist, said the only new thing in the scheme is the 3 per cent interest subvention and credit guarantee by the government. "I did not find anything more in the scheme. The target of ₹10,000 crore for a year for whole of India is very little and Odisha's share in that is also disappointing," he said. "To plan and execute an infrastructure development project like cold storage, one needs technical support. Who will guide the farmers?" Pasupalak asked. It seems middlemen and bankers will benefit from the scheme, he opined. Commenting on the scheme, Agriculture Secretary Sourabh Garg said, "The scheme was just launched. We are examining it and will see how Odisha will get more benefits from the scheme."

MARKET WATCH

INDEX	VALUE	VARIATION
SENSEX	38407.01	↑ 224.93
NIFTY	11322.50	↑ 224.93
DOLLAR	74.79	↓ ₹0.28
EURO	88.18	↓ ₹0.01
GOLD	₹52,490	↓ ₹2456
SILVER	₹70,354	↓ ₹5040

WEATHER

	BHUB	CTK
TEMP MAX	32.7°C	34.8°C
TEMP MIN	27.1°C	25.4°C
Humidity	92%	79%
Rainfall	Nil	Nil

Forecast: Generally cloudy sky

Daughters have equal rights in joint Hindu family property: SC

THE VERDICT MAKES IT CLEAR THAT THE AMENDMENT TO THE HINDU SUCCESSION ACT, 1956 GRANTING EQUAL RIGHTS TO DAUGHTERS TO INHERIT ANCESTRAL PROPERTY WOULD HAVE RETROSPECTIVE EFFECT

New Delhi, August 11: Holding that daughters cannot be deprived of their right of equality, the Supreme Court Tuesday ruled that they will have equal coparcenary rights in joint Hindu family property even if the father died before the Hindu Succession (Amendment) Act 2005. A three-judge bench of Justices Arun Mishra, S Nazeer and M R Shah said the provisions contained in substituted Section 6 of the Hindu Succession Act, 1956 confer the status of coparcener on the daughter born before or after amendment in the same manner as a son with the same rights and liabilities. Coparcener is a term used for a person who assumes a legal right in parental property by birth only. The bench said, "the rights can be claimed by the daughter born earlier with effect from September 9, 2005 with savings as provided in Section 6(1) as to the disposition or alienation, partition or testamentary disposition which had taken place before December 20, 2004. Since the right in coparcenary is by birth, it is not necessary that father coparcener should be living as on September 9, 2005." The verdict makes it clear the



amendment to the Hindu Succession Act, 1956 granting equal rights to daughters to inherit ancestral property would have retrospective effect. The apex court said the appeals

on the issue were pending before different High Courts and subordinate courts and the matters have already been delayed due to legal imbroglia caused by conflicting decisions. "The daughters cannot be deprived of their right of equality conferred upon them by Section 6. Hence, we request that the pending matters be decided, as far as possible, within six months," the bench said. The apex court's verdict came on the issue whether the amendment to the Hindu Succession Act, 1956 granting equal rights to daughters to inherit ancestral property would have retrospective effect.

BIJEPUR PROJECT MAY GET CABINET NOD TODAY

Bhubaneswar, August 11: An important meeting of the state cabinet under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik will be held at 5.30 pm Wednesday. The meeting will be held through the video conferencing mode. 18 proposals of various departments including health & family welfare, energy, industries, water resources, finance, law, labour & ESI and panchayati raj will be placed before the panel for approval. A proposal for sanction of government guarantees of ₹1500 crore in favour of GRIDCO for the term loan availed from banks during the financial year 2019-20 will be placed while the cabinet is also likely to approve amendments to the Industrial Policy Resolution (IPR) which will replace VAT and entertainment tax incorporating GST. The definition of downstream industry will also be changed, the source said. The cabinet will also consider amendment to the Orissa Municipal Act, 1950 and the Orissa Municipal Corporation Act, 2003. The financial bid for execution of Gandhadhar Meher lift irrigation project at Bijepur may get the cabinet nod. The government is likely to take an important decision related to Odisha Civil Service examinations and court fees. Four to five drinking water supply projects are also likely to be approved at the meeting.

8.4L pensioners face bleak future in state

Aadhar verified pensioners through cash payment," the letter from the SSEPD department told DSSOs. According to data from the ministry of social justice, Odisha has a total of 49,70,568 beneficiaries under NSAP and MBPS. Out of this 41,30,515 have Aadhar numbers. Of this 38,69,980 have their Aadhar numbers verified. If pensioners without Aadhar are not given pensions, close to 8.40 lakh beneficiaries would be deprived of pensions. The state government, however, claimed that no eligible pensioners would be deprived of pensions. "There is no question of depriving any genuine pensioner or deleting their names from the scheme. Each block has an Aadhar camp. As soon as we see any non Aadhar beneficiaries, we will direct them for Aadhar registration. Even the acknowledgment number of their applications will work. Genuine pensioners will not have any problem with this," Bhaskar Jyoti Sarma, SSEPD department secretary said.

Delight is the secret. Learn of pure delight and thou shalt learn of God. SRI AUROBINDO



RHETORIC IN COURT

The Supreme Court Tuesday not only reasserted the Amendment to the Hindu Succession Act of 2005 in which daughters gained equal inheritance rights as sons...

A quote that has emerged from the apex court order is significant in terms of its wording. "Once a daughter, always a daughter... a son is a son till he is married." While the judgement is socially very responsible...

This quote of Justice Mishra could be analysed thoroughly. A daughter, when married, becomes a daughter-in-law. If the son listens to his wife and respects her judgement, it may be construed that someone's daughter has successfully endeared herself...



Jayati Ghosh

THE TIMING AND INTENSITY OF THE US, BRAZILIAN, AND INDIAN RESPONSES MAY HAVE VARIED, BUT THE RESULTS HAVE BEEN THE SAME: MILLIONS OF COVID-19 INFECTIONS

The United States, Brazil, and India have surged ahead of the rest of the world in terms of the number of confirmed COVID-19 cases...

There are notable differences in how these countries have responded to the COVID-19 pandemic. Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro and US President Donald Trump have consistently downplayed the severity of the threat...

By contrast, Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi imposed one of the world's strictest - and most sudden - lockdowns, when only a few cases had been reported in the country.

But Modi's lockdown wasn't accompanied by meaningful social protection or income support. As a result, a large-scale humanitarian tragedy ensued, with millions being plunged into poverty and hunger.

The timing and intensity of the US, Brazilian, and Indian responses may have varied, but the results have been the same: millions of COVID-19 infections.

Their leaders' personalities have a lot to do with it. Trump, Bolsonaro, and Modi are all known for their arrogance, bluster, and rejection of criticism.

FOCUS PANDEMIC RESPONSE

MACHISMO & MALPRACTICE



All three leaders have used the pandemic as an excuse to repress dissent. There has been outcry over Trump's use of federal forces, often in plain clothes, to crush largely peaceful protests.

Yet, instead of addressing these lethal failures of leadership, Trump, Bolsonaro, and Modi are creating diversions. Trump would rather rail against China...

In all three countries, the aggravation of social divisions - and the encouragement of aggression by dominant groups - long precedes the pandemic.

This brings us to another commonality: all three leaders have used the pandemic as an excuse to repress dissent.

Brute force cannot stop a virus. Nor can deception, manipulation, bullying, or coercion. As other countries have shown...

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- A truth that's told with bad intent beats all the lies you can invent. LIBERTY MEANS RESPONSIBILITY. THAT IS WHY MOST MEN DREAD IT.

WORDSWORTH

Tax

Taxes are as old as civilization, but our word tax is less old than you might think: it first appeared only in the 14th Century. In its first meaning, it was nearer the Latin original taxare...

Tawdry

Something tawdry is showy but cheap and of poor quality. To find the source of this word we must travel to Ely, a city whose cathedral dominates the flat fen landscape of East Anglia.

IN JEST THIS

Appreciate Indian names - even on others



Melvin Durai

I SHOULDN'T JUMP TO CONCLUSIONS ABOUT NAMES. JUST BECAUSE A NAME SOUNDS INDIAN DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE POSSESSOR OF THE NAME HAS ANY CONNECTION TO INDIA

A headline on the New York Times' website recently caught my interest: "Trump Puts Pentagon in Political Crossfire With Tata Appointment."

I immediately clicked on the link, wondering what relationship this 'Tata' had with the famous Tata family of India. Had President Trump appointed Ratan Tata's great-grandson to a top position in the U.S. Defense Department?

But I was disappointed to learn that the Tata that Trump had appointed as a deputy undersecretary had no connection whatsoever to India's Tata family.

The lesson, of course, is that I shouldn't jump to conclusions about

names. Just because a name sounds Indian does not mean that the possessor of the name has any connection to India.

Surely his ancestors were from Gujarat, I thought, but I was wrong. This Patel, like Anthony Tata...

Patel practices law in New Jersey, a state that has so many Indians that film star Shah Rukh Khan could run for governor.

Driver: "I hurt my neck in a car accident. Which attorney should I hire?" Friend: "What about Patrick Patel?"

Driver: "Is he Indian?" Friend: "Of course, he's Indian. Have you heard of a Patel who isn't Indian?"

Friend: "But what about the name Patrick?"

Friend: "Oh, I'm sure he Americanised it. His real name is probably Pratik Patel."

It's common practice for many Indians in America to 'Americanise' their first names. This often happens among politicians.

Rohit Khanna, a congressman from California, is known to everyone as Ro Khanna.

Then there's Dr. Manish Sethi, who recently ran for the Republican nomination for the US Senate from Tennessee...

mote himself as 'Dr. Seth.'

Thankfully, not all Indian-American politicians feel the need to hide or minimise their Indian identity.

My parents, like many Christians, decided to give me an English name. But my wife Malathi and I opted to give our three children names that reflect their Indian heritage.

I do not mind the name 'Melvin,' but it doesn't really convey anything about me. Perhaps I should consider 'Indianising' my name.

Open shrines, please

Sir, The extraordinary situation arising out of Covid-19 has shook mankind. All shrines have been closed since the onset of corona five months ago.

Nepal's claims

Sir, The Union government has ignored the controversies raised by Nepal over the birthplace of Gautam Buddha.

Congress' future

Sir, It has been a year since Sonia Gandhi took over as interim president of Congress August 10, but the party is still uncertain about its future.

Letters

TO THE EDITOR

Readers of Orissa POST are most welcome to contribute letters (200 words), articles and columns (between 750-1250 words).

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God is watching

Story goes that in a Catholic school cafeteria, a nun places a note in front of a pile of apples, "Only take one. God is watching."



cookies. A little boy makes his own note, "Take all you want. God is watching the apples."





Bruno Fernandes (L) is congratulated by Nimanja Matic after the former's goal as another teammate Anthony Martial smiles

RED DEVILS SURVIVE COPENHAGEN SCARE

ASSOCIATED PRESS
Cologne (Germany), August 11: Manchester United needed an extra-time penalty from Bruno Fernandes to scrape into the Europa League semifinals after beating Copenhagen 1-0.

In sweltering heat, United's young team controlled the lion's share of possession but had a hard time creating clear chances until Andreas Bjelland brought down Anthony Martial in the penalty area. Fernandes blasted the ball past the otherwise excellent goalkeeper Karl-Johan Johnsson to give United the 95th-minute lead.

Mason Greenwood and Fernandes hit the woodwork with shots during normal time and earlier video reviews cost United two of their best opportunities to score. First, VAR scratched off a United penalty for offside in the buildup. Just before the break Greenwood put the ball in the net after a lightning break down the right flank but the replay showed he'd been just offside when Marcus Rashford's pass was played.

Lukaku leads Inter into semis

DUSSELDORF (GERMANY): Romelu Lukaku scored one goal and set up another as Inter Milan defeated a tenacious Bayer Leverkusen 2-1 to reach the Europa League semifinals. Lukaku was the driving force from the start, imposing himself on the game and disrupting the Leverkusen defense to keep Inter in the hunt for its first trophy in nine years. Inter last played a European semifinal on its way to the Champions League title in 2010.



minutes after Lukaku scored. A video review stopped Inter extending their lead, overturning a penalty given for handball against Leverkusen left back Daley Sinkgraven. Leverkusen pushed hard to level in the second half but that opened up chances for Inter and Leverkusen goalkeeper Lukas Hradecky was called on to make repeated saves.

The game could prove to be Havertz's last for Leverkusen. He has been strongly linked with a move to Chelsea and Leverkusen previously said it would hold off any transfers for the duration of the Europa League campaign. For Leverkusen it was another near miss in a season filled with them. Leverkusen missed out on a Champions League spot on the last day of the Bundesliga and lost the German Cup final to Bayern Munich last month.

Atalanta playing with pain in hearts

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Bergamo (Italy), August 11: Atalanta is playing 'with anger in their eyes and pain in their hearts' and that emotion could help propel the team from Bergamo beyond expectations in the Champions League. The small city of Bergamo was one of the epicenters of the coronavirus outbreak in Italy. More than 6,000 people died with COVID-19 in the province. Images of a convoy of military trucks driving coffins out of the city because the crematorium couldn't keep up were beamed around the world. Since even before the restart, Atalanta players have talked about bringing the smiles back to the faces of their supporters and it has been one of the top teams since soccer resumed.



"We were one of the cities worst hit by the virus ... and they (the players) experienced all that with us," said Franz Barcella, an Atalanta season ticket holder and the managing partner at Edone — a bar and a cultural space near the team's stadium. "They are really moving, moving because of what they say, because of what they do, because of the way they play. It really seems as if they are playing with anger in their eyes and pain in their hearts. You can't

but be proud of a team like this." Atalanta plays Paris Saint-Germain Wednesday in the quarterfinals of the Champions League. That match and the remainder of the competition will take place in Lisbon. There won't be any fans there but Barcella estimates around 400-500 supporters will be in Edone's outdoor space, watching the match on a big screen — with all the necessary social distancing measures in place. Atalanta reached the final eight with an 8-4 aggregate victory over Valencia in the round of 16. The first

leg took place February 19 in Milan and has been dubbed 'Game Zero' because of the spread of the disease that followed both in northern Italy and in Spain. "Look it's difficult not to know people who were ill in Bergamo. Having said that, to say that it was because of that match is an insult," said Barcella, who was also ill with the virus. "How many other chances did we have to get sick? There were concerts, other matches, the crowds on public transport..." "A match wasn't the cause of the spread. That there were errors made is obvious but saying that Atalanta-Valencia caused everything makes me laugh. There were a thousand causes, not least because as a country we were unprepared."

Men's hockey camp uncertain

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

New Delhi, August 11: The upcoming training camp for India's male hockey players in Bangalore looks uncertain after half a dozen of them tested positive for COVID-19 but the women can resume practice after all of them tested negative for the dreaded virus. Six Indian men's team players — skipper Manpreet Singh, striker Mandeep Singh, defenders Surender Kumar, Jaskan Singh, drag-flicker Varun Kumar and goalkeeper Krishan Bahadur Pathak — have tested positive after reaching Bengaluru for the national camp, scheduled to start August 20. Of these, Mandeep has been hospitalized after his blood oxygen levels dropped Monday. "The men's camp is in doubt after six positive results, more reports are still awaited from the state government," a SAI source told this agency. "But the women's camp is still on course after all the players

tested negative. They are currently under 14-day quarantine period and the light intensity camp will begin once it's over," the source added.

men's team have not yet to come. The light intensity national camp was supposed to start in the last week of August after a month-long break and was expected to continue till September 30. It is learnt that SAI approved the camp after a request from Hockey India, which is among the 57 de-recognised National Sports Federations (NSFs). "Resuming national camps is not solely SAI's decision. We take feedback and inputs from every NSF before deciding anything because they are more aware than us. We just give them support in terms of opening up our infrastructure," a SAI source said. "We are in deliberations with respective authorities, including Hockey India on the resumption of men's camp and a decision on this matter will be taken shortly." Reports have alleged that the men's team players, during their break, did not follow health safety protocols as strictly as they should have been.

WOMEN'S CAMP STILL ON DESPITE SIX MALE PLAYERS TESTING POSITIVE FOR CORONAVIRUS

Sabalenka in second round, Konta ousted



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Lexington, August 11: World No.11 Aryna Sabalenka made a winning return at the WTA's resumption in the United States as she battled past America's Madison Brengle to enter the second round at the inaugural Top Seed Open. The No.2 seeded player from Belarus defeated Brengle 6-1, 6-7(5-7), 6-2 after nearly two-and-a-half hours of play Monday. "Brengle played really well, she moved really well," Sabalenka said during an on-court post-match interview as per the WTA website. "It was tough. I just tried to stay in the game, tried to think clean, and fight to the end, like I usually did." "I was really waiting for tennis to get back. I was just trying to stay in the tournament, stay in the rallies, stay in the game as long as I can, and I think I did everything I could. Of course I could play better, but I think for the first match, it's okay," she added. Sabalenka, who won her sixth career WTA singles title in Doha earlier this season, will next face the winner of an all-American encounter between rising teenager Coco Gauff and qualifier Caroline Dolehide. Meanwhile, World No.15 Johanna Konta failed to enter the second round of the competition in US as she lost to unseeded Czech Marie Bouzkova 6-4, 6-4.

Tour de France '21 to begin in Brittany after Denmark delay

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Brittany, August 11: The 2021 Tour de France will start here after Copenhagen's staging of the 'Grand Depart' was pushed back by a year due to a potential clash with soccer's postponed European Championship, race organisers said Monday. Brittany will also host the first four full stages of the race. "Delighted to announce with Christian Prudhomme that we will start in Brest, pass through Finistere, Cotes d'Armor, Morbihan and Ile-et-Vilaine. It will be a great celebration and a boost for the econ-



omy," said the region's president Loig Chesnais-Girard. The start of next year's Tour was brought forward by six days to avoid clashing with the men's road race at the rescheduled Tokyo Olympics. The new June 26 start date, however, created a clash for Denmark with the European Championship, which runs from June 11-July 11. Denmark is due to host three group matches as well as a last 16 match, all taking place at the Parken Stadium in Copenhagen in June. The Danish start to the Tour will be held from July 1-3, 2022.

Broad fines Broad for 'inappropriate language'

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

Dubai, August 11: England fast bowler Stuart Broad has been fined 15 per cent of his match earnings by referee Chris Broad, who incidentally happens to be the cricketer's father, for using 'inappropriate language' after dismissing Pakistan spinner Yasir Shah in the first Test at Manchester. "The incident occurred in the 46th over of Pakistan's second innings Saturday, when Broad used inappropriate language after dismissing Yasir Shah," said the ICC in a statement. According to the release, Broad was found to have breached Article 2.5 of the ICC Code of Conduct, which relates to 'using language, actions or gestures which disparage or which could provoke an aggressive reaction from a batter upon his/her dismissal during an International Match'. In addition to this, one demerit point has been added to the disci-

plinary record of Broad, for whom it was the third offence in a 24-month period, taking his cumulative demerit points to three. Broad's previous breaches were January 27 this year during the fourth Test against South Africa, and August 19, 2018, in the third Test against India at Trent Bridge. "Broad admitted the offence and accepted the sanction proposed by Chris Broad of the Emirates ICC Elite Panel of Match Referees and ratified by the ICC Cricket Operations department as per the COVID-19 interim playing regulations. There was no need for a formal hearing," the release added. On-field umpires Richard Kettleborough and Richard Illingworth, third umpire Michael Gough and fourth official Steve O'Shaughnessy levelled the charge. Level 1 breaches carry a minimum penalty of an official reprimand, a maximum penalty of 50 per cent of a player's match fee, and one or two demerit points.



NZC promises bumper int'l schedule

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Wellington, August 11: West Indies, Pakistan, Australia and Bangladesh have all confirmed they will tour New Zealand during the southern hemisphere summer; New Zealand Cricket (NZC) chief executive David White said Tuesday. Under the International Cricket Council's Future Tours Programme, West Indies were scheduled to play three Tests and three T20s in New Zealand, while Pakistan will play two Tests and three T20s. The five Tests form part of the World Test Championship. Bangladesh were due to play both ODI and T20I series and Australia will round out the season in a three-match T20 series against New Zealand next March. "We're making tremendous progress," White told reporters Tuesday. "Just on the phone actually to the West Indies, they are confirmed. Pakistan have confirmed, Australia and Bangladesh.



So, 37 days of international cricket. We'll go through the detail of that in due course." New Zealand has managed to largely contain the spread of the coronavirus and has held a national rugby competition in front of big crowds over the last couple of months. White also confirmed that the 'White Ferns' women's cricket team will tour Australia in September and reciprocate by hosting the Southern Stars in February, when New Zealand would have been staging the

postponed 50-over World Cup. He said NZC would be looking at the biosecurity model being used by England to host test series against West Indies and Pakistan and were discussing details of quarantine for incoming teams with the New Zealand government. "It's a lot of cricket," he added. "We'll just be held up for a week or two while we work with the government agencies on the managed isolation but they've been tremendously supportive and making really good progress."