

## P2 Ori"SSapost <br>  <br> BENEDICT ON ABSENCE FROM WANDAVISION SEASON ONE British actor Benedict Cumberbatch, who plays Dr Strange in the Marvel Cinematic Universe, has explained he did not appear in the first season of WandaVision because he the first season of WandaVision because he was busy with his production company. <br> CHILD RIGHTS BODY ASKS NETFLIX TO STOP STREAMING BOMBAY BEGUMS <br> National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) has asked Netflix Inc to immediately stop streaming its new drama series Bombay Begums after it reviewed complaints around scenes showing children consuming drugs. In a letter to Netflix, NCPCR asked the streaming giant to probe the matter.

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## ■ CANCER

 Katrina
shares tips
of happiness

Mumbai: Want to know how to be happy? Check
out actress Katrina Kaifs Instagram account! The actress posted a stunning picture of herself and doled
out words of wisdom on out words of wisdom on
how to attain happiness. In the picture, the ac tress looks beautiful in a
white sweater. She has teamed this up with blue jeans, minimar. "If u want to be happy, captions the post. captions the post.
Meanwhile, Katrina was recently spotted shooting alongside actor Salman Khan in Mumbai. This led
to fans speculating whether the two were filming for Tiger 3.
Besides this, Katrina has two film releases lined up for the year. She will be
seen in Sooryavanshi and Phone Bhoot. She shares the screen with Akshay Kumar in Sooryavanshi by Rohit Shetty.
Phone Booth has been directed by Gurmmee
Singh and also stars Isha Singh and also stars Ishaan Khatter an


Yami begins shooting for $A$ Thursday

Mumbai: Actress Yami Gautam has begun shooting for her film $A$ Thursday. The
film is directed and written by Behzad film is directed and written by Behzad
Khambata, and also features Dimple Kapadia, Atul Kulkarni, Neha Dhupia and Maya Sarao.
An official an An officiala announcement was made
through the Twitter account of RSVP, through the Twitter account of R
the banner producing the film he banner producing the film. forgettable events are about to come your way, all that happened
on \#AThursday,"" RSVP announced their Twitter page.
In the film, Yami essays the role
of Naina Jaiswal, a play school In the film, Yami essays the role
of Naina Jaiswal, a play school
teacher who takes 16 toddlers ortage. Yami, who is known for her positive roles in in films
such as Vicky Donor, Uri: The Surgical Strike
and Ginny Weds
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## Manoj Bajpayee tests

 positive for Covid Mumbai: Bollywood actorManoj Bajpayee has tested $\begin{aligned} & \text { mosths. "Manoj was shooting for the film } \\ & \text { Despath } h \text { which is produced by Ronnie Screwvala. }\end{aligned}$ psitive for Covid-19. The actor Manoj Bajpayee is on medication and recoveris currently living under home ing well. He is in self-quarantine at home and
quarantine and is on med$\begin{array}{ll}\text { quarantine and is on med- } & \text { following all precautions. We wish him for } \\ \text { ication. }\end{array}$ A statement issued by
Bajpayee's team reads: $\begin{gathered}\text { On the work front, Bajpayee will next be } \\ \text { seen playing a polie officer named ACP Avinash, }\end{gathered}$ Bajpayee's team reads:
"Manoj Bajpayee has tested playing apolie officer named ACP Avinash,
in the upcoming digital film Silence... Can You $\begin{array}{cl}\text { Manoj Bajpayee has tested } & \text { in the upcoming digital film Silence... Can You } \\ \text { Covid positive after his di- } & \text { Hear It. The mystery thriller film, also star- } \\ \text { rector was infected with it }\end{array}$ ring Prachi Desai, Arjun Mathur, Sahil Vaid The shoot has stopped it Vaquar, Barkha Singh and Garima Yagnik, pre-
ASM UISAV- oav1 Darkness plays a character in Shababahakamane

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occasion," added Patra occasion," added Patra.
Asim Kala, a painting exhibi-
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| To solve the Sudoku puzzle, each row, column and box must contain the numbers 0 to 9 and the letters A to E . |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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## 'Govt should set an example by buying its own MSME products'

## ADOPTABLITY OF THE SCRAPPAGE POLLCY NOT EASY: ADITYA PATRA

Indian automakers are grappling with multiple
headwinds like prolonged slowdown and the pan-
demic. Despite many y challenges, the automakers
and dealers gathered their strength and bounced
back. The Managing Director of Aditya Group,
Aditya Patra, spoke to Orissa POST and
shared his insights of the pandemic period.


SC refuses to intervene in Aditya death case

New Delhi, March 12: The Supreme Court Friday refused to
issue any direction with regard to apention filed by the mother sol
cial activist and motivational speaker Aditya Dash, seeking a robe by the Central Bureau of
Investigation (CBI) into the mysterious death of her son.
A two-judge bench of the apex court comprising Justices Navin served that the writ petition filed by Padmalaya Dash, the mother of Aditya Dash, is not maintain-
able as an application to this effect able as an application to this effect
is already pending before the Orissa High Court. The apex court also refused to give any opinion
or pass a direction to the High Court to dispose of the petition ulated time.
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writ petition.
Significan Significantly, Padmalaya had
pleaded the apex court to direct CBI to initiate an investigation into the mysterious death of Aditya. The petitioner also prayed the apex
court to issue directions to the Orissa High Court to dispose of the bound manner. The petitioner had contended elapsed, but the state Crime branch through. "The investigation is going on at a snail's pace and no direct or,"
indirect evidence was found yet, the petitioner contended. Significantly, Aditya's muti-
lated body was found on the railway tracks near Lingaraj Temple Road passenger halt
Bhubaneswar July 7,2020 .

## Govt nod to 8 investment proposals worth $₹ 1,214 \mathrm{Cr}$

he projects would create employment opportunities for 2,427 persons

## POST NEWS NETWORK Bhubaneswar, March 12: The State-Level Single Window Clearance Authority (SLSWCA), led by Chief Secretary Sures Chandra Mahapatra, Friday ap proved eight proposalds envisaging and fresh employment opportuni According to Indus. Secretary Hemant Kumar Sharma the investment proposals are mainly processing and hospitality sectors The proposers are well known in dustrial houses. The projects wil create employment opportunities," Sharma pointed out <br> Giving in-principle approval to the projects, the Chief Secretary d to facilitate early grounding of the projects through proactive support. Mahapatra also directed to make roper assessment of land and water requirements for the projects. According to sources, Energise set upa 2.75 MTPA iron ore bene let plant at Rairangpur in Mayurbhana district. The ₹256-crore



Energise Minerals Private Limited would set up
2.75 MTPA iron ore ..7neficication plant and a 1.2 MTPA pellet plant at

Indalc Spirits Pvt Ltd plans to set up of a 200
KLPD grain-based
distillery distillery plant and 6 MW
Cogeneration Plant with
and an investment of $₹=21$
crore in Deogarh

FALCON REAL ESTATE PRIVATE LIMITED AIMS TO SET UP A 5 -STAR HOTEL IN BHUBANESWAR WITH AN INVESTMENT OF ₹ 120.26 CRORE





Krushi Odisha mascot unveiled

## STF seizes 3 quintal

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| Bhubaneswar, March 12:Krushi |  |
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| 'Mushroom', was unveiled at Biju Patnaik |  |
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| Farmers'Empowerment |  |
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| Minister ArunKumar Deve Development'. Odisha |  |
| Sahoo. ranks first in production |  |
| The mahotsav will |  |
| be organised by the second in overall |  |
| Agriculture department in asso- room production, said the minister. |  |
| Chamber of Commerce an |  |
| Industry (FICCI). augurate by Chief Minister Nav |  |
|  | ik March 15 , said S |

## HOLDING TAX HIKE DECRIED

BJP activists gherao BMC office in Bhubaneswar, Friday, condemning the 'excessive' hike in holding tax by the

Bhubaneswar, March 12: The Special Task Force (STF) of state Crime Branch has seized huge quantities of duplicate tobacco
during raids in Rourkela and its periphery. The STF seized fake to-
bacco weighing around three quinbacco weighing F 号ound three quin-
tals valued at 10 lakh. Following a tip-off, teams of STF
with the help of local police carried out raids at many places in Rourkela and its periphery area of Sundargarh. The teams came
across huge illegal storage, manacross huge illegal storage, man bacco products during the raids. They seized heavy quantity of duplicate tobacco materials from the possession of one Shyamsundar Lochan Sahoo of Sector- and Rivipu
Chourasia of GTLane of Rurkela.

## GST officials raid

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 that subash A Aaraval and three other
directors oft the company have misap-
 from ghost dealers.

1 fresh fatality pushes Covid toll to 1,918
thubaneswar: State's Covid-19
tally surged to $3,38,056$ Friday as
64 more people tested positive fo the infection, while one fresh fatality pushed the state's
coronavirus death toll to 1,918 , a Health and Family Welfare (H\&FW)
department official said. Thirtyquarantine centres, while 27 f fresh
infections were detected during Contact tracing. Sundargarh distric
reported the highest number of new cases at 10 , followed by
Mayurbanj (eight) and Cuttack
bHUBANESWAR headquarters, Gajapati Nagar, 6 Ashwini Swasthya Sammilan
Mayfair Convention, 9.30 am - International Women's Day
celebration ny INTUC, Ramanuia
conention hall convention hall, near Hotel Swo
Premium, CS Pur, 10.30 am Abhiruchi Samman by Satya Naag
Ladies' Forum, Geeta Govinda Sadan, 6pm
CUTTACK
$\qquad$ Management Associaititon of
Odisha, Nimpur Ground, Jagatpu
2.30pm PURI District-level Wrestling 6th Annual Function of
Youth Hostel, 10 am - Day-night volleyball compeetition,
Sundariaga Kalyan Mandap, 5pm

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# End of road for Biju Yuva Vahini 

THERE IS NO BUDGETARY PROVISION FOR BIJU YUVA VAHINI DURING CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR


## 721 SC girls tied knot with upper caste boys: Saraka

Bhubaneswar: As many as 721
Hindu girls belonging to schedHindu girls belonging to sched-
uled caste (SC) community have tied
the nuptial the nuptial knot with upper caste current financial year, ST \& SC
Development, Minorities \&
Backward Classes Welfare Minister Jagannath Saraka told th
Assembly, Friday. In a written reply to an un-
starred question raised by BJD
legislator Aswini Kumar Patra the minister said, "The highest 173 such inter-caste marriages
have been registered in Balasore district while Jagatsinghpur dis
riages.
He said 67 SC girls have mar-
ried to other caste males in Bhadrak ried to other caste males in Bhadrak
district, followed by Keonjhar with
53 such marriages, Ganjam 48, Puri 39, Cuttack 31, Nayagarh 23


The state govt provides one-time grant of ₹2.50 lakh to couples opting for inter-caste marriages
$\qquad$ Dhenkanal 12 each, Jharsuguda caste marriages of SC females

## STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

16 ultras neutralised; 21 surrendered in 2020

cases."
It also added, "While (LWE)
core CPI (Maoist) cadres including ore CPI (Maoist) cadres including Divisional Committee Member DCM) and Area Committee in separate incidents of exchange in confrontation with the villagers. Besides, 4 persons were arrested in
connection with their involvenent Maoist activities." that 21 naxals surrendered before
the police during the period. "60 uns including 26 quality weapons, munition, explosive materials and
other articles were recovered during anti-Maoist operations," the re It asso talked about the incidents tralisation and others. "A total of
41 CPI (Maoist) related incidents. police initiaticchanges of fire on police initiatives were reported in
the state during the period in which 7 civilians lost lives and 2 security personnel attained martyr
dom. Security forces achieved sig
"The overall Left Win
"The overall Left Wing
Extremism scenario arising out
of CPI (Maoist) activities showed progressive and sustainatable im-
provement in the State during th inancial year 2020-21 (i.e. from
1.1.2020 to 31.12,2020), including Swabhiman Anchal of Malkangiri
district and Kalahandi Rayagada Kandhamal axis due to pro-active security and administra

Excise dept records negative growth
 tricts, he said.
Similarly, Kalahandi, Nuapada and Malkangiri districts have re ported five such marriages each
while four inter-caste marriages were registered in Gajapati dis
trict, three each in Boudh \&
Rall Rayagada, two in Kandhamal and
one each in Sundargarh, Jajpur
and Deogarh districts, said Sarak However, no such marriages have
been reported from two districtsKoraput and Nabarangpur, the
minister said in his reply. riages, the state government is
providing one-time assistance to the one-times. grant of Rs R 2.50 lakh upper caste Hindus and Hindus
of scheduled castes. Sources said such marriages can help bring

Retd HCjudge to head fee structure panel
BHUBANESWAR: Amid uproar by
Opposition MLAs over issues related to paddy procurement, the
state Assembly Friday passed the Odisha Professional Educational Institutions (Regulation of
Admission and Fixation of Fee) Amendment Bill, 2021. As per the amendment, a re-
tired judge of Orissa High Court will be appointed as the chair-
person of the Fee Structure

## IECHNICAL <br> EDUCATION

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(VC) of Biju
Technology (BPUT).
As the BPUT is the affiliating
university which enforces the fee structure of technical or profe sional institutions, it may not
proper for its CC tofunction as th it was proposeded to appoint areerirede,
judge of Orissa High Court, said Technical Education Minister
Premananda Nayak. Premananda Nayak.
Moreover, the government has made the Skill Development and Technical Education Secretary as
chairperson of the Policy Planning chairperson of the Policy Planning
Body. Earlier, Industries Secretary Body. Earlier, Industries Secretary
was the chairman of the panel. The amendment was necessitated as the out of the purview of Industries


The Standing Committee report claimed that the dept registered -19.84 per ent growth in FY 2020-21 against 14.52\% in FY 2019-20

nue growth of - 19.84 per cent in $F Y$ 2020-21 against 14.52 per cent in FY partment withesseda negative growth rate since e 2009-2010, data suggested. only Rs 2789.89 crore in the cur-

rent fiscal against Rs 4495.52 crore enerated in 2019-20. The govern ment attributed the negative growth rospects of revenue collection prospects of revenue collection.
The report claimed that the lift ing of India Made Frerign Liquor
ideration money on IMFL
OFF/ON/BeerParlour and Club ON hops every month. The government also gets duty on the IMFL and Beer lifted by the retailers. The re-
tailers are bound to ifft a Minimum tailers are bound to lift aMinimum
Guaranteed Quantity of IMFL and
Beer which ensures a guaranteed mount of duty. The report claimed that in 2019 20 the total lifting of LMFL re-
mained at 532.35 lakh LPL L(London
Prooof Litres) while beer ifftingremained at 935.79 lakh BL (Bulk low in 2020-21. The state saw lifting
of only 316.94 lakh LPL of IMFL
while the beer quantity remained at 268.38 BL.
Meanwhile, the sales of coun-
try liquor also suffered a sethack as against the lifting of 78.62 lakh he current fiscal saw lifting of

Health schemes suffered setback


## FUN ON THE BEACH



State creates record in ganja seizure: Report

Bhubaneswar, March 12: A de partmental Standing Committee Friday talked about large-scale seizure of ganja and other items uring 2020 .


The report claimed that Odisha "In
mount ganja in the country. "In 2020, Odisha Police, regis-
tered more than 1,000 NDPS cases and arrested over 1,800 accused persons. During the year, 1,374
quintals of ganaja, 44 kg brown
sugar were seized and more than sugar were seized and more than
18,000 acres of illegal cannabis year 2019-20)" year 2019-20)," the report said.
It said, "The sieizure of 1,374
quintald of ganja or cannabis in 2020 is a record. This is for the
first time that any state in India has crossed the landmark seizure
of 1,000 quintals ( 100 tonne) of cannabis. Last year seiz
ugar/heroin is also significant sugar/heroin is also significant
and record breaking for Odisha.
It is important to mention that this seizururequant to mentity in ion that

## Fires contained in Similipal <br> A CENTRAL TEAM IS CAMPING IN THE SANCTUARY TO ASSESS DAMAGE



## Fires play havoc in

 forests of BolangirFires reported from 804 points; staff shortage hinders fire fighting exercise

Bolangir, March 12: Forest fires have been raging in various forests
in Bolangir. The forest departmen
is trying its best to contain fires

dents of 51 villages in the cor
reas and environmentalists. Mreas and environmentalists.
Meanwhile, hhe e task force on for
est fire formed by the government Friday said that it is keeping all
out effort for mitigation agement of forest fire in the State which is $1800-3457-158$. Tripathi, the former principal chie conservator of formest (PCCF) Friday said "Asper the FSI forest fire aler
alerts in the state Friday with only 1048 forests alerts yesterday and fir situation in State is is under control
now. Further, parts of the State, innow. Further, parts of the State, in-
cluding Similipal have experienced rains yesterday, which would be spread of fires in the state. The government has asked a prevent any proliferation of fire weather conditions in the State,

Reports citing satelliteort imaid.
of the fires available from
 pockets. Thursday, fires worere ere-
ported from 48 points Thursday done. Fires have destroyed trees outskirts of the Bolangir town
Being informed by some conscious
citizns, DFO dered quick ametion for doanhying
fire. Forest officials and firefight

## Kalimela LAMPS MD suspended over graft slur

VIMSAR authorities order probe into ragging plaint
\& promptly respond to the fire aerts. The daily forest fire point satelilte data received from FSI by
Forest IT \& Geomatic Centre
(FITGC) are being made available Forest Staffs after navigating to fire points and dousing fire are up loading the info with photos in
OFMS. Till now more than $95 \%$ of all these fire points are addressed PCCF/ PCC
functioning.
The DFOs has been directed to en hance community engagement with Groups. A series of meetings for awareness among local communi
ties involving 2718 VSS have bee conducted. Incentives to about 3000 vonducted. Incentives to about 3000 of fire has been provided. Continuous personal monitor
ing/ review of prevailing fire sit uation with field officials by
Government/ Task Force is being taken up for forest fire mitigation in the State.
₹16L spent for project goes down drain


## Malkangiri, March 12: The managing director in-charge of Kalimela LAMPCS in Malkangiri district was suspended Friday over alleged irregular- ities in farmer registration for Kharif

 paddy procurement. The district Assistant Registrar ofCooperative Societies suspended the Cooperative Societies suspended the
official named Saroj Kumar Sundaray following an enquiry. According to sources, irregularities were detected in the farmer regisLAMPS.
A large number of farmer registration forms are not available with the LAMPS office in Kalimella. While fac-
ing the enquiry committee, Sundaray ing the enquiry committee, Sundaray
failed to explain how the STlands were failed to explain how the STlands were
cultivated by non-ST farmers. He could not even clarify who made the slip-up in documentation during the regis
 launched a probe.
Sources said that the second year MBBS student of the in-
stitute complained about rag. gingearly Friday morning, when the institution's anti-ragging one of the hostels.
Later, the officials informed aboutt the complaint to the Dean-cum- Principal of VIMSAR,
Jayashri Dora. The principal then directed the anti-ragiing then directed the anti-ragging
official conduct a probe into the soon as possible. verify the authentingicty cell will verify the authenticity of the al-
legations and the truth will
emerge after the panel submits emerge after the panel submits
the reportt" Dora informed. The anti-ragging cell routinely visits hostels here to verify
whether any student is facing any kind of mental or physical torture.
It has not It has not yet been ascertained whether the victim was sub
jected to mental or physical tor jure or both.

Finding Sundaray at fault, the higher ups took action against him leading to his suspension from duty until fur-

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CUTTACK (R\&B) DIVISION NO.I: CUTTACK
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GOVERNMENT OF ODSHA "e" procurement Notice
e-procurement Notice for Building work
Bid Identification No. E.E. CTC(R\&\&)-35 of 2020-21
faulty survey by the PHDepartment in site selection, the drinking water
project was left in mess. Water is project was left in mess. Water is
not reaching the stand posts at
Cherigaon, Hernapada and Bagpada. As mercury is rising, watar sources
are going dry. Water crisis has been are going dry. Water r crisis has been
deepening, they rued. Chicher village, its two nearby hamlets like Hernapada and Bagpada have a population of
3000. Villagers had taken up the issue with the local sarpanch and a junior
engineer of the PHD, no step wa engineer of the PHD, no step was ect right. JE, Robert Pradhan said steps will be taken soon.

Tipsy youth bludgeons mother to death

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CISF celebrates foundation day at Damanjodi




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| 1 | Construction of Sub-Health Centre Building (HWC) at Gajalabadi of Surada Block | 20.616 | 20616 | 6000- | 6 month | C \& B |
| 2 | Construction of Sub-Health Centre Building (HWC) at Lathipada of Surada Block | 20.616 | 20616 | 6000- | 6 months |  |
| 3 | Construction of Sub-Health Centre Building (HWC) at Badagada of Surada Block | 20.447 | 20447 | 6000/- | 6 month | C \& B |

OFFICE OF THE PANCHAVYT SAMITIT, SUUADA - 761108 INVITATION FOR BIDS

1. The sale of bid document stall from D.t. 16.03 .2021 at 3.00 P.M. and close on dated 30.03 .2021 at 5.00
P.M. during office hours in the office of the undersigned. Bids shall be received on or eeforere 5.00 .... of
Dt. 30.03 .2021 through Registered Post, Speed Post or it can be placed in the box kept in Office for the said purpose.
Bid documents consists of specification, the schedule of quantities and the set of terms and conditions of
contractors and other necessary documents \& collected from Block Office or can be downloaded from the website www.ganjam.nic.in.
After the date, time and receipt of bid is over the original bids security and Demand Draft towards co of bid document shall be submitted along with the bid or Registered Post in the office of the undersigned
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0 . the Block Developent Officer, Surada in the presence of bidders who wish to attend. The bidders who particiapted in the bid can
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bidg bids as specified the bids will be opened in the next working an
of bid
The authority reserves the Any addendum/corrigendum/cancellation can also be seen in the pape Engineering contractors desiring to avail to exemption facility of EMD should applied specifically their
application with an affidavit and submit the same tender docy ment. He/She should also produce original
contract licence at the time of opening of tender document to make necessary entry to the effect as such



 Thursday. The DFO also visited
the four fire spots. The DFO said
that when fire-fighting teams were
taken to one place, fire was re-
ported from another place." Some
people are suspected to be delib-
erately setting fire to forests," he
added.
The Vana Surkahya Samiti is
working at Gandhrel village. But
its members did not react on forest
fires. There were bundles of kendu
leaves at the spots where fires were
reported. The DFO suspected that
fires were ignited so as to pave the
way for easy collection of kendu
leaves and mahul flowers.
It was learnt that fires starting
from foothill areas spread to uphill
areas. On the other hand, staff
shortage of the forest department
has been a hindrance in the fire-
fighting exercise. There are only 110
members in the fire squad. They
are unable to tackle fires properly
at right time.
It was suspected that fires might
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Prime Minister Narendra Modi has introduced the mechanism of re.
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 has said that UPSS's lateral recruitment tan injustice to the youth.
Will the Modi sarkar overcome the political resistance errom ouside and

## ED and Kerala polls

 for alleged FERA V violations. But things get blurred around election time wher
the stakes are high. Questions are being raised about the timing of the - probe with the ruling LDF claiming the ED action as a apolitimical onspir
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gations discovered that the board earned $₹ 2,10$ crore by issuing bonds fo infra projects, but the money was used by cultural, fisheries and tourisn departments. Besides, the state governmer
Centre's permision whic violter rules

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## WISDOM CORNER



## | WORDSWORTH

## ■ Bumf

 originally British English, possibly public school slang, at least accorrding to Barrère and Leland's Dictionary of Slang of 1889 . From there it dispersed to believe. Its source is is usally taken to be the much older bum.fodder. It ts first recorded appearance is in 1651 , in the first volume of sir Thomas U Uruunart's
translation of the works of Rabelais. The slang abbreviation bumf orionally translation of the works of Rabelais. The slang abbreviation bunf originally
had a literal sense of toilet paper, but uuickly shited its meaning back to the original. The usual spelling is bumf but bumph is not unknown

## ■ Bunny rabbit

 Itto the endearment bunny in the following century, and onlly later was it originally referred to the small tail of the rabbit in the same way that a tigh coil of hair at the back of the neck was also called a bun, because both were Gaelic word bun that meant a stump or root, and which could refer to the tail of a hare.

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execution. out what the others did. The guards bring her forward, and the executioner asks if she has any last requests.
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shouts, Ready
shouts, Ready ... Aim ...""

## WESTERN SAHARA TIME BOMB

Ana Palacio THE WESTERN

SAHARA DISPUTE HAS LONG BEEN MUDDIED BY CONFLICTING PUBLIC PERCEPTIONS. WHILE THE POLISARIO HAVE WORKED HARD TO SHAPE INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC OPINION IN THEIR FAVOR, MOROCCO HAS REMAINED LARGELY SILENT <br> \section*{\section*{,}} <br> \section*{\section*{,}}

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The EU's connections to Weste Sanaraare extensive. Beyond their Sahara is aformer Spanish colony with deeply rooted and often per-
sonal ties to Spain. For the thousands of Spaniards who have
shared their homes with young Sahrawis summer after summer,
the issue of Wester the issue of Western Sahara is a heartbreaking family affair.
After Morocco took control of
Western Sahara, the Sahrawis Western Sahara, the Sahrawis
faced mass displacement, and many now languisem in desert
camps, with few options but to decamps, with few options but to de-
pend on humanitarian aid. Now, they may be about to become even
more vulnerable. Although for decades, a series of recent developments raises the specter of a hurt the Sahrawis above all.
Last Nover declared null and void the 1991 United Nations-backed ceasefire that ended a 16 -year-long insur-
gency, leaving the SADR in control of about $20 \%$ of the territory and Morocco holding the rest. The
Polisario cited Morocco's deployment of troops in a UN-patrolled road linking Moroccan-controlled areas of WesternSahara and neigh-
boring Mauritania. The Fronthad blocked the road a month earlier, exist tat the time of the truce, it was
illegal. support the ceasefire. But it also
announced that it would resume


US President Joe Biden has said that he wants to relaunch negotiations between Morocco and the Polisario Front, in order to resolve the Iong-running Western Sahara dispute. Given Europe's deep ties to the territory, the EU should take a leading role in this initiative
military operations in the buffer A few weeks later, then-US
PresidentDonald Trump strengthened Morocco's position, when he announced by tweet that the United
States would recongise its eignty over Western Sahara, in eignty over Western Sahara, in
exchange for Morocco's normali-
sation of ties with Israel. The US sation of ties with Israel. The US the Western Sahara dispute: at
the end of 2020, 18Sub-Saharan and Gulf countries had opened, or expressed their intent to open, consulates in Western Sahara, im-
plying a tacit recognition of plying a tacit recognition of
Moroccan sovereignty. But the Polisario Front also has
plenty of supporters, including plenty of supporters, including
Germany, which criticised Trump's Germany which criticicised Trump's
action. This, together with its de-
cision earlier last year notto invite Morocco to a conference it had organized aimed at addressing
the conflict in Libya, apparently mo the conflict in Libya, apparently motivated Morocco's recent decision German embassy in Rabat. The Western Sahara dispute has long been muddied by conflicting public perceptions. While
the Polisario have worked hard to shape international public opin-
ion in their favor, Morocco has re-
mained largely silent. This is no because Morocco is less commit
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story.
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But Morocco's quietly resolute approach has left room for the
Polisario to pursue a wily policy of judicialization, using courts and legal mechanisms to shape lic-policy questions. For example,
the Polisario Front recently chal lenged (unsuccessfully) the legality of agriculturalexports and
fisheries agreements betwen Morocco and the EU before the European Court of Justice, arguing that Morocco is plundering
the resources of a territory that the resources of a territory that
doesn't belong to it.
Such efforts to apply y conomic Such efforts to apply economic
pressure on Morocco over whelmingly harm the Sahrawis, whom the Polisario Front pur-
ports to be protecting In fact the ports to be protecting. In fact, the by the Polisario in order to sustain the narratiy
occupier.
It is a narrative that is not borne out by international law. The law
of occupation - a body of inter-
national humanitarian law - is
not applicable. Of the 47 UN
General Assembly resolution General Assembly resolutions on 1975, occupation was mentioned in
only two - in 1979 and 1980 -both of which were highly controver-
sial. None of the 69 Security Council resolutions on Western Sahara mak
What those resolutions do instead is exhort the parties - in - to negotiate a political settle straightforward independence ref erendum, as the Polisario demands, or an agreement to establish
Western Sahara as an autonomous region, as Morocco has proposed
To that end, the Security Council has repeatedly extended the man
date of the UN Mission for the date of the UN Mission for the
Organization of a Referendum in Western Sahara. The Polisario Front says the UNhasn't done enough to deliver Polisario, with Algeria and Mauritania as observers, , have been suspended since early 2019.
The status quo in Western
. broadly - is not sustainable. Warfare, should it return, would fuel poiltical instability across the
region. Fortunately, US President
Joe Biden has publicly ted his administration to the relaunch of negotiations between Morocco and the Polisario. (He does not seem likely to reverse sovereignty over Western
as Europe had hoped.) The EU should take a leading role in this initiative. Europe's
connections to Western Sahara and the EU's core values-demand nothing less.

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Georgetown University

## SPECIRUM ENVIRONXENT

## Unleashing the climate market

Nancy Birdsall \&
Brian Webster
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US, Secretary of the Treasury Janet US, Secretary of the Treasury Janet climate-risk stress tests for major
financial institutions. Of course, financial markets uland returns, which are significicantly influenced by public policies (such as green-energy subsidies and fuel-
efficiency standards). And public policies, in turn, should reflect pub policies, in turn, shoud reflect pub-
lic attitudes. It is therefore sim-
plistic to say that the financial inplistic to say that the financial industry is going green on its own.
Accordingto YouGov, climate change is now a top issue for US voters
(just behind health care and the conomy), after ranking low on the priority list just five years ago.
The stars are aligning for 2021 to be a year of significant action on climate change. A comprehensive push by the SEC would bend the curve even more profoundly to-
ward a more sustainable future.

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Development.


#### Abstract

Sir, After 1991, when globalisation policy was implemented, Indian economy started depending on crony capitalism. Floodgate of privatisation process opened in the name of development of economy. Through that process, the government handed over all government institutions to the private owners at less than the real price and relied entirely on the private owners. Now a nexus between the government and the politicians have been formed called crony. Crony capitalgovernment and the politicians have bechorm where success in business is determined by the mutual relationship between businessmen and government of- ficials. There are four factors of production in all these systems namely; land, ficials. There are four factors of production in all these systems namely; land, labour, capital, and the entrepreneur. It is worth mentioning that the success labour, capital, and the entrepreneur. It is worth mentioning that the success velopment, the income disparity is increasing day by day. Since it is the bond between the business owner and the government, the huge amount of expenses incurred during the elections is paid by the business owners to the party that benefits them. So when the party comes to power, they give all kinds of rebates to the capitalists, so that the money they have to spend on the general public makes them happy, but the consequences are very dangerous, which we see in our daily lives. Asit Mohanty, JAJPUR

Horses for courses Sir, Assembly elections are on the cards in Tamil Nadu, West Bengal, Assam, Kerala and Pondicherry. We are witnessing a tough fight during summer heat and the emerging second wave of COVID-19. TMC supremo is playing afoot injury in Nandigram to seal the seat first for her and the party in general. In Pondicherry, NDA is holding the trump card with NR Congress as the main partner. In Kerala, the recent opinion polls released by two different firms show that LDF is ahead, however, UDF has covered much ground and the election result might be very close. In Tamil Nadu, the fight is nect-to-neck between AIADMK and able to chip hip away at the BJP's victory margins but the saffron party is set to return to power if the sur- vey results are to be believed. Despite all the predic veys and opinion poll results it will be a neck-toneck fight everywhere as opinion polls may go wrong in many cases. CK Subramaniam, MUMBAI


## Crony capitalism

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# Mamata's soft Hindutva vs Suvendu's aggressive Hindutva 

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| ughter of a Hindu family", a ted Mamata Banerjee and we to recite 'Chandi Path', an ode ddess Durga, as she treaded the th of "soft Hindutva" to cou majority Hindus in comm ly cleaved Nandigram Wednesda By the time she got immobilis d confined to a hospital bed lkata following a mishap at the stings which the TMC allege s a conspiracy to "take her life" d the BJPa "well-scripted drama" TMC boss had visited 12 temple two days. <br> Nandigram, which first grabbe tional headlines in the mid-2000 cause of the anti-land acquis agitation led by Banerjee, ck in news again after the We ngal chief minister decided to tak her former protégé Suvend hikari, who joined the BJP cember, on his home turf. Banerjee visited 12 temples and nazaar, Islamic mausoleum, du her campaign in Nandigra s week which had to be cut sho er she got injured. Adhikari, who claimed Banerje |
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tracing, testing and vaccination.


BATTLE FOR NANDIGRAM

## (m) REMEMBERING BLAST VICTIMS



CBI SUMMONS ABHISHEK'S IN-LAWS


From 'conspiracy' to 'hurt', Mamata does U-turn over Nandigram incident


Kolkata, March 12: West Bengal had alleged Wednesday that the incident, in which she had received
leg injuries in East Midnapore's Nandigram while campaigning,
was a conspiracy'. the incident, the Trinamool
Congress supremo released atwominute video clip in whic The mismatching staten he West Bengal CM sparked off
ragging debate ahead of the highoctane state Assembly elections, Trinamool Congress is facing a
stiff challenge from its arch-rival Bengal.
After the incident, Banerjee had claimed it was a conspiracy. "There were about four five men who did
it... See how it is swelling up," she it.... see how it is swelling up, she
had said while pointing to her legs.
She had also said, "Of course it is a conspiracy. There were no secu- Accordingly, the Trinamool Congress leadership accused the
BJP and the Election Commission

Fighting discrimination in India, one purse at a time "Chamar Studio" owes its name, derived from the Sanskrit word for 'skin' and long used locally as a slur, to leather craftsmen who lie at the bottom of the caste hierarchy


MP Saugato Roy told this news
 Minister to visitis omany temples. seat due to the 30 per cent popula-
tion of a specific community. You see the leaders who ore moving
around with her in Nandigram and you will understand," he said to divide communities. It is the TMC which is trying to drive a
wedge between them with its apwedge between them with its ap-
peasement politics," Adhikariadded. A senior TMC leader in the dis-
trict conceded that only the Muslim votes can't ensure the party's victory
in the seat. "ff Suvendu manages to consolidate Hindu votes given phere in Nandigram, things might get difficult (for TMC)," he said. According to TMC sources, the
soft Hindutva push by the TMC may be anew thing in Nandigram, following the electoral reverses in The party's decision to organise 'Brahmin Sammelan', give allowances to Sanatan Brahmins
and extend financial assistance and extend financial assistance to Durga Puja committees were all part of that carefully planned
strategy, they said.

> COVID-19 surge due to polls, disregard for rules: Experts

The state recorded over 15,000 fresh infection cases,

which is the highest so far in 2021

$\qquad$ Mumbai, March 12: Maharashtra has been recording a substantial rise the authoririties attributing it to he authorities attributing it to
crowding witnessed during the grompang whayatessed during the grampanchayat elections held mid-
January this year and a widespread disregard for the norms by common
people as well as politicians. The state Friday recorded over
15,000 freshlinfection cases, which is not only the highest so far in
2021, but also since October 7 last 2021, but also since October 7 last
year. The overall case count till year. The overall case count till
Thursday night was 22,66,374.
Not only Mumbai, Pune and Thane, but several cities and towns in Maharashtre and Marathwada regions, have been witnessing spike in cases. imposed in several cities or dis ricts in the state in a bid to prevent he spread of the virus.
On February 21, Maharashtra On crossed the 21 lakh- mark of
COD COVID-19 cases. Exactly a month before that (January 21), there were $20,00,878$ cases in the state and ittook only a month to add another one
lakh cases after that.
However, another one lakh case were added in merely 13 days (after February 21), which shows the in-
$\qquad$ On March 6, the state's case-
load reached $22,08,586$ and in the ast six days (till Thursday
evening), the state added 57,788 cases to the tally.
$\qquad$ he Maharashtra government on COVID-19 management, said, "There uld have been rigorous testing people and contact tracing. These are the two basic but the most portant tools of curbing the

The earlier you trace and iso-
ate an infected person, the sooner you can bring the situation under ontrol, he said. hind the surge in Covreason be in February was crowding wit nessed during when grampanchyat elections held mid-Januaryang he said. elections in almost 12,000 villages January, After that, the ewinning panin their respective villages without wearing masks and ignoring physAs distancing," Salunke said.
As the incubation period of coro havirus is 14 days, Maharashtra started detecting more number of
casesfrom mid-February he added. A Mumbai-based political ob-
server said, "Look at the political rallies and gatherings that have taken place in January and starte, including bafter Nana Patole's appointment as Congress's
Maharashtra unit chief." Patole not only organised a huge everal places including Nagpur several places including Nagpur
later where his party workers and supporters ignored norms of wearthers, he said. The show of strength by the then
tate forest minister Sanjay Rathod in Washim and Yavatmal districts late last month wass similar. Patoole
and Rathod could have avoided and Rathod could have avoided such arge- scale crowding, but
they did not bother at all, he said. State BJP spokesperson Keshav
Upadhya said, "As these events Upadhya said, "As these events
were public and widely televised, were public and widely televised,
it gave a wrong message to the society and many private groups also flety and many private groun

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Narendra Modi is himself flagging off Dandi March from the Sabarmati Ashram to commemorate this day. I hope that Gandhijj's message would shake his conscience

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FOR A GOOD HEALTH


CBI, ED issue summons to TMC leaders, ex-MPs
THE CBI HAD TAKEN OVER THE INVESTIGATION OF SARADHA AND OTHER PONZI SCAM CASES ON THE ORDERS OF THE SUPREME COURT MAY 9, 2014


Officials associated with govts can't work as SECs: SC


Haryana govt presents ₹ 1.55 lakh cr budget

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the poorest families as well as an 500 from os 220 pension to Rs ective from April 1 . It is important for the budget to key to leverage a rebound in the crisis. We have identified health, key priority areas that we need to focus recovery and resurgence,"
he said. "While focusing on health is of paramount importance in lic health crisis, agriculture which
forms the foundation of our economy and which is the sheet anchor
of our self-reliance is criticl." he of our self-relian
emphasised.

## Google to help people find vaccination centres



Terrorist arrested Jammu: Security forces
arrested a terrorist and
seize seized arms and ammunition
from a house in Jammu and trom a house in Jammua and
Kashmir's Doda district Friday, officials said. A joint
cordon and search operation cordon and search operation
was launched by the Army,
the CRPF, the SSB and the JK. the CRPF, the SSB and the JK-
Police in Bikheryan village, Police in Bikheryan village, they said. During the operation Firdous Ahmed, was apprehended from the house
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and three Chinese pistols, two magazines, 15 rounds and a silencer were recovered from

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national is just a slogan and we do not need it. People need development and not 'fake Deshbhakti' of the BJP MANISH SISODIA
DELHI DEPUTY CHIEF


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## Prez appoints K'taka HC judge

New Delhi: President Ram
Nath Kovind friday appointed Mohammed
Ghouse Shukure Kama Ghouse S.Sukure Kamal as
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## - NSUI holds protest

 New Delhi: The Congress National Student Union ofIndia (NSII) organised the India (NSUI), organised the
"Chhatra Adhikar March" Friday to protest against rising unemployment in the
country. Thousands of country. Thousands of from Punjab, Haryana, Chhattisgarh, Rajasthan, Pradesh gathered at the NSUU Ioffice here before beginning their march
towards Parliament building raising slogans like "Naukri Do Ya Degree Wapis
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| Chennai, March 12: DMK presi- | Since many of the par cluding the Vaiko-ledMDM |
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|  | of 25. The DMK, out of power |
|  | since 2011, is eyeing a comeback by |
| fight with arch-rival AIADMK in | dethroning the ruling AIADMK and |
| over a 100 seats. | has stitched up a rainbow coalition |
| Nearly half of the 17 | comprising the Congress, the Left, |
| re sitting MLAs representin | MDMK, VCK and other smaller out |
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| to the list released | of the 234 seats at stake. |
| press conference | The party will lock |
| quarters Anna Arivalayam here, on | promises to be an intense political |
| the day the nomination pr | battle with the AIADMK in 122 |
| started. Udhayanidhi will fight | seats, including that of Chief |
| from the Chepauk-Tripli | Minister K Palaniswami's Edapadi |
| stituency, represented by the | and his deputy OPanneerselvam's |
| J Anbazhagan who succumbed | Bodinayakkanur constituencies. |
| COVID-19 last year. | While a relatively lesser known T |
| Udhayanidhi, an actor-producer, | Sampathkumar will take on the |
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| the DMK's firstfamily, following the | popular local leader and former |
| footsteps of his late grandfather and | AIADMK MLA Thanga Tamilselvan |
| former DMK patriarch M | will challenge Panneerselvam, who |
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| besides legislators such as TRB Raja | He had unsuccessfully contested the |
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## India records over IL nCoV cases in 6 days

THE NATIONWIDE COVID-19 TALLY HAS REACHED 1,13,08,846, WHILE THE DEATH TOLL INCREASED TO 1,58,306 WITH 117 DAILY NEW FATALITIES, DATA UPDATED AT 8 AM SHOWED
 to $1,09,53,303$, while the case fatal-
ity rate stands at 1.40 per cent, the data stated.
India's COVD-19 tally had crossed

11 ministers inducted in Tirath Singh Rawat govt

INDO-AIAN NEWS SERVICE New Delhi, March 12: Newly
appointed Uttarakhand Chief Minister Tirath Singh Rawat Friday inducted 11 minister
his cabinet. Governor Baby Rani Maurya
administered oath to new mini administered oath to new minis ters at the swearing in ceremony Bansidhar Bhagat, wh Bansidhar Bhagat, who was re
placed by Madan Kaushik in Trivendra Singh Rawat govern ment, was also inducted in Tirath
Singh Rawat government. Other ministers in Tirath
Singh Rawat government are Satpal Maharaj, Harak Singh Rawat Bishan Singh Chuphal, Yashpal
Arya, Arvind Pandey Subodh Uniyal, Ganesh Joshi, Dhan Singh Rawat, Rekha Arya and Yatishwaranand.
All the ministers took oath in
Hindi except Arvind Pandey who took oath in Sanskrit.


## China harvesting 20\% of world's data including from India

ACCORDING TO STRIKE SOURCE, APPROXIMATELY 20 PER CENT OF THE WORLD'S GLOBAL POPULATION ARE "BEING EITHER DIRECTLY OR POTENTIALLY SET UP FOR THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT TO COLLECT ALL OF THEIR PRIVATE DATA"


In India, approximately 129 million people use VPN to access the internet and we do not know how
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Farmers to now build houses at Singhu border


| The meeting revolved around | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Delhi's borders since November } \\ \text { 26, seeking the repeal of three agri- }\end{array}$ |
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Pregnant rape victim must be told about legal rights, says SC

New Delhi, March 12• Rape vic New, who becomes pregant mus be told about her legal rights, the Supreme Court Friday said and issued notice to the Centre on aplea or setting up of medical boards decide cases of unwanted pregnancies of over 20 weeks for termination. Section 3 of the Medical
Termination of Pregnancy Act Termination of Pregnancy Act
1971 prohibits termination of preg. 1971 prohibits termination of preg. "If a woman is raped and is
pregnant, she must be told about her legal rights," said the bench headed by Chief Justice SA Bobde. tice A S Bopanna, took up the larger issue of setting up of med-
ical boards in every states and UTS cal boards in every states and UTs
atter lawyer V K Biju, appearing for a 14year-old rape victim, decided not to seek permission to terminate the 26 -week pregnancy of the sur-
vivor apparently on account of some medical opinion.
Earlier, besides seeking nod to abort the fetus of the victim, the
plea has sought framing of guideine on appointment of medical wanted pregnancies that has and UTS for toerminatiory states nancy. During brief hearing, Biiiu nission to abort now, but sought setting up of medical boards in states saying "When I was drafting
this petition, I had seen the pain his petition, I had seen the e "ain
of the parents (of the girl)". "We will issue notice on this (prayer woo. We will record your statement that you are not pressing nancy of the girl)," the bench preg. The bench was hearing a pleafiled by the minor girl who was pregnant after being raped by one of her relatives. The to the Centre and Haryana govthe Centre and Haryana gov


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## SHORT TAKES

neighbours' move
Berlin: Germany's top health official expressed regret
Friday that some
neighbouring countries have paused their use of
Astrazeneca's coronavirus AstraZeneca's coronavirus
vaccine following reports of
blood clots in some people, despite the lack of any
evidence the shot was Jens Spahn said that while Germany takes reports of
possible side effects from seriously," both the European Medicines Agency and
Gerrman's own vaccine oversight body have said
they have no evidence of an increase in dangerous blood clots in co
with the shots.

## Chinese regulator

 fines 12 companies Hong Kong: China's marketregulator said Friday that it
fined a dozen firms, including games company Tencent
Holdings and Chinese search engine firm Baidu Inc., for
disclosing past deals as authorities step up anti-
monopoly monopoly scrutiny in the
internet sector. The internet sector. The
companies, which included
other firms such as ridehailing company Didi Mobility and Sotbank, were fined
500,000 yuan ( $\$ 77,000$ ) each for not disclosing previous
investments, acquisitions or joint ventures, according to a
statement by China's state Administration for Market SA’s Zulu King Goodwill dies
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Gunmen attack Nigeria school Lagos: Unidentified gunmen
Friday attacked a school in Nigeria's Kaduna state and
abducted a number of students, a police official students, a police officia
said. Mohammed Jalige, police spokesperson in
Kaduna, confirmed the incident to Xinhua news agency, noting that the gunmen attacked the Fe
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## QUAD SUMMITT <br> Exclusive blocs should not target third party: China <br> 

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| Beijing, March 12: Ahead of the Quad summit Friday, China said exchanges and cooperation between countries should contribute to mu- tual understanding rather than "targetting" a third party and refrain from "pursuing exclusive blocs". <br> US President Joe Biden, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Australian Prime Minister Scott Morrison and Japanese Prime Minister Yoshihide Suga will attend the virtual summit, which is the first conclave of the top leaders of the Quadrilateral alliance, Friday. <br> Known as the "Quadrilateral Security Dialogue," representatives for the four-member nations have met periodically since its establishment in 2007. <br> Asked for China's reaction to the Quad conclave, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Zhao Lijian told a media briefing here that "exchanges and cooperation between nations should contribute to the mutual understanding and trust among nations, rather than targeting a third party or damaging the interest of a third party." <br> "We hope that relevant countries uphold the principles of openness, inclusiveness and win-win results and refrain from pursuing exclusive blocs and do things that exclusive blocs and do things that |
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among nations, rather that targetting a third party or damaging the interest of a third party $\underset{\text { SPOKESMAN, FO }}{\text { ZHAO LIIAN }}$ $\qquad$ are conducive to regional peace,
stability and prosperity", he said The meeting to be held virtually is expected to last about 90 leaders, would also whay out the fir vi midst China flexing its muscles in the strategically-vital region. tested territorial disputes in the has also made substantial prosress in militarising its man-made is lands in the past few years.
Beijing claims sovereignty over all of the South China Sea. But Brunei and Taiwan have counter claims. In the East China Sea, China has territorial disputes with Japan,
The evolvingsinuation in the Indo Pacific region in the wake of China's increasing military muscle-flexin has become a major talking poin
among leading global powers.
'America is coming back' declares Biden
the president sets goal of july 4th to 'mark independence' from the deadly coronavirus

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| Washington, March 12: The UnitedStates Thursday condemnedChinese moves to change HongKongselectoral systenand forecast"difficult" talks with Beijing's topdiplomats next week, when thegenocide Washingon says China iscommitting against minorityMuslims will be an issue the USside plans to raise.White House spokeswoman JenPsaki said Secretary of State AntonyBlinken and national security ad-viser Jake Sulivan would otholdback when they meet with theChinese diplomats in Alaska onMarch 18 and 19, whether it's onTaiwan, or ... efforts to push back |
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cluding Hong Kong "China hopes both sides can focus
on cooperation and manage dif. ferences,", he said, adding that both
sides should understand each sides should understand each oth
ers' policy intention correctly.
China rejects US charges the has comminteded genocide against Xighur and other Muslims in ing ise
of its behavion and calls criticicm of its behavior toward Hong Kong
and selfruled Taiwan unwarranted interference in its internal affairs. Cpproveda a draft decision to change Hong Kong's electoral system, fur-
ther reducing democratic representation in the e city's institutions

## POST OPRAH INTERVIEW

Harry and Meghan's popularity plummets in UK: Poll



Taliban should be included in interim Afghan admin: Russia

Moscow, March 12: Russia said
Friday that the Taliban should Friday that the Taliban should
be included in any Afghan in be included in any Afghan ina conference in Moscow aimed
at supporting peace talks be-
tween the Islamist group and Afghanistan's sovernment. ence on Afghanistan March 18 and has invited several regional sentatives. It comes at a crucial time for the peace process ahead of May 1 deadline for foreign troop to withdraw from Afghanistan. calling for the current Afghan government to be replaced with an in terimadministrationuntilanew constitution is agreed and elections
held, but Afghan President Ashraf Ghani has refused to step aside fo a transitional government. "Th formation of an interim coalition government should be decided by the Afghans themselves duringna
tional reconciliationnegotiations,
Russian Foreign Ministry spokes woman Maria Zakharova told r US criticises China's HK move, set to raise 'genocide charge'
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American people," Biden said. "And today, I signed into law the And today,
merican Rescue Plan, an historic
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A red rose lies on the ground in front of Buckingham Palace as reaction continues after Prince Harry and Meghan
Markle's interview with Oprah Winfrey in London, Britain
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direct deposit or in a check - a Treasury check, he said. This has been Biden's first and
most pressing legislative priority most pressing legislative priority
since taking office January 20 .
"It efits. It helpss small busineyssess. It lowers health care premiums for many.
It provides food and nutrition It provides food and nutrition,
keeps families in their homes. And
it will cut child poverty in this country in half, according to the experts. And it funds all the steps to beat the virus and create millions
of jobs," he said.
This will tackle the and get wirect financial assistance and relief to Americans who need it the most.

$\begin{array}{ll}\text { standing of the two royals has also } & \text { his net favourability rating had } \\ \text { taken a big hit in the aftermath. } & \text { been negative, and afall of 15 points } \\ \text { It found } 48 \% \text { percent of the } 1,664 & \text { from a week earlier. }\end{array}$ respondents had a negative atti-
tude of Harry compared to $45 \%$
with a positive view, the first time

## OZ THREATENS ACTION OVER EU CARBON TARIFF <br> Dutch inventor of audio cassette, Lou Ottens dies



His goal was simple. Make tapes and their payers farmoreportable $\begin{array}{ll}\text { The tell-all interview } & \begin{array}{l}\text { Harry's father, heir-to-the-throne } \\ \text { Prince Charles. The survey said } \\ \text { 42\% now had a negative view of }\end{array} \\ \text { has plunged the } & \end{array}$ has plunged the has plunged th $1,000-y e a r-01 d$
monarchy into its greatest crisis this century, and according to a poll, the standing of the two royals has also taken a big hit in the aftermath
As with other polls conducted ince the interview, there was ad vide between generations, with a ma-
jority of those aged 18 to 24 liking Harry and Meghan and those over 65 overwhelmingly having negaTee only other member of the
family to see their popularity fall was
him compared to $49 \%$ with a positive opinion. That compared to the 94 -year-
old queen, who was liked old queen, who was liked by $80 \%$,
and Harry's elder brother and his and Harry's elder brother and his
wife Kate, who were popular with three-quarters of respondents.
A separate poll, conducted partly A separate poll, conducted partly
before the interview was broadcast in Britain, found support for the in Britain, found support for the
monarchy as whole was largely un-
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stitution and $25 \%$ wanting an elected stitution and 25
head of state
But there were some worr
ing figures for the Among the youngest age group, support for an elected head of
state was higher than that for state was higher than that for
the monarchy by $42 \%$ to $37 \%$, although YouGov said this was
within the margin of error.
"During the development of the cassette tape, in the early 1960 s, he had a wooden block made that fit exactly in his coat pocket," said
Olga Coolen, director of the Philips Museum in the southern city of Eindhoven.
"This was how big the first Compact Cassette was to be, mak tape recorders in use at the time." The final product created in 1962 later turned into a worldwide
hit, with more than 100 billion who would record their own compilations direct from the radio. Its popularity waned with the de-
velopment of the compact disc velopment of the compact disc,
an invention Ottens also helped create as supervisor of a d
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## business

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The partnership
between India very strongly indicate the foundation of professional, political, economic and common strategic foundation stronger

INDIA IMPOSES ANTI-DUMPING DUTY India has imposed anti-dumping duty on the Chinese antibacterial
drug Ciprofloxacin Hydrochloride to guard the domestic industry against cheap imports from the neighbouring country
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income tax and based on balance
sheet to raise capital from the capital market
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TWS shipment touches 8.4 mn New Delhi: India's TWS (True
Wireless Stereo, commonly known as earbuds) market
recorded a shipment of 8.4 recorded a shipment of 8.4
million units, amounting to $₹ 2,432$ crore in in 2020,
research firm techARC said Friday. With remote
working growing substantially due to work-
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has become an essential users, tecch for sc fourtphone
chief analyst Faisal and chief analyst Faisal
Kawoosa said. "At the same time, the ecosystem has
aligned to enhance the experience of near-real
audio, Covid-19 has al positive impact on this
product category, almost product category, almost
doubling its size," he added.

## Ant Group CEO

 Hu steps down Beijing: China's Ant GroupCEO Simon Hu has resigned
from his role the company rom his role, the company
said Friday, as the fintech giant is being pushed by regulators to revamp
operations after its failed $\$ 37$ operations after its filed $\$ 37$
billion IPO. Hu, who was
named the chief executive of the Alibaba Group Holding in 2019, will be replaced by Executive Chairman Eric Jing, the financial technology giant
said. fing will continue in his suirent in an in asternal memo.

Gold falls ₹291, silver tanks ₹1,096 New Delhi: Gold
national capital
₹ 44,059 per 10 gram Friday reflecting fall in
international prices of the
precious mita precious metal and rupee HDFC Securities. In the
previous trade, it had
closed at $₹ 44,350$ per 10 ram. Silver also tanked
1,096 to $₹ 6550,98$ per $k g$ ₹1,096 to ₹65,958 per kg,
from 677,054 per kg in the
previous trade. The Indian pupee jumped 20 paise to
trade 72.71 against the US dollar in op
deals Friday.

## NMDC okays

 interim dividend New Delhi: Mining giantNMDC Friday said its board has approved an interim dividend of $₹ 7.76$ per financial year. The decision was taken at a board
meeting on Thursday, the company said in a filing directors at a meeting held March 11, inter alia, declare rate of $₹ 7.76$ paise per equity share of face value of Re 1
each for the financial year

## Industrial production contracts $1.6 \%$ in Jan

Over 30,000 sellers register on Bharat eMarket: CAIT

## New Delhi, March 12: Over 30,000 sellers across India have regis-

ED seeks documents from Amazon: Report

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## look into the cat-and-mouse game

 Amazon has played with the Indiangovernment, adjusting its corporate structures each time the government imposed new restrictions med atprotecting the small traders
On Friday a source in th Enforcement Directorate was
quoted as saying, "Obviously we have sought information (from Amazon)." Asked specifically if
the agency had sought documents the agency had sought documents
from the company, the source said, "Information means inforcmation and documents." The source de-
clined to comment further on what ype of documents have been tive has been summoned for quesAn Amazon spokeswoman in matter, as per the report.
In the report published last month, Amazon said it is confipreferential treatment to any that it "treats all sellers in a fair,
transparent, and non-discrimi-

FinMin asks Sebi to withdraw directive on tenure of AT1 bonds

New Delhi: The finance ministry
has asked market regulator Sebi to has asked market regulator Sebi to withdraw its directive to mutual Tier I (AT-1) bonds as having maturity of 100 years as it could
disrupt the market and impact capital raisisng by banks.
AT-1 bonds are considered
perpetual in nature, similar to guidelines. They form part of the Sebi earlier this week issued egulations that put a limit of 10 per cent for cumulative
investments Iy MFs In Tiend
Tier II bonds. It also clarified that the maturity of all perpetual bonds should be treated as 100 years
from the date of issuance for the


Freelance jobs in India grew 22\% in January

same period in 2019 .
With the implementation of workWith the implementation of work-
from-home structures jo from-home structures, job search ac-
tivity post March 2020 was consistently higher than pre-pandemic-
levels, peaking in April 2020 . levels, peaking in April 2020 .
However, data showed that any any However, data showed that at any
point in time, freelance job postpoint in time, freelance job postsearches. The growth was driven by cre-
ative, tech, sales and recruitment
fields as these sectors contributed
to 55 per cent of the freelance jobs to 55 per cent of the
posted on Indeed.
As on January
2021, freelance writer was the most in-demand job in this segment, followed by freelance digigital marketer.
Business development executive
and PhP developer also emerged in the top-10 freelance job titles in
India. Data highlights that searches
for freelance jobs were highest in
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hort contributed to 73 per cent of hort contributed to 73 per cent of
freelance job searches on Indeed in January 2021.
nity to the fore, the pandemic year nity to the fore, the pandemic year
witnessed increased hiring and search momentum for freelance jobs on Indeed," Sashi Kumar,
Managing Director, Indeed India, Managing Director, Indeed India

## India 5th most attractive 'growth destination' globally

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| New Delhi, March 12: India ha |  |
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resolution of the US Spresidential election and of Brexit uncertainties,
that immediately preceded our survey period," it noted. rur, the survey said it was important to recognise that trade eat-
terns and partnerships are in flux "For example, CEOs in the US creasing their focus on Canada
and Mexico compared to interest in the latter two coun tries rose by 78 per cent," it said,
adding that those trends are con
tributing to US extending its lead over China
as global CEOs' most important as global CEOs' most
growth destination.

## ENGIAND DOWN INDIA

1st T20I: Magnificent efforts from bowlers allow visitors take lead in five-match series with a comprehensive 8-wicket win


## MCFC, ATKMB face off for crown


of figuring out Mandar Rao Dessai's
replacement. The Goan will replacement. The Goan w In the other corner, there is Bagan, buoyed by Antonio Habas' almost
superhuman record in knockout games. He has already tasted glory twice and has a chance to create straight title and third overall. straight title and third overall.
Ontheeve of the final the Spaniard sounded asfocused as ever. Habais dismearing on the match but thathis side
natch will also decide the fate of the golden boot and goldden glove win Krishna and Goa's Igor Angulo are tied on 14 goals for the golden boot oo the Fijian, who has played mor minutes than the Spaniard. Therace for the goldenglove award is between Mumbai custodia, Arindam Bhattacharja. Both the play ers have 10 clean sheets to theirname Athemoment, Arindam is in inpolepo

Shikhar Dhawan b Wo Shikhar Dhawan b
KL Rahul b Archer Washington Sundar not out
Axar Patel not out
Extras: (w-2)
Total: (20 overs)

ENGLAND INNINGS
Jason Roy low b Sundar
Jos Buttler lbw b Chahal Jos Buttler low b Chahal
Dawid Malan not out Jonny Bairstow not out Extras: (w-3) Total: (15.3 overs) Fall: $1 / 72$ (Buttler), $2 / 89$ (Roy) Sundar 2.3-0-18-1.
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Iyer though gauge the nature of the pitch quickly and adjusted
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Kjaer saves AC Milan the blushes
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Shardul Thakur c Malan b Archer Fall: $1 / 2$ (Rahul), $2 / 3$ (Kohli), $3 / 20$ (Dhawan), $4 / 48$
(Pant), $5 / 102$ (Pandya), $6 / 102$ (Thakur), $7 / 117$ (lyer). Bowling: Adil Rashid $3-0-14-1$, , Jofra Archer $4-1$ -
23-3, Mark Wood $4-0-20-1$, Chris Jordan 4-0-27-1, Ben Stokes 3-0-25-1, Sam Curran 2-0-15-0.

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$130 / 2$ 2owling: Axar Patel $3-0-0-24-0$, , Bhuvneshwar Kumar 2-0-15-0, Yuzvendra Chahal $4-0-0-4-1$, , Shardul Thaku
$2-0-16-0$, Hardik Pandya $2-0.13-0$, Washington He struck the ball clean, which in
cluded a reverse-flick off Archer for a six, but the England bowler kept it tight for the home team,
which was tottering at 34 for three in eight overs.
Pant and Iyer added 28 run or the fourth wicket before the for mer hit one straight to Jonny brought Hardik Pandya to th crease, who true to his style, looked for some big hits but could no The visiting players wore black The visiting players wore blac armbands in memory of former Vednesday.

Lee ton spoils Mithali party


PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
Lucknow, March 12: South Africa Lucknow, March 12: South African
opener Lizelle Lee single-handedly destroyed India's chances with a 2x6) as the home team lost by six 2x6) as the home team lost by six
runs via the Duckworth-Lewis (DLS) method in the rain-marred third women's ODI of the fivematch series here Friday.
Chasing a competitive 249, Lee Chasing a competitive 249, Lee
starred for the visitors with her breathtaking knock that came off 131 balls and had 16 fours and two hits over the fence. South Africa
now lead the series now lead the series $2-1$.
Lee kept South Africa abreast Lee kept South Africa abreast tually proved crucial after rain played spoilsport with the visitors at 223 for four in 46.3 overs, six
ahead of India via the DLS method. Earlier, Punam Raut struck a second successive half-century -
77 off 108 balls 77 off 108 balls - to power India to
a fighting score. Also, India skipper a fighting score. Also, India skipper
Mithali Raj (36) became the first Mithali Raj (36) became the first
Indian woman to score 10,000 international runs during a
third wicket stand with Raut third wicket stand with Raut.
South Africa were off to South Africa were off to a de-
cent start in their chase with the pair cent start in their chase with the pair
of Lee and stand-in skipper Laura Wolvaardt (12) adding 41 runs for the opening wicket.
After Wolvaardt was cleaned up by off-spinner Deepti Sharma, Lara by off-spinner Deepti Sharma, Lara
Goodall (16) and Leetook the innings
forward with a 40 -run stand for the
second wicket.
Mignon du Preez (37) too made Mignon du Preez (37) too made kept South Africa's chase alive by scoring only the third century of Ler career.
Lees century, the first of the seLee's century, the first of the se-
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99 balls and that included 13 fours ries, reached the 100 mark in just
99 balls and that included 13 fours
and s six. Du Preez and Lee shared and a six. Du Preeez and Lee shared
97 runs for the third wicket. two wickets - Du Preez and Marizanne Kapp-in a span of two overs to even things out by reduc-
ing South Africa to 178 for four in However, the threat was far from over for India as a determined Lee stood in between the hosts and the victory. She was in no mood to give
up and continued her attacking batting to keep the visitors in tune with the required rate. Lee found an able partner in Anne Bosch ( 16 not out) and shared
unconquered 45 runs for the fifth wicket to take South Africa home. For India, veteran Jhulan Goswami picked up two wickets giving away
just 20 runs in her 9 overs just 20 runs in her 9 overs.
Earlier, Raut, who made 62 in a winning cause in the last match, continued her good form after the hosts were put in to bat. She struck
boundaries during her knock boundaries during her knock. ting opener Jemimah Rodrigues ting opener Jemimah Rodrigues
(i) in the second delivery of the in-

Mithali Raj became the second player to reach (10,001 in 291 innings) in women's cricket after former England skipper Charlotte Edwards (10,273 in 316 innings)

## swinging one to Sinalo Jafta off

 Shabnim Ismail (2/46). once again came to India's rescue sharing 64 runs off 70 balls for the second wicket to take the team for-ward. Mandhana, however could ward. Mandhana, however, could-
n't converther start into a big score. Mithali, only the second internationally to complete 10,000 runs across all formats, departed soon after reaching the major milestone, flicking a
Anne Bosch delivery straight to Mignon du Preezat mid-wicket. Her 36 runs came off 50 balls sidd she she hit five boundaries in the process.
Raut also fell soon after and
. a quick knock before becoming a quick knock before becoming
Ismail's second victim as India reached 221 for five in the 45th over. Towards the end, Deepti (36no) and Sushma Verma ( 14 n o) re-
mained unbeaten and shared 27 mained unbeaten and shared 27
runs for the sixth wicket to take runs for the sixth wicket to take
India close to the 250-run mark.
out at Old Trafford. Rafael Leao was offside in the fifth minute, while
Franck Kessie displayed brilliant Franck Kessie displayed brilliant
technique to score in the 11th only to see the goal chalked off through VAR as the ball had struck his arm. Tre visitors remained in control until United captain Harry
Maguire somehow struck the post from point-blank range with the goal at his mercy after Bruno Fernandes headed on a corner in the
38th. Fernandes was United's key

player, providing a lofted ball over opener in the 50th minute.
KANE DEL KANE DELIVERS Harry Kane scored twice to put
Tottenham in a commanding poTottenham in a commanding po-
sition with a $2-0$ home win over Dinamo Zagreb. The England striker converted a rebound after Erik
Lamela's ffort hit the post in the
25th and wrapped upthe win in the

70th. Kevin TheophileCatherine
the 34th but the visitors missed fur-
faal with Serge Aurier's
ther chances in the first half. cross leaving Kane to score with a Youssef El-Arabi capitalised low finish.
ARSNAL VICTORIOUS Mohamed Elneny put Arsenal
in touching distance of the terfinals by sealing a $3-1$ win over Olympiakos in Greece. Martin
Odegaard opened the scoring with
poor pass from Arsenal keeper Bernd Leno to equalise in the 58th.
Gabriel restored the visitors' lead Gabriel restored the visitors' lead
in the 80th with a header five minutes before Elneny made sure of the win when the home side failed
to close him down and he let fly

Jahanvi wins fifth leg of WPGT meet

[^0]Ghana's former Commonwealth champion Charles Adamu in Dubai
to claim his 12 th successive win in to claim his 12th successive win in
November 2019.
"Lee couldn't be here because of COVID restrictions buthe has been supportive and has been there on-
line whenever I have needed adline whenever I have needed ad-
vice Jai, you can say is my coach right now," Vijender said about his
longtimefriend with whom he comlongtime friend with whom he com-
peted in the 2010 CWG in Delhi. peted in the 2010 CWG in Delhi.
Lee has been Vijender's trainer ever since he took the professional
plunge in 2015. Jai is a serving poplinge efficer in Haryana and took
leave to assist Viju. He is a twotime Asian championship bronze-
winner and has competed along.
side Vijender in several international side Vijiender in several internation
and national amateur events.

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[^0]:    Gurugram, March 12: Jahanvi Bakshi brought home a card of even par 72 in the final round to
    cruise to a four-shot win over a
    fighting Vani Kapoor in thefifthleg fighting Vani Kapoor in the fifth leg
    of the Women's Pro Golf Tour (WPGT) here, Friday.
    Jahanvi'smassive 4sh Jahanvi's massive 4shot overnight deaspite Vani's 3--under 69 on the
    final day. Jahanvi totalled 4 -under 212, while Vani was even par 216 to end runner-up for the third time in the last three starts.
    TvesaMalik (69) finally found her Tvesa Malik (69) finally found her
    rhyythm and rose to tied3rdalongside

    ## ditaashee Bakshi, who was three-

    under for the rront nine and four-overor the back nine. Amateur Avani Prashanth had another fine run as she finished sole fifth with her bes
    ard of the week at one-under 71 Jahanvi's win means the two Bakshi sisters have now won once
    each on the WPGT. Hitaashee won each on the WPGT. Hitaashee won
    last December and Jahanvi added ast December and Jahanvi added In the final round, while Vani and Hitaashee had excellent front nine scores - Vani going out in 4-under
    32 and Hitaashee in 3 -under 33 Jahanvi, despite yielding some shots, kept her nerves on the tougher shots, kept her nerves on the tou
    back nine and stayed ahead.

