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RAJ TEACHER SACKED FOR BACKING PAK CRICKET TEAM



JAIPUR: A private school teacher in Rajasthan's Udaipur was sacked and a case registered against her after she posted a celebratory WhatsApp status following Pakistan's victory over India in their cricket world cup match Sunday. Nafeesa Attari, a teacher at Neerja Modi School Udaipur, had put out a picture of Pakistani players with the caption, "Jeeeet gayeeee... We wonnn". After screenshots of her WhatsApp status went viral on social media, the school management terminated her. "Yes, we have taken a decision to terminate the teacher," said school chairman Mahendra Sojatia after a meeting of the Sojatia Charitable Trust, which runs the school. Amba Mata Police Station SHO Narpat Singh said a case has also been registered against the teacher under Indian Penal Code section 153 (provocation with intent to cause riot).

RESCUE MISSION

2006 OCS RECRUITMENT VALID: HIGH COURT



Cuttack: The Orissa High Court Tuesday declared the recruitment of 378 Odisha Civil Service (OCS) officers in 2006 as valid while quashing an earlier order of the Odisha Administrative Tribunal (OAT) on the matter. A bench of Chief Justice S Muralidhar and Justice BP Routray set aside the OAT order that had declared the 2006 OSC appointment as invalid. The Odisha Public Service Commission had issued a notice for the recruitment of 378 OCS officers in 2006. Successful candidates were appointed to the posts in 2010. Challenging the appointment, a few unsuccessful candidates had approached the OAT which declared the appointment as invalid in 2014.





Indian Army and J&K Police personnel during a rescue operation for two missing villagers in the upper snow clad reaches of Rajouri district, Tuesday



34 kid-friendly police stations in state soon

With an aim to make a child narrate his or her ordeal before cops without fear and interference, the govt has decided to set up at least one such PS in every district

OST NEWS NETWORK



Sack Mishra blitz intensifies

BIP takes the protest to Delhi observes 12-hour bandh in Sambalpur; high-level delegation meets victim's family; Congress holds stir in Bhubaneswar, Cuttack and Khurda

POST NEWS NETWORK

Bhubaneswar, Oct 26: Protests demanding removal of Minister of State, Home, Dibya Shankar Mishra for his alleged involvement in the murder of teacher Mamita Meher are expanding to every nook and corner of the state and outside.

Keeping up pressure on the state government over the issue, opposition BJP and Congress have intensified their agitations.

The BJP Tuesday observed a 12hour dawn to dusk bandh in Sambalpur demanding a CBI probe into the murder of Mamita Meher and removal of the minister from



NSUI activists during a demonstration in Bhubaneswar, Tuesday

the Council of Ministers. The party also demanded a compensation of ₹50 lakh to the family of the deceased school teacher.

The BJP had already observed Kalahandi bandh and Bolangir bandh on the issue and is planning to observe bandh in other districts in the state in the coming days to intensify its agitation. The two-day gherao of all SP offices across the state by the BJP Yuva

Morcha in support of their demand began Tuesday.

Meanwhile, a 15-member BJP delegation led by state BJP president Samir Mohanty met Mamita's family at their residence in Jharani village of Bolangir district.

Holding a presser, Mohanty said there are hundreds of Gobinda Sahus roaming freely on the streets. The time is ripe to crush them before they could do any harm to another Mamita, he said.

Senior BJP leader and former DGP Prakash Mishra raised the questions on the police probe, saying the entire episode of Gobinda Sahu fleeing police custody to his being found from a sugarcane field reeks of conspiracy. "It's a cycle of conspiracy. Why was Gobinda brought to Titilagarh barracks and how did he manage to flee custody? Not only Gobinda but big fishes should be caught," asked Mishra. Hundreds of Chhatra Congress

OSCPCR seeks ATR

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BHUBANESWAR: The Odisha State Commission for Protection of Child Rights has sought an action-taken report from Kalahandi administration in connection with the alleged violation of child rights at Sunshine Public School and Anchalik Mahavidyalaya of Mahaling set up by Gobinda Sahoo, the prime accused in the murder of teacher Mamita Meher.

activists Tuesday marched to Naveen Niwas and scuffled with police. During the face-off, the activists broke the barricades and hurled tomatoes and eggs at on-duty cops. Later, the cops overpowered them and picked up some protesters.

In Delhi, BJP spokesperson Sambit Patra said the police probe into the murder of the 24-year-old has led to the arrest of the institute's administrator Govinda Sahu who allegedly ran a sex racket exploiting woman employees. MORE P3&5



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Bhubaneswar, Oct 26: To provide a conducive atmosphere to children who need police service, the state government has decided to set up 34 child-friendly police sta-

tions (PSes) across the state. Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik Tuesday directed officials to set up one such police station in each of 34 police districts of the state. The Chief Minister felt the need for a suitable atmosphere for children who need police assistance for various reasons and decided to set up the special police stations.

All these police stations will have special facilities like signage, logos and plaques as well as small libraries for children. The child-friendly police stations will feature a variety of interesting books, magazines, and newspapers.

Similarly, beds, chairs, and tables will be put up for the convenience of children. There will be a display-board carrying information on the rights of children, do's and don'ts for the police. There will be a special plaque for the name and other information to contact the child welfare officer. Besides toys, first aid kits for children will be kept in these police stations.

In 2017, the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) had released a guideline enumerating the details regarding required infrastructure, official set up for establishment of child-

friendly police stations.

As per the guideline, "The police often being the first responders to a child and his exposure to the juvenile justice system play a very important role in the implementation of the child-friendly approach."

The guideline advised all the stake holders to create a separate corner at child friendly police stations where children narrate his or her ordeal before the police without fear and outside interference. These police stations should have a female police official or social worker who can talk to girls, both in conflict with law and in need of care and protection.

The NCPCR had further suggested installing CCTV cameras and audio visual setup in separate rooms or corners in order to 'ensure the child is treated properly' by the police and recording of the statement.

Fixing accountability of child friendly police stations is to organise community programmes to create awareness on child abuse--one of the major aims behind the establishment of child friendly police stations.

Child rights activist Benudhara Senapati said, the announcement was a welcome step but the government should strengthen the almost defunct Mahila and Sishu desks at police stations which were earlier declared by the government to be child friendly too.

Japan's princess marries commoner

■ After a delay of three years, Princess Mako marries her classmate Kei Komuro that cost the former her royal status

AGENCIES

Tokyo, Oct 26: Japanese Princess Mako quietly married a commoner without traditional wedding celebrations Tuesday and said their marriage — delayed three years and called unfit by some --'was a necessary choice to live while cherishing our hearts.' The marriage to Kei Komuro cost Mako her royal status



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less person. For us, our marriage was a necessary choice to live while cherishing our hearts," Mako told a televised news conference, using an honorific in speaking of her husband. Komuro responded: "I love Mako. I live only once and I want to spend it with someone I love." He said he hopes to be with Mako to share feelings and encourage each other at happy times and difficult times. "I hope to have a warm family with Mako-san, and I will continue to do everything to support her," he said. Mako, who turned 30 three days before the marriage.

"For me, Kei-san is a price-

Gracious Presence

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Shri Ashirbad Behera Secretary - Football Association of Odisha

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Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha

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BRENDAN FRASER TO PLAY FIREFLY IN DC'S BATGIRL

Brendan Fraser, who faded out from Hollywood after George of the Jungle and The Mummy, has been cast in DC's upcoming Batgirl movie. He will play the villainous Firefly, a sociopath with a passion for pyrotechnics, opposite Leslie Grace, reports Variety.

EMILIA, CHIWETEL LAND LEAD ROLES IN SCI-FI ROM-COM

Emilia Clarke, who essayed the character of Daenerys Targaryen in Game of Thrones and got four Emmy nominations for it, and BAFTA winner Chiwetel Ejiofor (12 Years A Slave) are to appear together in The Pod Generation, a sci-fi romantic comedy to be directed by the French-American director Sophie Barthes.



FORTUNE FORECAST



A tough, action-packed day ahead! There may be difference of opinions with friends over trivia matters, but you will thrive on it. But all pending work will be completed, much to your relief. It's a promising and optimistic day, says Ganesha!

TAURUS

Today, you may have something at the back of your mind that will grip you with its complexity, says Ganesha. Speak freely as your words are capable of making a great impact on others. You may not be willing to confront unpleasant situations today. Don't worry, the stars seem in your favour, predicts Ganesha.

GEMINI

You are extremely competitive. And it doesn't matter how far behind the competition is. So today, you will continue your usual quest for getting better. You won't have it any other way as you despise mediocrity. You will find yourself in the company of like-minded people who wil inspire you to study new subjects.

CANCER Your business acquaintances

will come forward in the manner that may seem noth ing short of some divine intervention. This means that they will virtually save your neck from the guillotine, predicts Ganesha You will grow wiser in your spending ways as you will know what to buy and what not to buy. At work, you will impress everyone with your skills and efficiency.

LEO

Che Guevara may not hold the beacon any more, and the best of the Beatles are long gone. But your desire to revolutionise the world is as strong as ever

sees Ganesha. The best ideas are the ones that come suddenly and subconsciously. So, always carry a pen and paper with you, you may need them to note down ideas that you generate over the course of the day. Remember, ideas have a tendency to wane with the same speed with which they wax.

Ganesha says don't let setbacks cow you down today as you will emerge stronger from each one of them. It will be your logic and reasoning abilities that will aid you in gaining the perfection in completing your work. You may look forward to spending the evening with your beloved or a special friend. You will be engrossed in an animated conversation.

LIBRA



Defamation suit against media outlets Samantha in no mood to rest

Hyderabad: Samantha Ruth Prabhu, who had filed a defamation case against a couple of YouTube channels and an individual, is in no mood to rest until she gets things right.

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reports pertaining to her.

Samantha's attorney has cited the recent 'permanent injunction order' case filed by Shilpa Shetty as the reference point to Samantha's case now.

now, it has been an amazing journey,' he savs. Elaborating on what made him

role

Mumbai: Actor Sharad Malhotra agree to be a part of *Vidrohi*, Sharad says: "The major reason is the charis playing the role of legendary Odia warrior Bakshi Jagabandhu acter. Whenever I get an offer the first in Vidrohi that went on air earlier this month. He is quite excited as again after the show Bharat Ka Veer Putra - Maharana Pratap, he got a chance to play a historical "From Maharana to Jagabandhu

thing I see is how different the role is from my last as I always want to do something new every time. So obviously when I heard about Bakshi Jagabandhu, and the first people's revolt that happened in the country, I instantly liked the story and said ves to the show.'

'We know little about legendary

Odia warrior Bakshi Jagabandhu'

Sharad reveals that many don't know about what happened in 1817.

"When the first people's revolt happened in India, the commander-in-chief was Bakshi Jagabandhu. So this is the part of history that many people don't know. Honestly, when I heard the story, I had goosebumps We know the likes of Bhagat Singh, Mangal Pandey, but know very little about Bakshi Jagadbandhu, who was a legendary warrior from the state of Odisha," he concludes.

Kapil to introduce AR character on his show

Mumbai: Popular comedian Kapil Sharma has joined hands with Snap Inc to revolutionise Indian television as The Kapil Sharma Show is all set to introduce a new character 'Chedulal'. What's special is that this character will be brought to life using the innovative Augmented Reality (AR) technology. The show has exclusively adapted Snap Inc's 'Teeth' lens for the character of 'Chedulal'. Speaking on the collaboration, Kapil

Sharma said, "I am excited at the opportunity to join hands with Snapchat and introduce 'Chedulal' to our audience. I have been a Snapchat user and enjoyed the innovative and unique AR-lens experience it offers. The fun element of the app and the lens easily hooked me, so I thought there was no better platform than my show to demonstrate its entertainment quotient to my guests, audience and Snap users." He also has plans to introduce many more

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Sharad Malhotra as Bakshi Jagadbandhu in Vidrohi

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When Rajkummar cried inconsolably

Mumbai: Actor Rajkummar Rao shared his feelings after watching the film Agneepath, especially when Amitabh Bachchan's character Vijay died in the movie. He will be seen as a special guest along with Kriti Sanon in the 'Shaandaar Shukravaar' episode of Kaun Banega Crorepati 13.

Raikummar shares: "As a child when I was watching Agneepath and when the movie ends where your character, 'Vijay' dies. Sir, after the film got over, I ran into my room and I covered my face with the pillow and started crying loudly."

"As I was convinced that Amitabh Bachchan had died and I was telling God, 'How can this happen, please bring back Amitabh Bachchan, God, How can God do this, he can't die. Then my mother came and told me that

this is just a film and it's not real," he concludes. Apart from this Kriti Sanon will be seen going down



n't gone unnoticed. So expect to be put in charge of handling disputes among your subordinates at work today, hints Ganesha. Research work may slow to a crawl today, but the offshoot is that it's an auspicious day to enter into new contracts. You might want to arrange that bit of business over lunch. Good food has a tendency to lead to successful end of negotiations. Just don't forget to compli ment the chef and leave a tip.

SCORPIO

Work pressure will keep on mounting today, predicts Ganesha. But you shall han dle it with great style, all thanks to your patience. But keep a watch on the radar and learn how to spot stress early and then act on it as quickly as you can.

SAGITTARIUS

Look before you leap, says Ganesha. Cupid has strung his bow and aimed an arrow at you. Love's labour will easily aid you to woo a young, tender heart. But don't be swept away by easy prospects and guard your reputation at all costs.

CAPRICORN

You will starve for some free time, but will find it difficult to steal even a minute from your busy schedule, even if it is for unwinding your overworked soul, says Ganesha. In times like these, one can hardly think straight, let alone be innovative. You will, however, work your way out by prioritising matters. By the end of the day, your efforts may get paid off, leaving you with the thought that it was all worthwhile after all!

Your ideas are bang on target today! Everything you touch turns into gold. You have it in you to make it big, and the time is now. When the going gets tough, the tough get going - you've heard this before, now it's time for some action, says Ganesha.

PISCES

Stabbing with a pen is so much more satisfying than slicing with a sword. With these lofty ideals in mind, you will launch an assault upon your unsuspecting prey with your lethal presentation skills, eliciting cries of sheer ecstasy and tremendous applause. Don't get carried away though, says Ganesha



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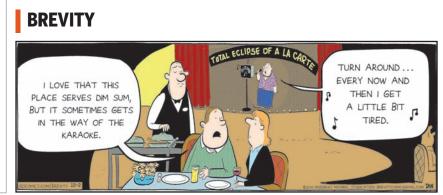
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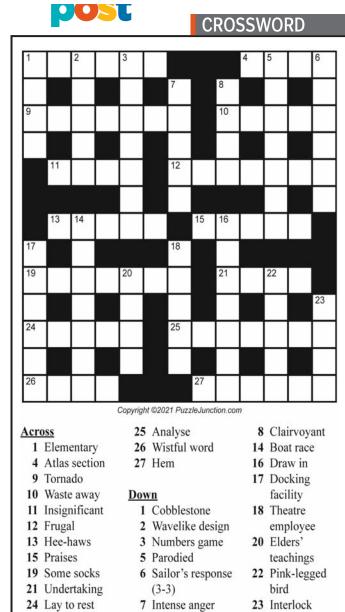
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₹1.5 CRORE MATCHING GRANT FOR 12 COLLEGES

POST NEWS NETWORK

Bhubaneswar, Oct 26: Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik Tuesday released the first tranche of matching grants of Rs 1.5 crore to 12 colleges and two universities under 'Mo College' campaign.

As per the mandate of Mo College campaign, this is double the amount made by various contributors to these institutes, he said.

The Chief Minister announced that 40 colleges will be developed under the 5T initiative in the first phase. This will provide state-of-the-art campus, classrooms, and offer a transformed learning experience benefitting over 30,000 students of the state at the undergraduate (UG) and postgraduate (PG) levels, Patnaik said.

He further said that the success of the school transformation programme has inspired the administration to take up such initiatives for the higher education institutions

The Chief Minister further said that the state government is developing 1,070 schools for transformation which will be completed by November 14 while 50 transformed schools have already been dedicated to Hinjili block in Ganjam district.

Speaking about the spirit of college life, the Chief Minister said, "College days are

MO COLLEGE CAMPAIGN



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golden period of our life. It's the day of youthful exuberance.

This is the time when we live through our dreams, our struggles and our limitless possibilities. In fact, this period leads us to march with determination for realising our cherished dreams."

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Mo College campaign, Patnaik said that they have made to their own institutes that have made them what they are today.

This is undoubtedly a great beginning which will go a long way to inspire more and more members of the alumni & philanthropists to give back to their Alma Maters for ensuring a holistic development of the college ecosystem of the state, he pointed out.

"Mo College is an endeavour to reunite you with your alma mater, redevelop it, and re-live the dream moments of your life. It is certainly the most delightful experience to be part of the development of the institutions that have shaped your life," he added.

The Chief Minister called upon the people, especially the members of alumni to join the Mo College campaign.

Attending the programme, Higher Education Minister Arun Sahoo expected that the Mo College campaign would succeed in taking the educational ambience of higher education institutions to a new level.

Chairperson of Mo College Akash Das Nayak, Chief Secretary SC Mohapatra, Higher Education Principal Secretary Saswat Mishra and senior officers of state government were present on the occasion.

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Paramita Satpathy feted with Sarala Puraskar

OSCPCR seeks ATR on violation of child rights



IMPaCT trustee Paramita Panda felicitates Paramita Satpathy

PNN/AGENCIES

Bhubaneswar, Oct 26: Noted Odia fiction writer Paramita Satpathy was Tuesday conferred with the prestigious 'Sarala Puraskar' for her novel 'Abhipreta Kala'.

She was presented with a citation. trophy and Rs 5 lakh at a simple and short programme organised in compliance with the Covid-19 guidelines issued by the state government.

'Abhipreta Kala' was published by Paschima Publications in 2016. Daughter of well-known poets Pratibha Satpathy and Nityananda Satpathy, Paramita has authored seven short story collections and several novels

She had received the Sahitya Akademi award for her short story collection 'Prapti' in 2016.

The annual 'Sarala Puraskar instituted by eminent Odia industrialist Bansidhar Panda and his wife Ila Panda in 1980, is awarded by the Indian Metals Public Charitable Trust (IMPaCT), the charitable wing of Indian Metals and Ferro Alloys Limited (Imfa).

On this occasion, Ila-Bansidhar Panda Kala Samman was given to veteran painter Jagdish Chandra Kanungo and Ghumura artist Javanta Kumar Behera. They received a citation and

Rs 1.5 lakh cash award each.

POST NEW NETWORK

Bhubaneswar; Oct 26: The Odisha State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (OSCPCR) has sought an action-taken report (ATR) from Kalahandi district administration in connection with the alleged violation of child rights at Sunshine Public School and Anchalik Mahavidyalaya of Mahaling, instituted by Gobinda Sahoo, the prime accused in Mamita Meher case.

In a letter to the Kalahandi MAHALING Collector and Superintendent of Police (SP), OSCPCR chair-SHAME person Sandhyabati Pradhan said the commission has

taken suo motu cognizance of the issue. According to Pradhan, the Women and Child Development department had issued a set of guidelines for ensuring a safe environment for children in educational institutions. Apart from that, the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights has also a regulatory guideline for educational institutions.

"Now, the OSCPCR has an impression that these guidelines are not adhered to by both these institutions. In this context, the commission directed the Collector and SP of Kalahandi to produce an ATR in compliance with the above mentioned guidelines in the two institutions. The two officials have also been asked to appraise the implementation of the guidelines in other institutions in the district," Pradhan said.

Pradhan for MITRA park in state

AGENCIES

Bhubaneswar, Oct 26: Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan has urged Textile Minister Piyush Goyal to set up a greenfield Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (MITRA) park in Odisha.

In a letter to Goyal, Pradhan said, 'Odisha has a long and rich history of textiles and the handlooms of Odisha have gained world-wide acclaim for their design and quality. Various designs have existed here, such as Sambalpuri, Bomkei and Berhampuri. Odisha is also famous for its Tkat type of weaving. With this rich history and locally available competence in this area, Odisha is uniquely positioned to attract investments in the textiles and apparel sectors.'

Informing about the availability of skilled workforce in the state, Pradhan said that Odisha has emerged as the knowledge and skill hub in the presence

Textiles and Apparel Parks are currently under construction – one near Dhamra port and another at Malipada in Bhubaneswar

of globally recognised institutes of higher learning, research and skill development, including CIPET, IIT, IIM, IIIT, NIT, AIIMS, NISER, Skill Development Institute, Indian Oil - ICT Odisha Campus.

Industrially too, "Odisha has a wide network of 10,000 km of highway, Paradip, Dhamara and Gopalpur ports, proximity to industrial hubs and Jagdishpur-Haldia and Bokaro-Dhamra Pipeline (JHBDPL) gas pipeline passing through the state," he added

Odisha also has an Industrial Policy and Apparel Policy in place to ensure smooth clearance of the project and provide adequate incentive to the industries.

Under the Apparel Policy of Odisha, capital grant of 20 per cent of project cost up to Rs 20 crore and interest-free loan up to 10 per cent with maximum limit of Rs 10 crore is available to the industries presently, the minister said.

Textiles and Apparel Parks are currently under construction, one near the major port of Dhamra and another near Bhubaneswar at Malipada, both with ready availability of facilities including power, water, and boundary walls.

In addition, a Technical Textiles Park is being developed in Bhadrak, Pradhan further stated.

Recently, the Union Ministry of Textiles has announced setting up of seven MITRA parks in India.

The parks will be developed by a special purpose vehicle (owned by state and Centre) in a PPP mode.

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66 patrolling camps to guard Olive Ridley nesting

Fishing ban to be put in place from November 1 to May 31; a central monitoring unit would be set up at the office of the Chief Wildlife Warden

POST NEWS NETWORK

Bhubaneswar, Oct 26: The state administration has geared up for protecting the nests of endangered Olive Ridley sea turtles as it has decided to set up 66 patrolling camps along the coast to keep oversee the nesting activities.

A detailed action plan for 2021-22 was chalked out at the State High Power Committee on Conservation of Olive Ridley held under the chairmanship of Chief Secretary Suresh Chandra Mahapatra Monday evening.

As per practice, fishing ban will be imposed within 20 km from the specified coast of the sea comprising sea turtle congregation area and their buffer zones in Dhamra, Devi and Rusikulya river mouths A central monitoring unit would

be set up at the office of the Chief

Wildlife Warden. There would be circle level monitoring mechanisms under the di-

rect supervision of Regional Conservator of Forests (RCF) Bhubaneswar, Berhampur and Baripada. Berthing places would be set up at Barunei, Gupti, Sasanapeta and Krushnapriyapur and Rajnagar for safe custody of the seized vessels

Altogether 66 patrolling camp sites - 61 on-shore and five offshore camps -would be operated round the clock. Each camp would be equipped with VHF communication devices, mobile phones and required camping materials.

There would be regular com-

ONLINE MONITORING

Sporadic nesting activities of the Sturtles and their mortality would be monitored through a web portal - 'manage.odishawildlife.org'

isheries and Animal Resources Development Secretary R Raghu Prasad said a mobile app has been developed for the fishermen and the officers at the ground level. Fishermen can see the no fishing zone in the app itself

The Chief Secretary directed all officers engaged in the conservation operation to download the app for asserting the location of the fishing boats

munication and intelligence sharing among the coast guard, patrolling ship, and various camps and marine police.

Armed police force would be deployed for patrolling and enforcement activities. Sporadic nesting activities of the turtles and their mortality would be monitored through a web portal -'manage.odishawildlife.org'.

Soon after mass nesting, the rookeries would be fenced to protect the nests and eggs. Patrolling would be intensified further. Mahapatra directed the depart-

ments of Forest & Environment, Fisheries & Animal Resources Development, Police, Marine Police, Coast Guard and Port authorities



on Odisha coast to make concerted efforts at the ground level towards conservation and nurturing of Olive Ridley turtles. He also urged all other stakeholders, NGOs and local community to involve actively in this task. "As we have gained more expe-

rience and the state is investing huge amounts of money for the purpose, we must deliver the best in saving these species for the world community," he said.

Mahapatra also directed the officials to ensure strict enforcement of the conservation rules along the nesting coasts. The coast guard was requested to have real time intelligence sharing with the departments about illegal fishing.

Institutions like DRDO, Dhamra port, Gopalpur port and Paradip port authorities were requested to follow the blackout and light deeming practices to prevent turtles from possible delusion. They were asked to provide necessary support for joint patrolling in the sea and berthing of the vessels.

Additional Chief Secretary (ACS), Forest and Environment, Mona Sharma said that four wildlife divisions of the state - Bhadrak, Rajnagar, Puri and Berhampur are in readiness for conservation operations this year.

These divisions have been equipped with 5 high speed boats, along with 13 trawlers and support boats for chasing the illegal activities in the sea, she said.

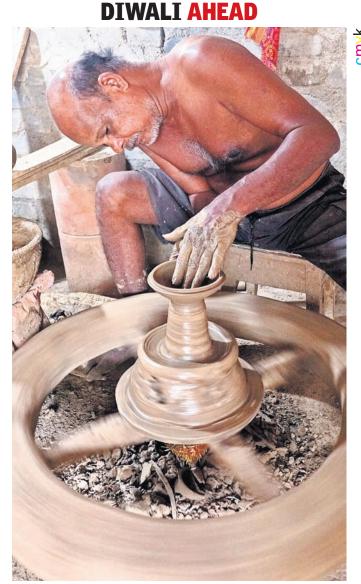
praised that last year around 3.5 lakh turtles laid eggs in Gahirmatha coast. At least 38 trawlers were seized and 202 persons were arrested for violating rules. Mass nesting took place at Gahirmatha between March 10 and 24, he said.

Fisheries and Animal Resources Development Secretary R Raghu Prasad said a mobile app has been developed for the fishermen and the officers at the ground level. Fishermen can see the no fishing zone in the app itself. They will also get an alert message when they enter the no fishing area, Prasad said.

The Chief Secretary directed all officers engaged in the conservation operation to download the app for asserting the location of the fishing boats.

The scientists opined that as per the natural behaviour of the turtles, this year there might be buffer nesting along Odisha coast. It was decided that the RCFs would monitor the operations in their respective jurisdictions in close coordination with district administration, police and other concerned departments.

Scientists like K Sivkumar of Wildlife Institute of India (WII) and Priyambada Mohanty (Hejmadi) said, "Odisha has contributed significantly towards preservation and growth of this endangered species. Odisha model for conservation of the species has been applauded in international forums.



An artisan shapes an earthen lamp ahead of Diwali at Kumbhar Sahi in Bidanasi area of Cuttack, Tuesday. Like last year, this year too the festival of lights will be a low-key affair due to the restrictions imposed by the government for Covid-19 pandemic

BJD thrust on social media to strengthen party base

POST NEWS NETWORK

Puri. Oct 26: A mega training camp of Biju Yuva Janata Dal (BYJD), the youth wing of ruling BJD, was organised in the Holy City here Tuesday.

The presidents of all BYJD block and urban local body units attended the training camp.

The primary motive of the camp was to strengthen the base of the ruling party ahead of the panchayat and municipality elections in the state, sources said.

Chandbali MLA Byomakesh Ray presided over the training camp, organised under the supervision of BJD general secretary (organisation) Pranab Prakash Das.

The camp stressed upon utmost utilisation of social media platforms to strengthen the base of



BJD leaders Pranab Prakash Das & Sanjay Das Burma among others participate in a training camp of party's youth wing in Puri, Tuesday

OP PHOTO wing leaders to take inspiration Several party leaders also highlighted the step-motherly treat from party supremo and Chief

MANISH MURDER **3** accused undergo polygraph test

POST NEWS NETWORK

Bhubaneswar, Oct 26: The Commissionerate Police Tuesday conducted polygraph (lie detection) test on three persons arrested in connection with the murder of Manish Anurag, the son of senior journalist Navin Das.

Speaking to media, DCP Umashankar Dash, said, "We conducted the polygraph test to match and find out any contradiction between the evidence collected from the accused and the circumstantial evidence came to fore during the course of investigation.'

He also stated that though results from polygraph tests are not considered as evidence in court of law, they help greatly in the investigation process.

The court had earlier allowed the CP to carry out the test on the three accused - Amrit Pritam Biswal, Dinesh Kumar Mohapatra and Mrutyunjay Mishra. The test was conducted at the State Forensic Science Laboratory at Rasulgarh here.

Green Ag project coming up in Similipal region: Minister

POST NEWS NETWORK

Bhubaneswar, Oct 26: Agriculture and Farmers' Empowerment, Fisheries and Animal Resources Development Minister Arun Sahoo Tuesday inaugurated the State Inception Workshop on 'Green-Ag' project, which aims to catalyze transformative changes to India's agriculture sector for national and global environmental benefits without compromising the country's food security and farmers' income. at Krushi Bhavan Auditorium here.

Inaugurating the workshop, Sahoo expressed his pleasure over Odisha being one of the five states in the country selected for the purpose. He highlighted that Odisha is endowed with abundant natural resources with rich biodiversity and also stressed the importance of sustainable use of natural re-



Agriculture Minister pinned hope that the project will achieve its objective of catalysing sustainable transformation of the agriculture sector thereby ushering in economic well-being of the people of the targeted area

people of the targeted area with awareness on conservation of IUCN endangered species and critically vulnerable flora and fauna.

The minister indicated that the project will be implemented in identified priority villages of Similipal landscape of Mayurbhanj for global environmental benefits and livelihood enhancement of tar-

geted communities. UN's Food and Agriculture

PCCF, Wildlife, Sashi Paul ap-

the ruling party.

"Hard work of the youth and student wings of BJD can bring us success in the upcoming panchayat and urban body polls," Das said.

BJD vice-president Debi Prasad Mishra urged the youth

3 bars sans licence shut

BHUBANESWAR: Two Excise teams, comprising officials of the flying squad, sealed three bars in Cuttack-Puri Road here Tuesday for operating without licence, an official said. The teams have served show-cause notices on the authorities of the erring bars asking them to turn up within seven days. The teams also served show-cause notices on a few other bars in the locality for violating Covid and other norms

WASSUP TODAY BHUBANESWAR

- Mass demo by Odisha Junior Teacher Aspirants' Union, Lower PMG. 11am
- Programme by Culture department to mark poet Baishnaba Pani's birth anniversary, Rabindra Mandap, 6pm

Programmes/announcements for wassup today may be sent to opwassup@gmail.com for record. it must also carry the sender's mobile number for our verification. but not for publication.

Minister Naveen Patnaik's hard work for the development of

Odisha BJD MLA Atanu Sabyasachi Nayak praised Biju Swasthya Kalayan Yojana of the state government.

ment being meted out to Odsiha by the Centre

Among others, State Planning Board deputy chairman Sanjay Das Burma and ministers Samir Ranjan Das and Tusarkanti Behera were present.

Khurda district, of which state cap-

ital Bhubaneswar is a part, reported

the highest number of new cases at

Seven districts did not report

Odisha currently has 4,623 active

any new case in the last 24 hours.

cases, while as many as 10,26,277 pa-

tients, including 360 Monday, have re-

covered from the highly infectious

disease. The positivity rate stands at

4.80 per cent. Over 2.16 crore sample

tests have been conducted in the

Director of health service (DHS)

Bijay Mohapatra had Monday said

that the Covid-19 situation has now

reached the endemic stage with

state, including 61,935 Monday.

207, followed by Cuttack at 36.

Dash also indicated towards further scientific tests on the accused if it fails to get any lead in this matter during the lie detection test.

sources and adoption of a conservation approach for better environmental benefits.

He expressed confidence that the project, funded by Global Environment Facility (GEF), will achieve its objective of catalysing

roject in Odisha context and expressed their happiness for the cooperation received from the state govt

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Patra, a student of Mechanical

Engineering, had bagged a gold

medal in the area of Joinery (Wood

works). A new and sophisticated

area of 3D game art was mastered

by Saurav Dhali, a Computer

Science and Engineering student,

bagging a silver medal. Satya Ranjan

Mohanty bagged silver in CNC

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cyber security, one who has won gold

(Pranab and Srinibas) and another

who got silver (Abhigyan and

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Organisation (FAO) representative Tomio Shichiri and Konda Reddy highlighted the overview of the project in Odisha context and expressed their happiness for the cooperation received from the state government.

NIC observes Vigilance Awareness Week

POST NEWS NETWORK

Bhubaneswar, Oct 26: Employees of the regional office of National Insurance Company (NIC) Ltd here observed Vigilance Awareness Week to spread the message of a corruption-free society.

The programme will continue for a week beginning October 26. On this occasion, a walkathon has been organised by employees and agents of NIC under the leadership of Vigilance Officer of NIC KDP Murthy and GK Pattnaik and they have marched from Rupali Square to IDBI Bank on Janpath here holding different awareness slogan placards and making people aware about the mission and vision of observing Vigilance Awareness Week.

The walkathon was flagged off by Chupula Sridevi, Regional Manager of NIC Bhubaneswar Regional Office in the presence Regional Manager Bishnu Prasad Biswal and CRM Abhiram Sethy.

4 deaths in 24 hours bidities. he said Of the 433 new cases, 64 are children and adolescents in the age group of 0 to 18 years. The rate of infection in that age group stands at 14.78 per cent against the previous day's 16.70 per cent.



PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

Bhubaneswar, Oct 26: Odisha, which has entered the 'endemic stage of Covid-19', logged 433 new Covid-19 cases Tuesday, taking the coastal state's caseload to 10,39,269, a Health department official said. Four fresh fatalities were reg-

istered in the state - two in Mayurbhanj and one each in Jagatsinghpur and Khurda -- raising the toll to 8,316.

This apart, 53 other Covid paaround 500 new cases being retients have died due to comorported daily for about a month.





POST NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi, Oct 26: Several students and intellectuals of Odisha Tuesday held a protest at Faculty of Arts, University of Delhi here on the issue of rising crimes against women in the state and the murder of Kalahandi school teacher Mamita Meher.

The students demanded that the government should take immediate steps to curb the crime against women. They also demanded proper investigation into Meher's murder.

Mamita was allegedly abducted and killed by Gobinda Sahoo, the founder of Sunshine Public School at Mahaling in Kalahandi district.

Sahoo was arrested in connection with the case.

Centurion students qualify state level skill competition

POST NEWS NETWORK

Bhubaneswar, Oct 26: Several students of Centurion University qualified the Odisha skill (state level) competition in the Regional Skill Competition (East) held between October 21 and 23, 2021. The winning will be another step to participate in the World Skill Competition to be held at Shanghai in 2022.

They had competed with students from states like Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal, Andaman and Nicobar and North Eastern states. The results were declared October 23.

J Lavanya, a paramedic student,



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Reds demand ₹50L damages for deceased teacher's family

POST NEWS NETWORK

its in this district found five posters by the red rebels in the area.

to the trees near Kumudabali Shiva temple under Muniguda police limits of Rayagada district. In these posters, the ultras demanded the resignation of the Chief Minister and

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officials, public representatives and police for the murder. The posters were issued by the

Baghuna divisional committee of the outlawed group.

On being informed, police rushed to the spot and seized the posters. Police also launched a probe into the matter, informed SDPO Akash Chandra Sahoo.



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Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002) Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described Movable/ Immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/symbolic/physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Union Bank of India (e-AB) (Secured Creditor), will be sold on"As is where is' and "As is What is" and "Whatever there is" basis on 11.11.2021, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to Union Bank of India from the below mentioned Borrower(s) & Guarantor(s). The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also

MAMITA MURDER

Bandh observed in Sambalpur, Bargarh

POST NEWS NETWORK

Sambalpur, Oct 26: Demanding removal of Minister of State for Home Dibya Shankar Mishra for his alleged links with the prime accused Gobinda Sahu in the preplanned murder of school teacher Mamita Meher, the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) observed a 12-hour bandh in Sambalpur district Tuesday.

The saffron party has also been demanding a CBI probe into the case and immediate release of Rs 50 lakh compensation to the deceased lady teacher's family.

The dawn-to-dusk bandh threw normal life out of gear in Sambalpur district. All shops, markets, government and private institutions remained closed since morning. Vehicular movement was affected completely. The party leaders and workers were seen blocking National Highway-53, disrupting traffic between Sambalpur and other districts like Deogarh, Jharsuguda, Bargarh and Cuttack.

Similarly, the party workers in Kuchinda, Rengali, Hirakud, Burla and other places were seen picketing at strategic locations. To maintain law and order in the district, police forces had been deployed in various parts of the district.

Notably, the BJP had observed 12-hour bandhs in Kalahandi and Bolangir over the same demands October 20 and 21 respectively.

EAST COAST RAILWAY e-Tender Notice No. e-Tender-Elect-G-29-21 **DESCRIPTION OF WORK :**

IMPROVEMENT OF LIGHTING AT 17 RAILWAY STATIONS IN KHURDA ROAD

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Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer (G), 494/M/21-22 Khurda Road

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ile No. DRM/Engg/KUR/21-22/E-Tender/64, Dt.21.10.2021

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er Notice No. e-Tender-East-KUR-172-2021, Dt.11.10.2021

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Bargarh: Normal life came to a Barpali observed the bandh from standstill in Bargarh district 6:00 am to 12:00 pm. During the six hours, vehicles refollowing a six-hour bandh Tuesday. Demanding stringent action

mained off the road and markets and business establishments against the culprits involved in the sensational Mamita Meher downed their shutters. murder case, Bhulia Sangha of Essential services like ambu-

SAMBALPUR lance, fire brigade, milk vans and medicine shops were kept outside the bandh purview. Police had arrested Gobinda Sahu, the prime accused, from a sugarcane field at Budhipadar village under Bangomunda block October 19.

15-MEMBER BJP TEAM MEETS MAMITA'S KIN

Bolangir: A 15-member delegation of the BJP led by state president Samir Mohanty Tuesday met deceased lady teacher Mamita Meher's family at her village Jharni under Turekela block in Bolangir district.

At a time when the saffron party is mounting pressure on the ruling government of Naveen Patnaik to oust Minister of State for Home Dibya Shankar Mishra for his alleged links with the main accused Gobinda Sahu and observing bandhs demanding the



same, the BJP team met the deceased teacher's family members. Notably, a four-member team of

the State Commission for Women led by its chairperson Minati Behera met the family members October 23.

Headmaster held for raping cook

POST NEWS NETWORK

Baripada, Oct 26: Thakurmunda police arrested the headmaster of a Sevashram school in Mayurbhanj district on the charge of raping a female cook of the school, Tuesday. The accused headmaster

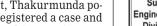
was identified as Bishnu Charan Senapati. Police conducted a medical examination on the accused and the survivor before producing the former in court. A case

was registered in this connection and further investigations are on.

The incident sparked tenafter the DWO Sunaram Singh said that a probe is sion among the cooks working in various Sevashram underway in the case while schools. Demanding the disthe accused has been promissal of Senapati and produced in court. tection of the female cooks According to the comworking in various schools, plaints, Senapati allegedly the members of the district harassed the cook sexually cooks association Tuesday for over a month. He threat-

ened to oust her from the staged a sit-in outside the office of district welfare ofiob in case she discloses the ficer at Baripada. matter before others Saraskana MLA Budhan However, the victim

Acting on the complaint, Thakurmunda police registered a case and arrested Senapati.



'Gobinda wrote FIR

after murdering her'

Bolangir: Gobinda Sahu had asked

Kegaon police station where he had

Mamita on behalf of her father. The

revelation made by Mamita's father

Suchandra Meher, Tuesday. He said

that Sahu himself wrote an FIR and

went in a hurry to the Kegaon Police,

the deceased's father to visit the

written a missing complaint on

matter came to the fore from a

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Murmu reached the spot and lodged a complaint with the District Collector and police tried to placate the agitating cooks. They relented in this connection.



possibly to bribe or threaten the officials. Later, Meher reached the police station to file the FIR which was rejected by the police, he said. There the police asked him to file the FIR at Turekela Police station, he said



The posters were found pinned

JURISDICTION OF SENIOR DIVISIONA ENGINEER / EAST OF KHURDA ROAL DIVISION

ximate Cost of the work (₹) 470.62 Lakhs, Completion Period of the work : 12 (Twelve) Months.

2.Tender Notice No. e-Tender-CENT-KUR-177-2021, Dt.13.10.2021

DESCRIPTION : PROVISION OF DAILY INSPECTION & PATROLLING OF TRACK TO THE PRESCRIBED STANDARDS DURIN WINTER AS PER IRPWM FOR SAFE RUNNIN OF TRAINS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF ASSISTANT DIVISIONAL ENGINEER DHENKANAL OF KHURDA ROAD DIVISION Approximate Cost of the work (₹) ₹ 28.75 Lakhs, Completion Period of th work: 04 (Four) Months.

3.Tender Notice No. e-Tender-CENT-KUR-178-2021, Dt.13.10.2021

DESCRIPTION : PROVISION OF DAILY INSPECTION & PATROLLING OF TRACK TO THE PRESCRIBED STANDARDS DURIN WINTER AS PER IRPWM FOR SAFE RUNNIN OF TRAINS UNDER THE JURISDICTION O ASSISTANT DIVISIONAL ENGINEER **BHUBANESWAR OF KHURDA ROAD DIVISIO** Approximate Cost of the work (₹) 16.29 Lakhs, Completion Period of th work: 04 (Four) Months.

4.Tender Notice No. e-Tender-East-KUR-179-2021, Dt.13.10.2021

DESCRIPTION NEW WORKS, ADDITIONS AND ALTERATIONS TO THE EXISTING STRUCTURES, ALL ORDINARY REPAIR AN MAINTENANCE WORKS OF MISCELLANEOU NATURE AND SUPPLIES EACH COSTIN RS.5,00,000/- OR LESS IN THE SECTION CUTTACK (IN) TO BARANG (EX) UNDER ASSISTANT DIVISIONAL ENGINEER-I CUTTACK FOR THE PERIOD UPTO 30.06.202 Approximate Cost of the work (₹) ₹74.05 Lakhs, Completion Period of th work: 07 (Seven) Months 5. Tender Notice No. e-Tender-CENT-KUR-179-2021, Dt.13.10.2021

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witness a larger footfall of

Pradhan said that the

event was launched for the

first time last year to help

revive the tourism sector

in the region reeling under

the impact of the pandemic.

The tourist footfall last year

was quite good despite min-

Around 40 percent of the

cottages were booked while

the consultancy agency

earned good profits in water

sports. The event attracted

tourists in good numbers

as they continued thronging

the site for around three

months. It is expected that

the tourist turnout will be

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tourists than last year.

Eco retreat festival at

Hirakud from Nov 15

THE ECO RETREAT FESTIVAL WILL CONTINUE HERE FOR

THREE AND A HALF MONTHS TILL MARCH 1

POST NEWS NETWORK

Sambalpur, Oct 26: An eco retreat festival will be organised at Balbaspur near the left dyke area of Hirakud Dam in this district like last year from November 15. This was stated by

District Collector Subham Saxena to mediapersons. The eco retreat festival will continue for three and a half months till March 1. It will have a host of facilities like water sports, sightseeing at the tourist destinations, 20 premium cottage suites, five Rajwadi cottage suites with three-star tent facilities. Reception desk, a conference hall, restaurant. bar and other recreational facilities will also be available to the tourists, he said.

The event would help revive the tourism sector in

the region which has been more for this year's eco-retreat as additional facilities affected due to the pandemic, deputy director of Tourism like entertainment prodepartment Hemant Kumar grammes have also been Pradhan said. Pradhan added to the event this year. hoped that the event will Six firms are participat-

> ing in the tender conducted at the state level and will be finalised soon. The works department, power department and the public health engineering departments have been asked to complete all the arrangements before opening of the event. The state government will issue the necessary guidelines on the Covid norms to be followed at the eco-retreat fest.

Notably, the state government is laying stress on promotion of tourism by organising eco-retreats at various tourist destinations of the state. People visiting the eco-retreat can eniov a variety of events and activities including water sports at Hirakud dam reservoir, cycling, rifle shooting, para-motoring, kayaking, jet-skiing, fishing, Yoga, boat ride, ropeway and site-seeing trips to Samaleswari temple, leaning temple of Huma and nature trail to Debrigarh wildlife sanctuary as well as entertainment programmes during their period of stay in the eco-retreat.

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Property No.1: Homestead (Gharabari) Land at Mouza: Kalapuri (Berhampur Municipal Corporation), Dist.: Ganjam, Khata No. 18/14, Plot No.: 83/158, Area: Ac.0.095dec., in the name of Smt. Sabita Routray, Bounded by East: Land of Smt. Susila Dev Panda, West: Land of Sri Pratap Chandra Routray, North: Land of Smt. Labangalata Panda, South: Land of Sri Ganga Narayar Padhy and Homestead (Gharabari) Land at Mouza: Kalapuri (Berhampur Municipal Corporation), Dist.: Ganjam, Khata No.: 7, Plot No.: 81, Area: Ac.0.030dec., in the name of Smt. Sabita Routray, Bounded by East: Land of Smt. Susila Devi Panda, West: Land of Sri Pratap Chandra Routray, North: Land of Smt. Labangalata Panda, South: Land of Sri Ganga Narayan Padhy.

Type of Possession: Symbolic / Reserve Price: ₹81,68,000/- / Earnest Money to be deposited: ₹8,16,800/-Property No.2: Homestead (Gharabari) Land at Mouza: Kalimegha, Via: Tihidi, Dist.: Bhadrak, Khata No.: 347/100, Plot No.: 910/ 1012, Area: Ac.0.14dec., in the name of Sri Surendra Sahu, Bounded by East: Plot No.: 910/1006 (Basantilata Sahu), West: Plot No.: 910 (P), North: Road & Plot No.: 910/1045 (Manoj Sahu), South: Plot No.: 932.

Type of Possession: Symbolic/ Reserve Price: ₹5,00,000/- / Earnest Money to be deposited: ₹50,000/-Property No.3: Homestead (Gharabari) Land at Mouza: Kalapuri (Berhampur Municipal Corporation), Dist.: Ganjam, Khata No.: 18/ 125, Plot No.: 59/269, Area: Ac.0.088dec., in the name of Sri Satyasree Routray, Bounded by East: Land of Sri Pratap Chandra Routray, West: Road, North: Land of Sri Pratap Chandra Routray, South: Land of Sri Nirakar Samantray. Type of Possession: Symbolic / Reserve Price: ₹76,66,000/- / Earnest Money to be deposited: ₹7,66,600/-

Property No.4: Homestead (Gharabari) Land at Mouza: Kalapuri (Berhampur Municipal Corporation), Dist.: Ganjam, Khata No.: 25. Plot No.: 59, Area: Ac.0.033dec., in the name of Sri Pratap Chandra Routray, Bounded by East: Land of Smt. Susila Panda, West: 20' Wide road, North: Land of Sri Harihar Patra & Smt. Bishnu Priya Mahapatra, South: Land of Smt. Bhanumati Mahapatra.

Type of Possession: Symbolic / Reserve Price: ₹35,93,000/- / Earnest Money to be deposited: ₹3,59,300/-Property No.5: Homestead (Gharabari) Land at Mouza: Kalimegha, Tihidi, Bhadrak, Khata No.: 347/116, Plot No.: 910/1006, Area: Ac.0.14dec., in the name of Smt. Basantilata Sahu, Bounded by East: Plot No.: 917, 912, 911, West: Plot No.: 910/1012 (Surendra Sahu), North: Plot No.: 918, South: Plot No.: 932.

Type of Possession: Symbolic / Reserve Price: ₹7,00,000/- / Earnest Money to be deposited: ₹70,000/-Property No.6: Land with Building (Industrial) at Jhinkiria, P.O.: Arasa, P.S.: Tihidi, Dist.: Bhadrak, Khata No.: 925/396, Plot No.: 427 & Plot No.: 428, Total Area: Ac.0.370dec., in the name of M/s. JDP Agro Industries Pvt. Ltd., Bounded by East: Plot No.: 431 &

429, West: Plot No.: 425 & 426, North: Plot No.: 434, South: Plot No.: 417 Type of Possession: Symbolic / Reserve Price: ₹19,61,000/- / Earnest Money to be deposite	•
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Tense Tripura

ulterior motive to capture power. Nor do they have any specific geographi-

cal frontiers. This is once again proved in the post Durga Puja violence

against Hindoos in Bangladesh which found disturbing repercussions in neigh-

bouring Tripura as well. Tension in the north-eastern state has escalated dur-

ing the past few days to such an extent that the state administration has now

Clarifying the administration's response, Tripura Director General of

Police (DGP) VS Yadav said some 'unknown miscreants' tried to disrupt com-

munal harmony in the state but their attempts were foiled due to the deployment

of police. Around 150 mosques are being provided protection. In fact, all the

mosques across the state are said to be under security cover. Earlier, a series

of protests were held by some groups, including the Vishwa Hindu Parishad

and the Hindu Jagran Manch, across the state to protest the violence in

Bangladesh. During one such protest, at least 12 persons, including three po-

lice officers, were injured in the Maharani area under the Udaipur sub-di-

The fact that the protest rallies were organised despite the police strictly

refusing to grant permission for such mobilisation fearing communal flare-

up shows the situation to be precarious. Tripura shares 856 km semi-porous

Minister Biplab Deb alleging that mosques and homes of Moslems were tar-

geted by protesters. Realising the gravity of the situation, the state admin-

istration did not waste time and provided security to all mosques which was

later confirmed by Tripura State Jamiat Ulama president Mufti Tayebur Rahman.

indeed a cause for concern that changing political fortunes in the state has

caused the relative peace prevailing there for the past two decades to come

Analysts point out that certain forces seem to have found the communal

flare-up in Bangladesh during the Durga Puja as godsend, considering the

fact that Tripura will be going to polls in the next few months and the BJP's

performance in the state under Biplab Deb has come under a cloud. His pop-

ularity is believed to be nosediving. In such a situation, the trouble in

Bangladesh seems to be tailor-made for political benefit in India. Questions

are being raised about the apparent intelligence failure of both Bangladesh

and India. The provocative incident took place at a pandal in Comilla and

within hours more than half of Bangladesh - 34 of 64 districts - was engulfed

in communal trouble. If the Bangladesh Opposition party, Bangladesh

Nationalist Party (BNP) of Begum Khaleda Zia, is believed to be a benefi-

ciary of the communal passion whipped up by the Jamaat-e-Islami, as stated

by a Bangladesh minister, the BJP in Tripura may cash in on the polarisa-

This is an unfortunate development not only in Tripura, but the entire

north-east. The region has been a hotbed of tension and religious-ethnic con-

flagration since the partition that fuelled violent insurgency in the 1990s. The

past few years of peace have, however, helped Tripura revamp its economy

and transform itself into a key player in India's Act East policy, the success

of which depends largely on friendly relations with Myanmar and Bangladesh.

nic politics is mainly responsible for it. Identity politics is rearing its ugly

head in Assam and Meghalaya. The polarisation caused by the govern-

ment's push on the National Register of Citizenship (NRC) and Citizenship

Amendment Act (CAA) has not been contained in Assam even after the re-

cent Assembly elections. The government's eviction drive against Moslem

peasants suspected to be encroachers bringing death and disturbance in its

train seems to have deepened the divide. An inter-state border dispute involving

Assam and Mizoram has been responsible for the killing of six police per-

sonnel in July. The anti-outsider politics in Meghalaya has got a shot in the

arm following attempts to evict a small Dalit Sikh community from their century-old settlement in Shillong. The peace deal with the NSCN-IM in Nagaland

Under these circumstances, it would be in the fitness of things for the Centre to instruct the government of Tripura, controlled by the BJP, to respond with all urgency and sincerity to the appeal of Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh

Hasina, to ensure there is no escalation of tension within Indian borders and

In fact, the whole of north-east is again on the boil and communal-eth-

Tripura has in the past been plagued by communal and ethnic strife. It is

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been forced to bring all the mosques under its protective cover.

vision of Tripura's Gomati district.

international border with Bangladesh.

under severe strain.

tion for electoral gains.

errorists and communal forces have no religion, however much they

try to claim championing one religious cause or another. The veneer

of religion is used only to unleash fear and trigger tension with an

FOCUS WORLD BANK

CASH-TRANSFER ALGORITHM

ince its founding, the World Bank has evolved to perform three main functions: provide global public goods, generate valuable data and independent analysis, and transfer mostly concessional resources to poorer countries. Having recently undermined its credibility with regard to the first two objectives, the Bank should now focus on the third.

Arvind

RELUCTANT **SPEAKER OF TRUTH TO STILL HAS** A VITAL,

ROLE TO FILL

Start with global public goods. The COVID-19 pandemic presented the World Bank with an ideal opportunity to burnish its credentials. But the Bank's performance standing on the sidelines as the COVID-19 Vaccine Global Access (COVAX) facility unraveled and failing to release money it had pledged for vaccine procurement -fell short on both health and economic grounds. For now, at least, we must therefore temper our expectations of the Bank's willingness to provide global public goods, particularly in the face of more difficult challenges such as climate change.

Now consider data and analysis. Over the years, the data collected and compiled by the Bank - including the World Development Indicators, estimates of global poverty and purchasing power parity, and various surveys - have been some of its major contributions. But revelations that the Bank's senior management had manipulated data in multiple editions of the flagship Doing Business report (in order to improve the rankings of China and Saudi Arabia in particular) risk undermining confidence among policymakers and researchers.

In the wake of these stumbles. the Bank's redemption - or at least its relevance - will increasingly depend on its financing function. But that requires recognising how much the world has changed. For starters, the share of the world's population living in low-income countries has plummeted from nearly 60 per cent in 1990 to around 10 per cent today. Rapid economic growth in developing countries over the past three decades – especially in China and India – has gradually reduced the number of low-income countries from 48 in 1990 to 34 in 2019. And the total population living in poor countries has fallen from three billion to just over 760 million.

the damaging 'Doing Business' scandal, the World Bank should focus on getting money to poor countries. Here, the Bank can distinguish itself by providing governments with both concessional loans and untied aid Tapping private markets is still These dramatic changes mean that the resource-transfer reless common: total private finance, including sovereign bonds and The ongoing talks about responsibilities of the rich world in

general, and the World Bank in particular, are now confined to a small share of humanity in a narrow set of countries. For countries like China, India, Indonesia, or Vietnam, which have graduated to middle-income status since the 1990s, the Bank's relevance has shrunk. This is largely because, according to our estimates, private credit grew six-fold over this period, doubling its share of these economies' total external finance to roughly two-thirds.

But the share of the world's poor living in low-income countries, which fell from about 93 per cent in 1990 to a low of just over 30 per cent in 2010, has since rebounded rapidly, to over one-half, as the poorest countries lag behind fastgrowing emerging markets. Lowincome countries' financing needs thus remain central to helping poor people.

For countries such as Ethiopia, Mozambique, Afghanistan, and Nepal, foreign aid in the form of grants still accounts for about half of gross external financing, and World Bank loans comprise another 15 per cent or so. The overall level of foreign aid to low-income countries has risen from about \$8 billion a year in 1990 to roughly \$30 billion, driven largely by a surge in funding for public health. Meanwhile, the Bank's share of these countries' external financing has remained fairly constant. Non-concessional financial flows to these countries remain small.

commercial loans, accounts for only about 10% of their governments' external inflows. These governments have increasingly obtained resources from China just under \$4 billion a year in the 2010s, according to research by AidData - but most Chinese overseas projects benefit slightly wealthier countries.

The World Bank should base its financing on two principles: low-income countries need a lot of concessional resources, and their governments should exercise more agency ('country ownership' in aid argot) in their policy choices. Private finance is costly and still beyond their reach; Chinese lending appears both expensive and heavily tied to infrastructure; and concessional aid seems to be tied to health. The Bank can therefore distinguish itself by providing both concessional financing and untied aid that strengthens local policymakers' agency.

Accordingly, the Bank should align its priorities with the growing trend in poor countries to adopt cash transfers and a universal basic income. In a caricatured version of this idea, a simple algorithm based on 'need' could determine the resource transfers required for each country over a time horizon of, say, 5-10 years. This approach would not only transfer agency back to borrowing governments, but also should be a step toward simplifying the large and complicated international aid architecture and

restraining the excesses of its selfperpetuating bureaucracy.

plenishing the International Development Association, the Bank's concessional lending arm, offer an opportunity to codify this idea. The Bank's recent failures are no excuse for the United States, the European Union, and other donors to be stingy toward the IDA. Rather, they are a reason to be clear-eved about what the Bank can do, and to ensure that it is fully funded and focused on its most important remaining function: getting money to poor countries.

The fact that institutions such as the World Bank are losing their relevance is more cause for celebration than lamentation, because it is a sign that poorer countries have less need for outside help. But losing relevance need not imply looming extinction. The Bank may be only a limited provider of global public goods, and a reluctant speaker of truth to power, but it still has a vital, if narrowing, financing role to fill.

Doing that will require the Bank to become less of a sprawling bureaucracy and more of a mean-and-lean global cash-transfer algorithm. The governments of 2-3 dozen poor countries, and several hundred million people, stand to benefit.

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POWER, BUT IT IF NARROWING, **FINANCING**

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desist from playing with fire through vote-bank politics.

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has gone haywire.

- Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be HELEN KELLER lone without hope and confidence.
- If I see anything vital around me, it is precisely that spirit of adventure, which seems indestructible and is akin to curiosity MÁRIE CURIE
- Love recognizes no barriers. It jumps hurdles, leaps fences, penetrates walls to arrive at its destination full of hope. MAYA ANGELOU

WORDS**WORTH**

Pitmatic

Pitmatic is a vernacular once used by miners in the north-east of England. Its name is hardly known even in the area in which it was once best known, though it has received attention from dialectologists and was featured in Melvyn Bragg's The Routes of English BBC Radio 4 series back in 2000. It was in the news in 2007 as a result of the publication of a book on it by Bill Griffiths. It was the language of colliers and pitmen, miners in the coal seams of Durham and Northumberland, once the capital of coal (not for nothing was the saying carrying coals to Newcastle coined to refer to a useless undertaking). It has gradually died out as the deep pits of the area have progressively closed. Pitmatic is full of mining terms: at bank, on the surface; cavil, to choose your underground coal hewing station by lot; hoggers, footless socks that made it easy to clean coal from between the toes, later a type of flannel drawers: cracket, a stool on which a pitman sat while hewing coal; kenner, the end of the shift; and arse-flap, a loop attached to the winding rope in a shaft on which a man sat while carrying out repairs. Many of the terms can be traced back to Scots, Old Norse and Low German. Trying to classify it isn't so easy. It isn't a dialect, because it's principally vocabulary, lacking grammatical features that separate it from other types of speech (the main dialect of the area is the one commonly called Geordie). It isn't just a workplace jargon, though that's where it comes from, because some of the terms have escaped into the wider community, such as greaser, a device to lubricate the wheels of the coal tubs, which led to the expression "gan canny ower (go carefully over) the greaser", meaning "mind how you go"; It can't be called an argot, which is a semi-secret vocabulary with criminal associations, or a patois, which is a low-status dialect, which Pitmatic certainly wasn't. Call it a vernacular. The term is first recorded in print, in a slightly different form, in an article in The Newcastle Weekly Chronicle back in 1873: A great many of the lads, especially from the Durham district, had evidently never been in Newcastle previously, and the air of wonder with which they gazed at the crowds, at the buildings, and especially at the fine folks who occupied the windows. was very amusing. If the quality criticized and quizzed them, the lads returned the compliment, and it was entertaining enough to catch snatches of criticism on the manners and customs of the upper ten thousand of Newcastle, reduced to the purest "pitmatical", shouted across the streets, as the men and lads belonging to collieries swept by where I stood in the crowd...That fuller form. Pitmatical. soon abbreviated, gives the clue to its origin. It's a compound of pit and mathematical, which may have been intended to stress the skill, precision and craft of the colliers' work.



IN JEST THIS

SEVEN IS A LUCKY NUMBER FOR DIRECTOR **M. NIGHT SHYAMALAN: THE CRITICS LOVE EVERY SEVENTH MOVIE**

popularised the 10,000-hour rule, which states that it takes 10,000 hours of intensive practice to master a complex skill. If you play the guitar for 10,000 hours, you'll be good enough to join a band and perform for others. If you practice writing for 10,000 hours, you'll be good enough to write a novel and get it published. And if you lift weights for 10,000 hours, you'll be good enough to win an Olympic medal-or get a job in a Flipkart warehouse. The number 10,000 shows up in

other areas too. For example, fitness tracking devices have convinced people that taking 10,000 steps a day can make a big difference in their health and longevity. But according to New York Times writer Gretchen Reynolds, the 10,000 figure has no scientific basis.

Walking 10,000 steps a day is equal to about 5 miles (8 km), but several studies have shown that you don't have to walk that long to enjoy significant benefits. A study last year involving almost 5,000 middle-aged participants found

The author Malcolm Gladwell that taking 8,000 steps a day makes you half as likely to die prematurely as taking 4,000 steps a day, especially if you aren't taking those steps in Ranthambore National Park.

We love some numbers but not others

Reynolds attributes the 10,000 figure to a Japanese clockmaker who mass-produced a pedometer with a name that translated to "10.000-steps meter." He didn't call it an "8,000-steps meter," because he knew that consumers would have more affinity for the number 10.000.

For similar reasons, Gladwell did not publicise the 9,000-hour rule or the 8.500-hour rule. He knew that 10,000 was a figure that everyone would love, even if it meant a lot more practice.

Our love for some numbers—to the detriment of others-has always fascinated me

My sister, Irene, and brother-inlaw, Santosh, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary in 2014. It was a very significant anniversary, and like many couples who are lucky enough to reach the milestone, they had a big party to mark the occasion

Did they celebrate their 30th anniversary in 2019 with as much excitement? Nope. The 30th anniversary, by tradition, isn't quite as significant as the 25th and neither are the 35th and 40th. When they reach their 50th anniversary in 2039, however, they will be showered with congratulatory messages from all seven continents, as well as the human settlement on Mars.

The 25th anniversary is bigger than the 20th anniversary because we like to divide one of our favourite numbers, 100, by four, not five. We love the number four. It's the number of years we usually spend in college to earn a degree, the number of seasons in a year, the number of weeks in a month. Four is the number of grand slam tournaments in tennis and major championships in golf. It's also the number of years we have to wait between Olympic Games, World Cups, and Charlie Sheen marriages.

Another number we love is seven, perhaps because it's the number of days in a week and the

number of dwarfs who helped Snow White. The National Basketball Association (NBA) and several other sports leagues follow a best-of-seven format in their playoff rounds. Seven is a lucky number for director M. Night Shyamalan: The critics love every seventh movie he makes.

It goes without saving that we love the number 10 and its multiples. We feel a lot older when we turn 30 than when we turn 29, and not just because we're stuck on 29 for several years.

Perhaps our favourite number of all is 100. It's so significant that a batsman with 99 runs feels so little joy compared to one who attains a century. Nobody cares who is the fastest runner in the world over 90 meters or 110 meters. You need to beat the field over 100 meters to be the king.

It's truly an honour to be in a list of 100, whether you're a Top 100 tennis player, one of the "100 Most Influential People in the World" or the first 100 people to spend 10 minutes in outer space. Not 8 minutes, of course.

Too cautious

etters TO THE EDITOR

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Sir, Active COVID-19 cases are continuously coming down in the country since the second wave peak of 37 lakh cases in May 2021. Monday, the active cases in the country were 1.57 lakh. In some states, offline school classes have started. Other states are too cautious and have cancelled offline classes till November 15. State governments should assess the risk and reopen schools. Students have already suffered for close to two years as online classes can't be an alternative to offline classes

Gopal Mittal. BHUBANESWAR

Fake war

Sir, If Aryan Khan is found guilty then he must be punished. But what about the 3000kg of Afghan heroin seized from Adani-operated Mundra Port in Gujarat? Does this not affect people? Does this not pose a threat to national security? India is a large market for illegal substances, as per the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment. As per a United Nations report, illegal substance usage has increased by 30 per cent in India over the last decade. According to Vidhi Centre for Legal Policy, most arrests are related to possession for personal use. Of 10,000 cases under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, 99.9 per cent were related to personal consumption. Where is the big breaking news on arrest of large suppliers? As per official reports, three crore people are using cannabis. Will they all go to jail? Today Aryan Khan is in news, while big suppliers are unscathed. It is urgently required to break the supply chain in the first place. Who exactly sent the 3000kg of heroin and to whom? Until then this will be a fake war.

Asit Mohanty, JAJPUR

Murky politics

Sir, Unfortunately, the extortion racket in the cruise ship drugs case has taken a religious flavour, with Nationalist Congress Party (NCP) spokesperson and chief Maharashtra's Minority Affairs Minister Nawab Malik alleging that Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) zonal director Sameer Wankhede is a Muslim by birth. Malik also went to the extent of accusing Wankhede of forging his caste certificate. The latter has come under a cloud for seeking bribery in the Aryan case, though the allegation is yet to be proved. The murky politics has given a new spin to the ongoing drugs case. NJ Ravi Chander. BANGALORE



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TAKING STOCK



Sachidananda Nayak, project director of district urban development agency in Ganjam taking stock of the waste treatment at Aska during his visit to a waste management centre at Hatapada, Tuesday

Man impersonating **RTO held in Bargarh**

POST NEWS NETWORK

Bargarh, Oct 26: Police Tuesday arrested a man for posing as a Regional Transport Officer (RTO) and duping vehicle owners in Bargarh district.

The accused imposter was identified as Bikram Behera.

Behera usually targeted vehicle owners commuting on the National Highway. He would stop the vehicles introducing himself as a Regional Transport Officer (RTO) and collect information about owners of the vehicles from the drivers. Then he would contact the owners over phone, asking them to make an online payment for the challan amount to avoid action.

Sailesh Ram, a truck driver duped by Behera came across the real RTO Monday.

After hearing everything from Sailesh Ram, the real RTO informed the police.A team was formed. It laid a trap and Behera was nabbed by police.

DISRESPECT TO BIJU PATNAIK'S STATUE Six JMM workers held in Mayurbhanj

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

Baripada, Oct 26: The police detained at least six JMM activists Monday for disrespecting the statue of former chief minister Biju Patnaik here while protesting against the alleged attack on their supporters by BJD activists.

The incident took place Monday afternoon when a group of JMM activists staged a demonstration at the Biju Patnaik Gole Chhak in Baripada town.

Some of the protesters attempted to climb over the statue while some others placed placards against the ruling party on the barricade surrounding it.

The policeman on duty was also allegedly threatened when the former asked the demonstrators not

to show disrespect to the statue of the former chief minister, police said. Based on an FIR lodged by a BJD leader, the police picked up six persons and kept them in detention at the Town Police Station, Baripada. Earlier, the police had arrested two persons on the charge of attacking the BJP and JMM supporters during Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik's visit to Mayurbhanj Friday.

The chief minister's one-day visit to Baripada had witnessed black flag demonstrations by the opposition BJP demanding the dismissal of state minister DS Mishra over Kalahandi lady teacher's kidnap and murder case, while JMM activists protested against what they termed as "dismal healthcare service" in Mayurbhanj district.

were subjected to unspeakable tor

ture despite their innocence. "We

can never forget the way we were

treated in the kangaroo court. It will

only go with our death. We don't

know who are behind this. But we

possesses a woman of the village

on every full moon day, new moon

day and 'sankranti'. She answers

people's questions. Abiding by her

words, the villagers punished

Santosh, Bidya, Bharat and

Bighnaraj. Notably, kangaroo

courts have become the order of the

day in Navagarh district with such

meetings being increasingly held

in villages. The penalised persons

are being ostracised lives or leave

the villages. The complaints with

the police hardly give them jus-

Banigochha police station IIC

Baidya Narayan Bhoi said, "After

complaints about kangaroo court

and black magic related incidents,

we have registered cases and in-

vestigating them. Our efforts are

on to bring normalcy back to the

It is learnt that the village deity

want justice," he said.

Woman beaten up over child lifting

POST NEWS NETWORK

Langaleswar: Oct 26: Irate villagers beat up a woman black and blue and later handed her over to police on charge of child lifting at Balikuti village under Baliapal police limits in Balasore district. Tuesday.

The incident sparked tension in the area as police rushed to the spot and rescued the woman from the custody of the incensed villagers. According to reports, the 15 month old son of a villager Jitanshu Sekhar Patra was playing outside his house when an unknown woman picked him up and fled.

No water in canal, farmers fume

POST NEWS NETWORK

Junagarh, Oct 26: Paddy in hectares of land in the distributary region of Indravati right canal in Taljaring and Junagarh areas in Kalahandi district has started wilting owing to lack of water. Farmers in the area have expressed their displeasure over the situation. stating that the paddy will die in a few days if water is not supplied

the matter.

to the farmlands. "Though we had drawn attention of the officials towards our plight, no step was taken to save the crops,' they fumed and warned of agitation. Many farmers have written about their concern to Minister of State for Home Dibya Shankar Mishra and the executive engineer

cations but in vain. Family members

of the child and villagers launched

a search operation and spotted the

woman around 1 kilometre away

from the village. The villagers

caught the woman at the village's

end and questioned her about the

child. The villagers rescued the

child and handed him to his parents.

beat her up when she failed to give

any satisfactory answer. Baliapal

police is investigating into

Later, they tied her to a pole and

of the south canal division. Paddy is getting damaged and they will not tolerate the situation, they warned.

Black magic horror grips villagers After some time, the family members found the child missing and searched for him in all possible lo-

POST NEWS NETWORK

Nayagarh, Oct 26: Suggesting how superstitious beliefs are still deep-rooted in our society, residents of Chadheyapalli village under Banigochha police limits of Daspalla block in Nayagarh district have been haunted by fear of witchcraft for last couple of days.

This has also been a headache for police as the villagers recently punished four persons suspecting their involvement in black magic in a kangaroo court.

The villagers allege that under the influence of some sort of black magic. every full moon day one of them either dies or loses mental balance. "In the last six months, three villagers have lost their lives to this black magic," they panicked.

Narrating her experience, a villager Subasini Pradhan said, "Those who set aside these activities, terming them baseless, have never actually experienced them. They would start believing only when they get affected by them. Under the influence of such black magic, a woman of our village has lost her



sponsible for the deaths and other unnatural activities. They were tied to a pole and beaten up for the whole day. Later, they were forced to eat human faeces.

The victimised persons have been identified as Santosh Nayak,

HREE DEATHS IN SIX MONTHS

Shockingly, so far, four persons have been punished at the village kangaroo court under suspicion of witchcraft and being responsible for the deaths and other

unnatural activities Threat to lives of the victims has increased after they lodged complaints at Banigochha police station. They are now living in the nearby forest, fearing attack by the villagers

Notably, kangaroo courts have become the order of the day in Nayagarh district with such meetings being increasingly held in villages

Bidya Nayak, Bharat Nayak and Bighnaraj Sethi. The threat to their lives has increased after they lodged complaints at Banigochha police station. They are now living in the nearby forest, fearing attack by the villagers.

When asked, Santosh said they

Couple commits suicide

village.

tice.

POST NEWS NETWORK

Jaipur. Oct 26: Primarv Agricultural Cooperative Societies (PACS) work for the overall benefit of agriculture as well as farmers. However, most such societies

into the allegations related to misappropriation of lakhs of rupees due to 15 farmers remains confined to the direction only.

If the allegations of farmers like Balaram Rout, Surendra Kar, Jagabandhu Kar. Rabinarayan Das.



ARCS, Jajpur; to investigate into the allegations and submit report

within seven days. As no probe report was submitted within the stipulated period, the Joint Registrar of Cooperative Societies (Credit) had written another letter (No-10079/13/07/2021), asking why the report had not been submitted.

POST NEWS NETWORK

Jharigaon, Oct 26: A youth and a girl, believed to be a couple in love, were found hanging inside a house at Nirondi village under Jharigaon block of Nabarangpur district Tuesday





in Jajpur district are steeped in corruption.

Barchana and Dhaneswar PACS may be taken as examples of gross irregularities.

Till date, over 15 farmers under Dhaneswar PACS in Korei block are yet to receive the money for the paddy they sold. The affected farmers had taken up the issue with the Minister for Food Supplies and Consumer Welfare and Cooperation and other concerned officials, July 16, 2021. In response, an investigation was ordered, but it remained confined to the files only As a result. the Joint Registrar of Cooperative Societies (Credit) had directed October 22, 2021 the Deputy Registrar of Cooperative Societies, Cuttack-2 division, to submit the investigation report within seven days.

Despite this, the investigation

Subham Rout, Purna Chandra Satpathy, Rashmita Naik under Dhaneswar PACS are true, PACS secretary Akhila Kumar Jena is responsible for the irregularities

in paddy procurement. They alleged that Jena is presently trying for his transfer, but he should not be transferred until the farmers of Dhaneswar PACS get dues. Jena has been on leave for a long period on the pretext of medical issues. It is alleged that he is making the rounds of the office of Assistant Registrar of Cooperative Societies (ARCS) every day for his transfer. The farmers alleged that the ARCS and CEO are shielding him.

At the same time, the farmers alleged that the secretary in-charge of the Barchana PACS, Bikash Kumar Swain, also resorted to for-

The affected farmers had taken up the issue with the Minister for Food Supplies and Consumer Welfare and Cooperation and other concerned officials, July 16, 2021

gery. He reportedly presented fake people as original land owners during the paddy procurement. On the other hand, farmers who sold paddy after receiving tokens from their respective PACS were shown investigation was ordered, but it remained confined to the files only

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village kangaroo court under sus-

as grandsons and nephews of those fake land owners.

Acting on the allegation, the Joint Registrar of Cooperative Societies (Credit), vide letter No. 8299/20/05/2021, had directed the

A farmer, Chintamani Jena, and 10 others had complained about the above-mentioned corruption April 30, 2021.

Acting on the complaint, the Registrar of Cooperative Societies had directed DRCS Kulamani Padhi to probe into the allegations and deposit the report within seven days.

The farmers alleged that the investigation was progressing such a way as to favour the secretary.

When asked to comment on the issue, ARCS, Jajpur, Prashant Kumar Mallick said the farmers under Dhaneswar PACS are being given their dues in phases. The corruption allegations against the Barchana PACS are being investigated by the DRCS, he added.

The matter came to the fore after the father of the deceased youth filed a complaint at the police station Tuesday.

Police registered a case of unnatural death and started an investigation into it, said ASI Santosh Kumar Majhi.

The deceased were identified as Nakula Bhatra(22) and Indumati Pujari(19). The two were in a courtship for a long time.

Both had left their houses October 3. The family members of the two searched for them and finally traced them

The two returned to the village as their families assured them to arrange their marriage. Nakula and Indumati stayed in a house. As per reports, Nakula's familv

members had gone to their farmland Monday and returned home

The deceased, identified as Nakula Bhatra(22) and Indumati Pujari(19).

were in a courtship for long time. The two had left their houses Oct 3

> by 5 pm. But they were shocked to find the room of the couple bolted from inside. Later, the family mem bers broke open the door and found the two hanging with a saree.

Their family members wondered why the two took such an extreme step. Acting on an FIR, police started investigation into the incident with a scientific team.

Herds refuse to take back jumbo calf FOREST DEPT TO SEND IT TO KAPILASH SHELTER



POST NEWS NETWORK

Keonjhar, Oct 26: A female elephant calf, which was rescued by the forest department after its herd abandoned it at Champua range in Keonjhar, will be sent to Kapilash elephant shelter, said DFO DD Hanumat.

Notably, the jumbo calf had fallen

into a well at Nidhigotha of Basantpur panchayat. Forest officials rescued it and released near its mother. The mother elephant did not accept it. The safety and survival of the calf has become a headache for the department.

"The baby elephant needs proper feeding and treatment at this stage. In case of negligence, it will face life threat," it was said.

The calf was earlier set free near the elephant herds, but the latter refused to accompany it. The department has engaged a veterinary doctor and some staff for its care. The baby elephant is being fed with lactogen. But it is only drinking water. It is usually seen that when an elephant falls into a ditch or in any such situation, others come to its rescue. This did not happen in case of the baby elephant. The forest department started an investigation into the reasons why the herds do not accept it. As the baby has come in contact with humans, its body might have human odour which may be keeping other elephants away. Meanwhile, forest officials have applied elephant dung on its body in a bid to remove human odour from its body. The forest department has sent its blood sample for tests



Polling officials leaving for booths on the eve of a by-election for the post of sarpanch in Mahakalapara panchayat of Kendrapara district, Tuesday OP PHOTO











HC ASKS K'TAKA TO INITIATE ACTION

THE COUNSEL FOR THE GOVERNMENT SUBMITTED TO THE COURT THAT THEY HAVE GIVEN THE LIST OF HOSPITALS WHICH HAVE CHARGED EXCESS FEES FOR TREATING COVID PATIENTS

INDO-ASIAN NEWS SERVICE

Bangalore, Oct 26: Karnataka High Court has directed the government to publish advertisements in newspapers and put information on the website of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) to facilitate people to lodge complaints against private hospitals which have charged excess fees for the Covid treatment.

The divisional bench headed by Chief Justice Ritu Raj Awasthi, which took up the inquiry of slew of petitions submitted regarding the Covid management on Monday

HOSPS FLEECING COVID PATIENTS

has asked the government to provide information about the action taken on private hospitals which have charged excess fees violating the government guidelines on treatment of Covid-19 patients. The bench also directed the gov-

ernment and BBMP to furnish details of excess fees being returned to the Covid patients during the time of next hearing. The coun-

sel for the government submitted to the court that they have given the list of hospitals which have charged excess fees for treating Covid patients. The private hospitals have collected ₹1,98,83,498 excess amount from the patients referred by the government hospitals and so far have returned ₹32,22,352 to patients. They had collected ₹1,55,91,845 excess fees for treatment of Covid The government has fixed ₹10.000 for general ward, ₹15,000 for ICU without ventilator, ₹12,000 for HDU and ₹25,000 for ICU with ventilator facility

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patients who were admitted to private hospitals directly and they have made repayment of ₹10, 42,339 to patients. 'Suvarna Arogya Suraksha Trust' helpline set up to receive complaints on this matter has registered 1,325 cases so far, he informed the court.

The government has fixed ₹10,000 for general ward. ₹15.000 for ICU without ventilator, ₹12,000 for HDU and ₹25,000 for ICU with ventilator facility. The government has stated that, if private hospitals charge more than the prescribed amount and in case of refusal for treatment of Covid patients, they will be booked under the Karnataka Private Medical Establishment (KPME) Act and National Disaster Management Act (NDMA).

Two suspected cases of AY.4.2 variant of Covid sent for genome sequencing

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

Bangalore, Oct 26: Two suspected cases of AY.4.2 variant of the novel coronavirus have been identified and the samples have been sent to a laboratory for the genome sequencing, Karnataka Health Minister K Sudhakar said Tuesday

"There are two suspected cases of AY.4.2 variant of viruses and I have instructed my department to send the samples for genomic sequencing for confirmation," Sudhakar said here. Health department officials said the samples have been sent to the National Centre for Biological Sciences (NCBS) in Bangalore for testing. They also said both the affected persons are from Bangalore and are asymptomatic.

They said the AY.4.2 is said to be a Delta variant of the novel coronavirus, which is spreading rapidly in the United Kingdom. Speaking about Karnataka's preparedness Sudhakar said the state has started genome sequencing and have set up six-seven (genome) labs in the state. The minister said whenever a

new variant emerges the state can

Scheme to control dispersed pollution to come in 3 MCDs

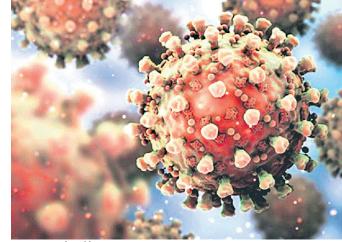
INDO-ASIAN NEWS SERVICE

New Delhi, Oct 26: A project to control air pollution from non-point dispersed sources will be implemented in areas of all three Delhi MCD areas with special focus on the winter season, an Environment, Forest and Climate Change Ministry statement said Tuesday.

According to the statement, at the review meeting held by the Commission for Air Quality Management in NCR and Adjoining Areas (CAQM) on October 21, it was decided that the project will go live in North DMC, East DMC and NDMC from October 27 "with improved inter-agency coordination among Delhi Pollution Control Committee, Nodal Officers and support from other agencies concerned. Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) has also been formulated for this purpose"

The project is a result of yet another pilot project carried out in December 2020 by the CAQM in NCR and adjoining areas with the





Representational image

immediately get the advice of the experts and discuss with the Indian Council for Medical Research (ICMR). Regarding the new variant cre-

ating fresh trouble in the UK. he said he will speak to the chairperson of the Technical Advisory Committee on COVID-19 on it. He also said that studies are underway to find

Delhi University admission on

special cut-off basis begins

out what variant it is. Sudhakar claimed those who have received two doses of the COVID vaccine need not be afraid of the virus as it will have little effect on them. The minister said there was no need to panic as the state government has taken enough steps to check the spread of the disease.

Granite stones sent to Ayodhya from K'taka for Ram temple

INDO-ASIAN NEWS SERVICE

Bangalore, Oct 26: The first batch of five trucks carrying granite stones to be laid at the foundation of Ram temple has been dispatched from Karnataka's Sadahalli village and will reach Ayodhya in eight days.

Two feet long and four feet high. 10,000 such granite slabs will be transported to Ayodhya. The stones will be sent in a phased manner for nearly six months. The stones will be laid to strengthen the foundation of the temple.

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Pejawar seer Vishwaprasanna Theertha Swami, Union Minister of State for Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, Shobha Karandlaje, BJP National Organising Secretary B.L. Santhosh and Bengaluru Development Authority Chairman, S.R. Vishwanath flagged off the trucks on Monday. A special puja ceremony was also organised by Swami Vivekananda Jagriti Samithi before the dispatch of the granite stones. The grand Ram Mandir will be thrown open to the public by 2023. The entire complex will be ready by 2025. As many as two lakh bricks collected by devotees by the Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP) will also be used in the construction of the temple. The foundation for the temple was laid by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Aug 5, 2020

IIT Delhi to offer new course on artificial intelligence

भारतीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान दिल्ली INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY DELN PRESS TRUST OF INDIA MTECH IN MINDS WILL BE A

INDO-ASIAN NEWS SERVICE

New Delhi, Oct 26: The special admission process of Delhi University began from Tuesday after incorporating some stringent terms and conditions in the merit list. This process is for those stu-

dents who were eligible to take admission on the basis of first, second or third cut-offs but could not submit applications due to some reasons. They will be admitted through a special cut-off, released by the university authorities.

Talking to IANS, Registrar of Delhi University, Vikas Gupta, said: "On the basis of the special cutoff list, applications for admission can be submitted from October 26, 10 a.m. to October 27 noon. The specific cut-offs are decided by the colleges based on the availability of vacant seats. These colleges will approve the eligible applications by October 28 and the fees needs to be deposited by October 29. No complaint will be entertained if a candidate fails to apply or make pay-

ment after this. The special cut-off list demands marks ranging between 96 and 99

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category. It has fixed 98.25 per cent cut-off for Economics, 98.75 per cent for B.Com Honours and 98.25 per cent for History.

Delhi University has a total of 70,000 seats for undergraduate courses and has, so far, released three cut-off lists for admission to these seats. As many as 1,70,186 students have applied on the basis of all the three cut-offs, till now. Out of these, only 58,000 students have received admission offers from_ various colleges.

Delhi University has made a sudden change in their admission eligibility after they released their first cut-off list this year, as a result of which several students who scored 99 per cent marks were also denied admission to many reputed colleges of the country like Hindu, Hansraj and Ramjas

New Delhi, Oct 26: The Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Delhi will start a new post gra

FLAGSHIP EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME FOR THE SCHOOL AND IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN IN

JULY 2022

dustry-relevant AI problems, since they will be co-advised by an IIT Delhi professor and a researcher from the sponsoring company. All students with an undergraduate degree in science or engineering will be eligible for the MINDS programme."Academic institutions today cannot remain in silos. They must work closely with all stakeholders, including industry, non-profit, and governmental organisations. The M.Tech programme will energise academia-industry collaboration in AI," said IIT Delhi Director V Ramgopal Rao. The MINDS curriculum will include graduate-level courses in core AI technologies like deep learning and data mining, application-oriented courses like computer vision, natural language processing, and AI for healthcare, and also fundamental courses on mathematics underlying modern AI technologies.

will be expected to work on in-

gramme focused on artificial intelligence from next year, according to officials. The School of Artificial

Intelligence (ScAI) at IIT Delhi will start a new post graduate programme focused on artificial intelligence. IIT Delhi's Senate, the faculty body responsible for taking all major educational decisions, has approved the proposed programme titled "M Tech in Machine Intelligence and Data Science (MINDS)," a top official of the institute said.

MTech in MINDS will be a flagship educational programme for the school and is expected to begin in July 2022. This will be the second degree offered by the department. Earlier, the school started a PhD in Artificial Intelligence.

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'Our PhD programme has gathered a lot of interest in its first year. We had a 90 pc success rate in PhD students joining ScAI last semester, which is exceptional for a young academic unit like ours, as students generally prefer more established academic programmes. But they chose us, suggesting that we have put together a really strong faculty team in

AI," the official added. The post graduate programme is planned as an industry-sponsored programme. The students

support of NGO, Air Pollution Action Group (A-PAG) in an area that falls under South Delhi Municipal Corporation (SDMC) jurisdiction to abate air pollution from large number of non-point dispersed sources. As per the Ministry, the pilot project was successful in identifying about 17,290 issues in 104 wards of South DMC. out of which 10,900 (63 per cent) of the issues pertain to the SDMC and the rest 6,400 (37 per cent) have been assigned to other agencies.

Under this pilot project, the SDMC has successfully resolved 95 per cent of the issues pertaining to its own jurisdiction, the ministry said.

courses in most colleges and is offering more opportunity for students under reserved category as compared to those under general

per cent for admission to various



Kejriwal announces free Ayodhya After BJP, AAP announces fogging campaign travel for Delhi's senior citizens

The Delhi Chief Minister had arrived at the Temple Town Monday and attended the 'Sarayu aarti' where he interacted with saints and seers

INDO-ASIAN NEWS SERVICE

Ayodhya/New Delhi, Oct 26: Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal Tuesday said the Delhi government would arrange free-ofcost travel for senior citizens from Delhi to Ayodhya.

"I want every Indian should be fortunate enough to have a 'darshan' (visit) of Ram Lalla. I am a small man but Lord Ram has given me enough and I will use my position to help people to come for darshan here,' Keiriwal added after offering prayers at the Ram Janmabhoomi temple in Ayodhya on Tuesday

Speaking to the media, he said "I pray to Lord Ram to help India move ahead in the world and bring prosperity for 130 crore people. Kejriwal, who visited the Hanuman Garhi temple, said he was fortunate



enough to be in Ayodhya and seek Minister had arrived at the Temple blessings from Lord Ram for the wel-Town Monday and attended the fare of Delhi. Uttar Pradesh and rest 'Saravu aarti' where he interacted of the country. The Delhi Chief with saints and seers.

INDO-ASIAN NEWS SERVICE

New Delhi, Oct 26: Criticising the **BJP-led Municipal Corporation** of Delhi (MCD) for not performing its duties properly, the ruling Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) on Tuesday announced a fogging campaign from October 27 in the national capital.

"BJP's MCD failed to fumigate Delhi and check the mosquito breeding due to which cases of dengue - an annual disease - have registered a surge. During our mohalla campaigns, we got to know that hardly any malaria inspec tor or other MCD officials visited their areas to spray chemicals or fumigate. So, AAP has decided to jump in and help people of Delhi by starting a fogging campaign from tomorrow despite the fact that it is not our but the MCD's responsibility," AAP spokesperson, Saurabh Bharadwaj, said at a press conference.

Claiming that the Delhi government has not withheld a single penny from the MCD, he alleged that



the BJP has used its revenues earned from toll tax and advertisements for "illegal purposes". He also said that the saffron party has floated a tender for medicines, which cannot be procured before December.

Responding to Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath's comment over his Delhi coun-

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terpart, Arvind Kejriwal's Ayodhya visit, Bhardwaj said: "Lord Ram does not belong to Ayodhya only. He belongs to everyone. People's comment over Kejriwal's Ayodhya visit shows their narrow-mindedness."

Delhi BJP president Adesh Kumar Gupta on Monday broke his silence over AAP's numerous attacks on his party's "inefficiency" in running the civic body in the city. Gupta said: "All three MCDs are working tirelessly day in, day out to control the vector-borne diseases in the national capital. The party has also instructed mayors of all three corporations to intensify fogging between October 26 and November 10.'





There is a possibility. I am telling you today. Keeping in mind the elections in Punjab and Uttar Pradesh, the three farm laws may be recalled and implemented again in a new form after the elections AKHILESH YADAV SAMAJWADI PARTY CHIEF

RIJIJU TO MEET STATE LAW MINISTERS NEXT MONTH

With several courts functioning from premises that have insufficient space or are in a dilapidated condition without basic amenities, Union Law Minister Kiren Rijiju will meet state law ministers next month



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A volcano has been building up in Jammu and Kashmir after the abrogation of Article 370

FAROOQ ABDULLAH NATIONAL CONFERENCE PRESIDENT

The people are upset and frustrated with inflation, unemployment. corruption, crime, shortage of electricity and water, nonpurchase of paddy and millets and breach of promises by the leaders of the ruling parties

BHUPINDER SINGH HOODA FORMER HARYANA CM



SHORT TAKES

5 civilians injured

Srinagar: Five civilians were injured Tuesday in a mysterious explosion in J&K's Bandipora district. Police sources said the civilians were injured in a mysterious explosion in Sumbal town of Bandipora district Tuesday morning. "The injured were shifted to a local hospital from where the attending doctors referred all of them to Srinagar for specialised treatment. "Security forces have rushed to the spot", sources said.

Man shot dead

Patna: In a case of honour killing, a man was shot dead in Bihar's east Champaran district, police said. The attackers also brutally assaulted the victim, Awanish Kumar Singh's father, mother and wife on Monday at their residence in Sarautha village. The mother is currently undergoing treatment in the hospital.

Sonia warns of Aryan bail plea: HC to continue hearing today 'lack of cohesion'

Chairing a meeting of party leaders to evolve a strategy for Assembly elections in five states early next year, she said there is "lack of clarity and cohesion" on policy issues even among state leaders



Congress General Secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra leaves after attending a meeting of AICC General Secretaries/In-Charges and Pradesh Congress Committee Presidents, at the party headquarters in New Delhi

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

New Delhi, Oct 26: In a candid message to top Congress leaders, party president Sonia Gandhi Tuesday said strengthening the organisation must override "personal ambitions" and emphasised the need for discipline and unity for both collective and individual success.

Chairing a meeting of party leaders to evolve a strategy for assembly elections in five states early next year, she said there is "lack of clarity and cohesion" on policy issues even among state leaders and expressed concern that the messages on key issues were not percolating down to the grassroot cadres.

Former party chief Rahul Gandhi along with Congress general secretaries, in-charges and pradesh presidents attended the meeting that also comes amid growing factionalism within the party's state units. Sonia Gandhi said the party also wishes to focus on training its cadres to counter BJP's "false propaganda" and will work

out modalities for the upcoming training programmes."The fight to defend our democracy, our constitution and the Congress party's ideology begins with being fully prepared to identify and counter false propaganda. We must fight the diabolical campaign of BJP/RSS ideologically. We must do so with conviction and expose their lies before the people if we are to win this battle," she said.

The meeting to chalk out a strategy ahead of assembly elections in Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Goa, Uttarakhand and Manipur also comes ahead of the party's new membership drive starting November 1. Stressing on training programmes for party workers, the Congress chief said it should be taken up on priority. Noting that new members are the "lifeblood" of any political movement, she said the young men and women across the nation seek a movement to give voice to their aspirations and it is the Congress' duty to provide them with a platform.

Navy officer held for leaking information

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

Mumbai/New Delhi, Oct 26: The legal team of Aryan Khan told the Bombay High Court Tuesday there was no evidence against him in the drugs-on-cruise case and was wrongly arrested as he distanced himself from the raging allegations of extortion attempt against NCB zonal director Sameer Wankhede, who came under a fresh round of attack from Maharashtra minister Nawab Malik.

There was no immediate relief for Aryan Khan (23), the jailed son of Bollywood superstar Shah Rukh Khan, as the HC adjourned to Wednesday the hearing on his bail plea after several hours of argument by the defence team headed by former Attorney General Mukul Rohatgi. Outside the court, Malik continued his tirade against Wankhede and levelled a new set of allegations, including illegal phone tapping, against him, while the under-fire IRS officer's wife came out in support for her husband, who landed in New Delhi and visited the NCB headquarters, where he spent over two hours. In another development related



to the cruise drugs case, a special NDPS Act court granted bail to two accused arrested in the case -Manish Rajgaria and Avin Sahu. They are the only accused who have been granted bail so far in the much publicized case, in which 20 people, including Aryan Khan, were arrested since the alleged seizure of drugs on a cruise ship off the Mumbai coast early this month. In the HC, Aryan Khan's lawyers Rohatgi and Satish Maneshinde argued before Justice N W Sambre that the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) had no ev-

idence against him. Aryan Khan also distanced himself from allegations of extortion attempts against Wankhede, who had supervised the raid on the ship on October 2. "Aryan has no complaints whatsoever against any officer of the NCB, including its zonal director Sameer Wankhede. Aryan is not concerned with these unsavoury controversies. He completely denies any relation to this,' senior counsel Rohatgi told the court. The NCB and Wankhede on Monday had said the extortion allegations were part of vendetta by

a political leader whose son-in-law had been arrested by the NCB in the past, the lawyer said.

"But today, the NCB is putting this on Aryan Khan and saying he is tampering with witnesses. This is affecting my client's case," Rohatgi argued. He contended that the "legislative intent" behind the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, under which Aryan Khan and others were arrested, was reformation in cases involving small quantities of drugs. The Act intends that young persons be treated as victims and not as accused, he added. Aryan Khan is a "young boy with no prior antecedents," Rohatgi added. "Section 64A of the Act provides immunity to those persons who have been accused of possessing small quantities. If these persons are agreeable to be sent to rehab then that should be allowed. Aryan's case is not even of possession or consumption," Rohatgi said, adding he cannot be held responsible for some other person's alleged possession of drugs.

The 23-year-old has been wrongly arrested and kept in jail for over 20 days, he said.

FOUR DIE IN Grant protection to witnesses: SC

PNN/AGENCIES

New Delhi, Oct 26: The Supreme Court Tuesday directed the Uttar Pradesh government to grant protection to the witnesses of Lakhimpur Kheri violence in which eight people including four farmers were killed during a farmers' protest.

A bench headed by Chief Justice N V Ramana asked the UP government, represented by senior advocates Harish Salve and Garima Prasad, to record the statements of other relevant witnesses before judicial magistrates under Section 164 of the CrPC.

"We direct the District Judge concerned to entrust the task of recording of evidence under Section 164 of the CrPC to the

New Rajya Sabha members take oath

INDO-ASIAN NEWS SERVICE

New Delhi, Oct 26: Chairman





nearest judicial magistrates available," said the bench which also comprised Justices Surva Kant and Hima Kohli.

Statements under Section 164 of the CrPC (Code of Criminal Procedure) are recorded before a judicial magistrate and they have evidentiary value. The bench asked Salve to convey its concerns to forensic labs and experts on preparation of reports on electronic evidence of the in-

cident and also directed the state government to file its report on two complaints including the one related to the lynching of a iournalist

'The state is directed to file separate replies in the cases," the bench said and fixed the plea for further hearing on November 8. During the hearing, the bench raised the question over the number of eve witnesses made by the prosecution in the case and said, 'The case is that thousands of farmers were going on and a rally was going on. Only 23 witnesses are eve witnesses?

Salve said that out of 68 witnesses, statements of 30 witnesses have been recorded under Section 164 of the CrPC and some more testimonies will be recorded.

A call about the fire was received at around 4 am and four fire tenders with 16 fire-fighters were rushed to the spot, said Atul Garg, director Delhi Fire Services. Domestic articles in a room on the third floor of the house caught fire, resulting in the death of four people. The victims were found dead on the spot. The building comprised ground plus three floors and situated in an area of about 25 square yards, he said, adding that it was a minor fire. The fire officer, however, has ruled out any incident of shortcircuit and based on their preliminary inquiry, they suspect that either a mosquito coil or an 'agarbatti' (incense stick) kept in the room could have sparked the fire which spread to the clothes kept on the table and later to the curtains. Deputy Commissioner of Police (Shahadra) R Sathiyasundaram said. "Our police team and Delhi Fire Services staff reached the spot immediately and the fire was brought under control. The crime team, officials from Forensic Science Laboratory and other senior officials also visited the scene of incidence.' Police said the fire might have broke out and spread across the third floor of the building. The victims did sustain burn injuries and might have died due to suffocation after inhaling smoke, but only the post-mortem report will be able to ascertain the exact cause of death and ascertain the extent of burn injuries.

DELHI FIRE PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

New Delhi, Oct 26: Four members of a family died Tuesday after a fire broke out on the third floor of a building in East Delhi's Old Seemapuri area, officials said.

The incident took place when the victims were asleep, they said. The deceased have been identified as Horilal (59), his wife Reena (55), their son Ashu (24) and daughter Rohini (18). The family members were sleeping on the third floor of the house, while their 22-year-old son Akshay had a narrow escape as he was sleeping on the second floor, they said.

Farmer dies

Rampur (Uttar Pradesh):

Raees Khan, 60, went to see his fields and was shocked to find the paddy crop that he had planted in his 10 bigha land, completely submerged in water. Unable to bear the damage he had suffered. Khan fainted and died in the field. His family later found his body in the field.

Woman found dead

Hyderabad: Police in Hyderabad were probing the death of a 24-year-old woman in a hotel as a case of suspected murder, after the man who had checked-in with her was on Tuesday found admitted in a hospital in Andhra Pradesh's Ongole town. Police were investigating if the man identified as Koti Reddy escaped to Ongole and got himself admitted to a hospital there after killing the woman. The body of Naga Chaitanya, a resident of Andhra Pradesh's Prakasam district, was found in a hotel room in Chandanagar on Monday evening.

Forest official stabbed in UP

Bijnor (UP): Four persons have been booked for allegedly stabbing a forest official, who objected to cattle grazing in Rahmatpur forest area in Chandpur range of Uttar Pradesh's Bijnor district. Bijnor Sub-Divisional Forest Officer (SDO), Harendra Singh said the injured official is undergoing treatment at a private hospital and is out of danger. A team led by forest ranger Karamveer Singh reached the spot following a tip-off that some local people were grazing cattle there and destroying newly planted saplings, he added.

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

New Delhi, Oct 26: The CBI has arrested five persons including a commander-rank Navy officer for allegedly leaking confidential information related to an ongoing submarines project in return for illegal gratification, officials said Tuesday

Besides the officer, two retired navy personnel and as many private persons were taken into custody under relevant sections of the Indian Penal Code and the Prevention of Corruption Act after the agency initiated action last month, the officials said.

So far, the agency has conducted searches at 19 locations in Delhi. Mumbai, Hyderabad and Visakhapatnam among others from where important documents and digital evidence have been seized and are being examined, they said. It is alleged that the commander,

has been serving at the Western Naval Command in Mumbai, had discussed crucial details about the ongoing modernisation project of

Kilo-class submarines with the two retired officers for alleged il-

legal gratification, they said. The Anti-Corruption Unit of the agency, which handles sensitive and high profile corruption cases, was tasked to unearth the leakage of information following which the operation was started, they said.

The unit has questioned several other officers and ex-servicemen who were in regular touch with the arrested officer and retired personnel, they said. The CBI is conducting a forensic analysis of digital products used by the officer to understand if the information had fallen into the hands of people with vested interests, they said.

"Investigation related to alleged information leak of administrative and commercial nature being with some unauthorised personnel has come to light and is being investigated by appropriate government agency," the Navy said in a statement

The investigation by the agency with complete support of the Indian Navy is in progress, it said.

of Rajya Sabha M. Venkaiah Naidu Tuesday administered oath to BJP's S.Selvaganabathy and Trinamool Congress Sushmita Dev as new Rajya Sabha members

Sushmita Dev, who was formerly with the Congress, left the party and joined Trinamool recently and is elected from West Bengal while Selvaganabathy has been elected from Puducherry on a BJP ticket.

After taking the oath, Sushmita Dev said, "I have the responsibility of three states. have been elected from West Bengal, my home state is Assam and am working in Tripura."

Dev was Lok Sabha MP from the Congress, but lost in 2019 and was also the chief of the women wing of Congress.

BJP's Selvaganapathy said that Puducherry needs more development. The BJP won the RS election in alliance with All India N.R. Congress in the state after defeating the Congress candidate



FESTIVE FEVER

Women shop at a market ahead of Diwali, in Kolkata

BOOSTING TIES

India, UK conduct mega tri-services wargame in Arabian Sea

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

New Delhi, Oct 26: India and the UK are carrying out a series of complex military drills as part of a tri-services wargame in the Arabian Sea, billed as the most ambitious exercise by the two

countries ever. The UK's Carrier Strike Group (CSG) led by its largest warship HMS Queen Elizabeth and several other frontline ships of the two navies are participating in the week-long 'Konkan Shakti' exercise that began on October 21, officials said.

A carrier battle group or carrier strike group is a mega naval

fleet comprising an aircraft carrier, accompanied by a large number of destroyers, frigates and other ships. The UK is only the third country after the US and Russia with which India is conducting a tri-services exercise.

Indian Navy's MiG 29K jets, the Royal Navy's F-35B aircraft and Indian Air Force's SU-30 and Jaguar fighters were among the key assets deployed for the exercise, the officials said. Indian Navy Spokesperson Commander Vivek Madhwal said the sea phase of the maiden tri-service exercise commenced off the Konkan coast in the Arabian Sea on Sunday after the completion of an exhaustive har-



bour phase. The British High Commission said personnel of all three services from both countries were participating in the tri-serv-

ice exercise and described it as the "most ambitious conducted by the two countries to date". It said the exercise is another step in deep-

ening bilateral defence and security ties and boosting strategic cooperation in the Indo-Pacific region.

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The high commission said the exercise provides an opportunity for the armed forces of two outwardlooking, confident democracies to work in synergy and uphold our shared commitment to peace and security

"The CSG's engagement with India showcases the deepening comprehensive strategic partnership. Both the Indian and the Royal Navy are blue-water, multi-carrier navies, which places us in a very exclusive club." said First Sea Lord Admiral and Chief of Naval Staff of the UK Admiral Tony Radakin.

"Our growing interactions are a testimony to the shared commitment to a rules-based international system, a belief in the values of open trade, and in the importance of the freedom of the high seas -a right conveyed on all nations," he said. Elaborating on the sea phase of the exercise, Commander Madhwal said all participating units were split into two opposing forces with the aim of achieving 'sea control' to land Army ground-troops at a pre-designated site. He said one force comprised INS Chennai, other warships of the Indian Navyas well as HMS Richmond, the Royal Navy's Type 23 frigate.











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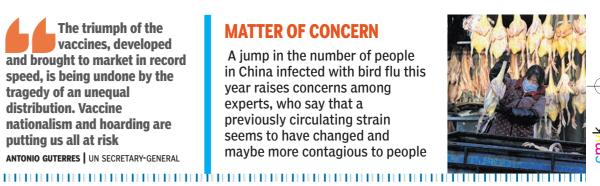
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The triumph of the vaccines, developed and brought to market in record speed, is being undone by the tragedy of an unequal distribution. Vaccine nationalism and hoarding are putting us all at risk ANTONIO GUTERRES | UN SECRETARY-GENERAL

MATTER OF CONCERN

A jump in the number of people in China infected with bird flu this year raises concerns among experts, who say that a previously circulating strain seems to have changed and maybe more contagious to people







Australia now has a target to achieve net zero emissions by 2050, and we have a clear plan for achieving it. The plan outlines responsible, practical action to achieve net zero that is in our national interest

SCOTT MORRISON AUSTRALIAN PM



TAMIM BIN HAMAD AL THANI EMIR OF OATAF

SHORT TAKES

US to lift all travel curbs

Washington: The US will lift all restrictions for fully vaccinated international travellers, including from India, from November 8 but they will have to show proof of a negative coronavirus test before boarding a flight to the country, the White House has announced. The updated travel guidelines issued on Monday also include new protocols around testing.

Queen back at work with light duties

London: Britain's Oueen Elizabeth II carried out her first engagements Tuesday since staying overnight in hospital last week, but Buckingham Palace confirmed that she will not be travelling to Glasgow for the COP26 climate summit next week According to the Royal Family's website, the monarch was listed as attending a reception on November 1 as part of the

No nod for Covaxin yet, **WHO seeks 'additional** clarifications': Report

The Covaxin has demonstrated 77.8% effectiveness against symptomatic Covid and 65.2% protection against the new Delta variant

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

United Nations/Geneva, Oct 26: The World Health Organisation's technical advisory group Tuesday sought "additional clarifications" from Bharat Biotech for its Covid-19 vaccine Covaxin to conduct a final "risk-benefit assessment" for Emergency Use Listing of the vaccine.

The technical advisory group will now meet November 3 for a final assessment. Hyderabad-based Bharat Biotech, which has developed Covaxin, had submitted EOI (Expression of Interest) to the WHO April 19 for the vaccine's

Emergency Use Listing (EUL). The technical advisory group met Tuesday to review data on Covaxin for the emergency use listing of India's indigenouslymade vaccine.

"The TAG met today (26 October 2021) and decided that additional clarifications from the manufacturer are needed to conduct a final EUL risk-benefit assessment for global use of the vaccine," the WHO said in an email response to a question by PTI on the decision regarding the Emergency Use Listing of Covaxin. "The TAG expects to receive these clarifications from the manufacturer by the end of this week, and aims to reconvene for the final risk-benefit assessment Wednesday, 3 November," it added. The Technical Advisory Group for Emergency Use Listing (TAG-EUL) is an independent advisory group that provides recommendations to WHO on whether

for emergency use under the EUL procedure. Earlier Tuesday, WHO spokesperson Dr Margaret Harris had said that on COVAXIN, the technical advisory group that reviews all the data for a potential emergency use listing was reviewing that data. In June, the company said it con-

cluded the final analysis of Covaxin efficacy from Phase 3 trials. Bharat Biotech's Covaxin and AstraZeneca and Oxford University's Covishield are the two widely used vaccines in India

The WHO has so far approved Covid-19 vaccines of Pfizer-BioNTech, AstraZeneca-SK Bio/Serum Institute of India. Johnson & Johnson-Janssen, Moderna, and Sinopharm for emergency use. Last week, the WHO had said it is expecting one additional piece of information from Bharat Biotech regarding Covaxin and emphasised that it has to thoroughly evaluate to ensure vaccines are safe and "cannot cut corners" before recommending a vaccine for emergency use. WHO has said the timeframe for its Emergency Use Listing procedure is dependent on how quickly a company producing the vaccine is able to pro-

vide the data required for WHO to evaluate the vaccine's quality safety. efficacy and its suitability for lowand middle-income countries. "When the information provided addresses all questions raised, WHO and the Technical Advisory Group

will complete the assessment and come to a final recommendation whether to grant Emergency Use a Covid 19 vaccine can be listed Listing to the vaccine," it has said.



An egret catches a fish in Mogan Lake in Ankara Imran dials Xi; vows to boost ties

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Islamabad, Oct 26: Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan and Chinese President Xi Jinping Tuesday agreed to further bolster their bilateral ties, including full realisation of the potential offered by the Phase-II of the Free Trade Agreement to overcome the economic headwinds.

The two leaders reviewed the bilateral ties and cooperation during a telephonic conversation Prime Minister Imran had with President Xi, the PM Office said in a statement.

Khan was appreciative of China's successful containment of the COVID-19 pandemic as well as the relief measures to developing countries, including the vaccine cooperation with Pakistan, it said.

"Taking stock of the negative impact of COVID-19 on the global economy, the two leaders agreed on further strengthening bilateral economic and commercial ties, including full realisation of the potential offered by the Phase-II of the China-Pakistan Free Trade Agreement, to overcome the economic headwinds." it said



NADEEM ANJUM NEW ISI CHIEF

he Pakistan Prime Minister's Office Tuesday notified the appointment of Lt Gen Nadeem Anjum as the new chief of the Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI). He will replace the incumbent Lt Gen Faiz Hameed from next month. Dawn reported. "The prime minister has seen and approved the appointment of... Lt Gen Nadeem Ahmed Anium... as director general Inter-Services Intelligence, with effect from November 20, 2021, from the panel of officers at para 6 of the summary," a notification issued by the Pak PMO dated October 26 said.

China-Pakistan Economic Corridor and regional development. (CPEC) projects, and welcomed Chinese investments in the CPEC Special Economic Zones. He also stressed that early

The two leaders agreed to promote CPEC's green development as a high-quality demonstration of China's Belt and Road Initiative.

Sudan general: PM detained in coup held for his own safety

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cairo, Oct 26: Sudan's ruling general said Tuesday that the prime minister he deposed in a coup was being held for his own safety and would likely be released soon. But he warned that other members of the dissolved government could face trial as protests against the putsch continued in the streets

A day after the military seized power in a move widely denounced by the international community, pro-democracy demonstrators blocked roads in the capital with makeshift barricades and burning tires.

Troops fired on crowds a day earlier, killing four protesters, according to doctors

The takeover came after weeks of mounting tensions between_ military and civilian leaders over the course and the pace of Sudan's transition to democracy

It threatened to derail that process, which has progressed in fits and starts since the overthrow



to be attended by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Suu Kyi testifies in junta court

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Bangkok: Ousted Myanmar leader Aung San Suu Kyi testified for the first time in a junta court Tuesday, four months after being put on trial by the military, a source with knowledge of the case told AFP. Myanmar has been in turmoil since the February 1 coup, with nationwide protests and more than 1,100 people killed by security forces, according to a local monitoring group

Trudeau gives women top roles

Toronto: Prime Minister Justin Trudeau overhauled his cabinet Tuesday and named women to the foreign affairs and defence posts in his gender balanced cabinet. Trudeau named Mélanie Joly as foreign minister and Anita Anand as defence minister. Chrystia Freeland, widely considered a favourite to replace Trudeau at some point, retains her positions as deputy prime minister and finance minister.

'Assange unwell'

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London: The fiancee of WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange said he was looking thin and unwell as the US appeals against a UK ruling blocking his extradition. Stella Moris who has two children with Assange, told in a news conference that she last saw Assange in London's Belmarsh Prison, She said Assange was wearing a T-shirt exposing his arms for the first time in a long while and "I was guite taken aback how thin he was".



The Prime Minister has lauded the successful, timely and highquality implementation of the

of work on the ML-1 railway project would complement Pakistan's geo-economics vision for national

The ambitious CPEC was launched in 2015 when President Xi visited Pakistan

of longtime autocrat Omar al-Bashir in a popular uprising two vears ago.

PLA deploys new type of all-terrain vehicle on border

China continues to bully its neighbours to try to coerce them into behaviour that is more in keeping with its national security or economic interests, the Pentagon said

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Beijing/New Delhi, Oct 26: The Chinese People's Liberation Army (PLA) Xinjiang Military Command has received a new type of all-terrain vehicle, which is expected to ensure logistics support to plateau border defence troops as winter draws close and as China-India border tensions again risk rising after the latest military talks failed to reach an agreement due to "unrealistic Indian demands", Global Times

The delivery of the vehicle comes at a time when China and India failed to reach an agreement during the 13th round of corps commander-level talks over issues related to the western section of the China-India border, with the PLA Western Theater Command slamming India for its unreasonable and unrealistic demands on October 11, Global Times said.

Several Chinese experts reached by the Global Times warned at the time that China needs to brace for the possibility of further Indian military aggression, as India is risk-



ing a new round of conflict. The unit that commissioned the new vehicle is garrisoned at a high-altitude, snowy border region that is extremely cold, lacks oxygen and has a complex terrain, which causes difficulties in logistics support including the transport of supplies, the PLA Xiniiang Military Command revealed in a release published on its WeChat account.

After several on-the-spot investigations, the vehicle was tailored to suit the needs of the troops, as it uses caterpillar tracks that aren't made from metal.

These tracks are sturdy, do not damage road surfaces, have high mobility and can carry heavy loads, the command said.

Cyber attack shuts down gas stations across Iran

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Dubai, Oct 26: A cyber attack targeted gas stations Tuesday across Iran, shutting down a government system managing fuel subsidies and leaving angry motorists stranded in long lines at shuttered stations.

No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack, though it bore similarities to another months earlier that seemed to directly challenge Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei as the country's economy buckles under American sanctions.

State television quoted an unnamed official in the country's National Security Council ac-

WAKE-UP CALL

Governments will be in the

spotlight at the COP26

conference in Glasgow to

last chance to put the

world on track

A UN report in August warned

that global warming due to

greenhouse gas emissions

could breach 1.5C in the next

two decades

that would result in a significant

knowledging the cyber attack hours after it aired images of long lines of cars waiting to fill up in Tehran.

State TV said Oil Ministry officials were holding an "emergency meeting" to solve the technical problem.

The semiofficial ISNA news agency, which first called the incident a cyberattack, said it saw those trying to buy fuel with a government-issued card through the machines instead receive a message reading "cyberattack 64411." Most Iranians rely on those subsidies to fuel their vehicles, particularly amid the country's economic problems.

UN chief laments 'leadership gap' ahead of climate talks

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reported.

Berlin, Oct 26: The head of the United Nations says a "leadership gap" is undermining the world's efforts to curb global warming, days before presidents and prime ministers from around the globe gather for a climate summit in Glasgow.

UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres told reporters Tuesday that time is running out to cut greenhouse gas emissions to meet the goals of the 2015 Paris accord and avert global warming that could damage the planet.

"The clock is ticking," he said in New York. "The emissions gap is the result of a leadership gap. But leaders can still make this a turning point to a greener future instead of a tipping point to cli-

mate catastrophe." Guterres spoke at the launch of a new report by the UN Environment Programme that found fresh pledges by governments to cut emissions are raising hopes but aren't strict enough to keep global warming from exceeding 1.5 degrees Celsius (2.7 degrees Fahrenheit)

by the end of the century. The report concluded that recent announcements by dozens of countries to aim for "net-zero" emissions by 2050 could, if fully implemented, limit a global temperature rise to 2.2 degrees Celsius (4F). That's closer but still above the less stringent target agreed in Paris climate accord of capping global warming at 2 degrees Celsius (3.6 F) compared to pre-industrial times. The United States, the European

Union and dozens of other countries have set net-zero emissions targets. However, the Environment Programme report said the net-zero goals that many governments announced ahead of a UN Climate summit in Glasgow next week remain vague, with much of the heavy lifting on emissions cuts pushed beyond 2030.

Guterres said scientists were clear on the facts of climate change, adding that "now leaders need to be just as clear in their actions." "They need to come to Glasgow with bold, time-bound, front-loaded plans to reach net zero," he said.

The report is one of several recent studies to examine the gap between what countries have pledged to do to cut emissions of planet-heating gases and what sci-



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entists say is required to meet 31-November 12 to discuss how countries and businesses can ad-Leaders, diplomats, scientists just their targets to avert the more and environmental campaigners extreme climate change scenarios

sea-level rise, more frequent wild weather and more droughts.

India among world's top 10 for climate tech investment: Report

India ranks ninth in the list of top 10 countries for climate technology investment over the past five years and Indian climate tech firms received \$1 billion in venture capital (VC) funding from 2016 to 2021, according to a new report released in London Tuesday.

'Five Years On: Global climate 🛁 tech investment trends since the Paris Agreement', by London & Partners and Dealroom.Co, analysed the trends in the sector since the last United Nations Conference of Parties (COP) in-Paris and ahead of the COP26 summit in Glasgow next week.



will meet in Glasgow from October

the Paris goals.









business

REUTERS

officials said

New Delhi, Oct 26: India plans to

pitch to companies such as Tesla

Inc, Samsung and LG Energy to

encourage them to invest in man-

ufacturing batteries locally, as it

looks to establish a domestic sup-

ply chain for clean transport, two

government sources told Reuters.

starting next month in countries

including the United States,

Germany, France, South Korea and

Japan to convince battery makers

to set up local production, one of the

Tesla, LG Energy and Samsung

are among those who will be invited

to attend, although a delegate list

has not yet been confirmed. Other

companies targeted include

Northvolt, Panasonic and Toshiba,

the official said. The move is part

of a broader \$2.4 billion incentive

programme to boost battery man-

ufacturing for which the govern-

ment has begun inviting invest-

ment proposals from companies.

Reliance Industries, Adani Group

and Tata Group have shown in-

terest, there has been little en-

thusiasm from global ones so far,

the official said. Some global com-

panies are hesitant to come in

without a local partner as it re-

quires large investment and India

still ranks poorly on contract en-

Others are choosing to invest in

bigger markets like the United

forcement, he added.

While domestic players like

India will host five roadshows



FACEBOOK PROFITS RISE AMID FALLOUT FROM LEAKED PAPERS

Amid fallout from the Facebook Papers documents supporting claims that the social network has valued financial success over user safety, Facebook Monday reported higher profit for the latest quarter. The company's latest show of financial strength followed an avalanche of reports on the Facebook Papers.



Jio adds, others lose

subscribers in state

TRAI's monthly report says, Jio

lowed by Vodafone Idea which lost

38.627 mobile subscribers in the

same month. Overall mobile sub-

scriber base in Odisha decreased

by 1,52,045 in the month and reached

3.49 crore as on August 31, 2021.

Nationally, Jio added the high

est 6.49 lakh mobile subscribers

in August 2021. In the recent 4G

speed data published by TRAI,

Reliance Jio had once again topped

the 4G download speed chart as it

recorded highest 20.9 mbps average

download speed in the month of

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The current Business Expectations Survey points to a recovery in business sentiments post the second wave of the

pandemic. The recovery is broadbased across firm size, ownership, and industrial sectors POONAM GUPTA DIRECTOR-GENERAL, NCAEF

The need to be locally present for complete applications has never been more relevant in the context of the automotive industry VIVEK CHAAND SEHGAL MOTHERSON GROUP CHAIRMAN

India-Sweden cooperation in the energy sector will go a long way in achieving the goal of fossil fuel free economy

JITENDRA SINGH UNION MINISTER

SHORT TAKES

DA hike to 31% from July 1: FinMin

New Delhi: Dearness Allowance for central government employees has been hiked to 31 per cent of the basic pay from 28 per cent with effect from July 1, 2021, the Finance Ministry said. In an office memorandum, the Department of Expenditure. under the Finance Ministry, said the term 'basic pav' means the pay drawn as per the 7th pay commission matrix and does not include any other type of pay like special pay, etc. "....The Dearness Allowance payable to central government employees shall be enhanced from the existing rate of 28 per cent to 31 per cent of the basic pay with effect from July 1, 2021," said the office memorandum dated October 25.

Banks sanction **₹11,168cr loans**

New Delhi: Banks have



New Delhi, Oct 26: Media major Zee Entertainment Enterprises Ltd (ZEEL) has cancelled its board meeting, scheduled to be held Wednesday for considering the results for the July-September quarter, due to lack of quorum.

In a regulatory filing Tuesday, ZEEL said, "A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company, which was scheduled to be held on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, inter alia, to consider and approve the unaudited financial results of the Company both on a standalone and consolidated basis for the 2nd quarter and half year ended September 30, 2021, has been cancelled due to lack of quorum."

The development comes at a time when the company is battling it out the single-largest shareholders Invesco Developing Markets Fund (formerly Invesco Oppenheimer Developing Markets Fund) and OFI Global China Fund LLC that together hold 17.88 per cent and have been pressing for an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders for removing Managing Director Punit Goenka, besides opposing ZEEL's proposed merger deal with Pictures Network India. Two independent board members-Manish Chokhani and Ashok Kurien - had resigned from the company last month after the allegations from Invesco and OFI Global China Fund LLC.

'The next date of the meeting will be duly informed with fresh notice," the company said.

ATTACKS ON CORPORATE HOUSES ON PROGRESSIVE COMMERCIALS ARE

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bers on the board of ZEEL, which include Chairperson R Gopalan and CEO & MD Punit Goenka.

pendent director - Piyush Pandey, Alicia Yi, Sasha Gulu Mirchandani and Vivek Mehra - on its board.

the requisition of Invesco and OFI EGM. After that, the shareholders National Company Law Tribunal filing a suit against the requisition.

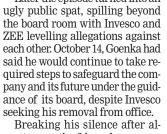
quired steps to safeguard the comseeking his removal from office. Breaking his silence after almost a month of boardroom war,



Presently, there are nine mem-

Besides, ZEEL has four inde-The ZEEL board turned down

Global China Fund LLC to call for moved the Mumbai Bench of the approached the Bombay High Court Later the episode turned into an





significant loss of subscribers in the state in the same month. added 29.989 new mobile subscribers and nearly 6000 JioFiber subscribers

in Odisha in the month of August. Bharti Airtel lost the highest 1,01,928 subscribers in the state during the same period. Among others, BSNL lost 41,468 mobile subscribers fol-

and subsequently, ZEEL has also

ZEE levelling allegations against ance of its board, despite Invesco

Goenka questioned the intention of Invesco while pointing fingers at investment firm over the corporate governance for not making public a proposed deal with Reliance Industries earlier.



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September 2021.

New Delhi. Oct 26: The Union government Tuesday said it has issued 202 notices to e-commerce players for incorrect declaration of 'country of origin' on products on their platforms in the last one year.

The maximum number of such violations was found with respect to electronic appliances, followed by clothing and home products.

Out of 217 notices, 202 notices were issued for violations relating to 'country of origin' norm. The rest 15 notices were for incorrect declaration of date of expirv/best before, address of manufacturer and importers, charging more than MRP. non-standard units and net quantity. However, the Consumer Affairs Ministry did not disclose the names of the e-commerce players to whom the notices were issued. When asked why the government was not naming and shaming the companies for violation, Consumer Affairs Secretary Leena Nandan said, "We are trying to do this exercise to alert both companies as well as consumers.' The companies should be aware that they do whatever is legally maintainable in terms of consumer redressal of grievances. And consumers need to know their rights, she said during a press conference.



they will also bring in good technology, quality and safety standards," the person said. India's plans come as nations prepare to meet in Glasgow next week for the United Nations Climate

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Change Conference (COP26). India sees clean auto technology as central to its strategy to cut pollution in major cities and reduce oil dependence, while also meeting its emissions targets.

Electric vehicles (EVs) currently make up a fraction of total sales in India mainly due to their high price as the batteries are imported. But growth is picking up as the government offers incentives to automakers as well as EV buyers.

tends electric cars to make up 30 per cent of total private car sales by 2030 and for electric motorcycles and scooters to make up 40 per cent of

This is expected to drive demand for batteries that currently contribute about 35 to 40% of the total vehicle cost, but can be lowered with local production

lion programme, India wants to establish a total of 50 gigawatt hours (Gwh) of battery storage capacity over five years which it expects will attract direct investment of about \$6 billion

To qualify for the incentives, companies must set up a minimum of 5 Gwh of storage capacity and meet certain local content conditions. This would require a minimum investment of more than \$850 million, the official said.

Under the terms of the \$2.4 bil-

The South Asian country in-

MCL touches new high of 5.56L tonne coal despatch



PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

New Delhi, Oct 26: Homegrown FMCG player Dabur has withdrawn its advertisement on Karva Chauth showing a lesbian couple celebrating the festival in the ad campaign of its Fem Creme bleach and has issued unconditionally apology.

After facing backlash on social media platforms and also from a politician from the ruling BJP, the company has withdrawn the ad campaign. "Fem's Karwachauth campaign has been withdrawn from all social media handles and we unconditionally apologise for unintentionally hurting people's sentiments," said Dabur India on its Twitter account. The development comes just a week after ethnic and traditional apparel maker FabIndia removing a promotional capsule about its new festive line after backlash from right-wing groups on social media platforms. The Fem Creme ad, which had gone viral, has depicted two young women preparing for their first Karva Chauth festival while one is applying bleach on the other's face. In the ad, both women are seen discussing the significance of Karva Chauth and the reason for celebrating it. Another woman joins them and gifts both of them a saree to wear for the occasion. In the night, both women are seen facing each other like hus-

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sanctioned loans worth ₹11,168 crore to about 2 lakh borrowers under the credit outreach programme, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said Tuesday. Under this programme, banks have been holding special camps across various parts of the country to sanction loans to eligible borrowers as per the prudential norms. Most of the banks have announced festival offers at concessional rates of interest and waived processing charges. "During her review of PSBs in Aug, Smt @nsitharaman had exhorted banks to conduct Credit Outreach Programme in Oct to support revival of economic growth. In line with this, banks have been holding districtwise & sector-wise loan outreach programmes," a tweet by the Finance Minister's office said.

Chip crunch to hit auto volumes

Mumbai: The ongoing chip shortage is likely to moderate passenger vehicle sales growth to 11-13 per cent this fiscal, down from the earlier volume growth forecast of 16-17 per cent, delaying the industry recovery as the waiting period is increasing amid strong demand due to production curbs, savs a report. The semiconductor shortage will lead to a decline of 400-600 basis points in sales from 16-17 per cent seen earlier to 11-13 per cent, according to a Crisil analysis of the top three passenger vehicles companies which command a combined market share of 71 per cent. Semiconductors or chips are key components of a vehicle as they facilitate a range of features such as navigation. infotainment and traction control and more the premium the use of chips goes up.

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Bhubaneswar: Oct 26: Continually raising the bar in coal supply to consumers, Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL) touched a new high with despatch of 5.56 lakh tonne coal to consumers, recently maintaining the average daily supply during the current month above 5.21 lakh tonne. This is a historic peak, living

up to the expectations of the nation during the increased coal demand. Refining its strategy in coordi-

nation with Railways authorities to maximise the coal supplies, MCL successfully exceeded the off-take target of 5.25 lakh tonne.

The company has also recorded the highest ever despatch of 4.45 lakh tonne to the power producers. A total 99 railway rakes and 18 MGR rakes were loaded, besides despatch of 1.56 lakh tonne through road. PK Sinha, Chairman-cumManaging Director, said, "I congratulate all my Area General Managers, Team M&S and departments at headquarters for the close coordination to maximise supplies from the company."

Reiterating that MCL has sufficient coal to replenish consumers' stock, the CMD said the company would continue with its efforts to ensure maximum coal to the consumers.

The leading coal producer, MCL supplies about 20 per cent coal to the consumers across the country. To further enhance coal despatch capacity and rapid movement of dry fuel to consumers, the company is aggressively implementing FMC (First Mile Connectivity) projects with capital outlay of ₹3,600 crore by 2024. During the current financial year, MCL supplied over 92 million tonne of dry fuel to consumers, registering a growth of 21% over last year.

band-wife with a decorated plate having a glass of water, signalling them as partners following which Fem's logo appears on the screen and the voiceover says, "glow with pride"

A section of people also hailed Dabur for its pro-LBGQTIA+ stance. Monday, Madhya Pradesh Home Minister Narottam Mishra had said he has directed the state police chief to convey to Dabur India to withdraw the 'objectionable' beauty product advertisement and take legal steps if the ad is not taken back by the consumer goods maker.

Earlier Sunday night, Dabur had responded to the social media backlash in a separate statement, saying, "Dabur and Fem as a brand strive for diversity, inclusion and equality, and we proudly support these values in our organisation and within our communities. Our campaigns too reflect the same. We understand that not everyone will

agree with our stance, and we respect their right to hold a different point of view. Our intention is not to offend any beliefs, customs and traditions, religious or otherwise. If we have hurt the sentiments of any individual or group, it was unintentional, and we apologise."

Attacks on corporate houses on such progressive commercials are on the rise in recent times.

Earlier, Tata Group's jewellery brand Tanisho was forced to withdraw an advertisement that showed an interfaith couple at a baby shower organised for the Hindu bride by her Muslim in-laws.

It withdrew the advertisement after trolling soon spread to physical threats to company employees and stores

Clothing brand Manyavar too was at the receiving end when its advertisement featuring actor Alia Bhatt in wedding attire, appeared to question an old tradition.

Regulator proposes disclosure norms for ESG MF schemes

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

New Delhi, Oct 26: Capital markets regulator Sebi Tuesday proposed disclosure norms for domestic ESG mutual fund schemes amid increasing activity in that space

ESG refers to Environment Sustainability and Governance, and the concept is gaining momentum with increased focus on sustainability.

"While all mutual fund schemes are subject to disclosure norms, disclosures assume further significance for ESG schemes, in order for them to be true to label which should reflect consistently in its name, stated objectives, its documented investment policy and strategy and its investments," Sebi said in a consultation paper.

With increased interest and focus on investments in the ESG space globally, Asset Management Companies (AMCs) in India have also been launching equity schemesin the ESG space under the thematic category.



Govt planning semiconductor

"The government is deliberating on a new semiconductor designlinked incentive scheme which envisages financial and infrastructure support for Indian MSMEs and startups right through the ideate stage to production stage. As and when these startups start produc-



they shall also avail additional incentives under the scheme on their net sales turnover," an official source told PTI.

Minister of State for Electronics and IT Rajeev Chandrasekhar last week had said that the government would host a conference of semiconductor companies in November to discuss India's policy roadmap in the segment.



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Shiva, Akash advance in Worlds Dravid applies for coach's job The second secon

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Belgrade, Oct 26: Five-time Asian medallist Shiva Thapa (63.5kg) stormed into the second round of the AIBA World Boxing Championships after out-witting Kenya's Victor Nyadera in his opening bout here Tuesday.

Thapa, competing in his third world championship, produced a fine tactical performance to prevail 5-0 against a spunky rival.

The Indian countered the height and reach of Nvadera with his measured counter-attacking approach. The Assam boxer, who won a bronze at the showpiece in 2015, will face Sierra Leone's John Brown October 30 in the round of 32.

Earlier Monday night, debutant Akash Sangwan (67kg) also sailed into the second round with a comprehensive 5-0 triumph over Turkey's Furkan Adem. Sangwan will next face Germany's Deniel



Krotter, who got a first-round bye. The Indian dominated Adem in a lopsided contest held late last night.

Another debutant Rohit Mor (57kg) gave India a winning start by outpunching Ecuador's Jean



Caicedo 5-0 in a confident open-

AKASH SANGWAN

ing-round performance this evening. Next up for him is Bosnia and Herzegovina's Alen Rahimic. Asian champion Sanjeet (92kg) received a first-round bye, along with Sachin Kumar (80kg). While

Sachin will face American Robby Gonzalez in the second round on October 30, Sanjeet will be up against Russian Andre Stotskii in his opening bout October 29.

With more than 600 boxers from over 100 countries in fray, a lot of competitors will have to win at least three bouts in some categories to get to the quarterfinal stage.

Asian silver-medallist Deepak Kumar (51kg), who impressed last year with his giant-slaying performances en route to a silver at the prestigious Strandia memorial tournament, will square off against Kyrgyzstan's Azat Usenaliev.

Sumit (75kg) will join Thapa and Deepak in competing on the day when he takes the ring against Jamaica's Damon O'Neill. Also in action would be Narender (+92kg), squaring off against Poland's Oskar Safaryan.

New Delhi, Oct 26: Celebrated former captain Rahul Dravid is all but certain to be the Indian cricket team's next head coach after he formally applied for the high-profile position Tuesday.

With Dravid, the current head of National Cricket Academy (NCA) applying, the job for the Cricket Advisory Committee becomes easier as there aren't any big names in fray who can match the batting great's stature.

Also, it is reliably learnt that he is the first and only choice of BCCI president Sourav Ganguly and sec-retary Jay Shah. "Yes, Rahul has formally applied today as it's the last day of the deadline. His team at the NCA, bowling coach Paras (Mhambrey) and fielding coach Abhay (Sharma) have already applied. His application was just a formality," a senior BCCI official told this agency Tuesday.

Dravid had recently met the BCCI brass in Dubai on the sidelines



of the IPL final between KKR and CSK where Ganguly and Shah spoke to him about taking up the position once Ravi Shastri steps down at the end of India's campaign in the ICC T20 World Cup. Under Dravid, a new era in

Indian cricket will start with the home series against New Zealand where he will take charge. LAXMAN IN FRAY FOR NCA

Former India batting great VVS Laxman could again be back in the fray to head the NCA in case the post falls vacant in the coming days.

Laxman might not continue as the mentor of IPL side SRH and in case, he is selected, he would also have to leave his media commitments including commentary and writing columns. Laxman, it is learnt, was reluc-

tant to take up the offer but BCCI would once again be approaching him. In case he again turns down the offer, they would have to look for other options. Anil Kumble is another big name but it remains to be seen whether the BCCI would approach the former India captain. **RATRA FOR FIELDING COACH POST**

Former India wicket-keeper Ajay Ratra has applied for the position of the fielding coach of the Indian Cricket team. "It will be great if I can contribute in Team India's success if given a chance," Ratra, who has played six Tests and 12 ODIs, told this agency Tuesday. Ratra is currently the head coach of Assam. In the IPL, he has worked with Delhi Capitals and has also worked with the Indian women's team.

Rauf guides Pakistan to 2nd successive win



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Sharjah, Oct 26: Pacer Haris Rauf (4/22) led a clinical bowling show as Pakistan registered their second successive victory in the ICC T20 World Cup beating New Zealand by 5 wickets in their Super 12 match here. Tuesday.

Pakistan restricted the Kiwis to 134/8 after winning the toss and opting to field first. In response,

Pakistan were reduced to 87/5 in 14.5 overs. However, experienced Shoaib Malik (26 n o, 20b, 2x4, 1x6) and Asif Ali (27 n o, 12b, 1x4, 3x6) kept their calm and finished the

game with 8 balls to spare. The Kiwis were in all sorts of trouble with opener Daryl Mitchell and Devon Conway top-scoring with 27 each and captain Kane Williamson contributing 25.

New Zealand could not have one substantial partnership with their highest being the 36-run opening stand between Mitchell and Martin Guptill (17). Shaheen Afridi (1/21), Imad wasim (1/24) and Mohammad Hafeez (1/16) also took one wicket

each for Pakistan. BRIEF SCORES: New Zealand 134/8 (Daryll Mitchell 27, Devon Conway 27, Kane Williamson 25; Haris Rauf 4/22) lost to Pakistan 135/5 (Mohammad Rizwan 33, Asif Ali 27 n o, Shoaib Malik 26 n o; Ish Sodhi 2/28) by 5 wickets.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Pakistan's Rizwan voices support for Shami

SHARJAH: Pakistan wicket-keeper Mohammad Rizwan Tuesday urged people to show respect to players, voicing his support for senior India pacer Mohammed Shami, who was subjected to abuse on social media following the national team's World Cup loss to the arch-rivals. "The kind of pressure, struggles & sacrifices a player has to go through for his country & his people is immeasurable. Shami is a star & indeed one of the best bowlers in the world. Please respect your stars. This game should bring people together & not divide them #Shami #PAKvIND," Rizwan wrote on Twitter.

Hardik's injury not serious, says BCCI

DUBAI: Flamboyant India allrounder Hardik Pandya's shoulder injury sustained during the T20 World Cup opener against Pakistan is believed to be a minor one and he is likely to be available for the next game against New Zealand October 31. Pandya, who did not bowl in the IPL last month, is playing only as a batter right now and scored 11 off 8 balls Sunday night during India's 10-wicket loss, looking distinctly uncomfortable against pacers before being hit on the shoulder by a short ball.

Berrettini secures **ATP Finals berth**

TURIN: Italy's Matteo Berrettini will make his second Nitto ATP Finals appearance after becoming the sixth singles player to qualify for the 2021 season finale, to be played at the Pala Alpitour in Turin, November 14-21. He secured his spot reaching the Erste Bank Open second round in Vienna Monday evening. This year marks the first edition of this event in Turin, following a 12-year stint in London. Berrettini joins Andrey Rublev, Djokovic, Daniil Medvedev, Stefanos Tsitsipas and Alexander Zverev in the event.

No spectators at junior hockey WC

NEW DELHI: Spectators will not be allowed at the Men's Hockey Junior World Cup scheduled to begin at Bhubaneswar November 24 and the event will be a telecast-only affair, it was announced Tuesday. The Hockey India and International Hockey Federation (FIH) have jointly decided to hold the marquee quadrennial tournament under closed doors. The tournament has suffered a few setbacks due to the Covid-19 pandemic with Australia New Zealand, and England withdrawing their teams. While Australia and New Zealand decided to pull out their teams due to the travel restrictions imposed by their respective governments, England cited concerns over Covid cases in India as a reason to pull out of the event. With this in mind, the organising committee has decided to be extra cautious. Earlier, there were reports that the Odisha government might allow 30 percent spectators inside the Kalinga stadium.

Markram, bowlers help **Proteas thrash Windies** South Africa will next play Sri Lanka in their third Group 1 match October 30, while West Indies will



Aiden Markram slog-sweeps one during his innings, Tuesday

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Dubai, Oct 26: Aiden Markram (51 n o, 26b, 2x4, 4x6) struck a whirlwind unbeaten fifty as South Africa produced an all-round effort to bounce back strongly from their opening defeat and beat West Indies by eight wickets to secure their first win in the Super 12 stage of the ICC T20 World Cup here Tuesday.

Evin Lewis' (56, 35b, 3x4, 6x6) initial onslaught to restrict West Indies to 143/8 and then rode on solid batting displays from Markram, Rassie van der Dussen (43 n o, 51b, 3x4) and Reeza Hendricks (39, 30b, 4x4, 1x6), who replaced Quinton de Kock dropped for not taking knee against racism, to comfortably chase down the target with 10 balls to spare.

take on Bangladesh a day earlier.

South Africa first weathered

Earlier, Lewis smashed a quickfire fifty before West Indies lost the plot to manage the modest score. Skipper Kieron Pollard (26) made some useful contribution.

BRIEF SCORES: WI 143/8 (Evin Lewis 56; Dwayne Pretorius 3/17, Keshav Maharaj 2/24) lost to SA 144/2 (Aiden Markram 51 n o, Rassie van der Dussen 43 n o, Reeza Hendricks 39) by 8 wickets.



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