

WOOING FANS

Actor Shruti Haasan wins hearts of netizens with a recent post on her social media handle

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50 MIGRANTS DIE

Fifty migrants die after being abandoned in a tractor-trailer in the sweltering Texas heat near Mexico border

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HS Prannoy toils hard before prevailing against local hero Daren Liew to progress at the Malaysia Open

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NEWS IN BRIEF

19 dead in Mumbai building collapse

MUMBAI: Nineteen people were killed and 14 others injured after a four-storey residential building located in Kurla's Naik Nagar Society collapsed, officials said Tuesday. Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) Commissioner, Iqbal Singh Chahal, said four people died on the spot while 10 others breathed their last while undergoing treatment at various hospitals here. He also said another portion of the building is likely to crash and the residents have been moved to safety. Each of the deceased's families will be provided an ex-gratia of ₹2 lakh from the PM's Relief Fund.

Mukesh hands over Jio reins to Akash

NEW DELHI: Mukesh Ambani has resigned from the board of his group's telecom arm, Reliance Jio and handed over the reins of the company to elder son Akash, a step seen as succession planning by the 65-year old billionaire. In a stock exchange filing Reliance Jio Infocomm said Tuesday that the company's board at a meeting June 27, 'approved the appointment of Akash M Ambani, non-executive director, as chairman of the board of directors of the company'. This comes after his father resigned with effect from close of working hours June 27, the filing stated. Last year, Mukesh said that his kids were taking more responsibilities as part of the leadership shift. P11

16 die in Bihar due to lightning

PATNA: Sixteen people were killed in lightning strikes and thunderstorms Tuesday across Bihar, as per an official statement. Four people died in East Champaran district, three people each were killed in Bhojpur and Saran, two people each in West Champaran and Araraia, and one person each in Banka and Muzaffarpur, it said. Expressing grief over the deaths, Chief Minister Nitish Kumar announced an ex-gratia of ₹4 lakh for the families of each victim. He also requested people to 'stay at home and stay safe in bad weather'. It should be stated that 17 people were killed June 20 due to lightning strike in Bihar.

IRREGULAR by MANJUL



Of course, the country guarantees freedom of speech! You belong to ruling party, right?

INDEX	VALUE	ARIATION
SENSEX	53177.45	▲ 16.17
NIFTY	15850.20	▲ 18.15
DOLLAR	78.77	▲ ₹0.43
EURO	83.09	▲ ₹0.10
GOLD	₹50,822	▲ ₹173
SILVER	₹59,670	▲ ₹276

	BHUB	CTK
MAX	34.0°C	34.0°C
MIN	26.4°C	25.5°C
Humidity	88%	76%
Rainfall	30.4mm	5.6mm

Forecast: Light to Moderate Rain

LAST MINUTE PREPARATIONS



An artisan gives finishing touches Tuesday, on the horses to be fixed on the chariots for the Rath Yatra festival in Puri Friday

OP PHOTO

Govt asks ULBs to ensure accident-free roads, drains

Officials asked to certify 'there are no more unsafe spots endangering public safety' during monsoons

POST NEWS NETWORK

Bhubaneswar, June 28: With the arrival of monsoon in the state, the Odisha government has asked all Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) to make field verifications to ensure accident-free roads and drains. Housing and Urban Development (H&UD) Principal Secretary G Mathi Vathanan has written a letter to commissioners of municipal corporations and executive officers of the municipalities and NACs in this regard. In the letter it has been stated that all major open drains have to be covered with slabs and the vulnerable points should have net covers with warning signs put prominently in place. It is also important to replace/repair the drain covers or inspection chambers on the roads /drains properly to avoid accidents, he suggested. The principal secretary has also asked the ULBs to carry out desilting of drains regularly to ensure



free flow of storm and rain water during the monsoons. During or after desilting or maintenance work, the openings are not covered properly leading to accidents when the place is flooded during heavy rains, Vathanan said in the letter. "There were incidents of accidents with a few fatalities in the past evoking strong public reaction, causing adverse media reports and also bringing bad name for the government. They also result in cases in the Human Rights Commissions," he pointed out. "These should be avoided," he stated. Contd...P4

Grisly tailor murder jolts Udaipur

Prohibitory orders issued, internet services suspended in Rajasthan as curfew imposed in several parts of Udaipur

AGENCIES

Udaipur, June 28: Two men with a cleaver murdered a tailor here and posted videos online that said they are avenging an insult to Islam. The gruesome incident triggered stray cases of violence in the Rajasthan city, a part of which was placed under curfew. Prohibitory orders banning people from assembling were clamped across the state for a month and mobile internet services suspended for the next 24 hours. At 8.00pm, curfew was declared till further orders in seven police station areas of Udaipur city. The Union Home Ministry dispatched a team from the (NIA) to Udaipur as the Centre is treating the murder as a 'terror' incident, officials said. It will probe whether the assailants have any links with the IS. The Rajasthan Police also announced a special investigation team (SIT) to probe the murder soon after the arrest of the two men, identified as Riaz Akhtari and Ghouse Mohammad. In a video clip, Akhtari declared

that they had 'beheaded' the man and went on to threaten Prime Minister Narendra Modi, saying their knife will get him as well. They also threatened suspended BJP spokesperson Nupur Sharma. Kanhaiya Lal, the tailor, was recently arrested by the local police over some remarks made on social media by him. A BJP leader said the victim feared for his life and had sought police protection, but the authorities did not act on his appeal. The assailants entered Kanhaiya's shop in Dhan Mandi posing as customers. As the tailor took the measurements Akhtari attacked him with a cleaver, nearly severing his neck. The other man shot the brutal murder with his mobile phone. Police sources said Akhtari works at a local mosque and the other assailant runs a grocery shop. As the videos circulated on social media, tension escalated. Shopkeepers in local markets downed shutters. For several hours, they stopped police from taking away the body, saying they will allow the removal of the corpse only after the murderers are arrested and compensation - ₹50 lakh and a government job - given to the victim's family. Later, they agreed to assurances given by the authorities. On Twitter, Rajasthan CM Ashok Gehlot appealed for calm and asked people not to share the videos. "The



Protests erupted at many places in Udaipur after the tailor's gruesome murder Tuesday

PTI PHOTO

guilty will not be spared. The entire police team is working on it with full alertness. I can imagine the anger which is there among people due to the murder. We are taking action accordingly," he said. About 600 more policemen, in-

cluding five companies of the Rajasthan Armed Constabulary, were sent to Udaipur, officials said. Senior police officers were also rushed to the city. Gehlot said the trial will be fast-tracked under the state's 'case officer scheme'.

No end to elephant deaths

Another carcass found in Tikarpada forest range taking the toll to six in this month

POST NEWS NETWORK

Angul, June 28: The death of one more elephant in the state was reported Tuesday, taking the toll to six in this month. The incident was reported from Tikarpada forest range under Satkosia Wildlife Division in this district. Sources said that the five-year-old tusker was ailing for the last 10 days. Though officials of the Forest department had spotted the calf, they failed to provide treatment as it was surrounded by a herd. They managed to provide treatment from Monday, but the elephant did not survive and died the same night. However, the exact cause behind the elephant's death will only be known once its post-mortem report comes, said Satkosia divisional forest officer (DFO) Saroj Panda. Sources did not rule out the involvement of poachers. It should be stated here that Crime Branch officials helping the



Forest officials recovered Tuesday the carcass of an elephant in Tikarpada forest range in Satkosia Wildlife Division

OP PHOTO

SIT team probe into the deaths of elephants had found a carcass Monday in Mandap reserve forest in Gopapur section of Badamba. Prior to that an ailing tusker, which had sought refuge in a pond at Samplahara in Badasahi range under Sambalpur forest division, died hours after it was brought out of the water body June 21. A tusker which was shot by alleged poachers a few weeks ago in Narasinghpur range of Athgarh forest division, succumbed to injuries June 14. The 10-year-old

tusker had multiple gunshot wounds on its body. The Special Task Force (STF) of Odisha Police exhumed remains of two elephant carcasses from Athagarh forest range June 2 and 3. The elephants had died due to electrocution and their bodies were buried in order to conceal their deaths. Regional Chief Conservator of Forests M Jogajaynanda had said, adding that six persons including a forest guard and three trackers have already been arrested in this connection.

News channel editor under EOW scanner

POST NEWS NETWORK

Bhubaneswar, June 28: The Economic Offence Wing (EOW) of state Crime Branch conducted a raid Tuesday at the residence of the Editor-in-Chief of a private news channel in connection with the allegations of fraud to the tune of ₹1 crore. The editor of the channel was not present during the raid as he is outside the city for some personal reasons. New Delhi-based businessman, Gagandeep Singh Chawla lodged a complaint June 23 with the EOW accusing the editor of duping him of ₹1,00,47,070. Based on the complaint, the EOW has registered a case and started investigation. Chawla incidentally, is the owner of a company involved supplying in the manufacture, purchase and sale of IT and broadcasting equipment. These are mostly supplied to different TV channels. The firm also helps entrepreneurs to set up news rooms and studios and rents out equipment. In August 2020, the editor of the Odia news channel contacted Chawla and requested him to sup-

ply equipment required to establish a new TV studio for his news channel project. He also sought his service in installation of equipment and setting up of the studio. The accused also paid an advance of ₹10 lakh in October 2020. Chawla then supplied the equipment and provided service for setting up of the news studio here. However, the editor reportedly did not pay the cost of the equipment and service charges amounting to ₹1,00,47,070 despite many reminders. Meanwhile, another case (151/22) has been filed against the editor at the Purighat police station by Nishit Agarwal who alleged that the accused has cheated him of ₹4.50 lakh. The police are investigating the matter. On the other hand, Das refuted the allegations levelled by Chawla. He said that most of the equipment supplied were of sub-standard quality and not usable for broadcast purpose. He added that most of the costly hardware and software provided by Chawla have been returned and hence he did not pay for them.

Editors' Guild protests against Zubair's arrest

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New Delhi, June 28: The 'Editors Guild of India' termed Tuesday as 'extremely disturbing' along with a number of Left parties, the arrest of 'AltNews' co-founder Muhammad Zubair in a case related to an 'objectionable tweet' he had posted in 2018 against a Hindu deity. The Editors' Guild came out with a strong reaction. "It is apparent that 'AltNews' alert vigilance was resented by those who use disinformation as a tool to polarise society and rake nationalist sentiments," the Guild said in a statement. "Zubair has been arrested under sections 153 and 295 of the IPC. This is extremely disturbing because Zubair and his website 'AltNews' have done some exemplary work over the past few years in identifying fake news," the Editors' Guild added. P8

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DEPP 'IN TALKS' FOR COMEBACK IN PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN

Johnny Depp is reportedly in negotiations to make his comeback in the *Pirates of the Caribbean* franchise. Earlier, he was dropped from the blockbuster series in 2018, after his ex-wife Amber Heard, branded him a domestic abuser in her Washington Post op-ed that year.

MCCONAUGHEY APPLAUDS BIDEN'S GUN CONTROL BILL

Matthew McConaughey has hailed US President Joe Biden's gun control bill as a step in the right direction just weeks after a deadly school shooting in the actor's hometown. The Oscar-winner has been speaking out on America's gun control issues after the recent killing of 19 kids and two teachers in Texas.



FORTUNE FORECAST

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ARIES

Today will be a difficult day full of action. You may not agree with your friends about trifling matters, but you will love it. You will complete all work that has been pending, which will give you relief. Ganesh says it is an optimistic day.

TAURUS

You can expect a pleasant, comfortable day at the office, today, so says Ganesh. You will be carrying out your work cheerfully and effortlessly. You could, later in the evening, have a strong urge to go out for dinner with your family and friends. If that does happen, you're certain to go for an after dinner movie, or an ice cream treat. The day promises you lots of fun and amusement.

GEMINI

You know where you are headed, and will redouble your efforts to reach your goals today. You are full of energy and enthusiasm, which helps you to achieve all your targets. You will receive unexpected gains owing to your hard work. Bountiful success will be yours at the end of a hard day's labour, says Ganesh.

CANCER

Sentimentalism will be hinder your path of success. So, says Ganesh, give up too much sentimentalism. It can be quite a hazard in the future. You will win over people with the force of speech and polite approach.

LEO

You will be able to influence people with your co-operative and accommodating attitude today. You will have discussions on various topics with people who come into contact with you. You will also come into contact with people who share the same mental wavelength as you do, says Ganesh.

VIRGO

There will be dirt on your shoulder today, so dust it off, says Ganesh, because every time you fall you will get up stronger than before. Your logic and analytical skills will help you find the necessary precision to accomplish tasks at work. You may spend the evening with a close friend or your beloved, engrossed in a stimulating conversation.

LIBRA

Ganesh says that today you will get worried over petty matters and be tense. To get mental peace keep yourself occupied with religious or spiritual activity. Along with that if you go to some religious place you will gain mental peace, which will stay with you for a long time.

SCORPIO

You may be in a mood to build castles in the air today, says Ganesh. You may be caught up in a whirlpool of thoughts and nostalgia. However, you will soon realise that the time once gone, never comes back and so, you make up for the lost time by beginning the new chapter of your life from today itself.

SAGITTARIUS

You are caught in a whirlpool of emotions, predicts Ganesh. You may come across many ups and downs today. However, nothing seems to deter you from your determination and dedication towards work.

CAPRICORN

You are busy as a beaver. It is extremely difficult for you to think for yourself as you are all tied up by the demands of your work. You want to be creative, but again, the workload will not let you have that freedom, says Ganesh. You have learnt the art of time management. So, you have properly lined up your priorities and success is waiting for you.

AQUARIUS

You will hit the bull's eye, today. From the smallest to the biggest, all of your plans will turn into reality. Don't get disheartened if there are some obstacles on your path; you are fully armed to face the challenges and come out triumphant. Get yourself in the top gear, you will surely succeed, says Ganesh.

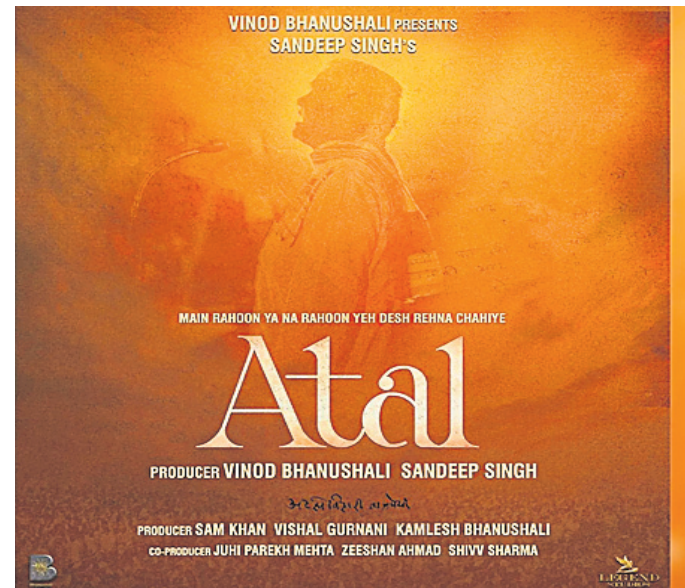
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For those looking for a promotion at the work-place, now is the time to ask for it. Freelancers could find interesting projects falling into their laps. Businesses are likely to see a surge in profits. No conflicts in personal life are indicated. Overall, a progressive and pleasant day awaits, says Ganesh.

Vajpayee to shine on silver screen

Mumbai: Former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee's life will soon be painted on the silver screen as a movie on the former Prime Minister of India has been announced. Titled, *Main Rahoon Ya Na Rahoon, Yeh Desh Rehna Chahiye - Atal*, this movie is an adaptation of Ullek NP's book *The Untold Vajpayee: Politician and Paradox*. A teaser of the film was unveiled Tuesday with the film announcement. The film's director and cast have not been unveiled yet but the makers plan to start shoot from early 2023 and have plans to release the film during Christmas next year. Interestingly, the release of *Main Rahoon Ya Na Rahoon, Yeh Desh Rehna Chahiye - Atal*

being planned to coincide with the 99th birth anniversary of Atal Bihari Vajpayee. This movie is being produced by Vinod Bhanushali and Sandeep Singh. Speaking about the project, producer Vinod Bhanushali said in a statement, "I have been a great fan of Atalji all my life. His contribution to our nation building is unparalleled, and it is our great honour to bring his legacy to the silver screen." Filmmaker Sandeep Singh had shared, "Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Ji was one of the greatest leaders of Indian history who won hearts of enemies with his words. Being a filmmaker, I feel that cinema is the best medium to communicate such untold stories."



Aamir reaches out to Assam's flood victims

Mumbai: As Assam witnesses one of the deadliest floods in its history, actor Aamir Khan, who is awaiting the release of his upcoming film *Laal Singh Chaddha*, recently extended help towards the CM Relief Fund for Assam. Currently, over 21 lakh people continue to remain in distress under the impact of the deluge. Taking to his social media, Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswas Sarma shared a gratitude note dedicated to Aamir. He wrote, "Eminent Bollywood actor Aamir Khan extended a helping hand to the flood-affected people of our State by making a generous contribution of Rs 25 lakh towards CM Relief Fund. My sincere gratitude for his concern and act of generosity." In the wake of ravaging surges, several Indian philanthropists are coming ahead to lend help. With their homes and fields submerged, several families in Assam have no option but to inadvertently risk conflict with wildlife in an elephant corridor in Nellie's Khulihat Forest. AGENCIES

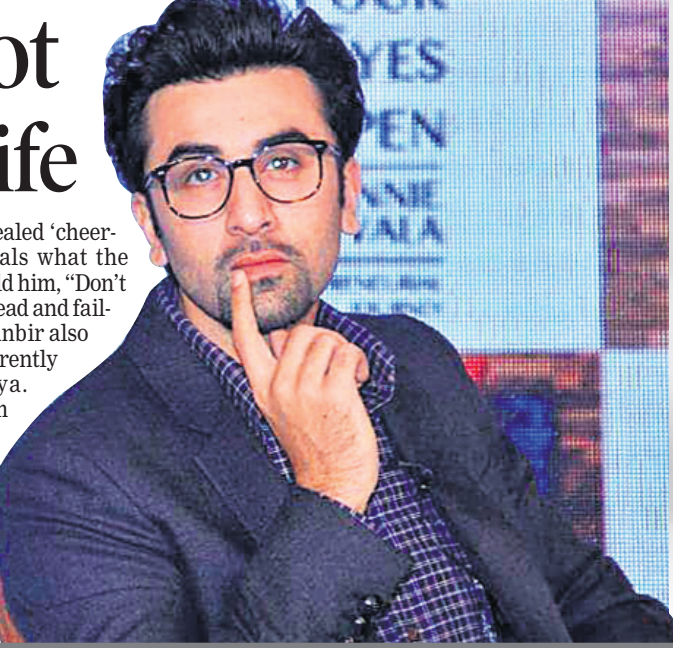
Shruti motivates fans to be 'weird'

Chennai: Shruti Haasan is known to have a unique personality and her fans love her for it. She keeps on treating the netizens with fun posts on social media. This time as well, the diva took to her Instagram handle and posted some goofy pictures, her expression took the cake. The *Salaar* actress motivated all to stay weird. Posting these photos, she wrote, "Progression does not always mean progress...stay weird lovelies - sending you love." Meanwhile, Shruti Haasan enjoyed a relaxing Sunday this weekend. The *Vakeel Saab* star dropped some sneak peeks from her lazy day on the photo-sharing app, along with the caption, "I had a beautiful day... those are special.. rainy lazy and filled with hope.. grateful for me I've become and the souls that surround me @santanu_hazarika_art." On the work front, Shruti Haasan has many thrilling projects alongside bigwigs from the industry in her kitty. Initially, she awaits the release of her pan-India drama *Salaar*, with Prabhas as the protagonist. The star will also share the screen with Megastar Chiranjeevi in director Bobby's next. Titled *Chiru154* for now, the venture is slated for Sankranthi 2023 release. AGENCIES

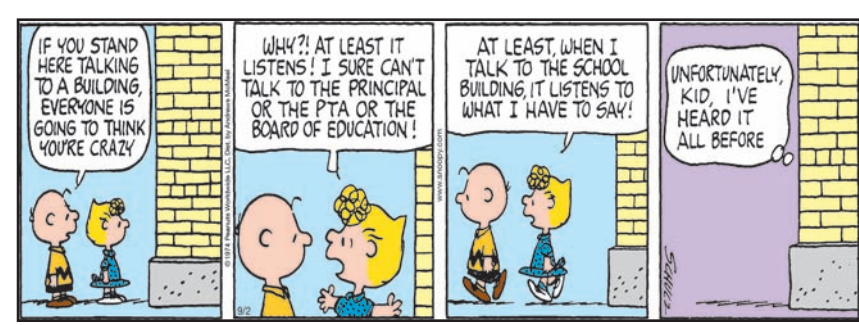
Ranbir reveals a lot about his personal life

Mumbai: Ranbir Kapoor, also known as RK for his fans, is one of the most-loved actors in Hindi film industry. The trailer of his film *Shamsher* was released recently and fans have been going gaga over his new avatar. Yash Raj Films took to their social media and shared a video of Ranbir revealing a lot of things in a fun rapid fire round. From talking about who he is crushing on currently to talking about Alia and his relationship, here is what he has to say. The first question was, is he a mumma's boy or papa's boy, Ranbir Kapoor revealed that he is a mumma's boy. Then he was asked about the one thing that he adores about Alia Bhatt, Ranbir said, "she is very loving". The next question asked him to name a song that he secretly dances to, the

Shamsher actor revealed 'cheerleader'. Ranbir reveals what the iconic Rishi Kapoor told him, "Don't take success to your head and failure to your heart." Ranbir also revealed that he is currently crushing on Zendaya. Also, he named his film *Ajab Prem Ki Ghazab Kahani* his most underrated film and said that his wife, his dogs, cool breeze and a good movie make him smile. AGENCIES



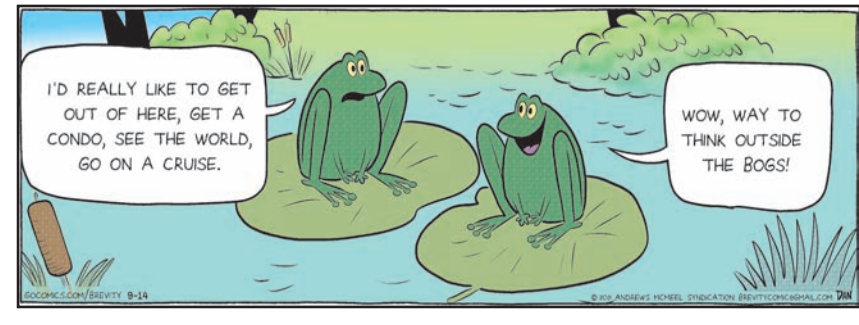
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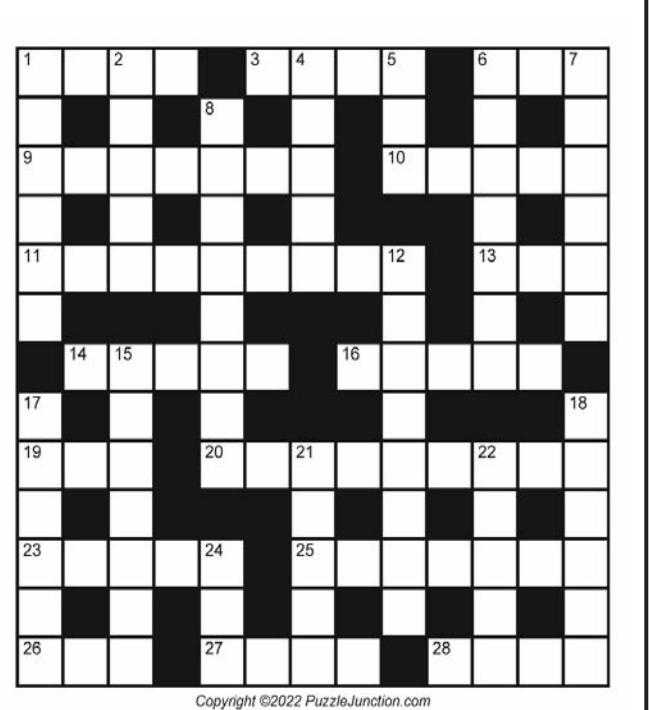
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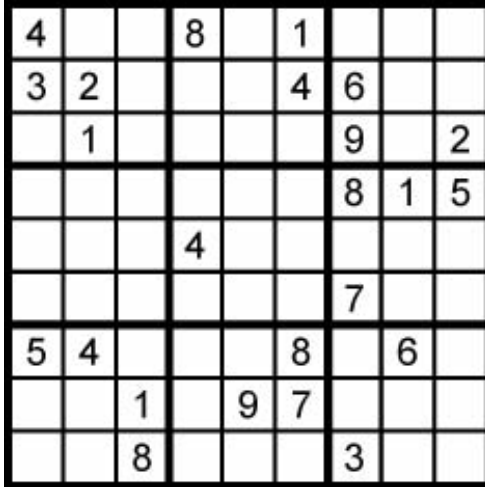
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 3 Hawaiian tuber
 6 Keep out
 9 Cheerful
 10 Quoted
 11 All worked up
 13 Prevaricate
 14 River horse
 16 Residence
 19 Meadow mom
 20 Deserving of the highest esteem
- Down**
 23 Skein formers
 25 Largest living bird
 26 Maid's cloth
 27 Picnic spoiler
 28 Shevat follower
 1 Necklace addition
 2 Compadre
 4 Chef's wear
 5 Tolkien beast
- 6 Fought
 7 Vessel's steering system
 8 Kind of soup (5-3)
 12 Set free
 15 Shipping hazard
 17 Commercial integration
 18 Gentle breeze
 21 Native New Zealander
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SUDOKU

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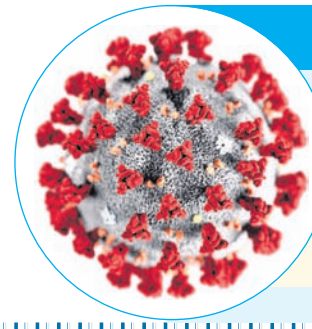
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CHECK FOR SOLUTIONS OF THE PUZZLES TOMORROW



RAIN IN CITY

Commuters travel amid heavy rain in Bhubaneswar, Tuesday



COVID-19 TRACKER

	INFECTED	RECOVERED	DEAD
World	55,01,05,801	52,58,78,186	63,52,696
India	4,34,18,839	4,27,97,092	5,25,047
Odisha	12,89,441	12,79,745	9,126

THRUST ON SAFE JOURNEY OF STUDENTS

Govt to conduct week-long drive to check school buses

POST NEWS NETWORK

Bhubaneswar, June 28: With an aim to ensure safe journey of students in school buses, the state government Tuesday asked Transport Commissioner Arun Bothra to conduct a week-long enforcement drive to inspect all school buses in Odisha.

In a letter to the Transport Commissioner, Transport department Principal Secretary Bishnupada Sethi said the government had formulated a policy in 2016 for safe transportation of students to schools or colleges and back to home.

"It is the duty of Transport department to ensure implementation of the policy. Students are the most vulnerable road users. Therefore, safety of the students on journey to school is one of the top priorities of the department," Sethi said in his letter.

A special drive was conducted by the RTOs throughout the state from April 20 to April 26 this year to check buses and other light vehicles engaged in transporting school students. During the drive, more than 1,200 cases of the policy violations were detected, he pointed out.

To habituate the vehicle owners to comply with the policy guidelines, there is need for conducting special drive on regular intervals so that the people will not dare to violate the rules, Sethi said.

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complaints that many vehicles are not complying with the guidelines, he added.

The Transport Commissioner has been asked to submit a report after the completion of the special drive for kind perusal of the Chief Secretary, sources said.

It is the school management's responsibility to ensure that their buses are in order, drivers are well trained and they have the valid driving licences. It is their responsibility to ensure that drivers are physically fit and have proper driving licences to ferry school children, Sethi said.

Similarly, schools which are engaging buses on contractual/hire basis shall abide by the stipulations as applicable to the buses owned by schools. School authorities should conduct safety audits of these vehicles as well, sources said.

As per the policy, all the vehicles

engaged in ferrying school children must have CCTVs, GPS trackers, first-aid boxes, proper grilles, speed governors, emergency exit, and fire extinguishers. They should maintain a list of students and their parents' names and numbers. There must be an attendant from the school in the bus.

Under no condition, overloading of vehicles is permissible. The number of children in the bus shall normally be restricted to its seating capacity. The carrying capacity of school buses and three-wheelers that transport students should be displayed both inside and outside the vehicles.

Light vehicles that are used for transportation of students must also adhere to the safety standard. All the vehicles engaged in the transportation of school children must have boards displaying 'school van' or 'on school duty' clearly in their front and back side.

Vaccination among students to speed up

POST NEWS NETWORK

Bhubaneswar, June 28: As the daily Covid-19 cases are showing an upward trend in Odisha, the School and Mass Education department has decided to speed up vaccination of students between age group 12-17 years.

School and Mass Education Minister, Samir Ranjan Dash Tuesday said that efforts have begun for accelerating the pace of Covid-19 vaccination.

As per the data, the state registered 113 new cases in the past 24 hours. Of the new cases, 15 cases are in the age group of 0-18 years. The number of active cases in the State has jumped to 517.

Recently, the health department had written to the School and Mass Education Department in this regard.

POLITICKLE by MANJUL



CM visits Sheikh Zayed mosque in Abu Dhabi

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

Bhubaneswar, June 28: Amid criticism by opposition BJP over meeting Pope Francis at Vatican City last week, Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik has visited Sheikh Zayed Mosque in Abu Dhabi ahead of meeting potential investors in Dubai in the United Arab Emirates. Patnaik, who is on an 11-day foreign tour, had met Pope Francis June 22, with the saffron party questioning his intention of meeting the Catholic Church head.

"The marble dome of Sheikh Zayed Mosque, Abu Dhabi is an epitome of magnificence with intricate inlay work inspired by Moghul architecture. I am told that the artisans and the marbles also came from Makrana village of Rajasthan. A bit of India, every-



where," Patnaik tweeted along with a video of his visit to the mosque

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NAVEEN PATNAIK | CHIEF MINISTER

Monday, Patnaik, who will return to Odisha June 30, is scheduled to visit Puri to witness Lord Jagannath's annual Ratha Yatra July 1. To underline his secular credentials, Patnaik is making visits to religious places of different faiths, a BJD insider said. Senior BJP lawmaker

Jaynarayan Mishra, who is among those considered for the post of the Leader of Opposition in Odisha assembly, has questioned Patnaik's Vatican City visit.

"By spending public money, why did the CM go there and what did he achieve in return? What was the need to meet the Pope by standing in a queue? We have never seen him meet Shankaracharya in Puri," Mishra has said.

The BJP, however, has not yet reacted on Patnaik's visit to the mosque. Reacting to the BJP's objection, BJD legislator SB Behera said, "What is wrong in meeting the Pope? If this meeting creates a positive image of Odisha in the world, the CM has taken the right decision." This is Patnaik's second official foreign tour in the last 22 years of his reign in Odisha.

CAR FEST PREP



Police personnel conduct a mock drill for pulling of chariots ahead of this year's Rath Yatra in Puri, Tuesday

OP PHOTO

25 Odia students visit Maharashtra

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION HAS LAUNCHED A STUDENT EXCHANGE SCHEME TO FOSTER NATIONAL INTEGRATION

POST NEWS NETWORK

Bhubaneswar, June 28: Under the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (AKAM) and Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) programme, Ministry of Education (MoE) has launched a student exchange scheme to foster national integration through a coordinated mutual engagement process between States & Union Territories.

Odisha has been paired with Maharashtra under EBSB



Programme. As per the guidelines, 25 students which include 19 from State Board, 3 from Kendriya Vidyalayas and 3 from Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas along with two teachers have proceeded to Mumbai Tuesday and will return July 4.

During their stay the students will get exposure to language, culture, education system and tourist places of Maharashtra. Lodging and boarding facilities has been arranged at Thakur College of Engineering &

Technology, Mumbai. The state School and Mass Education Department wished all the best to the students for their trip. The EBSB programme aims to enhance interaction and promote mutual understanding between people of diverse cultures in India. Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav is an initiative of the government of India to celebrate and commemorate 75 years of independence and the glorious history of its people, culture and achievements.

Vanamahotsava-2022 celebrated in City

POST NEWS NETWORK

Bhubaneswar, June 28: The state-level Vanamahotsava-2022 was celebrated at Regional Science Centre here Tuesday. The event was jointly organised by the Regional Science Centre, Bhubaneswar and Forest, Environment and Climate Change department of the state government.

The programme was organized to create awareness on climate change and its harmful effect on flora and fauna. This apart, the event emphasized upon the urgent need for planting trees to save the planet.

On this occasion, drawing, essay and debate competitions were held. Students from all parts of the city participated in the programme.

Participants were categorized

into two groups—senior and junior. Participants of the drawing competition were required to portray a picture on the theme of 'Only One Earth'. Those who enrolled their names for the debate competition were asked to present their views on the topic 'Do forest grow better with or without our help?' Participants of the essay competition were asked to write their views on the topic 'Building a Shared Future'.

Somen Ghosh, project coordinator of Regional Science Centre said that the event was aimed at creating public awareness about the deleterious effect on flora and fauna and climate change due to abrupt urbanization. He stressed the need for planting more trees to save Mother Earth.



'Viruses can survive on microplastics in freshwater'

Scientists have proven for the first time that viruses can survive and remain infectious by binding themselves to plastics in freshwater - raising concerns about the potential impact on human health.

Rotavirus, which causes diarrhoea and an upset stomach, was found to survive for up to three days in lake water by attaching itself to the surfaces of tiny beads of plastic pollution, called microplastics, according to researchers at the University of Stirling in the UK.

The study, published in the journal Environmental Pollution, is the first of its kind to explore the issue using water taken from the natural environment. Previous studies focused only on the spread of such viruses in sterile hospital settings. "We found that viruses can attach to microplastics, which allows them to survive in the water for three days, possibly longer," said Professor Richard Quilliam, lead researcher from the varsity.

"Even if a wastewater treatment plant is doing everything it can to clean sewage waste, the water discharged still has microplastics in it, which are then transported down the river, into the estuary and end up on the beach. We weren't



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sure how well viruses could survive by 'hitch-hiking' on plastic in the environment, but they do survive, and they do remain infectious."

The researchers tested two types of viruses - those with an envelope, or 'lipid coat' around them,

such as the flu virus (they tested bacteriophage Phi6), and those without: enteric viruses, such as rotavirus and norovirus (they tested rotavirus strain SA11).

They found that in those with an envelope, the envelope quickly dissolved, whereas those without an envelope successfully bound to the microplastics and survived. "Viruses can also bind to natural surfaces in the environment. However, plastic pollution lasts a lot longer than those materials," said Quilliam.

"This research is very much a proof-of-concept for conducting more research into how long pathogens can survive by binding to microplastics, as we only tested for three days, and what happens to them next." UWS

Oppn accuses BJD govt of failing to create jobs

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

Bhubaneswar, June 28: Opposition BJP and Congress Tuesday attacked the ruling BJD in Odisha accusing it of failing to generate employment for youths and curbing atrocities against women.

The Congress held a rally at Baripada in Mayurbhanj district on the second day of the party's Jan Sampark Jatra while the BJD held its state office bearers meeting here. Leaders of both the parties said that they would raise the issue of unemployment, law and order, atrocities against women, and other issues in the monsoon session of the assembly beginning on July 2.

In the BJP's meeting attended by the national secretary of the saffron party Harish Dwivedi and workers and leaders of 12 Parliamentary constituencies, the party reviewed its performance in the recently concluded urban and panchayat elections.

A blueprint was being prepared to ensure the party's win in the 2024 general elections and strengthen the party's base at the grassroots level, BJP sources said.

The party's state executive meeting will begin here Wednesday, said BJP state general secretary Lekhashree Samantsinghar.

"In the state executive meeting, proposals to thank Prime Minister

Narendra Modi for nominating Droupadi Murmu as its Presidential candidate and hiking the minimum support price (MSP) for paddy will come up," she said.

Odisha Pradesh Congress Committee (OPCC) president Sarat Pattanayak claimed at the Baripada rally. "The BJP and the BJD are two sides of the same coin. The party leaders quarrel in Odisha while they hug each other in Delhi."

Strongly opposing the Centre's Agnipath scheme, the Congress leader said the party will not tolerate such a programme "which will make the nation and its youths weak".

The Congress leader called upon youths to oppose any programme which was against their interest.

Accusing the BJD government of failing to provide employment for the youths, Pattanayak said, "If Congress comes to power after the 2024 elections, issues related to youth and women will be our priority." The Congress leader also pointed out that while the state's debt burden was just Rs 19,000 crore in 2000 when the BJD came to the power, it has now mounted to Rs 1,200 lakh crore.

"The state government has been painting a rosy picture of the economy while Odisha has plunged into a debt trap," he alleged.

NHRC serves show-cause notice on Chief Secretary

NABARANGPUR BRIDGE COLLAPSE



Bhubaneswar, June 28: The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) has served a show-cause notice on the Chief Secretary in connection with the death of a labourer and injury of a few others when an under-construction bridge collapsed in Nabarangpur district in January 2021.

While hearing a plea filed by rights activist Akhand, the commission asked the Chief Secretary to show cause within six weeks

as to why the apex rights body should not recommend a compensation of Rs 5 lakh to the next of the kin of the deceased and Rs 1 lakh to the injured.

The NHRC would recommend the state to pay the compensation in case the latter fails to revert within the stipulated period, the rights body said.

The commission has also directed the District Magistrate of Nabarangpur to look into the matter personally and ensure that benefits under various social welfare schemes of the state and Centre are

facilitated to the next of the kin of the deceased and the injured.

Earlier, the District Magistrate had informed the commission that the Executive Engineer of Rural Works Division, Nabarangpur-II, Umerkote has been placed under suspension and that the contract has been cancelled after the mishap.

The Collector also informed that the district administration has provided Rs 1,36,034 to the wife of the deceased and that steps for rehabilitation of the family have been taken by the Executive Engineer, Rural Works Division, Nabarangpur-II, Umerkote.

The commission, however, considered the compensation amount as meagre and served the show-cause notice on the Chief Secretary.

Notably, Mahendra Mali, a Class-IV employee of the Rural Works department, was killed and three others— Santosh Bhoi, Ramesh Bhoi and Prakash Tandri — sustained critical injuries when a slab of the under-construction Biju Setu over Nagi river near Talapadar in Umerkote block of Nabarangpur district collapsed January 10, 2021.

CALL FOR 'AGNIPATH' WITHDRAWAL



NSUI activists take out a signature campaign at Biju Pattnaik College of Science and Education in Jaydev Vihar area of Bhubaneswar, Tuesday, demanding withdrawal of Agnipath scheme

OUAT released 170 varieties of crops MSME min asks rice millers to tap new market opportunities

Bhubaneswar, June 28: Odisha University of Agriculture and Technology (OUAT) has so far released 170 varieties of crops, said an official at the inauguration of State Level Research and Extension Council meeting at the varsity here, Tuesday.

Dean of Research MM Mishra and Dean of Extension Education PJ Mishra presented the annual research and extension activities at the meeting.

OUAT has so far released as many as 170 varieties of crops and submitted three new crop varieties— Kalinga Sugarcane-346,

tricts of the state have conducted 2,132 vocational trainings involving 51,468 farmers, the official pointed out.

The official added that Cluster Front Line Demonstration (FLD) have been conducted on 450ha of oilseeds and 240ha of pulses. Around 459 quintal of pulse seeds were produced through pulse seed hubs of OUAT, covering 249ha. Kissan mobile advisory services were provided to 25 lakh farmers, he said.

College of Agricultural Engineering and Technology Dean SK Dash and College of Veterinary Science and Animal Husbandry SK Panda highlighted the future re-

search focus area.

College of Agriculture Dean KK Rout emphasized on strengthening coordination between OUAT, government departments, ICAR and farmers for better outcome of the research and extension efforts.

On the occasion, booklets containing scientific crop management and farm mechanisation were released.

The inaugural function was attended by more than 150 participants comprising research and extension scientists, faculties of colleges, deans, directors and registrar of OUAT and scientists of ICAR institutes and government officials.

Bhubaneswar, June 28: Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) Minister Pratap Keshari Deb asked the rice millers of the state not to confine themselves to the traditional way of business.

He said this at the concluding day of a two-day conference on technical upgradation of rice milling industry and scope of rice export, organised by All Odisha Rice Millers' Association (AORMA), an apex body of rice millers of the state here Tuesday.

"You have to come out of your comfort zone. Other than doing business as usual, you have to look for opportunities in the market. Tap new market opportunities. Our government has implemented many policies for betterment of industries. You can come with your issues and solutions you want from the government. Please participate in the policy making process," he added.

Laxminarayan Deepak Ranjan Das, general secretary, AORMA said, "We want to educate our rice millers for value addition and scope of export of rice in our state. Odisha has abundant potential on paddy production and milling capacity of rice millers for both domestic requirement and export. In this regard, government agency Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA)

has also conducted state level seminars in association with state government for export of rice. For this, the government should provide suitable ecosystem and atmosphere that enable rice millers to achieve desired result. It will boost the economy of our state as well as the country," He said.

Experts said that Odisha is a major rice producing state and rice is our major crop. Paddy crop is grown on large number of cultivated land and our staple food is also rice. It provides employment opportunities to 50 per cent of our state population and contributes largely to the agriculture economy of the state. Rice millers are important stakeholders of this journey. They have been playing major role in shaping the industry. Odisha is a surplus state in term of paddy procurement by government agencies. Still, rice millers have unutilized milling capacity which can be used for export of non-basmati rice.

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By affidavit before Executive Magistrate, Kendrapara, cf no.11AA233257, Dtd.30.12.21, I Seema Mcwann, D/o. Late Ardhendu Kumar Das & Wife of Shared Mcwann resident of Cuttack Christian Sahi, near Christ College, PO-Baxibazar, PS-Lalbag, District-Cuttack declare that Sima Mcwann & Seema Mcwann is one & same person for all purpose.

Govt files affidavit in tree felling case

Cuttack: The state government Tuesday filed an affidavit in the Orissa High Court in connection with a case pertaining to the felling of trees for construction of MLA quarters in Bhubaneswar. In its affidavit, the state government claimed that it has planned to plant 10 saplings for every tree cut down for the project. The authorities concerned had planned to cut down altogether 870 trees for the project and plant as many as 8,700 saplings as part of the compensatory afforestation programme. The government has sanctioned Rs 68.7 lakh for the afforestation programme, said the affidavit. A bench of Chief Justice S. Muralidhar and Justice RK Patnaik posted the next hearing on the case to September 7.



PM confirms Raimohan died of asphyxiation

Bhubaneswar: The commissionerate police Tuesday received the post-mortem report of Ollywood actor Raimohan Parida who was found dead at his residence in Prachi Vihar under Mancheswar police limits here June 24. According to police sources, the post-mortem report confirmed that Raimohan died of asphyxiation due to hanging with a rope. The cops investigating into the untimely death of noted film and jatra artiste are yet to get the viscera and other scientific reports. DCP Prateek Singh had earlier stated that Raimohan was suffering from severe depression over some family related issues.

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Extremely high temp causes irreversible damage to biodiversity

Exploring the implications of a multiple, decades-long temperature overshoot for global biodiversity, which is already affected by climate change, a new study has found that an overshoot like this is likely to cause major and, often irreversible, damage to biodiversity and ecosystems across the world.

With global climate action lagging behind the scale needed to achieve the temperature targets of the Paris Agreement – which calls for restricting the global temperature rise to preferably 1.5 degrees Celsius compared to the pre-industrial era – the scientists are studying several scenarios featuring a multiple decades-long 'overshoot' of the global warming limits set by policymakers. They then use carbon dioxide removal (CDR) technology to reverse dangerous temperature rise by 2100.

The new research, published in Philosophical Transactions of the

Royal Society B: Biological Sciences, covered more than 30,000 species around the world and found that for more than a quarter of the locations of biodiversity and ecosystems across the world studied, the chances of returning to pre-overshoot 'normal' are either uncertain or non-existent.

The research team from the University of Cape Town (UCT) and University College London (UCL) explored the implications of a temperature overshoot for global biodiversity, which is already affected by climate change as warming causes mass die-offs in forests and coral reefs, alters species distributions and reproductive events, and many other parameters.

"Several scenarios" as mentioned above are the Representative Concentration Pathways (RCPs), a term for trajectory of greenhouse gas concentration (not emissions) adopted by the Inter-governmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) in



its reports. The IPCC charts out multiple scenarios with a given temperature rise leading to a certain trajectory.

The paper explores an overshoot scenario where CO2 emissions keep growing until 2040, then reverse their course and fall into negative territory after 2070 thanks to deep carbon cuts and massive de-

ployment of CDR. This means that, for several decades in this century, global temperature breached the 2-degree limit but returned to below this level around 2100.

The research team found that, for most regions, exposure to unsafe temperatures will arrive suddenly as further warming means many species will simultaneously be pushed beyond their thermal niche limits. However, the return of these species to conditions comfortably within their thermal niches will be gradual and lag behind the temperature decline.

"In fact, the effective overshoot for biodiversity risks is projected to be almost twice as long as the actual temperature overshoot of around 60 years," the study said.

Tropical regions are most affected by these risks, with over 90 per cent of species for many locations in the Indo-Pacific, Central Indian Ocean, Northern Sub-Saharan Africa, and Northern Australia pushed outside of their thermal niches. And in the

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CRAFTING MINI MARVEL



Chariot construction underway for the upcoming Rath Yatra at Buguda in Ganjam district, Tuesday

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Tourism dept looking for alternative venue for eco-retreat in Kandhamal

POST NEWS NETWORK

Daringbadi, June 28: The state tourism department has started looking for an alternative patch of land for its eco-retreat in Daringbadi of Kandhamal district.

For two years, the eco-retreat was being organised at a patch of land here along with development of infrastructure.

Meanwhile, Tourism Director Sachin Ramchandra Yadav reviewed various activities concerning the eco-retreat project, and visited the nature park and various other tourist places under the forest department, a report.

The administration is looking for a suitable place with natural setting and good view point in Daringbadi as the alternate



patch of land for the retreat. The administration and the Tourism department are looking for places which would be suitable for tourists in view of communication and other facilities.

On the other hand, locals and their representatives expressed their dissatisfaction over the proposed shifting of the venue as the eco-retreat used to be a

scope for earning for them. Besides, the department has already spent crores of rupees over the infrastructure of the eco-retreat at the place over the last two years.

"Now, the state Tourism department is looking for new land and intends to invest big for eco-retreat," rued MLA Saluga Pradhan.

Man sent to jail for rape bid

POST NEWS NETWORK

Baripada, June 28: A POCSO and fast track court here Monday sentenced a man to three-and-half year imprisonment after convicting him of attempting to rape a woman and issuing her death threat.

Additional Sessions Judge Durga Charan Mishra also slapped a penalty ₹2,500 on Barsa Besra, 45, after convicting him of the offence.

By default, the convict has to undergo an additional one month imprisonment, the

judge observed while delivering the order. The jail term handed down to the convict will be deducted from the period he has served as an undertrial prisoner, special public prosecutor Manoranjan Pattnaik said.

According to the case diary Besra found the woman alone under Jharpokharia police limits and tried to force himself on her February 28, 2021. He threatened to murder her and abused her when she resisted his advances. Later, the woman lodged a complaint with police leading to his arrest.

Elderly man trampled to death

Dhenkanal: An elephant trampled an elderly person to death in Hindol area of Dhenkanal district in the wee hours Tuesday. The deceased was identified as Sarat Paeli (68) of Bampa village. Reports said, Sarat was out of his house in the wee hours when he encountered an elephant in his backyard. The animal lifted him with its trunk and slammed him on the ground. On being informed, Hindol ranger Lohit Rath and forest officials rushed to the spot and sent the body for post-mortem. The area has been witnessing continuous elephant menace, leaving the locals helpless and scared.

5T SANS THOUGHT

Pupils taught under cycle sheds, staircases

POST NEWS NETWORK

Nuagaon, June 28: While crores of Rupees are reportedly being spent on renovation work of schools under the 5T High School Transformation Programme to attract the students to the classrooms, the ground reality at some of those renovated schools draws quite the contrast to the tall claims of the government.

The move is being criticised for lacking thought for the students while being merely a self-promoting gimmick fulfilling the interest of handful of individuals.

Students of Nuagaon High School and Anchalika Uchha Vidyalaya at Dimirijhari under this block in

■ The state government has directed for transformation of the schools without taking into account whether these schools have necessary or spare classrooms

■ Some of the existing classrooms are being upgraded into smart classrooms, libraries and labs, which in turn reduces the number of regular rooms vacant for classroom teaching

■ As a result, students in one school study under the staircase while in another, at the cycle stand



Nayagarh district are two such examples. The schools have been transformed under the programme but the students are found studying under staircase and at the cycle stands.

The Nuagaon High School is a premier educational institution in the block. However, students in this school study on the verandah and under the staircase due to lack of classrooms. Similarly, the students of Class-VIII of Anchalika Uchha Vidyalaya at Dimirijhari under Badagotha panchayat were found studying under a cycle shed for the same reason.

Sub-Collector Lagnajit Rout said that the Nuagaon Block Development Officer (BDO) has been directed to provide funds for construction of additional classrooms after Bijay

Kumar Sasmal, president of managing committee of Nuagaon High School, filed a complaint citing the issue at a recent public hearing camp of the district Collector.

The governments at the Centre and state are providing free uniforms, text books and midday meals to attract the students to the schools. The state government has gone two steps ahead by providing a better environment for study in the school premises and upgrading the classrooms to smart classrooms. As part of this move, the state government is providing ₹35 lakh to the schools identified for transformation under the 5T scheme. The panchayats have also been asked to sanction additional funds if need be. The sanctioned fund is meant for renovation of the schools, construction of library rooms, two smart classrooms and construction of a science laboratory at each of the selected schools.

The state government has directed for transformation of the schools without taking into account whether these schools have necessary or surplus classrooms. Some of the existing classrooms are being upgraded into smart classrooms, libraries and labs, which in turn reduces the number of rooms allotted for classroom teaching. As a result, students in one school study under the staircase while in another, at the cycle stand.

When contacted, Basant Kumar Nayak, additional district education officer (ADEO) of Nayagarh district said steps are being taken for construction of additional classrooms.

Digging Suna riverbed for slurry pipeline upsets locals

The slurry pipeline, passing through the town and human settlements, will pose a threat to people if and when it bursts and spills out wet minerals



POST NEWS NETWORK

Joda, June 28: Suna river is said to be the lifeline for people of Joda town in Keonjhar district, but its water has been polluted due to the digging of pits for slurry pipeline of an industrial unit, a report said.

Its bed has been dug up with machines, leaving to blockage of its water flow.

According to the report, a slurry pipeline of an industry is being laid through Joda town. The pipeline will transport iron fines mixed with water to a distant steel industry. The company is digging pits along the

roads from Joda upto Kalimati via Bamebari. Due to this, electricity transmission and water supply in the town have been disrupted. Internet service is being affected too. Even worse, half-filled pits and open pits at many places are accumulating rain-water, causing inconvenience to locals.

Machines were engaged and pits were dug up in the river bed Monday. The digging has polluted the water as a result of which lakhs of people depending on it are now facing problems.

"After digging of pits in the river, water flow has been affected. Its water has become unfit for use and consumption," rued locals like Fasan Ali, Gourang Behera and Sumant Giri. They feared that if the slurry pipeline cracks in future, it will completely contaminate the water and people will suffer.

The Joda municipality authorities have somehow failed to pay attention to this hazard. Manas Das, a local intellectual, said that the riverbed digging should be avoided in the monsoon in view of possible contamination.

The slurry pipeline, passing through the town and human settlements, will pose a threat to people if and when it bursts and spills out wet minerals.

On the other hand, mineral transport through slurry pipeline would severely affect transportation through trucks and lakhs of transporters will be affected, Das added.

Sushant Kumar Barik, secretary of Joda Truck Owners' Association, said that the association has been opposing the slurry pipeline. The pipeline passing through rivers, creeks and drains will create a lot of mess in days to come, he added.

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Strategic Competition

For more than three decades, the global economy was defined by unbridled integration and unprecedented interdependence. Neither political spats nor localised wars could slow the globalisation train.

In this new era of strategic competition between China and the West, disengagement is the order of the day. While this trend will impede economic growth, increase business costs (via supply-chain restructuring), and raise prices for everyone, the economy that loses the most may well be China's.

Ties with the outside world also forced China to introduce a legal system capable of establishing and enforcing contract and intellectual-property law. And the expansion of China's economic might enabled the country increasingly to project power abroad.

But, in recent years, the openness that underpinned globalisation - the "rising tide that lifted all boats" - has given way to a geopolitically focused, zero-sum mindset. International commerce and finance have increasingly been shaped by national-security considerations.

The Sino-American rivalry has reflected and accelerated this shift. The United States has targeted China with a variety of measures - including restrictions on imports, exports, and investment - and added dozens of Chinese companies to its so-called Entity List.

China might not have initiated the disengagement process, but it seems committed to seeing it through. In refusing to condemn Russia's war on Ukraine, its leaders made clear that, in their view, the US - and the West more broadly - is in terminal decline.

Beyond retaliatory sanctions and tariffs, China has been ramping up its efforts to become self-reliant in advanced technology and science, through highly state-centric and protectionist industrial policies.

The extent to which this is possible is impossible to know precisely. But China's efforts to achieve self-reliance will certainly not succeed across the board. As The Economist reported in February, China is struggling the most in areas where supply chains are longer and more complex, such as mRNA vaccines, agrochemicals, computer operating systems, and payments systems.

But China's bid for self-reliance might not only fail; it could backfire. As The Economist report also pointed out, when Chinese companies are cut off from foreign competition and expertise, their capabilities are stunted.

Despite the unfavorable economic consequences, we should expect geopolitics-driven disengagement to continue. China will try to build an alternative financial infrastructure, and the US will delist Chinese firms from its stock exchanges. The US Congress is already reportedly considering legislation to restrict or prohibit US foreign direct investment abroad in several sensitive sectors, much as it does to Chinese investment in the US.

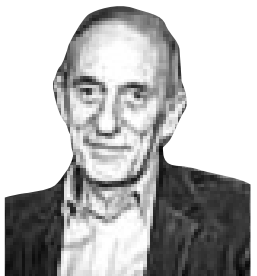
As disengagement progresses, many critical sectors - such as the internet - will likely split into two distinct blocs, each with its own rules and standards. The divide in digital standards, data management and usage provisions, and network equipment and telecommunications services will grow. Market-access restrictions and new approval and licensing requirements will proliferate.

This slowdown will have far-reaching consequences. For starters, China's ability to compete with the US will be compromised. China's economy might never overtake America's, especially if the renminbi's value falls by 20-25% over the next few years.

Moreover, prices for commodities - especially those that are key to China's housing and construction sector - will decline. While the higher costs of newer, more regional supply chains will generate inflationary pressures, weaker Chinese demand and a cheaper renminbi will reduce them.

Foreign investment flows into China will decline, with funding increasingly allocated to other Asian countries or emerging markets. While China will not become "uninvestable" (as long as military conflict does not break out), international investors will keep their China portfolios underweight.

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George Magnus

In recent years, the openness that underpinned globalisation - the "rising tide that lifted all boats" - has given way to a geopolitically focused, zero-sum mindset



Jayakrishna Sahu

IF WE LITERALLY GO THROUGH THE CONSTITUTION, WE FIND THE PRESIDENT TO BE OMNIPOTENT

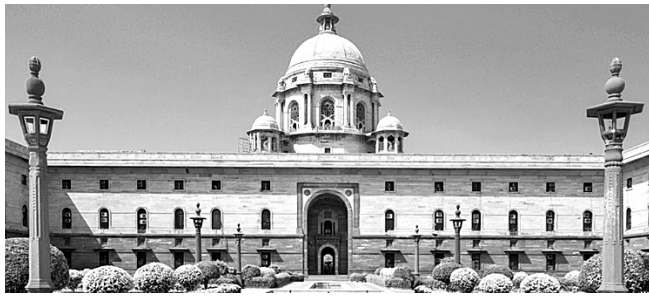
The term of the incumbent President Ram Nath Kovind is going to expire July 25, 2022, and the election for the 15th Presidential post will take place July 18.

The BJD of Odisha, the YSR Congress of Andhra Pradesh and the AIADMK of Tamil Nadu have already extended their support to Murmu. If elected, Murmu will create several records.

We have adopted the British or Westminster model of Parliamentary democracy and our President is just like the British Monarch, with the difference that the Head of State of Britain is the hereditary Monarch, but our Head of State, the President, is elected by an electoral college which is composed of the elected members of the Parliament and all State Legislatures.

If we literally go through the Constitution, we find the President to be omnipotent. She (I prefer the feminine pronoun) is the Head of the State, the Head of the Executive and Legislature, the Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces and even the apex judicial body which can reverse judgments of the Supreme Court of India in certain special cases.

Reacting to such a system, during the initial phase of our new republic, some constitutional experts had expressed very ominous apprehensions regarding the Indian President turning into a dictator.



The original Article 74 mentioned: "(1) There shall be a Council of Ministers with the Prime Minister at the head to aid and advise the President in the exercise of his functions." This ambiguity was so glaring that it caused a rift between the first President of India Dr Rajendra Prasad and the first Prime Minister Pt Jawaharlal Nehru - two most prominent among Constitution-makers

Republic of India (1951) had expressed that by abusing the powers conferred on him by the Constitution, the President might turn into a dictator.

In the original Constitution nowhere was it mentioned that the President shall be bound to act according to the advice of the Council of Ministers with the Prime Minister at the head. The original Article 74 mentioned: "(1) There shall be a Council of Ministers with the Prime Minister at the head to aid and advise the President in the exercise of his functions."

After the first general elections, there were serious differences between Pt Nehru and Dr Prasad on the Hindu Code Bill. Dr Prasad was determined not to give assent to this Bill. Pt Nehru consulted the then Attorney General Motilal Setalvad, and the latter opined that the President was bound to act according to the advice of the Council of Ministers.

After the first general elections, there were serious differences between Pt Nehru and Dr Prasad on the Hindu Code Bill. Dr Prasad was determined not to give assent to this Bill.

Dr Prasad argued: "There is no provision in the Constitution, which in so many words, lays down that the President shall be bound to act in accordance with the advice of Council of Ministers. The Indian President was not akin to the puppet British Monarch, because he was elected by all the elected representatives of the nation."

This glaring ambiguity of the Constitution over the actual position of the President was cleared only after the 42nd Amendment of the Constitution made in 1977, after which Article 74 (1) mentioned: "There shall be a Council of Ministers with the Prime Minister at the head to aid and advise the President who shall, in the exercise of his functions, act in accordance with such advice.

President Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed, however, degraded the status of the President to a mere puppet and a rubber stamp by obeying the dictate of the then PM Indira Gandhi and signing the promulgation of National

Emergency in the mid-night of June 25, 1975 even without questioning its necessity and constitutional validity. He had proved that the Indian President's stature was nothing better than a Golden Zero.

When Giani Zail Singh was selected as the Presidential candidate in 1982, the sycophantic Singh declared publicly and very shamelessly that he would sweep the courtyard of Indira Gandhi if she asked him to do so!

Some Presidents have given up both the extremes of Dr Rajendra Prasad and Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed, and seemed to have preferred the middle path. In 1979, President N Sanjiva Reddy defied the advice of the then PM Morarjee Desai to dissolve the Lok Sabha after the latter had lost confidence of the House, and appointed Chaudhary Charan Singh as the PM.

Thus the Indian President may not be de facto head of the Executive like the American President, she may be bound to exercise her vast constitutional powers only through the Prime Minister and the Council of Ministers, but she is certainly not similar to the British Monarch who is nothing but a Golden Zero or a rubber stamp.

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IN JEST THIS

Save money: Consider other options for travel



Melvin Durai

IN ANCIENT TIMES, PEOPLE DID A LOT OF RUNNING. BUT THESE DAYS, IF YOU SEE SOMEONE RUNNING, THEY ARE PROBABLY DOING IT FOR SPORT, EXERCISE OR TO ESCAPE A DOG

Let's assume that you own a car and drive it everywhere. It's very convenient, isn't it? Just start it, push the pedal and steer yourself to your destination, being careful not to run over anyone.

1. Walking. This is something that you probably did in the past and something you can definitely relearn. Don't be afraid to try it again. Just keep putting one foot in front of the other until you arrive at your destination.

2. Running. In ancient times, people did a lot of running. But these days, if you see someone running, they are probably doing it for sport, exercise or to escape a dog.

lot of cheering. Unbeknownst to him, the Olympics were taking place and he had won a gold medal in walking.

3. Wheels under your feet. Many youngsters, particularly in the Western world, move around by putting wheels under their feet. Rollerblades and skateboards are self-propelled, while electric hoverboards and scooters use batteries to propel their users forward.

4. Cycling. My favourite way to balance on wheels is the bicycle. It's a great way to move around, get exercise and help the environment.

5. Two-wheelers. Motorbikes and scooters are quite popular in India and other parts of the world. If you're trying to save money on petrol, a motorbike is a good option, but safety is important.

6. Public transportation. Unless you are very lucky, the bus will not stop right in front of your house - and neither will the train.

7. Taxis, auto-rickshaws and ride-hailing. These are good options for occasional trips, but not daily commutes. You'd be paying for the fuel as well as the driver.

8. Horse-drawn carriage or bullock cart. If you live in a rural area, this might be an option for you. But if you're complaining about the price of petrol, just wait until you see what people are paying these days for hay.

Success of Bangladesh

Sir, The Padma Bridge inaugurated by Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina is the country's biggest development project since the country's birth in 1971. It symbolises the country's transition from a poor country to a progressing one and it substantiates Hasina's commitment to the welfare of the public and development of the country.

The opening of the Padma Bridge signifies the country's economic development. Bangladesh is smaller than India. On the other hand, the country is ahead of India in different domains of development. India must take a leaf out of Bangladesh and take measures for the overall progress of the country.

Attack on women's rights

Sir, The US Supreme Court overturning the 1973 landmark Roe v. Wade abortion right is nothing less than a sweeping and politically driven judgment which will have life-altering and life-threatening consequences for American women who can become pregnant. The decision is a vicious attack on women's rights and the effects of which will be immediate and far-reaching.

Ranganathan Sivakumar, CHENNAI

WORDSWORTH

Toxicogenomics

This is a scientific sub-discipline that combines toxicology (the study of the nature and effects of poisons) with genomics (the investigation of the way that our genetic make-up, the genome, translates into biological functions).

Letters TO THE EDITOR

Readers of Orissa POST are most welcome to contribute letters (200 words), articles and columns (between 750-1250 words). Contributors are requested to send their contact numbers and full postal address/email ID.

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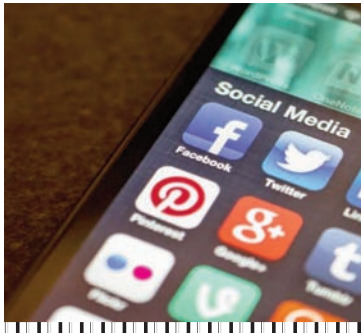
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Appalled that standing with the victims has been criminalised and asking for justice is equated with hatching conspiracies
MEHBOOBA MUFTI | PDP CHIEF

OUP STUDY INFO

As many as 54 per cent of people in India turn to social media when looking for factual information, according to a global study by Oxford University Press (OUP)



of the day quote

No need to respond to allegations every time, my life open book before public

PINARAYI VIJAYAN | KERALA CM

When we contest an election, we contest to win. When there are two candidates, both cannot win. The situation is different for each candidate. This contest is about principles. We have selected Yashwant Sinha as our common candidate and it is our responsibility to make every effort to ensure his victory. Whatever be the result, we can talk about it later

SHARAD PAWAR | NCP CHIEF

What right does Jagan have to sell lands in Amaravati when he has not laid a single brick for the capital development? How is the government expecting to get ₹10 crore an acre when the YSR Congress leaders termed Amaravati a 'smasanaanam' (grave yard)?

N CHANDRABABU NAIDU | TELUGU DESAM CHIEF

4 dead as ONGC chopper falls into sea off Mumbai

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

New Delhi/Mumbai, June 28: A brand new Pawan Hans Sikorsky chopper with 9 people on board crashed into the Arabian Sea, about 50 nautical miles from the Mumbai coast on Tuesday, killing four people -- including three ONGC employees.

The helicopter, which was part of the six Sikorsky S-76D helicopters that Pawan Hans had recently leased from Milestone Aviation Group, was about 45 minutes away from its destination - ONGC's Sagar Kiran rig - when the incident took place, company officials with direct knowledge of the matter said.

The chopper went down around 11:45 hrs, just 1 nautical mile away from Sagar Kiran, but managed to stay afloat with the help of the attached floaters, helping rescuers pull out all the nine, including two pilots, after ONGC and Navy/Coast Guard scrambled in one of the fastest rescue missions in the western offshore.

Four of the nine pulled out were unconscious and airlifted in a Navy chopper to a hospital in Mumbai, where they were declared dead, an official said. Three of the dead are employees of Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC), the state-owned firm which had hired helicopter service from Pawan Hans to support its oil and gas exploration and production operations in the western offshore. The fourth person belongs to a contractor working for ONGC. The



Rescue operation underway after an ONGC helicopter carrying nine persons, including two pilots, fell into the Arabian Sea off the Mumbai coast. Four people were unconscious and were airlifted in a Navy chopper to a hospital in Mumbai, where they were declared dead, according to officials

circumstances that led to the incident were not immediately known but western offshore had inclement weather and there was a swell in the sea. Officials said ONGC has already instituted an inquiry into the incident. The Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) is also likely to order a separate inquiry. Detailing sequence, officials said the chopper took off from Juhu helibase this morning just like any other day but 1 or 1.5 km from the landing zone on the rig, it went down into the sea.

ED issues fresh summons to Raut

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

Mumbai, June 28: The ED has issued fresh summons to Shiv Sena MP Sanjay Raut asking him to appear on July 1 for his questioning in a money laundering case linked to alleged irregularities in the re-development of a Mumbai 'chawl' and related financial property transactions involving his wife and alleged associates, officials said Tuesday.

The Rajya Sabha member was issued the first summons for Tuesday but he sought more time citing official commitments and a meeting he was supposed to attend at Alibaug in Raigad district of the state. His lawyers met Enforcement Directorate officials in Mumbai on Tuesday and sought about two-weeks time for his appearance but the agency gave him relief only till this month-end. "The ED summons was served late Monday afternoon, so we made an application to seek time because the ED has demanded a few documents," Raut's lawyer told reporters after meeting agency officials at their regional office in south Mumbai's Ballard Estate area.



The agency wants to question the 60-year-old Raut and record his statement under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA). The development comes as the Shiv Sena battles rebellion from a group of its MLAs, putting a question mark on the future of Maharashtra's Maha Vikas Aghadi (MVA) government. Rebel Shiv Sena legislators, who were first taken to Surat, are now camping in Guwahati.

Raut held a press conference in the morning and said he "will go" to the ED the moment he got free. "I am a lawmaker. I know the law. Even if the law implementing agencies are working in the wrong way, I am a law-abiding person," he said.

sources said on Tuesday. Modi gifted black pottery pieces, which are from Nizamabad in Uttar Pradesh, to the Japan's Prime Minister and platinum-painted tea set with work done by hand to his British counterpart, they said.

Modi's gifts to Biden, Boris, Trudeau at G7

MODI GIFTED BLACK POTTERY PIECES, WHICH ARE FROM NIZAMABAD IN UTTAR PRADESH, TO THE JAPAN'S PRIME MINISTER AND PLATINUM-PAINTED TEA SET WITH WORK DONE BY HAND TO HIS BRITISH COUNTERPART

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

New Delhi, June 28: For foreign dignitaries, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has often chosen gifts that showcase India's rich cultural and artistic traditions, and it was no different this time as he picked a variety of products for the heads of governments at the G7 Summit.

It was distinct artistic products identified with different regions of Uttar Pradesh and other states which featured heavily in his choices, with the US president receiving Gulabi Meenakari, a GI-tagged arilum of Varanasi, cufflink set and brooch and the German chancellor getting metal marodi-carving matka, considered a masterpiece from Moradabad, official

sources said on Tuesday. Modi gifted black pottery pieces, which are from Nizamabad in Uttar Pradesh, to the Japan's Prime Minister and platinum-painted tea set with work done by hand to his British counterpart, they said. He gifted ittar (perfume derived from natural sources) bottles in zardozi box, crafted in Lucknow to the French president and marble inlay roots in Agra, table top to the Italian prime minister.

Noting that the tradition of hand-weaving is passed down from mother to daughter in Senegal, sources said Modi chose moonj baskets and cotton durries (heavy rum) for the country's president. The practice is considered a vehicle for cultural expression and family livelihood driven by strong



women, the sources said, adding the products have origin in UP's Prayagraj, Sultanpur and Amethi districts. With Ramayana tradition an enduring part of Indian culture, Modi gifted lacquerware "Ram Durbar" to its president. The GI

Canadian counterpart, the sources said. Dokra arts with Ramayana and Nandi themes were his gifts of choice for the South African and Argentinian presidents, respectively. Dokra Art is a non-ferrous metal casting art using the lost-wax casting technique, and it has been in India for over 4,000 years, they said, adding both products are from Chhattisgarh. Modi on Tuesday left for the UAE after attending a productive G7 Summit in Germany and interacting with several world leaders. Sharing details of these different artworks, official sources noted that in Gulabi Meenakari, a piece of pure silver is moulded into a base form and the chosen design is embossed on the metal. The em-

bossed shapes are then filled with great dexterity with crushed meena glass mixed with an intriguing natural anardana (pomegranate seeds) glue. This is then fired to transform into a translucent coloured patch. What distinguishes it from other meenakari is the layer of white meena which acts as an opaque canvas for hand-painted motifs, they said, adding that they primarily use the colour pink (Gulabi), which lends its name to the craft. The cufflinks were prepared for US President Joe Biden with a matching brooch for his wife, the sources said. The ittar-carrying zari zardozi box has been hand embroidered on khadi silk and satin tissue in colours of the French flag, they said.

DANCE DELIGHT



Artistes perform a traditional folk dance of Chamba during the Shimla Book Fair at Ridge in Shimla

Uddhav appeals to rebel MLAs to return



AGENCIES

Mumbai/New Delhi/Guwahati, June 28: Reaching out to dissent Shiv Sena MLAs once again, Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray Tuesday urged them to return to Mumbai and hold talks with him, saying it's not "too late", but rebel leader Eknath Shinde remained unmoved and asserted the legislators backing him are firm on taking forward Hindutva.

As the political crisis gripping the Maha Vikas Aghadi (MVA) government, triggered by cabinet minister Shinde's revolt, entered the eighth day, Shiv Sena MP Sanjay Raut ratcheted up the rhetoric against the rebels, warning those who have betrayed the party leadership should not be able to move around freely.

Striking a reconciliatory note a day after taking away the portfolios of all nine rebel Shiv Sena ministers and against the backdrop of the Supreme Court granting relief to breakaway MLAs, Thackeray, who is also his party's president, appealed to the dissenters camping in Guwahati to return to Mumbai and talk to him.

Thackeray's offer to mend fences comes against the backdrop of controversial statements made by some Shiv Sena leaders, especially Raut whose "40 bodies without soul" statement had caused a flutter. "It is not too late. I appeal to you to return and sit with me and remove the confusion (created by your actions) among Shiv Sainiks and the public," a statement by Thackeray's aide quoted him as saying. "If you return and face me, some way could be found. As the

BJP in action mode

MUMBAI: After waiting in the wings in the over week-long political drama sparked off by Shiv Sena minister Eknath Shinde's rebellion, BJP leader Devendra Fadnavis Tuesday night met Maharashtra Governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari, and requested him to ask the Uddhav Thackeray government to prove its majority in the Assembly. Fadnavis claimed that the Shiv Sena-NCP-Congress coalition government seemed to be in minority as 39 Sena MLAs who belong to the Shinde faction have said they do not support the government. "Therefore, we handed over a letter to the Governor, requesting him to ask the government to prove its majority through a floor test in the House," he said. Before meeting the Governor around 10 pm, Fadnavis met top BJP leaders in Delhi earlier in the day. According to sources, before Fadnavis landed at the Raj Bhavan here, eight independent MLAs, who were earlier associated with the Shiv Sena, sent emails from Guwahati -- where the rebel group headed by Shinde is camping -- seeking floor test at the earliest claiming that Thackeray government has lost its majority.

60 MAOISTS SURRENDER

INDO-ASIAN NEWS SERVICE

Visakhapatnam, June 28: In a major blow to the Maoist movement in Andhra Pradesh, the state police arrested a top Maoist leader, which resulted in the surrender of 60 cadres.

Communist Party of India-Maoist leader Vanthala Ramakrishna was arrested in Alluri Sitharamaraju district, dealing a big blow to the banned outfit in Andhra-Odisha Border (AOB) region.

Ramakrishna alias Prabhakar alias Goddali Rayudu was the Area Committee Secretary (ACS) of Paddeabayalu-Korukonda area. Following their leader's arrest, 33 party members of the Korukonda Area Committee and 27 militia members surrendered before the police.

According to police, the Maoist leader carried a reward of ₹5 Lakh. Police seized ₹39 lakh cash, a mine weighing 5 kg, five detonators, a 9 mm pistol with 9 rounds and Maoist party literature from him.

Director General of Police K.V. Rajendranath Reddy said that the surrenders displays the weakening base of Maoists due to the developmental activities taken up by the government and people are vexed with the outdated ideology of the rebels. He appealed to all Maoist cadres to surrender and join the mainstream to lead normal life and also to avail the benefits of 'surrender and rehabilitation policy' of the government.

25 students injured

Gangtok/Ranchi: Twenty-five college students from Ranchi were injured when their bus overturned in East Sikkim Tuesday, police said. The students of St Xavier's College in Jharkhand's Ranchi were on an excursion to Sikkim, they said. When they were returning to Siliguri in West Bengal on their way to Ranchi, their bus overturned at 7th Mile in Ranipool police station area, police said. The driver of the bus, registered in West Bengal, lost control of the vehicle due to rash driving, they said. The injured students were admitted to the Central Referral Hospital (CRH) at Tadong.

SHORT TAKES

Senior officials to inspect train toilets

New Delhi: Stung by complaints of overflowing and stinking toilets, the Railways has now deployed its senior officials to personally inspect trains across the country and find its "root cause", officials said Tuesday. The second phase will likely involve deploying Railway Board level officials to travel in 3AC coaches of trains for 24 hours to experience the problems faced by passengers, they said. Over the last three days, 544 inspections have already been completed by senior officials, who are usually the signing authority for such inspections which are carried out by their juniors.

Woman killed, 3 hurt in landslide

Itanagar: A 36-year-old woman was killed and three others injured as a massive landslide buried their house in Arunachal Pradesh's Nahaarlagun area Tuesday, officials said. The incident happened in Takar Colony, District Disaster Management Officer (DDMO) Moromi Sonam said. The deceased has been identified as Sangio Yapa. Three persons, including a two-year-old child, were rescued from the debris, she said. With this, the toll in rain-related incidents since April rose to 13.

Tripura CM skips oath ceremony

Agartala: Three newly-elected MLAs of Tripura took oath Tuesday, but Chief Minister Manik Saha who also won the June 23 by-election to become a legislator was not sworn in by the Speaker. Congress's Sudip Roy Barman, who won the Agartala seat, and BJP's Mailna Das (Jubarajnar) and Swapna Das (Surma) were sworn in as MLAs by Speaker Ratan Chakraborty at the assembly's lobby.

Woman kills son

Vadodara: A woman and her paramour were detained by the Vadodara police Tuesday for allegedly killing the six-year-old son of the woman. The crime took place in Pasva village of Savli taluka in Central Gujarat. Complainant Mukesh Parmar stated that his wife Sumitra had been in a relationship with one Kisan Rawal for more than a year. "On Sunday, I had gone to market to buy groceries when Rawal came to my house. The neighbours caught him red handed with my wife," he stated.

Zubair held for being 'evasive, uncooperative'

AGENCIES

New Delhi, June 28: Alt News co-founder Mohammed Zubair was arrested as he was not at all being cooperative with the police in the investigation of a case registered against him, a senior Delhi Police official said Tuesday.

Zubair came into major limelight after he posted BJP's now suspended spokesperson Nupur Sharma's controversial comment on Prophet Mohammed. He was arrested Monday for his objectionable tweets which he had posted in 2018.

After his arrest, the police said he was not cooperating with the investigation. "We had served him a notice under section 41 A of the CrPC, but he was evasive and not cooperating in the investigation," the official told media.

The official said that Zubair was "evasive on the questions" and neither provided the necessary technical equipment for the purpose of the investigation nor cooperated in the investigation.

"During investigation, the conduct of Mohammed Zubair was found questionable, which warranted his custodial interrogation to unravel the conspiracy in this matter," the official added.

The official said that the counsel for the accused Mohammed Zubair moved application for grant of bail, however, the same was heard at length and not finding the merits, the bail was ultimately declined.

The 33-year-old fact-checker is currently under police custody and is being interrogated over one of his objectionable tweets which he had posted in 2018. After Zubair's tweet, his followers on social media entities had amplified and created a series of debates and hate mongering in the thread. "He was examined in this separate case and his role was found objectionable," the official said.

The police have charged Zubair with Indian Penal Code sections 153A (promoting enmity between different groups on grounds of religion, race, place of birth, resi-



Zubair being taken to Patiala House Courts in New Delhi, Tuesday PTI PHOTO

dence) and 295A (deliberate and malicious acts, intended to outrage religious feelings of any class by insulting its religion or religious beliefs).

Sources revealed that the tweet for which Zubair is being questioned is 4 years old. In the said tweet, accused Zubair had used a screengrab of an old Hindi movie which showed an image of a hotel, with its board reading 'Hanuman hotel' instead of 'Honeymoon hotel'. In his tweet, Zubair had written, "BEFORE 2014: Honeymoon Hotel. After 2014: Hanuman Hotel".

Meanwhile, the Opposition left no chance to train guns at the present dispensation and accused them of curbing free speech and targeting those who are exposing the BJP.

"Every person exposing BJP's hate, bigotry and lies is a threat to them. Arresting one voice of truth will only give rise to a thousand more. Truth ALWAYS triumphs over tyranny," tweeted Rahul

Gandhi soon after the news of fact-checker's arrest broke out.

Senior Congress leader Jairam Ramesh said that Altnews and Zubair have been in the forefront of exposing the "bogus claims of the Vishguru", who has struck back with a vengeance characteristic of him. "Delhi Police, reporting to the Union Home Minister, has long lost any pretensions of professionalism and independence," he said.

Pertinent to mention here that Zubair was the first person to share former BJP leader Nupur Sharma's alleged remarks against Prophet Mohammed during a TV debate.

The controversial statement made by Nupur Sharma set off an international furor. Several Muslim nations, including Afghanistan, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Qatar, Kuwait, Bahrain, Indonesia and Iran, as well as the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation officially protested their statements and demanded an apology.

Following the uproar, the BJP suspended Sharma and another leader Naveen Kumar Jindal who had also made insulting comments against Prophet Muhammad on social media.

'Can meet counsel for 30 mins once a day'

NEW DELHI: Mohammed Zubair has been allowed by a court here to meet his counsel once a day for half an hour in police custody for providing legal assistance, a senior police official said. His counsel had moved an application for bail, however, the same was heard at length, and after not finding the merits, the bail was ultimately declined. "However, the court allowed the plea of counsel of accused Mohammed Zubair to meet him once in a day for half an hour in police custody for providing the legal assistance," said the official.

However, soon after her comments, Sharma was targeted on social media and received thousands of death threats following which the police provided a security cover to her.

She had lodged a complaint with the Delhi Police May 27 alleging that she had been receiving death threats and was a target of hatred.

Setback to BJP in K'taka as minister rakes up demand for separate state



INDO-ASIAN NEWS SERVICE

Bangalore, June 28: In a major embarrassment to the BJP government in Karnataka, the state Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs Minister Umesh Katti's recent statements demanding a separate state for north Karnataka has reignited the debate over regional divide in the southern state.

To the chagrin of BJP leaders, who are handling social unrest in the state, textbook revision row, pressure from party insiders to expand the Cabinet, such repeated statements by Katti over separate

Though, raising demand for a separate state has led to a massive setback for the BJP government since Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai hails from north Karnataka, the party is addressing the issue

Silence is acceptance. We are observing the development seriously. If the statements from other sections of the society are dividing Karnataka, we will take necessary action to stop this debate

B SANNERAPPA | STATE GENERAL SECRETARY, KARNATAKA RAKSHANA VEDIKE

Mysuru Peta and stressed that there is need for a separate state and the people must be prepared for it. BJP Ministers, including Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, have criticised Umesh Katti for his statements.

However, the ruling BJP government is in a fix as remarks calling for the division of state are coming in an election year.

Though, the saffron party has warned Katti not to raise this issue, the latter has refused to budge from his political stand.

In the latest remark, the Minister has said that there is a proposal before the Central government to create 50 states out of 28.

Asked to explain his statements, Umesh Katti said that his statements have been misquoted while adding that smaller states are better in terms of administration.

Katti has been elected from Hukkeri constituency in Belagavi district for the eighth consecutive time. He lost only once in 2004 since 1985 and has been calling for a separate statehood since a long time.

Earlier, he had said that he would become the Chief Minister of the new state that will be carved out from Karnataka. However, now he has said that he won't become the Chief Minister of the new state.

Though, raising demand for a separate state has led to a massive setback for the BJP government since Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai hails from north Karnataka, the party is addressing the issue. The successive governments in Karnataka have neglected the development of north Karnataka as the people of north Karnataka complain of focus on the southern part of the state. The Central government has given special status for Hyderabad-Karnataka region under Article 371 J.

Those silent on Ketaki Chitale have no moral, legal right to condemn Zubair's arrest: BJP

NEW DELHI: As voices were raised against the arrest of Mohammed Zubair, the BJP Tuesday questioned their silence on the arrest of Ketaki Chitale.

The BJP said that 'they have neither moral nor legal rights to condemn Zubair's arrest'.

BJP national general secretary (organisation) B L Santhosh tweeted, "Those who were conveniently silent on month long arrest of #KetakiChitale have neither moral nor legal rights to condemn #zubarrest. Your selective mess robs you off any small window you had. Sleep peacefully."

Marathi actor Ketaki Chitale



was arrested last month for allegedly sharing a defamatory post against NCP chief Sharad Pawar. Last week she was granted bail. She is facing a total of 22 FIRs lodged in various districts in Maharashtra.

Bangalore to host 9 meets related to G20 Summit: CM

AGENCIES

Bangalore, June 28: Karnataka Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai Monday promised full cooperation in organising G-20 meets in the state. The Chief Minister conveyed his assurance when former foreign secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla, who is the Chief Coordinator of G-20, called on him.

India is set to take charge as the head of G-20 in December this year. G-20 is an intergovernmental forum comprising 19 countries and the European Union (EU), a statement issued by the Chief Minister's office said.

Shringla was quoted as saying in the statement that G-20 is making an immense contribution for the growth of world economy and development. For the first time, India is getting the opportunity to lead the grouping, he added.

"In accordance with Prime Minister (Narendra) Modi's wish, a series of G-20 related meets would be held in various parts of India. There are plans to hold about 10 meets in Karnataka. We need the state government's cooperation and suggestions in this regard," Shringla said.

Bommai said Karnataka has ties with all the G-20 countries and hence, it is only apt to hold these meets in the southern state.

"It is a matter of pride," the Chief Minister said and suggested that Karnataka's conducive eco-



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BASAVARAJ BOMMAI | KARNATAKA CHIEF MINISTER

nomics and industrial ecosystem could be projected before the participating countries during the proposed meets.

"Karnataka is in the forefront in technology-based industries. It is the leading state in number of startups, unicorns and decacorns. The state is also set to emerge as a hub for production of semiconductors and green hydrogen," he said.

"Bangalore would host 9 meets related to G20. India is gaining in strength in defence, economy, education and other sectors. The summit would be held in India under Modi's leadership," he added.



Justice Satish Chandra Sharma takes oath as Delhi HC Chief Justice

INDO-ASIAN NEWS SERVICE

New Delhi, June 28: Justice Satish Chandra Sharma Tuesday took oath as Chief Justice of the Delhi High Court.

The oath was administered by Lieutenant Governor Vinai Kumar Saxena during a ceremony at the Raj Niwas.

The Telangana High Court Chief Justice, Sharma has been transferred to the Delhi High Court following the notification of the Central government.

"In exercise of the power conferred by clause (1) of Article 222 of the Constitution of India, the President, after consultation with the Chief Justice of India, is pleased to transfer Justice Satish Chandra Sharma, Chief Justice, Telangana High Court, as the Chief Justice of the Delhi High Court and to direct him to assume charge of the office of the Chief Justice of the Delhi High Court," read the notification dated June 19.

Justice Vipin Sanghi, who was



Lt Governor Vinai Kumar Saxena and Justice Satish Chandra Sharma exchange greetings during the latter's swearing-in ceremony as the Chief Justice of Delhi High Court, in New Delhi Tuesday PTI PHOTO

the Acting Chief Justice of the Delhi High Court before the appointment of Sharma, was transferred as the Chief Justice of Uttarakhand High Court.

Sharma was born November 30, 1961, in Bhopal. He graduated as the topper of the LL.B. degree in 1984 with three gold medals from Hari

Singh Gour University, Sagar.

At the age of 42 in 2003, Justice Sharma was designated as a Senior Advocate by the High Court of Madhya Pradesh. He became the Madhya Pradesh High Court judge in 2008. He was the Chief Justice of Telangana High Court since October 11, 2021.

K'taka farmers protest against RBI, seek change in loan policy

INDO-ASIAN NEWS SERVICE

Bangalore, June 28: Demanding a change of loan policy and delinking CIBIL score for extending the agricultural loan, thousands of farmers staged a protest against the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) in Bangalore Tuesday.

Members of the Federation of State Farmers Associations and Karnataka Sugarcane Cultivators Association arrived from all across the state to protest in front of the RBI. However, the agitators were stopped by the police and a protest was staged near the building of the Department of Public Instruction.

The farmers insisted that the RBI officers should speak to them and resolve the issue. The police department had made tight security arrangements in the premises of the RBI. Kurubur Shanthakumar, President of the Karnataka Sugarcane Cultivators Association stated that he had written a letter to the Bangalore RBI



Chief 20 days ago but got no reply. "When agricultural loans are granted, CIBIL score should not be considered. We are farmers who

feed the country. Sometimes we are not able to pay back loans due to floods, or famine. It is not tenable to reject loans based on CIBIL

scores," he said. "The RBI should take back its loan policy. If it does not then the protests will continue. Farmers

are not even getting ₹1 lakh loan on their land which is worth crores of rupees, but loans in lakhs are given for the construction of houses," he angrily stated.

The RBI officers later agreed to meet a team of eight farmers. Initially, farmers rejected the offer by saying that they did not bother to answer their letter. They also demanded that the RBI officials should come to the place of protest and hear them out. Later police brokered peace and took a team of eight farmers near the RBI.

Later, the farmers explained about the need to change the loan policy, granting of loans based on the value of farm lands, granting of loans for children of farmers and under the Mudra Scheme. They said that the farmers are not getting education loans for their children.

They also took the officer to task for not bothering to reply to their letter. Later, the RBI representative gave an assurance that they will shortly be called for a meeting.

of the day quote

During a programme in Delhi, Rahul Gandhi praised my patience. If a leader like Rahul Gandhi likes and appreciates my patience, then no one should be unnecessarily upset and should take it in the right spirit

The government led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi believes that when Northeast develops, the country develops. The Northeast cannot be overlooked when it comes to the overall development of the country

Any village in the state that adopts total prohibition will be rewarded with ₹2 lakh

SHORT TAKES

37 inmates test Covid positive

Patna: As many as 37 inmates of Patna's Beur jail tested positive for Covid-19 Tuesday. According to an official, the tests were carried out in last 24 hours. After the inmates tested positive, the jail administration isolated them inside the premises and started the process of sanitation. The security outside the jail is also strengthened with a large number of police and RAF personnel deployed there.

Man, niece commit suicide

Deoria (UP): A 30-year-old man and his niece ended their lives following family opposition to their relationship. The two allegedly consumed sulfas (a pesticide) in Barhaj police circle. Circle Officer (Barhaj) Panchar Lal said Sachin was in love with his niece Soni but their family members were against the relationship. Sachin asked Soni to come to a field where both of them consumed pesticide, police said. While Sachin collapsed in the field, Soni rushed back home and died during treatment.

1 dead, 7 injured

Meerut: A woman died while seven others are seriously injured after a late-night cooking cylinder blast reduced two partially constructed houses to rubble at Lisari Gate in Uttar Pradesh's Meerut Monday. Though there was no official confirmation about the number of people trapped under the debris, locals claimed at least 10 were still inside. According to official sources, earth-moving machines were pressed into service.

Man dies of shock

Srinagar: The father of a youth died of shock Tuesday after hearing about the death of his young son in a road accident in Jammu and Kashmir's Anantnag district. The officials said that Arif Ahmad of the Chattergul village died after his motorcycle collided with a passenger vehicle Tuesday morning in the Shangus area of Anantnag district. "He was taken to the sub-district hospital in Shangus where doctors said he was dead on arrival. "His father, Abdul Rehman died of shock after hearing about the son's death," the officials said.

Ensure people joining gatherings are vaccinated: Centre

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

New Delhi, June 28: The Centre has asked states and Union territories to ensure that people taking part in mass gatherings and undertaking pilgrimage are asymptomatic and preferably fully vaccinated against Covid-19.

In a letter to states and UTs on Tuesday, Union Health Secretary Rajesh Bhushan said mass gatherings in context of various festivities as well as yatras are likely to be held in different parts of the country in the coming months, and that such congregations may potentially facilitate transmission of infectious diseases, including Covid-19.

While the trajectory of Covid-19 cases has declined significantly from levels that were observed in earlier part of this year, a few states and UTs across the country are witnessing a sustained upswing in the cases currently.

"During many such events/yatras lakhs of individuals undertake intra- and inter-state journey spanning hundreds of kilometres with halting points arranged by volunteers and community-based social/religious organisations. Such congregations may poten-



Serum Institute's Covovax approved for kids

NEW DELHI: India's apex drugs regulator, the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI), Tuesday approved Pune-based Serum Institute's Covid vaccine Covovax for children aged 7 to 11 years, as per a source. The source said that SI's Covovax vaccine has been approved for restricted emergency use in children aged 7 to 11 years subject with certain conditions. On June 24, the DCGI's Subject Expert Committee had recommended emergency use authorisation to Covovax vaccine for use in children aged 7-11. As per the source, the DCGI has also approved India's first indigenously developed mRNA vaccine against Covid-19 manufactured by Gennova Biopharmaceuticals for restricted emergency use for those aged 18 years and above. The DCGI had approved Covovax for restricted use in emergency situations in adults on December 28 and in the 12 to 17 years age group, subject to certain conditions, on March 9.

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The BJP-led Union government is not releasing funds under the housing scheme and other programmes

MAMATA BANERJEE | WEST BENGAL CM

COVID CURBS RETURN IN KERALA

Amid an increase in Covid cases and related deaths, the Kerala government Tuesday decided to strictly reinforce the curbs which were in place till recently



Punjab cop booked for firing

INDO-ASIAN NEWS SERVICE

Chandigarh, June 28: Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) Mohali, Vivek Sheel Soni, on Tuesday ordered registration of an FIR against Sub-Inspector (S-I) Balwinder Singh in the firing incident in Dera Bassi in Punjab.

The SSP also initiated departmental action against three police personnel present at the spot for major punishment.

The development came after S-I Balwinder Singh, who along with the police party was conducting a routine checking, fired at the leg of Hitesh Kumar following a scuffle with some individuals on the night of June 26.

A police vehicle was vandalised by some people on the spot.

The SSP already suspended S-I Balwinder Singh and transferred him to the police lines. Pertinently, following the incident, the SSP constituted a Special Investigation Team (SIT) headed by SP Headquarters to investigate the incident and submit a report.

Meanwhile, the FIR has been registered under relevant sections of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) at the police station in Dera Bassi.

Resolution against 'Agnipath' soon: Mann

INDO-ASIAN NEWS SERVICE

Chandigarh, June 28: Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann Tuesday informed the Assembly that the state will soon bring a resolution in the House to oppose the Centre's Agnipath scheme regarding the defence recruitment.

Also, he said, a resolution on condemning the ban on Sidhu Moosewala's new song, SYL, on YouTube. "Agnipath is a whimsical and irrational move of the NDA government which will destroy the basic fabric of the Indian Army," said the chief minister, while replying to issue raised by Leader of Opposition and Congress member Partap Singh Bajwa during Zero hour.

youth will not get any pension or other benefits for it. Mann said this is a huge loss for the youth of the country who want to serve their motherland, either in freezing cold or boiling hot temperature, by joining the armed forces on basis of their physical ability. He said Agnipath reflects the sorry state of affairs in the country as the party in power at the Centre is recklessly running its affairs without applying mind.

Congress leader Bajwa said 20 per cent of Punjab's youths were recruited by the defence forces in the past, then it was made population-based and 7.8 per cent of recruitment was being done from the state.

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However, BJP member Ashwani Sharma opposed the move. The Chief Minister said this is another illogical move by the NDA government to ruin the future of the youth. He said no one, except BJP leaders, have ever understood the merits of schemes like demonetisation, the Goods and Service Tax (GST) and the draconian farm laws. "Agnipath is an addition to such baseless moves, which no one is able to understand," he said. Mann said it is unfortunate and unbelievable that a person will join the Indian Army after attaining age of 17 years and superannuate merely after four years at 21.

The Chief Minister said ironically the person who will be serving the country at the prime of his

would come down to 2.3 per cent, he said. "We should bring a joint resolution to oppose it," added Bajwa. There were heated arguments between the treasury benches over the issue. BJP leader Ashwani Sharma opposed the demand. He asked AAP leader Mann not to be taken in by the Congress, saying when a 17-year-old will be recruited, he will get an educational qualification and skill development training.

Congress member Sukhpal Khaira demanded the ban against Sidhu Moosewala's latest song SYL from YouTube over the BJP-led Centre's complaint must also be condemned and made a part of the resolution against the Agnipath scheme.

HOLY JOURNEY



Sadhus form a queue as they wait to get themselves registered for the Amarnath Yatra 2022, at Ram Mandir-base camp in Jammu

SILCHAR RESIDENTS FEAR OUTBREAK OF DISEASES

The administration is making efforts to reach out to the worst affected parts with drinking water and food but many have claimed that they received no relief



INDO-ASIAN NEWS SERVICE

Kolkata, June 28: It has been over 10 days now since the Barak River inundated Silchar. On Tuesday, several parts of the town continued to remain under water with residents now fearing an outbreak of water-borne diseases.

The administration is making efforts to reach out to the worst affected parts with drinking water and food but many have claimed that they received no relief. "It is possible that some areas

could not be accessed, particularly neighbourhoods connected by narrow lanes and bylanes. However, we have urged locals to try and gather at the nearest Chowk to collect relief. An effort is also on to map the flood-affected parts of the town so we may distribute relief material more efficiently," Cachar Deputy Commissioner Keerthi Jalli said.

Residents, however, said that it may not be possible for all to wade through waist-deep water to collect relief. There is no electricity and pumps can't be run.

"How do they expect us to wash off the muck after returning home? As it is, filth has entered the ground floors of our homes. We have to exercise all caution or there will be an outbreak of enteric diseases. We have heard that some boats with purification units are distributing drinking water. Trouble is that our mobile phones are not working and we can't communicate with others in the neighbourhood to ensure a collective effort," said Sunit Purkayastha, a resident.



The complainant said that religious sentiments were also hurt as the tweet portrayed the characters of the Mahabharata in a bad light and added that the post was also "humiliating for a woman". Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police (ADCP), Central zone, Raghvendra Mishra, said on Tuesday that a case had been registered.

"Varma has been booked under sections 295 A (deliberate and malicious acts, intended to outrage religious feelings of any class), 501 (printing or engraving matter known to be defamatory), 504 (intentional insult), 505 1(b) (cause fear or alarm to the public), 509 (word, gesture or act intended to insult the modesty of a woman), of the Indian Penal Code (IPC), and also under relevant sections of the Information Technology Act," the ADCP said.

Covid spiked mental health issues in marginalised kids: Report

INDO-ASIAN NEWS SERVICE

New Delhi, June 28: While the Covid-19 pandemic was hard for all, children belonging to the most marginalised section in India were the worst affected as it led to their increased isolation, affecting their mental health significantly, according to a report on Tuesday.

The report by non-profit Save the Children-Bal Raksha Bharat showed an increase in feelings of loneliness, anxiety, anger, grief and substance and sexual abuse among children.

About 44 per cent of children reported that they could not share their sorrow/anger/stress-related feelings with anyone and three out of four children could not share serious concerns like domestic/spousal violence with anyone.



Isolation from the peer group had a major impact on the mental well-being of the children with increased cases of child labour and substance abuse as they struggle to cope with a lack of coping mechanisms to express their feelings and thoughts. This situation was further ag-

gravated, as perceived by parents, children being out of school and lacking learning opportunities at home (61 per cent). Most of the children (69 per cent) were worried about death, illness, separation of a loved one, or fear of disease. Feelings of loneliness (69 per cent) and being worried about

For the report, 4,052 respondents spread across 24 districts in six states were surveyed between June 2020 and December 2021

death, illness, separation, or disease (83 per cent) was maximum in Karnataka whereas being disturbed sleep patterns was majorly reported in Delhi (51 per cent) while physical fighting was maximum in Jharkhand (42 per cent). A significant number of child also reported abuse, as they noted fear of being left alone with a given person (27 per cent), sudden emo-

tional or behavioural change (27 per cent), abandonment of previous play habits (29 per cent), genital/anal injuries (15 per cent).

"Lockdown owing to Covid 19 not only led to reduced socialising amongst people but also increased the intensity of different emotions that parents and children feel. This brought a complex array of challenges that had mental health repercussions for children and adolescents," said Anindit Roy Chowdhury, Chief Programme Officer, Save the Children, in a statement.

For the report, 4,052 respondents (2,743 adults and 1,309 adolescents) spread across 24 districts in six states namely, Madhya Pradesh, Jharkhand, Delhi, Karnataka, Maharashtra and Assam were surveyed between June 2020 and December 2021.

