

PRESIDENT OF INDIA GRACES 3RD CONVOCATION OF CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF JHARKHAND


New Delhi (KCN): The President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu graced and addressed the third convocation of the Central University of Jharkhand at Ranchi today (February 28, 2024).

Speaking on the occasion, the President said that the youth are India's biggest resource and biggest capital. Our country has one of the highest youth population in the world. India's economy today ranks fifth in the world and by 2030 we are going to become the third largest economy. We have set a target of making India a developed nation by 2047. In such a situation, youth not only have immense possibilities for building a golden future, but they also have favorable conditions for them.

The President told students that their responsibility is not only to create a good life for themselves; it is also their moral duty to play an important role in building the society and country. They should take a pledge today that wherever they work, they will work to build a prosperous and developed India, work to build a society where there is harmony and where every person's life is dignified. She advised them to always keep in mind whether people from backward or deprived sections will benefit from their work or not.

The President said that whenever she comes to Jharkhand, she feels as if she has returned to her home. She has a connection with people of Jharkhand, especially with the tribal brothers and sisters. She stated that there are many traditions in tribal lifestyle that can improve the lives of other people and communities. They live in balance with nature and if we can learn from their lifestyle and methods, then we can face big challenges like global warming.

The President was happy to note that this campus of Central University of Jharkhand has been designed keeping in mind green architecture principles. She said that along with providing a good environment for study and teaching, the eco-friendly practices set a good example of environmental protection for the society. She was also happy to note that this University has created special centers to preserve and promote the cultural heritage of local language, literature and music. She appreciated the Central University of Jharkhand for preserving, studying and propagating Indian culture, in particular, the culture of the tribal society.

President Murmu Lays Foundation Stones For Holiday Home & Sports Complex At Rairangpur

Bhubaneswar (KCN): President Droupadi Murmu laid foundation stones for the Central Government Holiday Home and Sports Complex at Rairangpur today. She also virtually laid foundation stones for various road projects and inaugurated Eklavya Model Residential School, Barsahi.

Addressing the gathering, the President said that the government of India is giving priority to the development of tribal areas and the progress of tribal brothers and sisters. With emphasis on the expansion of electricity and roads in tribal-dominated areas, the process of providing tap water to tribal families



has also started. She stated that a national mission has been launched to eradicate sickle cell anaemia from which generations of the tribal fraternity are suffering. She urged people to be aware of the various schemes for their welfare and become their

beneficiaries. She said that development is not possible without their efforts. The President said that education is very important for the development of society. That's why the government is opening the Eklavya Model

Residential schools for tribal students. She stated that even though the government is establishing schools, it is the responsibility of parents to send their children to school. The President said that Women Empowerment is necessary for an

empowered society. Therefore, the government is implementing various schemes to make women financially self-reliant. But only with the cooperation and partnership of every one, 100 percent benefits of government schemes will be able to reach the beneficiaries.

The President expressed confidence that road projects initiated today will ensure safe travel. The construction of the Sports Complex will provide better sports opportunities for the youth. She said that after the construction of the Holiday Home, people will be encouraged to come to Rairangpur. It will also employ local people.

Bill Gates Visits Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik

Bhubaneswar (KCN): Microsoft co-founder Bill Gates today met Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik at Naveen Niwas here. Gates held discussion with Patnaik on various topics, including SHGs, slum management, digital transformation etc. Earlier in the day, Gates visited the newly inaugurated Mission Shakti Bazaar in Bhubaneswar, where he interacted with SHG members and also visited the Koraput Coffee Shop. In the morning, he visited the Maa Mangala Basti in Niladri Bihar area here. During his visit to the slum, Gates interacted with the locals and learnt about various schemes of the Odisha Government such as MUKTA and JAGA Mission.



EC seeks clarification from Odisha govt, ruling BJD over use of party symbol in govt ads

New Delhi/Bhubaneswar (KCN): The Election Commission has sought a clarification from the Odisha government and the ruling Biju Janata Dal (BJD) over the alleged use of party's 'conch' symbol in advertisements issued using public funds, sources said Wednesday. The Commission has sought their responses by March 2 evening. Assembly polls in Odisha would be held along with Lok Sabha elections, likely during



April-May. Model Code of Conduct has not come into effect yet. The poll panel had received complaints that the 'conch' symbol of BJD was being displayed and promoted through various advertisements in leading Odisha newspapers, TV channels, state transport buses and by way of hoardings in different cities. The EC, under Chief

Election Commissioner Rajiv Kumar, has been following a stringent policy to ensure level-playing field for all parties and candidates.

According to the sources, the Commission viewed the advertisements being in violation of its instructions issued in October 2016.

"The Commission is of the view that utilising public funds/ public places for promoting any political party or propagating its election symbol would be antithetical to the concept of free and fair election and the principle of level playing field for all stakeholders," the instructions had said.

The commission had directed that no political party will either use or allow the use of any public fund or public place or government machinery for carrying out any activity that would amount to advertisement for the party or propagating the election symbol allotted to it.

Odisha CM inaugurates memorial of writer, historian brothers in Balasore district



Balasore (KCN): Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik Wednesday inaugurated the Manmath Das and Manoj Das memorial at Sankhari village in Balasore district besides launching various development projects in the same district.

After the death of Padmabhusan awardee Manoj Das in Puducherry, the Odisha government had taken steps to construct a public memorial at his birthplace.

Family members had donated 3.55 acres of personal land for this purpose and the Odisha government sanctioned Rs 16 crore to build a the memorial in his village. Many literary works and daily use items of the two brothers have been kept for public display in the memorial, said an official of the culture department.

Pay tributes to the two sons of the soil of Balasore, Patnaik said renowned English and Odia writer Manoj Das and his elder brother and prominent historian Manmath Das have made the country proud with their talent and wisdom. Their contributions to history and literature have immortalised them, he said while addressing a gathering in virtual mode. The Odisha government also launched an award 'Manoj Das International

National parties declare income of Rs3,077 cr in 2022-23; BJP has highest share



national parties. Besides the BJP and the Congress, BSP, AAP, NPP and CPI-M have declared their income. Between FY 2021-22 and 2022-23, the income of the BJP increased by 91.23 per cent (Rs 40.631 crore) from Rs 44.539 crore during FY 2021-22 to Rs 85.17 crore during FY 2022-23. Between the 2021-22

The income of NPP increased by 1502.12 per cent or Rs 7.09 crore from Rs 47.20 lakh during FY 2021-22 to Rs 7.562 crore during FY 2022-23. Similarly, AAP's income increased by 23.15 per cent or Rs 443.724 crore from Rs 1917.12 crore during FY 2021-22 to Rs 2360.844 crore during FY 2022-23, the ADR said.

fiscal and 2022-23 fiscal, the income of the Congress, CPI(M) and BSP decreased by 16.42 per cent (Rs 88.90 crore), 12.68 per cent (Rs 20.575 crore) and 33.14 per cent (Rs 14.508 crore) respectively, it noted, citing their records submitted to the Election Commission.

It also said the BJP declared a total income of

Rs 2360.844 crore during FY 2022-23, but spent only 57.68 per cent, which comes to Rs 1361.684 crore of the total income. The Congress' total income was Rs 452.375 crore while it spent Rs 467.135 crore, with its expenditure for that year exceeding its total income by 3.26 per cent. The CPI(M)'s total income was Rs 141.661 crore while it spent Rs 106.067 crore – 74.87 per cent of its income. Similarly, AAP's total income was Rs 85.17 crore while it spent Rs 102.051 crore – its expenditure for that year exceeded its total income by 19.82 per cent.

"It is a historic day for the people of Balasore. The state government's effort to preserve the memory of two great sons of this soil has made the people of the district happy. The memorial houses items collected from Bhubaneswar and Pondicherry which will be of help to researchers and litterateurs in future," Language Literature and Culture Minister Aswini Patra said.

On the occasion, Patnaik also launched the LABHA Scheme in Nilagiri area which provides proper MSP to tribals on forest produce. He also gave land rights certificates to the residents of Remuna Notified Area Council.



AN AESTHETIC AFTERNOON

By Santyona Jena

After a long season of summer,
This afternoon has a relieving weather,
As the sun looks shy,
And the clouds have covered the sky.

With the flow of cool breeze,
Happily dances the green trees,
Along with the jewel like yellow flowers,
Filling my heart with joy and cheers.

In this cloudy calm sky,
The flock of birds is flying very high,
Also the kite of playful child,
To which my dear heart smiled.

My eyes are filled with pleasure,
Admiring the beauty of nature's treasure,
And this surrounding makes me feel majestic,
This afternoon is so aesthetic.

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NATURE

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A beautiful forest is a nature,
Which is helpful for our future,
It gives us wood and shelter,
And to pray God, it gives us flower.

Everything is covered with green,
Which touches our brain
Pollution is not there,
As I can't find it anywhere.

Here is a child who clammers,
For gather brambles,
And here is a river,
Filled with clear water.

Here are some birds and there are some animals,
And all of them are mammals
We saw everything there
And nothing is there to see anywhere.



Class-VA
Mother's Public School, Puri



Quotation of the Day

Just in case...
no one has told you today.
YOU are amazing!
Have a really great day.

A visit to Imphal

Prof. MANAS RANJAN MAHAPATRA



Manipur is burning. I remember my visits to Imphal, its Capital City and friends there. I was keen to see the Royal Palace of Manipur for many reasons. It was the place where the king was converted to Vaishnavism. It was the place from where Rash Lila and other Radha -Krishna love story related dance and musical forms emerged in the distant north east. The Manipuri kings possibly came from Tibet via Thailand and Burma about six hundred years back. The ethnic population had their own religion. It so happened that the palace coup compelled the crown prince to flee and take shelter in the mountains way back in 17th century. After many years the prince

, by then a mature adult, came back and re-occupied the throne. However, he faced a lot of resistance from the people of ethnic main group (They were possibly the Maiteis). Then the Bengali Pandit (Gosain as they called him) came and preached Vaishnavism which the king embraced as a defense mechanism to face the opposition. Like European Churches, the Vaishnav Pandits stood by the king to protect the monarchy and enjoy all the benefits.

It is on record that people at the lower strata of the society were not allowed to come to the fold of Vaishnavism, for people of the upper caste, the Maiteis in due course compromised with the king and took the lead in spreading the new belief . Virtually, they made it distant from the commoners. History is the witness that

common people were never allowed to mainstream unless they revolted like French Revolution. In India, unfortunately, it never happened and people those who enjoyed good will of the king, always enjoyed the resources. They were from all religions and all castes, opportunists are a class themselves ! I had heard about a place called Andro which has an immortal fire in a place of worship. On reaching Manipur, I

first went to see the place. The place is not maintained like all historical monuments. More significantly, the fire appeared to me to be not a part of History , it appeared as if a group has created it a few years back and popularized it as Immortal Fire. I jokingly said to me after seeing it.... Some of our street hotel kitchens around Sri Jagannath Temple , Puri are also Immortal Fires. The Rosa Ghara (Kitchen) of Sri Jagannath

Temple is also an Immortal fire itself. And, it has survived without any Govt Grant, with people's support for centuries. Alas, now a days people in power do not move an inch without support from the government, more prominently in the tribal belt throughout the country. That has created a disparity in the society and is one of the reasons for Naxalism or Maoism in tribal states like Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh and Odisha.

But my disillusion ended when I found the deity. The priest said that it is the Guru of the God. Interesting, all of us go to God for our vested interests, but why to go to God's Teacher ! Will he advocate for us before the God... I was amazed.

Then I came to know that the people of Andro were once the main population of Imphal. Fire was their God like Aryans. They were from the lower strata of the society. When

Vaishnavism spread , they had to leave Imphal and were driven out to Andro. A similar ethnic population was already there and they accepted the Imphal group. But, they are scheduled castes, not tribes. They all preach the Guru of the God. Some say that the deities are parents of the God. Some of them believe that God is in all creatures and creations, he does not live inside four walls. The fire is an invocation of God, they believe.

We reached the town. Imphal was under economic blockade by a group for months. A litre of Petrol was costing then Rs 500/-, all essential commodities were also high priced. Now normalcy has come back. 'What about visiting the Palace ?' I asked Babu. 'Sir, tomorrow is Jal Keli, a Festival in the Palace. You have already an invitation from Somi Roy, son of M K Vinodini Devi. Now it is evening, We can go tomorrow.' He replied. We headed for the hotel as Somi Roy was already waiting.

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'Tera Kya Hoga Lovely' trailer: Film offers bold take on India's fair skin obsession

The makers released the trailer for 'Tera Kya Hoga Lovely' on February 27, starring Ileana D'Cruz and Randeep Hooda. This marks Ileana's return to the screen after her role in the 2021 film 'The Big Bull'. Directed by Balwinder Singh Janjua, the film sheds light on India's fixation with fair skin and dowry.

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Suriya Gets Injured On Sets Of Kanguva, Film Shoot Halted



Actor Suriya has been busy with the shooting of his upcoming film 'Kanguva', a Tamil period-drama. The film is directed by Siruthai Siva and the shooting has been taking place at a film city in Chennai. According to TOI report, a grand set has been erected by the makers for the shoot of film.

The latest report stated that a rope camera lost

control during the shooting of 'Kanguva' and it fell on Suriya, thus leaving him injured. The report further mentioned that the actor suffered injuries on his shoulder after which the shoot was halt.

Fortunately, it was a minor mishap and no major injury was caused to Suriya.

According to another report, the actor has

been advised by the doctor for a two-week bed rest.

Meanwhile, Suriya was expected to wrap up the film for his portions in 'Kanguva' this month and the entire filming was slated to be over by next month. However, with the latest development, there may be a slight delay in production.

'Kanguva' was announced in August

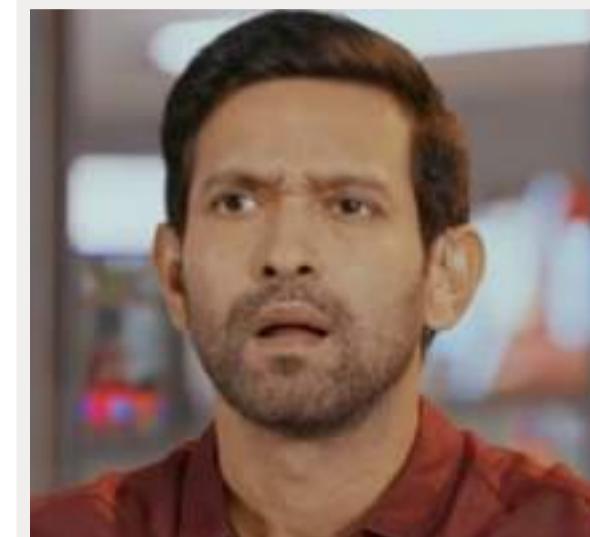
2022 with the tentative title 'Suriya 42' as it became Suriya's 42nd film in a leading role. The shooting of the film has taken place in Goa, Kerala, Kodaikanal, and Rajahmundry. The official title 'Kanguva' was announced in April 2023.

'Kanguva' stars Suriya in six roles, leading an ensemble cast that includes Disha Patani and Bobby Deol, alongside Natarajan Subramanian, Jagapathi Babu, Yogi Babu, Redin Kingsley, Kovai Sarala, Anandaraj, Ravi Raghavendra, K. S. Ravikumar, and B. S. Avinash. The film will mark the Tamil debut of Disha and Bobby.

It is scheduled to be released theatrically in early 2024 in standard, 3D and IMAX formats. The official release date of the film is yet to be announced.

Vikrant Massey's 'The Sabarmati Report' on 2002 Godhra incident to release on May 3

Vikrant Massey, who is basking in the success of his last film '12th Fail', has announced his next. Titled 'The Sabarmati Report', the film will be about the unfortunate burning of the Sabarmati Express in Gujarat's Godhra exactly 22 years back, on February 22, 2002.



Vikrant Massey announced the film with a short video. In the video, he plays a journalist, Shraban Kumar, who is breaking the news of the Godhra incident. As he reads on the teleprompter that it was an accident, he fumbles and then sternly claims that it wasn't any accident.

Sharing the teaser, he wrote, "Paying homage to the 59 innocent people who lost their lives in the Godhra train burning incident 22 years ago, today. Presenting 'The Sabarmati Report', in cinemas on 3rd May, 2024. (sic)"

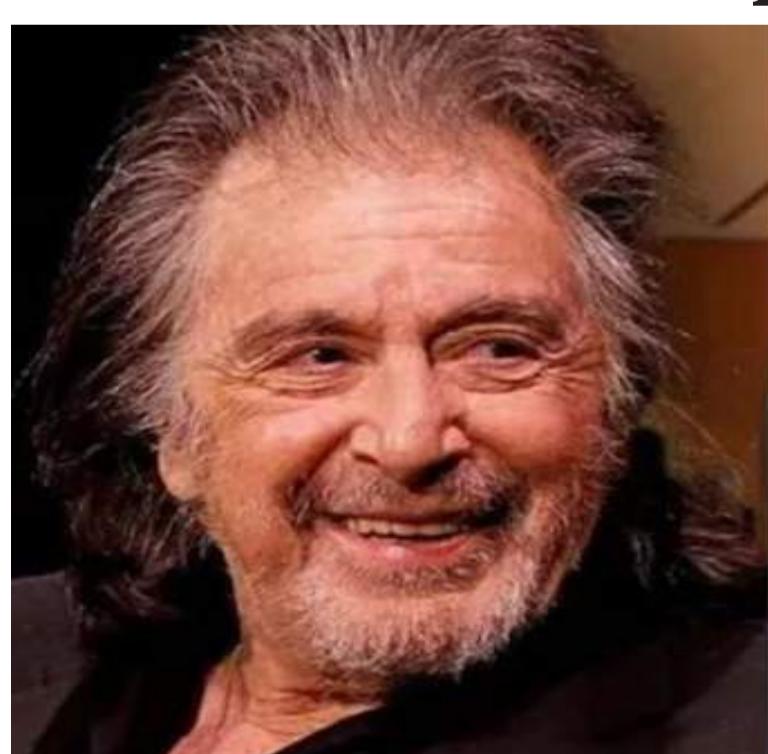
'The Sabarmati Report' will also feature Raashi Khanna and Ridhi Dogra, apart from Massey. Directed by Ranjan Chandel and produced by Shobha Kapoor, Ekta Kapoor, Amul V Mohan and Anshul Mohan, the film will be hitting the screens on May 3.

Diljit Dosanjh shares fun BTS clip from 'Crew' set with Kareena Kapoor

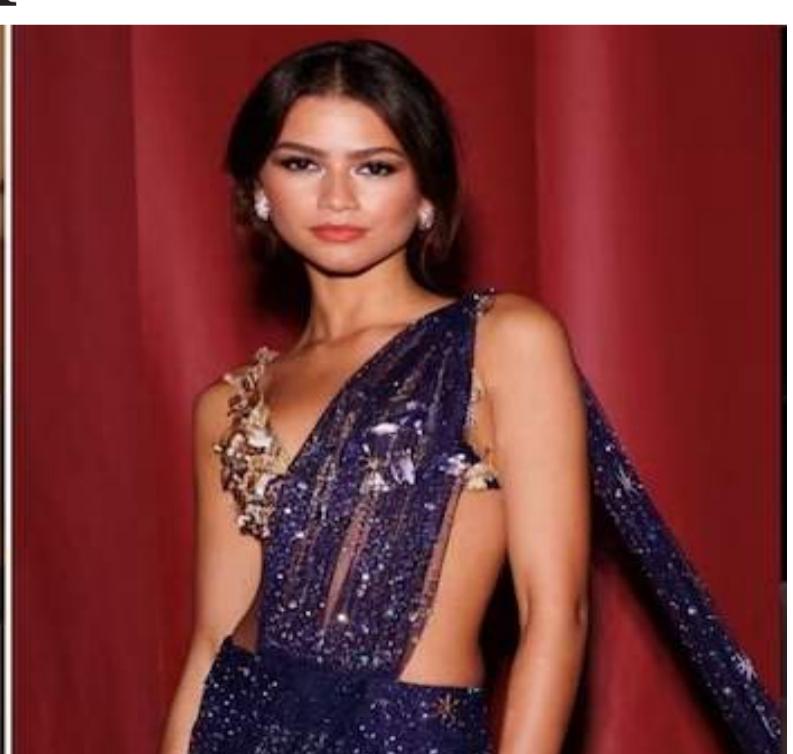
Singer Diljit Dosanjh recently posted a fun video from the sets of the Crew film. The fun clip also features Kareena Kapoor and Kriti Sanon in it. Dosanjh, who is famously a fan of American celebrity Kylie Jenner, posted the video with a caption that read, "Kylie Shado, Ethey Poori KAREENA KAPOOR (sic)" (Forget about Kylie, this is Kareena Kapoor). In the clip, Diljit is seen having the time of his life on the sets of the Crew movie. The clip sees him rehearsing a scene with Kareena Kapoor. It also features Kriti Sanon and Farah Khan. As soon as the video was shared by the singer, a lot of fans dropped comments underneath it. Rapper Badshah, who also featured in the clip, wrote, "Paaji is the not remember the lyrics the song of (sic)."

The video was posted with Diljit's voice-over, which worked as some sort of audio guidance for the viewers.

Al Pacino to Zendaya, meet the first round of Oscars 2024 presenters



Raj Kapoor (who also serves as showrunner), Molly McNearney, and Katy Mullan. The nominations for Oscars 2024 were announced on January 23 (IST). The nominations list was dominated by Christopher Nolan's 'Oppenheimer', which led with 13 nods. Nisha



Pahuja's 'To Kill a Tiger' is nominated for Best Documentary Feature at the Oscars. The 96th Oscars will be held on Sunday, March 10, 2024, at the Dolby

Theatre at Ovation Hollywood and televised live on ABC at the new time of 7 pm EDT/4 pm PDT in more than 200 territories worldwide. Alternatively, Indian viewers can watch the Academy Awards live on Disney+ Hotstar. The event is expected to open at 4 am (IST) with the red carpet, followed by the main event.

How to Get Healthy Glowing Skin with Fruits



Your journey to getting healthy and radiant skin begins with your diet. The foods we consume play a crucial role in the overall health and appearance of our skin. Your skin will only glow if you are healthy from the inside out, regardless of how many cosmetics you use.

That's why getting the right amount of nutrients through your food is a must.

Fruits are an abundant source of nutrients and essential vitamins and minerals. And, eating fruit is the key to improving your overall skin health too.

From preventing acne and blemishes to keeping your skin radiant, fruits do it all. If you don't

know where to begin, we have curated a list of the best fruits for glowing skin to include in your diet and skincare routine.

1--Papaya

This tropical fruit is a rich source of vitamins A, B, and C containing minerals such as copper, potassium, and manganese.

An enzyme present in it, papain, is capable of treating acne, removing blemishes, and tanning. It also cleanses and unclogs the pores.

It is a great fruit to maintain glowing skin. Additionally, it contains antiviral, antibacterial, and antifungal qualities that can treat various skin problems such as moles, eczema, and ulcers. Papaya can be consumed daily in a bowl or you can even apply it topically as a face pack.

Papaya contains a whopping 86.5 milligrams of vitamin C and 1 milligram of vitamin E. It also helps to build

Eating papaya can aid in avoiding constipation, which is one of the factors contributing to unhealthy skin.

It is a good choice for skin problems like warts, ulcers, and eczema.

Use papaya in your diet and cosmetic routine if you suffer from digestion problems, scars, or discoloration.

2 Orange -----

This sweet, juicy, and pulpy fruit is one of the most well-known sources of vitamin C. Orange can decrease oxidative damage, photodamage, DNA damage, lessen inflammation, and promote the production of collagen.

It has natural citrus oils which keep your skin hydrated from the inside and plump on the outside.

The natural oils present in oranges protect our skin from harmful UV rays, flush out the toxins from our skin, increase hydration, and slow down premature ageing. It also helps to build

natural collagen that prevents premature ageing.

Every day, eat half an orange. Start adding oranges to your salad, stew, cakes, and chocolates.

Add a little orange juice to your smoothie.

Orange juice can be applied topically wherever there is pigmentation. After ten minutes, rinse.

Combine 2 tablespoons of gram flour, 1/2 teaspoon of turmeric, 3 tablespoons of orange juice, 1 teaspoon of lemon juice for oily skin. Use as a pack.

Combine 3 tablespoons of orange juice, 1 teaspoon each of lemon and milk, along with 1/2 teaspoon each of turmeric and honey, to treat dry skin

3-Lemon

This round yellow fruit is popularly used in several skincare products. From anti-acne creams to anti-aging lotions, this citrus fruit can prevent a host of skin issues. Lemon

available all year round is the superfood for a healthy skincare regimen. Brimming with vitamin C, It serves as a natural bleaching agent that brightens skin complexion and also improves skin's barrier function to protect it against harmful environmental aggressors

Lemon is rich in antioxidants that help release toxins from your skin and also help protect the skin from hyperpigmentation and clear acne.

Having a glass of lemon juice each day will intensely hydrate the skin, effectively reduce acne, hyperpigmentation, dark patches, and even minor scarring

Lemon juice water with a teaspoon of honey added to it should be the first thing you drink in the morning. You can add lemon juice to your salad and even your curries while you consume them

4---Cucumber

Cucumbers, water-

rich fruit contain a whopping 96% water content. Unpeeled cucumbers are incredibly rich in fiber and vitamins K and C, both of which are essential for making your skin appear bright and glowing.

The hydrating properties of cucumber make it the best food for people with dry and acne-prone skin.

Daily intake of cucumber in any form is essential for the development of healthy cells. A bowl of sliced cucumber can help in puffy eyes, swelling, sunburn, acne, or even cleansing of the skin.

Having a slice of cucumber over each eye is a great way to reduce puffiness, dark circles as well as fine lines and wrinkles around the eye area.

Cucumber tastes good when eaten raw. Just peel them, sprinkle some salt, and black pepper, and your evening snack is ready.

The fruit is rich in salicylic acid, which acts

as a chemical cleanser for all skin types. It removes dirt, bacteria, and debris from your pores, thus opening all clogged pores and giving you glowing skin.

Ellagic acid, found in strawberries, has been shown to prevent UV damage and reduces the appearance of signs of aging. Strawberries are inexpensive yet super effective natural chemical exfoliators.

Have a bowl of strawberries with your breakfast. You can also add strawberries to your desserts

Mash a few strawberries.

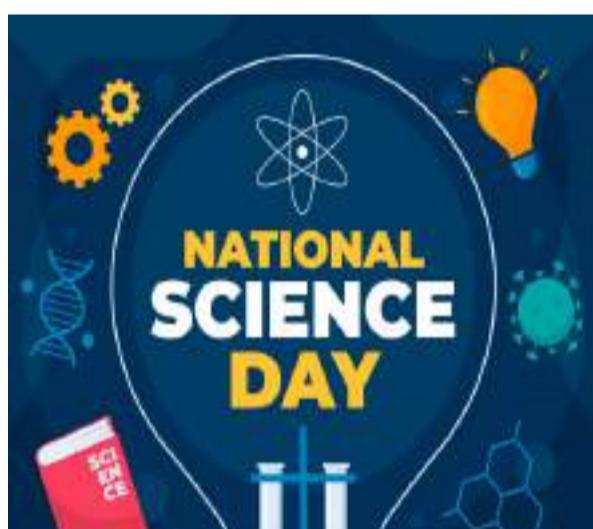
Apply the mashed pieces to your skin and wash off after 10 minutes for glowing and radiant skin.

Mash a few strawberries and add a tablespoon of lime juice to it. Apply to the affected area. Wash off after 10 minutes with lukewarm water for pigmentation and tanning.

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National Science Day 2024 & Its Transformative Power Today!

Vijay GarG



just a tribute to a singular scientific achievement but a celebration of the spirit of inquiry, exploration and the relentless pursuit of knowledge that drives the scientific community worldwide.

The Discovery that Changed Physics

The Raman Effect, discovered by CV Raman, unveiled the scattering of photons when light traverses a transparent material, changing their energy and wavelength. This phenomenon not only provided deep insights into the quantum nature of light but also laid the foundation for the field of Raman spectroscopy, a technique widely used today in various scientific disciplines, including chemistry, physics, and biology.

The Enduring Legacy of CV Raman

Sir CV Raman's legacy extends far beyond his Nobel Prize winning discovery. He was a visionary who believed in the power of science to transform society and was deeply committed to education and the dissemination of scientific knowledge.

Raman's work was groundbreaking and earned him the Nobel Prize in Physics in 1930, making him the first Asian to win a Nobel Prize in the

sciences. His discovery was a testament to the global significance of scientific research conducted in India and has since inspired generations of scientists in the country and around the world.

National Science Day 2024

Today is not just a day to reflect on Raman's contributions to science but also an opportunity to celebrate the achievements of scientists across the country and to foster a scientific temper among the masses.

The theme for National Science Day 2024, 'Indigenous Technology for Viksit Bharat (Developed India)', devised to reflect the evolving challenges and opportunities in the

sphere of science and technology in present day India, is a clarion call to the nation's scientific community and innovators to delve deep into the wealth of indigenous knowledge and technologies that have sustained our country through the centuries.

This thematic approach fosters a forward-looking attitude towards harnessing traditional wisdom in tandem with cutting-edge science to pave the way for a sustainable, self-reliant and technologically advanced India. It underscores the significance of local innovations in solving global challenges, promoting the development of home-grown technologies that are both environmentally sustainable and economically viable.

As India strides towards becoming a 'Viksit Bharat,' the theme of the year serves as a reminder of the power of blending the old with the new, creating a future where tradition and innovation!

**Retired Principal
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Letter to Editor

Sir

The farmers protest and the various disturbing episodes occurring on the outskirts of the national capital is giving sleepless nights to citizens and has now turned into a crisis effecting the day to day life of the commoners. With the main roads taken by the protesters and internet interrupted, the public have begun to experience the brunt of the agitation.

Some years ago a march was taken by the farmers of Maharashtra called the long march. The march never caused any issues for the common people. It was a march with a clear purpose and conducted in a peaceful manner, getting support from the public irrespective of political parties and finally achieving its purpose in making the government to promise and assure to the demands of the peasants.

The long march protestors on reaching Mumbai never caused any inconvenience to its citizens and did not put the heavy city traffic out of gear causing panic to the commuters and examinees as it was an examination time. The March was exemplary clearly showing that they were protesting peacefully and the aim was clear - to make the government not to ignore the rustic souls of India, the main backbone of the nation. The long march finds a significant place in today's era where such marches and rallies backed by political parties and groups often end up in clashes, riots and bloodshed.

The present agitation now sadly exposes that the so-called sympathizers, who are political by nature, in the name of supporting the peasants are only trying to be opportunists to make gains for their political and selfish motives. It is high time true peasants understand the motive of these elements and not to be victims to their vile scheme.

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Union Finance Minister Urges Youths of West Bengal to Rise and Help in wiping out Gradual Degradation of State in Economy, Technology, Intelligence, Productivity, Growth

Kolkata, (KCN): The Union Finance Minister Smt Nirmala Sitharaman today lamented the gradual degradation of West Bengal so far as economic & technological advancement, efficiency in productivity, growth and the like and urged the youths of the State to come forward and participate in rejuvenation of the State. In a lecture session at National Library, hosted by a cultural organisation called Khola Haaoa in Kolkata today, Smt Sitharaman said, among the 112 aspirational districts of the country, chalked out by the NITI Aayog for reforms under five broad socio-economic themes like

health and nutrition, education, agriculture and water resources, financial inclusion and skill development and infrastructure, 42 belong to Odisha, Jharkhand and Bihar from the eastern part of the country. But nowhere is West Bengal. While deliberating on the talk on 'Viksit Bharat and Eastern India' today in the city, the Union Finance Minister deliberated on the various Union schemes, chalked out by the Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi to transform India to 'Viksit Bharat' by 2047. She spoke about the targeted people chosen by the Prime Minister in the interim budget for the facelift of the country, like garib



(poor), women, yuva and annadatas (farmers). According to Smt Sitharaman, their needs, their aspirations, and their welfare are the government's highest priority, because the country progresses,

when they progress. In this context, she mentioned about the Pradhanmantri Matsya Sampada Yojana, Pradhanmantri Fasal Bima Yojana, Svamitva Scheme and urged West Bengal to avail the

benefits of these schemes to increase productivity in respective fields.

Smt Sitharaman also traced the journey of West Bengal from being one of the richest States in India in 1960s to a

growth rate of 5.5% in 1993-2000, when the national growth rate was 4.6%. Over the next two decades, the State's growth rate only declined from 4.9% in 2000-2010 to 4.2% in 2010-2010; whereas the country's growth rate increased by 5.5% in the first decade and 5.2% in the second decade of the 21st century, she said. "The annual per capita growth of West Bengal has been lower than the national average for the past two decades," she said. Around 35% of the total revenue of West Bengal was spent on debt servicing and pensions, leaving no fiscal room for the implementation of new

schemes, she added. The Union Finance Minister also pointed out the fact that in the past two decades about 1.1 million workers — both high-end and those at the bottom of the workforce — have migrated out of West Bengal, which was a labour recipient State till 2010, Smt Sitharaman also mentioned about the ailing healthcare infrastructure of the State. She said, despite being given the option like Ayushman Bharat, Bengal has not grabbed the benefits of the scheme. She also lamented saying the people residing in the State have to go elsewhere for good

treatment at low cost. She urged the youths of the state to rise and help in transformation of the State in this sector also. While deliberating on the industrial production status, the Finance Minister said, in 1947, West Bengal shared industrial production at 24%. In 2020-21, it has come down to 3.5% only. She reminisced West Bengal's past history and said, once people imbibed the thought-what Bengal thinks today, India thinks tomorrow. Smt Sitharaman at the end urged the youths to rise and help West Bengal revive its position and help in the process to be a part of the Viksit Bharat by 2047.

Hon'ble Governor inaugurates CHIASMA 2024 at AIIMS Bhubaneswar

In his first visit Governor Shri Raghubar Das wishes the national institute to be the nation's top institute



Bhubaneswar, (KCN): AIIMS Bhubaneswar has played a pivotal role during COVID pandemic. Youth of the country are in the forefront in fulfilling the true sense of Vikashit Bharat. Also, the young citizen of the nation is playing a significant role in start-up, khelo India and many other youth centric initiatives of Prime Minister of India, said Hon'ble Governor of Odisha Shri Raghubar Das on the occasion of inaugurating the student's fest extravaganza CHIASMA 2024 at AIIMS Bhubaneswar today evening.

In his first visit to the national institute, Governor Shri Raghubar Das wishes AIIMS Bhubaneswar to be the nation's top medical institution. Shri Das expresses happiness over inclusion of sports, culture and literature like events in CHIASMA. Amalgamation of students from different institutions of the nation will certainly make this mega event a grand success fulfilling the true sense of unity in diversity, added Hon'ble Governor. Executive Director Dr. Ashutosh Biswas welcomed his excellency Governor of Odisha to the premiere health institute

and conveyed about various successful achievements. Dr. Biswas also welcomed the students coming from other institutions into AIIMS Bhubaneswar and wished a great success of the four days fest. Among others DEAN Dr. P R Mohapatra, MS Dr. Dillip Kumar Parida, Registrar Dr. Debapriya Bandyopadhyay, DDA Rasmi Ranjan Sethy, students Union President Dibyajyoti Panda shared the dais with the Governor. It may be noted here that one of the largest college fests in eastern India organized by the students

Association of AIIMS Bhubaneswar will continue till 3rd March. Various institutes of national importance from all over the country have participated in this mega event to uphold their pride in various cultural, literary, sports, gaming and academic competitions. Chiasma also boasts of a rich history of mega stars who have set the stage on fire and this year the Bollywood sensation Mohit Chauhan on 2nd March (Saturday) evening and the wittiest of them all Abhishek Upmanyu on 29th Feb (Thursday) are all set to set the air high.

Folklore honor to Dr. Laxman Sahoo



Cuttack (KCN): Dr. Laxman Sahoo, Principal of Mahanadi Vihar Women's Degree College, Cuttack, and prominent researcher and columnist, has been honored with Folklore Honor by Kevaliya Sahitya Sansada Cuttack. Dr. Sahoo was felicitated as the best poet in the state-level Chuli Mund Folklore Festival-24, organized by the founder of the Sansada, Sj Sangram

Keshari Samanthalai, and Dilip Routaray, Director of Odia Language Literature and Dr Prasanna Swain, Dr. Laxman Sahoo is well known as a successful author and columnist but he is also a successful novelist. His stories have been widely published in the Sunday literature pages of various newspapers and magazines. His story "God is coming" has been translated into

Bengali language and has won the second place in Bengali short story book and has brought fame to Odisha. His novel "Sesa7 Veti" written in Samaj Sunday Sahitya page is popular with the readers till date. While researching on ancient to modern literature, his written stories, poems, discussion articles and features on current affairs are being published in various magazines and

daily newspapers. His book 'Srastha Srushti Drasta' of Odia language literature has gained great popularity among students. Earlier, he has received Sri Ganesh Honor, Prabandha Honor, Eminent Educator Honor, Bagmi Speaker Honor, Mayadhar Mansingh Smriti Honor, Columnist-2020 Honor, Wisdom Sarathi Honor, Saraswat Honor-2022 etc. from various institutions.

Jaipur (KCN): As the Sukh government in Himachal Pradesh faces threat, Congress leader Sachin Pilot on Wednesday expressed hope that the party will resolve the political crisis in the hill state very soon.

Pilot also targeted the BJP-led government at the Centre and said it failed in tackling rising inflation and unemployment.

"Our party has appointed observers in Himachal Pradesh...they will talk to everyone and

hopefully the matter will be resolved very soon," he told reporters in Sikar.

The Congress-led Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu government in Himachal Pradesh is in crisis triggered by Tuesday's cross-voting by six party MLAs in the Rajya Sabha election for the lone seat from the hill state.

Targeting the Centre,

Pilot said, "Look at the 10-year report card of the Centre...this government has broken its promises, especially

promises made to farmers and youth." "Only publicity is happening on every front, but on the ground, they have not been able to succeed in matters of inflation and unemployment," he added.

The former deputy chief minister claimed that the opposition INDIA bloc is strong and united.

He said, "Many people come and go before the elections. This happens before almost every election...but this time the fight is between the

CBI Can Also Arrest Trinamool Strongman Apart From Bengal Cops: Court

Kolkata (KCN): The Calcutta High Court on Wednesday directed that Trinamool Congress leader Shahjahan Sheikh, the main accused in sexual atrocities on women and land grabbing at Sandeshkhali, can be arrested by the CBI, the Enforcement Directorate (ED) or the West Bengal Police.

On a request by the state's advocate general, the court clarified its order of February 26 in which it had ordered the arrest of Sheikh by the police authority.

A division bench presided by Chief Justice TS Sivagnanam clarified that the court in its February 7 order had only stayed the constitution of a joint

special investigation team (SIT) of the CBI and West Bengal Police by a single bench to probe an attack on ED officials.

The division bench directed that it will be "well open to the CBI or the ED also to arrest" the absconding Sheikh, noting that he has been on the run for a substantial period.

ED officials were attacked by a nearly 1,000-member strong mob at Sandeshkhali in West Bengal's North 24 Parganas district on January 5 when they went to search the premises of Sheikh in connection with its probe into an alleged ration distribution scam in the state.

Lalu Yadav's Wife Rabri Devi, 2 Daughters Get Bail In Land-For-Jobs Case



New Delhi (KCN): A Delhi court on Wednesday granted bail to former Bihar chief minister Rabri Devi and her daughters Misa Bharti and Hema Yadav in the Railways' land-for-jobs case.

Misa Bharti, the eldest of RJD president Lalu Prasad and Rabri Devi's children, is a Rajya Sabha MP from Bihar. Special Judge Vishal Gogoi granted relief to the three after the Enforcement Directorate (ED) did not oppose the bail applications.

The central probe agency submitted that considering the serious nature of the case, stringent conditions should be imposed on the accused while granting them bail.

"Reply has been filed on behalf of ED to the applications for regular bail moved on behalf of accused persons, namely Rabri Devi, Misha

and Hema Yadav and Hridyanand Chaudhary. The counsel for the ED has adverted to the nature of allegations involving money laundering and submits that the same are grievous in nature and if the court were to consider admitting the accused persons to bail, stringent conditions may be imposed," the judge noted.

The counsel for the accused submitted that since the investigating agency did not find it necessary to arrest them during the investigation, there was no plausible

reason for the court to deny them the relief of regular bail now.

"It is the apparent scenario that the accused persons were not arrested consciously by the investigating agency. Hence, there is no reason for the court to employ any further stringent standard to speculate whether the accused persons are likely to flee from trial or influence witnesses if they are admitted to regular bail.

The judge had on February 9 granted them interim bail after the ED said it needed time to advance arguments on their regular bail applications. The accused appeared before the court after it took cognisance of the ED's charge sheet and issued them summons.

Congress Will Resolve Himachal Crisis Very Soon: Sachin Pilot

Representatives Of 14 Organisations Meet 5T Chairman



Bhubaneswar(KCN): The office bearers and representatives of 14 organisations on Tuesday

met 5T and Nabin Odisha Chairman Kartik Pandian. They have expressed their gratitude

to the 5T Chairman for resolving their various problems.

Earlier, the delegations of

these organisations met the 5T Chairman at Naveen Niwas and apprised him of the

problems of the organisations.

Kartik Pandian brought all these problems to the notice of Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik and immediately resolved them.

For this, today the organisations' representatives expressed their gratitude to the Chief Minister and 5T Chairman.

Pandian said that the Chief Minister is making efforts to build a new Odisha, a strong Odisha. He requested all to work together towards the creation of this new Odisha of the Chief Minister.

The representatives of organisations that met the 5T Chairman included Meher Samaj, Kulta Samaj, Odisha Kendu Leaf Workers Association, Santha Kabi Bhima Bhoi Trust, Agharia Samaj and Unit IV Masjid Committee.

Live Pangolin Rescued In Nuapada, Six Held



Nuapada(KCN): The joint task force of Odisha-Chhattisgarh Forest Department Officials rescued a live pangolin in Nuapada district and arrested six wildlife criminals.

Based on an intelligence, the officials conducted a raid in Jhakriguda village under Sinapali range in

Hati (56), Duryodhan Majhi (29), Gobandhan Satnami (35), Balasingh Gahir (62), Bablu azhar (24), and Basudev Rohidas (28).

Nuapada district and rescued the live pangolin weighing about 11 kg, while the accused persons were dealing it. The pangolin was sent to the District Veterinary Hospital in Nuapada for treatment.

AP'S 'POWER' GAME



Nandapur(KCN): The ongoing border dispute between Odisha and Andhra Pradesh has reached another level as, this time, the neighbouring state is playing spoilsport in supplying electricity to Raipahad village under this block of Koraput district.

According to sources, power discom Tata Power South Odisha Distribution Ltd (TPSODL) has completed all the groundworks for electricity supply to the households of Raipahad and has installed a transformer as well as utility poles. However, Andhra Pradesh's electricity department was quick enough to install all the required infrastructure and supply power to the households of Raipahad spoiling

Odisha's move. Now, the houses of Raipahad have been lit up with power supplied by Andhra. TPSODL has put up utility poles from Dumuriguda to Raipahad and even installed a transformer in the village. However, in a bid to strike a chord with Raipahad villagers, Andhra lost no time and connected the households with power supply before Odisha could do it. This has left the district administration red-faced while the neighbouring state is drawing appreciation from some of the villagers. On the other hand, the villagers and public representatives of Guler panchayat alleged that Raipahad village has been deprived of the benefits of the developmental initiatives as the district

developmental works it was implementing in the village and stopped the power supply that it had started in the village. However, it went back on its promise and resumed power supply to the village much to the chagrin of the district administration and block officials. TPSODL engineer Bikash Choudhury said two project executive engineers of the department visited Raipahad village and supervised the electrification works. They informed us that the power supplied by Andhra should be disconnected first before Odisha could connect the households with power. The state government has awarded houses under Biju Pucca Ghar Yojana to all the households in the village. Some of the villagers have already started building their houses under the scheme. Locals have demanded the district administration and block officials visit their village and resume power supply to their village by disconnecting the supply from the Andhra side.

Mangala Kissan's move throws all off balance



Rourkela(KCN): At a time when political weather is gradually getting hotter with elections drawing closer, Mangala Kissan, one of the political heavyweights of Sundargarh district and a former minister, has blown the election bugle, though odds are heavily pitted against him in Rajgangpur. His move has certainly thrown all off the balance. Political observers, his followers, and adversaries alike feel that Mangala may not be the party nominee from the prestigious Rajgangpur constituency this time. Mangala, an associate of late Biju Patnaik, is 76 and, his health is not on his side. These two reasons have made all believe that BJD might think otherwise while deciding candidate for the Rajgangpur seat

this time. However, even his detractors admire Mangala's indomitable spirit. "He belongs to the Kissan tribe who are known for their fighting spirit. They don't give up easily," said one of Mangala's detractors. Recently Mangala was given a royal welcome at the Biju Janata Dal (BJD) workers' meet where a large number of party supporters from Kutra, Lathikata, Rajgangpur, and party members of Rajgangpur urban local body were present. He, as

usual, urged his followers to put up a strong fight for the seat and wrest it back from Congress. He also gave them the 'mantra' for the election and how to execute it. What was more intriguing was the presence of Anil Kissan, his elder son. Everybody was astonished when Anil accompanied his father to the meeting. This was certainly interesting in the backdrop of the rising number of aspirants in the party, and factors against Mangala. One of his critics said, "Why should he be given the ticket

when he lost last time and his health is not supporting him." However, Anil's presence was surprising as the discussions revolved around Mangala's younger son Sunil. This has certainly given an entirely new turn to the rumour mill. When asked, Anil said, "I came here after I got a call to attend the function. I will carry out with dedication whatever duty the party assigns me and also give it a proper conclusion." He ducked more questions. Meanwhile, Mangala was more politically correct, when he asked whether Anil was his political heir apparent. "Whoever becomes the candidate by our high command Naveen Babu, we will accept him and ensure his victory," he said.

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Innovative Internship in Academic Curriculum can enhance employability at graduate & higher level of Education

Kolkata (PARTHA ROY): The new National Education Policy has opened up wide range of opportunity for innovation in educational methodology, as well as for educational institutions, faculty and students.

National Education Policy opened opportunity for academia - Industry collaboration.

A symposium on "Connecting Academia and Industry through Internship" was organised by Calcutta Chamber of Commerce in association with Department of Higher Education, Government of West Bengal on 24th February 2024 in Kolkata. This was unique chamber led initiative to deliberate on various options available to

corporates , educational institutions faculties , students under new National Education Policy (NEP) to prepare youths of India with focus on West Bengal for wide range of professions from entrepreneurship to committed employees of large corporates including Research and Development .

The symposium was attended by Mr. Manish Jain, IAS Principal Secretary, Department of Higher Education & School Education, Govt. of West Bengal (Chief Guest), Mr. Hari Mohan Bangur Managing Director, Shree Cement Ltd , Prof. Saibal Chatterjee, Director- In-charge, Indian Institute of



Management , Kolkata, Mr. Sajan Bhajanka Chairman, Century Plyboards (India) Ltd (Special guests). Mr. Rudra Chatterjee Managing Director Luxmi Tea Co. Pvt. Ltd. was keynote speaker during inaugural session while Prof. Dhrubajyoti Chattopadhyay, Vice Chancellor, Sister Nivedita University was keynote speaker during Business

session.

Rudra Chatterjee during his address mentioned Employers /Corporate houses need to have open mind while inducting interns in various work functions in their organisation as well as nurture and reward creativity of interns so that interns can

productively contribute during their internship . Mr. Chatterjee suggested building healthy working relationship with interns including inculcation of sense of pride as well as happy learning experience for interns . Mr. Bangur suggested using of interns productively by giving

Honda Motorcycle and Scooter India registers 3,53,188 unit sales

Gurugram: Noting a positive upward movement during the month, Honda Motorcycle and Scooter India today announced its sales numbers for May 2022.

The company's total sales for the month stood at 3,53,188 with 3,20,844 domestic sales and 32,344 exports compared to the subdued market performance for same period last year amidst multiple lockdowns owing to impact from second wave of pandemic.

Commenting on the sales performance in May'22, Mr. Atsushi Ogata, Managing Director, President & CEO, Honda Motorcycle & Scooter India said, "The market is gaining back strength as disturbances in terms of supply side are subsidingcoupled with rise in physical presence at office and educational institutions. The sales figures this month remain incomparable from May'21 as frequent lockdowns in wake of second wave marred the performance during this period last year. Growth in domestic as well as international trade continues to complement each other as we approach an early monsoon."

TVS Motor

Company registers sales of 302,982 units

Hosur: TVS Motor Company sales was at 302,982 units in May 2022. The year-on-year growth is not comparable due to the low base of sales in May 2021 because of the localised lockdown imposed by the Government of India during that period.

Two-Wheeler

Total two-wheeler sales grew from 154,416 units in May 2021 to 287,058 units in May 2022. Domestic two-wheeler sales grew from 52,084 units in May 2021 to 191,482 units in May 2022.

Motorcycle sales grew from 125,188 units in May 2021 to 148,560 units in May 2022. Scooter sales of the Company grew from 19,627 units in May 2021 to 100,665 units in May 2022.

The shortage in the supply of semiconductors has impacted the production and sales of

premium two-wheeler. We are working aggressively with alternate sources and taking every effort to improve supplies at the earliest. Some improvement has been seen this month. We are optimistic that volumes will revive to normal levels once the semiconductor supplies improve.

The Company's total exports registered sales of 110,245 units in May 2022 as against 114,674 units in May 2021. Two-wheeler exports recorded sales of 95,576 units in May 2022 as against 102,332 units in May 2021.

Three-wheeler of the Company grew by 28% from 12,473 units in May 2021 to 15,924 units in May 2022.

The domestic two-wheeler sales include TVS iQube Electric sales of 2,637 units in May 2022.

freedom to interns to express their thoughts & ideas to find solutions to various issues / problems.

Mr. Sajan Bhajanka suggested transforming internship into memorable learning experience will facilitate interns to perform better when inducted in regular workforce in corporate houses.

While addressing the symposium Mr. Manish Jain mentioned West Bengal Government is open to facilitate innovation in education and training methodology across wide spectrum of subjects involving arts , science , technology to prepare youths of the

State to face evolving challenges in future as well as productively & sustainably engage in various work-functions where innovative Internship methods can enrich both academic & practical learning experiences of the students . Enriched & successful Internship experience of the students will enhance employability of the students after completion of academic program.

Prof. Dhrubajyoti Chatterjee mentioned Internship will provide young students with opportunity for self- discovery. Shri K. K. Kejriwal past

President of Calcutta Chamber of Commerce played important role in organising the symposium when academic curriculum and educational landscape undergoing fastpaced evolution with implementation of new National Education Policy . Calcutta Chamber of Commerce lead path breaking initiative will go long way to promote academia - industry collaboration not only in West Bengal but across the country and will promote academia- industry cooperation and collaboration , significantly benefiting the society at large.

The French Institute in India, in collaboration with Apeejay Trust, announced "Divan Staliner" as the winner of the Romain Rolland Book Prize

Kolkata (KCN): The French Institute in India, in collaboration with Apeejay Trust, announced that "Divan Staliner", Pankaj Kumar Chatterjee's translation of Jean-Daniel Baltassat's Stalin's Couch, has won this year's Romain Rolland Book Prize. This Bengali translation has been published by New Bharat Sahitya Kutir. Established in 2017, the Romain Rolland Book Prize awards the finest translation of a French title into any Indian language, including English. The prize aims to promote and acknowledge the efforts of Indian translators and publishers but also nurtures a love for literature that transcends boundaries."

This is the second time that a Bengali title has received the prestigious award, following the translation of Kamel Daoud's Meursault, contre-enquête as "Myorso Birudhyo Saksho" by Trinajnan Chakraborty, and published in 2022 by Patra Bharati.

This year's winning title was originally published in French as Le Divan de Staline. It was longlisted for the prestigious Goncourt Prize in 2013 and later adapted for the cinema by Fanny Ardant, with Gérard Depardieu playing Stalin.

Ms. Priti Paul said "I extend my good wishes to Pankaj Kumar Chatterjee, a very deserving winner of the Romain Rolland Prize for his exceptional Bengali translation of Jean-Daniel Baltassat's Stalin's Couch. It is my sincere hope that his recognition inspires more translators and publishers to continue their invaluable work in introducing the richness of French literature to Indian readers. At Oxford Bookstores, we understand the vital role that translations

play in enriching the literary landscape, exploring new cultures, perspectives, and ideas, breaking down barriers while fostering a deeper appreciation for the diverse beauty of global literature. We are delighted to support the prestigious Romain Rolland Prize, a prize which not only acknowledges the efforts of Indian translators and publishers but also nurtures a love for literature that transcends boundaries."

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Jean-Daniel Baltassat imagines the intimate life of the Soviet ruler, and far from rehabilitating Stalin as being tender and affable, portrays him as a cruel and ruthless man who evokes terror and demands submission. He approaches Stalin as a writer with a remarkable evocative

power, where imagination takes over from historical truth. Mr. Emmanuel Lebrun-Damien, Counsellor for Education, Science and Culture, Embassy of France, and the Director of the French Institute in India, said: "Jean-Daniel Baltassat belongs to a tradition of French writers excelling in the art of historical fiction. With the Romain Rolland Translation Prize, we aim to bring contemporary French literature to the forefront, and award the efforts made by Indian publishers and translators to make these works available in India."

The winning publisher will be invited by the French Institute in India to the Paris Book Market in May 2024 and the winning translator will be invited to the Paris Book Fair in April 2024.

Expressing his happiness, translator Pankaj Kumar Chatterjee said: "I am delighted as my first translation from French into Bengali has been honoured with the Romain Rolland Book Prize. I am grateful to the French Institute in India for their support during the past two years – from arranging funds under PAP Tagore programme to my selection as the awardee. I expect that more and more French books would be translated into Bengali. I promise to do so."

Largest Fleet of Electric Lithium-Ion Forklifts

New Delhi: Vedanta Aluminium, India's largest producer of aluminium, has commissioned India's largest electric fleet of 27 forklifts, powered by lithium-ion batteries. Done in partnership with GEAR (Gemini Equipment and Rentals Private Limited) India, this sets the ball rolling on Vedanta

Aluminium's plan to decarbonize its industrial vehicle fleet. All 27 forklifts arrived last month and are being operationalised at the company's aluminium smelter at Jharsuguda, in Odisha, which is the world's largest single-location aluminium smelter, ex-China. Further, as testimony to its endeavours towards

increasing gender diversity in core manufacturing operations, Vedanta Aluminium is recruiting and training women to operate the top-of-the-line forklifts. The company has previously hired transgender employees as forklift operators in its aluminium operations at BALCO in Chhattisgarh.

These electric forklifts make use of the cutting-edge 'Smart Fleet Management' system to help ensure the highest levels of safety at site. The Smart Fleet Management system uses IoT (Internet of Things) technology to integrate the data collected by intelligent terminals and provide

Vedanta Aluminium insights on a real-time basis with respect to forklift speed, access to operate, collision avoidance, optimization analysis for operational efficiency and equipment maintenance, among others.



Afghanistan-Ireland Test venue changed to accommodate school sports competition

Dubai: The venue for the eagerly anticipated Test match between Afghanistan and Ireland has been relocated to accommodate a local school sports competition in Abu Dhabi. Originally scheduled to be played at the Zayed Cricket Stadium, a venue renowned for hosting international cricket matches, the game has now been moved to the Tolerance Oval. This change was necessitated by the Abu Dhabi Schools Sports Championship, which will take over the Zayed Stadium, compelling the organizers to opt for an alternative site.

The Tolerance Oval, although smaller with a seating capacity of 12,000 compared to Zayed Stadium's 20,000, is set to host this historic match. This decision marks a significant moment for both teams, especially for Ireland, as



they aim for their first victory in Test cricket since becoming the 11th Test nation in 2018. Despite having played seven Test matches so far, a win has eluded them, adding a layer of anticipation to this encounter.

"This was not our original plan but having been selected by the Abu Dhabi Department of Education and Knowledge as the host facility for the

prestigious Abu Dhabi schools sports championship taking place on 1-3 March 2024, we quickly sought the support of the Afghanistan Cricket Board [ACB] - the home nation for the series - towards this exciting late change," said Matt Boucher, CEO of the Abu Dhabi cricket and sports hub.

"The support from ACB management has been unwavering. I would like

to also thank everyone at Cricket Ireland and the Emirates Cricket Board (ECB) and International Cricket Council (ICC) for their flexibility towards the venue."

The switch was officially confirmed by the Abu Dhabi Cricket and Sports Hub, highlighting the collaborative spirit among the involved parties. The Afghanistan Cricket Board (ACB), the home nation for the

Comilla hopeful of Mustafizur's availability for BPL final



Dhaka: Comilla Victorians skipper Litton Kumar Das is hopeful to get the services of senior pacer Mustafizur Rahman for the final of the ongoing Bangladesh Premier League T20 tournament, scheduled on March 1.

Mustafizur suffered a head injury in Chattogram on February 18 and was forced to remain on the bench since the injury that required five stitches in his head.

On Monday (February 26), Mustafizur was

present at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium to inspire his team as they reached the final after beating Rangpur Riders by seven wickets in the first qualifier.

"We are hopeful that he (Mustafizur) will be available in the final," Litton Das told reporters after the game.

"He will start practicing from tomorrow or the day after and we are hopeful and please pray that he is available in the final," he said adding that they chose to field at the toss as there was no

Mustafizur in the side. "We took fielding after winning the toss, and it was largely due to the fact we did not have Mustafizur because while defending, we can go on the back foot to some extent (due to unavailability of Mustafizur) and we had two bowlers. Because

Mushfiqur did not play for long time and it was first match of Barsan, we decided to chase as our batting line-up is big," he added. While Victorians are losing their sleep over the availability of Mustafizur, Litton said that he is extremely happy to see the way inform Towhid Hridoy has developed his game and is delivering in the middle. Litton, who made 83 off 57 balls, was the star of the show but it was Hridoy's 43-ball 64 that changed the complexion of the game as it eased pressure from Litton's shoulders.

Rahul's issue stems

New Delhi: An air of uncertainty continues to linger over KL Rahul's availability for the Dharamsala Test as the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI), national selectors, and the team management consider resting a few more players for the final match of the series. The Test is scheduled to commence on March 7.

Cricbuzz has reliably learned that Rahul, who was deemed 90 percent fit for the third Test in Rajkot in mid-February, has not fully recovered, prompting the BCCI and the National Cricket Academy (NCA) managers to reassess his situation. He has been sent overseas for an expert opinion and has been undergoing treatment for close to a week since. It cannot be confirmed but he might be consulting a specialist in London.

After the first Test in Hyderabad, he was rested for the second game in Visakhapatnam only as a precautionary measure with a hope

from pain in his right quadriceps, for which he underwent surgery last year. It is understood that there is still some stiffness, and given his importance to the side and the dual roles he fulfills for the team, the BCCI, selectors, and team management are reluctant to take any risks with him.

The availability of Rahul for the Dharamsala game remains unclear, and any decision regarding his selection may also be influenced by the fact that India have already clinched the series against England 3-1. At the time of filing of this report, BCCI sources could not confirm Rahul's return date, possibly from London.

As previously reported by this website, Rahul is considered a valuable asset for the side and understandably is being treated with utmost care by the team management. Currently,

Injured Devon Conway to miss first Test against Australia



New Delhi: New Zealand will be without opener Devon Conway for the first Test against Australia starting on Thursday (February 29) in Wellington. The left-hander is still nursing an injury to his left thumb sustained during the recently-concluded T20I series against the same opposition.

The team management have called-up Henry Nicholls into the squad as replacement but Will Young is likely to take up the spot vacated by Conway at the top of the order. Conway picked up the injury during the second T20I in Auckland last Friday. He did not keep wickets or bat in the match after the blow and was subsequently ruled out of the third match of the series. Initial scans had cleared him of fracture but further investigation has revealed concerns with the thumb. He will now

undergo further assessment during the week to ascertain treatment and recovery period. The second Test of the series starts in Christchurch on March 8. "It's disappointing for Devon to be ruled out on the eve of an important match," New Zealand coach Gary Stead said. "He's a class player batting at the top of the order for us and I know he was really looking forward to this series." New Zealand had also been sweating on the fitness of Rachin Ravindra after the all-rounder experienced soreness in his left knee and sat out the final T20I but Stead confirmed that the 24-year-old rising star would in fact be available to take the field at Basin Reserve.

The Black Caps played four seamers in their last Test, against South Africa, but Stead said that may have been a mistake in hindsight. However, given the greenish tinge to the pitch at Basin Reserve, they are likely to be tempted to add Scott Kuggeleijn to the trio of Tim Southee, Matt Henry and William O'Rourke.

Availability still unclear as Rahul sent to London for treatment



will be considered. For the Lucknow Super Giants, which he captains, he is likely to play in the middle order and keep wickets, despite having opened for the side thus far.

It is almost certain that Jasprit Bumrah, who was rested for the Ranchi Test, will return for the Dharamsala game. However, discussions are ongoing regarding resting a few players to manage their workload, with the possibility of giving a break to both a batter and a bowler.

The Indian players, who dispersed from Ranchi after the fourth Test on Tuesday, have been instructed to assemble in Chandigarh on March 2. Along with the visiting England players, they will fly to Dharamsala via a chartered flight on March 3.

that he could be back for the third in Rajkot. But things did not go as planned. Ahead of the fourth Test, a BCCI release on Rahul had stated, "KL Rahul is ruled out of the 4th Test. His participation in the final Test match in Dharamsala is subject to fitness."

As previously reported by this website, Rahul is considered a valuable asset for the side and understandably is being treated with utmost care by the team management. Currently,

he only participates in Tests and ODIs as a keeper-batter, but a recall for the T20Is is very much in the consideration. Besides, he is being looked at as a key figure for the Border-Gavaskar Trophy later in the year.

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"We weren't quite good enough when it mattered" - McCullum



New Delhi: Contrary to pre-series predictions, England under Ben Stokes and Brendon McCullum have had a competitive Test series in India. While the visitors are trailing 1-3 after a series-sealing defeat at Ranchi, India have been stretched in all four games so far, although the hosts have also missed several first-choice players in the series. At Ranchi and in the previous game in Rajkot, England had the opportunity to surge ahead, only to squander away the advantage. In the third Test, England responded to India's total of 445 with an imposing 209/2 by the end of the

second day's play. That evening, the hosts suffered a jolt with Ravichandran Ashwin's sudden withdrawal from the game owing to a family emergency. It left India a bowler down midway through the game and with Ben Duckett looking in ominous touch, the pressure was completely on Rohit Sharma's men. However, an inspired bowling performance ensued on day three led by Mohammed Siraj as England slipped to 319 all out. It was a decisive moment, not just in the context of the game but also the series. In Ranchi, England were much closer to attaining

their second win than they were at Rajkot. On a wearing surface that was deteriorating by the minute, England's total of 353 looked more than competitive and at 177/7, India were on the ropes. However, a fantastic rearguard from Dhruv Jurel and his 76-run stand with Kuldeep Yadav turned the tables, starting another Indian comeback that eventually proved too hot to handle for England. Reflecting on this game and the series in general, head coach Brendon McCullum admitted that his side hadn't won the vital moments enough across the four games. The New Zealander, however, sounded extremely optimistic about England's Test future. "We're disappointed we've gone down in the series, but at the same time we're really proud of the efforts of the guys," said McCullum during his interaction with the press. "We've had our moments throughout this series, we've performed well at times and been outplayed in others. It's been a great contest and you've got to acknowledge that

India, at the times where the game has been sitting on the line, have really stepped up and performed."

"We weren't quite good enough when it mattered. Or India were better, to be honest, than us being not quite good enough. We've lost this series and we didn't win the Ashes but we're a better cricket team than we were 18 months ago and we've got an opportunity in the next 18 months to do some pretty special shit. I'm fizzing for it, to be honest."

"Time on the tools, experience and just keep chiselling away at any of those rough edges which creep up every now and