

## Ponzi scam: CBI grills bank officer over land deal of BJD MLA, wife

**BHUBANESWAR(K-CN):** Intensifying its probe into the financial transactions of Cuttack-Choudwar MLA Pravat Biswal and his wife Laxmi Bilasini Biswal in the land sale deal with Seashore Group chief

Prashant Dash, the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) has started scanning the bank details of the couple.

On Tuesday, it quizzed the manager of United Bank of India's Jagatpur

branch about the loans that the MLA had taken for house building purposes.

The bank officer, Debendra Mohanty, said Biswal had taken a `20 lakh and another `30 lakh loan from the branch for

house building in 2009. While he has already paid off the `20 lakh loan, repayment of the `30 lakh loan is still underway.

The probe agency is looking into all the angles of the financial transac-

tions in connection with the land deal with the Seashore chief.

Since 2014, the CBI has been inquiring Biswal's land deal with Dash for a land measuring 34 'guntha' at Benapur Mouza in

Jajpur district. Dash had claimed to have paid `25 lakh for the land in cheques in April 2012 while the rest amount was to be paid after registration. Dash cancelled the deal later and wanted his money

back. While the MLA and his wife have claimed to have paid back the money, the CBI is examining how the refund took place. It was in this connection that six persons, including

three contractors, were grilled by the agency on Monday. The contractors had claimed to have paid `1 lakh each to Biswal as loan and presented affidavits to prove their point.

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## President Mukherjee bats for simultaneous polls in his Republic Day eve address

**NEW DELHI (K-CN):** President Pranab Mukherjee today batted strongly for simultaneous elections to Parliament and Assemblies and backed the demonetisation drive, two issues on which the Government has focused its attention.

He asked the Election Commission to carry forward the idea of simultaneous polls in consultation with political parties. In his Republic Day eve address to the Nation, the President also asserted that the country's strength lies in is pluralism and diversity and that India has traditionally celebrated the argumentative "Indian; not the "intolerant" Indian.

"Multiple views, thoughts and philosophies have competed with each other peacefully for centuries in our country. A wise and discerning mind is necessary for democracy to flourish," he said. Mukherjee underlined that strengths of India democracy but cautioned against disruptions in Parliament and State Assemblies.

"We have a noisy democracy. Yet, we need more and not less of democracy," he said. But, he said, it is right time to acknowledge that systems are not perfect and those imperfections have to be recognised and rectified.

"The settled complacencies have to be questioned. The edifice of trust has to be strengthened. The time is also ripe for a constructive debate on electoral reforms and a return to the practise of the early decades after independence when elections to Lok Sabha and state assemblies were held simulta-

neously.

"It is for the Election Commission to

tion and our inflation level is within the comfort zone," he

freedom for granted; to forget the price that extraordinary men



take this exercise forward in consultation with political parties," Mukherjee said. The President said the depth and breadth of Indian democracy sparkles in the regular elections being held in panchayati raj institutions.

"And yet, our legislatures lose sessions to disruptions when they should be debating and legislating on issues of importance. Collective efforts must be made to bring the focus back to debate, discussion and decision-making," he said. On demonetisation, the President said it may have led to "temporary" slowdown in economy but will bring more transparency in the system.

"Demonetisation, while immobilising black money and fighting corruption, may have led to temporary slowdown of economic activity. As more and more transactions become cashless, it will improve the transparency of the economy," Mukherjee said.

"In the first half of 2016-17, it grew at a rate of 7.2 percent - same as that last year - showing sustained recovery. We are firmly on the path of fiscal consolida-

said.

The President said what has brought thus far will take the country further ahead but the country will have to learn to adjust our sails, quickly and deftly, to the winds of change.

"More than the union of ideas, a healthy democracy calls for conformity to the values of tolerance, patience and respect for others. These values must reside in the hearts and minds of every Indian; inculcating in them a temperament of understanding and responsibility," he said.

Advising people to remember that the tree of freedom needs constant care and n o u r i s h m e n t, Mukherjee said along with the rights which have been conferred to use because of democracy there are responsibilities which have to be discharged.

"Born in independent India, three generations of citizens do not carry the baggage of colonial past. These generations have had the privilege of acquiring education, pursuing opportunities and chasing dreams in a free nation. This sometimes makes it easy for them to take

and women paid to win this freedom; to forget that the tree of freedom needs constant care and nourishment," Mukherjee said.

He said democracy has conferred rights on each one of us but along with these rights, come responsibilities which have to be discharged. The President said youth today are brimming with hope and aspirations.

"They pursue their life goals, which they perceive will bring them fame, success and happiness, with single-minded devotion. They consider happiness as their existential objective, which of course is understandable. They search for happiness in the highs and lows of day-to-day emotions, and in the fulfilment of the objectives they have set for themselves," he said.

He said the country needs to work harder on the fronts of reducing poverty, to provide food security, to provide enhanced employment opportunities, to provide safety and security to our women and children, to prevent environmental and ecological de-gradation by changing consumption patterns.

## BJP gaining ground

**Bhubaneswar (K-CN):** The BJD Government in the State is scared of the growing popularity of BJP among people.

This is due to the successful implementation of the welfare schemes launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the BJP claimed here today.

"Realizing the fact that the BJP is gaining trust of people in the State due to Modi's welfare initiatives, the ruling party and Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik has become disappointed," said party spokesperson Golak Mohapatra.

The infighting and differences in the BJD are at its peak.

The BJD workers are no longer under

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the control of the leaders.

While the effigies

order to hide its inherent deficiencies, the party is staging a

four parts in the State. Everyone is aware of the secret deal between Congress and BJD.

"A group of Congress leaders are now openly supporting the ruling BJD. But, scared of rising popularity of the BJP, the BJD is trying to create an impression among the people that BJP leaders were deserting the party to join the BJD," Mr. Mohapatra added.

Dismissing media reports on joining of BJP leaders in the BJD, he said that those leaders were never part of the BJP.

Mr. Mohapatra said that the names published in different Media were never the party workers of the BJP.



of the legislators are being burnt, the houses are also set on fire in some places.

The BJD has become a laughing stuff in the entire State. In

drama of uniting people, he said.

Attacking the Congress Mr. Mohapatra said that the grand old party has been split into

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Koffee With Karan: Katrina Kaif, Anushka Sharma have a fan in Deepika Padukone

If you are of the same view that the latest

Deepika Padukone thinks on the same

sassiest best, leaving host and filmmaker

of a kind ever seen on the celebrity chat

from calling Deepika Padukone their

to our head – Ranbir Kapoor. Now that Ranbir is out of both Deepika and Kat's lives, looks like our Piku has extended an olive branch towards Katrina, by posting a tweet praising the two girls and the episode. Deepika Padukone has always stayed away from both Katrina Kaif and Anushka Sharma, due to the connection of her former and current boyfriends Ranbir Kapoor and Ranveer Singh, with the two girls.



episode of Koffee With Karan was one of this season's best, and both Katrina Kaif and Anushka Sharma were on fire, there is someone else who agrees with us.

lines too. This, when neither Kat nor Anushka preferred to call Deepika their 'friend' on the show. Surprised? Katrina and Anushka were at their

Karan Johar in total 'meltdown'. So much so, that it even left the viewers sweating due to their hysteric connotations and reactions on every petty thing – definitely one

show. The two beauties accepted that they are not like the typical actor-friends in the industry and comfortably give each other space. They, however, refrained

'friend'. While we never saw Deepika and Anushka bonding (one word: Ranveer Singh), and keeping distance, her cold vibes with Katrina only brings one name

There was a time when Deepika and Katrina were never seen under the same roof and shared cold vibes. But after years of rivalry, they reportedly buried the hatchet at a recent awards night with Shah Rukh Khan being the pacemaker. Sometimes, heart-breaks help in mending ties. And these two girls are the latest example.

'Kaabil' review: Hrithik paints every frame in glorious colours

**Film: "Kaabil"**  
Director: Sanjay Gupta

Cast: Hrithik Roshan, Yami Gautam, Ronit Roy and Rohit Roy

Sanjay Gupta is known for blatant plagiarism but a film from almost a decade ago now shows why Gupta comes short in that respect too. What does it say about your film if it makes Ghajini look sophisticated? The premise is same.

A revenge drama like any other. A cardboard villain. One man army. A disability. Rohan (Hrithik Roshan) in Kaabil is blind. Sanjay in Ghajini fights his short term memory

loss. Both exist to ex-

story resides in its

trivances and plot

later, Gupta cannot even surprise you with the constructs of a love story. We dive right into it and we know nothing about either of them. How does Rohan live his daily life? How does he get from one place to another? How does he navigate busy railway stations of Mumbai? There is some foreshadowing that's impressive.

We get a scene too late into the narrative when Rohan is showing his now wife, Supriya (Yami Gautam), the contours of his house, what's where and how many steps across etc. Kaabil needed more such moments early on in-

stead of the screaming in your ears staging of a scene about how they get lost in a mall and the universe conspires to bring them together. And what is wrong with Gupta's aesthetics? Dating at Mumbai's sea face. Big plot moments at Mumbai's sea face. Funeral also at Mumbai's sea face? What fresh hell is this. Is at least the revenge arc imaginative? No. Is it comically stupid? Yes. Is Kaabil the worst film of the year? I thought Coffee with D from last week would hold that position for a few months but Gupta has other ideas. Or he has none at all.



tract gimmicks. But Ghajini - which cannot even be categorized as a good film or filmmaking - at least hits the right notes for its genre.

An affecting love centre. Two characters that bludgeon you to care for them. Kaabil gives you nothing. All this thanks to Gupta's utter lack of craft. The film is built on con-

points that we've seen a hundred times before. Routine is not the issue as much as the absence of application.

So many years and so many films

Sunny Leone is the perfect seductress in 'Laila main Laila'

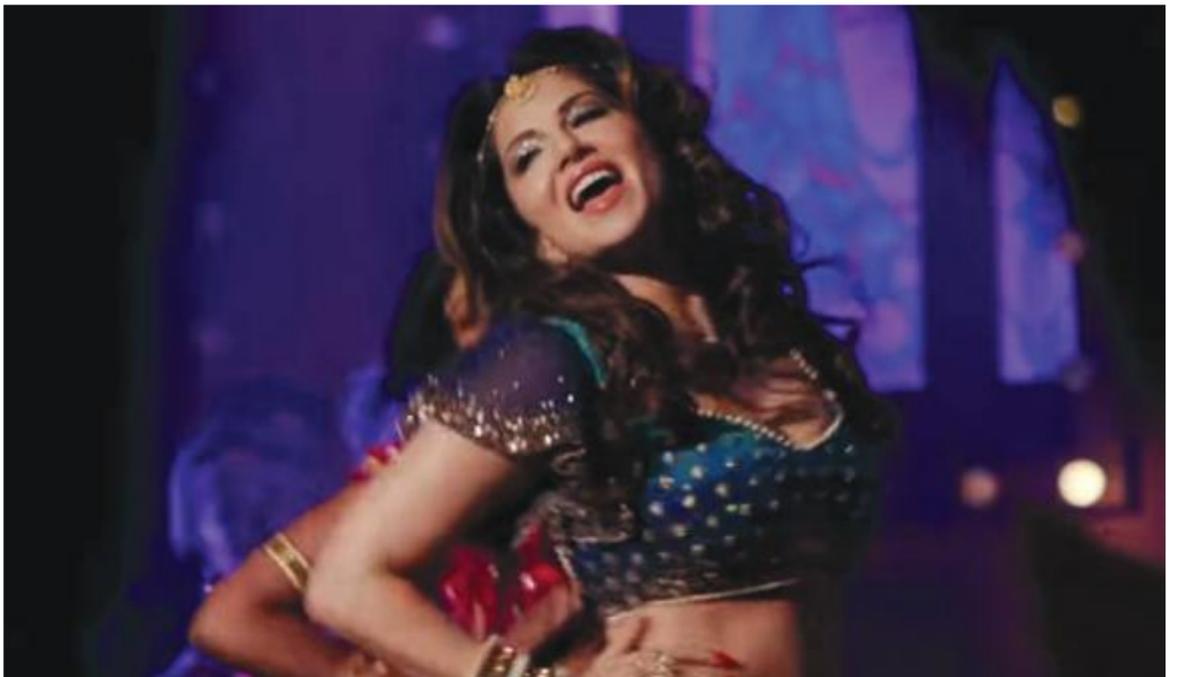
**NEW DELHI (KCN):**Sunny Leone's much-awaited song from 'Raees' is out and it has all the ingredients to make it to the top of every chartbuster!

From Sunny's sexy dance moves to Shah Rukh Khan's killer looks, the remixed version of Zeenat Aman's 'Laila O Laila' is sure to make you groove.

Set in a dance bar, it seems the song is an important part of the development of SRK's character of a liquor baron in Gujarat.

The 70's classic rendition has been recreated by Ram Sampath and sung by Pawan Kalyan.

Directed by Rahul Dholakia, 'Raees' is all set to release on January 25 next year.



# Apple prepares blueprint for manufacturing unit in India

**NEW DELHI(KCN):** Apple Inc today indicated to the Central government that it is ready with a blueprint to begin manufacturing iPhones in India, but wants fiscal concessions, including Customs duty waiver on import of components.

Apple executives made a detailed

presentation was made by senior executives of the company, including Global Vice-President (iPhone operations) Priya Balasubramanian. It cited the country's business friendly ecosystem for keenness to start local manufacturing.

With sales tapering in the US and

manufacturers. Besides exemption from the Customs duty on imports of components and equipment for 15 years, Apple wants relaxation in the mandated 30 per cent local sourcing of components.

When contacted, Apple spokesperson told PTI: "We have been working hard to

about further expanding our local operations." On the duty and tax-related concessions being sought by the company, the sources said most of them are within the policy domain and decisions will be taken by the respective departments. "They are seeking certain duty exemp-

company setting up its manufacturing unit in India is going to be a reality. They have full-fledged plans. There is no policy impediment. They would also bring their supply chains," the sources divulged.

The company executives yesterday called on Commerce and Industry Minister Nirmala Sitharaman.

In a communication to the government, the Cupertino-based technology major has asked for several tax and other incentives, including long-term duty exemptions, to enter the manufacturing sector in India.

Currently, the government provides support by way of benefits under the Modified Special Incentive Package Scheme (MSIPS) to boost electronic manufacturing.

The company sells its products through Apple-owned retail stores in countries like China, Germany, the US, the UK and France, among others. It has no wholly-owned store in India and sells its products through distributors such as Redington and Ingram Micro.



presentation on its roadmap for setting up a manufacturing unit in India to an inter-ministerial group headed by the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion Secretary, Ramesh Abhishek, sources privy to the development said. The pre-

China, Apple is eyeing India -- the fastest growing smartphone market in the world -- and looking to set up a local manufacturing unit to cut costs. It, however, does not manufacture devices on its own and rather does it through contract

develop our operations in India and are proud to deliver the best products and services in the world to our customers here."

The spokesperson added: "We appreciate the constructive and open dialogue we have had with the government

and other concessions. Respective departments will look at those demands," they added.

The official also said the company has indicated that it would gradually make India a major manufacturing hub for its products. "The

al-Nahyan.

UAE's Abu Dhabi National Oil Co will store about 6 million barrels of oil at Mangalore, taking

# BSE IPO registers demand for Rs 12.43 billion

**MUMBAI(KCN):** An initial public offering from India's BSE Ltd, the country's second-biggest stock exchange, was well over-subscribed on the last day of the sale, helped by attractive

steer more pension money into stocks.

The strong demand is also a good sign for NSE which last month submitted its own application for an IPO that could raise as much as \$1 billion.

lion rupees.

Dion's Joshi said its price-to-earnings valuation of 25.6 times for the year ended in March 2016 was in line with bourses such as Singapore Exchange and Deutsche Boerse



valuations and expectations of robust growth for stocks in the coming years.

The IPO, which is seeking to raise 12.43 billion rupees (\$182 million), saw bids 15 times the number of shares on offer, data showed.

Although BSE is dwarfed by rival NSE in terms of trading volumes, Asia's oldest exchange is still expected to benefit from a surge of retail investments into mutual funds and government efforts to

"Financial markets are overall under-penetrated in India. As the working-age population increases, retail investor participation is expected to go up, and this can be a driver for the exchanges," said Rahul Joshi, an analyst for Dion Global Solutions. "It will be a great story going ahead."

More than 250 shareholders, including Singapore Exchange Ltd and billionaire George Soros' Quantum, are selling up to 15.4 million shares in BSE, which was founded in 1875 under a banyan tree as Bombay Stock Exchange.

That represents 28 percent of the company. At its marketed price range of 805 to 806 rupees per share, the exchange will have a market value of some 44 bil-

even though it deserved to be much higher given its high growth potential.

BSE's offering is the first IPO in India in 2017, after \$4 billion was raised in 2016, the best year in six. It will be listed on NSE as it is not allowed by law to list on its own exchange.

Although India's ban last year of higher-value banknotes has hit market sentiment, retail investors have continued to pour into mutual funds, moving away from traditional savings such as gold and real estate - a trend analysts believe will last for years.

Financial firm SPA estimates equity savings as a portion of financial savings is only 5 percent in India compared to 14 percent in China, 20 percent in Indonesia, or 42 percent in the United States.

also being verified to ascertain if it was car-

claimed that the entire deal was con-

# India to cut 2016-17 sugar output by 9 percent as drought hits

**MUMBAI(KCN):** India is likely to produce 21.3 million tonnes of sugar in 2016-17, down 9 percent from an earlier forecast of 23.4 million tonnes, as drought curtailed cane supplies in key producing states, a trade body said on Wednesday. A drop in production could lift local prices and prompt the world's biggest consumer to allow duty-free imports of the sweetener, supporting global prices that are trading near their highest level in one-and-a-half months.

Sugar mills in top producing western



state of Maharashtra and third biggest pro-

ducing southern state of Karnataka are clos-

ing earlier than initial expectations, Indian

Sugar Mills Association said in a statement.



the affidavits under forensic verification to check the authenticity of signatures of the parties involved. Similarly, the land agreement paper is

ried out before the deal or was done as an afterthought. The signatures will also be put to handwriting checks. Earlier, the MLA's wife had

ducted on agreement papers and she had submitted money receipts substantiating that the money was returned after Dash cancelled the deal.

**Chance for Rasool, Chahal to become India's T20 bowlers: Kohli**  
**KANPUR (KCN):** Having led Yuzvendra Chahal and Parveez Rasool in the Indian Premier League, skipper Virat Kohli feels that three-match T20 International series against England will provide perfect opportunity to the duo to establish themselves as "specialists" in the shortest format. A good show by Rasool and Chahal may also lessen the workload on world's premier spinner Ravichandran Ashwin. "The guys who have come in have done pretty well in the IPL, in the domestic T20s.

The areas they are bowling in are pretty good and are pretty economical. Yuzvendra, everyone has seen his performances, even Rasool played under me at RCB," Kohli said at the pre-match media conference. "It is probably a breakthrough series for them. They haven't played a big series yet so this might be the perfect opportunity to seal their spots as T20 specialist spinners for the future," Kohli made it clear as to what is there in stake for youngsters.

## Australian Open: Sania-Dodig pair prevails in quarters clash against Bopanna-Gabriela

**MELBOURNE(KCN):** Sania Mirza and Ivan Dodig held their nerves and saved two match points against Rohan Bopanna and Gabriela Dabrowski before pulling off a tense win to seal a place in the mixed doubles semi-finals of the Australian Open, here today.

The second seeded Indo-Croatian team of Sania and Dodig felt the heat in the Super Tie-breaker but kept calm and not only saved two match points but also walked away with a 6-4 3-6 12-10 win in the quarterfinals.

Bopanna and

Canadian Gabriela were left to rue missed chances in the 67-minute

Sania had also lost in the women's doubles pre-quarterfinals with

their quarterfinal against local favourites Samantha Stosur and



match.

With this defeat, Bopanna's campaign has ended at the first Grand Slam of the season. He had lost in the men's doubles second round with new partner Pablo Cuevas.

Barbora Strycova but is still alive for her overall seventh and fourth mixed doubles Grand Slam title.

In the next match she could face Leander Paes and Martina Hingis, who are playing

Sam Groth.

Meanwhile, Zeel Desai has reached the junior girls' singles quarterfinals as her opponent, fifth seed Serbian, Olga Danilovic, retired after leading the opening set 5-3.

## Serena, Lucic-Baroni win at throwback Australian Open

**MELBOURNE(KCN):** The last time Serena Williams and Mirjana Lucic-Baroni played each other, nearly two decades ago at Wimbledon, they were both precocious teenagers just starting their tennis careers.

Now, the two 30-something women will meet again in the semifinals of the Australian Open, a tournament that's starting to have a distinct throwback feel.

Serena Williams, 35, reached her 10th consecutive Grand Slam semifinal with a 6-2, 6-3 win over Johanna Konta on Wednesday, while Lucic-Baroni, 34, upset fifth-seeded Karolina Pliskova 6-4, 3-6, 6-4, to advance to her first major semifinal in nearly 18 years.

"Thirties is the new 10," Williams said. "No matter what happens, someone 34 or older will be in the final."

With 36-year-old Venus Williams also reaching the semifinals, it's the first time in the Open era that two players aged 35 or older have reached the final four of a Grand Slam. Venus plays another American, CoCo Vandeweghe, in her semifinal on Thursday.

On the men's side, 35-year-old Roger Federer and 31-year-old Stan Wawrinka have also

booked spots in the semis. Thirty-year-old Rafael Nadal will attempt to join them when he plays Milos Raonic later Wednesday.

Grigor Dimitrov beat David Goffin 6-3, 6-2, 6-4 to reach his second Grand

age of 17.

The last time she made it this far, Lucic-Baroni also had to face a woman with 22 majors — Steffi Graf. Graf won their semifinal match, but fell short in her bid to win her 23rd major title against

opened, it has made it OK."

Lucic-Baroni was once considered a prodigy with as much promise as the Williams sisters. She won the first tournament she entered as a 15 year old in 1997 and several months later captured the 1998 Australian Open doubles title with Martina Hingis.

She and Serena played each other twice in 1998, including in the second round of Wimbledon, a match won by Williams. They haven't played on tour since.

"It was on Centre Court," Williams said. "That's all I remember. I remember winning. I was so excited because I was so young. She obviously was super young, too."

After Lucic-Baroni's run at Wimbledon the following year, her career was sidetracked by personal issues and financial problems. She was largely out of the sport for several years before launching a comeback in the late 2000s.

Despite her recent difficulties, Lucic-Baroni said she never lost the belief she could compete at the top of the game.

"When you stop winning as much and you don't play for a long time, yeah, you definitely lose it a

little bit," she said. "Not even lose it, you forget it. ... And I'm really glad that I remembered."

When asked about her own longevity in the sport, Williams said she's been around so long, many of her former competitors are now playing in the legends' doubles event at the majors.

"I think at one point I was older than some of those players. I was wondering, 'Should I be on the legends tour?'" she said with a laugh.

## McIlroy aiming to return from injury at WGC-Mexico in March

Rory McIlroy is targeting the Mexico Championship in March as his return to tournament action from injury.

McIlroy aggravated a rib stress fracture while finishing runner-up at the SA Open in Gauteng two weekends ago. Those injuries typically take about six weeks to heal, and he believes he'll be ready to play again in the first World Golf Championship of the year, from March 2-5.

"I feel like I can maybe get back before that, but if I were to play (the) Honda (Classic) and then go straight to Mexico, I'd be playing two weeks in a row. I'd

## 36 hurt as tourist bus turns turtle at Dhauli foothills

**BHUBANESWAR(KCN):** At least 36 tourists from West Bengal were injured when the bus they were travelling in lost control and swerved off the road at the foothills of the famous Dhauligiri on the outskirts of the City on Tuesday morning.

hill, the vehicle appeared to have a brake failure which led to the mishap.

As the driver fervently tried to regain control of the vehicle, locals and other tourists tried to block the road with boulders so that the bus could come to a halt but it

"All arrangements were made to provide medical attention to the tourists at Capital Hospital. We are in touch with SCB Medical College to remain updated about the health status of those admitted there," he said. The State Govern-



The injured tourists were rushed to Capital Hospital here. Six passengers suffered multiple fractures and were shifted to SCB Medical College and Hospital at Cuttack. Seven others were later moved to the medical college.

Ten passengers are recovering at Capital Hospital while the rest were discharged after receiving preliminary medical attention. There were four children on the bus who also sustained injuries. The accident took place at about 7.30 am when the bus, carrying over 60 tourists from Midnapore district of West Bengal, was returning from a visit to the iconic Buddhist attraction. On the way back down the

went off the road to the open fields and turned turtle. Police, Firefighters and ODRAF members rushed to the spot to rescue the passengers. The locals also helped the operation.

Fire officer Ramesh Majhi said he had seen the bus going towards Dhauligiri. "It appears that the brakes failed because when I saw it in the morning, the vehicle was on its way to the tourist spot and it did not have any technical snag," he said.

Director, Health Services Kailash Dash said, the injured were immediately taken to the hospital in ambulances and PCR vans. Some of them were provided preliminary treatment on the spot.

ment announced free treatment for all the injured.

Tourism Secretary Arti Ahuja and Khurda Collector Niranjana Sahu rushed to Capital Hospital to take stock of the situation while Health Secretary Pramod Meherda spoke to his counterpart in WB Government to intimate him about the status. A helpline number was also activated.

The overturned bus was later lifted by cranes. One of the two drivers sustained injuries while the other is absconding. A team of Odisha Motor Vehicle Department also inspected the site to probe the reason behind the mishap. The bus was operating on a temporary permit.



Slam semifinal. He made it that far at Wimbledon in 2014.

Serena Williams was tested by Konta in the second set when the British player broke her to go up 2-1. But Williams broke back at love to level the score at 3-all and saved another break point in her next service game before closing out the match.

"The main focus is actually my serve," said Williams, who is aiming for a record 23rd Grand Slam title. "I got a little frustrated, but then I just told myself, 'Serena, stop complaining. Don't be Baby Rena out here.'"

Lucic-Baroni advanced to the last four at a major for the first time since her run to the Wimbledon semifinals in 1999 at the

Lindsay Davenport.

The 79th-ranked Lucic-Baroni is surprised she is getting another chance at this stage of her career.

She and Pliskova combined for 14 service breaks in an up-and-down match before the Croatian left the court midway through the third set for treatment on her heavily taped left leg.

When she returned, she won eight straight points to hold and get the final break of the match and then put a rosary around her neck to serve it out.

"I know this means a lot to every player to reach the semifinals, but to me, this is just overwhelming," she said, in tears, after the match. "This has truly made my life and everything bad that hap-



He said the Mexico Championship in Mexico City was ideal because there was no cut.

"I can see how everything feels, and I have a week off after that," he added.

McIlroy, the

ship, and pulled out of the Dubai Desert Classic next week. The injury means he will also miss the Genesis Open in California and Honda in Florida next month.

He put the rib in-

make a swing change and test drivers.

"My muscle just said, 'We've worked hard, and we don't want to work hard anymore,'" McIlroy said. "I didn't imagine hitting so many balls would lead to this."