

Odisha Postal Dept Seeks CBI Probe Into Fake Certificate Case

Bhubaneswar(KCN): The Odisha Circle Head of India Post has requested the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) to investigate the fake certificate racket in the state. The Postmaster General (PMG), Odisha Circle, has written a letter to the CBI Superintendent of Police, Bhubaneswar, to investigate the fake certificate racket running in the state, a postal department official said. The postal department has sought the help of CBI after detecting fake certificates and marksheets used by some candidates in different districts to avail jobs in the department, he added.

The department has requested the CBI to investigate into all the recruitments of Gramin Dak Sevaks (GDS) posts such as branch postmasters, assistant branch postmasters and dak sevaks carried out since 2018. The fraudulent activity came to fore when the department of posts began verifying certificates of applicants in Balangir district where 37 candidates were found to have scored between 98 and 99 per cent marks in six subjects. However, they are unable to write an application in English, the postal department officials said. For the post of GDS, no



written or viva is required, the applicants are being appointed on the basis of their merit. Therefore, some of the candidates have used fake marksheets and certificates purportedly issued by Uttar Pradesh Madhyamik Shiksha Parishad to avail the job, the officials added. After receiving a

complaint from the postal department, Balangir police had arrested at least 19 people, including the prime accused Manoj Mishra. On March 31, Odisha DGP Sunil Bansal had ordered a crime branch probe into the racket. A five-member team, led by a DSP rank officer, has

been conducting the probe. During investigation, Mishra revealed to the Crime Branch that a native of Uttar Pradesh assisted him in the scam. The crime branch has seized more than 1,500 fake certificates of various boards and universities of Karnataka, Kerala, Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Delhi, Rajasthan and Sikkim from Mishra. Such cases of fake certificates have also come to the fore in Cuttack, Koraput, Kandhamal, Kendrapara, most having links to Balangir. Most of the fake certificates were manufactured by the gang

in Balangir and sold to more than 40 institutions spread across the country for Rs 50,000 to Rs five lakh, police said. The fake certificate is not only used by some candidates for postal department jobs but also for teaching jobs. Following the report, the school and mass education department has also asked for a probe into the case. Elementary Education Director Jyoti Ranjan Mishra told media that the block and district education officers have been asked to submit detailed reports in two days. Action will be taken against the fake teachers on basis of the reports, he said.

Odisha: Sextortion Accused Archana Nag Gets Bail

Cuttack(KCN): In a major relief to sextortion accused Archana Nag, Orissa High Court granted her bail in a blackmailing case filed by Ollywood producer Akshay Parija. Archana was arrested by the Commissionerate Police in the sextortion



case following allegation by Parija at the Nayapalli Police Station last year. Meanwhile, the Enforcement Directorate (ED) is investigating the high-profile honeytrap case involving Archana, her husband Jagabandhu Chand and their business associates Khageswar Patra and Shradhanjali Behera. Archana is accused of extorting money from influential persons by blackmailing them with videos of intimate moments between her and them. Shradhanjali was allegedly involved in the offence. According to the complaint lodged by filmmaker Akshay Parija, Archana had demanded Rs 3 crore threatening him of making his objectionable videos and photographs with a woman public.

Nirmala Sitharaman Slams West Over Climate Funds, Says India Kept Promise

Washington: India has been meeting its climate change commitments through its own funding, Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has said as she slammed the West for not making the promised funding available to countries to achieve their climate objectives.

She said India has come up with very ambitious nationally determined goals in its fight against climate change. "The commitments which we have given in COP21 earlier and COP26 subsequently are all working together with those parameters, which let's say everybody agreed in the UNFCCC. So all of us will walk the path the way we have nationally determined commitments that have been given. I'm happy to say that India somehow fulfilled its COP21 commitments given in Paris, largely out of its own funds," she said on Monday. "Funding (for the fight against climate change) is there, but not available.



Committed, but not actually disbursed yet. So, the hundred billion that we've been talking about has not happened at all. That could be something which many countries would want to speak about, and I'll put that on my list," she said. Ms Sitharaman said there are real-time worries as to what is the per capita emission that is being talked about, which actually is hurting some countries. "Is per capita emission going in favour of X, Y, Z countries or is it going against some other country? Isn't there some kind of an element of justice, which is inbuilt when you're talking about

per capita emission?" the minister asked. Even today a very learned view on what exactly is emission and how much is happening from where. And, is it got to be only two days or is it got to be from the time industrial revolution 1.0 happened? So, there are still certain pain points which have to be addressed, Ms Sitharaman said. "Also, worrying for me, even as we plan our nationally determined commitments to be fulfilled, is the way in compassion but doesn't appear so much in front of your instruments through which tools,

through which countries are going to be questioned or bound by certain expectations such as when you're funding development projects," she said. "For countries like India, where we are proving repeatedly that we are complying with the expectations and the commitments given by us if funding for developmental activities come with inbuilt conditions," she said. The minister took the example of the steel sector and said any non-green steel coming into Europe is going to be put on with or burdened with a higher customs duty to make up for the fact that it is dirty steel, yet they buy the dirty steel if one pays more. "Why do we do that? Because we have dirty steel, which has now got to become clean steel, but for the cost, I need this money, which is coming from the border, just spent tax, I'm sorry to speak like an activist, but that's how it looks," she said.

IMD Warns Of Heatwave In Odisha During Pana Sankranti

Bhubaneswar(KCN): With the mercury soaring across Odisha in last two days, the IMD warned of heatwave in the state during upcoming Pana Sankranti festival. According to IMD, maximum temperature is likely to rise gradually by 2-4 degree Celsius over many parts of Odisha during next five days. The weathermen predicted heatwave in isolated pockets over coastal Odisha districts during April 13 and 15. Today, the day temperature was above 37 degree C in most of the places before 12 noon. By 11.30 am, while Bhubaneswar stood at 39 degree C, Sambalpur recorded 38 degree C, Jharsuguda 37.6 degree C, Chandbali 37.4 degree C, Balasore 36.8 degree C, Hirakud 36.2 degree C, Keonjhar 35.4 degree C, Gopalpur 34 degree C, Puri 33.8 degree C and Paradip 32.8 degree C.

Heat Wave Condition: Odisha CM Directs For Closure Of Schools, Anganwadis From Today



Bhubaneswar(KCN): Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik today directed for closure of schools and anganwadis for five days from tomorrow in view of intense heat wave condition across the state.

On arrival from Japan visit this evening, the Chief Minister immediately took review meeting with senior officers on current heat wave condition and various health related facilities.

For past few days, the temperature is rising in the state and MeT Department has also issued heat wave warning throughout the state. In this context the Chief Minister directed the administration particularly Panchayat Raj & Drinking Water Department, Housing & Urban Development Department and Energy Department to start preparedness to meet the situation. The Chief Minister directed the concerned authorities to ensure smooth supply of drinking water both in urban and rural areas with special focus on water scarcity pockets. He also directed the Energy Department to ensure continuous power supply to meet demands during heat wave conditions.

In view of intense heat wave condition, anganwadis and all schools — both govt and private — up to Class 10 will remain closed from tomorrow till April 16, the CM directed.

Patnaik also advised the administration to keep in touch with various professional MeT agencies to collect information about monsoon and prepare advanced planning accordingly. While reviewing the various activities of Health & Family welfare Department, the Chief Minister expressed satisfaction over the functioning of BSKY scheme which provides free healthcare facilities to nearly three and half crore people of Odisha. In view of the significance of the scheme, the Chief Minister advised the H&FW Department to ensure prompt medical care for all the beneficiaries.

The Chief Minister was briefed about the current Covid-19 scenario in the country in general and Odisha in particular. The situation is well under control. Government has taken all precaution measures including massive awareness programme to contain the outbreak. The Chief Minister has advised to monitor the situation closely.

Chief Minister's Secretary (5T) V.K. Pandian coordinated the meeting. Chief Secretary P.K. Jena, Development Commissioner Anu Garg and other senior officers attended the review meeting through video conference.

BJP Announces Karnataka List, Several MLAs Dropped, Turncoats Score: Sources

New Delhi: The BJP will announce the names of its Karnataka election candidates soon in two phases, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai said today. The party election committee met in Delhi over the weekend to finalise the names. Several MLAs have been dropped and Congress turncoats chosen in the BJP's first list of candidates, sources have said. Candidates for 140 seats were selected in the meeting of the BJP's central election meeting yesterday. BJP leader and former Chief Minister BS Yediyurappa said the first list with names of about 170 candidates is likely to

be released tonight. Another meeting was held this morning at Home Minister Amit Shah's home to fine-tune the party's list. All Congress legislators who switched to BJP in 2019, bringing down the Congress-Janata Dal Secular government, have been rewarded with election tickets, it is learnt. This may lead to a fierce pushback from within the BJP ranks ahead of what is being seen as a tough poll fight. Chief Minister Basavaraj S Bommai will be contesting from Shiggaon seat, which he has held since 2008. Former chief minister BS



Yediyurappa's son BY Vijayendra is the party's pick from his father's seat Shikaripura. Mr Yediyurappa had earlier hinted that his son may contest against Siddaramaiah, Congress heavyweight and Leader of the Opposition in Assembly, in Varuna constituency. However, he later said Mr Vijayendra would contest from

Shikaripura. "There was a pressure on Vijayendra to contest from Varuna constituency but I decided that he should contest from Shikaripura because this was the constituency which gave me a political life, recognition and honour," Mr Yediyurappa said last week. The BJP veteran, an eight-time MLA from Shikaripura,

announced his retirement from electoral politics this February. Addressing the media last night, Chief Minister Bommai had confirmed that he will contest from Shiggaon. He had also said the BJP's list of candidates will be out in a day or two. Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Union Home Minister Amit Shah,

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, BJP Chief JP Nadda, Chief Minister Bommai and Union Minister Pralhad Joshi attended the BJP election committee meeting in Delhi yesterday. The Congress, which has released names of 166 candidates so far, took a swipe at the BJP last week, asking why it was "scared" to name its picks for the polls. "I want to ask JP Nadda, why are you scared? Do JPNadda, PM Modi, Amit Shah and CM Bommai think that announcement of seats will lead to issues in the party?" senior party leader Randeep Singh Surjewala had asked.

Monsoon Seasonal Rainfall To Be Normal In 2023: IMD

Bhubaneswar(KCN): Rainfall in the country during this year's Southwest Monsoon season will be normal, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) said in its Long Range Forecast. "The forecast based on both dynamical and statistical models suggests that quantitatively, the monsoon seasonal rainfall is likely to be 96% of the Long Period Average (LPA) with a model error of $\pm 5\%$. The LPA of the seasonal rainfall over the country as a whole based on data of 1971-2020 is 87 cm," the agency said.

Boost For Grassroots Hockey

Bhubaneswar: Odisha known for its passion for hockey, has set up 22 new Hockey Training Centres (HTCs) for development of hockey at grassroots. The HTCs have been set up by the Department of Sports and Youth Services (DSYS) in partnership with Odisha Naval Tata Hockey High Performance Centre (HPC) with the aim to nurture a large spectrum of hockey talent from the State and provide an early exposure to synthetic turfs. The active turfs have made functional at Bono, Tangarpalli, Bargaon, Bisra, Lahunipada, Lathikata,



Lephrpada, Subdega, Balisankara-Tileikani, Balisankara-Sonamara, Nuagaon, Kutra, Gurundia, Kuarmunda, and Kukuda in Sundargarh district, Jajpur town in Jajpur district, Jujumura in Sambalpur, and Chattrapur in Ganjam. Four more such centres are also set to be operational soon, Sport Department officials said. Currently, about 1300 kids are training on the synthetic turfs in the 19 hockey training centres. Each HTC has two coaches engaged in this development program. During his recent visit to Sundargarh, Chief

Minister Naveen Patnaik had emphasized the importance of sports development in the region. He expressed his vision to nurture a wide range of sports talents from the district and nearby regions. The projects launched

during his visit were aimed at achieving the goal by providing better infrastructure, training facilities, and opportunities for the youth interested in sports. In line with this vision DSYS has ensured that the HTCs are well-equipped with required training equipment, conditioning items, and first aid requirements that will enable holistic development of Hockey from Grassroots to elite. The HTCs have deployed well-trained coaches who are experts in grassroot

development and have undergone training with David John, Director of Hockey for Odisha. DSYS, along with Odisha Naval Tata High Performance Centre (ONTHHPC), have been pivotal in training local junior coaches to train young champions from various districts of Odisha. David John, Director of Hockey for Odisha, stated that in the next few months, when all the centres will be operational, club level championships will be conducted every weekend. Such championships are quite active in countries like the US, Australia, and the UK,

and have been successful in engaging talents and here too at the HTCs kids will benefit from this initiative, he said. Rajiv Seth, the project director of the Odisha Naval Tata Hockey High-Performance Centre (ONTH-HPC), said they will provide coaches and processes at the HTCs across Odisha to expose young children to synthetic turf from an early age and facilitate their smooth transition to higher-level hockey. The HPC has created a coaching education pathway for all its grassroots coaches and supports them with several workshops and

exposure tours, he said. The HTC initiative showcases the HPC's dedication to advancing the sport and cultivating budding hockey players. The Odisha Sports Department is engaging schools, communities, and district/zilla parishads for maximum participation. The team is also inviting schools in urban areas to engage their teams for hockey training and development. The objective is to ensure the HTCs are functional and are very well utilised by the local kids from the nearby vicinity.

Alert On BSKY Fraudsters

Bhubaneswar: Expressing concern over exploitation of BSKY beneficiaries by dalals and middlemen, Health and Family Welfare Secretary Shalini Pandit has asked all Collectors and Superintendents of Police to crack down the fraudulent activities. Shrimati Pandit has written a letter to all District Collectors, Municipal Commissioners, SPs, DCP (Bhubaneswar and Cuttack) and Chief District Medical and Public Health Officers on this issue on Tuesday. In her letter, Shrimati Pandit said, Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana (BSKY) is a path breaking scheme to provide universal health coverage, with special emphasis on the health protection of economically vulnerable families &



women. Under component 2 of the scheme, all 96.5 lakh families of Odisha having ration card (NFSA/SFSS card) are provided with BSKY annual health coverage of Rs. 5 lakhs per family and additional Rs. 5 lakhs for the women members of the family, at empanelled private hospitals. In view of recent incidents reported regarding exploitation

of beneficiaries by nefarious elements, all concerned may be sensitized about the scheme, she said. Shrimati Pandit said the BSKY Smart Health Card once issued to a beneficiary does not require renewal, as it is auto renewed annually through BSKY IT platform. Similarly, the beneficiary does not have to pay anyone or go to any office for

renewal of the card as the same is auto renewed by the IT platform at the back-end, the Secretary said. Further, All NFSA/SFSS beneficiaries having valid ration card can avail benefit under BSKY at empanelled private hospital, without a BSKY card, she clarified. Recharge of the balance in the card is also done automatically on the 1st of September every year through BSKY IT platform, she added. The Health Secretary asked the Collectors and SPs to sanitize all field workers and beneficiaries on the above points so that nefarious elements do not exploit beneficiaries in the name of renewal of BSKY card or recharge of balance in the BSKY card.

Fitness Fest starts at Central University of Odisha under Fit India Campaign

Koraput: The first-ever 3-day Fitness Fest commenced at Central University of Odisha, Koraput today. The fest was inaugurated by Prof Chakradhar Tripathi, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, CUO virtual mode. He stressed the importance of sports in maintaining good health and asserted that students should maintain good health to study properly in his inaugural address. He encouraged students to carry forward the sporting spirit and involve themselves in the fest with great enthusiasm. This fest is being organized under the Fit India campaign under the guidance of Professor Jatin Soni, Former Vice Chancellor of Swarnim Gujarat Sports University. In the inaugural programme he said,



"Youth is the pride of our nation". He quoted "Through fitness, we are not only developing muscles but we are developing minds". In his speech, he gave a brief description of how we can engage the students in sportive cleanliness of our university through the "Plogging run". The inaugural ceremony started with a welcome note by Dr. Ramendra Parhi, Dean of Students' Welfare (In Charge) & Chairman of the Games and Sports Committee, CUO. Prof S K Palita, Dean,

School of Biodiversity & Conservation of Natural Resources, and Professor J B Pandey, Visiting Professor of the Department of Hindi spoke on the occasion and encouraged students to actively participate in Fitness Fest. Shri Biswajeet Bhoi, the Member-Secretary of the Games and Sports committee concluded the inaugural session with a formal vote of thanks. On this occasion, a promotional video made by the Dept. of Journalism & Mass Communication was screened amidst great

enthusiasm by the students. A plogging run, Chess competition, Table Tennis competition and Throw Ball was held on the first day, in which students enthusiastically took part & displayed their sporting spirit. The three-day Fitness Fest features various sporting events like Guided group meditation, Fitness Aerobics, Fitness Challenge Walk, Campus Run and Volleyball. This 3-day Fitness Fest will conclude on 13th April, Thursday with the Valedictory Session.

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KKBKKJ Trailer Launch: Salman Khan, Shehnaaz Gill Look Stunning In Black Outfits, Pooja Hegde Shines In Yellow Gown

The wait is now finally over for Salman Khan's fans as the makers of his much-awaited film, 'Kisi Ka Bhai Kisi Ki Jaan' finally dropped the trailer of upcoming action entertainer film. At the film's trailer launch in Mumbai on Monday, the film's cast made stylish appearances on the carpet. Salman Khan reached the venue in a whole black avatar. He donned a full sleeves black shirt with black jeans, shoes and sunglasses. Pooja Hegde, the leading



lady of the movie, wore a yellow flared gown and kept her hair open with minimal makeup. Pooja shared her excitement for the release and talks about her special connection with her character, she said "Working on Kisi Ka Bhai Kisi Ki Jaan was an absolute blast. My character is very special to me, as she's super fun and full of life, and I hope people will enjoy my performance in the film. I can't wait for my fans, friends, and family to watch the trailer and get a glimpse of the

excitement and emotions we've poured into this film. What you have seen in the trailer, is just a fun glimpse of the entire film." Bollywood debutant, Shehnaaz Gill looked like a boss lady as she donned a black blazer, crop top, and a leather skirt which she paired up with pencil heels. Actress Shweta Tiwari's daughter Palak Tiwari, another debutant in line, looked gorgeous in her outfit. She wore a skirt and the same print pink colour cord set. She kept her hair and makeup look minimal.

Mrunal Thakur Talks About Playing A Tough Cop In 'Gumraah'



While Mrunal Thakur-starrer 'Gumraah' witnessed a low start at the box office, the actress is being lauded for her performance in a cop avatar. Sharing what went behind her role, Mrunal said, "Playing a tough cop was a new experience for me. I had to put in a lot of effort to get into the skin of the character, but it was worth it. I am glad that the audience has appreciated my performance. Playing a tough cop in Gumraah

was a challenging yet thrilling experience. I have always loved taking chances and doing unconventional roles, and I am glad that my choices have paid off. When I hear compliments about the film's engaging second half, and how my role contributed to it, it makes me feel great as a performer. I am grateful for the opportunity to bring impactful characters to life on screen." Gumraah, helmed by debutant

Vardan Ketkar, is an official remake of the Telugu film 'Thadam' (2019). The film showcased Aditya in a double role along with Mrunal Thakur as a cop. The film is a murder mystery. In the upcoming months, Mrunal she will also be seen in the upcoming period action drama film 'Pippa' alongside Ishaan Khatter and in 'Pooja Meri Jaan' along with actor Huma Qureshi.

Kisi Ka Bhai Kisi Ki Jaan Trailer: Salman Bowls Over Fans With Kickass Action

In January, Salman Khan introduced the audience to the world of his Eid 2023 release, Kisi Ka Bhai Kisi Ki Jaan, by unveiling a teaser of the film. Ever since then, there has been intrigue among the cinema-going audience about the theatrical trailer of this family entertainer. And finally, on April 10, Salman Khan has launched the action-packed trailer of Kisi Ka Bhai Kisi Ki Jaan. Within minutes of going live, the trailer has become the talk of the town as the bhai of masses and jaan of families is returning to the big screen with an action-packed family entertainer. The trailer starts off by introducing the



chemistry between Pooja Hegde and Salman Khan. The romance between Salman and his leading lady, Pooja Hegde has a simplistic vibe, which comes across as a

breeze of fresh air which soon rummages into the most face-breaking, bone-cracking, neck-twisting, hammer-hitting action entertainer you will ever experience.

Akshay Kumar, Yo Yo Honey Singh's Party Anthem Kudi Chamkeeli from Selfie Out

Actor Akshay Kumar unveiled the third track Kudi Chamkeeli of his upcoming family entertainer film Selfiee. Taking to Instagram, Akshay shared a full song video titled Kudi Chamkeeli and captioned it, "Heere ki chamak bhi iss #KudiChamkeeli ke saamne fail hai. Full Song Out Now! #Selfiee in cinemas on 24th Feb." Sung and written by Yo Yo Honey Singh, it's



his next 'party anthem'. The song video features Akshay and

Diana Penty dancing together, grooving to the beats. They are

joined by Honey Singh. Soon after Akshay shared the full

song, fans swamped the comment section with red hearts and fire emoticons. Another fan wrote, "Khiladi is back kudi chamkeeli with yo yo honey Singh." Previously Akshay and Honey work together in a hit party anthem tracks like Party All Night, Boss-Title Track, Alcoholic, and Lonely. Recently, the makers of Selfiee released two songs of the film Main Khiladi and Kudiye Ni

Teri which received good responses from the fans. The film is an official Hindi remake of the Malayalam film Driving License, which starred Prithviraj and Suraj Venjaramoodu in the lead roles. Helmed by Raj Mehta, the film stars Akshay Kumar, Emraan Hashmi, Nushratt Bharuccha, and Diana Penty in the lead roles. It is all set to hit the theatres on February 24, 2023.

Mandana reacts to being called a gold digger, 'I have dated powerful men but not because they have money, I spoil myself with my own money'

In the latest episode of Lock Upp, Azma Fallah tells Mandana Karimi that some people were badmouthing her saying she has only dated directors. Mandana says it's not true and Saisha Shinde adds, "Even if she does, what's the problem." Azma talks about the secret that Mandana revealed previously and says she's also being called a gold digger. Mandana says, "I may

look fancy but I am spoiling myself with my money, what I have earned. As far as my dating is concerned, yes, I have dated powerful men. But it is not for their money. It is on record, I have broken up with a powerful man because it wasn't worth my time or life. In fact, many times my things have gone. They have ruined my name, and my life. Just like my ex." Mandana says that Ali Merchant has been



putting words in her mouth. She says, "I know what I have done. I know who I have loved and with whom I have been in a relationship and how it was." Later, Ali goes to speak in front of the camera and calls Mandana the most fake person in the house. He says, "I am not directly calling her a gold digger. But she has similar traits of a gold digger. She looks for prey, earns their sympathy, gets

close, makes them hear her sob story and then befriends them like she tried to do with Zeeshan and I." Mandana tells in front of the camera, "People like Ali, who don't know you, they go around and talk, gossip. Ali is a person who came to the show, tried to move ahead in the game with the help of his ex. And when Sara left, he is using others. Such people will reach nowhere."

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“RATIO” OF THE JUDGES 2 AND THE NJAC CASES



The Supreme Court in Keshavanada Bharati held that the “basic structure” of the constitution is inviolable though fundamental rights could be violated. In Indira Nehru Gandhi and Minerva Mills it was held that from 24.04.1973, the validity of a statute has to be tested on the Basic Structure. Independence of Judiciary is one of the Basic features of the constitution. The independence of the judiciary is not about the independent discharge of the functions of a judge subsequent to his appointment but is all about the very appointment, i.e., who appoints. Who appoints the judges is the core of Independence of Judiciary.

protection of the tenure of a judge, so too his salary, emoluments and pensions, are of little consequence in preserving independence of the judiciary. Independence could be secured only when the judiciary has primacy in the appointments. Therefore, the constitution has to be re-written and ought to be given a meaning different than its original text. The constitution vested the power of appointment in the executive but made it obligatory that the CJI shall always be consulted in the appointment of the Judges of the Supreme Court, so too, in the appointment and transfer of Judges of the High Courts along with the Governor and Chief Justice of the State concerned. It has been held that since the core of Independence of judiciary is in the

appointment, the expression, “consultation with CJI” shall mean not merely concurrence but the primacy of the opinion of the CJI. It was further held that the “primacy” of the CJI shall mean not his individual opinion but the plurality of the opinion of his brother judges, namely, collegium of senior most 5 judges including the CJI. In other words, independence of Judiciary means a mechanism where the judges appoint themselves. The judges appointing themselves thus became an inalienable basic structure of the constitution which the parliament even by exercise of its constituent power with 2/3rd majority and ratification by the majority of the states cannot alter. By the Constitution 99th Amendment Act, the parliament sought to substitute collegium by the

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NJAC. Fali Nariman, Ram Jethmalani, Rajeev Dhavan, Arvind Dattar and others, great legal luminaries pleaded that NJAC is unconstitutional, because it is violative of the basic structure, namely, the collegium system of appointment, where judges appoint themselves. A five judge Constitution Bench led by Justice Khehar upheld the said plea and held that the NJAC is unconstitutional, because it is violative of the Judges 2 case. Any system of appointment of Judges where the judges do not have absolute primacy, where they cannot appoint themselves, was held to be violative of the “basic structure”. Very few people might have read the judgment in Keshavanada Bharati, namely, the Fundamental Rights case, which runs into

more than 800 pages, the Judges 1 case which runs into 918 pages, the Judges 2 case, 400 pages and the NJAC case, 1035 pages. Having not read the said judgments most of us do not have a clear idea as to what were the discussions and findings, and might be shocked to realise that what I've stated above is the crux. The Indian constitutional law as we understand and practice today, is contrary to the first principles of jurisprudence, irrational and absurd. The Basic Structure doctrine of the Keshavanada Bharati is the root cause of this absurdity. The Basic Structure “doctrine” has no foundation in jurisprudence. Constitution does not recognise it, does not speak about it. What the constitution recognizes, is the Fundamental Rights. In Golaknath's case,

the Supreme Court held that Fundamental rights cannot be abrogated even by a constitutional amendment. In the Keshavanada Bharati case it was held that the fundamental rights can be infringed but not the “basic structure”. Yet, it was hailed as the fundamental rights case. Till Keshavanada Bharati, Article 32 used to be invoked, complaining violation of Fundamental Rights, but post that, complaining violation of the “basic structure”. The consequences of the Keshavanada Bharati are incurable. Today one can invoke Article 32 complaining no violation of one's Fundamental Rights at all. No legal rights whatsoever at all, but, merely on an allegation of “infringement of Basic Structure”. The PIL Industry prospered on the

fertile soil of infringement of the Basic Structure. Today, matters of legislative and executive policy are challenged complaining violation of Basic Structure. Articles 141 & 142 today assume roles which are unknown to law because of the “doctrines” of Basic Structure/PIL. The courts no longer declare law but make the laws, which is forbidden. Today, the judges rule this country, they legislate invoking Articles 141 & 142. They entertain petitions which allege no violation of fundamental rights, but infringement of Basic Structure. The great luminaries swear by what is contrary to reason and common sense because it is profitable to do so; deepa sthabham maha aschariam, namakkum Kittenam panam*.
*Famous words of Kunjan Nambiar, a

great poet and story teller from ancient Kerala. Once Kunjan Nambiar, was attending a royal function in which a lavishly built lamp post (deepa sthambam) was being inaugurated by the King. The king naturally wanted all the poets to sing in praise of the royal lamp post for which the King was rewarding handsome money. Kunjan Nambiar who was reluctant to sing a fake praise, sang thus:
"Deepa Sthambam mahascharyam, Namukkum kittanam panam,"
"The lamp post is a great wonder, I too deserve a prize." The king realized his mistake and pardoned Kunjan Nambiar from “praising” further. Unfortunately, that King no more lives.

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Tips for Thinning Hair

Shahnaz Husain



While hair thinning and loss are common with age, watching your hairline go back a few millimeters each time you look in the mirror can feel justifiably stressful. Hair loss can result from genetic factors, nutrient deficiencies, stress, and several health conditions. You're born with about 100,000 follicles on your scalp, and you'll never gain or lose any. It's common to lose 50 to 100 hairs per day. Any more than this could mean you're shedding more than you should, which could contribute to overall thinning hair. Thinning hair doesn't necessarily cause baldness. It does, however, give the appearance of sparser spots of hair on your head.

Thinning hair typically happens gradually, which means you have time to pinpoint the causes and figure out the best treatment measures. Maintaining a healthy and balanced diet is a vital part of ensuring that your hair is growing out healthy. A lot of the time hair fall is directly related to a vitamin or mineral deficiency. Take a small bowl of sprouts daily. Sprouts contain amino acids, which promote hair growth. If the scalp is oily, or if there is dandruff, drink plenty of water. Add the juice of a lemon to a glass of water and have it first thing in the morning. Add vitamins and minerals like Spinach Salmon Yogurt Cinnamon Guava Oatmeal Eggs Oysters Lentils Liver Poultry Barley Sweet Potato Nuts and Seeds to your diet to promote hair growth. They help to reduce stress and control thinning hair.

Another way to save your strands is to always treat them gently. Damage and breakage can happen at the fault of your hair-brushing technique. Make sure to use the “bottoms-up” method as well as tools that are gentle on your hair. "It's vital to detangle from the bottom up, starting at your ends, not your scalp. When you comb hair from the bottom up, you are working with less surface area to untangle at one time. Be extra gentle on your ends—that's where breakage comes from. Don't brush your hair when it's wet and weak. Try to avoid using heat on your hair (blow dryer, curling iron,

etc.). Skip hairstyles that pull, such as tight ponytails and updos. Never vigorously towel dry (leads to breakage). Take a break from daily blowouts and over-styling, which irritate the scalp. Wash your hair according to hair type and season. In hot and humid weather, wash more often, to remove sweat, dirt, and oil deposits. Wash oily hair three or four times a week and dry hair, twice a week. Select a mild shampoo. Harsh products disturb the normal balances. For oily hair, use a hair rinse, instead of a creamy conditioner. Use a wide-toothed comb for wet hair.

Select products containing Ayurvedic ingredients. Herbal hair tonics are also available to promote hair growth. Here are some home remedies that help thin hair. Curry leaves are said to contain antioxidants, which bring back health to the roots and promote hair growth. Curry leaves also contain minerals like calcium, phosphorous, iron, and folic acid and also Vitamins C, B, A, and E., imparting health and vitality to the hair and body. Make a paste of curry leaves and apply to the hair. Wash off after half an hour. Hibiscus has excellent tonic

properties that control hair fall. Both hot and cold infusions can be made from hibiscus flowers and leaves, though cold infusions are more common. For cold infusions, the flowers and leaves are allowed to stand overnight in cold water, in a ratio of one to six. The flowers are squeezed and the water is strained before use. Such infusions can be used to wash the hair and scalp, or applied on the scalp with cotton wool. Apple cider vinegar also helps. For oily scalp and dandruff, mix ripe papaya pulp with gram flour, egg white, and four teaspoons of apple

cider vinegar into a paste. Apply on the hair and wash off after half an hour. The hair also needs external nourishment. Hair oil with amla helps to maintain the normal acid-alkaline balance of the scalp and keeps the scalp healthy. To make amla hair oil, take a handful of dry amla.

Grind coarsely and add it to 100 ml pure coconut oil. Keep it in an airtight glass bottle and keep the bottle in the sun daily for about 15 days. Then strain the oil and store it for application.

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Letter To Editor

Sir,
Political Gimmick
Amul company is flirting with the sentiments of Kannadigas. Amul is out to destroy KMF (Nandini), a proud organization built by Kannadigas. The people of the state will not allow this. The central government is trying to merge Nandini with Amul. This effort should stop here. These lines are only from Congress and JD(S) parties. This is merely a political gimmick. The interesting fact is during 2017, Amul, in its 43rd general meeting of all members, had taken a decision to supply Amul milk to various parts of the country, including parts of North Karnataka and that time chief minister Siddaramaiah welcomed this move and during 2014, he launched the supply of Nandi milk in Tamil Nadu. Why this two-pronged policy now?
VijayKumar H K Raichur, Karnataka

All arrangements should be made for the unveiling of the statue of Dr. BR Ambedkar: District Collector Siktha Patnaik

Warangal(KCN) : District Collector Sikta Patnaik has directed the officials to make elaborate arrangements for people to participate in the unveiling of Ambedkar's 125 feet statue.

On Tuesday, the collector held a meeting with the nodal officials on the arrangements for mass mobilization for the unveiling of the 125 feet statue of Baba Saheb Ambedkar in Hyderabad from the collectorate mini conference hall. Speaking on the occasion, the collector said. Br. Ambedkar Jayanti said that 300 people from the constituency should participate in the



unveiling of the statue of Nava Bharata producer Bharat Ratna Ambedkar in Hyderabad on April 14. Six buses should be added to the constituency

and a liaison officer in each bus should participate in the program and hand over the responsibilities until they reach the mandal centers.

MPDO and Tehsildar level heads should be appointed as liaison officers. He said that breakfast, lunch, dinner and water bottles should be arranged for

those who come to the program. The vehicles taken for this program should be equipped with flexi and there should be escort staff. The officials should make it a success with equal effort so that everyone can reach the program on time. In this meeting, Additional Collector Sandhyarani, DRO Vasuchandra, Parakala RDO Ramu, ZP CEO Venkateshwar Rao, DRDA PD Srinivas, DPO Jagadishwar, ACP Kiran Kumar, BC Welfare Officer Ram Reddy, SC Welfare Officer Nirma La, SC Corporation ED Madhavi Latha, RTC RM Srilatha, Tahashi Ldar Riaz, Rajkumar Tadita were present.

Yoti Rao Phule's Birth Anniversary Celebrated

Warangal (KCN) : On the occasion of Mahatma Jyoti Rao Phule's birth anniversary, under the auspices of CITU Hanumakonda District Committee, Shops Shopping Malls Workers Union, Hanumakonda Square, Jeevan Lal Complex, Anam Taran CITU Hanumakonda District Vice President Velpula Sarangapani said that Mohandas Gandhi was the father of the Indian nation. Jyoti Rao Phule, who was recognized as a teacher by Dr. Babasah eb, the creator of the Constitution of India, is the first social

philosopher in India. Sarangapani said that we should all celebrate his birth anniversary as

can we give him a true tribute. .Shiva, District D i s t r i c t Krishnamurthy, Pindi



he fought till his last breath against gender discrimination as a labor bias for women. Sarangapani said that only when we all continue his ambitions

Laxman, Aita Laxman, G Satish Swathi, M Shobha, R Anitha, Manjula, Vani, A Kavitha, D Karunya, K Anitha Tadita workers participated.

Marital Disputes Are Most Bitterly Fought Cases In Country: Bombay High Court

Mumbai: Children are treated like "chattel" or movable property in matrimonial disputes, the Bombay High Court said on Tuesday while directing a woman to come to India from Thailand with her 15-year-old son so that he can meet his father and siblings.

Such disputes "constitute the most bitterly fought adversarial litigation" in our country, said a division bench of Justices RD Dhanuka and Gauri Godse, adding that a child's welfare is more important than the parents' rights over her or him. The court was hearing a petition filed by a man seeking to meet his 15-year-old son who lives with his mother in Thailand. The boy has suffered a setback because of the bitterly fought case between his estranged parents and he is keen to meet his father, the court observed.

"In our country, matrimonial disputes



constitute the most bitterly fought adversarial litigation. A stage comes when warring couples stop seeing reason. The children are treated as chattel," it said. "Children cannot be treated as chattel or property where the parents would have absolute rights over the destiny and life of their children. The paramount consideration is the welfare of the child and not the legal rights of the parents," the judges

added. The estranged couple's elder children - a son and daughter, both of them major - stay with their father. The man claimed that a family court in September 2020 directed his wife to provide him, the boy's elder siblings and the grandparents free access to the boy, but she did not comply. The high court should direct the woman to bring the son to India during summer holidays, the plea said.

The woman's lawyer told the high court that she was willing to come to India with her son, but necessary orders should be passed to ensure that she can safely return to Thailand with her son at the end of vacation. The court noted that the boy appeared to be "very clear in his thoughts and his prospects and hence is required to be treated as an individual and it was necessary to respect his thoughts." It was necessary to strike a balance between the

parents' requirements and welfare of the child, the high court said, noting that if due consideration was not given to the boy's views, it could be detrimental to his future.

"For the growth of a child, it is necessary that a child has the company of both his parents as well as his siblings," the court said, adding both the parents should express some regret and adopt corrective measures.

The bench directed the woman to visit India with her son so that he can meet his father and elder siblings.

The father shall not initiate any complaint or trigger any action for the arrest/detention of the woman and their son while they are in India, it said.

The high court also directed that the concerned state and central agencies shall ensure that no hurdle is created in their return to Thailand afterwards.

"Last Nail In Coffin": BJP's Dig At Congress Over Sachin Pilot's Protest



Jaipur: The Rajasthan BJP took a dig at the ruling Congress in the state over Sachin Pilot's day-long fast here on Tuesday, saying those who helped the party form the government were "on the streets" protesting against it now. BJP leaders, including leader of opposition Rajendra Rathore, party's state president CP Joshi and Rajya Sabha member Ghanshyam Tiwari led a 'Jan Aakrosh Rally' in Churu and submitted a memorandum to the district collector, raising various issues such as law and order, corruption and non-fulfilment of promises made to people by the Congress party.

"The rally is being organised at a time when leaders of Congress are on the streets against their own government. This rally has done the work to put the last nail in the coffin of the Congress government," Mr Rathore told reporters in Churu. His reference was to Congress leader Sachin Pilot, who held a day-long fast in Jaipur on Tuesday to press his party's government to act on cases of alleged corruption related to the previous BJP government. Sachin Pilot launched his fast regarding a warning by Congress, which said a protest against the Rajasthan government would amount to anti-party

activity and go against its interest. Asked about Sachin Pilot's demand for action in corruption cases during the BJP rule, Mr Rathore said the Congress leader did not raise the issue in the last four years and did not speak about it in the state assembly. Mr Rathore claimed Sachin Pilot was using BJP's shoulder to "end his own frustration" with the Ashok Gehlot government. Sachin Pilot and Ashok Gehlot have been at loggerheads ever since the Congress formed the government in Rajasthan in December 2018. On several occasions, their feud has spiralled into the public embarrassing their party.

Supreme Court Tells Police To Compensate Woman For Her Illegal Detention

New Delhi: The Supreme Court has expressed displeasure over the illegal detention of a woman in Maharashtra despite being granted interim protection and two weeks by the top court to surrender and apply for regular bail in a case, and asked the police officers concerned to compensate her.

While terming the incident "very blatant", a bench of Justices SK Kaul and A Amanullah noted the woman, who was an accused in a criminal case, had got the interim protection on November 17, 2021 and the top court had

granted her two weeks' time to surrender and apply for regular bail. "We had given interim protection to the petitioner and despite the same, the petitioner was taken into custody. It is the case of the petitioner that the order of this court was also shown. The petitioner was bailed out the next day, i.e. remained in custody for twenty four hours," the bench noted in its order passed on Monday. The top court, which was dealing with a contempt plea filed by the woman against two police officers, had in its January 5, 2023 order

noted the submission of the petitioner's counsel that despite its November 17, 2021 order, within two days the police had arrested her from a hospital where she



was working as a nurse. "The respondents (two police officers) have filed their affidavit seeking to express an unconditional

apology. To say the least, we don't expect the police officers to behave in this manner and that too in the teeth of the order of this court," the bench said in its

Monday order. During the hearing, the bench told the counsel appearing for the police officers, "You (respondents) have to pay compensation from your pocket." The top court noted that the counsel, on instructions, stated that respondents were willing to compensate the petitioner from their own pocket for her illegal one-day detention. "The petitioner will be compensated with the amount of ₹ 15,000 for the illegal detention for one day which will be shared by both the respondents and the payment to be made

within a period of two weeks from today," the bench ordered. In its January 5, 2023, the bench had noted the woman was arrested by the police from the hospital. "On the prosecution claiming remand, orders were passed by the Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate 9th court Bandra, Mumbai, on November 20, 2021 refusing remand and recording that the arrest of the petitioner was not justified," it had noted in its order while issuing notice to the respondents on the contempt plea. Earlier in 2021, the

woman had approached the top court against the August 2021 order of the Bombay High Court rejecting her plea for anticipatory bail in the case. "After some arguments, counsel for the petitioner seeks to withdraw the petition but requests for some time for the petitioner to surrender. The special leave petition is dismissed as withdrawn. The petitioner to surrender within two weeks and apply for regular bail which would be considered expeditiously," the top court had said in its November 17, 2021 order.

2579 Cr For MSPY

Bhubaneswar: In order to address the issue of malnutrition among adolescent girls, pregnant and ailing women, the State Government has decided to spend Rs 2579.33 Crore under scheme Mukhyamantri Sampurna Pushti Yojana (MSPY) in five years from current financial year. OMBADC has taken a lead in funding the Flagship Program. According to official sources, the State Government has implemented SOPAN (Strategy for Odisha's Pathway to Accelerated Nutrition) scheme from the financial year 20-21 to 22-23, with an allocation of Rs 189.71 Crore. It is a state-funded

targeted scheme that seeks to improve nutrition outcomes. This was implemented in nutritionally vulnerable beneficiaries covering 125 nutritionally vulnerable blocks of 22 districts in the State. Now, during the last Budget Speech, Finance Minister Niranjan Pujari has announced a new scheme Mukhyamantri Sampurna Pushti Yojana (MSPY) replacing the SOPAN scheme. However, it has been decided to cover the entire 338 Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) projects of the state, with dovetailing funds from Odisha Mineral Bearing Areas Development Corporation (OMBADC) and District Mineral Foundation (DMF).

There is provision of total expenditure of Rs 2579.33 Crore over a period of 5 years from FY 23-24 to FY 27-28 under the scheme from State Budget, OMBADC and DMF, the officials said. Under the State Budget, the Government has made provision of Rs.250 Crore in the Budget Estimate, 2023-24 for the MSPY. The initiatives taken up by the Women and Child Development Department under the MSPY proposal pertains to adoption of the life cycle approach to positively affect the nutrition outcomes for mothers, adolescent girls, and children below six years of age. The project components are related to a special



nutrition package for adolescent girls, Additional take home ration for mothers, community-based management of SAM children, augmented food for Acute

Malnutrition (AM) children and energy dense THR for severely underweight children. These interventions will improve the nutritional status of mothers, adolescent girls and

children enrolled in the AWCs. The targeted beneficiaries to be benefited out of OMBADC funding in 78 ICDS projects are 1,61,550 adolescent girls, 1,84,000 pregnant

and lactating mothers and more than 6000 malnourished children. The interventions proposed earlier i.e. weekly nutrition supplements to adolescent girls (15-19 years) and observation of Kishori Mela would continue to be implemented, in all 338 ICDS projects of the State. There is provision for coverage of adolescent girls (14-18 years) under the scheme for adolescent girls (SAG) of Government of India in 10 Aspirational Districts where the girls would be covered under nutrition and non-nutritional components, they said. However, in these 10 districts, where SAG is being implemented, the

adolescent girls (14-18 years) would be excluded from the nutrition interventions, and only girls (18-19 years) would receive the entitlements. Considering the physical inability of pregnant women & lactating mothers to attend AWCs for spot feeding, along with the social dynamics, the provision for additional Take Home Ration (THR) in the form of nutrient rich food products, including millets. The renewed focus is on coverage of AM children which will considerably reduce the progressive expenditure on Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) children.

1K FPOs In 5Yrs

Bhubaneswar(KCN): The State Government has come up with a new scheme Support to Farmer Producer

Organizations (FPOs) aimed at building a supportive ecosystem for promotion of FPOs in the state of Odisha.

The Government aims to bring 1000 FPOs under its ambit over 5 years from 2023-24 to 2027-28. An expenditure of Rs.313.61 crore has been approved for this purpose. For the current financial year, Rs 39.37 crore has been approved under the scheme.

The scheme objectively aims at benefiting farmers in terms of aggregation of farm produce, value addition, better market access, access to price information and technology and credit linkages. The proposed scheme will effectuate interventions like promotional campaign of FPOs, operational and handholding support, capacity building and industry exposure, access to finance, marketing support and export linkage, management and governance support to attract/retain



professionals for FPO management, establish center of excellence for FPOs, single windows system for FPOs, facilitation of education and research on FPOs and allocation of land on need basis to encourage value addition and processing to achieve the end objective of incremental income of Rs 2000 per month per farmer member. The Directorate of Horticulture will implement this scheme. The Agriculture and Farmers' Empowerment

Department has prepared detailed guidelines and regulations in this regard. At present, about 830 FPOs are functioning in the State, out of which about 314 FPOs have been formed under the Central Government's initiative to form 10,000 FPOs in the country. Further, about 320 FPOs in the State have been able to successfully run their own farmers' associations and generate income for their members.

A State Level Committee (SLC) under the chairmanship of Principal Secretary, Department of Agriculture and Farmers' Empowerment will monitor the implementation of the scheme in every quarter and the Project Management Unit (PMU) under the Directorate of Horticulture will take the responsibility of implementation of the scheme in accordance with the Annual Action Plan.

Miraculous Finding OF Lord Hari Hara

Kendrapada/ Jagatsinghpur/ Paradeep(KCN) : The Miraculous Findings of Lord Hari Hara was found at the Village Tikarapanga of Kendrapada District and it is 10 kms away or distances from Paradeep of Jagatsinghpur District, Odisha State. This Hari Hara Lord Stone was found about 10fts inside the earth. The Villagers of Tikarapanga dug the earth about ten feet uttering with Hari Bola along with Nama Sankritana, " Hare Krishna Hare Krishna, Krishna Krishna Hare Hare & Namha Shivaya. On this Stone, Eyes & Mouth were there. Villagers worshiped & they have kept it on a small open cemented concrete square type pendal. Now Villagers have given named as Hari Hara Gadi Gosain Shakti Pitha. The Villagers are now requesting to the Government of Odisha for taking care of this Hari Hara Shakti Pitha and for construction of a Temple.





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India's economic indications remain robust says DSP Mutual Fund

Mumbai : India's economic growth continues to remain strong even in times when the world is facing economic turbulence says DSP Mutual Fund in the February 2023 issue of its monthly report Netra which tracks the latest economic trends and insights. The report highlighted that India's high frequency indicators remain robust. These include healthy GST collections, near record high volume of petroleum products

sold (a proxy for consumption), electronic toll (including Fastag) collections indicating brisk economic activity along with business activity and sentiments being positive. The report mentions that the recent flat performance of Nifty Index compared to a 26% rally in the MSCI Emerging markets index has resulted in the vanishing of the high valuation premium that India had over its emerging

market peers. This is a positive development as foreign inflows in India had become muted lately due to high valuations. Further consolidation and steady earnings growth can cause India to become attractive once again as we progress into 2023. DSP Mutual Fund feels there is an opportunity in the bond market. Whenever RBI has raised rates, corporate bond spreads have gone up. This

monetary policy is least disruptive the reasons being rates are not as high as previous cycle, liquidity conditions are better vs the last hiking cycle, corporate spreads are also not very high. This means corporations can borrow even during the tightening cycle and the rates are also more conducive. This will help in India's growth from a long-term perspective. DSP Mutual Fund believes that Banking sector is poised for an

appreciation. The current dip in banking equities is another opportunity to add lenders over borrowers. The ratio of NSE Bank Index to NSE Metal Index bottomed out at a timewhen the yield curve was very steep & RBI was about to embark on a rate hike journey. The recent correction in Banking stocks & a rally in Metals equities makes an attractive proposition once again. Auto sector is also looking very

promising. The long-term earnings trajectory for the technology sector continues to remain attractive. Investors who have been waiting on the sidelines are likely to get a good opportunity to buy into

this valuation and price correction in the technology sector. "The most important thing for equity markets in 2023 is earnings growth and softening valuations. The last 17 month of consolidation has

removed a lot of valuation froth. There is a higher likelihood of better market backdrop going forward," said Sahil Kapoor, Market Strategist and head of products at DSP Mutual Fund.

DIZO, by realme TechLife, launches DIZO Wireless Dash

Bhubaneswar: DIZO, the first brand under realme TechLife ecosystem, today announced the launch of DIZO Wireless Dash that boasts of a unique Kevlar Design, Blink charge feature and 30 hours of total music playback. The feature loaded DIZO Wireless Dash, using an 11.2mm large driver, Bass Boost+ algorithm and PU+PEEK diaphragm, will offer an enhanced audio experience at the most aggressive price. For the uber-fast generation today, the DIZO Wireless Dash offers 10 hours of music playback in just 10 mins charge using the Blink Charge feature along with safe charging chip inside; and a total

music playback of upto 30 hours on a single charge. A steal deal for those who prefer neckband design, it also brings Magnetic Instant Connection, Memory Metal, ENC, dedicated Game Mode and realme Link app customizations, and even the smallest of the detailing such as balanced weight, air pressure control and dual material eartips.

The latest DIZO Wireless Dash, designed to complement the uniqueness in you, with its distinct Kevlar design, Blink charge feature and 30 hours of total music playback is priced at just INR 1,599. However, during the first sale on Flipkart (and soon on select retail

stores) from 24th May 2022, 12 pm onwards, the latest neckband earphone will be sold at an introductory price of INR 1,299 only.

Commenting on the launch, Abhilash Panda, CEO, DIZO India shares, "We are committed to deliver feature-rich solutions at aggressive price points every time and our team is working towards it daily. With the launch of DIZO Wireless Dash, I am confident to wow our consumers this time again. The latest achievement motivates us more than ever and we promise to deliver products with more dedication and keep brewing new ideas for you all."

Doctors at HCG Panda Cancer Hospital successfully treated 33-year-old suffering from a rare case of Salivary Gland Cancer

Bhubaneswar/Cuttack: Doctors at HCG Panda Cancer Hospital, Cuttack, treated 33-year-old Reema (name changed), hailing from Western Odisha, from Parotid Gland Carcinoma, a rare form of cancer that occurs in the salivary glands situated right below the ear lobes. The cancerous gland was resected by conducting an advanced form of Total Parotidectomy Surgery on the patient while preserving her facial nerves, which are responsible for facial expressions. This incredible feat was achieved by Dr Manjunath NML, Senior consultant Surgical Oncologist and his team at HCG Panda Cancer Hospital Cuttack.

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She consulted the doctors at HCG Panda Cancer Hospital, who discovered a vague swelling near the earlobes and with suspicion of a tumour. Imaging of the parotid gland was conducted to check for any malignancy and it was discovered that she had

a parotid lobe tumour in the junction between the superficial lobe and the deep lobe, right behind the mandible or the lower jaw bone. Nerve sparing total parotidectomy was conducted using advanced form of equipments such as surgical loupes, nerves monitoring devices and Vessel Sealer, which helped surgeons achieve an absolute haemostasis or minimal blood loss during the surgery. This four- and half-hour surgical procedure was conducted by preserving the facial nerves that passes through the superficial lobe and deep lobe and any implication on the facial nerves would lead to disfigurement of the face, paralysis on one

side of the face, lack of expressing emotions, inability to close the eyes and move the eyebrows. Elaborating the complexities of the surgery, Dr Manjunath NML said, "This is a unique and a rare case among young women, where we usually witness just one or two cases per year. This was one challenging case, as the cancer tumours were adjacent to the facial nerve and we had to carefully dissect them without causing any hindrance or impact to the nerve. With the advanced facilities at HCG Panda Cancer Hospital Cuttack, we were able to resect the tumour successfully and witness a big smile on the patients face." Post her successful

surgery, while thanking her doctors, Reema said, "For the past eight months, the events that occurred to me because of this condition are unexplainable. I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to Dr Manjunath and the entire team for the timely help in relieving the pain I was enduring and helping me recover back from this deadly tumour. Also I was worried about my facial expressions when doctors explained me about the tumor in relation to facial nerve and need for its removal if required. Thanks again to the entire team for helping me to get rid of this bad tumor with my smile intact" (with a big smile on her face).

Ashok Leyland reaches yet another milestone, showcases 'CNG engine H series' at EXCON

Chennai: Ashok Leyland, the flagship Company of the Hinduja Group and India's leading commercial vehicle manufacturer today showcased 'CNG engine H series' at the ongoing EXCON 2022, organized by Confederation of Indian Industry (CII). Based on strong leverage of Auto BSVI engine development, the CNG engine H series (4 and 6 Cyl) is designed for off highway / CEV clients, and this product will be

the first of its kind in the CEV / mining and off highway segment. The H series CNG engine has a number of features, including ECU-controlled gas leak detection; improved cold start capability; enhanced lower end torque and flat torque from 1200rpm to 2000rpm; gear-based torque control for better fuel economy; durable engine valves and valve seats for CNG operation; proven, durable engine for CEV application;

turbocharged engine provides higher torque, fuel efficiency, better drivability, and transient response; maintenance-free engine. The CNG engine H series also fulfils CEV V standards without SCR or DPF, and features proven multipoint sequential gas injection for dependable performance; a 500 hours oil drain interval; and the maximum power in the sector. Sharing his views, Mr. Dheeraj Hinduja, Executive Chairman,

Ashok Leyland said, "Ashok Leyland's expertise in engineering has paved the way for the company to establish itself as a key player in the CNG engine sector, and we aspire to continue to do so by expanding our portfolio of CNG Engines and technology solutions. Ashok Leyland aims to make India's CNG engine sector self-reliant, and to be one of the leaders in the "Make in India" narrative." Present at the event Dr

N Saravanan, CTO, Ashok Leyland said, "Ashok Leyland has a track record of catering to customer needs with world class products that generate higher profitability. With the increasing need for better fuel efficiency and use of alternate fuels, we have a solid pipeline of such technologies. We aspire to lead the market in this segment, as the need for engines with alternative fuels grows".

AIC-GIM Foundation, Climate Collective and the Taj Hospitality Brand collaborate on a Global Single Use Plastics Challenge

Panaji: The consumption of Single Use Plastics (SUP's) in the food and beverage industry grew dramatically during the Covid-19 outbreak and is now expanding at a 2.5-fold rate. With the aim of reducing single use plastic from the F&B industry in Goa, Atal Incubation Center Foundation at Goa Institute of Management (AIC-GIM) in partnership with Climate Collective Foundation and IHCL's Taj hospitality brand is bringing the Single-Use Plastics (SUP) Challenge.

The SUP challenge is inviting innovations to reduce single use plastic from the F&B sector. The selected solutions will get the opportunity to test their ideas in Goa with the Taj hotel network of Indian Hotels Company Limited (IHCL). "As a company, we want to put a strong emphasis on sustainability as a way of life for everyone, which thus culminates in the adoption of a variety of sustainable business methods. We are happy to collaborate with AIC-GIM Foundation and Climate Collective Foundation for the Global SUP challenge which will reduce the usage of Single Use Plastics across our properties in Goa" said Mr. Vincent Ramos,

Area Director, Indian Hotels Company Limited.

The SUP Challenge will assess the volume of single-use plastics waste reduced through piloting and scaling ventures' innovations along with environmental impact avoided, such as waste diverted from landfills, incineration or avoided entirely. Additionally, the challenge will guide startups to fine-tune their business cases for F&B industry and insights derived from their pilots will contribute to a study around understanding the environmental impacts of alternatives to single-use plastic packaging.

Symphony, in partnership with AEEE, invests in the 'SAHARA Programme'

Bhubaneswar: around four trillion-person cooling degree days, India is characterised by tropical and sub-tropical climatic conditions coupled with a lack of access to cooling, rising temperatures and ever-evolving socio-economic trends such as rapid population growth and urbanisation, which will not only amplify the climate change-induced heat stress but would also fuel the demand for space cooling. SAHARA programme would act as a catalyst for disseminating knowledge about the thermal comfort situation in India's academic institutions. It could bring about systemic changes on multiple fronts in the long term.

Microtek Organised Rockstar & Star Retail Partners' Meet in Bhubaneswar

Bhubaneswar: Microtek, the leader in the power product market of India has recently organized a Star Retail Partners' Meet at Taj Vivanta, Bhubaneswar, where the company introduced its newly launched range of inverters and home UPS series to the key retailers of the region. The new range of inverters and UPSs launched demonstrates the latest technological advancements that help to save electricity besides offering the best output in power backup. More than 400 retailers from the region attended the gala event.

Talking about the new range of inverters, Subodh Gupta, CMD, Microtek International, shared "The 6 new series of inverters launched, besides providing electricity saving benefits are also aesthetically appealing.

We recently launched our wide range of UPS' in the Indian market like the SmartHybrid UPS series. It is powered by Smart Hybrid Electronics Integrated Circuit Technology for True Sinewave out that gives noiseless performance, and more load handling capacity. The other efficient UPS launched series are Superpower, Heavy Duty with the capacity of running heavy loads & energy-efficient model - Energy Saver. It has an inbuilt energy-efficient transformer for better performance in energy saving. Luxe and iMerlyn are the premium series launched with Luxe having the LCD display that shows running load status, battery charging time and backup time. I am sure this event and our new product range will further strengthen the brand presence in the

Odisha market."

The key people of the industry were present at the event. The company also felicitated its channel partners at the event. The event was attended by the officials of Microtek International and trade partners from Odisha.

Odisha is one of the important markets for Microtek and the company is looking forward to expanding its presence in the state with the new series. Microtek is planning more such activities for the Odisha Market to create awareness about its new products and further strengthening its business relations with the retail market in the state. The price of the new product range starts from MRP Rs. 6240 and the products are already available through the company's vast distribution network across India.

Markram hails 'execution of plans' after maiden win as SRH captain

New Delhi: Sunrisers Hyderabad skipper Aiden Markram was pleased with his side's all-round performance after their eight-wicket win against Punjab Kings at the Rajiv Gandhi International Stadium in Hyderabad on Sunday (April 9). On a night where SRH registered their first points of the season, they ticked most boxes and Markram echoed the same.

"It's tough to say what changed (from previous games), but the execution on the field was better tonight," observed Markram. "We had plans in earlier games too but couldn't execute them properly. Today, I thought we were on point, especially the bowling performance. We took wickets with the new ball, took wickets in the powerplay and put them under pressure. Then a great spell of spin bowling by Mayank."

Markram had words of praise for SRH's hero with the bat, Rahul Tripathi, who overcame an unusually scratchy start to produce a typical innings of counterattack. The duo's unbroken stand ensured that the game was finished with under three overs to spare. At one point, Tripathi was 10 (17) but then racked up 64 off the next 31 deliveries he faced, studded with boundaries and sixes galore.

"It was Rahul being Rahul. He played an incredible knock today. I did speak to him and he told me that he was struggling to rotate strike initially but once he got a feel of the pitch, he put the bowlers under pressure like he always does. Really happy for him. He takes a lot of pressure off the batting unit and his form is exciting for us as a team," Markram said. The surface for the

game sparked interest, given the sporting nature of it. After a belter in the opening game against Rajasthan Royals, this pitch offered a better balance between bat and ball. The new ball swung around while the spinners got purchase as well and the Shikhar Dhawan and Tripathi knocks proved that fluent strokeplay was also possible if one got set as a batter. "The pitch wasn't

completely flat but it was a much better surface from what we encountered at Lucknow. That was a very tough surface and this appeared to be a much better track for us. I personally felt that it had something in it for everyone. It wasn't a 140 surface, maybe a bit more but that's testimony to the way we started with the ball." On a night where nearly everything went right for the Sunrisers, the

one move that appeared to be out of the blue was the decision to open with Harry Brook. The Englishman, who has been running hot in T20 cricket in recent times, has usually plied his trade as a middle-order batter but with SRH still searching for the right overseas combination, he was thrust to the top. Though the move didn't work, Markram threw his weight behind Brook and also explained the rationale

behind the promotion. "He has been in great form pretty much wherever he has played in the last 12-18 months. It's about him freeing himself in the powerplay, hitting cricket shots like he does. He doesn't play a high risk brand of cricket, he generally just plays normal cricket shots hard and in the gap. So we thought that if he could do that in powerplay, we could maximise it. That was the thinking behind the move."

We have to work on our PowerPlay game with the bat: Amre

New Delhi: Amidst all the disappointment expressed publicly by the head coach and the team owner of Delhi Capitals, there is a soothing balm that has come the way of the players, who have kickstarted their IPL 2023 campaign with three straight losses. Those weren't just losses. Lucknow Super Giants, Gujarat Titans and Rajasthan Royals eased past their challenge rather comfortably, enough to almost make it seem like DC were not even in contention for a win.

Batting has been a major let down, fielding has been shoddy in parts and the bowling has lacked venom. However, ahead of their fourth encounter, against Mumbai Indians, batting coach Pravin Amre backed the players to come good. He doesn't look too far beyond Mumbai Indians, their next opponents, to seek inspiration from their 2015 title-winning campaign.

"We are currently focussing on the present and we are looking forward to our match



against Mumbai Indians," Amre said on Monday, in New Delhi. "And the fact that we are playing at home is a plus point for us. IPL is a long tournament, we've seen that teams have lost seven (five) games but still managed to win the championship."

"As a coaching group as well, we believe in this team. We've retained 20 players. We know these boys. It's not like we don't know their ability. It happens some times in big tournaments where you don't start well. But it's important how you finish. We believe in this

team." The concerns on the batting front are manifold. Barring David Warner, none of the top order batters have stayed long enough to make an impact. And even though the DC skipper has stroked two half-centuries, he has scored at an abysmally slow rate of 117.04.

His opening partner, Prithvi Shaw has had it worse, with only 19 runs in three innings. However, Amre has kept his trust on the DC opener and expects him to come good soon. "Prithvi is a capable

batter. But yes, he hasn't delivered according to our expectations. We are hopeful that he will deliver for us in the coming matches. We all know that he has the ability, it's a matter of where he clicks."

In the three games so far, DC have registered 47/2, 52/2 and 38/3 in the PowerPlay. While two out of three might seem decent starts, but those were only aided by the extras conceded by the bowlers. Amre admitted that there is a need to improve the performance in the powerplay. "We have to work on our

powerplay game with the bat," he said. "When your top four batters get runs, then your team is in a different position. We will see who will get those runs for our team. "We are looking to see how we can get that balance in the powerplay - where the aggression and caution is also maintained. 50 for 1 is also a good score, and how we can achieve that is what's going to matter in the coming matches, and that's something our think tank can work on."

One of the silver linings in the batting department has been the form of Axar Patel, who has been in good touch lately and even cracked a crisp 36 against Gujarat Titans. Amre admitted that the think tank could consider giving him a more important role with the bat this season.

"We have a good option with Axar. He has been with us for five years now. The way he has batted for India was remarkable. He is a candidate, especially since he is a left-hander. It's been on our minds on how we can utilize him best."

Premier League: Virgil van Dijk 'Far Better' Than Manchester United Legend Nemanja Vidic, Believes Jamie Carragher



New Delhi: Liverpool defender Virgil van Dijk is "far better" Manchester United legend Nemanja Vidic, believes Jamie Carragher. The Dutch defender is being criticised a lot these days following Liverpool's average performance this season.

Van Dijk is considered as one of the best in the business since his move to Liverpool in January 2018. The Netherlands international moved from Southampton to Anfield for a massive price tag of £75 million (\$93m). He has won a Champions League, Premier League, FA Cup, Carabao Cup, UEFA Super Cup and a FIFA World Club World Cup

with the club. He has made 213 appearances for the club and is still the main defender of Jurgen Klopp's backline. Former Liverpool defender Carragher respond to a tweet suggesting that "Van Dijk's drop off is actually insane" by saying: "VVD is far better than Vidic, who was a top CB, but have you forgot his performances against Torres? Rio & JT had poor seasons in their career like all players, VVD is having one now. No CB in the PL era has ever had VVD's impact on a team. Never mind the best CB in the league, he's been the best player in the league along with KDB for four years

before this one. We have never spoken about about other CB's being the best player before, that shows the level he was at."

Virgil van Dijk is often compared to the likes of some great defenders of the modern era including some names like Sergio Ramos, Carlos Puyol, Nemanja Vidic, Rio Ferdinand and many more. This all has happened since that one season when no one could dribble past the Dutch wall, yes the same season Liverpool went on to win the Premier League. However, former Liverpool footballer Carragher believes he is better from United legend Vidic.

Tillakaratne backs Bangladesh to make an impression in Sri Lanka

New Delhi: Hashan Tillakaratne, Bangladesh women's head coach, feels that playing two-day cricket will help his charges prepare well for the upcoming three-match ODI series against Sri Lanka. BCB recently launched the Bangladesh Cricket League, women's two-day cricket tournament, with the leading cricketers of the country divided into three teams in Khulna.

Following the tournament, Bangladesh began their week long training camp at Khulna's Sheikh Abu Naser Cricket Stadium on Monday (April 10) ahead of the series against Sri Lanka at their own den. Tillakaratne, who joined the women's team in October last

year, watched the players from close quarters during the tournament in order to acquire more knowledge on their strengths and weaknesses.

"The preparation has been really good. I think two-day games will definitely help them to improve their game. After playing two-day game they have learnt so many things so I'm sure the preparation is very good and they will do well in Sri Lanka," Tillakaratne told Cricbuzz.

"I think BCB has taken a very good initiative to introduce two-day cricket to the Bangladesh women's team. I am sure they will use this platform to achieve many things in years to come," he said. The former Sri Lankan batsman added that he



is quite impressed with the fitness of the women cricketers in the longer-version considering the fact it was their maiden journey in red ball cricket. He also added that opener Murshida Khatun, who scored a century in the tournament, will be much better placed as far as understanding her game is concerned

following her long stay at the wicket. "Of course they're fit enough (to play longer-version cricket) because they're checking their fitness regularly and most of the girls do pretty well in their YOYO test," said Tillakaratne. "Happy's (Murshida) 100 is also a brilliant 100 and she is the most

technically correct batter and she is developing and started to know her game so that has been another positive sign of her," he said.

Tillakaratne did not have a good outing so far in the Bangladesh dressing room as they hardly managed to make an impression in the T20 World Cup and in the New

Zealand tour. They lost the three-match T20I series by a clear margin while New Zealand also won the ODI series 1-0 after the final two games were abandoned.

Following the series, Bangladesh went to South Africa to play in the World Cup and lost all four games in the ICC global event, though Tillakaratne feels that their performance does not reflect their real standard.

"Yes true, we failed in the World Cup unfortunately but there's so many positives in our game right now and the girls have learned a lot from those games," he said adding that playing in the sub continent certainly makes them more confident against Sri Lanka.

"As we're going to

play in subcontinent wickets it will help us and it will be a challenging and competitive series. If we can utilize our potential and skills then we can beat them. Of course we have plans against them but I don't think it's the right time to discuss all my plans. Girls are prepared for the challenge. I'm sure they will turn the tables on them and I've a lot of confidence in them."

Tillakaratne added that if right-arm pacer Marufa Akter learns to swing both ways she will be one of the lynchpins in the side going ahead. "Marufa is another young prospect in Bangladesh cricket and I think her performances during the T20 world cup were very amazing and everyone talks

about her performances. I think she will bring so many good things in years to come," he said.

"Yes, she has a very good in swinger and I believe she will develop a good out swinger also in time to come. But right now we are concentrating on what she can do. She is young and she is learning right now. We don't want to put undue pressure on her now as she is enjoying her game. So in years to come she will develop so many things."

The first ODI against Sri Lanka is scheduled to be held on April 29 whereas the next two games will be played respectively on May 2 and 4. The three T20Is are scheduled on May 9, 11 and 12. The ODI series will be part of the ICC Women's Championship.